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Cadet First Lieutenant Paul Watts straightens Eric Hirtle's salute during the opening battalion formation. For other ROTC news, page 8

Student life panel to issue first reports

by Kelly Connor

While walking around Western Maryland's campus, one will notice the on-going renovations in Daniel MacLea Hall and the recent changes made in Engler Dining Hall.

These improvements have been made as part of the Residential Life Sub-committee of the Presidential Commission, on Student Life. This sub-committee, which is one of three, focuses on a variety of issues, ranging from student housing to faculty members living in residences. This group, co-chaired by Dean

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WMC gets favorable notice in "Best Buys"

by Beth Jones

On Oct. 10 Edward B. Fiske's newest college survey book, *The Best Buys in College Education*, will hit the stands. And, it lists WMC as one of the foremost educational values today.

Ms. Joyce Muller, Director of Public Information and power-house behind the effort to get WMC included, believes that the book will prove to be an asset in both the recruitment of new students and the acquisition of grants and endowments. "To say that we have exceptional education at a reasonable price is a positive marketing tool. This will help boost our regional image and I would almost guarantee that this will encourage applications," she says.

Muller cited several programs which enhanced the "uniqueness" of WMC in the



President Robert H. Chambers shows off Fiske's Best Buys

eyes of Fiske during the selection of schools. Among those were the dual major of

economics and business administration, the deaf education program, and both the biology and chemistry departments. She says that another beneficial element was the accreditation by the Middle States Association as a "model school" to be observed by other colleges.

President Robert H. Chambers was equally proud of the accomplishment. "It's a real coup for us to be in this book." Out of 220 schools listed, only 125 are private.

Chambers hopes to derive two basic results from the publication. He looks for the increased advertisement to draw more applicants and endowments, as well as to promote a "general good feeling on campus." The president also predicts that the number of applicants will double in the future from 1,100 to at least 2,000.

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Admissions counselor killed

by Bill Mann

On Monday Sept. 29, admissions counselor and minor recruiter Angel Pichardo died of injuries received in a hit and run incident early Sunday morning on a Prince Georges County sidewalk.

Dean of Admissions, Joan Coley, said of Pichardo, "Angel was only here a short time, but he was so outgoing that we learned to love him. His death has been a blow to

this office and I don't think it has hit us just yet."

Pichardo, 25, who had been employed by the college since the summer, and Beau Miller, 22, were leaving the Classics nightclub, on the 4500 block of Allentown Rd., in Temple Hills, shortly after 3 a.m. Pichardo and Miller were hit by either a Chevrolet Monte Carlo or a Chevrolet Camaro. The driver of the car fled after striking the men.

Both victims were taken to Prince George's Hospital where Pichardo died of multiple wounds at noon on Sunday. Miller was treated and released.

Pichardo graduated from Mount Saint Mary's College with a degree in Political Science. Before coming to WMC, he was employed by the Muhlentberg-Reading school system.

Sidelights: What sort of assistance will best help the struggling American farmer?

moratorium on foreclosures

direct aid from Congress

private fundraisers (Farm-Aid)

no assistance / other

10 20 30 40 50 60 70

Number of people

survey sample: 126

source: Phoenix

Contrast hits shelves

After several delays, the 1985 issue of *Contrast*, Western Maryland College's literary magazine, is finally released.

Featuring original poetry, artwork, and photography, *Contrast* provides WMC's student body with an outlet to express literary ideas on this campus. It has traced the changes in thinking and artistic expression on this campus over the years, and has been a tradition at WMC since 1957.

Margaret Jacobs, the magazine's editor, believes that the 1985 issue is one to be proud of. "A lot of hard work and

effort has gone into the writing and planning, and I feel the result is a good representation of the student's artistic abilities."

Jacobs also stresses the need for more student involvement. "If several people on this campus contribute a little of their time, talent, and ideas to this endeavor, Western Maryland could benefit from an excellent collection of artistic expressions through a minimal effort. I sincerely wish to keep this tradition and this art form alive as a means of expression on this campus."

According to Jacobs, *Contrast* should get off to a good

start this fall." She expects a larger staff this year, as well as an editorial board, which may be formed in order to exchange ideas about submissions.

"New students are welcome to contribute their writings, artwork, or photography. We are also open to new ideas, suggestions and organizational advice. I feel that with a lot of input, this year's issue of *Contrast* will be even better," she says.

Copies of the 1985 issue are now available for purchase in the bookstore, and are also on loan at Hoover Library.

Panel on student life to give findings

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Philip Sayre, is also involved in the physical dimension of WMC, which is evident in the recent renovations.

Another are this sub-committee is researching is the issue of "common space." "There's definitely a need for more common space, especially lounges, on WMC's campus. We need more open spaces for a shared community," Sayre says. He further added that this topic also concerns the future of Greek club rooms.

Dr. Francis Fennell, co-chair of the commission stresses the main goal of this study is to strike a balance between the social and academic life at WMC, yet he agrees with Sayre that space is a big

issue, especially with the Greeks. "Something has to be resolved and compromised. We hope to reach some decisions on how to plan Greek organizations by the end of this year," says Fennell. "However, it's not unrealistic to consider the notion of eliminating Greeks from this campus altogether. But then again, things may stay the same." General guidelines for housing Greeks, as well as freshmen, will be evaluated.

The third sub-committee on Social Life is studying the general issue of social activities on campus, and problems related to drug and alcohol abuse. The role of independents, women minorities, and other special populations

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Computer lab designed to aid student writing

by Robin Adams

In the enclosed room they sit, eyes fixed upon the mechanism which rests before them, fingers steadily tapping on the keyboard. Back and forth the rhythm goes — an entry by the operator, an action or reply by the machine.

The place — Memorial Hall, Western Maryland College

The scene — A WMC student using one of the 20 new Macintosh computers which were installed this summer after three years of debate. Five new printers were also purchased for use with the system.

The school received bids from several different companies and eventually decided to do business with Westminster Computers, Inc., who installed the equipment and will also service it. Dr. Leroy Panek, an English professor, was responsible for convincing the school to invest the capital of \$20,000 in this project.

The Macintosh system was chosen over others, Panek explains, because of its quick reaction time after the issuance of a command. The operator uses a floppy disk which is inserted directly into the computer. Another advantage to the system is that a person may take the floppy disk with him, which insures the safety of the information stored. "The Macintosh sys-



Freshman Mark Woodward works with a new Apple Macintosh computer in the writing center

tem makes work easier through the ease of simplistic editing," says Panek. "This leaves time for more important things like structuring and proofreading."

The Macintosh is quicker and easier for beginners "to learn on" than other systems. A student needs no previous experience with a computer, but only a one hour training session to inform him of necessary commands and special features. Outside of the computer center on the second floor of Memorial Hall, is a bulletin board where stu-

dents may sign up to learn "just how easy it is to operate the Macintosh." So far, Panek explains, the training sessions seem to be successful, with many eager writers buying their disks and beginning those long hours in the computer room. For the training session, software is provided.

Panek urges computer enthusiasts and beginners alike to make use of the writing center. Interested students must sign up for one of the training sessions, and purchase a disk. The Writing Center is currently open Sunday to Thursday, 6 pm-9pm.



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Smith receives additional funds for cancer research

Dr. Richard H. Smith, professor of chemistry, has been selected to receive additional support for his research into the causes and cures of cancer.

The recipient of a National Institutes of Health senior research fellowship, Smith has been on sabbatical this past year to engage in full-time research at the Frederick Cancer Research Facility in Frederick, MD. His research has focused on a particular group of chemicals known as alkylating agents, which may include agents that are both carcinogenic and chemotherapeutic.

"Two of the four compounds I have been working with show sufficient promise in the

treatment of cancer to be selected for Phase II trials at the National Cancer Institute in their anti-tumor drug-screening program," Smith said recently from his laboratory at the Frederick Cancer Research Facility (FCRF).

"I've also been working with three new compounds that show even greater promise as anti-cancer drugs," Smith said, adding that the compounds will begin NCI testing soon. Smith's work has also been awarded a grant-in-aid from The Petroleum Research Fund. The PRF grant of \$15,000 will provide for the purchase of a computer for use in his research and for two students, beginning in 1986.

The students, who will reside on the campus will help to provide background data for Smith's research at FCRF.

A recent WMC graduate and a current student received internships to work with Smith this summer. Andy Mehl, who graduated in May with a major in chemistry, and Jennifer Brashears, a junior biology major, have been assisting him in his cancer research.

"Working at FCRF provides invaluable experience for these students," Smith said. "Some of these students are already earning credit for publications that have grown out of their research at FCRF and Western Maryland."

Vice-President appointed for college relations

President Robert H. Chambers has announced the appointment of Walter L. Wahlen as the vice president for college relations.

The former vice president for development and college relations at Rider College in Lawrenceville, New Jersey, Wahlen lists his single most satisfying achievement at Rider as managing the public relations aspects of Rider's relocation from downtown Trenton to its present suburban campus. It was a move that entailed transforming Rider's image from that of a small business college to one of a respected, multi-purpose institution of higher learning.

During a 35-year professional association with Rider, Wahlen was a visible and an influential spokesperson for his alma mater, establishing a reputation as a popular toastmaster known for his deft humor. He was also actively involved in community affairs and received many honors for outstanding citizenship, including the Distinguished Service Award as one of five Outstanding Young Men in New Jersey.

At Western Maryland the



Walter L. Wahlen,
Vice president for
College Relations

56-year-old Long Island native has been particularly impressed with "the sense of warmth and openness that everyone has toward the college and toward each other."

"There isn't any sharp division between faculty and administration," he says. "We're all working together."

Wahlen thinks that the "family feeling" at the college can help us establish a "stronger presence in Baltimore and Washington" by, for instance, "looking for ways that our alumni can provide more meaningful assistance to our admissions effort."

The former YMCA, Mercer Medical Center, and Rotary Club board member is a "strong believer that the academic world should be involved in the community."

A broader view to the outside world is reflected in the renaming of WMC's Development Division to the division of College Relations.

"The word *development* identifies strongly with fundraising, and that's too narrow a focus for the goals of this division," Wahlen says. "*College Relations* connotes the much broader concept of friend raising -- with all of WMC's external publics. And that will be our primary thrust."

"I firmly believe," Wahlen says, "that if the college fulfills its mission properly, it will attract good and loyal friends, who in turn will provide deserving financial support for worthy purposes."

Cole encourages housing creativity

by Stefani Call

Looking forward to a productive year, Charlene Cole, the new Associate Dean of Student Affairs, says, "I think that the students can expect me to be fair and open-minded."

Cole, originally from Pittsburgh, PA, obtained her bachelor's degree at Oberlin College in Ohio, received her law degree at the University of Pittsburgh, and is now a member of the Pennsylvania State Bar Association. She believes that her legal background will aid her at WMC, explaining, "I try to be fair and not to impose my personal views on decisions."

In student affairs since 1978, Cole has held several positions at other institutions. Her first job, at the University of Pittsburgh, was as judicial officer. Here she handled discipline and gave legal advice to the vice-chancellor on student and housing issues.

In 1981 Cole continued work as a judicial officer where she was promoted in 1983 to Assistant Dean of Students. In this position, she again handled discipline as well as minority student affairs and the Greek council.

From Florida State University, Cole comes to WMC to take on the responsibilities of student orientation, discipline, and resident life.

At WMC, Cole wants to move toward a "peer-body concept," where students actively participate in all major decisions. She has successfully employed this approach at other colleges and hopes



**Associate Dean of
Students, Dr. Charlene Cole**

to institute it here. Cole would also like to improve the summer orientation program in order to retain more students and to make them "happier."

As Director of Office of Resident Life, Cole intends to introduce several ideas. "I would like to see creativity in housing," she says. One possible option would be "interest housing" where people of similar pursuits are placed together. A group of student writers, for example, might be assigned to the same dorm floor.

Working previously in large institutions has not affected Cole's perception of WMC. She likes to compare it to her alma mater, Oberlin, insisting that getting used to the larger schools was difficult. "I have a small school perspective," Cole says. "I enjoy being back."

New I.D. card system upgrades meal services

by Leo Ryan

VALI-DINE is the new student I.D. card system at WMC this year. It's high tech, cost efficient, and expandable.

Mr. Dan Yeager, director of food services, was instrumental in implementing the system. He explains that when a student's card is punched into the scanning machine in the dining hall, the number encoded in the card's magnetic strip goes directly to a central processing unit (CPU), where the student's file is accessed. The CPU determines whether the student is on the meal plan and whether or not he has already eaten that meal. The diversity of this new system enables it to access not only a student's meal plan, but his date of birth as well. The Pub, the Forum, the Gold Room — and the library have all been equipped to use the new system.

The Pub, for instance, will use the system to determine who is of legal drinking age.

A similar policy will be used at social functions in the Forum and the Gold Room.

Yeager says that one of the best things about the new card is that they "can't be altered." This will free the college from many of the legal complications involved in serving minors.

In light of this new policy, an interesting question concerning the value of beer at the Pub is raised. Philip Sayre, Dean of Student Affairs, explains the last fall 46 per cent of the student body was "legal." This fall, less than 20 per cent are so, although that number will increase to 32 per cent by the middle of the spring semester. Could this mean the end of beer in the Pub? Dean Sayre says "no." "This question has arisen many times before," he says, "and each time we decided that we should not get rid of beer at the Pub. There will always be one class that is eligible to drink, and it is not fair to penalize them."

Dr. Margaret Denman-West, director of Public Services

and Senior Librarian, believes that the new I.D.'s "will make it easier to trace who has a particular book." Students will no longer "sign out" books at the library. Instead, library cards will be "plated" — much as credit cards are "plated" in department stores — with the student's I.D. card.

The new system was implemented mostly for the benefit of the dining hall, to help maintain the cost of the meal plan. But one of the main reasons why VALI-DINE was less than other services was that it is "upgradable." Limited meal plans for commuters and students who live in the Garden Apartments are possible through the VALI-DINE system. Another intriguing option is the use of identification cards for dorm access.

Lost or damaged cards will be replaced by the Student Affairs Office for a fee of \$15. To best protect the new cards, students are encouraged to avoid placing their cards near or on any magnetic devices

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Editorial

Revitalized SGA still hanging tough

Anyone sitting here watching people going into the Student Government Association would marvel at the fact that it is a month into the school year and the SGA is still functioning. The traffic that slips in and out of the suite is not that of strangers; they are actually regulars.

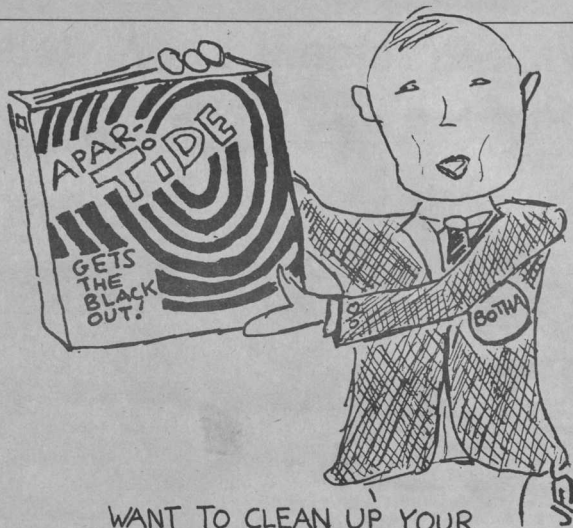
It is no secret that the SGA on this campus has been regarded as everything from a farce to a nice try. Most of the administrations are either inactive, or so completely mired in the workings of a college bureaucracy that action is impossible. There are some basic truths that can not be ignored by the administration or the student body. The SGA of any institution has a great deal of power if the office is healthy and is backed by a thinking and united student body.

The problems of student governments all over the world, not just in Carroll County, range from power struggles with similar offices of the college, to incredible apathy. There is a good reason for the existence of a student government; students have just not learned what a thinking body can do for them.

Senior Mike Miller is the SGA president and, right off the bat, he has a few things going for him that are new to the office of president. According to Peter Brooks, last year's president, Miller has "revolutionized" the SGA. Miller has "streamlined" the number of senators and created a strong central core of advisors, a palace guard that will not only work, but grow in the process.

Miller has first seen to the organization's textural needs. Each member was provided with an information packet as a general reference. In addition, the new senators have a reason to stick around; their offices have been refurbished with a coat of paint, carpeting and furniture, which was provided by the SGA.

Even greater than the spit-and-polish achievements, though, is the cultivated desire to work for someone who has a goal beyond the bid for homecoming. Indeed, to hear Miller speak is to realize that there are ideas that can be backed with action, for he has already cleared the highest hurdle—getting his staff to reappear.



Letters to the Editor

First Principles have fallen by the wayside

Editor,

Whatever happened to the all important First Principles that Western Maryland College so highly regards, as well as the Student Rights and Responsibilities upon which all disciplinary action is based. In particular, those principles and responsibilities related to the creation of a "humane environment so that they (the students) may see and work toward their personal goals while respecting others and sharing responsibility for the common good."

The First Principles continue "Western Maryland College believes that liberally educated men and women think and act critically, creatively and humanely... In the classrooms, in the dormitories, in the laboratories, on the playing fields, and in the lounges, Western Maryland College works to disseminate these First Principles." As in the case with any contact, which in theory is the nature of the relationship between the Students and Western Maryland there exists mutually agreed upon obligations and respon-

sibilities. Western Maryland College according to these First Principles agrees to provide and protect a humane environment. In return, the students will act according to administrative guidelines and rules which forbid "Dishonesty, such as cheating, plagiarism, or knowingly furnishing false information to the college, and harassment, intimidation of an individual, physical abuse of any person or conduct that threatens or endangers the health or safety of any person on college premises or at college-sponsored or college-supervised functions." Western Maryland asserts that violators are subject to disciplinary action to be determined by the appropriate organization or administrator.

For an institution which preaches these ideals with such reverence, it is impossible to conceptualize how that same institution can allow a constant violator to remain a functional part of the college community. The administration has on several different occasions acknowledged that

a particular individual knowingly provided false and misleading information to the administration, as well as numerous professors and students. If this alone is not enough, it is the same false information that is going to allow this individual to walk across the stage in May with honors. Where is Western Maryland's Code of Honor, the community effort towards a common good and the promised disciplinary action of the administration? If the highly regarded First Principles and Student Rights and Responsibilities are not applicable in a case as serious as this... What is their purpose? It would appear the administration does not take its part of the contract (to protect student's rights) very seriously; for the entire student population, with or without its knowledge is a victim of one individual's dishonesty. It is a most disturbing and distressing phenomena in an institution which claims to be dedicated to higher education; academic and social.

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60 seconds on campus

What was your first impression of WMC?



Everybody seemed real close and friendly. I love Rouzer! I think the Pub's very nice.

Sandy Ferrell



Really beautiful! People are really nice. The science department is really good.

Todd Wilen



Everyone was very nice. The activities kept me involved.

Kim Lohmann



I wanted to go to a small school. People were very nice to me.

Jay Wilson



Beautiful campus! Good architecture. I'm really amazed at the Physical Education Learning Center.

Capt. Fitzgerald
Military Science Dept.

C. Lloyd Hart

"It slices, it dices, it even makes Julienne fries"

It's true - people will buy anything, especially if they can order it right off their television screens.

Remember the smokeless ashtray, the record vacuum and the garden weasel? Well it's not surprising because apparently you weren't the only one who didn't buy one. And it's a shame too. These were the kind of products that really made a statement about America. A land of opulence and wealth where anyone can melt a dollar's worth of plastic into something utterly worthless and sell it for \$9.95. Or \$19.95. Or \$29.95.

Every insomniac or somnambulant who is determined not to fall asleep before Satur-

day Night Live is over, or more recently before Late Night with David Letterman even comes on, grudgingly pulls on the hip boots and wades through the oceans of commercial gems every time someone says "and we'll be right back". And they do come back, but not in time to prevent you from becoming the proud owner of two electric egg scramblers, \$100,000 worth of veteran's insurance, and the Civil War Chess Set. By this time it doesn't matter who's back, because you've got so much junk in your living room you can't see the TV set. But that won't stop the flooding because even if you can't see Slim Whitman singing "Rose Marie", that piercing yodel will send you

running to the phone to order the latest recycling of the hits of the number one recording star in England four years in a row, a feat not equalled by even Elvis or the Beatles.

But if recording artists you've never heard of just don't cut it anymore and you long for the days of old, there's only one place to turn - the legend that was Ronco. Can one among us look at dull, lifeless vegetables and not recall those immortal words, "it slices, it dices, it even makes Julienne fries?" Who doesn't owe a small thank you to the company that made it possible to sharpen everything from paring knives to battle axes in six easy strokes, while simulta-

neously keeping your records free of harmful dust and lint? And don't forget that it was Ronco that gave us the Auto-cup, which overnight elevated the dribble glass to an art form.

Great as its place in history may be, Ronco didn't quite corner the market even in juicer attachments. A number of companies, located somewhere in Connecticut, advertised such wonders as a hand held device that would iron your drapes while they were still hanging on the rods and three foot fingernails that transformed you into an instant Dr. No. And who could do without that secret powder, that with a hot iron and scrap of cloth magically re-

paired even ugly cigarette burns.

Marvels of science that they were, not even the original bamboo steamer could hold a candle to the ultimate in cutlery - The Ginsu - a knife so sharp that even after cutting rubber pipes, tin cans, and two-by-fours it still cuts with laser precision. The Ginsu knife was singularly responsible for eliminating the need to karate chop tomatoes and stick your foot through a watermelon.

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Chambers evaluates WMC, one year later

by Chuck Weinstein

A year ago Western Maryland College experienced more than just a simple personnel change. The presidency of the college changed hands for only the sixth time in the 118 year history of the institution. And in but one year, changes have occurred that are welcomed by some and criticized by others. In the following interview with Phoenix staff writer Chuck Weinstein, Dr. Robert Hunter Chambers, III, reflects on the first year of his presidency.

Weinstein: What was your most memorable experience in your first year?

Chambers: My most memorable experience was the successful completion of the college's largest fundraising effort ever, in the campaign for the Physical Education Learning Center. We had no fundraising experience, no vice-president of fundraising and \$9,000 to go. Big gains had already been made and we needed to reach six million dollars by mid-June in order to achieve a challenge grant.

In January the situation did not look positive and doubts were running through many people's minds. Everyone at the college then pulled together: trustees, alumni, members of the development staff, student volunteers, dining room service and we made it with a few bucks to spare. That was when I knew I was at a special place. Results were fun and we learned a lot from this. When you have a product you believe in, it makes it fun. If we didn't reach this goal, it would have been a disaster.

Weinstein: What was the highlight of your first year?

Chambers: I don't want to be known as just a fundraiser. I am also an academic per-



Dr. Robert H. Chambers, III

son, teacher, and member of the faculty. My highlight is every Tuesday afternoon at 2 pm while I'm teaching American Literature.

Other highlights include working with alumni. I enjoy traveling and meeting these alumni as far away as Phoenix, Houston, Dallas, Miami, Ft. Lauderdale, Orlando, Baltimore and the like. There are many alumni out there doing many things and it's a good way to get to know the college better.

Working along with the faculty is another highlight; getting to know them and overcoming problems. Also, I enjoy working with people in the town.

If I had to pick one specific event it would be inauguration on Nov. 10. Not because it had to do with me; rather, it was a college celebration that went off beautifully. The food was great, the sun was shining, and representatives from many universities got to see this place. It was an opportunity to celebrate and say, "We are good!"

Weinstein: What improvements have been made since you've been here that you count yourself at least partially responsible for?

Chambers: No one person accomplishes much without a lot of people. When you have a change of administration there's an opportunity to inject a new kind of energy and vitality which I have tried to do. It hasn't been dead here, but after a year I feel a greater energy in the environment and a greater joy. People seem to be up more.

One example is the ragtime concert the other day in Alumni. I dragged my son in there and he loved it. That type of interesting events we need to have more of. We are having discussions on South Africa and we're having book reviews by faculty members. This alleviates spending money and makes use of our own people.

We are trying to bring interesting visitors. We had Kurt Schmoke, state's attorney for Baltimore City at the inauguration as well as Pulitzer Prize

winner Gary Trudeau, a chief creator behind Sesame Street, and literary scholars. These people are now part of the Western Maryland family.

This year we have been in contact with Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives, Tip O'Neill, and trying to get him to speak here. This is important and I'm proud of it. I didn't do this by myself. It takes many people.

Our greatest asset is the loveliness of this campus. We are working on keeping it lovely and improving upon it. The dining hall is one thing. I wanted it to look better and we have improved the appearance.

Weinstein: You appear pleased with the results.

Chambers: I am happy with the improvements. We are all doing a pretty good job: faculty and administration are pulling together and we're moving along a high road. WMC is a fine college. The problem is that not enough people know this. Bringing in the Trudeau's and the O'Neill's helps. With the help of Joyce Muller we are listed on page 369 of the Selective Guide to Colleges 1984-85, Vol 2, The Best Buys in College Education. Even with the increase in tuition, we are still a best buy. Also, the new alumni magazine, *The Hill*, is symbolic of the "new" Western Maryland. It went from an undistinguished tabloid magazine to one that sits around a coffee table.

We have had the creation of the Commission on Student Life. The commission is made up of four trustees, four alumni, four faculty, four students, and four people from the campus staff. We will be making recommendations which will affect the life on campus.

In the academic area we are proud of our new word processing lab. We are now discussing the creation of an honors program.

Weinstein: What has been some disappointments?

Chambers: I can say that we haven't had any major disappointments yet. You just always want things to move faster. Also, I am disappointed that I had to make administrative decisions such as firing employees, which I do not enjoy.

Weinstein: In what direction is Western Maryland headed and what do you see in the future for the college?

Chambers: Western Maryland is headed upward and onward. I see great things. There is nothing holding us back. We have as fine a campus as you can find in a school of our type, including a superior location and the right attitude. We are on our way.

We want to be recognized as one of the best small colleges in the country — not just a regional college. We want to attract students from Idaho, as well as Pennsylvania and New Jersey. We want more foreign students and a more diverse mix.

I am looking forward to the next capital campaign in four to five years, to raise several million dollars to improve the library, science facilities, arts facilities, as well as increasing faculty salaries and endowments. We want to double the current \$10 million endowment to \$20 million.

Western Maryland will continue to attract the strongest possible students. We will continue to make a fuss about this school. It's fun to talk about Western Maryland and describe its qualities. There are opportunities to do a lot of neat things for a school that has a lot going for itself.

Wendy Haug

Performing arts: fun, educational, and good for you

When we think of performing arts, we think of musicians, dancers, and actors who enjoy sharing their talents. But here at a liberal arts college, everyone is a part of this department.

Hours upon hours are spent warming up, stretching out, playing scales, learning to project — anything at all for one individual striving to be the best he can be in his gifted field.

Eventually, some sort of performance is usually given so that others have the opportunity to come learn things

outside of their own discipline. According to Carl Dietrich, a music professor who has been at WMC for eighteen years, this is what the "liberal arts ethic" is all about. Dietrich believes that students are at this liberal arts college to get the best well-rounded education possible, and when student attendance at their concerts, these performances is low, "they're gypping themselves out."

Band and Choir are examples of organizations that sometimes have only average attendance at their concerts. These groups would like to

see more people in the audience not only to have people to perform for, but also, as far as Dietrich is concerned, so people can appreciate and learn from it. Both of these organizations have a variety in their styles of music, whether it's a Broadway medley or classical Bach. Therefore, more knowledge can be gained not only about the discipline, but within the discipline.

There are many exciting events happening this year. The Theatre Department will be putting on four major

Sophocles

Antigone

Oct. 10-13

shows, the first of which is *Antigone* to be performed Oct. 10-13; come watch each director's and each actor's style as the year progresses. The Concert Choir is under

the new direction of Beverly Chandler; come hear the beautiful sounds she can create blending young voices. Most students taking music lessons will perform in a recital; come hear what they've learned and share in their excitement. Band members dutifully practice twice a week; come hear the lovely orchestrations of the different composers.

Yes, performing arts is a field belonging to those with a special ability to make music, act or dance. But everyone at a liberal arts college is a part of this process.

Five teams kick-off season, get mixed results

Terror football drops first two

The 1985 athletic schedule at Western Maryland College shifted into high gear last week as all five teams opened play. On Sept. 21 the football team began on the wrong foot with a 41-7 setback at Gettysburg, while the soccer team rebounded from two defeats to knock off FDU-Madison for their first win. Also on Saturday the Green and Gold Volleyball team captured the Mary Washington College tournament, while the field hockey team won two of three matches and the cross-country team opened its season in the Washington College Invitational.

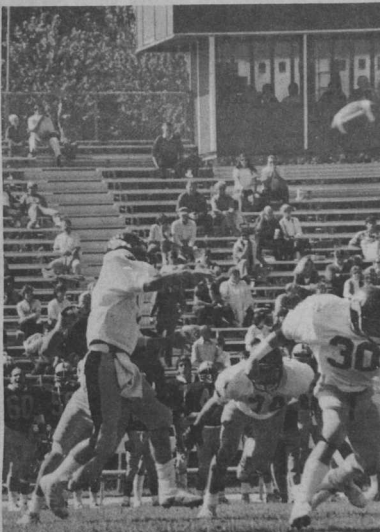
FOOTBALL

On Sept. 21, the gridders suffered a 41-7 defeat at the hands of the defending Centennial Football Conference champions, Gettysburg. The Green had tied the score midway through the 1st period when quarterback Scott Bassett threw an eight-yard scoring pass to tight-end Larry Smith. But that was the only highlight of the afternoon. Fred Sisk and John Stonebraker had good games recording five and four pass receptions respectively. Linebackers Tony Callahan and Rodney Joiner led the defense with 12 tackles apiece.

Western Maryland's football team lost their second game at home 20-6 against Ursinus last Saturday, Sept. 28. The Terror's lone score was set up by a Bassett pass to Darrell Guyton who then ran fifty-three yards to the Ursinus 32-yard line. Five plays later Bassett sneaked into the end-zone on a quarterback draw, but the extra point failed. Pete Wilson shone on defense with eleven tackles and one sack.

VOLLEYBALL

The netters captured their



Ursinus Quarterback lofts pass as Terror offence looks on from sidelines

third Mary Washington tournament title in four years with a 5-15, 15-7, 17-15 win over Chowan Junior College in the championship match on Saturday, Sept. 21. WMC had earlier turned back Gettysburg, Mary Washington, and North Carolina Wesleyan. Junior Karen Miles was named the most valuable player of the tournament and she was joined on the all-tourney team by seniors Nicky Pesik and Linda Bawiec. The Terror's opened their season with victories over Notre Dame, 15-11, 15-7, and Johns Hopkins, 15-10, 15-4.

FIELD HOCKEY

Senior Alyce Harden and freshman Sandi Stevens each tallied a goal and sophomore goaltender Liz Harden notched her second shutout on Sept. 17 as Western Maryland whitewashed York 2-0. Nancy Hutchinson, Margie Meehan and Stevens each scored a goal as the Green also shutout Juniata, 3-0 on Sept. 14. But the WMC win streak stopped at two when Franklin and Marshall blanked them 1-0, on Saturday, Sept. 21.

Soccer club works toward varsity status

by Sandy Brant

Soccer is just a kick in the grass!

With the arrival of September, a group of Western Maryland women met on the old women's hockey field with soccer balls, cleats, and a lot of enthusiasm. Juniors Vera Strothman and Jill Hollman, along with sophomore Terri Paddy, have worked hard to promote the formation of a women's soccer club, with hopes of incorporating a varsity women's soccer team for WMC.

Ever since the large turnout last fall for intramural women's soccer, steps have been taken to form a club. Enthusiasm is what started the club and dedication is what will hopefully get games scheduled with women's soccer teams from other colleges, high schools, or recreation councils.

"Since the club is still in its planning phase, we will mostly play teams during practices or in scrimmages," commented Strothman. "It should be easier to set up

games next year, because the schedules are already planned for this season."

Strothman also stressed the support of the Physical Education Department, especially the help of Dr. Carol Fritz and Dr. Rick Carpenter. However, most of the success of the club is due to the initiative of the members.

"There are around 21 members on the roster, and everyone has been working real hard at the practices, which are held Monday-Friday, 4-5:30," added Strothman. "We have a lot of experienced players, who have shown a lot of interest."

Val Butta, one of the team players, feels that there is a good possibility that a varsity team status will be reached. "We work well as a team, on and off the field, but we need more school support."

However, "it usually takes an organization two years with good support with a club status in order to be considered for a varsity sport," Strothman added. "It's still not too late to join the women's soccer club. Anyone with a desire and dedication to play should come out to practice."

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lation groups will figure prominently in the findings. Suggestions, which deal mostly with intrinsic changes, must be made, and values, on how students use time, will be

examined. "We hope to plan a lot of student involvement, being as open and honest with them as possible," stresses Fennell.

Progress reports will be made at a meeting on Monday, Oct. 7.

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Strong, but uneven play still nets two wins

by Cynthia Schafer

The Western Maryland men's soccer team opened their home season undefeated in two contrasting games. While the Terrors showed a superb offense in their 8-0 victory over Lebanon Valley on Sept. 25, they had an equally impressive defense in their hard fought overtime tie of Gettysburg 0-0.

The lead man in the Lebanon Valley victory was junior Steve Lutche who led the team by scoring three of the eight goals and having one assist. Sophomore frontlines man Jon Anderson had a good day scoring one goal and two assists. Senior Chris Paolone had one goal and an assist. The rest of the scoring was rounded out by a goal by Joe Nattans, Mark Wana-maker and Rich Metz. Brian Nicholas and Rich Hermanson contributed with one assist each. By the end of the game the team had taken 37 shots on goal.

The Gettysburg game highlighted the work of the defensemen, senior Mike Paglione, junior Brian Nicholas, sophomore Dennis Synder, and most of all Phil Blatz and goalie Don Gardiner. Blatz and Gardiner were essential to the shutout.

In previous games, WMC took FDU-Madison, 3-1 on Sept. 20-21 in the Moravian tournament. The Terrors were defeated by the hosts 5-2. The first contest of the season on Sept. 17 was a disappointment following a 6-0 trashing by the Ursinus Bears.

Coach Mike Williams sounded guardedly optimistic about the 1985 season. The Terrors only lost three lettermen to graduation and Williams says "we are better on paper than last year, but we need to play well for 90 minutes to win. There will be no more easy games. I will be satisfied with a 500 season but feel we can do better than that." The Terrors have an overall 2-2-1.

ROTC cadets advance, 14 scholarships given

by Owen Limstrom

Western Maryland College's Military Science Department experienced an active summer, for it held the annual commissioning ceremonies as well as welcomed the incoming MS I class.

The department commissioned 13 former WMC cadets as Second Lieutenants in the US Army on May 25. The ceremony was held in Alumni Hall and the guest speaker was Major General Charles D. Bussey, Chief of Public Affairs for the Army. Also in attendance were President Robert H. Chambers and Lieutenant Colonel Julius D. Duvall, former Professor of Military Science at WMC.

Fifteen more WMC cadets will receive similar treatment on June 1, 1986, for having completed ROTC Advanced camp '85 at Fort Bragg, North Carolina this past summer. Advanced Camp provides an environment where they can demonstrate profi-

ciency in the leadership and practical skills. In fact, cadet Scott Austensen distinguished himself in physical fitness by setting a camp record of 130 pushups.

Two other WMC students, Dan Pipes and Buddy Parker, attended Basic Camp at Fort Knox, Kentucky, which allows students who have not participated in the ROTC Basic course to pursue a commission as a Second Lieutenant.

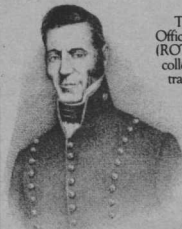
In addition, a number of other students attended specialized training during the summer. Vera Strothman, Todd Mitchell, Mike McInerney and Brian Miller completed Airborne School, while Chris Ginther earned his wings at Air Assault School. John Lambeth cooled off "naturally" as he attended Northern Warfare School in Alaska. Two other WMC cadets, Eric Hopkins and Mike Birmingham took part in the Cadet Troop Leadership Training program.

Furthermore, the Military Science Department announced that 14 WMC stu-

dents had received ROTC scholarships. Buddy Parker, Vera Strothman, Marc Yates, and David Stroud received two year awards, while Blake Austensen, Nancy Boore, Mark Buckley, Gary Goldberg, Lee Schiller and Jenny Wise were awarded three year scholarships. Four year winners were David Castellano, Jennifer McLeod, Christopher Morris and Jay Wilson. This brings the total number of cadets receiving scholarships to 28, and each award is valued at over \$6,500. Through Army ROTC scholarships, WMC will receive nearly \$200,000 in tuition payments this school year.

The ROTC department also welcomed a new cadre member this past summer, while saying farewell to another. Captain Michael Fitzgerald comes to WMC from the Republic of Korea. He is a Field Artilleryman and a graduate of the University of Notre Dame. Fitzgerald replaces Captain James Martin, who was re-assigned in Alexandria, Va.

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Agnes of God soars

by Jonathan Slade

Thank God. Or, more appropriately, thank *Agnes of God*.

With all the blood-lusting Rambo-like trash that has recently infiltrated theatres, and the real-weird-science-genius type flicks that have sneaked in between, the viewing public may no longer hold a resolute faith in Hollywood.

Agnes, then, comes at a time when we need it most, reconfirming our belief in the motion picture industry.

Starring Jane Fonda as court-appointed psychiatrist Dr. Martha Livingston, this Columbia Pictures production follows Livingston's investigation of a young innocent named Agnes (Meg Tilly) who has given birth inside a convent. The baby, however, is dead upon the paramedics' arrival, and the question arises as to whether the infant was murdered. Meanwhile, Anne Bancroft plays the somewhat worldly Mother Superior, Sister Miriam Ruth, who attempts to maintain the peace during the justice department's intrusion into her religious sphere.

Indeed, the strength of

Agnes bursts forth from the depth of its performers. Fonda is independent, compulsive, and yet sincerely compassionate. Somehow it seems ironic that she, a fitness and workout guru, portrays a character who chain-smokes. But this idiosyncrasy in no way injures the film. Certainly, Fonda will be one of the first to receive an Academy Award nomination this time around.

And, not far behind her in the Oscar line stands Tilly, who shines with such naivete, that we see in her adult character an inquisitive eight year old. We are easily led to believe that she knows nothing of her own pregnancy, and that God is everything in her life. It is fascinating how much vitality Tilly conveys, even though only her face shows through the loosely-fitting nun's habit.

Bancroft, in addition, completes this triad of excellence. Her Mother Superior strives with extreme persistence to avoid an all-out clash of the secular and the sacred. Surely the most enjoyable relationship in the movie is that of Bancroft's character and Fonda's — it is here that the

three dimensional personalities of John Pielmeier's screenplay truly come alive.

Director Norman Jewison, however, also deserves congratulations. He has captured on film the sweet, pious serenity of a convent, and artfully contrasted it with the hectic existence outside its walls. Furthermore, he tells this tale with a subtle wit, constantly poking fun at man's innate sinfulness.

And all the while we are treated to Sven Svist's stark, yet beautiful cinematography, and George Delerue's slightly ominous musical score.

Perhaps the most intriguing aspect of *Agnes of God*, however, is that it forces the audience to think. Viewers leave the theatre pondering, among other things, which laws are more binding — those of the court or those of divine doctrine. And though no definite answer will develop out of such discourse, it is impressive that the movie stimulates more serious mental activity than the entire list of summer releases.

Indeed, the public has finally received a quality product. And amen to that.

Ladies First explores lives of first ladies

WMC will present the talented actress Robin Lane in the one-woman dramatic presentation *Ladies First* on Thursday, Nov. 7 at 8 pm in the Dorothy Elderdice Theatre of Alumni Hall.

In *Ladies First*, Lane, who researched and wrote the play, explores the feelings and experiences of five American First Ladies: Rachel Jackson, Julia Tyler, Mary Lincoln, Eleanor Roosevelt, and Jacqueline Kennedy.

Lane is a direct descendant of Abigail Adams, wife of America's second president, and mother of John Quincy Adams. In preparation of this dramatic presentation, Lane viewed films and listened to tapes to authenticate the vocal inflection and mannerisms of Mrs. Roosevelt and Mrs. Kennedy.

Ladies First is sponsored by the WMC College Activities



Actress Robin Lane stars in *Ladies First*

Programming Board. Admission is \$2 for the general public. For more information call 848-7000, extension 265.

Antigone to run Oct. 10-13

Sophocles' *Antigone*, the classic drama which debates whether the laws of God supercede those of humans, will be performed by the Department of Performing Arts on Thursday, Oct. 10 - Sunday, Oct. 13. All shows will begin at 8 pm in the Dorothy Elderdice Theatre in Alumni Hall.

"This Greek play with more than any other, deals with issues that are timeless and that cross all geographical and political boundaries," says Tim Weinfield, director of the

drama and associate professor of performing arts.

The acting company for the play includes guest artist Terry Long, who comes to WMC from Ogden, Utah. Representing the faculty is Dr. Raymond C. Phillips, professor of English, in the role of Teiresias. Jeff Kirkwood, a graduate student in deaf education, will play Haemon. Middle school student Aislyn Weinfeld will be one of the choral voices.

WMC undergraduates participating in the production include Amy Wiczorek, Tracy Tokar, Faron Mueller, Laura King, Julie Ann Elliott, Joel Tyberg, Bernadette Marra, Amy Ross, Jan Murphy and Kendra McCauley. There will also be an appearance by members of the college choir under the direction of Beverly Chandler.

Tickets for the play are \$1 for students and \$2 for the public. For more information call 848-7000, extension 599.

College "Best Buys" includes WMC listing

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"More applicants mean that we can be more selective, better selection means a stronger student body, and that means a better reputation for us," he explains.

Both Muller and Chambers agree that additional improvements are needed in the areas of the library, the science labs, and the art gallery.

"Our next goal," Muller says, "is to get into the *Selective Guide to Education*, which, she explains, is a more elite book on college excellence.

Other Maryland schools mentioned in the book were Loyola College, University of Maryland, St. Mary's College of Maryland, United States Naval Academy, and Washington College.



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Students attempt fasting for spiritual purification

by Jonathan Slade

Dr. Ira Zepp's Gandhi-and-Tagore class is trying life in the "fasting" lane.

As a requirement for the first half of this semester course, 25 students must, for one week, either refrain from eating, sexual contact, or violent thoughts, and keep a journal of any conclusions.

"These are the three basic points to Gandhi's philosophy," Zepp says. "Most students that I know of so far have chosen to fast."

He explains that avoiding food, and subsisting entirely on fruit juices, was a tool of social change used by the Hindu leader Mohandas K. Gandhi.

"A deeper kind of thought that Gandhi was after was that fasting is a way to spiritual purification," says Zepp. "It's not a diet, but a method of ridding the (human) system



Dr. Ira Zepp

way of experiencing an important dimension of Gandhi's of needless distractions.

"And, for my class, it is a life." He stresses that once a

student has completed this assignment, the individual should be able to identify, at least in part, with the famous twentieth century social protestor.

"If they give it their best shot," he explains, "their thinking becomes more lucid and clear."

Zepp, in fact, participated in a fast several weeks ago with some of his students, claiming, "It's nice to do it with other people — to have the support and companionship."

One of those class members who has already tackled the challenge is senior Nancy Sekira, a math and computer science major.

"I took the course because I was interested in Gandhi, and Dr. Zepp is really a dynamic professor," she says. "I always wanted to know how it would feel to fast, so I tried it."

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Open forum planned for Oct. 18

by Leo Ryan

Before you pack your suitcase for Fall Break, think again. On Friday, Oct. 18, the Student Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees will hold an "open forum" in which students can voice their feelings on any aspect of student life: dorm life, academic policies, social functions, Greek life. The forum

will be held at 3:15 p.m. in the Freeman Room.

The Student Affairs Committee consists of nine trustees, three faculty/staff members, and seven students. The function of the Committee, according to the Western Maryland College by-laws, is "to provide a means of communication among students, faculty, staff, and trustees, and to review and evaluate for recommendation to the Board

policy matters relating to student affairs." The Committee is opening Friday's meeting to all students, explained Dean Philip Sayre, in hopes of learning more about "the students' concerns and problems."

The Student Affairs Committee has been influential in the past. In 1982, the trustees toured residence halls in an

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Katherine Brady lectures to WMC about incest

Brady lectures on rape, incest, child abuse

by Kelly Connor

"I'm not going to stop talking about incest until incest stops!" exclaimed Katherine Brady at the beginning of her lecture on "Incest, Rape, and Child Abuse." A hush fell over the group of approximately 55 Western Maryland College students, faculty, administrators, and community mem-

bers who attended the presentation on Tuesday night, Oct. 1, in McDaniel Lounge.

Brady shared her feelings and memories of a childhood dominated by repeated incest, and the guilt and fear with which she was burdened as a result of this abuse.

"Incest perpetrators are

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Sidelights: What is the US's best course of action when dealing with acts of terrorism?

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Chase explores 100 yrs. of WMC sports history

by Roxanne Benjovsky

Western Maryland College is over 100 years old and in that time the school has made many accomplishments, both on and off the athletic field. Dr. William C. Chase, a history professor, has recently contributed to this list of achievements by compiling a collection of sports scores from WMC, dating back as far as 1894.

"There are plenty of reasons to be proud of WMC," Chase believes. "Sports is just one." He composited the scores in

hopes to "focus some attention on things that make us unique." Did you know, for instance, WMC is Hopkins' oldest rival, and that the Terrors once defeated the Hopkins football team 16-0?

The project began, according to Dr. Del Palmer, Dean of Academic Affairs, when "a long range planning committee gave a lot of attention to the college's identity, into its mission and its history."

"We want," Palmer says, "to enhance our identity."

With this in mind, the school hopes to begin a tradition of a challenge cup which will be

presented to the winner of the Hopkins-Western Maryland football game. If WMC is victorious, the cup will be displayed in the Physical Education Learning Center. This challenge cup proposal, however, remains in the planning stages.

Other projects being considered are brochures which would be used to attract prospective students and inform alumni about outdoor activities. Palmer explains, "We want to get into little publications as to who we are and

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Randall to speak

Pulitzer prize recipient Jonathan Randall will present a lecture on terrorism and the war in the Middle East on Tuesday, November 12 at 8 p.m. in McDaniel Lounge.

A senior correspondent of the *Washington Post*, and a journalist for nearly 30 years, Randall has covered the most important foreign stories in recent history including the Algerian war of independence against France and the Congo, Czechoslovakia in 1968, and the Iranian revolution. He is also the author of the recently published book,

Going All the Way - Christian Warlords, Israel's Adventures and the War in Lebanon. His coverage of the Shatila massacre last September earned him and fellow correspondent, Loren Jenkins, the coveted Pulitzer Prize.

Randall, a Harvard graduate, has also worked for *Time* and the *New York Times*.

The lecture is being sponsored by the WMC College Activities Programming Board. The public is welcome to attend free of charge. For more information call 848-7000, ext. 265.

Gandhi classes fast

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Sekira explains that she wanted to finish the project before her birthday, since she knew that she "could not resist food then."

"It is interesting to learn how much social life revolves around eating," she says. "And I was surprised at how well you could live off of just juices. I wasn't weak."

Though she "didn't have any wonderful revelations,"

Sekira still considered it to be a valuable experience. Zepp, however, warns that "this is not something everybody should do." Many athletes, for example, choose to work on projects which concern the other two principles of Gandhi's philosophy, such as journals which concern sexual abstinence and non-violent thought. Students who find no interest in any of these turn in book reports.

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Coley, King lend new blood to admissions

by Beth Jones

Dr. Joan D. Coley, Dean of Admissions, and Ms. Marilyn King, Director of Financial Aid, are both new to their positions this fall.

Coley began her career at WMC in 1973 teaching in the graduate program for reading disability education. For the past three years she has been the associate dean of academic affairs.

Although she says that her new position is "one of the most exciting and demanding jobs I've ever had," she adds, "I love teaching more than anything and eventually I'll go back."

Coley's responsibilities as dean include the planning and implementation of the entire admissions effort, recruitment, and designing informational literature and programs about WMC. She will spend the next month visiting 67 high schools in Maryland and Pennsylvania, including a one week stay in Philadelphia.

As Dean, her goals are to double the pool of applicants in the next five years, to execute more systematic ways of contacting students, and to utilize faculty, students, and alumni in the recruiting processes. Coley also hopes to attract more honors applicants with a campaign which will communicate to prospective enrollees that WMC is a "good place for top



Ms. Marilyn King, Director of Financial Aid

quality students to come."

Coley, originally from Philadelphia, received her A.B. from Albright College and her Ph.D. in education from the University of Maryland.

Marilyn King is also new to WMC, but not to financial aid work. She was previously employed at Goldy Beacom College. In addition, she served as the President of the Tri-state Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators.

Although King has worked in this area for the past nine years, she says that her undergraduate degrees in music, religion, and psychology were originally "designed



Dr. Joan Coley, Dean of Admissions

with the intent to go on to the seminary." And she still hasn't ruled this out for the future.

King, a native of northwestern Pennsylvania, attended Hood College and says that she has "always liked the state of Maryland." Her opinion of WMC is equally as favorable. "The college community is a very positive environment. I had lots of help in the moving and transition processes," she says.

King also explains that it is too early to talk about major changes in operations. "It will be a stable year," she says. "We'll basically work on refinement in procedure."

Pleas to aid suffering stir campus activism

There is a relatively new fever sweeping our nation and it has finally found its way onto the campus of Western Maryland College — it is the movement to help, to provide aid, food, and shelter to those who are suffering in foreign countries.

In 1985, this fever came to a peak as English musicians got together to form "Band Aid," asking the question, "Do They Know It's Christmas?" It then traveled over the Atlantic to the US where the United Support of Artists for Africa was born. These two events culminated in the world-wide broadcast of the "Live Aid" concert. Even local groups have formed a band to record their own tribute to the cause — "Baltimore for Baltimore" is an example. And now, food, shelter, education, clothes, and agricultural training are

being provided to many people as a result of these events.

But, as several members of the WMC faculty believe, still more needs to be done.

Through the non-profit agency called Save the Children, Dr. Ronald Tait and Ms. Nadja Pats of the Sociology/Social Work Department have brought the fever to WMC. Save the Children, which was started at the height of the Depression in 1932, aids children all over the world. From an Indian reservation plagued by floods in Arizona to the war-torn Lebanon, it has worked to rebuild both the homes and hopes of people. In African countries such as Ethiopia and Malawi, Save the Children is helping farmers improve the quality of their crops and increase their yields. The group is also

attempting to begin campaigns in many schools to educate children and college students on the world hunger condition.

The "Food for Africa Project," initiated by Tait and Pats, is giving organizations here on campus the opportunity to raise money for the starving nations of Africa. Any group participating in the project may choose the type of fund-raiser it would like to hold.

The month of September was used to plan this project, Tait says, and to recruit groups. In October and November, the actual fundraisers will take place. Finally, when money is collected, a check will be sent "to help renew many hopes and to make lifetimes longer."

HOMECOMING '85



Kip Koontz sings the Alma Mater during halftime ceremonies.

by Tina Pagliocchini/
Jonathan Slade

Excitement filled the air. Tension could be felt all over campus.

On Friday, Oct. 11, the eve of Homecoming weekend, WMC was entertained by the music of Smile, a Baltimore area rock band which played at the semi-formal dance held in the Forum of Decker College Center.

The performing arts department also participated in the revelry, launching their first play of the season in Alumni Hall. *Antigone*, a Greek tragedy, premiered Thursday evening to a sold out audience. Record attendance continued each consecutive night as the WMC community applauded the "innovative performance" of the cast.

Saturday was met with a

huge turn-out of alumni to view the traditional parade and football game. The parade, which began at East Middle School on Longwell Avenue, proceeded down Main Street with the Army ROTC Colorguard leading the way. President Robert H. Chambers and his wife Alice, travelled along with the festivities in a convertible, while fraternity and sorority members rode on fire engines, tractors, and cars.

Rouzer dormitory won the Homecoming float competition, receiving \$150 which will be put into their hall's programming fund. Among those who worked on the project were freshmen Bernadette Marra and Denise Laudenberger, as well as junior Stephanie Wagner. Resident assistants Margaret Genski and T. J. Thomas were the sponsors of the Rouzer float committee.

"It was a real spirit booster for the residents," said Genski.

The parade, which lasted a half an hour, made a right turn at the end of Main Street and disbanded in the parking lot above the football field.

On the hill overlooking Scott S. Bair stadium sat a crowd of WMC alumni and students. They came, equipped with cooler and music, to watch the Terrors battle Juniata. The Western Maryland gridders, however, were defeated 43-7.

As the afternoon drew into evening and the alumni strolled away from the field, many of them marveled aloud at the changes that have occurred in their absence — to the structure of the campus itself and in the faces of the students.

And another Homecoming weekend drifted to a close.



Spectators watch the festivities from the bank surrounding the field



Terror quarterback is cut off at the pass by a Juniata defenseman



Homecoming Queen Robin Adams talks with members of the court



President Robert H. Chambers presents alumni service awards

Mexico's easier pace vs. hectic America

by Jonathan Slade

When Hernan Cortes invaded Mexico in 1519, butchering countless Indians and plundering the countryside, history had again shown that contact between two different cultures is often violent and nonproductive.

Today, however, this problem has all but faded away.

Mexico City native Ms. Armidia Guerrero-Galdeano, who visited WWC last Thursday, brought many of the thoughts and emotions of her homeland to campus, and suggested that contemporary cross-cultural interaction now involves little savagery, and more of an opportunity to learn.

"There are many differences between Mexico and the United States," says Guerrero-Galdeano, who has attended St. Louis University for the past seven years. "What impressed me most was the organization here — the way things are all set up — and I wish I could take it with me (when) I return home in several days."

She has travelled widely in her 37 years, from Canada and Cuba, where she played forward on her nation's basketball team; to Las Vegas and the Grand Canyon, which she visited as an American college student. Consequently, she considers herself a fairly accurate judge of a

Communications Network raises money for earthquake victims

by Jonathan Slade

Ms. Armidia Guerrero-Galdeano, a native of Mexico City, accepted a relief check for the earthquake victims of her devastated homeland on Oct. 10 in McDaniel Lounge. The donation, totalling \$204, was collected from WWC's students and faculty by members of the Network, a new organizational body within the communications department.

"This seemed to be the best way to implement those things which we've learned about intercultural communication," said Dr. Eleanor Schreiner, chairperson of the department.

Senior Chuck Weinstein,



head of Network hosting and recruitment, offered the check to Guerrero-Galdeano before a gathering of 40 people.

"It is with our deepest sympathies that we give you this," he said, explaining that she could now return to Mexico and personally decide who may draw the most benefit from the money.

"This is our way of bypassing the large relief organiza-

tions and getting it right to someone who needs help," he added.

Guerrero-Galdeano, who has been living in the United States for the past seven years, returned home last week to live with her mother and sister.

"The earthquake affected me very much because my family is there," she said. "I didn't hear anything for almost a week (after the disaster), so I called a CBS station and they couldn't tell me anything."

Guerrero-Galdeano finally located her family after sending and receiving a message through "five contacts."

"They are okay," she said.

country's character.

"The main difference is the speed of life in the United States," says Guerrero-Galdeano, explaining that in Mexico the environment is less stressful. "Here you have to eat fast and drive fast."

"In some ways, though," she adds, "I have become more punctual. I got used to the fast pace of the American life."

To exemplify the hectic atmosphere in which US citizens live, Guerrero-Galdeano points out our nation's large number of fast food restaurants.

"In Mexico," she says, "we have just one (chain) Burger Bowl. People would rather cook for themselves."

But adjustment to a foreign culture has not been easy, Guerrero-Galdeano claims.

Once, while attempting to fit into the quick pace of her surroundings, she received a speeding ticket. Drawing on her background, however, she threw the slip of paper out as is customary in Mexico.

About two and a half years later," she explains, "the police were checking stickers on cars and I found out that I was subject to arrest. They

put handcuffs on me . . . and a friend had to pay the bail." This was, Guerrero-Galdeano says, her worst experience in America.

But, despite the incident, she still considers the US to be an "open" and "free" country.

"United States people talk to each other very easily," she claims.

Her homeland's official attitude toward the US, however, is somewhat more ambiguous.

"I think it's a good relationship," says Guerrero-Galdeano. "We kind of have an admiration of the United States and at the same time we don't like it. One of the main reasons is that we fought them and the United States is a big country."

"Mostly though," she continues, "it's because of the foreign policy and the way (American governments) interfere in other countries." US immigration policies, Guerrero-Galdeano suggests also play an integral part in Mexican ambivalence.

What, then, could Americans learn from their only bordering southern neighbors?

"I would say something about family relationships," she says. "United States people are always moving, and lack the closeness of the Mexican family."

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Time inaugurates College Achievement Awards

In recognition of the achievements of the nation's most outstanding college students, *Time* magazine is inaugurating its College Achievement Awards. Publisher John A. Meyers announced.

The magazine is conducting a nationwide search for 100 college juniors who excel in academics, and more importantly, in an area of interest outside the classroom; both college-sponsored activities and individual endeavors such as community service, student government, athletics, entrepreneurship, drama, dance and design, to name a few.

Twenty winners will receive scholarship awards of between \$1,000 and \$5,000 and their achievements will be showcased in a special promotional section in *Time*. Eighty finalists will receive certificates of merit and honorable mentions in the section. All 100 winners will be given first consideration for internships with Time Inc. and other major participating corporations.

Judging of the *Time* Achievement Awards will be conducted by *Time* and a panel of experts under the guidance of the Washington-based Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE). CASE is the administrator of the Professor of the Year award, the Jefferson Medal and a dozen other awards in education.

In addition to college and university presidents, Meyers asked the support of Chief Executive Officers (CEO) from advertising agencies and major corporations "to encourage exceptional students you may know to apply for these awards." Meyers also invited the CEO's to participate in the internship program with *Time*, American Express, Ford and the Navy Officer Program.

The *Time* College Achievement Awards will be featured in a special advertising section in the Oct. 21 issue of *Time*'s Campus edition.

Entitled "Portraits in Excellence," this ad supplement will have a mini-interview format that will allow well-known

and influential figures in fields such as science, drama, journalism, sports, business and government to look back at their college years and reflect on the question, "What prepared you to excel — and why?"

Carl Sagan, for example, will be in the Science category and will reflect on the University of Chicago. Writer, Nora Ephron will represent Journalism and look back on her years at Wellesley. The interviews with 50 "celebrity achievers" are conducted by Mason Wiley, a recent Columbia graduate and co-author of *The Official Preppy Handbook*.

The special section will also briefly summarize rules for competition in the awards program and direct students to the appropriate sources for application materials.

Approximately 750,000 reprints of the "Portraits in Excellence" section will be distributed as free-standing inserts in college newspapers nationwide.

Rangers conduct Fall exercises

by Chris Ginther

On Friday, Oct. 4, 32 members of WMC's Ranger Platoon began their two day fall exercise, Operation Gibraltar, at Bloomery, WV. The operation included tactical marching at night, a river-crossing, rock climbing, and rappelling.

An advance party of beret-clad Rangers prepared the training site for the rest of the platoon. They set up the rafts for the river crossing and selected the best marching route.

The main purpose of Operation Gibraltar was to give the platoon an opportunity to attempt a tactical movement to a base camp. Squads set out that night in single file, at five minute intervals. Flashlights were prohibited, but the platoon made use of their "ranger eyes," which are night-reflective plastic pieces fastened to the back of each Ranger's cap.

After a four mile hike to the river, squad members donned life preservers and took their



Cadet Donna Erat completes a 40 foot hand ascension lane at Bloomery.

places in the rafts, which were pulled across the water by Ranger Gilbert Mack and advisor Ben Franklin. The next obstacle was a steep, forty-five degree mountain slope. After conquering it, the platoon established base camp.

At 6 a.m. Saturday morning, after physical training and breakfast, the squads re-

ceived instruction in rock climbing, belaying, knot tying, and rope coiling.

The afternoon featured rock climbing and rappelling. The ascension lanes for climbing ranged from 20 to 60 feet, while the two rappell lanes were an 80 foot, straight-walled slope and a 100 foot area which featured a small overhang.

talk about it. For years, I couldn't say a thing, and now I can't stop."

Brady's traumatic experience is recorded in her book, *Father's Days: A True Story of Incest*. "People often ask me why I wrote the book, and it was mostly to figure out the question, 'Why me?' It was also hard to figure out my father. He was an attractive and charming person and a nurturing parent, so 'Why him?'"

In addition to child abuse, Brady's lecture focused on date rape and acquaintance rape. With the help of members from the audience, she enacted several scenarios to further emphasize her argument that sexual abuse happens more often than it is mentioned. "It usually shows if a person is physically abused, but sexual assault doesn't always show," Brady said.

Brady further stated that in order to survive from day to day, she would pretend that every incident would be the last. "I decided to not think or

During her lecture, Brady stressed how to be a non-victim in sexual assault incidences. "I don't like it, I'm going to change it, and I'm not going to change it alone." Brady also challenged others to put action behind their knowledge. "The longer you wait to act, the worse it gets. To say we may be a victim is sad; to not be ready is stupid!"

Brady is one of the most sought-after speakers on the college circuit and has lectured at more than 50 colleges during the 1982-83 academic year, in addition to presenting her ideas to corporations, rape crisis centers and various associations. This event was sponsored by WMC's College Activities Programming Board and was free and open to the community.

Mathias' retirement leaves Senate gap

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lar, but highly qualified candidates, including Governor Harry Hughes, Baltimore County Executive Don Hutchinson, and Representatives Michael Barnes and Barbara Mikulski — all of whom have announced, or considering an entrance into the fray. This then makes it extremely difficult for Republicans to retain this seat, as well as leveling a crippling blow to an already very ill, virtually non-existent Republican Party in Maryland.

In conclusion, Mac's retirement has to be viewed not only as a loss for Maryland, but for a nation. Mathias has been a leader on civil rights issues, and has been in the forefront in the effort to clean up the Chesapeake Bay.

However, the times have changed. Mathias' "liberal" tendency has prompted the New Right to work against him, preventing him from ascending to the heights of power he should assume due to his seniority. This includes his not being appointed chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee — a post he rightfully deserved, and some hoped to bribe him with an order to prompt his running for re-election.

Finally, Mathias will be missed, not only because it will be virtually impossible for a Republican to win the Senate seat in Maryland, but, because of the loss of Mac's knowledge, expertise, and power, which he employed when the Senate was still a true voice of the people.

Commission to hold open forum on Oct. 18

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effort to meet with students who had complaints about the living conditions. In 1984, the committee developed the College's Long Range Plans. These plans have since resulted in an increase in minority recruitment, the dorm

renovation program, and the creation of the Student Life Council. Last October, the committee recommended the formation of the Commission on Student Life. This commission began its one year study of student life last winter, and has already issued its preliminary reports.

Chase explores WMC sports history

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what we want to do." These guides would feature folk traditions of the Baltimore-Washington area, Carroll County back road and walking tours, and area ski resorts. Other pamphlets may

include additional sports related topics.

"The bottom line is how students feel," says Chase. "Feeling good about yourself is a good thing." And, he suggests, becoming active in sporting events is an excellent way to accomplish this.

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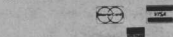
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Editorial

Student activism exists in the '80's

College students today and since about 1973 have been labeled by their predecessors as the "do nothing generation." The remnants of the explosive 60's and early 70's chide us and remark that we neither have nor want a cause to fight for.

While it is true that the mid 70's were very lean protest years, we beg to differ on the depth of student activism in the 1980's. The average college student in the United States is not simply interested in the pursuit of Yuppydom. We have taken steps to combine our future goals with activist and protest feelings. On campuses across the nation there has been a recent surge in the amount of student activism.

Perhaps the greatest reason for the increased activity lies in the scope of issues a student has to choose from. As in the 60's we are faced with problems that touch Americans very deeply because we have been through such crises before. Major universities and minor colleges have had anti-Apartheid demonstrations. Students have gone to jail in the 80's for protesting something they feel is very wrong, withholding basic human freedoms.

There are critics who will say that the student of the latest generation has had it too easy. If that is the case then fine, but at least we are using our advantages to help those in less graceful straights.

On this campus alone there have been CROP walks for the hungry, fundraisers have been planned for "Save the Children" as well as "Food for Africa." Students are making a significant contribution to the welfare of the world in many different ways. A student communications organization called the Network raised and sent money to Mexico to help in the effort to shelter those left homeless by the earthquake.

There is a calmer tone to the student activism of today. Students seem to be taking their college training and turning it not only into money for themselves, but food, aid, and money for those that have little. Unlike the furious pace of the late 60's, today's college students are saying, "get angry when it is necessary, but otherwise plan the most effective campaign and then act." And when we act, let's make it count.

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YEAH, BUT DO YOU HAVE POWDERED?

Mathias calls it quits, leaves void in Senate

by Kip Koontz

Several weeks ago Republican Senator Charles Mac Mathias announced he would not seek re-election to a fourth term. This shocked Republican pundits everywhere who considered this Maryland seat a "sure thing." With twice as many Republican seats up for grabs in 1986 as Democrat, party members can barely afford to lose a "sure thing." Even far-right conservatives, though never really fans of Mac, had selfishly hoped he would run in order to maintain a desperately desired majority in the Senate.

Mathias' announcement was even more frightening to Republicans as it came close on the heels of the announced retirements of Senators Laxalt of Nevada and East of North Carolina. Though both of these demographically favor Republicans, it is perceivable for popular Democrats to emerge and capture both. Combining this with the Democrats needing only a net four seat gain to capture the Senate, one almost positive in Maryland, a dark cloud forms over the Republican hopes of maintaining control.

Mathias' resignation has not only national ramifications, but local ones as well. At present only three Republicans hold federal office in Maryland, Representatives Holt and Bentley, and Senator Mathias.

Of these three, Holt and Mathias have announced retirement. It is highly possible that Holt's seat can be retained by Republicans, and Bentley appears to have consolidated her power enough to obtain re-election.

However, the Senate seat will probably go Democrat. Mathias first won the seat in 1968 in a three-way race which divided the Democrat Party. Thus Mac owes the seat, not to party affiliation, but to a split Democrat vote, and his moderate views on social issues. Consequently, he has retained his seat due to this moderate to liberal voting record, and his rapport with Maryland constituents.

In light of this, Republicans are faced with several problems. First, Democrats out register Republicans by a majority of nearly three to one. Currently, only a fraction of elected officials in Annapolis wear a Republican name-tag. Why is this? Maryland Democrats tend to be fiscally conservative, and moderate to liberal socially. Therefore, the issue of conservative economics is removed from the platform of Maryland Republicans. This leaves them only social issues, which finds Republicans precariously perched on the stilts of fundamental conservatism — views which are not widely accepted by Marylanders.

Next, Maryland is demo-

graphically ripe for electing Democrats with its high black, Jewish, Catholic, and urban populations. Also, even those in the Washington suburbs, whom we think to be stereotypically Republican, vote Democrat. This is because they view the government, not as an enemy, but as a life-blood, as a large proportion are employed by the federal government.

The major hurdle Republicans face for the Senate race in 1986 is simply the absence of anyone with state-wide name recognition and popularity. Most leaders, both locally and nationally, have hoped to draft former U.N. Ambassador Jeane Kirkpatrick to run. These hopes, however, were dashed as she announced she could not become involved solely in Maryland's internal affairs, and hence should use her influence in electing Republicans, and effecting policy nationwide. Furthermore, though her candidacy would have made the race more intriguing it is doubtful that her conservative views would have been accepted by Maryland voters. Hence, with Kirkpatrick out of the picture, Republicans face '86 with the probability of an unknown, politically inexperienced candidate.

Democrats however, have a growing list of not only popu-

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Letters to the Editor

A friend indeed

Editor,

Like many juniors and seniors, I often find myself complaining about the quality of life at Western Maryland and anxiously awaiting graduation. I am burnt out from studying. I've had it with the bureaucracy. I hate the food. I'm sick of standing in line for the shower.

But almost immediately, these emotions are tempered with opposite ones. I will miss living with my friends. I'm scared of grad school. Will the "real world" treat me as well as WMC has? I suspect, as my senior year wears on, these are the fears that will dominate my thoughts.

My nostalgia springs from memories of myself as a freshman, naive and unconfident of my academic and social abilities. I am now a product of this campus, this atmosphere, this faculty, and I feel that I have what I need to succeed. Somehow, in all the variety of experience, Western Maryland College has helped me to grow.

My reason for writing this letter is to encourage freshmen to take advantage of their time here. Use this time to explore your interests. Get involved in organizations, both social and academic, and you will find that the fun far outweighs the work.

Despite my complaining, I have loved my time here and

I think Western Maryland College is still a great place to grow up.

Kathy Boyer

Racism in print

Editor

I would like to express my discontent with the way you approached the subject matter of apartheid. Apartheid is a very serious matter which should be approached as so. Your approach was not only distasteful, but it was also offensive. Offensive to blacks as well as many others who are sensitive to the subject.

I understand that the views represented in the articles, and/or cartoons are not necessarily those of the editors,

but some consideration should be taken when printing your paper.

It is not my purpose to infringe upon your first amendment right of "Freedom of the press," but it is my purpose to let you know that making a race feel inferior can be constituted as discrimination.

It would be greatly appreciated if this letter along with an apology could be printed in your paper.

Karen R. Brooks

Editor,

This letter is in reaction to the distasteful cartoon concerning apartheid found in your Oct. 3 issue on page

four. This cartoon presents discriminating and degrading ideology rather than humor. In addition, it lessens our respect for *The Phoenix* and causes us to question the motivation of the cartoonist and those responsible for publishing this biased material. Not only have you insulted us, but most likely you have offended a large majority of the campus community. It is unfortunate that we feel the need to apologize for this gross injustice incurred on those you have discriminated. We hope in the future more thought is given in the publication of materials in our paper.

Liz Fox
Nicky Pesik

—Robin Adams/Joanne Colliflower—

Night Beat

The Cellar Door

"Down Under" in Westminster — sounds like it could be the latest hit single from the local rock group The Chill. Instead, however, it is a description of one of Westminster's newest haunts — The Cellar Door.

As with any cellar door, upon entering one proceeds down a flight of stairs. But contrary to the dark and damp atmosphere typical of a building's bottom — most level, The Cellar Door boasts a softly lit, comfortable setting.

To the left is a dining area, complete with a chalkboard advertising the specials — great for a college student's budget. (Mondays are Rail Night with all rail drinks selling for \$1.25. Tuesday is Taco Night, from 9 — 11 p.m., and Margarita Madness. Wednesday is Ladies Night featuring a D.J. and drink specials. Thursday features a

99¢ Beef and Beer Special.) Temporary walls separate the bar from a more private area for dining. Barn furniture surrounding a circular bar make the entertainment section rustic, cozy, and inviting.

The Cellar Door also has various performers who maintain the mellow soft rock atmosphere. Western Maryland's Art Renkowitz, recently unveiled his talent as he was in the spotlight on Thursday, Oct. 3. His personal style and selection of music added congeniality to the evening. Beyond the bar, are still more tables divided by partitions for privacy. These tables seat four and can be used for anything from a business luncheon to an intimate dinner for two.

All facts considered, The Cellar Door, which opened last fall, offers testimony to good taste. It is located at 6 West Main Street next to the Treat Shop in Westminster.

Las Vegas neon lights Forum for Casino Night and dance

by Kelly Connor

For those who have never gambled the night away in the casinos of Las Vegas or Atlantic City, their chance is coming soon. Friday, Oct. 25, the College Activities Programming Board (CAPBoard) is sponsoring "Casino Night" in the Forum, 9 p.m. - 1 a.m.

The various games include Black Jack tables, Six-Wheels, a Ten Horse Wheel, and Roulettes. Yet, the game tables will not be the only attraction Friday night. There

will also be a disc jockey on one side of the Forum for those who would rather dance.

"This is something we've never had before, but, with the variety of activities, we should have a good turn out. "Casino Night" promises to be a lot of fun for everyone," said Omar Cabrales, chairperson of Mainstage, the CAPBoard committee which plans dances, concerts, and other special events.

At midnight there will be an

auction for approximately \$200 worth of gift certificates for various restaurants and businesses in Westminster. Some of the participating businesses are Frisco's Family Pub, Pizza Hut, Maggie's, and a local jewelry store. These gift certificates, which can be purchased with chips won throughout the night, range from \$5 to \$30.

The admission price, which includes a certain amount of chips, is \$2. Additional chips can be purchased for \$1.

Tri-Beta announces yearly plans

by Sandy Brant

Tri Beta, the Biological National Honor Society, had its first meeting Wednesday, Oct. 2. The newly-elected officers, Niki Pesik, president; Jenny Brashears, vice-president; Becky Nave, secretary; Cindy Ebert, treasurer and Sandy Brant, historian, announced the year's programmed schedule with the other mem-

bers.

The various plans this year include certifying the club members to take blood pressures during Health Week and hosting students on Science Day. Other activities include working on new showcases, restoring the Biology labs 213 and 214, and organizing Tri Beta's historical records, which were recently found this summer.

In addition, members discussed the themes for the Biology Department showcase, which will promote different topics of science throughout the year. Dr. Louise Paquin's genetics model will be on display in the showcase soon, followed by Tri Beta's historical records. Another tentative idea by the honor society is a trip to Walter Reed Hospital.

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Brian Russo is at the head of the pack in men's cross country

Russo paces team to 3-3

by Cynthia Schafer

Men's Cross-Country

The Green defeated their first dual meet of the 1985 season as Franklin and Marshall defeated the Terrors, 21-38. Senior Brian Russo was the first WMC runner across the line as he covered the 8K course in 27:30.4 to place second. Freshman Chip Rembert was fifth in 28:06, while junior Doug Nolder took ninth in 29:29. Steve Kauffman finished tenth and John Robinson finished thirteenth to round out the WMC field.

The men then won three of four matches. The Terrors defeated Loyola on Oct. 2, 25-30, as Russo finished first over the course in 27:21.2.

Rembert placed third while Kauffman and Nolder finished fifth and sixth respectively. WMC also achieved victories over Catholic University, 24-35, and American University, 20-37, but fell to Gettysburg, 19-39 in a quad meet on Oct. 5. Russo was again the leading Terror runner placing third overall while Rembert and Kauffman took ninth and tenth.

Field Hockey

Alyce Harden, Margie Meehan, Sandi Stevens, and Nancy Hutchinson, all scored 2 goals in Western Maryland's shutout of Washington on Sept. 26. This was the stockers' third win in four starts. Sophomore goalie Liz Harden only had to turn away two shots while the Terrors blis-

tered Washington with 55 shots on the goal.

The Green Terrors, however, could not make a two-goal lead standup as Lebanon Valley battled back on Oct. 5 to gain a 2-2 tie. Hutchinson scored both WMC goals while Stacey Bradley added an assist. Goalie Harden recorded nine saves while Western Maryland outshot Lebanon Valley 28-26. The game versus Gettysburg was postponed until Oct. 23.

Harden scored Western Maryland's only goal in a 1-1 tie against Johns Hopkins on Oct. 11. Harden's goal, her fourth of the season, tied the score but the Green Terrors could not get the game winner. On Oct. 7, WMC defeated Susquehanna, 3-0 as Hutchinson, Bradley, and Harden each scored a goal.



Terror women go up against Elizabethtown in a 3-2 win on Oct. 9.

Volleyball loses first of season to F&M

by Cynthia Schafer

The Green and Gold netters suffered their first loss of the season last Thursday as Franklin and Marshall took a five game match from them, 15-13, 15-12, 1-15, 4-15, 15-8. Western Maryland battled back from a two-game deficit behind the hitting of juniors Linda Bawiec and Karen Miles who recorded 11 and seven kills respectively. WMC held an 8-3 lead in the final game but the Dips came on to gain the victory. In the eighteen game Juniata Classic on Oct. 4-5, the Terrors won four matches and lost one. Western Maryland blasted North Carolina-Greensboro 15-3, 15-10, as Miles had seven kills. Eastern coms earlier, 2-1. Other WMC victims were Glassboro State, Moravian, F&M, and York. The 6, 10-15, 15-11, and St. Catherine 15-12, 15-17, 15-12.

Mid-Atlantic Conference rival Susquehanna went down in three games by a 12-15, 15-7, 15-6 count to enable the Green Terrors to reach the quarterfinals. But Millikin College of Illinois was too much for the netters, defeating WMC 13-15, 15-12, 15-5.

On Oct. 9 the women played at home against Elizabethtown. The Green and Gold were once again victorious, defeating the Blue three straight games in the three out of five series, 15-11, 15-7, 15-6.

WMC placed second in the Dickinson Tournament after a tough three-game loss to Messiah on Oct. 11-12. The Terrors had defeated the Falcons earlier, 2-1. Other WMC victims were Glassboro State, Moravian, F&M, and York. The netters next game is Oct. 19 away at Dickinson.

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Teams break even in lackluster week, soccer ties twice

Women's Cross-Country

The WMC squad finished in the back of the pack in the Dickinson Invitational cross-country meet. No individual times were available. The Terror women fared well against Loyola, however. Freshman Kim Lohman finished first over the 5K course in 22:01, sophomore Gail Adamecz took third while senior Karl Gustafsen placed fourth. In the quad meet, the women defeated American, 26-29, but lost to Catholic University, 18-42, and to Gettysburg, 15-50. Lohman was the first Terror runner in placing eleventh. Adamecz placed seventeenth.

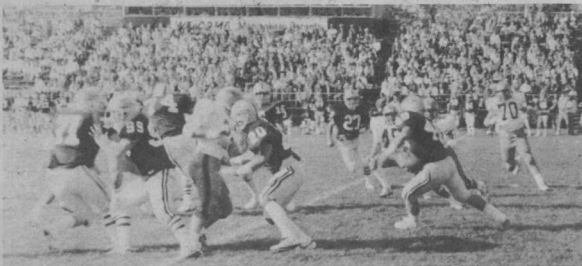
JV Soccer

On Oct. 4 the booters battled Messiah to a 0-0 tie. Goalies Dave Cadigan and

Bob Ballinger combined for 21 WMC saves. The jayvees scheduled opener with Gettysburg on Sept. 27 was postponed due to soggy grounds. It has been rescheduled for Oct. 31.

Women's Club Soccer

The women's squad pushed toward varsity status got under way on Oct. 4 as they stuck it out against Mount Saint Mary's for a 4-4 draw. The Terrors scored early on two goals by Jill Holman, and one each by Terri Paddy and Michelle Meehan. Hard work by the defense in the double overtime prevented the Mount from taking the win. The Club's season continued on Oct. 16 at home when they battled Loyola. Another game, against Dundalk, is scheduled tomorrow.



Terrors dig in against Muhlenburg in a 40-14 loss.

Terror gridders still winless

Four games into the season and the Green and Gold Terrors are still winless. The latest losses came on Oct. 5 against Muhlenburg 40-14, and against Juniata at the Homecoming game, where the final score was 43-7.

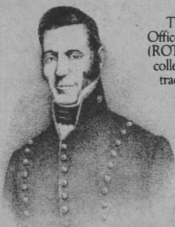
At Muhlenburg the gridders played well for the first half, before succumbing to a crushing offense. The Terrors had tied the score at 14 in the early moments of the third period when senior Mike Chavez returned a punt 76 yards for the touchdown. It was Chavez's fourth career touchdown and first on a punt return.

The Terrors other score came on a 28 yard pass from Scott Bassett to tight end Larry Smith in the second quarter. Linebacker Tony Callahan led the defense with 13 tackles while linebacker Rodney Joyner and end Mike Lewis each recorded nine. On offense, Scott Bassett completed 13 of 25 passes for 160 yards and one touchdown, but he was intercepted three times, which the Mules turned into 17 points. John Stonebraker caught four passes in the game and was leading the conference after the game in receptions.

The Homecoming game

was a disappointment for the crowd of 3,800 who gathered on the cool, cloudy day for the festivities. WMC was out played on every point. Juniata had 18 first downs to the Terrors eight, and they also out-competed WMC in total net yards gained, 397 to 152. The Terror score was set up on an interception by Joe Callahan of Juniata's Mike Culver on the Western Maryland 38. Bassett then put together an excellent series of pass plays to the Juniata 3 yard line where Smith scored on another pass. Joyner once again had a successful day, recording 12 tackles.

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Invasion U.S.A. is just plain offensive

by Jonathan Slade

Bullets, bombs, blood, big bodies, boring dialogue, and bad acting.

The "B" movie is back.

Indeed, Cannon Film's most recent release, *Invasion U.S.A.*, reminds us just how entertaining all those poorly made summer flicks were, for this new attempt to capture something on camera manages to fail on every conceivable level.

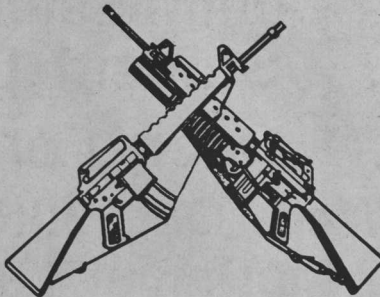
Starring Chuck Norris as Matt Hunter, a retired US secret agent, this picture chronicles his personal war against a group of terrorists who have decided to stir up trouble in southern Florida. These Soviet-sounding, bad-dies, it seems, love to spend a leisurely afternoon machine gunning under little children, destroying churches, and blowing up highly decorated Christmas trees (oooo, are they evil).

Every once in a while, though, Director Joseph Zito calls a cease-fire so that Hunter can whip out a monotone one liner. But then the grenades fly agin, and Norris's character, who could throw off an incredible aura of congeniality, is robbed of any

significant dimension. He projects his machismo through a stale graham cracker personality — no crunch, just soggy *blatness*, a wet Clint Eastwood if you will. Sometimes you kind of wish Norris was still *Missing in Action*. In fact, the individual who exudes the most humanity during the entire adventure is Hunter's pet armadillo, and he bites the dust only twenty minutes into the movie.

Richard Lynch, though, who plays Rustov, almost succeeds in creating a truly wicked villain. He has the sharp features, the penetrating eyes, and the spontaneous delivery that could place him alongside the classic psychos in cinema history. Lynch's effect on the audience, however, is diminished by a number of irrelevant and downright hokey scenes: There's just something fake about a criminal mastermind and his lieutenant discussing the specifics of a plan to invade America while sitting in a crowded Miami beach restaurant and eating hot dogs.

Perhaps the most disheartening aspect of *Invasion U.S.A.* is that both Norris and



Lynch do not deserve to be in it. Each has amazing potential, but are warped into submitting substandard performances. This may be due, however, to the speed with which the infamous producers Menahem Golan and Yoram Globus wanted the picture completed. In a 60 Minutes interview last year, Golan and Globus admitted that their only concern is to reap a profit from a film — and thus they push it through at an extremely accelerated

production schedule. Faster, you might say, than a speeding bullet.

And as for Melissa Prophet, who stars as McGuire, a gum-cracking, smart-mouthed photojournalist, she may as well be an old doorman. We see her when we enter the movie, when we leave the movie, and rarely in between. In Cannon's advertising campaign, she is heralded as Hunter's love interest. In actuality, though, Prophet is just a token female — and a

wooden token at that. Her screen presence is less than that of an elementary school performer, and her talents seem to include screaming about the First Amendment and tossing trash can lids at Norris in mock disgust.

My disgust, however, is not mock.

Even the story, by Aaron Norris and James Bruner, appears only half-conceived. The first ten minutes, for example, are so jumbled and difficult to follow that the audience sits befuddled, wondering if it all ties in (and don't worry, it doesn't). In fact, the terrorists and the US soldiers get so intermixed at times that a man next to me in the theater once asked aloud, "Is that us or them?"

"The good guys don't sweat," I said.

Indeed, anyone who is even remotely interested in *Invasion U.S.A.* could probably derive more pleasure by smashing himself over the skull with a blunt instrument. It honestly is that awful.

And thus, a rule of thumb for all other films released by the Cannon studios: Avoid them at all costs, for the place only manufactures killer "B's."

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The Commission on Student Life was appointed by President Robert H. Chambers in Dec. 1984 and is composed of 4 alumni, 4 Trustees, 4 Students, 4 faculty and 1 administrator. The commission is conducting an 18 month inquiry into the quality of student life on campus. The major areas of study are: Residential Life, the role of fraternities and sororities and the social environment. Your ideas and comments are needed.



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WMC quarterback Scott Basset (16) rifles a pass over Franklin and Marshall's defensive line in last Saturday's gridiron confrontation. For details, see page 6

Marriott enters local pizza delivery war

by Barbara Abel

Marriott and several Western Maryland College organizations have gotten together to solve the late night munchies. Starting tentatively in December, a pizza delivery service will begin to combat the hunger of nocturnal scholars.

"The program is a way for student organizations to raise money for their functions. Marriott won't make any profit

from this," says Ms. Lee Ann Ruhlman, who is in charge of the new delivery service. Organizations, such as Sigma Phi Epsilon, Alpha Nu Omega, Alpha Gamma Tau, Phi Sigma Sigma, and the Terror baseball team have already expressed interest in becoming involved in the program.

Marriott will be preparing all the orders in the Pub. The

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Miller fights to expand student government role

by Stefani Call

"When I took office in May, I had just developed a very small ulcer. Since then it's grown four times in size," says Student Government President Mike Miller.

A senior history major, Miller claims that one must be a "trickster" to balance classes, personal life, and the SGA. He spends many hours each week working on signs, organizing meetings, writing senatorial letters, meeting with administrators, and watching the allocation of funds.

Miller is no stranger to the area of student government, though. He held a senatorial seat last year. Also, as a transfer student from Towson State University, Miller has the advantage of having seen another system in action. At TSU, he held the office of election commissioner. But, Miller remarks, Western Mary-



Mike Miller, SGA President

land's governing body is "not even comparable" to that of his former school.

"The SGA at WMC is not as important within the college community," he explains. It is his intention, however, to change this. One of his major goals includes "getting and staying organized as a senate in order to be receptive to ideas from every section of campus." Another aim involves "initiating fundamental changes in the responsibilities of the SGA, most importantly its role in getting done what people or clubs in their individual capacities can't get done." Miller sees the SGA as "the collective and official voice of all the students on this campus."

Miller believes, though, that there is a "critical" lack of communication between students and administrators. By reorganizing the senate, he intends to rectify the situation. "We want high quality senators that know exactly what's

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Network launches '85 program

by Beth Jones

The Network is a student organization within the communications department formed for the purpose of "promoting a sense of community not only within the department, but throughout the college community."

The group began as an expansion of the former C.I.C. (committee on interdepart-

mental communication), and grew into a more "ambitious" project. Members of last year's public relations class compose the nucleus of the organization, and it has since expanded to involve other members of the department.

The central committee of The Network consists of Robin Adams, director of publicity; Peter Brooks, director of the media team; Joanne Colliflower, newsletter editor;

Ellen Knisley, director of philanthropy; Heather Price, director of alumni; Karyn Upton, program director; and Chuck Weinstein, director of hosting and recruitment.

And Dr. Eleanor Schreiner, chairperson, sees many possibilities for The Network.

"It will be a real service to the department by creating opportunities for student par-

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Sidelights: With 1985 being the worst year in aviation history in terms of accidents and death, would you feel safe flying?

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AIDS epidemic spurs nationwide confusion

This is the first of a two part series.

by Chuck Cruise

The AIDS crisis may seem irrelevant here at Western Maryland College, but in the near future the college could be forced to deal with the epidemic directly. In fact, the disease is spreading so rapidly that there is a growing concern nationwide among educational institutions to develop a policy regarding the handling of students with the disease.

Should a student with AIDS be admitted to college? If so, should he be allowed to attend class with other students? Should he be allowed to live in dormitories with other students? These questions were among those recently raised at the mid-Atlantic conference of the American College Health Association. In its preliminary statements, the ACHA recommends that colleges "in approaching policy matters...be aware of both the need to avoid paranoia and the legitimate concerns of all members of our campus com-

munities." The ACHA also states that "there is no reason to exclude AIDS victims or carriers from campus academic, social, or cultural activities. Shared classrooms, study areas, libraries, theatres, etc., do not represent problems." On the subject of dormitory living, the ACHA concludes "there is no medical reason whatever to alter dormitory assignments simply because of a gay or bisexual roommate."

The general opinion of the

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Marriott offers latest entry to Westminster pizza delivery war

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duties of the participating clubs will be strictly delivering the pizzas.

"We want to give each organization a certain day of the week in which they will be in charge of deliveries. They will make \$3.35 an hour plus an extra 50 cents for every pizza sold," Rhulman explains. The system will operate in this manner until more groups become involved. Rhulman believes this will work better than assigning a particular group to a certain month, because the work might become too demanding and monotonous for smaller clubs.

In addition to pizza, other foods, such as subs, nachos, and chicken wings with assorted sauces, will be offered. Delivery will be free, but a minimum order might be required. Another feature will be the use of coupons, including ones which offer free cokes or money off certain items.

"The pizzas will not be like those already offered in the Grill. They will be made with fresh dough, sauces and various toppings," says Rhul-

man. The pizza will be delivered in insulated packets in order to retain heat. "We are striving for a faster and better quality pizza."

Rhulman also plans to create an entire pizza parlor on the left side of the grill. Students will be able to go to the Grill and actually watch the pizza being made. It has not yet been determined, though, when the parlor will be open for business.

Everything is still basically in the planning stage. Rhulman explains. Prices for the individual items and the exact procedure a student will have to go through to place an order have not yet been decided.

Any group interested in becoming involved with the new service should contact Rhulman at ext. 642.

"We are looking forward to it now that more organizations are getting involved," she says, stressing that an individual need not belong to a formal club to join the service. Any person who wishes to earn some extra money can get a group together to handle the deliveries.

Monroe offers "Senses" to expand perspectives

by Kelly Connor

Rev. Kirk Monroe, pastor of Union Street United Methodist Church in Westminster and Strawbridge United Methodist Church in New Windsor, has recently been appointed the religious coordinator at Western Maryland College, becoming the first black chaplain at this primarily white institution. Monroe graduated from Towson State in 1978 with a bachelor's degree in sociology, and completed his Masters of Divinity from Howard University in 1983, although he has been ministering at Union Street since 1980. In the following interview with *Phoenix* Managing Editor Kelly Connor, Monroe expresses his plan to increase religious awareness on WMC's campus.

He and his wife Yvette, and their two-year-old son have resided in Westminster since 1983. Rev. and Mrs. Monroe are expecting their second child in two months.

Connor: What effect, if any, do you think your appointment will have since the majority of the students at WMC are white?

Monroe: Much of what I see myself doing is uniting religious experiences on campus under one umbrella. I have no problems relating to different people from all walks of life and I have always been sensitive to people of different faiths.

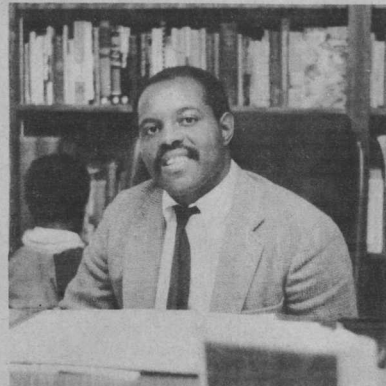
I only wear one hat. I see myself as a Christian minister with a wide parish. I hope other Christian groups on campus will not be threatened by my ecumenical slant. I dream of the day when Jews, Bahá'ís, Christians, Buddhists celebrate each other's faith, and observe religious holidays other than their own.

I feel pretty relaxed on campus. I have made some good friends here who have gone out of their way to make me feel comfortable and help me in any way. This appointment allows me to coordinate and plan ideas I've had in my heart for a long time.

Connor: What kind of programs are you planning for this year?

Monroe: My plans evolve around what I call "Senses," an attempt to bring in religious experiences in a variety of ways -- through music, art, and poetry. It's an innovated attempt to discover the different ways which we are all one people.

I call this approach "Senses" because I hope to find a



Rev. Kirk Monroe, WMC Religious Coordinator

way that all the senses (hearing, seeing, smelling, touching, tasting) are affected, so that the "eyes of the blind can speak to the ears of the deaf."

"Senses" has its own personality. It is designed to hold students' hands through their journey through WMC so their potential can be realized and love will show them how. "Senses" also realizes that everything will not be accepted by all. I'm in no hurry to prove the validity of God. God has already done that. Instead, "Senses" will be like water dripping on a rock which later turns to sand. It'll be a positive force on campus.

Connor: How much time do you feel you can devote to this campus ministry without sparing your two congregations?

Monroe: Before accepting the appointment at WMC, I made my congregation aware of the position. And translated into modern terms, they said, "Go for it!" They saw my ministry as an extension of their love.

I take 15 hours away from my other duties and put them toward WMC. I try my best to be available to all students. I have an office now in Baker Memorial Chapel, as well as in Union Street Church. I refer any major cases to the counseling services at the college. I want to cooperate, not compete, with the administration.

Connor: Does this added responsibility wear you down physically?

Monroe: Well, as Bishop Shene once said, "It's different to be tired in the work

than tired of the work." I'm tired at times, but never bored.

Connor: What problems have you encountered this year?

Monroe: I am having some problems getting the student body more aware of "Senses," which is directed to excite students about religious life. I understand that college is not the place to realize mores of one's youth, but to be productive people with sound ethics and mental balance we need to come to grips with the creator of this world.

Connor: Why do you feel most students stray from their religious beliefs while at college?

Monroe: For most students it's their first time away from home, and church seems to be part of the home. I don't think students stray. I feel it's more of an opening of wings and a realizing of potentials.

"Senses" will try to walk with the college students, pointing out an ultimate reality some call God.

Connor: What do you hope to accomplish as the new religious coordinator?

Monroe: My goal is for freshmen, by the time that they are seniors, just to give a thought that perhaps with the force of God with them, they can make a difference -- whether it be in business, architect, law, or the ministry. As Robert Kennedy is quoted, "Some people see things that were and ask 'Why?'. I see things that never were and ask, 'Why not?'"

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Bell gives dramatic, emotion-filled reading

By Susan Lauza

"He's difficult to approve of. In fact, he's downright offensive," said author Madison Smartt Bell of the dwarf narrator in his short story "Beggar Man, Thief." The story was included, along with an excerpt from Bell's latest novel *Waiting for the End of the World*, in a fiction reading held in McDaniel Lounge at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 29.

"I was thinking about a suicide as the center of the story," said Bell as he explained the origins of "Beggar Man, Thief," which featured a dwarf's observations on his own life and that of a woman he thought of as "Ladybird."

"It was interesting to hear an author read his own work," said senior Tim McLaughlin. "I've never gone to a reading before." Junior Linda Clavier



Novelist Madison Smartt Bell

especially liked the "poetic images" that Bell's reading evoked.

In addition to *Waiting for the*

End of the World (1985), Bell is the author of *Washington Square Ensemble* (1983) and a third novel, as yet untitled, which has been accepted for publication. His short stories have appeared in *Harper's* and *The Hudson Review*, and his essays and book reviews have appeared in *Esquire* and *The New York Times*.

Bell's short story "The Naked Lady" was selected by John Updike for inclusion in *The Best American Short Stories* of 1984. "He's an up and coming writer," said English professor Dr. Kathy Mangan, "and I think it's a real coup for the school to have had him read."

Bell was educated at Princeton University and Hollins College.

Originally from Tennessee, Bell recently moved to Baltimore from New York City. He currently teaches fiction writing at Goucher College.

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participation in communications related activities as well as exposure to professional experiences," she says.

The Network began its activities with the presentation of \$304 raised by communications majors and campus organizations, to a guest from Mexico City. The money, col-

lected to be given directly to victims of the earthquake there, was received by Ms. Armida Guerrero-Galdeano.

According to Schreiner, the main goal of The Network is "to expose students to all levels of the communications discipline, academically and professionally as well as to provide hands-on experience on the WMC campus."

Miller works for more SGA influence

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going on and will be responsible for relaying news and information."

Another change that Miller wants is an increase in the SGA budget. Explaining that he recently attended a student government convention in South Carolina, he says, "Of all the people I met there, from colleges of all sizes, all of the SGA's received a much greater budget than ours does."

In addition, Miller would like to establish a loan system in which organizations that need money can go to the senate and borrow funds. Also the SGA is working on a means by which clubs can be as-

sured that their accounts will remain safe over the summer. The money, Miller proposes, could be held by a trustee during the three month vacation.

"I think the administration is going to try and work with me on this," Miller says of the budget situation.

Miller plans to work at increasing the role of student government at WMC, and asks of students, "Whether they like me, are indifferent, or hate my guts, to show up at weekly meetings at 6:30 in the SGA conference room on Mondays, and tell me what they think; [that way] I can try to relate their feelings to the administration, faculty, and staff."

Sci-fi club hosts convention

Western Maryland College's Star Trek and Science Fiction Media Club will host "Genesis I," a science-fiction mini-convention, on Saturday, Nov. 9. The convention, which is also sponsored by the Baltimore Metro Association of Star Trek, Inc. (BMAST), will be held from 10 am to 6 pm in the Forum. The cost is \$5 for students and senior citizens (with proper I.D.), and \$8 for the public.

Featured at "Genesis I" will

be Star Trek episodes, the "world's worst" science fiction films, games, trivia, panels, slides, and folksinging. Guest speakers include: Dick Preston, director of International Star Foundation; Vincent Gigliotti, program analyst of NASA-Goddard Space Flight Center; Patrick Kelly, president of Baltimore Metro Chapter, L-5 Society; and Robin Ciardullo, astronomer from Space Telescope Science Institute.

Concluding the day's events will be a masquerade/dance from 7:30 pm to 12 am in the Forum. Costumes will be judged. At 7 pm and prizes will be awarded for the best costumes in various categories. The dance, which will feature a D.J. and some live music, is open to all, with or without a costume. The cost of the dance is included in the convention membership price, but others are welcome to attend for \$2.

Improved board judges peers

by Lorie Schanzle

A new governing body, consisting of ten student representatives, exists on campus this year. Known as the Residence Hall Judicial Board, its purpose is to consider cases involving possible misconduct by WMC residents.

Dr. Charlene Cole, Associate Dean of Student Affairs, explains that the group will assemble once a week to examine allegations. Those presiding over the hearing appear on a rotating basis, and each meeting will have five members present, in addition to Cole, a chairman, and a secretary.

"What we're trying to achieve here is students judging students," says Cole. "We're hoping that this will relieve some of the tension between students and administration."

Members of the board can disqualify themselves if they believe they would be unable to maintain impartiality. The opinions of the members will not be disclosed to any person outside the board, and the record of the hearing will only be available to a select few—the accused and his advisor, members of the board, the appeals board, the dean of student affairs, and the president of the college. The name of the accused will not be released, but the charge and the sanctions are public information. Representatives on the board are elected from each of the six residence halls: Smith House, Elderside Hall, the Garden Apartments, and the Pennsylvania Houses; and members will serve for one year.

Mr. George Poling, Assistant Director of Residence Life, said that the board ex-

isted on a test basis last year and worked well for the first time around.

"One problem we encountered was that when the members were elected from the residence halls they did not take the job seriously and had no concept of what the job entailed," he says. This year the administration plans to stress more heavily the necessity of this board to its participants.

"Although it will take a lot of work and cooperation the administration feels strongly that it will benefit the college greatly," Poling explains. "The students are claiming that they are adults and should be treated as such, so here we are giving them the opportunity to prove how mature they are."

"We are hoping that this new system will succeed and improve relations on campus," he says.

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Editorial

Cafeteria style—through the line

So how many of you really invited your parents to the Hill for Parents Weekend 1985? Nov. 1 is the day wide-eyed parents will rush through the Quad for a high speed glimpse of WMC.

A great deal of planning and preparation has gone into making the weekend special. There are over 18 individual functions rationed out over a three day stretch. We do wonder if any parent will have a clue that there are about 16 more events to attend than their offspring usually have.

Some of the events will be quite cerebral in nature. There will be two lectures given by some of our distinguished faculty members. These will be presented by Dr. Sam Cline and Ms. Christianna Nichols in their respective disciplines. We are wondering if perhaps Nichols won't be able to tell which parents belong to her students by the classroom behavior these elders display. "Mrs. Jones, please wake up and tell Mr. Smith that he can not cut this class to watch little Fred play football."

There is a humorous note to the breakfast planned for Saturday morning. A big deal is being made of the fact that the meal will be "cafeteria style—through the line". This will certainly impress the parents who think that these things are cute or quaint. Of course, our favorite part of the WMC dining experience is going "through the line."

Perhaps the most disturbing aspect of the upcoming parents weekend is the fact that the events planned are ones that we might like to see every weekend, and not just to impress our parents. There is no doubt that "Mom and Dad" deserve special treatment, and we hope that they have a great time. But what about the following weekend.

We cannot think of any greater thrill than having a Coney Island Lunch every now and then. Having a huge candlelight dinner with the president would be great fun too. And how about including a small show during or after the meal. To the best of our recollection, there has never been an all campus party or dance that the faculty and staff have actually attended. The irony of the situation, however, is best displayed by the fact that students spend nearly eight months of the year on this campus and would welcome the diversity of entertainment that is now being offered to our parents.

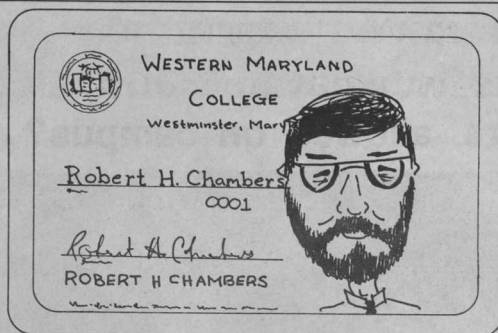
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Boston, Birds, baseball; not the best of years

by Kip Koontz

Well, another season of baseball is drawn to a close, what a pity. I love baseball, but this season certainly has not been one of the better ones for me. Of course I went to some games and had some good times, but boy did my teams lose!

This season, as usual, I supported the Boston Red Sox, who started off well and ended up a disappointment. Being a Marylander, I, however, must have a soft spot in my heart for the Orioles. Birdland wasn't all that festive this season, as they suffered through their comedy of errors as well. However, I still trudged to some games, especially those between the BoSox and the Birds.

One Sunday morning, before the All-Star break, Leslie and I awoke with the anticipation of seeing a great game of baseball. It was her first game at Birdland and the Orioles and Red Sox were both playing "good" ball. We left early in order to buy tickets at the box office before the game, and we splurged and bought six dollars lower reserved seats behind homeplate.

We were led to our seats by an aging usher, with a kind face and clean rag. There we found an old lady from Delaware, who never missed a home game. She was to be our companion for the next nine innings. However, being bedecked in my red, white, and blue attire, and she in her orange and black, she shot me a look as if saying, "GO BACK TO FENWAY!" Consequently, we explained that I would root for both teams,

which appeared her for a while.

Part of watching baseball is drinking beer, something I did with true fervor. This continued until Leslie reached under her seat and realized that one beer I claimed to have already finished actually spilled on her purse. It happened in a fit of excitement, I claimed.

Eating Esskay hotdogs is also a part of the baseball mystique. At our game I was dispatched to the concession stand to buy two. I, in my haze, was unable to find either catsup, or mustard. Unfortunately, Leslie can't eat these delicacies without them. Therefore, I threw the dogs at her in bewilderment and exclaimed, "Find them yourself!" Strike two for the Kipper.

Being that the game was before All-Star break, we were lucky enough to vote for the All-Star teams. The little old lady from Delaware wanted me to vote for one particular Orioles, even offering me a beer for the vote. That was easy, I thought, since I got a beer, didn't know the player, and no BoSox was up for the position.

For the true Oriole fan, the game was a disaster. It was close until the last three innings, when Boston blew it wide open with a 12-0 rout. I was openly cheering for both teams until the rout began. Leslie, fearing death from an increasingly hostile Birdland crowd, pleaded with me to keep it down. She eventually left me and sided with the Delaware fan, who I think desired to bludgeon me with her umbrella. Thus, an end

came to a beautiful day at the ballpark for me, though it may not have been so terrific for Leslie.

That day at Memorial Stadium illustrated what I love best about the game - the fans, the food, the American past-time. However, fans again had to hear the constant whining of the players concerned about their salaries. "We'll strike," they cried, and strike they did. The world was forced to suffer through probably the longest, drawn out, most tragic strike in history - all one day of it. What a depression we all sank into during this time. It definitely was a black day.

Then came the World Series. We, the fans, made it through the strike and looked forward to watching the tops in baseball. I had hoped Toronto would make it through the playoffs, but alas they didn't. Maybe it's for the best. Who wants a Canadian team in the US's World Series? So, we had Kansas City, and St. Louis, the Missouri Series. Neither team inspired me, but my nod went to St. Louis. And St. Louis nodded off.

If you're a Kansas City fan - my hat's off to the team that won the USA/Missouri/World Series. However, if you rooted for Boston, Baltimore, Toronto, St. Louis, and all the other teams that tried but just couldn't make it, you must be in the same position as myself, exhausted. Thus, we close another season of baseball, a little more tired, a little wiser, but always ready for the next crack of the bat, and the roar of the crowd.

60 seconds on campus

How would you feel if students having AIDS were allowed on campus?



They should be allowed to attend class but not live in the dorms.



I wouldn't want to be in direct contact with anyone who has AIDS.



It should be treated like a common cold. I feel a little wary about them living in dorms, though.



I don't think they should be allowed to attend class.



They shouldn't be thrown out of class if it's not contagious.

Liz Fox

Mike Terry

Kirsten Nystrom

Jude Yearwood

Carin Michel

Jazz festival provides clinics, keeps music traditions alive

The Performing Arts Department of Western Maryland College will host the 1985 WMC Jazz Festival on Friday, Nov. 8, and Saturday, Nov. 9. The two-day program will feature campus, local, and regional talent, as well as provide "hands-on" clinics for all instruments.

The festival will open Friday at 8:30 pm with the Jerry Miller Big Band, a 17-piece group composed of music educators and professionals in the Carroll area. Their performance will feature Carlos Johnson, saxophonist and vocalist, and Denita Jo, a legendary singer. Opening the show will be Eastern Standard Time, a jazz septet dedicated to keeping alive the bebop

tradition of Charlie Parker, Miles Davis, Thelonious Monk and other jazz greats.

On Saturday, beginning at 2 pm, music education will be the focus of six lectures, ranging from "The History of Jazz" to "Advanced Improvisation." After the lectures, "hands-on" clinics will be conducted by the best teachers and professionals in the area. The clinics, which will be held in Levine Hall and McDaniel Lounge, are offered not only on "traditional" jazz instruments such as piano, sax, trumpet, trombone, guitar, bass, and drums, but on flute, clarinet, and strings as well.

Saturday night, at 7:30 pm, a rainbow of jazz is presented

by seven ensembles, groups, and combos performing all styles of jazz from Dixieland to Modern. This revue will feature the WMC Sax Ensemble, WMC Electric Bass Ensemble, WMC Dixieland Band, WMC Jazz Combo, WMC Jazz Ensemble, Eastern Standard Time, and the Jerry Miller Big Band.

Ticket prices for the jazz festival are: \$20 for all events (WMC \$15); lectures and clinics \$15 (WMC \$10); Friday's performance \$3 (WMC \$2); Saturday's performance \$2 (WMC \$1).

Friday night's performance will be held in Baker Memorial Chapel, with Saturday's performance shifted to Alumni Hall.

AIDS epidemic still yields no answers

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Students have shown that most infected people remain in good health while others may develop illnesses which can be anywhere from mild to extremely serious. Symptoms of AIDS may include tiredness, fever, loss of appetite and weight, diarrhea, night sweats, and swollen glands.

Sexually active homosexual and bisexual men with multiple partners have accounted for approximately 73 per cent of the AIDS victims. Abusers of intravenous drugs make up another 17 per cent of victims. AIDS has also been known to occur in persons with hemophilia and those who have had blood transfusions.

AIDS, Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, is a serious disease which has resulted in the death of about 50 per cent of all its victims. It is caused by a virus called Human T-lymphotrophic Virus Type III (HTLV-III); however, infection with this virus does not always lead to AIDS.

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WMC drops Dickinson in 4-0 soccer rout

by Leo Ryan

"Defense" has been the key word for the Western Maryland Men's soccer team this season. A strong defense and the talents of junior goalkeeper Don Gardiner have been instrumental in leading the Terrors to five shutouts in their six victories. In the past three games, Gardiner has allowed only one goal. The defense was also a key factor in the Terrors two ties against Gettysburg (0-0) and York (1-1). But on Saturday, October 26, Western Maryland dominated visiting Dickinson both offensively and defensively en route to a 4-0 victory.

The Terrors scored their four goals on nineteen shots while the defense held Dickinson to only nine. Western Maryland struck early, as Rich Hermansen scored on an assist from John Sack with 42:54 remaining in the first half. Then, with 10:55 remaining in the first half, Junior Neil Gwinn scored his first of two goals as the Terror offense pulled the Dickinson goalkeeper out of the goal. Gwinn scored again with 38:24 remaining in the game on a pass from Steve Lutche. With 26:59 left in the game, the Dickinson goalkeeper bobbed a pass back to the goal from one of his defensesmen. Lutche took advantage, stole the ball, and punched it in for the Terrors' final goal. The Terrors kept the ball at Dickinson's end of the field for most of the game, but Gardiner made six saves to preserve his fifth shutout of the season.

On Oct. 2 Messiah scored three goals in a ten minute span which was all they

needed to defeat WMC, 3-0. The game Oct. 5 against Susquehanna however turned out much better. Junior Neil Gwinn led the Terrors with a goal and an assist. Steve Lutche, Joe Nattans, and Dennis Snyder were the other goal scorers in the 4-0 victory. Gardiner once again had



a good game posting seven saves. Oct. 10 the Terrors won a close game over Washington 1-0. Jon Anderson scored his second goal of the season as the Terrors outshot Washington, 15-9. The Green defeated Muhlenberg, 2-0 on Oct. 19, on goals by Gwinn and Rich Metz and assists by Nattans and Lutche. Johns Hopkins defeated the Terrors 2-1 on Oct. 16, despite a goal by Metz. On Oct. 29 WMC posted an overtime tie 1-1, at home against Mount Saint Mary's. Goalie Gardiner had six saves to preserve the tie and the lone goal was scored by Snyder with the assist by Nattans.

Western Maryland's overall record stands at 6-4-3. They are still in contention for a playoff berth in the MAC Southwest Conference, where their record is 3-1-1. The Terrors will travel to Franklin & Marshall on Saturday, Nov. 2 for their final game of the regular season.

Ice hockey set for 9 games in first season

by Stefani Call

On Nov. 5 a new sport will skate into WMC, for this is the date of the first official club ice hockey game. The match will be held at Franklin and Marshall University in their own rink.

According to sophomore Mickey Haas, general manager and goalie of the Terror squad, the idea for an ice hockey team originated last year from casual games of street hockey. He claims that this year "the interest was there," so he started calling other schools to "check out" existing programs.

"That's the hardest part," Haas says, "finding contacts in other schools. But it's worth it." Haas has scheduled at least nine games so far, including matches against University of MD, Dickinson, Towson, Georgetown, and Hopkins.

Other arrangements that had to be made in the organization of the team were deciding on the practice location and times, as well as locating playing equipment. A basic factor in handling these needs was money. The team's assistant general manager, senior Tom Latona, remarks that the biggest obstacle was finding funds, but that "the team has an attitude that nothing's going to stop them."



Mickey Haas

Because the team is a club, both faculty and alumni may play. One such player is WMC's trainer Paul Welliver who is considered "a definite asset to the team." Haas says of Welliver, "He's been fantastic and a great help in getting started."

To cut down on expenses, ice time for practices will be shared with the club team from Johns Hopkins University. In addition, a search by several team members for sponsors has been productive. The local Budweiser distributor has already offered to

sponsor them, and the Skipjacks have donated jerseys to the team. Money has also come from individual players.

Junior Matt Dunne will act as the player-coach for the team. Haas says, "We couldn't have lucked out anymore on a coach with the knowledge that Matt has." Dunne is currently an American Hockey League linesman and has much experience in the sport.

So far the team has scheduled three "on ice" practices before the first game. These will take place at the Northwest and the Mt. Pleasant ice rinks in Baltimore. Games will also occur at these rinks as well as at the Baltimore Civic Center.

"It was a little rough getting back on the ice for some people," says Latona after the first practice. "But when we actually got out there it meant that we started something; we finally got this thing off the ground."

Having overcome the obstacle of establishing a team, the players now look forward to a "fun and competitive" season.

"One thing that's kept us psyched is the response from the student body," Haas remarks. He encourages the community of WMC to come to their first home game on Nov. 15 against Hopkins "to cheer on" the club ice hockey team.

V-ball ranks 9th in nation

by Cynthia Schafer

VOLLEYBALL

The Green Terror volleyball team raised its record to 21-3 and upheld its number nine ranking in the country with a pair of victories over Washington and Dickinson on Oct. 16 and 19. The Shoremen fell to the Green by a 15-7, 15-2 count, while the Devils dropped in straight matches, 15-10, 15-8, 15-10. Karen Miles registered nine kills for the Terrors while Linda Bawiec added seven in the victory over Dickinson. Bawiec also added five service aces and three blocks. Freshman Shawn Young had four kills and three service aces for the Terrors.

FIELD HOCKEY

The week of Oct. 14 was a rough one for the Women's Hockey team as they were defeated by Hood, 1-0, Dickinson, 3-0, and Elizabethtown, 4-1. The Terrors outshot

the game-tying goal. WMC also outshot Dickinson, 24-17, but once again could not score. The Terrors finally got their first goal of the week when Stacey Bradley beat the Elizabethtown goalie to give the Terrors a 1-0 lead. But the Blue Jays scored again in the second half for the win.

CROSS COUNTRY

Senior Brian Russo led the way with a second-place finish as the WMC cross-country team defeated Johns Hopkins, 25-30, and Gallaudet, 15-50 on Oct. 19. Russo covered the Gallaudet course in 28:12 and was followed closely by Chip Rumbert, who finished by 28:59. Doug Nolder and Steve Kauffman finished fifth and sixth respectively. Russo, Rumbert, and Nolder finished one-two-three as the Green downed Dickinson, 21-34. Russo hit the wire in 27:36 over the 8K course.

FOOTBALL

The Western Maryland Football Team has lost two close

games the past couple of weeks. On Oct. 19 the Terrors dropped a heartbreaker as Dickinson edged them, 15-14. Tailback Fred Sisk scored WMC's first touchdown on a two-yard run that put the Terrors on top 7-0. Defensive back Chris Scannell gave the Green a 14-7 lead when he picked off a Devil pass and ran it back 23 yards for the touchdown. But with four minutes to play, Dickinson scored and converted a two-pointer to pick up the win. Junior Ken Boyd gained 79 yards on 19 carries, and Sisk motored for 68. Defensive tackle Peter Wilson and line backer Tony Callahan each had 11 tackles for the defense.

Franklin and Marshall's strong running game was the key to their come from behind victory on Oct. 26. Quarterback John Travaglini scored twice on the ground as they amassed 158 yards rushing to WMC's 80 for the 14-7 win. Ken Scalet alone gained 84 yards for F&M. WMC scored

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Edge cuts both ways

by Jonathan Slade

In the wake of Sir Alfred Hitchcock's demise, mystery aficionados have had to venture far from the mainstream movie market in order to find a satisfying mindbender. Audiences, it seems, were forced to seek out the works of Hollywood-eccentric Brian DePalma, whose *Body Double* was mildly successful; or the productions of relatively unknown film makers, such as *Cloak and Dagger* and *Blood Simple*.

Recently, though, Columbia Pictures released *Jagged Edge*, an intriguing murder mystery which draws from the more established talents of Tinseltown. And even if director Richard Marquand does not overcome every obstacle in his quest for a masterpiece, he still manages to craft a fine tribute to a dying genre.

The casting, for example, is superb. Jeff Bridges, from *Against All Odds* and *Starman*, plays Jack Forrester, a San Francisco newspaper publisher who is charged with the brutal knife-slaying of his wife. Perhaps the most striking thing about Bridges here is his physical appearance:

the muscular sex object of projects past has transformed into a paucy member of the press. And despite the fact that you can't stop wondering if he is wearing fake hair, Bridges handles his weighty role well. He adopts the posture of a somewhat heavier individual and tempers the spontaneity characteristic of his previous films with a slow and calculating cunning.

In addition, Glen Close, whose recent comic-fantasy *Made with Honor* shed serious doubt on her ability to handle a major role, gives her acting career a boost in *Jagged Edge*. Portraying Teddy Barnes, a corporate attorney who is reluctantly drawn back into criminal law, Close pulls off her complex character with a saucy finesse. When Barnes assumes the job of Forrester's defense lawyer in spite of her dread dislike for the case prosecutor (Peter Coyote), we see in her a woman of noble values.

Undoubtedly the best performer in *Jagged Edge*, however, is Robert Loggia, who plays Sam Ransom, Barnes' investigative assistant. Though he has a relatively small part, his foulmouthed remarks provide some of the

most entertaining moments in the film. He has a cuss word for every occasion.

But the movie does have its weaknesses. The chief fault, for instance, is the lack of originality in Joe Eszterhas' script. His plot twists resemble those of Agatha Christie's *Witness For the Prosecution*, and he borrows extensively from the old *Perry Mason* series. Furthermore, Eszterhas appears to enjoy introducing irrelevant characters in the name of creative license. The audience, he should know, is not extremely interested in superfluous people — ones who could not possibly have committed the crime.

And yet, you ask, how many different ways can a murderer obscure his own identity after carving up someone with a knife? Perhaps we must acknowledge that totally virgin material of this kind is nonexistent, and therefore some recycling of past ideas is a necessity within this genre.

Indeed, *Jagged Edge* is no masterpiece. It lacks the fever and intensity of a great movie. But the actors' powerful performances and Marquand's brisk direction do make this above little mystery a cut above average.

F&M, Dickinson squeak by gridders in grueling matches

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fumble recovery and a pass interception.

The Terrors had a chance to tie the contest with about two minutes remaining in the game when quarterback Jack Buettner put together a series half, despite good defensive work by Wilson and Rick to the F&M 10 yard line. But Rockett, who each with 20 seconds remaining, recorded 12 tackles, and he was unable to pass it into Mike Chavez, who had a the end zone for the score.

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Speaker 'Tip' O'Neill to visit WMC Nov. 18

by C. Lloyd Hart

On Monday, Nov. 18 The Honorable Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neill, Jr., Speaker of the United States House of Representatives will visit the Western Maryland campus.

O'Neill, who is retiring from his post as Speaker in Jan., 1987 after 35 years in the House, will hold a press conference in McDaniel Lounge at 7 pm and deliver a lecture at 7:30 pm in Alumni Hall. The Speaker has also agreed to answer questions following his address and will attend a reception in his honor, also in McDaniel Lounge, before returning to Washington.

O'Neill's appearance here is primarily due to the efforts of WMC Trustee John Simms, '29, and President Robert H. Chambers. Simms, who is a longtime friend of the Speaker, encouraged O'Neill



Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neill, Jr., Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives

to meet with Chambers, who was anxious to discuss problems in higher education. In

the course of the discussions, O'Neill offered to make the trip to WMC and give a lecture.

"I've known him (O'Neill) since he replaced (John) Kennedy in Congress in 1952," said Simms. "I know that he is an excellent speaker. He is third in line for the presidency and the top man in the House. This will be a wonderful thing for the college," he added.

Chambers, too, is excited as well as relieved. The President had advertised O'Neill's visit throughout the fall to students and alumni and expressed relief at the finalization of plans between the College and the Speaker's office.

"We're all extremely pleased that he will be able to honor his commitment. This is something we should all be

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Phi Delta Theta president Mike Paglione receives the Kansas City Trophy for chapter excellence from Bob Fitzpatrick, Province President

Phi Delta Theta wins Greek 'triple crown'

by Bill Mann

and internal chapter operation.

Chapter Advisor and ceremony organizer Robert Friedman, class of '76, said, "We are doing this because these are the major awards given chapters. Phi Delta Theta wants to let the entire community know what our activities are."

"It shows the rest of the campus that we are a worthwhile organization," he added. "In the past two years,

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Bachelors, Delts await sanctions

by Kelly Connor

A hearing will be held Monday, Nov. 18, concerning allegations against two Greek organizations on campus -- the Delta Sigma Kappa sorority (the Delts), and the Alpha Gamma Tau fraternity, also known as the Bachelors.

During fall pledge week, Oct. 27-31, the groups had their charters suspended for

violations which have not yet been publicly announced. Until further notice from the administration and the Greek council, however, the Delts and the Bachelors have lost their privileges to participate in Greek functions, and the Bachelors have consequently lost their fall pledge class.

According to Alpha Gamma Tau's vice-president, Kevin Wueste, "We can't do anything [as a fraternity]. Losing

our party dates in the Forum has affected us morally." He claims the loss of their fall pledge class is likewise upsetting.

Wueste stressed his dissatisfaction with the way their case is being handled and felt that more communications between the Greek organizations and the administration is needed.

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Sidelights: What is the magnitude of the toxic waste problem in the US?

great problem

not urgent, but growing

no problem

no opinion

5 10 15 50 55 60 65

Number of people

survey sample: 125

source: Phoenix

Clements dispels myths about AIDS virus

This is the last in a two part series

by Chuck Cruise

AIDS is transmitted through the exchange of body fluids by such acts as intimate sexual relations or exposure to the blood of an infected person. "Sharing sexual aids with another person is extremely dangerous," said Nurse Marlene Clements of Western Maryland College's Student Health Services, "as is any

sex act which ruptures a membrane like anal intercourse, where semen may come in contact with blood."

The sharing of needles between intravenous drug has also been a contributing factor to the spreading of the disease (it is important to note that there is absolutely no danger in donating blood to blood collection centers since they use sterile equipment and disposable needles). Exposure of others to saliva through oral-genital contact and intimate kissing may also

spread the virus. Toothbrushes, razors, or other implements that could also become contaminated with blood should not be shared.

Casual contact with an AIDS patient poses no danger, however. There is no evidence that AIDS can be transmitted by sneezing, coughing, shaking hands, or hugging. Also, since the virus is quite fragile and will not survive on environmental surfaces, in the atmosphere, on

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Judicial board prepares for Delt, Bachelor hearings

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"The new administration brings a new style of ruling, and we are the brunt of the change in sanctions," he said.

Dr. Charlene Cole, Associate Dean of Student Affairs, explains, though, that the judicial board, which will deal with the Delt/Bachelor issue, is still in its formative stages. The committee, which is part of the larger 16 member Greek Council, consists of a representative from each fraternity and sorority.

"In the past, fraternities have heard fraternities, and sororities have heard sororities. This hearing will be an educational process. It provides cohesiveness among the Greeks as a collective group, and allows the different organizations to take responsibility for their own governing," stated Cole. Hopefully through this process, she explained, "the Greeks can stop hazing before it happens."

"Part of [the problem] is that a lot of groups don't understand what hazing is," Cole added. "Hazing is outlined [in the student handbook], but not many students know what it really is."

Cole stated that she confronted the individual organizations with allegations and allowed them to do internal investigations. She then asked them to give her a factual report on what they believe should be done.

She stressed, however, that all decisions reached will follow the disciplinary guidelines outlined in the student handbook. If the organizations are found guilty of the charges, then a discussion of further actions will follow. If they are dismissed of the charges, Cole said, then the reasons for this decision will also be studied.

Since she does not want to influence the board's actions, Cole refused to comment further about the charges.

Ann Kessler, vice-president of Delta Sigma Kappa, also refrained from making a statement.

"We don't want to say anything which will influence the judicial board in any way. We will be happy to talk after the decisions have been made," Kessler said.

Cole explained that judicial board members needed to receive instructions before proceeding with the case. This training, which occurred on Tuesday, involved explanations of general hazing sanctions and violations and information concerning ways to handle these problems.

Cole has faith in her decision to allow the Greek Council to handle this case. "The Greeks will be working together to find the best solution," she said.

Both the Deltas and the Bachelors are anxious for the hearing to be held. As Wueste explained, "We'd rather get on with things than be stuck in neutral."



Speaker of the House Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neill, Jr., converses with WMC President Robert H. Chambers and Trustee John Simms in Washington

O'Neill confirms visit

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ofred," said Chambers. O'Neill, many argue, is the second most powerful man in American politics, and he relishes his position as the spokesman for the Democratic party. But at 72, will step down from the Speaker's rostrum for the last time at the conclusion of the 99th Congress.

Before leaving, however, the outspoken Democrat, who has represented Massachusetts in the House for the past three decades, plans to make the most of his last year in

office. Even as the label of "lame duck" comes closer and closer to sticking, he refuses to give up his age-old pursuit of "government with a heart." O'Neill still holds desperately to what many around him call "a sinking ship" - the idea that government has a moral obligation to help educate, feed, and protect its citizens.

Rep Trent Lott, House minority whip, believes that O'Neill's style and New Deal politics are the last echoes of what O'Neill himself admits is the "old school." "Time has past him by," said Lott.

But the speaker will continue to be very influential even in his retirement. He vows to continue fighting what he calls "the evil in the White House." The President and the Speaker have had their differences over the past five years.

"[He] has no care and no concern for the working class. He's cold. He's mean. He's got ice water for blood," said O'Neill.

"I like [Reagan] as an individual," says O'Neill. "He and Nancy -- you couldn't find nicer people. But I violently disagree with his philosophy."

Mangan to review Merton novel today

Kathy Steele Mangan, associate professor of English at Western Maryland College, will review *The Seven Mountains of Thomas Merton* by Michael Mott at 12 pm today.

The third in the Books Sandwiched In noon-hour book reviews in McDaniel Lounge, the activity is free and open to the public.

Merton was author of the widely acclaimed autobiography, *The Seven Storey Mountain*, which first appeared in 1948 and became a touchstone for a generation of men and women concerned with questions of faith and war and seeking direction for their lives.

Michael Mott, poet, novelist, and professor of English at Bowling Green University in Bowling Green, Ohio, began



Dr. Kathy S. Mangan

working on the biography of Merton in 1980 after the untimely death of John Howard Griffin, who had begun the

project. As the first authoritative biography of Merton, Mott's *The Seven Mountains of Thomas Merton* has been described as an "intelligent, exciting, marvelous" work that reveals Merton's "almost too human heart and absolute truthfulness about himself and everything else."

"I've always wanted to know more about Merton's role as a twentieth-century poet and spiritual leader -- the paradox of his chosen monastic life of privacy in contrast with his public life as a writer and philosopher," says Mangan, in reference to her selection for review.

"I also met Michael Mott at a publication party for the book last January. He is a compelling personality in his own right and former poetry editor of *The Kenyon Review*," Mangan adds.

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Moyer professionalizes security department

by Bill Mann

Following the resignation of Mr. Ed Shroshire in May of this year, a new director of security has taken to the Hill, Mr. Scott Moyer.

For six years the director was a detective with the Ocean City Maryland police force. He served as a special agent of the U.S. Federal Protective Service and just finished seven years as the director of security at Mt. St. Joseph College.

"Right now my job is to professionalize this department, train these people and get on track," said Moyer. He believes his priorities are first safety of the students and faculty, secondly security of the buildings and lastly to enforce college rules and regulations.

"Because this is an open campus with no gates, our biggest task will be to support foot and mobil patrols. Make our people more visible."

To accomplish this the Campus Patrol Officer Corps has nine full time members and two to three part-time. A new system of telephone and radio communication has been installed in the security office.

Moyer has instituted many



Assistant Director of Security June McVicker and new Director Scott Moyer

new services for students. Items of value can now be engraved with a driver's license number.

Early in the year two women suggested an escort service to aid students who may have to walk across campus to their car or job. The service exists now and any student who needs assistance can call ext. 202 for officer escort.

On the subject of students and dorm behavior, Moyer believes that policing students is not his major function. "I think students should

be able to police themselves in the dorms. That's what the CA's are for. I know we are not going to be close but we will not be adversaries, our goal is not harassment," he added.

The fact that students see security as a "party break-up team," puzzles Moyer. "Since I have been here I don't think we have written up anyone for alcohol. If we do catch them in the open with alcohol we ask them to pour it out. It's only when they say no that we have a problem."

Clements advocates AIDS awareness

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personal articles, or eating utensils it cannot be contracted from toilet seats, door knobs, plates and glasses, clothing, books, or furniture. "As long as everything is dry," added Clements, "there is no way the virus can survive. It can even be killed with simple bleach."


The time between infection with the AIDS virus and the onset of symptoms can range anywhere from six months to five years or longer. Not everyone exposed to the virus develops the disease, however. Diagnosis is usually in the form of testing for antibodies to the HTLV-III virus.

About 85 percent of the AIDS patients studied have been shown to have one or both of two rare diseases. Pneumocystis Carinii Pneumonia (PCP) and a type of cancer known as Kaposi's Sarcoma. Kaposi's Sarcoma usually occurs on the surface of the skin or in the mouth, appearing in the form of a blue-violet or brownish spot. PCP, a parasitic infection of the lungs causes cough, fever, and difficulty in breathing. As Clements noted, "These two diseases are quite rare, and are only found in

persons with suppressed immune systems. We're exposed to a lot of things every day, but it's all in how our bodies respond. The AIDS patient, therefore, is in a very compromised position in terms of his immune system."

There are no antiviral drugs currently available that have been proven to cure AIDS, and no treatment has yet been successful in restoring the immune system of an AIDS patient. Some drugs have been found to inhibit the virus, though, and doctors have had some success in using drugs, radiation, and surgery to treat the various illnesses contracted by AIDS victims. "There's no cure for AIDS, it's only a matter of treatment at this time," added Clements, "but the best approach to preventing AIDS is to educate men and women about safe sex. Safe sex involves using condoms and spermicides. In fact, it is thought that the chemical in spermicide may actually kill the HTLV-III virus."

Further information about AIDS may be obtained from the U.S. Public Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services. The Public Health service AIDS hotline is 1-800-447-AIDS.



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Editorial

Greeks: Of trials and trophies

Finally there is something so spectacular happening in the Greek system that the fraternity responsible actually felt like sharing the experience with the entire campus. Phi Delta Theta has been declared, by its international brotherhood, the best small campus chapter in the system.

This news, when stacked against the recent happenings in the rest of the local Greek community, is fantastic. The Phi Deltas were rightfully proud of their positive contribution and were eager to share their success with the college. Faculty and staff members were asked to attend the ceremony and a *Phoenix* reporter was invited to view this, a truly positive aspect of Greek life at WMC.

But, while the Phi Sigma Sigma Sorority was also showing off its award for best academics in the nation, two Greek organizations were awaiting sanctions for hazing violations. The disconcerting part about this news is that we at *The Phoenix* weren't looking for the awards story, but we rather expected the hazing. So again, we are prepared to offer an idea about how to curb degrading hazing practices on this campus -- just don't do it! There is simply no reason for it and it is a disgusting, unproductive activity.

Hundreds of Greeks across the nation are saying no to hazing, as well as opting for a dry, non-alcoholic rush. At last the national Greek organizations seem to be advocating brotherhood through friendship rather than the bottle. Certainly a pledge would rather have her sisters help her pass a tough history exam, than force her to consume a case of Schaefer, the latter of which makes for a short-lived college career.

And so, credit where credit is due: We are not here to choose sides in the current Greek administration dilemma. If we see an organization led by example, and perform as they were intended, then they get all the praise we can muster. But, when an organization casts a harmful shadow on the whole fraternal structure and the college, then perhaps the persecution that many claim exists, is deserved.



New Right advocates censored education

by Anthony T. Podesta
Special to The Phoenix

Efforts to make people conform to one particular position or ideology are almost always justified with lofty-sounding rhetoric, such as the need to protect our country from subversion, or the need to preserve order. The New Right has just come up with a new excuse for intimidating those who don't agree with its ideology: to protect college students from "misinformed" or "inaccurate" teaching.

This fall, a new national organization was founded called "Accuracy in Academia." While AIA claims to "combat the dissemination of misinformation" on our college and university campuses, it epitomizes the New Right's theory of education, in which diverse points of view and the free flow of ideas are seen as un-American activities.

AIA's founder, Reed Irvine, has headed up an organization for the past 16 years entitled "Accuracy in Media," whose purpose is to intimidate and harass the members of the media who don't agree with his right-wing views. Irvine has built his reputation, and a \$1 million organization, on the principle that there is only one "accurate" way for a journalist to cover a story. Now he's decided there's only one "right" way for a professor to teach a course.

When "Accuracy in Academia" was announced this summer, many were horrified by its rhetoric, but few took it seriously. AIA, however, is emerging as a formidable institution. It already has volun-

teers on about 150 campuses across the country, and has raised \$50,000 of a \$160,000 annual budget. Now AIA has hired as its new director a former New York Congressman, John LeBoutillier, whose skill at fundraising is matched only by his talents at red-baiting those with whom he disagrees.

When LeBoutillier warns against creeping socialism, he's referring to activities by members of the Democratic Party leadership, like House Speaker Tip O'Neill. According to LeBoutillier, former presidential contender Senator George McGovern is "scum." When he talks about radical brainwashing, he's talking about what Harvard professors did to him. LeBoutillier contends that leading American journalists and numerous liberal groups are pawns in a Soviet-sponsored "disinformation" campaign, and while in Congress, co-sponsored a bill that would have created a House subcommittee on internal security.

Given AIA's founder and new director, it comes as no surprise that this new watchdog group isn't concerned, as the name suggests, with upgrading the quality of education at our nation's institutions of higher learning. It's not interested in encouraging academic freedom or balance in the classroom. Instead, it is designed to intimidate those who are teaching what AIA's first director, Malcolm Lawrence, calls "incorrect information which leads to conclusions that may be dis-

tasteful from the point of view of our national heritage or national security... Just plain bad facts."

Take, for example, Dr. Mark Reader's political science course at Arizona State University. According to AIA, it constitutes "anti-nuclear propaganda" because it overemphasizes such things as "fears of nuclear war, power and weapons." It isn't "verifiable" facts AIA is worried about, it's "bad" facts.

AIA "logic" dictates that there is only one correct way to teach students about our involvement in Vietnam; there is only one true cause of the Civil War; and there is only one acceptable interpretation of Franklin Roosevelt's presidency. And if a professor doesn't toe AIA's line, he or she will be investigated by AIA, perhaps pressured to change the content of the course, or vilified in AIA's new national newsletter.

Any effort to limit the exchange of ideas leads to the "dumbing down" of education as a whole. Those who are trying to keep out "biased" facts or "bad" ideas out of the college classroom are following in the tradition of those who want to keep the teaching of evolution out of high school science classes, and who want to censor Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*. They have forgotten that the purpose of education is to teach students to grapple with complexities and learn how to think. Not, as Reed Irvine would have it, what to think.

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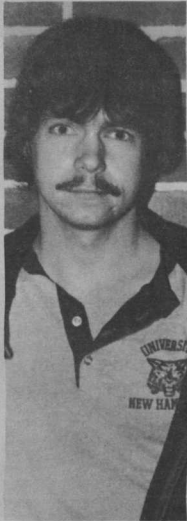
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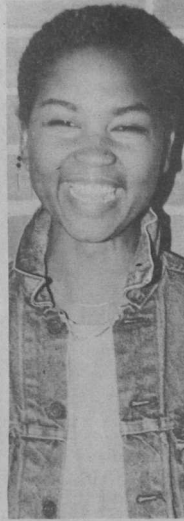
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Pro wrestling heavyweight bout goes light on reality

On April 15, 1985, Marvin Haglar knocked out Thomas Hearns in eight minutes to retain his World Middleweight Boxing crown. In early June, the Edmonton Oilers outskated the Philadelphia Flyers to win their third consecutive Stanley Cup. And then, on Nov. 2, at the Baltimore Civic Center, Hulk Hogan attempted to defend his World Wrestling Federation Heavyweight championship against 450 pound King Kong Bundy.

For those of you who did not witness this momentous event, I will briefly recount the details.

The big, bald, Bundy climbed into the ring to the

jeers of the crowd. The next man to enter was the ring announcer, who informed the crowd that this match would be for THE WORLD WRESTLING FEDERATION HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP. He then mentioned that the match would last one hour, unless, of course, Hogan and Bundy had agreed upon a different time limit on the bus ride to the arena - in which case the match would only last about fifteen minutes.

The crowd screamed with joy as Hogan entered the ring to the tune of Survivor's "Eye of the Tiger". The Hulkster ripped off his shirt, and the match began.

For the first two minutes the match was even. Hogan pretended to drop-kick Bundy, and Bundy pretended to body-slam Hogan. But then Bundy took control. He began to pound mercilessly on the Hulkster. At the height of his attack, Hogan's entire face, Bundy's shoulder, and half of the ring were covered with the alleged "blood".

Hogan's situation seemed hopeless. But diehard wrestling fans know full well that Hogan - just like Rocky and the 1980 USA Olympic hockey team - cannot win unless he faces insurmountable odds. So, just when the crowd had counted him out,

the Hulkster came back. After taking almost ten minutes of constant abuse, after losing gallons of blood from his forehead, it only took the Hulkster about three minutes to pin Bundy. The crowd echoed a sigh of relief - their hero would survive to fight another day!

This account, I must confess, may not be truly factual. I am not absolutely certain that Bundy hit Hogan with a red paint pellet. It may well have been a Heinz ketchup pellet. But such trivialities are unimportant. The greater theme of professional wrestling, "good vs. evil" was effectively transmitted. Was it

pure coincidence that the All-American boy, Hogan, wore white, while Bundy - who, at four-hundred fifty pounds, is just a little bit overweight, and has a face which resembles a manhole cover - wore black? Is it by chance that the "Iron Sheik" surfaced in the World Wrestling Federation soon after the Iranian hostage crisis? Or that one of the most notorious wrestlers, Nikolai Volkov, sings the Soviet national anthem before each of his matches? Many question the authenticity of pro wrestling, but such questions are irrelevant. After all, who would really name their son King Kong?

Phi receives honors

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Phi Delta Theta has been runner-up for this award. The Kansas City Trophy can only be offered to a fraternity that has received the Gold Star Citation the same year. This citation is the top chapter award, and is presented to the group which has displayed excellence in scholarship, chapter management, alumni relations, fraternity relations, fraternity life, and community service. Phi Delta Theta has won the Gold Star for the past three years.

The final honor given to the fraternity was the General Headquarters Trophy, awarded for efficient chapter management. It is offered to the organization which dem-

onstrates extreme promptness in filing their reports with the central headquarters.

The awards were presented by the province president Bob Fitzpatrick to past and present chapter officials chiefly responsible for the success.

There are four fraternities on the Hill, Phi Delta Theta being the only international one. It has chapters in the US and Canada.

Chapter President Mike Paglione, ready to celebrate the "triple crown" victory, said, "It is my feeling that by winning these prestigious awards, we have shown once again that Maryland Beta is one of the best small college chapters of Phi Delta Theta."

Kaplan tells of Holocaust

by Leo Ryan

"Unless we face the fact that the Holocaust was a crisis in western civilization, we will not be able to repair another crisis in Western Civilization." This was the message of Ms. Sarah Kaplan, who spoke on Oct. 28 in McDaniel Lounge to a group of Dr. Ira Zepp's religion students. Kaplan, whose parents both survived the Holocaust, is among that generation which will eventually be man's only link to the Holocaust experience. As a member of the International Board of Children of Survivors, Kaplan is attempting to educate the younger generation about the Holocaust.

Kaplan's mother was held at the Auschwitz concentration camp during World War II. Her father managed to escape from the Nazis while being transported by cattle car to the Buchenwald camp. With the help of a friend, he secured a knife which he then used to cut a hole in the bottom of the cattle car. The two men slipped through the hole and escaped. Kaplan's parents first met in a Displaced Persons Camp in Aus-

tria after the war. It was there that Kaplan was born.

She is the first to admit that her upbringing has given her a different understanding of life. In fact, Kaplan was only five years old when her parents first exposed her to their Holocaust experiences, and it is to her parents that she attributes her own "survivalist attitude."

After graduating from the University of Maryland, Baltimore County with Bachelor degrees in education, social studies, and Hebrew cultures, Kaplan began to teach about the Holocaust in 1970 at the Bethel Religious School in Baltimore. She described the frequent resistance she got from administrators when she first asked to teach about the Holocaust.

"The principal didn't want anything to do with it," she recalled. "He thought it was a bad idea."

She described one incident in which she wanted to do a Holocaust exhibit at a UMBC art show. When she expressed her interests to the show's director, his response was "What is it?" It was only

after the director looked up "The Holocaust" to find out what exactly it was that Kaplan was allowed to present her exhibit.

Presently, Kaplan is the principal at the Oheb Shalom Religious School in Pikesville, MD. The Holocaust program there begins at the kindergarten level, she explained. "The children begin with workshops on prejudice, and the intensity of the material increases with each grade level."

Although the program begins when the children are very young, she says children should not be exposed to graphic depictions of the Holocaust until they are in the twelfth grade.

Kaplan perhaps best characterized the Holocaust experience in her response to the question: "Why didn't the Jews resist (the Nazis)?"

"They resisted where they could," she replied. "Resistance is staying alive when you are fed seventy calories a day. Resistance is saving bread to trade for a knife."

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Soccer ties as volleyball clobbers Rochester

by Cynthia Schäfer

SOCCER

The Western Maryland College Men's Soccer Team battled to a pair of ties on Tuesday, Oct. 29 and Saturday, Nov. 2, drawing with Mount St. Mary's and Franklin and Marshall by identical 1-1 scores. The Terrors had to come from behind in both matches, but could not produce a game-winning goal. Sophomore Dennis Snyder took a crossing pass from Joe Nattans and headed it past the Mount goalie for the Green's lone point against St. Mary's. Junior Mark Wana-maker scored off a pass from classmate Neil Gwinn to tie F&M. WMC had an opportunity to pull this one out, but a last minute header by junior Steve Lutche ricocheted off the crossbar. Goalie Don Gardiner chalked up 13 saves in the two games.

FOOTBALL

The WMC offense failed to score enough points for the seventh consecutive week as FDU-Madison left Westminster with a 14-0 victory over the

Terrors. Although the visitors only outgained WMC, 224-191 yards, the hosts turned the ball over five times, including four interceptions. Senior Fred Sisk led the ballcarriers with 56 yards on 15 carries. John Stonebraker pulled in three passes for 88 yards to lead the receiving end of the offense. On defense, junior linebacker Bill Griffin recorded 15 tackles, while Peter Wilson made 13 stops. Also in double figures was freshman Matt Palazzo, who chalked up 10 tackles.

VOLEYBALL

The netters improved their record to 36-4, with eight wins the week of Oct. 30. The Terrors defeated Gettysburg Wednesday, Oct. 30, 15-8, 10-15, 15-11, 15-8, to clinch a berth in the MAC Tournament, and defeated York, Friday, Nov. 1 in three matches before traveling to the Elizabeth Tournament on Saturday, Nov. 2. WMC swept through the E-Town tourney losing just one game in six matches to gain the trophy. Catholic fell first by a 15-6, 15-9 count, and then the Green defeated Messiah, 11-15, 15-11, 15-11.



Terror players collide with Franklin and Marshall counterparts in Nov. 2 match

Delaware Valley (15-7, 15-4) WMC sweep. Western Maryland faced off with Rochester once again in the championship match, and the visitors from New York fell once

again, this time by a 15-10, 15-10 score. Co-captains Nicky Pesik and Karen Miles were named to the all-tournament teams.

FIELD HOCKEY

Senior tri-captain Nancy Hutchinson scored a pair of goals, and freshman Sandi Stevens added an assist as Western Maryland reached the 500 mark with a 2-0 shutout of Notre Dame. The goals were number 7 and 8 for Hutchinson on the season. Liz Harden made five saves in the net for WMC.

CROSS-COUNTRY

The men's cross-country team earned two victories, defeating Lebanon Valley, 22-34, and Washington College, 17-39, on Saturday, Nov. 2. Senior Brian Russo was the leader once again for WMC, finishing first on the five mile course in 26:47. Freshman Chip Rembert and junior Doug Nolder took third and fourth in 27:34 and 27:37 respectively. The women's squad fell to LVC, 19-42. Freshman Kim Lohmann was the leading Terror runner, placing third over the 3.1 mile course in 22:10.

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Night Beat

Jeremy's

Whatever happened to Stater's Inn? Rumors flew over the campus that one of Westminster's night-spots had disappeared this semester. Dismayed, the Nightbeat crew went in search of this lost landmark. Travelling to the familiar location of Stater's Inn in Fairground Village behind the 140 Village Shopping Center, and turning into the parking lot, the crew was relieved to see that the night-spot still exists yet with a new name and a new image. Proper Dress Required - no tank tops, shorts, caps. "a fancy from the hard-core rock and roll crowd that was known to frequent the inn in years past. The owner has changed the music from hard rock to top 40, and the place seems to be meeting with much success.

The doorman collected one dollar (standard cover on Thursday through Sunday) and checked our I.D.'s (driver's license or their equivalent — college I.D.'s will not be accepted). You can hear the sounds of the DJ's disks as you walk into a classy atmosphere. The tables are covered with a white and a red tablecloth with silk flowers and clean ashtrays. A large

bar can be seen from the entry way and tables surround it, leading to a more extensive dining area to the left. There is another bar aside from the dance floor which itself is raised from the dining area. Dancing space is large and is well lit with colored spotlights and mirrors on the walls and ceilings.

The Nightbeat crew visited Jeremy's on a Thursday night and found a friendly crowd, great music, and fairly inexpensive drinks. Wednesdays they have "Steamed Shrimp Night," with all the salad and shrimp you can eat for a mere \$10.95. The menu, (Jeremy's is a restaurant and lounge) carries a variety of dishes from King Cut Prime Rib to Chesapeake Crab Cakes. There is also a section of "munchies" and the prices are very reasonable.

We were able to speak with the doorman during the night and one of our questions concerned college students and this new nightspot. "I would encourage college students to come to Jeremy's," he says. "We do not however, accept college I.D.'s, just driver's licenses. We hope we can keep up the image that has been started with this transformation into Jeremy's."

Transylvania 6-5000 wanders into absurdity

by Jonathan Slade

If you dial *Transylvania 6-5000*, expect to be put on hold.

This recently released comedy from New World Picture tries to offer a tongue-in-cheek peek into the land of bats and bloodsuckers, but unfortunately it never gets around to being funny.

Jeff Goldblum stars as Jack Harrison, a frustrated journalist trapped at a muck-desperate scandal sheet. His assignment: take the editor's naively ambitious son, played by *St. Elsewhere's* Ed Begley, Jr. go to Transylvania; and dig up some "real dirt" (or at least a vampire). The only problem, though, is that somewhere during the course of history, Dracula's homeland has become a tourist trap, and substantive fodder for a tabloid news story seems nonexistent.

Admittedly, the basic premise of *Transylvania* is amusing. However writer/director Rudy DeLuca places so much

emphasis on the absurdity in his project that scenes which could have received a laugh end up confusing the audience. Thus, we have no alternative but to brand them as overly bizarre. Why, for example, does a butler abuse a hand puppet while welcoming several guests at the door of a hotel? What? A puppet? It makes no sense. And neither does the shriveled old fortune teller who insists on breaking tables with her forehead. Indeed, much of the movie involves physical humor which fall flat on its face.

The most annoying aspect of the film, however, is that characters frequently burst into hysterical laughter when nothing even mildly entertaining has occurred. Perhaps the producers, Mace Neufeld and Thomas Brodek, want to remind us that this is a comedy. We certainly can't tell by simply watching it.

And yet, through the lack-luster lunacy shines an occasional ray of success. The chemistry between Goldblum

and Begley, though it is not explosive, does light up certain scenes. In one instance Gill Turner, Begley's character, interrupts a romantic encounter that his partner is having, and nearly gets strangled to death. Goldblum's control emerges here in that he manages to maintain his calm and collected countenance during an off-the-wall sequence. The man is so deadpan that he even fights a smile after he releases his fellow journalist and tosses the gasping nuisance aside.

Goldblum, therefore, plays the straight personality in the movie, and Begley portrays the idiot. Had this comic team actually been offered creative material, the film could have been hilarious.

Instead, though, we are left to grapple with a poorly organized production that just plain lacks the laughs. Maybe Hollywood has forgotten how to be funny.

Whatever the case, *Transylvania 6-5000* ought to hang it up.

Extremities examines violence through varying perspectives

by Karen Rex

With an explosion of movies such as *Rambo* and *Commando*, violence seems to have become exciting and glamorous. The play *Extremities* which examines violence in another way, and probes deeper into the effect it has on both the victim and the attacker, will be performed in Alumni Hall's Understage on the 22, 23, and 24 of November at 8 p.m.

In the first shocking minutes of *Extremities*, the audience sees the violence up close, not on a movie screen or a television set. Marjorie, played by Sue Lawless, is at home, relaxing, when Raul, played by Jeff Kirkwood, carefully and skillfully forces his way into her house and her life. He refuses to leave. Finally, Raul attempts to rape Marjorie, but she fights back and turns the tables on her attacker.

Throughout the next few scenes it becomes uncertain who really has the power. Fearful that she may not have a case against Raul, Marjorie takes action and imprisons him in the fireplace. With the entrance of her two roommates, Terry and Patricia, (Tracey Tokar and Susan Mills), the audience receives yet two more perspectives of

the situation. As the play progresses, the audience sees the many new dimensions developing in the characters of Marjorie and her roommates. The violence of the first scene manages to weave itself into following scenes.

Professor Max Dixon, director of *Extremities* chose the play because he feels "it is necessary that we examine violence in some other way than the popular media which cater to the 'Rambo' mind." He believes that "these movies tend to glorify and cosmetize violence and cuts us off from its negative aspects." Mastrosimone, the play's author, chooses to show the violence and the social implications it brings. His portrayal of rape shows it for what it really is -- an act of violence that uses sex as a weapon to control and humiliate the victim. *Extremities* deals with this violence intensively. It takes it apart, looks at it piece by piece, puts it back together with the feeling of both the victim and the attacker, and makes the audience do the same.

As Marjorie develops a need to strike back, it becomes clear that her vengeful attitude emerges from a fear of the criminal justice system

in our country. She has no evidence of the attempted rape and no witnesses; therefore, she cannot prove anything in court. Marjorie feels no one in the law will listen to her. She is aware and afraid of the stereotypes which surround a rape victim, such as the "she asked for it" type of reaction. Tokar feels *Extremities* is important because it deals with both Marjorie as the victim and Marjorie as the victimizer. "When we are forced to deal with a situation and the social masks we put on are gone, we feel the emotions we usually deny," she said. *Extremities* asks not only the question of women's justice, but also the question of who is the attacker and who is the victim in this situation -- Marjorie or Raul?

A panel discussion will follow opening night's performance of the play, which uses graphically violent behavior and offensive language to confront prevalent social issues. The panel will discuss the issue of rape and also the topic of women's treatment in our justice system.

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Speaker of the House Thomas P. 'Tip' O'Neill before a packed house Nov. 18 in Alumni Hall

Cole tightens alcohol policy enforcement

by Barbara Abel

Recently a controversy has arisen over the alcohol policy at Western Maryland College, for many students are beginning to question its "fairness."

According to Dr. Charlene Cole, Associate Dean of Student Affairs, "There really has not been a change in policy, but a change in the enforcement." Last year Resident Assistants, she explains, gave warnings to first offenders, but this year they are required to report any student who

breaks a regulation dealing with the alcohol policy on campus. Students who carry alcohol in the hall and into other public areas are being disciplined instead of merely being asked to take the beverage back to their rooms.

A significant increase in the number of students being disciplined has not been detected compared to last year's statistics, Cole claims. "Once students know they face disciplinary action, they are less likely to have an

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Alumni name 6 athletes to Sports Hall of Fame

by C. Lloyd Hart

Saturday, Nov. 2 the WMC Alumni Association inducted six former athletic standouts into the Sports Hall of Fame. The names and accomplishments of this year's inductees will hang beside the plaques of other WMC sports legends in the entrance way of Elderice Hall and the PELC sports memorabilia room.

Alvin R. Paul '50 was a three sport standout in basketball, football and lacrosse. A two time member of the All-Maryland football squad at offensive guard, Paul is now in his twenty-fifth year as athletic director at Columbia University in New York City.

Homer C. Earl '50 was a 1947 honorable mention All-American and head coach of the Terror soccer team for



Jon Miller, a Baltimore Orioles radio personality addresses Alumni

fifteen years. Earl's other honors include membership on three All Mason-Dixon Conference teams and two selections as an All-Maryland player. He returned to WMC in 1964 to lead the varsity soccer squad until his retirement in 1979.

Richard N. Schmertzler '73, regarded as one of the best wrestlers ever to compete for WMC, was honored for his exploits on the mat and in track. His four years on the Hill yielded four Mason-Dixon Conference wrestling titles and two appearances in the NCAA Championships. Schmertzler was featured in "Faces in the Crowd" in an April 1973 issue of *Sports Illustrated*.

The only woman among this years honorees, Kathryn Cole-

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Phonathon outlook bright

by Leo Ryan

"We Meet The Challenge" will be the slogan for this year's January Phonathon. The "Challenge" — to raise one hundred thousand dollars — is the same one that last year's Phonathon fell just short of. "Last year they raised about ninety-one thousand dollars," explained chairperson Robin Adams, "but I'm confident that we'll

be able to raise one-hundred thousand this year."

Ms. Robin Garland, Coordinator of the Annual Fund, who chaired the November Alumni Phonathon explained that the money raised will "cover costs that tuition doesn't cover." These costs include student scholarships, the improvement of faculty salaries, and the improvement of educational facilities.

The Phonathon will be held in Harrison House from Jan.

8-26 encompassing thirteen nights of calling. Twenty different callers are slated for each night, and Adams has already begun to recruit interested students. With Garland's help, she has also set up some special nights. Jan. 8 the Phonathon will kick off with the top twenty callers from last year. Jan. 12 will feature the top Alumni callers from November, and Jan. 13

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Sidelights: What is the major effect of violence in television on children?

alleviates aggression in child

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desensitizes child

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Number of people

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Source: Phoenix

Commuters upset by college parking crunch

by Beth Jones

Commuter coordinator Kris Nystrom is circulating a petition to have the recent decision to open the designated commuter parking lot to all students reviewed. "This is very important to us and we won't go out without a fight," she said.

Nystrom stated that the petition is their "only hope." "If this doesn't work, I don't know what else we can do. We've already sent a copy of the 'Commuter Profile II' to the security office." The profile,

she explained, is a survey-study done by the Student Affairs office last year. Out of 45 students questioned, 18 replied that they find parking moderately difficult and 20 rate it as impossible.

After a two week study, J. Scott Moyer, the new director of security, concluded that "there are always empty spaces." The study entailed checking all the lots for empty spaces at different times of the day. "Special lots for commuters just aren't needed. Students are students and everyone should have equal parking."

Nystrom claimed that no notice was given of any policy change. "All we are asking for is a little consideration. Faculty and staff have their allotted spaces; we also depend on our cars every day. Other students don't need the use of their cars to get to and from class," she argued.

According to Nystrom, the previous director of security, Joe Manzer, allotted specific parking for commuters. "A special lot just isn't necessary. If someone says that it takes them 10 minutes to find

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Cole tightens alcohol policy enforcement

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open beer in the hallways," she says.

The school, Cole points out, is really only enforcing the Maryland State Laws concerning alcohol. Students who are under the age of 21 are not permitted to drink alcohol anywhere in the state, and "that includes WMC campus." On the other hand, people over 21 are allowed to drink in their rooms, as long as they do not disturb other residents.

Students who violate the policy are subject to such disciplinary actions, Cole explains, they are required to attend Alcohol Awareness meetings while on alcohol probation, and they are not allowed to drink liquor anywhere, including a dormitory room. Repeat offenders may lose their campus residency.

The only major change in policy, however, will affect the Greek system. Such organizations are no longer allowed to

have alcohol in their club rooms. This forces fraternities and sororities to either hold parties in their living area or go off campus.

"No problems have been brought to my attention about the Greeks," says Cole concerning this banishment of alcohol from the club rooms.

One Greek student who asked to be unidentified, though, explains, "I feel that it is ridiculous for those of us who are legal. Drinking is going to occur regardless of the policies, the only areas that I think are affected are the social functions on campus."

Fliers dealing with the Western Maryland College alcohol policy were distributed to students through campus mail, and Cole urges any students with questions to inquire at Student Affairs.

"We really are not out to get anyone," she says. "If students abide by the policy, there is no reason to be written up."

Christmas concert

Manilow to the classical style of Handel — this is the variety of music performed by the Western Maryland College Choir in their upcoming Christmas concert. The show will be given on Dec. 8 at 7 p.m. in Baker Memorial Chapel.

The choir, under the direction of Beverly Chandler will depart from its traditional classical theme to include Barry Manilow's "One Voice," a modern version of Christmas classics, and the contemporary selection of "Let There Be Peace on Earth."

Along with these selections, other types of music will be included in the program. Classic Christmas carols such as "The Birthday of a King" and "How Far Is It to Bethlehem" will be performed. For the sake of tradition, some classical pieces have been included such as Handel's "And the Glory of the Lord" and the "Hallelujah Chorus." Also featured in the concert will be a variety of solos, duets, and trios.

The performance will be accompanied on piano and organ by Ms. Evelyn Hering.

Alumni name 6 athletes to Sports Hall of Fame

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man Smith '66 distinguished herself in field hockey, basketball and volleyball. During her career, Smith was honored with the "M" monogram for exceptional achievement in athletics at the College. Smith's efforts as a player, coach and referee have been acclaimed as a key factor in opening new opportunities in women's sports.

The Alumni Sports Hall of Fame Committee also honored two former athletes posthumously. James W. Dunn was a keystone of the Terror backfield in the early 30's, the hey day of WMC football. Dunn led the team to two consecutive Maryland State titles and was a three time All Maryland halfback. Following his college days, he served as an assistant coach at Harvard, Lafayette, Brown and Yale before taking the helm at Northeastern from 1937 to 1942. Dunn capped off his

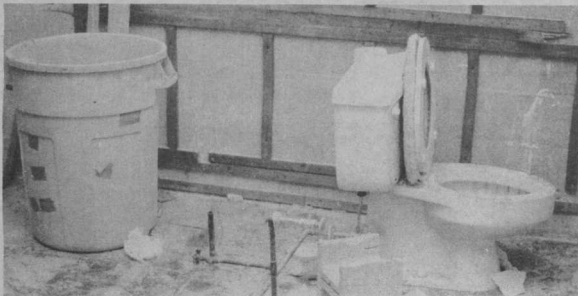


WMC Sports Banquet award winners

career with 12 years as an assistant coach in the Canadian Football League.

Orville E. Neal '29 was also recognized as one of WMC's best running backs, leading the team in scoring for three seasons. In addition to his

three selections for the All Maryland team, Neal served as assistant coach for the 1929 team, helping the Terror to an 11-0 undefeated season. Neal was named head coach at Virginia Tech in 1930.



Parts of Daniel MacLea remain gutted awaiting renovation

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Workers to finish MacLea

by Rod Smith

Loud banging, grinding noises, and the voices of men working float through the air on WMC's campus. The C and D sections of Daniel MacLea are being renovated in an attempt to upgrade the dorm's housing capacity. The rooms have been transformed into suites. "They (suites) will house between 7 and 13 people", says Ed Sell, Director of Maintenance.

The completion date is set for Feb. 1 and if the rooms are fully renovated and furnished all residents of A and B sections will move to the new sections. Once the transfer is completed, work will

begin on A section.

Last year's projections had placed the completion date at Jan. 1 but the project got bogged down early. Sell replies, "After a slow start we are now making adequate progress and we should finish by Feb. 1."

Changes in the sections include drop ceilings in the hallways and outlets for cable television. However the College's cable television committee reports no progress in obtaining a contract with a cable company.

The MacLea renovation is the second housing project involving WMC's own maintenance workers. The first was the gutting and remodeling of Albert Norman Ward a year

ago. "Ninety percent of the work is being done by our own people", Sell proudly states. The only items handled by outside contractors are the installation of sprinkler systems, bathroom tiles and carpet.

Presently C and D sections are still in the primary stages of construction. There are plaster chips, boards, and rubble strewn all over the lower floors. On the upper floors however, walls are partially painted white and most of the debris has been removed and exposed. Electrical wires sometimes crisscross the hallways. On the fourth floor the rooms are cleanswept and stand awaiting furniture and carpet.

Soccer makes semis, volleyball misses

by Cynthia Schäfer

SOCCER

The Men's Soccer Team made it into the semifinals in the Maryland State Division II-Jr Soccer Tournament to close out their year at 7-5-4. In the opening round of the tournament on Nov. 7, the Terrors scored a 2-1 victory over Washington College by taking 20 shots on goal and shutting down the Washington offense by allowing only two shots. The Green goals came in the first half on a headball by Neil Gwinn with and assist from John Sack, and a close shot to the corner by Steven Lutche off a pass from Phil Blatz. Lutche had five shots on the day. Raul Felipe scored Washington's only shot with 0:32 to go in the second half.

With the victory over Washington, WMC moved into the semi-finals against Hopkins University where they put up a fight but were downed in the second half on by a score of 3-1. Lutche scored late in the first half on a freak play to give the Green a 1-0 lead over the Blue Jays, but they

were downed in the last half surrendering three goals. Goalie Dan Gardiner made six saves against Hopkins. The Blue Jays went on the finals where they "walked all over" Frostburg by a score of 6-2.

FOOTBALL

The Terror football team ended its dismal season with two more losses to finish 0-9 on the year. Swarthmore defeated the Green 24-6 on Nov. 9, and on Nov. 16 in the Hall of Fame Game, the Blue Jays of Johns Hopkins rolled over WMC by a score of 31-7. Western Maryland played 59 minutes of strong football against Swarthmore. The problem was that they surrendered 14 points in the opening moments of the game and never recovered. Senior Scott Bassett set new school records for pass attempts (39) an completions (20), but it was not enough. Bassett threw for 197 yards on the day and John Stonebraker caught six passes while Fred Sisk snagged five and Darrell Guyton four. Sisk also moved the ball 63 yards on 12 rushing attempts.



Mike Lewis takes down a Blue Jay in the final minutes of the Terror football season

CROSS-COUNTRY

The Men's and Women's Cross-Country squad competed Nov. 9 in the MAC Championships. The men placed twelfth out of 24 teams and accumulated 310 points. Haverford College took the title by finishing with 72 points. WMC's first runner was Brian Russo who ran the course in 28:23 to cross the

line in twenty-sixth place. Doug Nolder took forty-eighth. The women finished in the middle of the pack as Franklin & Marshall won the meet with only 28 points. Kim Lohmann was WMC's first runner, coming in forty-sixth place.

WRESTLING

The James Madison Take-down Tournament on Nov. 3 was the first competition of

the year for the wrestling team. Senior 142-pounder Joe Monteleone was named the outstanding wrestler in the tournament as well as finishing first in his weight class. Senior Tom Hulse 158 lbs, sophomore Skip Sinak, 150 lbs, and Mike Martinovich 177 lbs, each took third place in their respective weight classes. Martinovich set a school record for the fastest pin in the tourney, by decking his opponent from George Mason in only 12 seconds.

VOLLEYBALL

The Western Maryland volleyball team was unable to reach the Middle Atlantic Conference Championship for the third year in a row when they were defeated by Messiah, 15-12, 7-15, 15-9, on Nov. 9. The offense was led by Karen Miles and Linda Bawick who had 18 and 12 kills respectively and Laura Ciambuschini scored ten. To reach Messiah, WMC first beat Swarthmore 15-7, 15-5; Gettysburg 15-4, 15-6; and Scranton 15-3, 15-4. The Terrors however were downed by Juniata, ranked #7 in the country 15-9, 14-16, 15-6.

Fundraisers optimistic

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will be student/faculty team night. Selected other nights will feature Greek organizations.

Prizes will be given throughout each evening to the top callers. "Eighty-nine mer-

chants in the Baltimore-Westminster area have already donated prizes," said Adams proudly. Contributors include the Baltimore Blast and Skipjacks, and local merchants like Baughers, Fleet Feet, The Toy Stop, and Andrew's Abbey.

Parking dilemma continues

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a parking space, I'll be more than happy to find them a space in one minute," Moyer said.

"I've not had one complaint since the spaces were opened. Before that, I had at least six freshmen tell me that they wanted closer parking. They got it - it's give and take, and we're just trying to be fair," he added.

Nystrom claimed that park-

ing has become "free for all." "Some commuters drive as long as one hour, and when they get here they have to go through the hassle of searching for a space. There are 205 of us and we won't be overlooked," she stated.

Other commuters maintain that the spaces are necessary. "With allotted spaces, we had guaranteed parking - now it can be difficult to find a space," said commuter student Melissa Carver.

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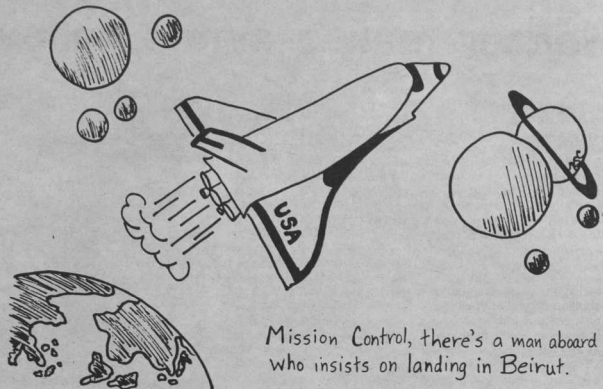
A recent Parent's Weekend handout included a reprinted version of the college's portion in a book entitled *The Best Buys in College Education*. The article first featured the factual statistics and then presented comments from administration and students. Of course, the administration painted a glowing picture of the quaint little college on the Hill, but the students' descriptions were a bit more realistic.

For instance, one student quoted student life as a "struggle" as well as dividing it up into segments by saying it is "one-third prep, one fifth punk." High school graduates considering the college were also warned by current students that WMC was not the place to be if you were looking for culture or a strong program in any of the arts. Instead, the administration touted business-econ and social work as two of its strongest programs, as well as emphasizing the computer integration occurring everywhere on campus.

This handbook should have never gotten into parents' hands as publicity about our school. Not only did the students' overly negative comments hurt the picture the college conjures up, but our own administration tried to sell us out on all the wrong ideas. When it suits their purposes, we are a small, academically-oriented institution located in a pastoral setting, always emphasizing the strong liberal arts background, and its concomitant cultural aspects.

Instead, in that handout, the administration shifted gears to sell parents on two rather modern and innovative majors that are "hot" sells for students now, but not necessarily good liberal arts training. Why wasn't a single word mentioned about the departments that have proved the backbone of the school's academic life for over a century-like English, history, and the sciences? Western Maryland does all of these things extremely well, but they received nary a word of praise or commendation.

We must stop pretending to outsiders that this is an ideal world on top the Hill. It is not, but it does have a core of programs that will always be the true liberal arts—a sense of the past, and understanding of literature, art, and music, and the skills with which to communicate. These are the true "sells" of any liberal arts college—and these are the backbone of WMC.—guest editorialist Brian Dittio



Christmas spirit lost in the cabbage patch

by Kip Koontz

Hurry, Christmas is almost here -- there are only 364 days to go! Get your shopping done now -- before it's too late! Buy now at the Post-Christmas/Pre-Christmas Holiday sale! This may sound unreasonable, but this is what you hear from Christmas to Christmas.

Perhaps Americans today are bypassing the true spirit of the holiday as they get caught up in the pre-season shopping rush. Year after year, Christmas cards, wrapping paper, and decorations appear in our stores earlier and earlier. This year I first noticed them one week before Halloween. What's the point?

Believe it or not, Christmas is a celebration of the birth of Christ. It is a time for caring, fellowship, and giving. In the Biblical account of Christ's birth, the three kings traversed many miles to pay homage to the Saviour. They did this by presenting special gifts to Christ, beginning the tradition of gift giving at Christmas. St. Nicholas expanded this practice by distributing money and food to the poor in Russia. St. Nick, Kris Kringle, and Santa are all bearers of Christmas tidings, and in turn they exemplify the true, unselfish spirit of giving.

American consumers seem to have missed the point, however. I question whether we give to celebrate, or give to be fashionable and trendy. Consider Cabbage Patch

Dolls. Since only a certain number of these "precious gifts" were available the first season they were in our stores, consumers literally fought to obtain them. Accordingly, children were expected to display their new gains to all--much to the chagrin of those who "lost out," of course.

Is this really Christmas, or are we bowing to the whims of manufacturers and advertisers? Parents spend hundreds of dollars every year on "bigger and better" toys because society guilts them into it. People simply must prove that they too can afford the latest trend. Children in turn, expect bigger and better toys, in order to remain popular. And advertisers play on both. Is this Christmas? Families in turn wander the stores in exhaustion looking for the final few items that will put them further in debt. Yet, the fear of falling to find the elusive "perfect gift" constantly haunts the shopper. Is this Christmas?

The point of Christmas giving is, in actuality, to make loved ones happy, not by quantity or expense, but by understanding the meaning behind the gift. The time and thought put into the gift weighs more than the gift itself and the social prestige it may carry.

Furthermore, Christmas is a time for people to unite and help others. However, if you have been to a mall recently, kindness and fellowship are far from people's minds. In their rush to buy, buy, buy, manners and goodwill are

rarely seen. As one attempts to enter a store, the "zombied" hoarders would rather crush you than part to allow you in. Pushing and grabbing are commonplace. Baby-strollers are used as bulldozers by frenzied mothers -- not to carry junior, but to scrape the heels of those in front until that person moves. "Excuse me" is neither used nor heeded.

But this appears to take precedence over the true spirit of Christmas. Giving food for those less fortunate, donating toys to spread happiness to children who have none, giving warm clothes to those who are cold, visiting shut-ins in nursing homes and hospitals, are true examples of Christmas caring. Acts that transcend the selfishness of many current practices. Acts that should continue throughout the year, instead of the buy, buy, buy.

Let us not forget, then, the simple joys of Christmas. The smell of a fresh-cut tree, the singing of carols, the visiting and fellowship with relatives and friends, the joy of giving to help others instead of yourself. This is what Christmas is all about. Wouldn't it be nice if everyone would step back and remember what we are truly celebrating? But not for a brief hour on Christmas Eve, but all year round? And when it is time to shop (the weeks following Thanksgiving are truly enough), that shoppers would spread happiness and good will, by smiling and talking, instead of pushing and shoving? This is my wish for Christmas.

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Jonathan Slade

Cynicism and apathy, a killer combination

"There's nothing to do at Western Maryland College!"

And so goes the moronic after-class exclamation which has risen to a new pinnacle in popularity over the past few months. It seems that many residents on the Hill much prefer to sit around and contemplate the extent of their boredom, instead of seeking out the numerous events which do exist on this campus.

Case in point: On Nov. 9, the WMC Star Trek Club sponsored Genesis I, a mini science fiction convention, in the Forum. This was the first such activity in the entire country, and how did the local population choose to respond? Less than 40 individuals attended, and most of

them were off-campus enthusiasts.

Another example: Eight state and county officials held an open forum in McDaniel Lounge on Oct. 24. And how many students came to participate? Five. I admit that a political question-and-answer session lacks the intensity of a rock concert or the relaxing atmosphere of an afternoon matinee, but critically bored members of our campus could have drawn a subtle sort of entertainment by analyzing Senator Raymond Beck's double-talk.

But the problem goes much deeper than the claim that WMC lacks amusing extracurriculars. In fact, it seems that when a sizeable event does come along whose existence simply cannot be ignored,

people set out to find other reasons for not attending. When "Tip" O'Neill, Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives, spoke on campus Nov. 18, many members of the WMC community questioned his reason for being here. Some asserted that his appearance reflected "a blatant attempt" by President Robert Chambers to improve the image of the college by associating the school name with that of a famous personality. Whether this is true or not, though, is irrelevant here. Whatever Chambers' motives, students still had a chance to take advantage of a unique opportunity--and to have avoided O'Neill's speech on the grounds of Chambers' possible intentions is mere bovine rationality.

Chuck Weinstein

In search of unity

Whether or not we want to face reality, this campus has a problem. Recently, I attended the MAC girls volleyball tournament held at Western Maryland College. It was pathetic to see more fans from other schools than our own.

This problem isn't just in volleyball. Have you ever been to a football game? If you are one of the few, how long did you stay? How many dances have you been to in the forum? Probably not the one's that your sorority or fraternity was not a part of. Or, you had obligations elsewhere.

The reason we have this apathy is because we lack unity. When someone asks, "What are you?" why does the response have to be "a

Bete," "a Spud," "a Delt," "an Omega," "a G.D.I.," or the like. Why can't you be a student from Western Maryland College?

President Ronald Reagan went to Geneva a short while ago to build world peace. Isn't it time someone steps forth at our own school to create an inner peace? Greeks are against each other, students don't know what is going on with administrators, administrators do not seem to care about other students, and there are other conflicts.

Everyone at this school has something valuable to offer each other. It is time to join forces. We should not only be proud of graduating, but of graduating from Western Maryland College.

Suzanne Brazis

Women disgusted with the 'Boys of Blanche'

Scene I — On first floor Blanche, Tom and Mike get in a fight with one another. Mike picks up the trashcan full of beer cans, tossing it toward Tom. And, of course, the garbage misses its target, crashes against the wall and splashes all over the carpeted hall.

Scene II — The "Bete club" is starting off the weekend on Tuesday by playing their stereos full volume and drinking their 15 cases of Schaefer.

Tim, Steve and Joe, three Bete club members, then proceed to "bag" -- that is, drench with water -- four girls walking out of Blanche.

Scene III — Four girls on second and fourth floors are sitting in their rooms trying to study or watch their soap operas on television at a normal volume.

What is wrong with this picture?

Obviously, there is a conflict of interests here. Ever since

the administration at Western Maryland College allowed boys to reside in Blanche Ward Hall, previously an all women's dorm, the atmosphere has changed tremendously. If one was to walk through the first and third floors, undoubtedly they would notice the stench of stale beer and rotten pizza, not to mention the loud echoing clatter of Led Zeppelin.

The first and third floors harbors these "wild animals," who walk around like they

own the place. The stairways are cluttered with half-filled beer cans, torn-up books, and graffitied walls, and the carpets are stained with spilled grain punch.

Do these boys' homes look like this? If so one must feel very sorry for their parents and maids. Why must they feel like they have to keep up their "studly" reputations of being rowdy and massive partiers? Believe me guys, we women really do not care if you can hit your target per-

fectly when bagging, or that you can play your stereos on volume 15, and your Dolby speakers do not blow. We just want our "old Blanche" back: the quiet, clean and humble place like home.

If only Phil Sayer, Dean of Student Affairs, could stroll through the first and third floors of Blanche with a perspective student and their parents. Then maybe he would realize what a deadly mistake it was to allow boys in Blanche.

The lesser of two injuries

Editor,

This letter is written in response to your article entitled "Greeks: Of trials and trophies." I found the entire article to exhibit poor judgment on the part of the editorial staff.

From the first sentence until the last one I feel this article portrayed a bias against Greek organizations that is unworthy of any reputable newspaper. I cite as an example the first sentence of the article, "Finally there is something so spectacular happening in the Greek system." I feel that this statement indicates that spectacular things do not usually occur in the Greek system, but that is far from the truth. I do not know of any other groups who willingly give their time to help the Westminster community through projects such as the Fall Fest, YMCA swim-a-thon,

Crop Walk and Big Brothers program. Also, there is no other group, organization or system on campus that can provide 114 volunteers to serve at the President's inauguration dinner and provide volunteers to help Student Foundation serve at the Parents' Weekend dinner. All these projects are undertaken willingly by the Greek system, and Greeks have continually received very little thanks for performing these services.

The second reason I feel this article exhibits poor judgment on the part of the editors is that it contradicts another article in the same edition. Your article discusses the "hazing violations" in the article entitled "Bachelors, Deltas await sanctions," it is stated "the groups had their charters suspended for violations which have not yet been publicly announced." I find these two statements to be in direct conflict with one another and consider it unprofessional for any paper to allow such a blatant example of poor journalism to occur.

Finally, I would like to share with you an experience that illustrates the importance of the Greek system on this campus. Last spring I was privileged to be part of a committee of Deltas that met with the Greek Life subcommittee of the Student Life Council. At that meeting the first question asked of the Delta College was "would you continue to be a student at Western Maryland College if you were not affiliated with a Greek organization?" Every single student in our meeting answered "NO!" That answer was put forth because the students realize that the Greek system not only offers a social life and fellowship with other students, but it offers a chance to learn responsibility by helping others in the Westminster community. Next time you would like to find fault with a system you do not fully understand, remember that many of the most successful and responsible individuals to graduate from Western Maryland College got their start as mem-

bers of the Greek system.

Ann L. Kessler
Delta Sigma Kappa

Another statistic

Editor,

The weekend before Thanksgiving the Performing Arts Department presented *Extremities*, a play about rape and violence, before full-houses. At the opening performance the themes of powerlessness and violence which emerged from the drama stimulated a lively discussion between the audience and an invited panel of persons who have had experience with rape victims and rapists. As a member of that panel, I was concerned, but not surprised, that the questions tended to focus on the legal issues which might follow as a result of the action on stage.

Those of us who work with rape victims know that "Any-one can be a victim." Recent research on the frequency of

rape on college campuses indicates that one woman in five has been raped by someone she knew and that one man in ten admits having used physical force to have intercourse with a woman against her will.

Although statistics on incidence of unreported crime may vary from study to study, we may safely assume that there are women at Western Maryland who have experienced the violence of unwanted sexual relations. The confusion, guilt, and anger which follow such an experience often linger for months. It helps to talk about it with women who understand. The Carroll County Sexual Assault Service is a group of volunteers who are trained to work with victims of sexual assault. The service is free and confidential. Call the twenty-four hour Hot Line 848-2724, or the office answering machine, 857-0900. Help is just a phone call away.

Dr. Mary Ellen Elwell
Social Work Program

Letters to the Editor

Rocky IV loses itself in jingoistic jungle

by Jonathan Slade

The Cold War rages anew, only this time the main source of the antagonistic propaganda appears to be writer/director Sylvester Stallone, and not some national government.

In his most recent movie, *Rocky IV*, Stallone decides once again to cash in on American ethnocentrism, as he did during the summer with *Rambo*. This time, however, he has done so at the expense of ruining some firmly established, three-dimensional characters. It seems that the audience viewing this comic book boxing extravaganza is expected to be entirely consumed by a jingoistic frenzy, and isn't supposed to notice the blatant use of pre-Paleozoic clichés or the shamelessly flat film personalities.

Rocky Balboa (Stallone), the Philadelphia street fighter turned world champion, returns for his fourth movie to climb in the ring with a Soviet super-athlete named Drago (Dolph Lundgren). Stallone's slow-witted character, though, has his reasons for taking on this towering foreign chal-

lenger (and money, of course, isn't one of them). Rocky wants to avenge the death of his friend and trainer Apollo Creed (Carl Weathers) who is slain by the steroid-spawned Soviet in an exhibition fight. And who would dare complain if the American camp happened to defend the honor of Mom, apple pie, and the red-white-and-blue along the way. No one, right?

Perhaps if *Rocky IV* wasn't so obviously one-sided we could revel more in its cinematic display of patriotism. The movie, however, would have us believe that all Russians either constantly wear uniforms or live in log cabins as peasants. In addition, it always snows in Stallone's USSR, the Soviets never smile, and their athletes are only successful because they are a result of some carefully controlled scientific experiment. Maybe, just maybe, some of this is true. But *Rocky IV* oversteps the bounds of reality in its presumptions, leaving the audience with an exaggerated cartoon where WE are virtuous and THEY are not. Alas, Stallone fails to realize that the world does not exist in

such black and white absolutes.

Other infamous clichés that rear their ugly heads include the ol' John Wayne a-mans-gotta-do-what-a-mans-gotta-do speech (which is actually used twice here), and the vintage best-friend-dies-in-your-arms maneuver. We also get the ever-popular pride-before-the-fall motif as well as the one-man-overcomes-incredible-odds routine. There are certainly enough beaten-to-death ideas flying around the screen for this to be a tribute to classic camp. But sadly, each reincarnated cliché ends up like a boxer's black eye.

The most upsetting aspect

of *Rocky IV*, though, is the manner in which truly solid characters of movies past have deteriorated due to Stallone's simplistic whim. In fact, Rocky's wife Adrian (Talia Shire) has transformed from a shy, soft-spoken woman in the original film, into the generic housemother that is so prevalent in today's Hollywood productions. And Paule (Burt Young), the cigar-chomping relative whose blunt remarks and cynicism gave color to the other pictures, must now trade witticisms with a robot. Well, why not? Everyone else is doing it. A non-human character is almost a staple in any modern blockbuster.

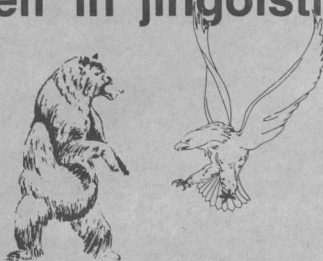
And, despite the movie's

disappointments, it will still be a money maker. A trickle of the old *Rocky* charm manages to slip through in the final fight scene, but it is hardly recompense for that which precedes it. Also, there are several MTV-like sequences which will appeal to the teenage masses.

All in all, however, *Rocky IV* comes off as a thinly disguised piece of unwarranted propaganda. When our valiant fighter gives us the moral of the film in its corny concluding scene, he sounds more like a hypocrite than a harbinger of peace. His speech simply isn't congruent with the rest of the picture.

Thus, the tragedy: At a time when two superpowers are struggling to communicate, a film such as this seems to beg for the return of a Cold War. Indeed, it appears to be more concerned with milking profits out of the "git dem Ruskiens" mentality, than actually suggesting some sort of resolution to the East-West situation.

And so, in the end, *Rocky IV* loses. But Stallone certainly won't notice. He's too busy wrapping himself in the American flag.



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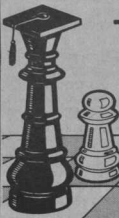

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Affinity housing latest dormitory innovation

by Beth Spangler

With the beginning of spring semester comes the thought of where one will be living next year. Due to the renovations of Daniel MacLea Hall and the shuffling of living arrangements in various other dorms, some residents may find themselves surprised at their room assignments this September.

Last week students received a pamphlet in their mailboxes outlining the necessary steps to take to be included in the affinity housing program which will begin in the fall. Any academic group on campus is eligible to try for one of the 12 suites which will be open to these interest groups, according to Kathy Compton, Assistant Director of Residence Life. Each newly-renovated suite can



Kathy Compton, Assistant Director of Residence Life

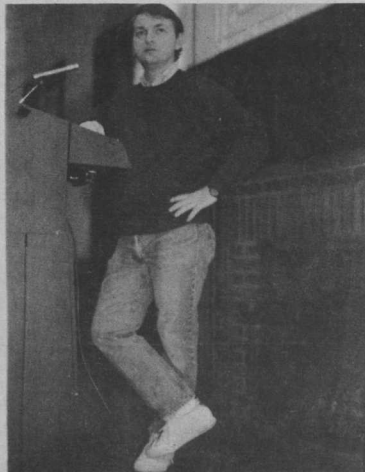
house seven, nine, 11 or 13 students.

In addition, some other major changes are in the

works for the rest of the campus. Rouzer will be occupied exclusively by freshmen next year, as well as three undetermined floors of Whiteford Hall. The remaining floors in Whiteford will be filled with upperclassmen as decided by a lottery. Also, Blanche Ward Hall will be renovated, but this will not greatly affect the housing of the Greek population in this dorm. The remainder of the Greeks will be housed in McDaniel and ANW, Compton said.

With 400 new students expected for the upcoming school year, the chances of there being an "abundance of singles" is slim. McDaniel, though, will continue to utilize its present singles this fall. The Office of Housing and Residence Life has not yet released its policy concerning

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Dave Marsh, former assistant editor of *Rolling Stone* magazine, discussed the hazards of warning labels on rock albums, Tuesday night in McDaniel Lounge.

Public Info. offices robbed

by Jonathan Slade

Not everyone was asleep during the wee hours of Jan. 24, for by the time office workers arrived at Harrison house on this Friday morning, approximately \$12,000 worth of college property had been stolen.

Among the missing items were two Oriental rugs, one valued around \$3,500 and the other \$2,500, and a memory typewriter worth \$3,000.

"It was discovered at 6:55 am," said Director of Security Scott Moyer, explaining that the thief or thieves forced their way through the back door. "You can look at what was taken and determine that whoever it was was in there for a long time."

A window air conditioner, a digital clock, and two Victorian figurines were also taken. Both the local police department and campus security are investigating the incident.

"The city police are giving us a lot of latitude on this," Moyer said, "but we're basically working together." He suspects that several individuals were involved, but has drawn no formal conclusions as of yet.

"One of the rugs was six feet by ten feet," he explained, "and it may have taken more than one person

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Study tours bring tragedy, pleasure

by Beth Jones

An exploration of St. John, one of the US Virgin Islands, and an art tour of Europe were just two of the recent Jan-Term excursions that centered around non-traditional learning experiences.

Before the St. John group

arrived at their destination, they were instructed in the basics of snorkeling, and attended lectures on the native plant life, coral reefs, and the economic and social conditions of the area. Each student was also given a list of required activities. Among

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Sidelights: What is the most appropriate way to celebrate Martin Luther King's Birthday?

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Students raise \$2,000 for Sudan's children

Nineteen student groups combined efforts this fall to raise over \$2,000 for the Save the Children Federation (SCF) and targeted funds for food aid in the Sudan.

The campaign was organized by communications majors Karen Rex and Karyn Upton and advised by faculty member Dr. Ronald Tait, who created the theme "An Opportunity to Make a Life-time Longer." According to SCF's annual report, the Sudan has been exceptionally hard hit by the recent drought, and it is estimated that over half the

children in the country are severely malnourished.

"It takes a nickel a day to feed a child," said Rex, adding that the money raised would feed 100 children in the Sudan for ten months. Over 300 students took part in activities ranging from pumpkin sales to a dance marathon.

Speaking at a recognition ceremony, Dr. Earl Griswold, professor of sociology, *emeritus* said "Your generation can solve the problem of hunger in the world." Congratulations were also offered by Tait and

President Robert H. Chambers.

Funds were also raised during the fall semester to provide relief aid to Mexico City following the devastation caused by October's earthquake. Guest speaker to the campus and native Mexican Armida Guerrero-Galdeano was taken by surprise when a \$304 check was presented to her following a lecture to WMC students and faculty. Returning home to be with her family, Armida was asked by

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to carry it out."

Whatever the case, Moyer stresses the severity of the offense.

"This is a serious crime," he said, "not something you just close your eyes to."

Ms. Joyce Muller, Director of Public Information, was

one of those who lost equipment in the robbery.

"I'm very upset by the things missing from our office because a lot of it is (computer) disk information," she said. "It won't do anybody else any good, but it is invaluable to us."

"We've all grown very dependent on computer technology," Muller explained.



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No-show snow eludes JAWS participants

by Michael Norkus

January marked a decision point: Scholastics vs. Vacation. For some of those taking the Jan. - Term, it was possible to have both, provided you were looking forward to winter weather.

The Military Science program, January Arctic Winter Survival. (JAWS), annually provides this chance to those who want to ski and discover the secrets to survival. The main thrust of this experience however, is to teach students, whether a part of ROTC or not, how to live in a winter environment during times of emergency or recreation.

The program began nine years ago. Sergeant Major Donald F. Boone started it to make students more aware of the dangers as well as the possible enjoyment of the winter season. He originally held the program at Loyola College in Baltimore and carried it with him when transferring to WMC.

From its inception, the class was a success, and appears to be holding its popularity. According to Boone, "every year (they) have always had at least eight or nine people on a waiting list" for the course. As a result, the course was quickly expanded from 10 to 25 students.

In addition to skiing, JAWS prepares the student to survive with only basic provisions. In the classroom, a person is taught how to prevent and treat cold weather injuries, and how to behave in emergency situations such as a stranded car.

In the field, students receive the opportunity to practice what they have learned. A survival night is spent in the mountains. Here one must find the materials for a shelter, a fire, and food. Moreover, physical training exercises, orienteering, and a grown-up version of cops and robbers called Evasion Day are included in the curriculum.

Snow, however is necessary for the JAWS excursion, and unfortunately none fell this year. The instructors, as a result, planned activities on a day by day basis, some of which included basketball, volleyball, and repelling. In addition, trips were taken to nearby ski resorts that did have snow so that members could participate in downhill skiing. The primary activity was to be cross-country skiing. In place of this, though, hillside hikes were taken. Also an Evasion Day was held in which students were taught how to use a compass and map, and told to find a planned location. To keep the course moving, students were chased with eggs.

An awards ceremony marked the end of the trip.

Captain Michael Fitzgerald, a member of the military science staff, explained that JAWS makes you "prove to yourself that you can do more than you thought you were capable of."



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The SPRC represents and provides recreation to physically, mentally and emotionally disabled youth and adults. They are using the game as part of their preparation for the upcoming Maryland State Special Olympics in March and April.

The Faculty/Staff team, coached by Seidel, is currently sporting a 2-2 record.

Admission for the event is \$2 at the door. For further information on the game or on the Special Populations Recreation Council, call 848-0904.

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these were sailing, snorkeling, and hiking. They also found time for other adventures aside from this schedule.

While sailing, students had the chance to witness a school of surfacing whales. "We were only a few miles off shore. It was like seeing it in your own backyard," said student Mark Riley. Others met up with a shark and a large eel while snorkeling.

In an unexpected activity, the group participated in the search and attempted resuscitation of three drowned Boy Scouts. Eight Scouts had been floating in the water in a rubber dingy when an air compartment was punctured.

Three of them fell overboard and, when found, could not be revived.

"It was a very quieting, thought provoking confrontation with life and death," said instructor Roy Fender who was in charge of the St. John

trip. "The incident brought out the togetherness and unity of the group. Helping hands came out to comfort others."

The close quartered living and necessary delegation of responsibilities among the 15 members of the excursion proved to be an essential part of the experience, Fender explained. Students shared the cooking and cleaning for the duration of their stay. "I was impressed by the degree with which we managed to live as a group," he said, adding that "everybody came out of the trip a better person." Mark Riley explained, "I feel better about what WMC is doing to enhance me and my education."

But St. John was not the only non-traditional Jan-Term. The art tour of Europe was also "culturally enriching" according to Dr. Julie Badiee who led the group. Students taking her course visited 20 major art museums in England, France, Belgium, and Holland, including the Van Gogh Museum and the

Louvre. They also toured Chartres Cathedral and Versailles.

Badiee explained that there were three 90 minute sessions on the WMC campus in preparation for the journey, and that in the future she would like to expand the number of these classes so that students will be able to obtain more background information on the places they will see.

While in Paris, a former WMC student was responsible for tossing a television set from a seventh story hotel room, smashing the windshield of a parked car below.

"Some students were repeating actions from the dorms. Irresponsible drinking didn't go over well in Europe," Badiee added.

To avoid this in future art tours, she explained that an interview process will be instituted to screen out irresponsible individuals.

"We only want those who will appreciate the trip," said Badiee.

Relief money raised

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the college community to personally decide who in her homeland could draw the most benefit from the money.

"This is our way of bypassing the large relief organizations and getting it right to someone who needs help," said Chuck Weinstein, student member of Network, a new organization within the Communications department.

Via telephone from Mexico City, Armida talked with Dr. Eleanor Schreiner, head of the

communications department, and reported that the WMC donation was received by the General Hospital of Mexico City. This hospital that services low-income families was "the one where you saw pictures in your newspapers of babies being pulled out," she explained. "It was so surprising to them that at a college we don't know ... they care and show such concern for the sake of other human beings. All the people who knew were very touched."

Student, staff switch planned

by David Owings

The Student Affairs Office is sponsoring "A Day in the Life of a Student Administrator," a program in which students will be given an opportunity for one day, to serve in any of the major positions in the Student Affairs Office.

Assistant Director of College Activities Mitchell Alexander developed the idea "to make students more aware" of the duties a college administrator must perform. The program is designed to give students a better understanding of the Student Affairs Office and to

create more student input into the workings of the college administration. It will also allow students who are planning to go into the management field to obtain experience in handling the day-to-day activities of a "busy" department.

"I'm semi-hoping something in the managerial phase will happen," he said of the goals of the program, adding that the permanent office holders will outline duties and be on hand to help student substitutes with any serious problems.

Applicants will be judged on appearance, speaking

quality, diction, ability to speak to groups and individuals, as well as enthusiasm and reasons for entering the program. The applications will then be reviewed by previously chosen members of the student body, and narrowed down to three applicants for each position. The winner will be chosen from these semi-finalists by the person who officially holds the position being applied for.

Interested students are urged to get applications from the information desk in Decker College Center. When completed, return applications to Bill Mann, P.O. Box 904 by Feb. 26.

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Editorial

In a not so distant classroom

It has been a little more than two weeks since the soul-shattering explosion of the space shuttle Challenger, and still the tragedy gnaws at the very heart of a nation. Perhaps time has afforded slight comfort but it has also allowed us to pause and ponder the might-have-beens of the ill-fated mission, including the intended role of the Concord, NH social studies teacher Christa McAuliffe.

McAuliffe was supposed to conduct two televised lessons from the Challenger as a part of NASA's "Classrooms in Space" program. As history would have it, though, she was never even given the chance to open her lesson plan. Even so, we still learned a great deal from her presence on board the shuttle, whether or not we realize it.

First, as a result of the disaster, we were enlightened as to the sheer fragility of mankind. Indeed, this may seem a trivial lesson, but consider if you will how frequently we think ourselves indestructible. We constantly tell one another that the homo sapien sapien is the most intelligent of all earthly creatures. And yet, sometimes we forge ahead recklessly, forgetting our mortality. Shuttle flight 51-L has brutally reminded us of our flesh and blood reality, hopefully dampening our cockiness and forcing us to retract our caution from the winds.

The second major lesson McAuliffe and the other six crew members *re-taught* us concerns the fallibility of machinery. So often we place our lives in the hands of a mechanical apparatus, not once questioning our own safety. We forget that our automobiles are high speed projectiles, and that our space craft are flying warheads, both of which can fail and kill without warning. Man, therefore, must realize the risks when he employs such artificial means, for we have far outgrown our technological childhood and no longer play with mere toys.

Indeed, if we as a species have actually learned these two vital lessons, and this knowledge in the future spares us some agony, perhaps McAuliffe the school teacher completed her mission after all.

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Greek persecution only hurts WMC's future

by Tracey Kennard

College for many students is a home away from home and finding a niche in this new home can become a major dilemma. At Western Maryland College, joining a Greek organization may be a possible answer — until recently that is. During the past year, there has been a concerted effort made by the administration to undermine the Greek tradition.

This tradition has strong roots as well as a long history. Western Maryland's fraternities and sororities are a family tradition for people like myself. I can recall annual summer picnics with Phi Sig (then Sigma Sigma Tau), Phi Alpha, Delta and Bachelor alumni. All these names sounded foreign until my arrival freshman year. I became quickly oriented to the letter, colors, and stereotypes of the various groups and soon found myself a member of the Greek community.

Last fall, segregated housing was introduced as a possible solution to the "Greek problem." Gradually, this has been phased in and now a desegregation proposal has been submitted to Dr. Chambers as a counter solution. The question still remains:

What exactly is the problem with Greek organizations? Upon returning from my semester abroad, I have learned from many classmates that life on the hill has changed, in regard to Greek life. One student even commented on the fallacy which has been created surrounding the issue. What fallacy you ask?

The fallacy that the independents are unhappy with housing and campus life and that something needs to be done.

Let's face it, independents are independent and if they form a coalition then they are an organization like the Greeks. Either by choice or circumstance, they remain independent. The Greeks provide them with social activities that no other campus group can rival.

Traditionally, the Greeks have been purely social in function. A crucial aspect of the issue: ALCOHOL. Has the purpose of the Greeks gone astray? The administration strongly nods affirmative. I have watched clubroom parties become a thing of the past. With the change of the drinking age in Maryland, this action could be anticipated. However, who will be responsible for off-campus drinking and driving which do not mix? Wouldn't it be better to allow

on campus drinking in clubrooms than promote drunk driving by underage students? (Granted they should not be drinking in the first place but...) Fewer students endanger their lives walking home from the quad than driving home drunk from Maggie's on a snowy Friday afternoon, agreed?

Western Maryland prides itself on treating its students as individual people. Discipline, that unpleasant topic, comes up time and time again contradictory to this philosophy. Too many times, I have seen entire fraternities and sororities penalized for the actions of individual members. Why not discipline the individual first and then the organization, if necessary? Generalizations serve no purpose here.

Greek organizations are an asset to this college and tampering with their future could have wide reaching effects, mainly in the purse. Consider that Greek alumni will not be quite so generous, the present Greeks will not be willing to recruit new students and part of Western Maryland's character will be missing. Think about it: will segregating housing, then desegregating it, and eventually phasing out the Greeks bring the desired results?



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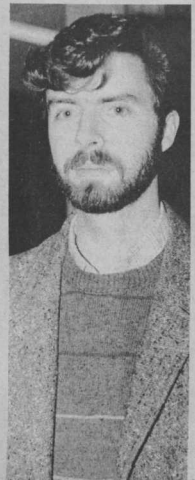
If they launch another shuttle too soon all they're going to do is make another mistake.

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—Letters to the Editor—

Commuter parking

The following letter was sent to President Robert H. Chambers by Commuter Coordinator Kris Nystrom, Dec. 3, 1985.

Sir:

With this letter we, the commuter students of Western Maryland College, respectfully present a petition concerning the current parking lot situation. We are aware that this may not be of pressing concern to the members of the Administration, however this is one of the most important issues we currently face as students.

We ask that the decision revoking the assignment of the gravel lot by PELC for commuter use be reviewed. As the Faculty and Staff are dependant daily upon their

cars; so are we. Some of us travel from as far as one hour, one way, to attend this institution. Although Mr. (Scott) Moyer (Director of Security) is correct in saying that there are parking spots available, we do not feel that as commuters we should be penalized for our non-residential status. Parking is continuously available behind the new gym and in the Harrison House lot, however, Staff and Faculty are centrally located, why can't we be? The resident students do not depend daily upon their cars, and in fact many cars sit in lots for days to weeks at a time without being moved.

Sir, our population is constantly expanding. Five years ago, there were fewer than 40 of us. That figure has risen to over 205 and continues to climb. Although we are now more than 75-per cent of the

student body, we remain the invisible minority — our needs and desires rarely considered. We do not request the return of our parking lot solely based on our expanding population. We are irate with the manner in which the decision was made. This decision was made without informing us, without a request to our input, and without informing the Commuter Coordinator — our liaison with the Administration. We feel that in a decision of this magnitude, the manner by which it was made was grossly unfair.

With this in mind, we request the decision to be reviewed in a just and fair light. We thank you for your time.

The commuters of

Western Maryland College

Unfamiliarity

Editor,

I was at happy hour the other day and the conversation moved through subjects such as the new affinity housing, parties, classes and then we began to discuss the administration of Western Maryland. I soon noticed that a lot of students didn't know who the dean of academic affairs is, who the dean of student affairs is and a few people claimed that they could walk by our school president and not recognize him. What is happening? It isn't that these students don't know the names of these important people, it is that they can't match the names with the faces.

This institution is known for its small student/faculty ratio, but a small ratio obviously isn't helping in the

mixing of students, faculty and administration. We constantly receive campus mail informing us of how many classes we need to graduate, how much money we owe and what sanctions are going to be placed on us. Why can't these leaders show their faces sometimes instead of showing their signatures. The problems that occur on this campus are two-sided and until the two sides get together, recognize each other and begin to work together, the problems will continue.

Maybe the answer is more student/administration functions or maybe not. I feel sorry for those students who don't know some of the great people who work here and I know our faculty and administration is missing out on meeting those who have a lot to offer, maybe even friendship.

Liz Fox

Hursey, Boyer reach 1,000 pt. plateau

by Cynthia Schafer

Two WMC basketball players joined an elite group of players, reaching the 1000 point plateau in their careers to highlight a successful 1985-86 season. Senior forward Jim Hursey became the tenth player from this college to attain this goal, in men's play, while junior Cindy Boyer became just the third woman to do so. Hursey scored 20 points in a 72-71 loss to Catholic University, on Jan. 18, to push his point total to 1,003. Boyer reached her mark on Feb. 1 at home in a 52-70 loss to Elizabethtown.

Hursey made his record making play on a bank shot from 10 feet out. Knowing at the onset of the season that he only needed 211 more points to reach the 1000 mark, there was a count down to the big shot.

"I was aware when I took the shot that this was it," Hursey said. "All my friends were here and I felt great." His teammates were very supportive of his goal, he explained and aided his efforts by feeding him the ball whenever he was open. Hursey averaged 18 points per game this season to fulfill his ambition.

Boyer did not realize how close she was to this achievement until she was well into the season and some one "let the cat out of the bag," she said. "I knew then that with only 100 points to go I could do it." Boyer led the team this season in scoring with an average of 18.3 and 13.0 in rebounding. She scored her 1000th point on a two shot free throw. "It was a good feeling but I felt kind of embarrassed when they stopped the game to congratulate me," Boyer remembered.

Hursey first got interested in basketball when he was 12, after his family moved to Maryland from Massachusetts. Unable to find an ice hockey team here, his football coach recommended basketball instead. When he first came to WMC, though, he never thought he would have such a prolific scoring career because of an injury that sidelined him most of his



Jim Hursey



Cindy Boyer

freshman year.

"I wish I were staying here another year because the team is so close," Hursey said explaining that senior Dick Bender, who transferred here in his junior year, helped him. "Bender's hustle down the court really lifted the team spirit."

Hursey played with a previous 1000 point man, Doug Pinto, and he thinks that three freshmen this year, Jim Glowacki, Jon Bugg, and Mike Schmall have the potential to score their thousandth point.

Because she achieved this prestigious level in her junior year Boyer says that her goals next season involve no numbers. "I just want to play hard and go far as a team." A biology major from Frederick Md., Boyer says, "Everybody helps everybody else on the team and they really supported me. We are all very close."

Boyer has been playing ball for nine years after her brothers first got her interested. "They played on a team and it fascinated me so much I joined too."

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Wrestlers win, women top MAC-SW

by Cynthia Schafer

WRESTLING

At the Juniata Invitational on Jan. 11 the wrestling team showed their depth and balance. Seven men reached the final round for the Terrors and despite the fact that none of them won their closing match, the team did come away with the team laurels in the six-squad event. Seizing second place were Jon Bovit at 126 lbs., Joe Monteleone at 142 lbs., Skip Sinak at 150, Tom Hulseley at 158, Jamie O'Neill at 177, Ed Singer at 190 and Mike Martinovich at heavy-weight.

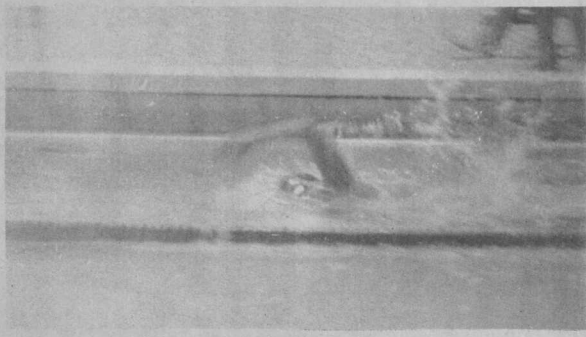
WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

As of Jan. 18, the Lady Terrors were in first place in the Middle Atlantic Conference Southwest Section at 4-0. Junior center Cindy Boyer and classmate Molly Coberly scored 21 and 16 points respectively as WMC downed Albright Jan. 7, 75-49. Franklin & Marshall was the next opponent to fall by 64-54 count. Boyer led WMC scorers with 16 points. Senior

Nancy Hutchinson and sophomore Lisa Sullivan totaled 11 while Coberly added 10 more. Defending section and Southern Division champion Gettysburg came to town Jan. 11 and left in second place as the Green & Gold stopped the Bullets 67-57. Sullivan led the Terror charge with 16 points while Boyer chipped in 13 points. The women won over Dickinson Jan. 15, 71-61 and Messiah Jan. 18 72-60. Boyer scored 20 points and snagged 11 rebounds against the Devils while Hutchinson tossed in 14 more. Coberly pulled down 11 rebounds. In a physical contest against Messiah, Boyer scored 18 points, Hutchinson 16, Sullivan 15, and junior Linda Bawiec 11.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Coach Alex Ober's five split a pair of games, defeating Muhlenberg 73-63 on Jan. 8, but losing to Moravian 65-57. Senior guard Dick Bender led the Terrors with 22 points in the victory over Muhlenberg, the defending section champs, while senior Jim Hursey added 19 points and grabbed 10 rebounds. Soph-



Terror swimmer Ed Swanson pulls hard in the final moments of a recent meet.

omore guard Jeff Stemple earned his first start and showed the home crowd why when he sunk all six of his shots from the floor for 13 points. On Jan. 11 the Terrors traveled to play fifth ranked Moravian. The Green had a five-point lead with four minutes left, but could not hang on as the Greyhounds stormed back to take the victory. Bender and Hursey

led the way again with 16 and 15 points respectively, while senior Dwain Woodley added 10 more.

John's Hopkins fell to WMC on Jan. 16 by a score 69-61. Hursey pumped in 23 points and lead the Terrors in scoring. The Green held a 34-16 lead at half and hung on for the victory. Bender generated 12 points while freshman Jim Glowacki pulled down 11 off

the boards. On Jan. 18 WMC trailed Catholic, 72-71, with just eight seconds remaining and WMC holding the ball for the last shot. But Hursey's jumper rattled off the rim and WMC fell for the seventh time in 12 games. Hursey out-scored his teammates with 20 points, and also received his 1,000 career point, while Bender chipped in 17 and Woodley added 13 points.



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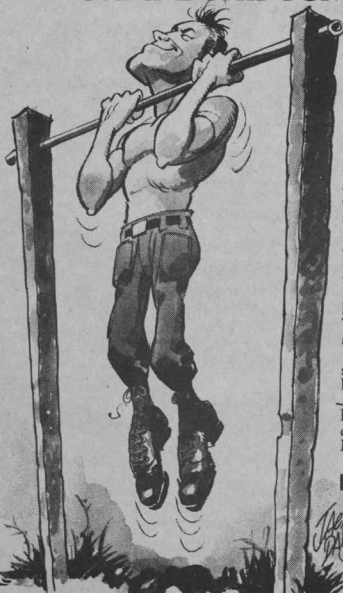
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Alpha Nu Omega sisters relax in the living room of their new suite in C section Daniel MacLea.

Housing plan offered

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students displaced from Whitford and Rouzer. However, the lottery system will remain intact for upperclassmen after the placement of the affinity housing group into Daniel MacLea.

If approved, the affinity housing groups will be not-

fied by the first week in April as to their room assignments for next year. The rest of the student body will move through the lottery and be accommodated "as fairly as possible" by housing during the third or fourth week in April. Elderidge and Smith House residents will also be included in this group.

Out of Africa calms bullet-ridden nerves

by Jonathan Slade

For anyone who has grown weary of cinematic blood-letting and Hollywood body counts, director Sidney Pollack has at last sent us a healing tonic.

Postmarked *Out of Africa*, this wonderful package soothes our grenade-induced headaches and softens the machine gun chatter in our ears, offering us the chance to relax in a remarkably pastoral atmosphere.

Starring Meryl Streep as the hardy Danish aristocrat Karen Blixen, *Out of Africa* chronicles the tribulations in Blixen's life after her move to Kenya in 1914. Having failed to snare a husband in her native land, she has completed the trek to Africa in order to marry her cousin Baron Bror Blixen (Klaus Maria Brandauer). Here, on Bror's estate, they are to raise cattle for a living.

And so, the new baroness settles down, appearing to have found a permanent niche in a society of black tribesmen and haughty British colonialists—that is, of course, until she encounters the wandering romantic adventurer Denys Finch Hatton (Robert Redford).

The strength of the film, it seems, lies not in the action, but in the depth of the characters. Streep is superb: Having mastered a Danish accent, she never allows it to falter. The sentences roll off her tongue with a laconic wisdom befitting one who understands much about the world, but does not wish to flaunt her experience. She moves from scene to scene with a suave certainty, which is interrupted only occasionally with bouts of nervous cigarette smoking. Indeed, we find Karen Blixen to be a three dimensional character, and Streep, with all her frontier finesse, is most deserving of an academy award.

Even Brandauer, who plays her husband, succeeds with his portrayal. He manages to offer up a calm, collected, and lecherous baron, without ever becoming callous and inhuman. Brandauer is somehow able to tread the fine line between "amiable" and "de-testable," and despite his multitude of flaws, does not alienate the audience.

And Redford, who receives top billing on the credits, is also powerful. His Denys Hatton is a complex individual,

bubbling with paradox, but never confused. He sees that man is destroying the African landscape, and silently mourns its demise. To be sure, Redford's role is demanding, larger than life, but he still manages it exceedingly well, with his philosophical gazes and passive rationality. Perhaps Streep, though, who dominates the film, should have received her co-star's place at the beginning of the credits, for she is riveting and stunning. Redford is merely entertaining.

Director Pollack, then, has brought forth a gift to the viewing public in this production. Taking full advantage of the breathtaking African vistas, as well as the enormously talented cast, he has created an absorbing narrative that makes us both think and feel. His is a film about people and relationships, about dreams, desires, and goals.

How refreshing a change from the recent onslaught of loud-macho-firearm flicks that force you to leave the theater nauseous, deaf, and ninety per cent brain-dead.

See *Out of Africa*. It will soothe your cinematic wounds.

Brooks searches local area for filmmaking opportunities

by Cindy Sharp

Western Maryland College will be losing a promising young film maker when senior Peter Brooks graduates this June. Brooks has spent the last year collecting footage of both school-sponsored and off-campus events which he will eventually use in various documentaries.

With the help of other WMC students last November, he filmed *Speaker of the House* Tip O'Neill's visit, and also spent time recording performers in the college pub. These clips, when edited, will be sent to the Admissions Office in the form of a promotional video to be shown to prospective students. But these are not Brooks' only recent projects.

On Nov. 16, he assisted director Peter Wasserman in filming the *Sounds of Silence* music presentation. "The film is intended to capture the uniqueness and beauty of the event," Brooks explains. He adds that it took much preparation to produce the show.

In addition, Brooks has used his camera to chronicle

the 1985 season of the WMC girls volleyball team. Through the Network, a student group under the communications department, Brooks amassed over six hours of coverage of the season which he intends to use for a documentary. His goal here, Brooks says, is to capture for one year "the tradition that Western Maryland volleyball has maintained for many years."

As a senior project, Brooks is working on yet another documentary, this one concerning the Morgan community in Washington, D.C. Morgan is a cross-cultural neighborhood comprised of Asians, Hispanic Americans, blacks, and whites; and Brooks gathered ten hours of tape on the area during a two week period last summer. The production, he says, also required him to do two months of research, forcing him to spend much of his vacation in the library. Through this documentary, he hopes to convey the distinct relationships each cultural group has with one another.

"This community is a micro-

cosm of America," Brooks says.

And despite his constant exposure to the world of film, he has yet to grow weary of it, explaining that he simply "can't get enough" production experience and practice. Currently a WMC communications and systems analysis major, Brooks plans to attend graduate school at New York University and study film theory for his masters degree.

But his dream, though, is to produce narratives, which he claims are more difficult to make than documentaries. The story he would most like to transfer to film is Ralph Ellison's novel *The Invisible Man*.

"I'd like to use the audience as the invisible man," Brooks says, explaining that the characters would address the camera directly as if it was an individual.

Ironically, the famous director Orson Welles at one point wished to produce a film in this manner, but never found time to do so. Perhaps Brooks though, with his growing thirst for cinematic conquest, will undertake the challenge and succeed where Welles did not.

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"Mr. Jagger" Tom Rinch sings a duet with "Tina Turner" Inga Patrick

Rinch struts way to Mr. WMC crown

by Tina Pagliocchini

The second annual Mr. WMC Contest was held Friday, Feb. 21. Sponsored by Delta Sigma Kappa, the event drew a capacity crowd to the Forum where five individuals competed for the title.

David Douglas was introduced as "Mr. Big Crankster," Dan Pipes as "Mr. Sorry," Bob Forsythe as "Mr. Bob-G," Tom Rinch as "Mr. Jagger,"

and John Stonebraker as both "Mr. Stoney" and "Mr. Unrecognizable."

The swimsuit competition brought the gentlemen out, each exhibiting what the best-dressed WMC girl will be wearing this summer. Dan Pipes' suit led the competition with its pastel colors and modest skirt.

The third part of the contest was supposed to be an exhibi-

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'New' tighter rules end cafeteria carry-out

by Beth Spangler

Regulars of Englar Dining Hall have recently raised their voices in opposition to a "new" policy banning the removal of food from the cafeteria. In actuality, though, this policy has always existed, according to Mr. Al Taylor, director of WMC's food services program.

"We are reiterating the policy of Western Maryland," he said. "We only carry out school policy as they relay it to us."

The regulation states that no food, drinks, or dishware may be taken out of the dining hall as a student leaves. Taylor says that "it will prevent foods from leaving the cafeteria unnecessarily, thus preventing board increases to the student in the end."

Taylor explains that workers



The dining room discontinues its carry out service.

can allow ice cream to leave the cafeteria on the grounds that it is meant for immediate consumption, but all other foods will be stopped. The policy, Taylor explains, is intended to protect students who would remove perishable foods from the cafeteria which may become health risks. Taylor warns that lunchmeats and bread are open to bacterial growth and pose a potential threat to students' health if not properly refrigerated.

Nevertheless, many residents complain that they "pay for the food" so that the removal of some perishable items will not create a financial hardship for Englar. Their claim is further supported by the fact that, since installation of the Validine system, only 60 per cent of those who pay

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Conference center planned

by Michael Norkus

Construction equipment will soon be visible on WMC property near Route 140, starting preliminary work on the new College Inn Conference Center.

Groundbreaking is tentatively scheduled for March 11 when excavation work for the \$4.5 million structure commences. But the Westminster Planning Commission an-

nounced this week that the overall go-ahead is pending the completion of a minor site revision by the college.

To be located between Routes 31 and 32, the College Inn Conference Center promises to spawn economic activity for the college and the town community, as well as provide convenience features for campus visitors. The prototype inn-meeting facility-restaurant is based on the

Quality Inn franchise concept; and the project is a joint venture by Harkins Associates, Inc. of Silver Spring, MD and WMC Development Corporation (a for-profit affiliate of Western Maryland College).

The 100-room motel facility will include a 3,000 square foot meeting center, and a 4,500 square foot full service

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Sidelights: Will you still buy Tylenol products despite the re-occurring incidents of tampering?

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King holiday sparks community dissent

by C. Lloyd Hart

On April 4, 1968 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., a 39 year old black minister from Montgomery, AL was gunned down on the balcony of the Lorraine Motel in Memphis, TN.

His life was an inspiration and a rallying point for blacks nationwide. His death, as an authentic American martyr, has served to focus and intensify in the hearts of blacks and whites alike, his quest for freedom and human dignity

for all men. King remains a living presence, especially for black Americans who invoke his name and words above all others in the continuing search for equality in civil rights.

During the first 15 years following his death, King's supporters fought to have a national holiday named in his honor. The struggle for congressional approval was met with obstacles and objections, including a filibuster led by Sen. Jesse Helms (R-SC). But as 1986 dawned, persistence finally won out, with the third

Monday in Jan. now designated Dr. Martin Luther King Day. King is the only American other than President George Washington to be honored with a national legal holiday.

As the nation held its first official observance of King's holiday, though, controversy erupted in Carroll County and nearby Baltimore County over the closing of schools. While many city schools, including those in Washington, D.C., had closed in unofficial local

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Symphony highlights Black experience

by Beth Jones

"I put together 'Dark Symphony' because people tend to forget about the struggles which led to modern black culture," said Dwight Collins of his performance in Alumni Hall's Understage on Feb. 17. "Dark Symphony Revisited" is directed by Herman LaVern Jones and is comprised of dramatic readings of poems and prose chosen and performed by Collins. The material, which came from such noted poets as Langston Hughes and Countee Cullen, concerned "the mental and physical progression of blacks from slavery to modern society."

Collins, who has appeared in *Equus*, *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest* and most re-

cently *The Color Purple* said that there are still struggles for blacks in the acting profession. "Racism is practiced in casting. People tend to pigeon-hole black artists," he explained.

Collins also claimed that he'd "never talk anyone into going into acting," and he advised all aspiring artists to remember that "theater is a business." He stressed the importance of gaining communications and technical skills, of being prepared to make sacrifices, of getting the most out of education, and of being aware of limitations.

In addition, Collins explained that his ability to communicate well has helped him to compete. "People judge the quality of your thinking by

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Hitler Youth leader, Auschwitz survivor to give joint lecture

by Kelly Connor

August 25, 1944. She calls it "the day Paris was liberated." He calls it "the day we lost Paris."

On Wednesday, March 5, at 8 pm in McDaniel Lounge two opposing perspectives of World War II will be presented in a lecture on "Hitlerism and the Holocaust."

Ms. Helen Waterford, survivor of the Auschwitz extermination camp, and Mr. Alfons Heck, a leader of the Nazi Youth, share their very different experiences of Hitler-ruled Germany in a unique and perhaps controversial performance.

Waterford, born in Frankfurt, West Germany, was living in Amsterdam with her husband and daughter when the Germans invaded Holland in 1940. She participated in resistance work and lived in hiding from 1942-44, until their arrest and deportation to Auschwitz -- her husband never returned. Later, in 1947, Waterford and her daughter emigrated to the United States, where she worked with medical research in Chicago.

Heck, a writer and lecturer,



Helen Waterford and Alfons Heck

was born in Wittlich, West Germany. He joined the Hitler Youth in 1938 at age ten. There he accelerated in the program and was promoted to captain, in charge of Unit 244. He later commanded 3,000 boys engaged in defense projects. In 1951, Heck emigrated to Canada and entered the United States twelve years later with his Canadian-born wife.

In 1980, Heck joined Waterford for joint lectures on "Hitlerism and the Holocaust" at many universities and colleges.

Waterford sees her mission as "a strong commitment to the dead; to the millions of Jews who died solely because they were Jewish."

For Heck, he has a chance to "set the record straight for the young of Germany, who were turned into mindless fanatics and died for an evil cause."

Though Waterford and Heck may share a microphone, they do not necessarily share a common perspective. However, it is their mutual concern that the rest of the world not forget the lesson Nazi Germany taught us.

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Open county schools criticized

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observation for the past several years, outlying county schools had not.

As school systems around the state and county announced a holiday for Jan. 20, Carroll and Baltimore counties were the only systems in Maryland not closing. This decision provoked angry protests from the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) and other black civic groups. The Baltimore County Board of Education bore the brunt of the protests due to the county's large black population, while Carroll escaped relatively unscathed. Both school boards defended their decisions saying that it would be more appropriate to observe King's memory with in-school educational programs instead of a vacation day.

A survey of black leaders on campus produced a similar response, but with a caution toward consistency.

"Not as a black American, but as an educator I think they (school systems) should be consistent. They did what was best for their system, but I think it would be more effective to keep schools open and gear activities toward him (King), the movement and what he tried to



Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

do," said Mr. Mitchell Alexander, Assistant Director of College Activities.

Finally Senior Wanda Sparrow, Minority Student Association president advocated a two pronged effort. "All school systems should cele-

brate King's holiday because it is a federal holiday, but more importantly it's a celebration of the ideals of a black people. It shouldn't be just a day for the kids to have off, but be celebrated within the schools as well as out.

Committee close to naming new coach

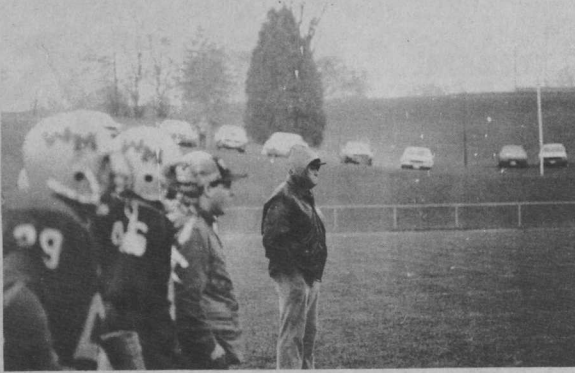
by Kelly Connor

A five person search committee will reach a decision soon concerning the appointment of WMC's new football coach. According to Dr. Rick Carpenter, Director of Athletics and chairman of the search committee, the position should be filled by the end of February.

The original 94 applicants were narrowed down to 16 who were screened on Thursday, Feb. 13, said Carpenter. From these meetings, the committee decided on eight applicants who were brought on campus for interviews from the Feb. 17-26. "The job will be offered at that time and we hope to have someone hired by March 1." Of those eight, one respective coach withdrew and three more were eliminated.

The coaching job has sparked considerable interest. "We've been quite impressed by the number of people seeking the position and the quality of these people," Carpenter said. "We have solid candidates and we are looking for the best football coach we can get."

The position offers full-time hours and will provide some



A damp and discouraged Jack Molesworth, former head football coach, watches the final seconds tick away during his last game on the Hill.

teaching opportunities, explained Mr. Steve Ulrich, Sports Information Director.

The interview process for the final selection will consist of three phases. First, the applicants will meet with Carpenter and the search com-

mittee. Other members of the committee include Dr. Samuel Case, professor of physical education; Ms. Sue Singer, instructor in business administration; Dr. Charles Neal, assistant professor of political science; and Dr. David Herlocker, professor of chemistry.

In the second phase, Dean of Student Affairs Philip R. Sayre will meet with the prospective coaches. The last part of the interviewing process will allow the applicants to meet with student representatives. This student group will include returning football

players, other athletes, and those not involved in any sports. During the final stages of the screening process President Robert H. Chambers will also have an opportunity to meet with the candidates.

Chambers will ultimately decide on the best person for the job. "Dr. Chambers always has the final say in any hiring of a faculty member," explained Carpenter.

Although the hiring process has proceeded slowly, any delay in selecting a new coach "won't do too much damage," added Ulrich. "The delay may hurt recruiting, but I don't think we've been set back that much, though it would have been nice to start earlier."

"I don't feel we're behind anyone else in recruiting," he said.

The most important thing is that the "right" coach is selected, Ulrich explained.

"Sometimes you have to reach out and find the right switch on Saturdays to motivate the team. It takes a special coach to find the right responses and not many can do it. "Those who can are hard to find," he said, "and even harder to keep."

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Editorial

Music left unheard

Who went to see Dwight Collins in *The Dark Symphony*? Revisited, the minority students' tribute to Black History Month? Who knows it's Black History Month?

If you were one of those individuals who wasn't aware of this, you missed one of the best young character actors of recent years. Collins made the understage his own and the audience "believed." The man was able to lift poetry from pages and hurl it into the world of space and movement.

Well, Collins is gone and chances are good that he will not return to WMC. He will certainly not make a second appearance for the applause because, while those in attendance gave it their best, there were just not enough people to fill the understage.

After the "symphony" was complete, the actor asked for the lights and answered some questions. We found that the man is a professional in every sense of the word. He spoke with a wisdom that must come from endless nights on the road and thousands of bleary-eyed auditions. Besides his friendship with associate professor Ira Damer, and the great chip dip in the green room, what will make Dwight Collins want to return? Nothing.

One of the questions Collins answered was rather depressing. A woman in the back said that she had never been taught any of the poems he had just played, and wanted to know how she could learn about them. Collins told her to go to the library. *We do have them here.* He added that one approach, which students elsewhere do when they want to learn something not taught in class, is to ask.

There is no reason in the world why students can't get together outside of class and discuss everything from trivia to Milton. We just don't normally do that here. Think of how different it would be to get some friends, perhaps pick up a professor with an interest, and talk about Jack Kerouac, the Space Shuttle, or Yoga.

We learn such a very small portion of what our professors have to offer us when we see them only three hours a week. Imagine discovering that our teachers are people like ourselves who secretly eat Velveta Cheese, hate creaky desks, and harbor an appreciation for some Bruce Springsteen tunes. It may be difficult to believe at first but there are faculty members who would welcome exchange of this type with students. It is an everyday occurrence at some institutions. Why not at Western Maryland College?



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Commuter dilemma unresolved:

Parking issue worsens as semester wears on

by Kassie Fischer

Some commuters at Western Maryland College have a tough time trying to judge when they should leave their homes so that they can get to class on time. And it doesn't make their situation any better when they can't find a place to park on campus.

Recently, commuters have complained constantly about not being able to find parking spaces in the designated lots, especially for their morning classes. Gordon Holder, a senior communications major who commuters says that he has "a terrible time finding a place between 9-10 a.m." You're probably wondering what commuter do if they have a 10 a.m. class. At most, it seems, must get to school at 8:30 a.m. in order to find a parking place.

During the spring semester last year, the college tried to improve the commuter parking situation. In the beginning of the year, lot assignment sheets were handed out in every student's mailbox. The same thing was done for the second semester. Also, dur-

ing second semester the bottom lot by the new gym was designated as a commuter area. These provisions, however, simply did not work.

And there are a few reasons why. For instance, when the parking lot assignment sheets were implemented, there was only a map showing the areas for commuters, resident students, and visitors. Nowhere on the flyer was there anything about the means by which these lots would be monitored. Consequently resident students are still parking in the commuter parking area.

The question that has to be answered about this situation is thus: why doesn't campus security monitor the parking lots more closely? It seems that they check only one parking lot regularly and that is visitor's area. When security does not monitor the other places as well, the commuter parking lots become filled quickly (and not only by commuters). Students who live off campus then resort to parking in the visitors lot, and, of course, get ticketed by security. However, the resident stu-

dents that park in the commuter lots rarely even get noticed.

It would seem that something more should be done this year about the commuter parking situation. But after the ill-fated attempt last year, most of our non-resident students have quieted down about trying to get fair parking privileges. But others still complain informally to their friends about "having to park all the way down on Pennsylvania Avenue" or about "getting ticketed again in visitors parking." These students need to go to the college administration with signed petitions and bug them until something definite is done. Commuters have a right to regularly monitored parking lots that will accommodate the number of commuter students at Western Maryland College.

So the next time you see a commuter run into class 15 minutes late, almost ready to "keel over" from exhaustion, don't give him a hard time. Remember, he probably had to run a couple of miles to get there.

60 seconds on campus

What do you think of the affinity housing idea for next year?



It's a waste of good dorm space. They should put affinity housing in another building.

Julie Wolfe



It's a good idea because it puts people together who share an interest, creating a common bond with which to build friendships.

Mary Beth Van Pelt



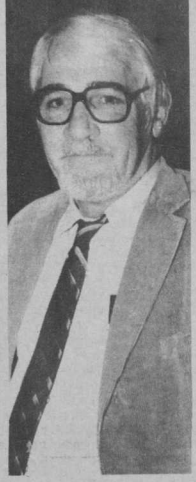
It's good for academic purposes, but dangerous for social purposes.

John Elker



I don't think it's fair for new groups to get the best housing on campus.

Dee Kemmer



We've had it in the past. It creates good cohesion on the small scale level as well as the large scale level.

Dr. Melvin Palmer,
Dean of Academic Affairs

Tracy Kennard

Hawaii Five-O can wait

How many times have you found yourself complaining that there is absolutely nothing to do? If you're like me, it's probably been one time too many.

Two weeks ago, I was casually strolling through Decker Center with no real destination when I spotted a very interesting poster. Decker is full of posters advertising various activities or clubs to join and at first I ignored it. But the message on this sign was loud and clear — "DON'T COMPLAIN, DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT!" Now who in the world put this crazy slogan on a wall in Decker? Was this a new campus organization? What was their purpose and

who belonged? I stopped and examined the poster for some time. It was a hand-written advertisement to the students of Western Maryland College to beat the bug called apathy.

Sometimes I think we are guilty of beating this apathy issue to death. Every college has their share of it and Western Maryland is no exception. But there is one real difference: the opportunities to really take off and explore avenues of all kinds exist to a large degree on this campus. There is nothing holding anyone back from these possibilities except maybe himself. A little effort on your part to become involved in a campus activity is all it takes. Do you

want your college memories to consist of only those afternoons you sat watching *Hawaii Five-O* or do you want to remember how you helped organize May Day, sang in the choir, worked on the phonathon or directed Junior Follies?

Hawaii Five-O will be a rerun for many years to come and there's plenty of time to enjoy that later. Now is the time to do something productive with yourself, enjoy spring semester and yes "DON'T COMPLAIN, DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT!" Hats off to whoever put that poster up in Decker for it definitely grabbed my attention and inspired me!

Kennith Dennison

Library needs major renovations now

Western Maryland College is an institution of higher learning and its purpose is to provide a liberal arts education to the students. This purpose is thwarted by what should be an integral element in this purpose, Hoover Library. The library doesn't provide an atmosphere for studying and is in desperate need of renovation or repair. The college braintrust has neglected the library in their renovation priorities and it has become a building that detracts rather than attracts.

Hoover Library is a depressing dungeon of yellowed books and yellow walls. The climate control is absurd, hot in the winter and hotter in the summer. The fluorescent light fixtures sound like an emergency broadcasting test. Although the book collection is growing, it's still inadequate for a liberal arts college and forces students and professors to look elsewhere for important titles. The current collection is too large for the

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Letters to the Editor

Parking situation still not resolved

Editor,

Yes, there is something "bugging" me - parking! And now, even more so, after reading the last article in the paper.

Our illustrious security leader, obviously has never been late for a 9 a.m. class, only to find no parking space anywhere, except behind the gym. If his classes were in Lewis, as mine are, and the rain was cold enough, he would soon appreciate the problem at hand. At 9 a.m. there is no place to park, except in the roadway near Big Baker, which is marked "Faculty Parking." And as for finding a parking space in "one minute" as he claims, I'm sure he has never tried at 9 a.m. And if he has, those parking spaces are on the outskirts of the campus.

Commuting students are dependant on their cars, and

the convenience of parking. If the college is as committed as they claim to the promotion of the college to the community, some policy changes should be implemented. Perhaps forbid freshman students to have their cars on campus, as many other schools have done. Require sophomores to park behind the gym or across Main Street. These limitations would ease the parking problems without a designated parking lot. Ensure parking near Winslow and behind the library on the roadway, and the lower part of the gravel lot for the commuting students only.

Regardless of the measures employed, there must be more done. Our eloquent security chief prescribed parking on a "first come, first serve" basis. This is inequitable to say the least.

Diane Hale

Traditions do make a difference

Editor,

Do you know what happens when you wipe out the Greek system on this campus? You end a tradition.

Phi Alpha Mu

Swim-a-thon
Jump rope for the heart
Food for Africa
Money for Mexico
Phonathon
Blood drive

Phi Sigma Sigma

Grants to national
Kidney Foundation
Crop walk
Easter egg hunt for the mentally retarded
Sponsor child in the Philippines
Tubs for kidney dialysis
Toys for tots
Phonathon

Alpha Gamma Tau

Big Brothers Assoc.
Grants to Cancer Society
Money for Food Sunday
Crop walk
Phonathon
Swim-a-thon

Phi Delta Theta

Swim-a-thon
Phonathon
10k race, proceeds to mentally retarded
Crop walk
Lou Gerig Fund
Gold star award
Kansas City trophy
Headquarters trophy

Alpha Nu Omega

Phonathon
Career day
Blood drive
Crop walk
Swim-a-thon
Special olympics
Money for Mexico
Food for Africa

Delta Sigma Kappa

Phonathon
Sponsor child in Asia
Cerebral Palsy (Fall fest)
Swim-a-thon
Grants to Cancer Society
Help with parent's weekend
Leadership workshop

Gamma Beta Chi

Swim-a-thon
Food for Africa

Money for Mexico

Phonathon
Crop walk

Sigma Phi Epsilon

Crop walk
Food for Africa
Set up free book depository
Swim-a-thon
Models for bridal show
Help run Main St. Mile
Basketball game against Md. home for boys
Phonathon

"The effigies and splendors of tradition are not meant to cramp the energies of the development of a vigorous and various nation. They are not meant to hold in mortmain the proper territory of human intelligence and righteous aspiration. They live and teach their lessons in our annals, they have their worshippers and their own shrines, but the earth is not theirs nor the fulness thereof."

Lord Rosenberg; Nov. 5, 1880

Liz Fox

Irresponsible Greeks undeserving of another break

Editor

I am writing in response to a column in the February 12 issue of *The Phoenix*, "Greek Persecution only hurts WMC's future." Unfortunately, the author doesn't seem to realize that Western Maryland may truly have a problem with Greek organizations. Though the Greeks may have a long history on "The Hill," tradition should not obscure the fact that students should be concerned with what happens both now and in the future at our school.

If indeed the administration was attempting to "undermine the Greek tradition," one must certainly wonder why. No sane individual could say that Western Maryland's administration was trying to rid itself of the Greek community for no reason. Perhaps one of the First Principles of this school is being overlooked by the Greeks — "We place students at the center of a humane environment so that they may see and work toward their personal goals while respecting others and sharing responsibility for the common good." Is it really a humane environment if hazing is a socially acceptable practice in the Greek community? Or if the Betes continue to destroy Blanche [Ward] Hall? Do Greek organizations really respect others, namely inde-

pendents? I doubt that's truly the case.

The author continues, suggesting that there is "a fallacy that independents are unhappy with housing and campus life and that something needs to be done." I know that's not a fallacy — many independents are truly unhappy with the housing situation and campus life. I have talked with several individuals who don't want to put up with the noise and destruction of tent-cities associated with Greek life. In addition, many students don't want to attend Greek functions, simply because they feel out of place.

The Greeks are outraged that "clubroom parties have become a thing of the past." Again, they will say this is the fault of the administration. But maybe it's time the Greeks realized that having clubroom parties was a privilege — a privilege that was flagrantly abused. A privilege carries with it responsibility — something the Greeks obviously failed to exercise. The fact that you choose to join a Greek organization doesn't entitle you to any more rights than any other student.

The author then poses the question of "who will be responsible for off-campus drinking and driving which do not mix?" Maybe it's time that



both she and others realized that the individual is ultimately responsible for his actions. How absurd to suggest that the administration or anyone else could be held responsible for off-campus drinking and driving! She then states that the school should allow on-campus drinking in clubrooms to prevent drunk driving by underage students. Again, the fact that Greeks can no longer have clubroom parties doesn't mean that the administration advocates drunk driving. The author con-

tradicts herself when she states, "Granted they [underage students] should not be drinking in the first place but..." The fact is, there shouldn't be any but. Wouldn't it be the height of hypocrisy if the administration allowed underage students to drink on campus? That constitutes a violation of Maryland state law. The truth is that the administration is merely maintaining consistency on this issue — underage students should not be drinking, either on or off campus.

While I do agree that generalizations and stereotypes don't serve any purpose, I disagree that entire fraternities and sororities have been penalized for the actions of individual members "too many times." It's ironic that the author suggests that the individual then the organization be disciplined, since this is really what's happening, as demonstrated by the Judicial Hearing Board. In addition to that, aren't the Greek organizations supposed to be unified, instilling values of brotherhood and sisterhood? And yet, the author is implying that the Greeks want to be treated as individuals.

It's unfortunate that the entire student body has to be subjected to many of the childish attitudes and actions of the Greek organizations. While there are some Greeks who recognize the responsibility of being a part of the WMC community, I believe that many of the Greeks need to realize that it's time to grow up. Western Maryland College is an institution of higher learning and is dedicated to adhere to the First Principles — one of which states that "They [the students] take charge of their lives and develop their unique potentials with reason, imagination, and human concern."

James W. Chung



Wanda Sparrow, president of the Minority Student Association, presents a plaque to President Robert H. Chambers in the memory of Mr. Angel Picardo, a WMC admissions counselor, was killed in a hit and run accident in Sept. 1985.

Theatre auditions set for March

Theatre on the Hill will hold auditions for its 1986 season on Saturday, March 15, and Sunday, March 16, in Alumni Hall.

Adults interested in auditioning for the summer repertory company should call the theatre at extension 599, for an appointment. They should also prepare two songs, one

dramatic monologue, and come prepared to dance.

Theatre on the Hills' Fifth Anniversary Season includes three plays to be performed in July and August. *Oliver!*, the musical version of Charles Dickens' *Oliver Twist*, will be a Mainstage spectacular. The musical voyage *Berlin to Broadway*, will be staged cabaret style in the Dorothy

Elderidge Studio Theatre. The delightful farce *Charley's Aunt* will also be performed in the Elderidge Theatre.

Theatre on the Hill Director Harvey Doster stated that he was delighted at the number of local children who auditioned earlier this year and added that he hoped adults will be enthusiastic.

Conference center planned

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restaurant which seats 70 people. Although no contractor name has been announced as yet to operate the restaurant concession, selection will be made in the near future.

Ms. Joyce Muller, WMC public information director, explained that actual architect renderings of the multifaceted complex have not yet been released. The overall structure, however, will maintain a low-profile appearance that will blend with the area's natural surroundings.

The center will be located on 5.8 acres of a 31 acre tract bounded by Route 140.

Financing for the complex will come from \$3.2 million in City of Westminster Industrial Revenue Bonds. Several Carroll County lending institutions are involved in this development project including Carroll County Bank and Trust, Tawney Bank and Trust Company, Union National Bank of Westminster, and Westminster Bank and Trust Company.

The estimated completion date for this project is 1986. Muller is not certain, however, whether the entire facility will be operational by this time, or just a portion of it.

According to studies by the WMC Development Corporation, many colleges through-

out the country are successfully generating revenues through similar lodging/restaurant/seminar center facilities, supplementing the income requirements by these institutions. Campus officials are also hoping that the project will "promote and foster better relations" as well as provide additional job openings.

The income from the facility, once it is operating in the black, has not yet been earmarked. WMC, though, may use the money as a hedge against rising operational costs or possibly as a means for future investment.

Hoover Library needs repair

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building and with space at a premium, desks are crammed together allowing little space for movement and periodicals and government documents are confusingly stacked close together.

The situation in Hoover can be improved without major renovation and could be completed in a relatively short time. Fresh paint could transform the dreary depths into an atmosphere of learning not imprisonment. Colorful posters or paintings of exciting designs could take the place of the unmotivating original

reproductions of bogus Dutch masters that currently assault the second floor wall. The light fixtures and climate controls must be corrected so that Hoover isn't confused with a rainforest or students driven away by the constant buzzing of the lights. Screens could be added to the windows so that they can be opened and allow the tropical heat to escape.

The addition of more books and periodicals adds to the problem of overcrowding but some of the ancient books that were last checked out in 1927 can be weeded out and

new or updated books put in their place. The only real solution to the lack of area is expansion and renovation. The library can be expanded to house more material and also provide more space for users.

A college is only as good as its resources and a good library is a valuable resource. If WMC is to emerge from a small area college label, it must present incoming and current students with an impressive library that will not only be a reference tool but also an enjoyable place to earn a liberal arts education.

Denman-West asks students for help

The WMC Hoover Library is responding to student suggestions, said Dr. Margaret Denman-West, co-director of the facility.

She explained that an open notebook has been placed on a podium just inside the third floor entrance so that students and faculty members may leave comments in it. Each day Denman-West responds in writing to any questions that have appeared there.

"Due to the suggestions in the notebook," she said, "we have now extended our Sunday hours from noon to midnight." Also, a paperback book rack has been installed which contains many bestsellers.

"When they talk about heating and air conditions, though," Denman-West explained, "there's nothing we can do about that." She added that the library staff is forced to suffer with the temperatures too.

Many other comments in the notebook pertain to ordering new books.

"We can't do that. The individual departments have to," Denman-West said. "If there's some special book you want for your studies, talk to your advisor."

"We want to stress, though, our willingness to deal with any recommendations," she explained.

'Mick' takes Mr. WMC

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bition of the contestant's talents. "Mr. Big Crankster" did a *flashdance* imitation. He was drenched with water by an off-stage helper and proceeded to dance around the platform in his soaked underwear. Other contestants showed their abilities to gulp goldfish or beer, and one even did both at the same time. The closest thing to talent, though came with "Mr. Jagger's" imitation of Mick Jagger. He was accompanied by Tina Turner impersonator Inga Patrick.

The evening wear competition was the final segment in which the contestants paraded across the stage in

women's evening gowns. No one's modesty was spared as a few of the contestants "flashed" the audience.

The performers' antics, as inspired by their apparent intoxication, revealed a rivalry among the members of the different fraternities. However, this did not stop the winners from congratulating each other as they accepted their prizes.

First place went to Tom Rinch, "Mr. Jagger". When asked how he felt about his newly acquired title as Mr. WMC, Rinch responded, "Ecstatic, that's all I can say." John Stonebraker, "Mr. Stoney" or "Mr. Unrecognizable," ran a close second, with Bob "Bob-G" Forsythe taking third.

Englar carry-out stopped

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has been expanded from 18 to 30 items.

Other improvements to Englar this semester have included a hot vegetable buffet, individualized desserts, and fresh fruit at every meal. Taylor also strongly emphasizes the need for student/Englar staff interaction, and in this spirit the Greek population will soon be sponsoring candlelight dinners. In addition, students who wish to share home recipes are encouraged to demonstrate their preparation to the staff of 35. "I'm always available for discussions," says Taylor, explaining that he welcomes students' suggestions and comments. He adds that there has been an overwhelming amount of positive feedback concerning the efforts of the dining hall staff this year.

board actually use the dining hall. Taylor, however, still contends that the policy is intended to "keep costs to the student down," explaining that, if 100 per cent of the students who pay did use the dining hall, managing costs would go up 40 per cent relative to consumption. "Therefore taking foods out of the cafeteria will increase consumption and drive up board costs," Taylor says.

In addition, he explains that the board fee will be used to finance a number of upcoming dining hall improvements. Students can look forward to a broadened deli, and the use of hamburgers and cheeseburgers as a self-serve option like the salad bar, which

Ed Swanson

Terror swimming: promise pans out

It all started in early October said that, "From a coaching ber. That's when the swim standpoint, this has been one team began its rigorous pre-of the best teams I've ever season training schedule. coached in terms of overall This consisted of many hours ability, commitment and attil- of weightlifting and dry land tude. We're a young team exercises. Then, in mid-October- and we can only get better." ber the swimmers hit the This years young swim team water for their first practice. exhibited much aptitude. Be- Since that first day in the cause of their youth and pool, the members of the depth, the Terrors definitely swim team have kicked or have a chance to become a pulled well over 260 miles in major power in the MAC's 120 practices. It's hard for Out of the teams 20 members those that are not swimmers only three are seniors. Capt. to understand how much hard Dennis Dematte said, "The work, time, and effort these teams worked hard this year. athletes put into their season. Since were not losing many This year all the hard work seniors, we should really sur- was worth it because the prize, a lot of teams next swim team had a very suc-year."

This year every swimmer on Both the men's and the team recorded times that women's teams boasted re-were their personal best. spectable records. The men Some of these swimmers not compiled a season entry of 7- only broke their personal best 5, while the women recorded records but they broke school one of 4-9. Many opponents records as well. were impressed by the ability Junior Diane Curran had a the team displayed as well as sensational year. She shat- their talent and depth. Kim Easterday, the Terrors coach,

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Women take section title

by Cynthia Schäfer

For the first time since 1980, the Green Terror women were the champions of the Southwest Section with a 14-8 overall record and an 8-2 MAC Southwest record. The Green made it to the Middle Atlantic Conference Division Semifinals before falling to Muhlenberg, 56-63, at home on Feb. 19.

The women's team sewed up a berth in the playoffs the week of Feb. 3 with a win over Johns Hopkins, 81-57, and Lebanon Valley, 76-69. The Terror's bid for an undefeated section record was however broken when F&M passed WMC, 52-50 on Feb. 8. Junior Cindy Boyer and senior Nancy Hutchinson led the scoring for the Green against Hopkins with 20 points each while Molly Coberly chipped in 16. Boyer scored 21 points in the play-off-clinching win over Lebanon Valley while Lisa Sullivan added 18 more. Three players scored in double figures but it was not enough as F&M handed WMC its first section loss. Hutchinson had 13 points and Boyer and Coberly added 12 and 11 tallies respectively.

WMC nipped Gettysburg, 69-67, in a one-game playoff for the section championship after dropping the regular season finale to the Bullets Feb. 15, 69-68. The Green led a 17-point advantage slip away and the Bullets came away with the win. Boyer scored 17 points while Sullivan chipped in 16. In the section title game the women over came an eight point deficit in the first half to tie at 35 after the first 20 minutes. WMC created their own eight point lead midway through the second half but the score



Molly Coberly outfoxes a Mule in the Middle Atlantic Conference Division semifinals. Muhlenberg took the southeast title with a 56-63 win on Feb. 19 at WMC.

was tied at 65 with 1:59 left to play. After an exchange of baskets, the Green had the ball for the final shot and Boyer connected on a short jumper with three seconds to go for the win. Boyer scored 22 of her game - high 30 points in the last half. She also pulled down a team-high 11 rebounds.

In the semifinal game the

Green led for the first half but the Mules came back to win. With 6:14 to play the Terrors were trailing by 6 points when Boyer was able to pull of a three point play to halve the deficit. But there was not enough momentum to carry the women through. Sullivan finished with 16 points, Boyer ten and Jennifer Bertrand and Hutchinson eight apiece.

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Correction

In the Feb. 13 issue of The Phoenix, the story entitled "Study tours bring tragedy, pleasure," (page 1) gave the mistaken impression that Dr. Julie Badiee, Associate Professor of Art History was the only faculty involved in the Art Tour of Europe. In fact, the tour was also led by Dr. William Cipolla, Professor of Foreign Languages. Cipolla's contributions were based in his areas of expertise, French language and culture and his knowledge of the city of Paris.

The Phoenix regrets the error.

Terror men end in 4th, wrestlers finish 12-3-1

by Cynthia Schäfer

MEN'S BASKETBALL

The Green Terror men squad closed out its season at Juniata with a victory over Juniata Feb. 11, 61-59 and a loss to Dickinson Feb. 15, 80-57, finishing in fourth place in the MAC Southwest behind Muhlenberg, F&M, and Moravian. WMC had five players score in double digits in the Juniata game. Senior Jim Hursley led the way with 13 points while Dwain Woodley and Jim Glowacki added 12 each. Dick Bender and Jeff Stempler both threw in 10 more. In the season finale versus Dickinson, the Terrors held an eight point lead at the end of the first half but the rest of the contest belonged to the Devils. Bender led the Green with 20 points while Hursley finished with 17.

In previous play the men beat Ursinus Feb. 6, 79-74, and Moravian Feb. 8, 86-82, while suffering a 70-46 loss to F&M on Feb. 4. Hursley

scored 12 points against the Diplomats and 24 in the Ursinus game. Bender and Woodley also had good games against Ursinus, with Bender scoring 23 points and Woodley 11 with five assists. The victory over Moravian was sealed in the last two minutes of the game when WMC took over the lead after trailing since opening tipoff. Bender and Hursley led the scoring with 20 apiece. Glowacki added 17 more while Stempler had a career-high 14 points.

WRESTLING

The men's wrestling team completed the 1986 regular season with a 12-3-1 record. The Terrors had hoped for an undefeated season but it was not to be, losing to Moravian on Feb. 6 in a tri-meet at Gettysburg. The Green did overcome the Gettysburg Bulldogs, 29-19, but were soundly defeated by the Greyhounds, 32-11. The team then split its

next tri-meet on Feb. 8 by upending Ursinus, 23-20, but were surprised by Lebanon Valley, 28-15.

Sophomore Skip Sinak raised his record to 15-1 with four victories in these four matches. Senior Tom Hulseby won two matches and finished with a draw in the other pair while sophomore Mike Martinovich and junior 190-pounder Ed Singer won three of four.

In the last meet of the year, at Delaware Valley on Feb. 15, the Green once again split a pair of matches, defeating Baptist Bible, 34-14, and losing to Delaware Valley, the defending MAC team champions, 43-12. Senior 118-pounder Chris Paolone and freshman 150-pounder Dan La Grua each registered pins against Baptist Bible while Duane Powell earned a superior decision at 126. Martinovich won a major decision against Delaware while Singer recorded the only pin against the Valley.

Talent surfaces as swimmers top records

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tered many records and qualified for the Nationals in the 100m Freestyle. She broke the women's school record in

Even though each tests individual skill, swimming is a team sport. Every victory is won through strong performances by every member of the team. To win a meet, every element of the team must put forth his best effort.

This years group had a lot of heart. Every meet they pulled together and gave 100 per cent. Because they all strived together for a goal, the team has bettered their overall record and are excited about future competitions.

This year's team consisted of senior Capt. Valerie Borrer, Mike McInerney, Mickey Quillan (diver); juniors Capt. Dennis Dematte, Dave Stroud, Dianne Curran; sophomores, Fred Waiz, Mark Buckley, Dan O'Connor, Chris Sawicki, Ed Swanson, Jim Michaels, Mary Martha Peel, Michele Lawyer; and freshmen Mark Woodard, Steve Hegna, Chris Woodzelle, John Andrew, Amy Parr, Marie Filshie and Julie Wolf.



the 50m Freestyle, 100 Freestyle, and was a member of the relay team that broke the pool record in the 400 Freestyle relay. Other members of this record setting relay were senior captain Valerie Borrer, freshman Amy Parr, and Marie Filshie.

Freshman Mark Woodard also had an impressive season. The skilled swimmer broke the men's school record in the 200m Butterfly 200 Individual Medley (IM) 400 IM and 1000 Freestyle. He shattered the pool records in the 100m Butterfly, 100m Backstroke, 200 IM and 1000m Freestyle.

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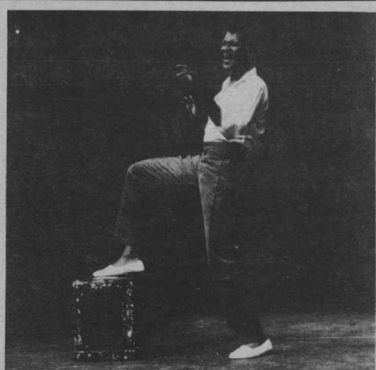
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Dwight Collins performs poetry in *Dark Symphony* Revisited.

Dark Symphony revisited

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the quality of your speech. It's a battle in the real world and to fight the battle you need to arm yourself with communication and technical skills."

The performance of "Dark Symphony Revisited" was one

of several special events to take place during Black History Month. It was presented as a result of the efforts of Associate Dean of Students, Dr. Charlene Cole; the Minority Students Association; and the offices of Residence Life and College Activities.

Down and Out achieves movie marketing coup

by Jonathan Slade

Down and Out in Beverly Hills just oozes "marketability." In Hollywood, this means that a movie's content catches the eye of multiple age and interest groups, drawing them all in. Usually, though, such a film is so concerned with "mass appeal" that substance gets lost along the way. *Down and Out in Beverly Hills*, however, avoids this common sand-trap and somehow manages to be witty and well-crafted despite its across-the-board allure.

Nick Nolte stars as Jerry Bastin, a California bum who decides to end his life in the back yard swimming pool of a wealthy coat hanger manufacturer. Richard Dreyfuss plays David Whiteman, a member of the *nouveau riche* who plunges into the pool to abort Bastin's suicide, and who subsequently invites the vagabond to become his house guest. And Bette Midler is Whiteman's oft-obnoxious wife Barb who detests the vagrant with every pound of her body.

Thus we see the first major sales play used by Touchstone Films to sell their product: They have hired three stars that can be immediately identified by the public. Nolte, the producers figure, will attract the youth crowd that loved him in *Teachers* and *48 Hours*. Dreyfuss will bring with him all those who enjoyed his performance in *Close Encounters of a Third Kind*. And Midler will draw music fans to the movie theater, as well as viewers who praised her screen debut in *The Rose* (for which she received an Academy Award nomination in 1979). The "name" talent

has obviously been tapped here. And with positive results.

Marketing pitch #2: What was one of the highest grossing films of 1984? That's right, *Beverly Hills Cop*. And so to snare everyone who saw this movie, Touchstone has offered us a title with the phrase "Beverly Hills" in it. Subtle, you say? Yes, but effective. Americans seem to have an obsessive interest in this ritzy locale, and the movie industry will continue to feed off it until our curiosity wanes. Surprisingly, though, the spit-and-polish quality of *Down and Out* almost entirely excuses this cheap-shot promotional scheme.

Sales pitch #3: *Miami Vice* addicts too are sated here. The interior of Whiteman's modern home is splashed with soft pink and high tech. And there are even some well-placed popular rock songs by the Talking Heads and the Beach Boys to give us Friday night *deja vu*. Again, though, this does not become annoying because it contributes to the satirical tone of the film. Those who want to soak in the *Vice-ish* atmosphere may soak it in. And those who wish to snicker at it may snicker at it.

But the most innovative marketing technique reaches out to a whole new audience—that is, the one made up of the intellectual film connoisseurs who normally scoff at anything not playing in an art house. There, at the bottom of the movie posters and newspaper advertisements, in capital letters is the line "based on a play *BOUDU SAUVE DES EAUX* by Rene Fauchois." This is an attempt to

tantalize the snooty cinema cynics enough to get them into the theater. Hopefully it will work.

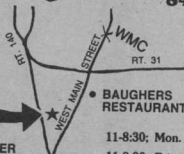
Remember, all these sales tactics are not necessarily bad if the product someone is hawking is of superior quality. It is interesting nonetheless to examine how studios attempt to package their "masterpieces" and feed them to the wary consumer. Fortunately for *Down and Out in Beverly Hills*, these strategies do not lead us into a dead end alley. Instead, we are taken on a tour through the entire kingdom of comedy—from deadpan humor to blatant word plays, from satire to slapstick. There are even a few moral lessons hiding quietly among the plot threads.

Certainly, not everything works in this movie (there is a chase scene that seems absurd and a maid who abruptly becomes a Marxist), but overall it is one of the freshest bits of Hollywood creativity to appear in some time. It's light-years above the dreadful *Spies Like Us*, and taste will not allow me to mention it in the same sentence with the moronic *European Vacation*. In fact, the Whiteman family dog, Matisse, could out-act Chevy Chase with three paws tied behind its back.

Regardless of which marketing scheme snags your attention, whether it's the talent angle, the Beverly Hills reference, the *Miami Vice* look, or the fact that the story is based on a reputable piece of literature, catch *Down and Out in Beverly Hills* as soon as possible. It's a real pick-me-up.

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Kreider debuts at Carnegie

The first-ever New York City concert appearance by a Western Maryland College faculty member will take place at Carnegie Recital Hall on Saturday, March 8 at 2 p.m. Dr. David Kreider, pianist and lecturer in piano at the College since 1981, will appear in concert and a reception will follow at the Omni Hotel.

The concert and reception are part of the scheduled activities for a Maryland Alumni weekend in New York, where "alumni will have ample opportunity to participate in a special event for the college, to become acquainted with the college's seventh president and to visit with fellow alumni," according to Donna



Dr. David Kreider, Pianist

Sellman, Director of Alumni Affairs.

Kreider's concert program includes works by Schubert, Debussy, Prokofiev, and Rachmaninoff. Kreider's interpretation of Rachmaninoff's "Etude Tableaux, Op. 39, No. 9," which will be included in the concert, has been reviewed by a *Wilmington, DE, Evening Journal* critic as being "superlative... full of virtuosic segments, handled with skill and elan."

A special weekend package trip has been planned by the College. For more information about the concert, reception, and weekend activities call the Office of Alumni Affairs at ext. 296.



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Sprague tapped to lead '86 gridiron squad

by Kelly Connor

"Out of 104 applicants, we are extremely happy to have the best candidate on campus and working with us," said Director of Athletics Rick Carpenter about Western Maryland's newly appointed football coach, Mr. Dale Sprague.

Sprague comes to WMC from Wabash College, Indiana, where he was the offensive line coach and the kicking game coordinator. He has a Masters of Education in Curriculum and Instruction from the State University of New York at Albany and a Bachelors of Science in Education/Physical Education from American International College.

Sprague was chosen by a five person search committee, which included Dr. Samuel Case, professor of physical education; Ms. Sue Singer,



Dale Sprague, Head Football Coach

instructor in business administration; Dr. Charles Neal, assistant professor of political science; and Dr. David Herlocker, professor of chemistry,

as well as Carpenter. He was one of the eight applicants asked to visit the campus for the final interviewing process. During that time, Sprague met with Carpenter and the search committee, the Dean of Student Affairs Philip R. Sayre, and student representatives, who included football players, other athletes, as well as those not involved in any sports. Sprague also had an opportunity to meet with President Robert H. Chambers.

In a friendly, soft-spoken manner that reflects a sense of decisiveness, Sprague stated that he felt very honored to be offered the coaching position at WMC.

"I was extremely impressed by the facilities, the surroundings, the people, the students, and the coaches at Western Maryland," he said. "I simply fell in love with this campus."

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Laura King high steps her way through the opening number of *Dames At Sea*. The next performance is tonight.

Graduation changes baffle seniors

by Michael Norkus

Graduating seniors are concerned about administrative efforts to alter commencement policies this year. The change, if effected, would force seniors to leave campus after final exams and return a week later for graduation ceremonies.

One reason for this new approach, according to Philip Sayre, Dean of Student Affairs, is so that WMC commencement would be similar to the end-of-the-year programs at other colleges. In fact, President Robert Cham-

bers prompted an examination of the existing policy during the fall of 1985 after conferring with the Administrative Council, a group composed of four vice presidents, the associate deans of academic affairs and student affairs, the directors of public information and admissions, and the dean or graduate studies.

Some of the intended changes include moving commencement back one week to June 1; having seniors leave campus during the week, after taking their finals with

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Robey takes radio helm

by Beth Spangler

After spring break, students at Western Maryland will finally be introduced to WWMC, the college's long-awaited venture into amateur radio. A limited range FM station, WWMC has been "in the works" for quite some time.

Senior Andy Robey, a major

driving force behind the effort, says that he attempted to get the go-ahead to broadcast back in 1982, but was thwarted because the communications department, its potential sponsor, was too new to handle this added responsibility.

In October, 1985, though, Dr. Robert Sapora agreed to take on the task advising the station. Sapora quickly points

out, however, that despite his influence, WWMC is a "student run radio station" and that his "role as an advisor is just that."

He has a principle against being an advisor who ends up being the whole thing," he says.

When asked about the delay in WWMC's debut, he says in WWMC's debut, he

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Western Maryland avoids national asbestos concern

by Jonathan Slade

Since 1983, when the Environmental Protection Agency handed down its first major set of asbestos regulations, schools across the nation have busied themselves with removing, covering, or encapsulating this potentially carcinogenic insulation.

In June, 1983, the Carroll County Board of Education allocated \$68,000 for the removal of asbestos from one of its middle schools in Sykesville, MD. And in April of this year at Towson State Univer-

sity in Towson, MD, officials will spend roughly \$400,000 to strip the fibrous substance from a cafeteria.

On the Western Maryland College campus, however, no such health risks exist, according to Mr. Edgar Sell, director of the school's physical plant.

"I am not aware of any right now," he said. "Health hazard to me means that it is deteriorating, crumbling, and falling down. That's the only way [the asbestos particles] can become airborne, and it's the

airborne fibers we are worried about."

At least eight buildings on campus were constructed or improved during the 47 year period in which this insulation was primarily used, including McDaniel Hall, Blanche Ward Hall, and Gill Gymnasium. But Sell explained that asbestos-related problems have been minimal at WMC.

"We had a case in McDaniel Hall," he said. "The hot water tank was wrapped in asbestos. We replaced that

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New football coach sets season's goals

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As the new football coach, Sprague has a definite set of goals and ambitions. "Recruiting is my most important priority right now. I'm impressed by the pool of recruits we have already, and the quality of 'up front' people as well," he said. "I also want to work with the returning athletes and begin staffing the rest of the coaches."

A solid weight-lifting program is another priority, stated Sprague. He plans to start extensive training in this area. "It's important not only to strive for new weights, and new maxes, but to strive correctly. We want to emphasize the fact that we will show the players how to do the lifting program, then leave it up to the individual," he explained. Sprague also believes it important to improve upon strength and flexibility, as well as speed.

Enthusiastic about the possibilities for the upcoming season, Sprague stated that WMC's team can be competitive with anyone in the country if they are organized and work hard. "We need to instill our philosophy in the players



and show what hard work can accomplish.

"I think it's an attractive aspect that here (at WMC), athletes are students first. We need to set our priorities, and athletics should not interfere with studies."

Sprague also believes that 90 per cent of the battle is the love of the game. "I will work as hard or harder to win, and to win the right way, than I have before."

Rouzer sponsors travel series

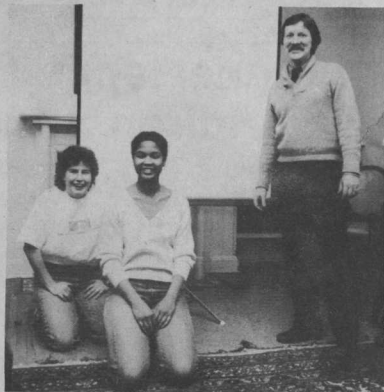
by Beth Jones

Hiking Through Nepal, the first in a series of foreign lectures sponsored by Rouzer Hall, was presented by local travel agent Gordon Wicks on Feb. 25. The presentation, which concerned a week long trek from Katmandu to some of the small towns of Nepal, was held at Harrison House.

Originally, the idea to develop such a series came from Rouzer Hall Coordinator Renee Nacrelli and Resident Assistant T.J. Thomas. Both have traveled extensively in Europe and wished to expose WMC students to the value of visiting foreign lands. But, they explained, most of the presentations will focus on countries outside of the European continent.

"Europe holds more attraction for students — it's a safe place to test out the waters," said Nacrelli. We're trying to introduce them to less traveled areas in Europe as well as in some of the more

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Renee Nacrelli, T. J. Thomas and Rouzer Hall sponsored "Hiking Trough Nepal" presented by Gordon Wicks, a Westminster travel agent.

WMC handles asbestos danger

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tank last summer, and that's been the only major event in the two years I've been here." Some of the remaining pipes in the building contain asbestos, Sell added, but they're covered so there is no concern.

"We have a product that is an encapsulating material to fix any broken pipe elbows," he explained. College policy is to cover any asbestos with airtight sealant rather than remove it.

"Taking the asbestos out of the building can create more of an environmental problem than with it just being there," Sell said, suggesting that this would spread the fibers into the atmosphere.

Mr. Frank Whitehead, a member of the Maryland State Health Department's Air Management Administration, agreed.

"I think that's absolutely true," he said. "I think that it is a waste of money and time to remove completely encapsulated asbestos."

Whitehead, who supervises the Field Services Division, explained that the material became popular in 1927 and was widely used until 1974. He added, though, that there is little legislation governing its inspection and removal.

"Generally the EPA sets the safety levels," said Whitehead, "but [in 1983] they only mandated that school buildings be surveyed [for asbestos] — and even that only covers elementary and secondary schools." Consequently, there

are no guidelines requiring inspect centers or colleges to inspect for hazardous insulation, he explained, and no laws which force a company or institution to take it out.

"They were going on the idea that once it is known, public opinion will pressure them to remove the asbestos," Whitehead said.

But Mr. Eric Seaborg, asbestos safety and health coordinator for Towson State University, explained that his school has a more direct approach: If they find the material anywhere, they plan to tear it out. Over the past several years he has been sampling suspect substances at TSU and monitoring that campus's large scale renovation program.

"What you find with encapsulation is that the covering wears out and you will eventually have to remove it anyhow," he said. "And then it's twice as hard."

Seaborg explained that it is possible to extract the material from a building without posing a threat to workmen or future building occupants by using a "wet" method of removal. This involves constantly hosing down fibers with water, in addition to using a large vacuum cleaner to filter the atmosphere. Air vents are sealed so that fibers do not enter the circulation ducts, and independent safety inspectors regulate every step of the process.

"Our first removal job was in the university union in the stairwell," Seaborg said. "Kids were jumping up and

scrapping it with their hands." Asbestos was also stripped from the TSU game room and will be taken out of the Loch Raven Room, a campus cafeteria, in April.

"We've taken an aggressive approach," he explained. "We are committed to removing all the asbestos in the student union because it is a high traffic area." He expects the building to be "fiber free" by "fiscal 1987."

Despite the fact, though, that no legislation mandates college insulation inspections, Seaborg claimed that it has been TSU policy to hold them.

"We've had over 115 types of samples done here," he said. "I will go around and do random or bulk samples based on the year the buildings were built."

Western Maryland, however, has no comparable policy. According to Sell, physical plant director, inspections only occur when a member of the maintenance crew reports a possible hazard, or when a student or faculty member raises a question.

"If we have broken insulation that is falling apart," Sell explained, "we have an analysis company out of Baltimore come and inspect it to see if it is of asbestos content." He suggested that many times these incidents are "blown out of proportion" by an overly fearful citizenry.

Seaborg agreed. "There's a lot of misinformation out in the public," he said, "and in that respect, it's sort of like the AIDS issue."

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Annual Wellness Week planned for April 6-10

by Chuck Cruise

Wellness Week 1986 is soon approaching at WMC. With activities, exhibits, and presentations on the agenda, the week of April 6-10 promises to be a "fun and educational experience" for anyone interested in maintaining a healthy mind, body and spirit, according to Nurse Marlene Clements of Student Health Services.

While last year's wellness effort attracted a "startling" 600 people, this year's expanded endeavors hope to bring even more attention to wellness awareness. "The purpose of Wellness Week," says Clements, "is to raise the level of consciousness of participants regarding health and to emphasize education and awareness that will promote a more healthy lifestyle." The concept of wellness not only includes physical fitness and nutrition awareness, but also environmental and consumer awareness as well as emotional, intellectual and

spiritual well-being.

The week will begin on Sunday with a one-and-a-half mile Fun Run beginning at the Physical Education Learning Center. It is being sponsored by Trumpeters and Omicron Delta Kappa.

Tuesday will bring the highlight of the week, the Wellness Fair, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Forum. It will include exhibits, taste-tests, and other activities put on by various local and campus groups.

"People will leave the fair with a lot of stuff in their hands," explains Nurse Clements. Dr. Jean Kilbourne, a nationally known media analyst and lecturer, will present a slideshow and lecture Tuesday night at 8 p.m. titled *Under the Influence: The Pushing of Alcohol Via Advertising*.

Wednesday's major concern will be skin care, as Mary Marzulo, a local cosmetologist, will be speaking in Gold Room B from noon till 1 p.m. Beverages will be provided,

as well as a bag lunch for any students who sign up in the Health Center ahead of time.

Thursday's thrust will be a sobriety demonstration presented by the Maryland State Police from 8-10 p.m. in the Pub. The police will use a breathalyzer test and student participants to display the effects of alcohol.

Clements hopes Wellness Week will become an annual activity. As initiator of the event, she sees Wellness Week as an opportunity for her efforts in "wellness education" to make an impact on a large number of students. Ultimately, she seeks to "promote health rather than just patch up the problems."

The Wellness Committee, which is planning and coordinating the event includes Clements; Drs. Louise Paquin, Sam Case, Suzanne Oakley; staff members Lea Anne Ruhlmann, Hugh Dawkins, Cathy Compton, and students Sue Malkus, Jenny Brashears, Rick Marshall, Lisa Ricci, and Brian Russo.

Chambers' to display souvenirs from 1982 Japanese excursion

Swords, a wedding kimono, and koto players will all be part of *Sights and Sounds of Japan*, a multi-media event to be presented at 2 p.m. on Sunday, March 16, in Lewis Hall's Decker Auditorium. Sponsored by the Cross-Cultural Studies Program at the college, the event is free and open to the public. A reception offering "a taste of Japan" will follow at 4 p.m. in McDaniel Lounge.

Souvenirs from the collection of WMC President Robert H. Chambers and his family will be on display and will be part of demonstrations of Japanese cultural traditions by the Chambers family. The family spent six months in Japan in 1982 when Chambers received a US/Japan Friendship Commission grant to teach at Doshisha University in Kyoto.

Sights and Sounds of Japan

will also feature slides and the performance of traditional Japanese music by two Washington, DC area performers. Using the koto, a Japanese stringed instrument, May Ideta and Aiko Ichimura will play "Sakura," a folk song associated with cherry blossom festivals.

"It will be a preview of their performance in a larger group at the Cherry Blossom Festival in Washington," says Alice Chambers, wife of the president.

Lisa Chambers, the Chambers' daughter, will demonstrate the performance of the Japanese tea ceremony. Other souvenirs, besides swords and the wedding kimono, that will be on display include a noren, a cloth that hangs over doors; a kendo, a martial arts outfit; and a mokugyo, an item used in the Buddhist faith.



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Editorial

The end of silence

"Pro-choice is Pro-life." "Make Love, Not War." "May All Men Who Vote Against Women's Right to Safe Abortion Be Pregnant."

These were among the banners waving above the crowd at last Sunday's "March for Women's Lives" in Washington, D.C., where roughly 80,000 supporters of legalized abortion filled the streets. The reason for the demonstration was twofold, according to the National Organization for Women (NOW) which arranged the event: First, it was a way to reiterate praise for the 1973 Supreme Court decision that brought abortion out of the back alleys and into medical clinics. And secondly, the march was an attempt to remind the Reagan administration, which has grown increasingly enured to the Pro-life movement, that a Pro-choice faction does exist.

The rally, however, also served a third and unforeseen purpose: Surprisingly, it became a forum for student activism.

In a spirit not seen since the Vietnam protests of the sixties, thousands of college students, most wearing their respective school sweat shirts, lifted the aforementioned banners above the group in an aggressive display of their Pro-choice beliefs. This is especially heartening in an era where those pursuing higher education are often accused of overt apathy or narrow-minded materialism. Yes, the students of the eighties do have their opinions and are willing to voice them.

In fact, almost 500 members of the University of Maryland's main campus participated in the event, and more than 200 colleges nationwide helped organize it.

"The issue (of abortion) is central to college-age people," said UM senior Jane Troxell, explaining the large student turnout. "They're not ready to start having families, but they're ready to have sex."

Becky Goldstein, 23, from the University of Massachusetts agreed. "I felt it was the right time in my life to come out and march," she said.

And so the demonstration, which originally harbored just two major goals, succeeded beyond the organizers' wildest intentions. Not only did Pro-choicers renew their cause, but bystanders were given the opportunity to see something that has been absent from the protest scene for nearly a decade—a college student with an activist banner.

Pro-choice or Pro-life: In this context, the side is irrelevant. What is important, though, is that American youth are finally willing to voice their opinions again.



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Letters to the Editor CAPBoard issues challenge

Editor,

Recently the College Activities Programming Board (CAPBoard) placed a banner by the Pub in Decker Center. In effect, the banner said that next year there will be no campus events such as May Day, concerts, dances, comedies, jugglers, hypnotists, ballet, talent shows, lectures, and films, unless students get involved. This year many events did take place; however, the small number of students who planned, organized, and presented these programs are extremely burned-out.

There seems to be a stigma surrounding CAPBoard. Many students do not want to help because it is associated with the "Administration." Greeks tend to avoid it like the plague. Uninformed students

believe that CAPBoard has an enormous budget that it can toss around. These and many other rumors are untrue.

CAPBoard is a student run organization. We are advised by the College Activities Office, but the responsibility for everything we do lies solely with the students involved. Without your student input we can only guess what types of programs you want to see. It is for this reason that we invite each and every student to come to our meetings.

As far as the budget is concerned, we do not have an extraordinary amount of money to provide a year's activities. Here are the average prices of some events: films — \$750 each, dances — \$850 each, concerts — \$1700 each, lectures — \$2000 each, ballet — \$5000 each; pub performers — \$650 each.

The most frustrating element of the situation is that after your money has been spent, and time and effort have been put into planning a well-rounded schedule, students do not take advantage of the programs. It is much too easy to sit around partying in someone's room than to walk to Alumni, Decker Auditorium, or the Forum — but you are missing out on so many opportunities.

CAPBoard encourages every student to take advantage of the outstanding programs available to them. GET INVOLVED, for without you there will be no more CAPBoard. I challenge you to come to our meeting Tuesday at 6 p.m. in the Forum. Let's start something happening.

Tim Pyle
CAPBoard President

Peace forum provokes concern

Editor,

On March 4 I attended the Peace Links Conference held in McDaniel Lounge. I was thereby inspired to speak out against the atrocity of America's current situation. The nuclear threat hangs over all of us like a black cloud, and all of our futures are at stake. Wouldn't you like to wake up one morning and say, "No, there is no chance I will be pulverized today"? We could feed Africa on the money we spend for the power to blow up the world the ninety-ninth time. We could take care of our poor, improve our

schools, pay the deficit, get the economy back on its feet (Japan doesn't waste money on weapons). Wouldn't that prove more beneficial to America than a pile of bombs?

As citizens of a democracy, we have a responsibility to establish opinions and fight for them, or else democracy fails. Those of us who want peace must make ourselves heard, and all of us must educate ourselves about the arms race, the world situation, and the Russian people. Many of us want to blow the Soviets off the face of the

earth, yet we know nothing of their history, culture, or individuality. If we did, we might seem them as brothers instead of as "filthy commies."

Write a letter to your congressman, write to the President, tell ten friends and have them tell ten friends, and kill the blanket of apathy hanging over us all. At least think about it — it's more important than whether Greeks should live together on campus, or whether minors should drink in clubrooms or how much ice cream you're going to eat for dinner.

Mia Whittle

60 seconds on campus

What is your response to the CAPBoard poster threatening no activities for next year ?



I saw the sign, but I didn't know CAP-Board was behind it.

I don't think that's the way to get people involved in things

I double-dare them.

I think the threats are justified. People don't care enough to go to the meetings. CAPBoard needs to get itself together.

You can't combat negativism with negativism.

Dan Pika

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Letter / Marriott employee cries foul over firing

Editor,

As briefly as I can I would like to describe to you the past three years of my working life. I started working in Englar Dining Hall in April, 1983. In the two years I worked in the cafeteria my performance record was very good and it earned me a promotion to Evening Supervisor of the Pub and Grill in April, 1985. A short time after that, upon the arrival of my new boss, I was reprimanded four times. I would like to explain these events as they happened to me.

As an employee of WMC, I was entitled to five sick days per year. One day I was not

feeling well, I called in sick but was told that I was needed to come in due to a lack of employees. As a favor to my boss I came in and did the best I could, but after two and a half hours I became very ill and had to go home. The next day I was told that I totally disregarded my supervisory position by leaving and was suspended for two days.

Everyday that I worked I got half an hour taken out of my paycheck for a break whether I received the break or not. On one evening, I left work at 12:45 am, but signed out at 1 am to make up 15 minutes of 30 minute break that I did not receive. My boss came in at 12:50 am to check on me,

she found that I was not there, saw that my card was signed out at 1:00 am and must have thought that I was cheating the company. I was written up without a chance to give an explanation.

Some people might remember during first semester, a two week span the keg boxes were broken and we were running kegs through picnic coolers. Due to the lack of planning on managements' part one night we had no cooler and no way to hook up a keg but we did have two cases of beer. I was told to sell the 12 ounce cans for 75 cents. After listening to an argument by a student who only had enough money to purchase one regular priced

beer I realized they were right. Why should the students be penalized and pay more money for the same amount of beer when it was not their fault?

Here's the best part of all. If you have been in the Grill lately you will have noticed the new green aprons some of the employees wear. Because I dislike wearing aprons and because my uniform rarely gets dirty I felt it was unnecessary for a supervisor to wear an apron. They tell me not wearing the apron was the straw that broke the camel's back. To me, however, it was just the trivial excuse to get rid of me. I believe that all four points that

I've described here have been unfair to me. But that is water under the bridge now and I can honestly say that nothing surprises me anymore.

As I'm sitting here typing this out I look back at my three years at WMC and I begin to realize that fair play are just words that are talked about, but hardly ever carried out. I've made a lot of good friends here and I can not begin to count all the good times. I would like to wish you all the best of luck for the rest of your college years and hope that your future is bright. I'm going to miss you all.

Michael Block

Seniors protest graduation changes

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underclassmen; and reviving the Baccalaureate service prior to graduation.

In the past, graduation occurred on the Sunday following undergraduate exams. According to Sayre, though, this schedule put a stress on the faculty and staff who were pushed to grade tests and complete student transcripts.

The proposal to shift the ceremonies, Sayre explained, was originally presented to current-year seniors in a memo sent out by the Student Affairs Office during the first week of February. The reasons for the changes are to allow faculty and staff more time to complete their tasks, to give the physical plant a chance to clean dormitories and apartments before the upcoming Summer Conference Seminar Program, and to extend commencement weekend "to add more depth and meaning to the ceremonies."

Seniors, however, immediately voiced dismay to their class president Sharon Eimer and to Sayre. As a result, Chambers, Sayre, and a number of seniors met on Monday, where the president reiterated what the administration

sees as the major problem -- that of giving the physical plant time to effect repairs before the summer conferences begin. The college would not be able to do this if seniors continued to occupy their rooms during the extra week. Chambers also stressed that the upcoming summer programs will generate a large amount of revenue for WMC.

Chambers said that he gave the go-ahead for a conference three days after the ceremonies, because he reasoned that most seniors would want to spend the week at Ocean City rather than on campus. This would give the college an opportunity to clean.

A majority of the students at the meeting, however, claimed that the decision demonstrated that WMC is "more interested in business and alumni than in the students' situation." An unidentified senior remarked that she "no longer feels attached to the campus" because of the administration's apparent lack of interest in the student body.

In essence, the seniors believed themselves to be tenants whose leases will be terminated.

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Aberdeen Proving Grounds welcomes ROTC visitors

by Chris Ginther

Feb. 22-23, eight ROTC cadets and ten cadre traveled to Aberdeen Proving Grounds near Aberdeen, MD to attend the annual Ordnance Corps Orientation. The orientation provides a brief overview of the corps, allowing cadets to get some hands-on training, as well as participating in some leisure activities.

After arriving, the WMC group combined with a number of other cadets from Penn State and Dickinson for an opening talk from several ordnance officers. They explained weapon specialties, training, and avenues of advancement. Afterwards, a tour of the facilities took up the rest of the afternoon.

The first stop on this tour was the tank turret repair facility. Here, soldiers are taught to repair and maintain the MGO tank turret; the improved TOW vehicle (ITV), and the Army's new Bradley Troop Carrier, an infantry fighting vehicle. These three vehicles comprised a set of stations, and the group was split up so as to have a round-robin tour. The MGO turrets were powered to turn and elevate as cadets controlled them from the interior. In



Vera Strothman ahead of the pack at the Aberdeen obstacle course.

addition, they saw a film on the Bradley vehicle, and ITV was also open to be examined.

The next stop on the tour was the small arms building, where repair and assembly of light weapons is taught. Following a short lecture here, the cadets were allowed to handle and examine closely weapons such as the new M16 rifle, the SAW automatic weapon, and the 40 mm automatic grenade launcher. Other displays included mortars and a 20 mm Gatling Gun.

Cadets later traveled to the new M1 tank facility and re-

covered range, where bogged-down vehicles are freed using the M88 recovery vehicle. In past years, after a demonstration, the cadets were allowed to ride in the vehicles through the mud and water. However, this year, Bradleys and M1's were driven in.

Western Marylanders also participated in another Aberdeen tradition, the obstacle course, and later that evening, found entertainment in the officer's club. On Sunday, the cadets traveled to the ordnance museum to view the collection of tanks, artillery and weapons.

Letter / Greeks made administration scapegoats

Editor,

I am writing in response to the letter which appeared in *The Phoenix* on Feb. 27, 1986, which dealt with the Greeks entitled "Irresponsible Greeks undeserving of another break," (page 6).

The letter was certainly well written, yet there are some substantive problems. For instance, the author suggests that hazing is an accepted practice among the Greeks. This charge is in fact far too general. Greeks at Western Maryland College do not accept hazing. The contradiction lies in semantics. What exactly is hazing? One administration official recently presented the Greeks with an outline of what may be construed as hazing. The list was so broad that virtually anything could be considered hazing. Perhaps the ridiculousness of the outline can best be clarified in her proposal for an acceptable pledge exercise, "Have the pledges go to the library and research the ISC (Inter-Sorority Council) then have them write a paper on it." I

realize that the proposal was made as a constructive suggestion, but wouldn't that type of exercise be more appropriate for the library club? (Besides, with the resources available at our library I doubt that they would find anything on the ISC).

I am not trying to downplay the seriousness of the hazing issue. Hazing is dangerous and unacceptable in a college community, however, accusing all of the Greeks of "hazing" is in itself irresponsible.

The author's criticism that the Greeks have "flagrantly abused" their privilege to have club rooms and/or parties in them is simply outlandish. In 1983 I circulated a petition against the building of club rooms directly under our independent section in Albert Norman Ward Hall. Those of us who complained were concerned about the noise of construction and later, parties. We were constantly bombarded by disturbances from organizations with which we had no affiliation. The administration deceitfully misrepres-

sented our concerns by generalizing the complaint to an outright protest against any club rooms anywhere. The Greeks did not ask to have their club rooms directly below independents. Rather the administration grossly overlooked the possibility of confrontation between the independents and the Greek club rooms. Why have the Greeks been made to suffer for the planning failures of the administration? I agree, there has been flagrant abuse--the Greeks have been flagrantly abused.

Club room parties used to be a unique part of WMC's social atmosphere. They provided entertainment in environments that were as diverse as the individual Greek organizations themselves. As well, they were open to the entire campus -- including independents. Today, only the Forum and dining porch can be used for parties. These parties are miserably similar and generic in nature. The dilemma of the devout social life is becoming increasingly apparent. Empty parking lots

on the weekend will attest to the fact that WMC is very much a suitcase college (and the homework bound flock grows each weekend).

The author's argument about drinking on campus needs to be put into context. The author doesn't drink, but is this truly representative of the students at WMC? Most students began drinking in high school and will continue to do so regardless of the law. This does not mean that WMC can or should try to circumvent the drinking age. However, adherence to the letter of this particular law defies common sense. The law was established for the precise purpose of keeping young drunken drivers off the streets. It is easy for a prohibitionist to take a hard-nose stance on this. However, those of us who are more moderate realize that given the basis for the law, there is and should be room for leniency. If students are forced off the campus to drink then the administration would be inherently responsible, not legally, but by nature of their

imprudence. There is no reason why WMC could not lobby the Maryland General Assembly for the right of WMC students to drink as long as they stay on campus. This would be a common sense approach to a perplexing and real problem.

Granted, there were changes that had to be made in the Greek system, yet the administration's sometimes cloak-and-dagger, other times sledge hammer--wielding-executionist behavior has done little but create dissension and erode one of WMC's pillars. As to the so-called throngs of disenfranchised independents, I can only say that the student government should be their proper voice--not a very small handful of extremists.

My estimation is that the Greeks have become a very viable scapegoat for a constantly changing unorganized administration.

Scott D. Austensen
President, Delta Pi Alpha



Leroy Conaway, Mayor of Westminster; William Lauterbach, county commissioner; Dr. Robert H. Chambers; Jim Humphries; and Jeff Griffith, county commissioner, attend the reception following the ground breaking ceremony for the new College Inn and Conference Center on Tuesday.

Survivors tell of life in Hitler's Germany

by Patrick Dail

Not even Oscar Madison and Felix Unger are as odd a couple as Helen Waterford and Alfons Heck. A German Jew, she is a survivor of the Auschwitz death camp. He was a high ranking member of the elite Hitler Youth during World War II. Forty years ago they would have been enemies, but as they themselves said, they are now the best of friends. As it is, this "odd couple" travels the country year round telling those who will listen of their experiences during the time they call "Hitlerism and the Holocaust."

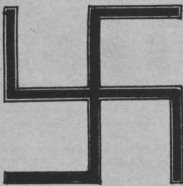
Waterford was born just before World War I and only remembers the very end of the war in 1918. However, she vividly recalls the harshness of the Treaty of Versailles, and its devastating effects on the German economy and psyche. Historians agree that the Allied demands for reparation payments, and restrictions on the German economy and military greatly contributed to the phenomenal rise of Germany's "savior," Adolf Hitler.

As a Jew in the Germany of the 1930's, one came to know a sort of slavery, as Hitler taught the German people to hate and persecute the Jews. As Waterford emphasized, "You've got to be taught to hate before it's too late." This is why Hitler concentrated on holding the loyalty of the youngest Germans, those he called the future of Germany. He gave them himself and they made him a demi-god with their fanatical adoration. However, for men and women like Waterford, not even institutional hatred and abandonment could shake the love they still have for their country. She still loves her country just as she did in the 1940's, says Waterford, even if her country did not want her for a time.

Soon after her first marriage in 1933, Waterford and her husband tried to get out of Germany together, but found it was virtually impossible, despite the open willingness of Hitler to let Jews leave Germany. Then in 1934 her husband received a job offer in Amsterdam and they were able to leave. They lived in Holland until 1942, when the Germans occupied the Low Countries and started relocating the Jews eastward to Poland. To avoid capture, Waterford and her husband went into hiding. They were forced to leave their young daughter with total strangers, because as fugitives, they could not accommodate a child. Meanwhile, their daughter safe with fellow resistors, the young couple lived in the attics of several different homes in Amsterdam, moving constantly, often because the family with which they were staying could no longer tolerate the threat to their own lives if they were caught harboring Jews.

On the day Paris was liberated by the advancing Allied armies, Waterford and her husband were arrested by the Gestapo. They were told they were to be shipped east.

Unknown to them, already three million Jews had been killed in the extermination camps in Poland, along with millions of Gentiles who were executed for crimes against the state. Waterford told of her grueling three day long train ride in a crowded, stinking cattle car jammed with other men, women and children on their way to nowhere - a place they would learn to call Auschwitz. They were separated almost immediately and Helen Waterford never saw her husband again. She would later learn that the difference in their fates had been the sign, almost indiscernible flick of the riding crop of a "smartly



dressed young officer," Josef Mengele. She remained at Auschwitz for two months before being taken to work in an armaments factory in the mountains of Czechoslovakia. Waterford stayed here until the war was over and she was freed in August of 1945. Filthy and malnourished, she walked or begged rides back to Amsterdam to find her daughter, whom she had not seen in over three years. She admitted that the only way she was able to make it through the hell of slavery was with thoughts of her daughter and of the day she would see her once again.

Alfons Heck had just started grade school the year Helen Waterford was married. Here he was taught the Nazi ideals, and here he first was exposed to Hitler Youth and the hypnotic presence Adolf Hitler. It was mandatory for all German youths to be involved in Hitler Youth from the age of ten. Twice each week classes were directed to the instruction of the superiority of the Aryan race. Heck unabashedly labeled this as the happiest time of his life. "It was a glorious time to be a

German," he said, and the notion of German defeat was unthinkable. Through his personal love for one man and unreserved belief in the cause of Nazism, Heck rapidly climbed the ladder of success in Hitler's Germany. At the age of 16 he was the youngest regional commander in the Hitler Youth. He personally commanded 3000 of his peers in a construction unit fortifying the Western Front in Luxembourg.

In the last years of the war, Germany was racked by heavy losses on all fronts and, desperate for manpower, depended heavily on the efforts of the Hitler Youth to prop up a mortally wounded Third Reich. During the final months of the war Heck was promoted to 2nd Lt. in the Luftwaffe.

When the American troops took over his village he was on a three day furlough from his unit. He did not identify himself to the occupying force as he had learned that Hitler Youth leaders were being hunted and either killed or castrated. For hiding his identity he took the additional risk of being caught and

executed as a spy. Heck was captured and held by the French, finally being tried and acquitted of war crimes. He was "de-Nazified" and sentenced to serve one month at hard labor for his part in the German war effort.

In all his years of service to the Hitler Youth and the German military Heck claims never to have known of the extermination camps. This, he says was true for the majority of the German population. The public was routinely told that the Jews were being sent to the east to work in factories. Since most of the extermination camps were in Poland, not Germany, much of the atrocity there was hidden from the ordinary citizen. Germans did know about the concentration camps, in Germany, built to house political prisoners, enemies of the state, and undesirables such as homosexuals. These camps were, in fact, held up by the Nazi government as a threat to opposition. Heck did not find out about the reality of the "Final Solution" until one of his fellow officers mentioned it off-handedly. Heck didn't believe his friend and came very close to turning him into the Gestapo.

Alfons Heck's attitudes about Adolf Hitler did not change until after the war had ended. Finally he accepted the evidence given at Nuremberg in 1947.

While Heck points to the fact that "there have long been and will always be genocides," Waterford feels that "it no prejudice existed then there would not have been a Holocaust." But both believe that it is their responsibility, among the dwindling number that know the truth first hand, to educate and encourage discussion about and understanding of what happened to their beloved homeland. They believe it can happen again.

Rouzer organizes new lecture series on foreign travel

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unusual places. That's where the real flavor of the countries can be obtained."

She also stressed that one of her aims was to find speakers who had strong interactions with the natives and culture of the countries visited.

"We're trying to give students an awareness of geography and culture of other areas," Nacrelli said.

The second lecture was given by Dean Philip Sayer on March 11. He spoke about his year-long sailing excursion from Nova Scotia to the Bahamas. On March 18, Dr. H. Samuel Case will discuss his trips through Northern Europe. Also, President Robert Chambers is scheduled to give a talk on Brazil. His lecture and others are set for April.

The last session will deal with the "how to's" of going

abroad. Thomas and Nacrelli will also give tips from their own experiences because, as Nacrelli added, "There are some things that the travel guides don't say." Thomas explained that the session will demonstrate the "accessibility" that the students have to different countries. Applications for passports, international student identification cards, Euro-rail passes, and youth hostel passes will be available.

Thomas and Nacrelli both believe that touring foreign countries is essential to a student's education. They each stated that they hoped the completed lectures had "excited" people to pursue this kind of experience.

"Touring Europe has traditionally been seen as the rounding out of one's education," said Thomas. "We hope that the lectures will encourage the students to add this finishing touch to their college experience."

WWMC broadcast deadline sets April 1 as kick-off date

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explains that the problem can be attributed to miscommunication, mistakes in designing, and managerial difficulties. With almost all of these "wrinkles smoothed out," and Robey and SGA President Mike Miller at the helm, WWMC will be prepared for take-off around April 1, Sapora claims.

Robey doesn't believe, though, that the delay due to mismanagement during the first semester will injure the future of the project, indicating that there was simply no "serious effort" put into the station until recently. The former staff, he adds "had little idea as to how much work was involved, letting it sit for months." Also, Robey continues, WWMC was initially "overhyped," yet eventually suffered from apathy. As a result, a majority of the former staff was dismissed, and Sapora to put Robey and Miller at the wheel of the SGA-funded organization.

But WWMC still has a long way to go to prepare the station for its debut. Sapora describes the remaining problems as "down to engineering." Robey adds that back in October, after the initial purchases of incorrect equipment, the WWMC room



Andy Robey, Station Manager, WWMC

"looked like the living room on Christmas morning." Warranties were on the floor beside half-opened boxes of hastily-purchased turntables. In addition, the window to the sound room remained unlocked for an extended period of time, leaving all of this equipment very accessible to vandals. Robey explains, though, that these problems have since been rectified. He adds, however, that not all of the equipment has arrived yet, but that the remaining necessities

were all ordered at a conference Robey & Miller recently attended in New York.

Robey, then, is enthusiastic about WWMC, describing it as a "very genuine" and "for real" station. Such a professional atmosphere will be reflected in the fact that all potential DJ's will be required to take a test for proper oratory and grammar skills. Also, the format of the station, he explains, will be wide in scope. Robey, Miller, and senior Chris Ozazewski who will be assisting them, want to attempt to "satisfy everyone's tastes." Mainly, though, WWMC will be playing classical, jazz, rhythm and blues, progressive, and top 40 music.

In addition, Robey emphasizes that those seriously interested in WWMC will be met enthusiastically, and that dedicated and reliable students are a must to ensure smooth operation of a station which will represent our college. Anyone who wishes to participate should get in touch with Robey, Miller, or Sapora before spring break.

Having been a brainchild of collegiate broadcasters for years, and a vision of Robey's since 1982, WWMC will at last make its debut on the airwaves in April.

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Seniors angered

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revoked to allow room for "more important tenants." Still other potential graduates voiced views over the cost, involved in moving off campus and then back on. When Sayre was asked if compensation would be given to students who had to travel great distances, he said no.

Five possible solutions, though, were drawn up by the conclusion of the meeting: 1) keep with the old system of commencement, 2) go ahead with the new policies, 3) allow seniors to stay on campus during the disputed extra week, 4) allow seniors to keep their belongings in their room while vacationing or 5) store senior belongings in a designated storage facility.

Before Chambers renders a ruling, he will meet with the Calendar and Schedule Committee, and the Faculty Council, to determine the feasibility of each option. A decision is expected by next week, according to the president's office.



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Lax tops Hoyas, embarrassed by Kenyon

by Patrick Dall

The Western Maryland men's lacrosse team opened the 1986 season with an 11-4 victory over Georgetown on March 8, but took a drubbing at the hands of visiting Kenyon March 10, 20-9. The first home game of the season started out well with the Terrors scoring the first two goals

in rapid succession, but Kenyon came back strong. By the end of the first half, the score was 3-11, with Kenyon in the lead. Senior Mark Carter made one of WMC's goals in the first half and Bill Hallett put in the other two. In the third quarter the Terror goalie, Bill Brewster, was injured and replaced by freshman Steve Schmitt. While the Terror of

fense made strong attempts in the second half by scoring six more goals, three by Carter, one each by Hallett, Mike Smith and John Giza, they were not able to catch up to Kenyon. The Rosters scored nine more times in the second half and were lead in the goal department by senior Brian Bohn who scored a total of nine goals in the game.

Matt Jackson blows by a Georgetown stickman in Saturday's win. (above)

Terror attackman John Van Lunan (32) cuts outside against a Hoya. (left)

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F/X successfully blends fantasy and reality

by Jonathan Slade

Mixing fantasy and reality has been a favorite film-making tactic for some time. Producers take a heaping spoonful of make-believe, add a dash of real life, and come up with movies like *A Nightmare on Elm Street* and *Beauty and the Beast*. In both of these cases, though, the plot pulls a character back and forth between a mundane setting and an ethereal realm, employing special effects only in the "other-world" parts of the film.

Orion Pictures' *F/X*, however, tries something new with this. It turns fantasy into reality so that both can exist within one cinematic plane. And even if the movie does suffer from several below average performances, this plot innovation and the sheer speed with which the story is told make it an entertaining entry into the intrigue/adventure genre.

Bryan Brown plays Rollie Tyler, an Australian special effects whiz who is hired by Justice Department officials to fake the assassination of a Mafia-boss-turned-informant (Jerry Orbach). Using every trick in his book of movie magic, Tyler pulls off his assignment, only to find himself victim of a double-cross. As a result, he is forced to use his

knowledge of Hollywood trickery to try to stay alive. "Fantasy," then, becomes a tool by which Tyler attempts to maintain his flesh-and-blood reality.

Indeed, Brown offers a competent performance as

ing immensely to the power of the film. Certainly *F/X* is testament to Dennehy's versatility.

Sadly, however, most of the other cast members don't work out so well, for as much as Dennehy and Brown succeed, the remaining performers are simply annoying. Diane Verona, who plays one of Tyler's girl friends, is so bland that you almost wish the actual special effects whizzes for would make her disappear. And Cliff DeYoung, as a member of the Justice Department, would need tons of foam rubber to give himself a three dimensional personality.

Thankfully, though, we aren't given much time to dwell on such imperfections because of the speed with which *F/X* clips along. Director Robert Mandel keeps the pace fast throughout and tosses in numerous plot twists. Often the audience is so sucked in by the whirlwind of action that we find ourselves saying, "Who cares if so-and-so is obnoxious or this-and-that is impractical. It's all entertaining."

And so it is. Indeed, Orion Pictures has finally found a pleasing way to blend both fantasy and reality into one palatable tidbit for the viewing public. Surely, it's no masterpiece, but *F/X* is something special.



the hunted genius — he is nervous yet calculating — but Brian Dennehy dominates the screen as the renegade cop who catches on to the Justice Department's scheme. A veteran of *Cocoon* and *Silverado*, Dennehy plays a totally different character in *F/X*. Unlike his passive, restrained portrayals of previous projects, here he manages to create a bulky cross between Baretta and Kojak, contribut-

Kilbourne probes advertising

Dr. Jean Kilbourne, a nationally known media analyst and lecturer, will present a slideshow and lecture entitled *Under the Influence: The Pushing of Alcohol Via Advertising* on April 8, 1986. The presentation will begin at 8 p.m. in McDaniel Lounge. Admission is free and open to the public.

Kilbourne's current research has been on the images that are used by the advertising world to glamorize the use of alcohol. She is extremely interested in the relationship between advertising, alcohol, and young people. Her presentation, *Under the Influence*, deals directly with this relationship.

Women and stereotyping in the media have also been a topic of concern and research for Kilbourne. She was involved with the women's movement in the late sixties and began collecting advertisements after becoming interested in the media's sex role stereotyping. These advertisements were eventually formed into a lecture and slideshow entitled *The Naked*



Dr. Jean Kilbourne, noted media analyst

Truth: Advertising's Image of Women, which she brought to WMC last spring.

The event is sponsored by the College Activities Programming Board.



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Vera Strothman tested her lungs Tuesday on a spirometer featured at the Wellness Fair. Sponsored by the Student Health Services, Wellness Week runs through Friday.

Connor wins first Dean's scholarship

Kelly S. Connor, a junior communications major, has been granted a cash award from the Dean's Fund for Student Research. "She is the first student to be so honored," says Professor Melvin D. Palmer, Dean of Academic Affairs. Connor's project is to study native American humor while she does volunteer work this summer on Navajo, Hopi, or Apache reservations.

Most of her material will

come from the field -- by talking and working with native Americans one on one. Connor will also survey a number of native Americans from different age groups. The proposal ties in well with her course at WMC in cultural anthropology, and with her interest in intercultural communication. Professors Earl Griswold (sociology) and Eleanor Schreiner (communications) are Connor's advisers in this project.

Senior protests alter graduation schedule

by Michael Norkus

The class of 1986 is breathing a little easier now that President Robert Chambers and the Faculty Council have rescinded all plans to clear out dorm-dwelling seniors before this year's commencement exercises.

According to one potential graduate though, who requested to remain anonymous, the student body should still be enraged by the way administrators made plans to prepare for Alumni Weekend at the expense of the present seniors.

"Their rationale for displacing us," suggested the senior representative, "was one where a choice of expediency versus accommodation was at hand."

Chambers and the council originally wanted seniors to vacate their dorm rooms and



Sharon Eimer, senior class president

leave campus during the week between their final class and graduation, so that the

school could clean and repair the premises for upcoming senior conferences and Alumni Weekend. Graduation now, though, has been pushed forward to May 25, and the "problem" extra week no longer exists in the schedule.

"In all honesty, I can't fathom the gobbledygook established by the administration and reported in the last *Phoenix*. Basically," the representative continued, "proper planning was not executed before they jumped the gun announcing that they were going to force the seniors off campus a week earlier than agreed upon when the seniors enrolled for their fourth year of studies here."

"It boils down to the Administration making a choice in favor of making space for the former graduates, [those who will be attending Alumni

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MD Attorney General to speak

Maryland Attorney General Stephen H. Sachs will speak at 7:30 pm on Monday, April 14, in Alumni Hall. Often described as assertive and competitive, Sachs will talk about his campaign for Maryland's governor.

Before being appointed Attorney General of Maryland, the Baltimore native was a successful prosecuting attorney in Baltimore, prosecuting

cases involving white collar crime and public corruption.

Sachs received his B.A. degree from Haverford College in 1954, won a Fulbright Scholarship to Oxford University and spent two years as an enlistee in the United States Army before graduating from Yale Law School in 1960.

He was admitted to the Maryland Bar in 1960 and to

the Supreme Court Bar in 1965. The recipient of numerous civic organization awards and citations, Sachs served on boards of the Baltimore Urban Coalition, Sinai Hospital, the Baltimore Regional Red Cross, the Enoch Pratt Free Library, and the Baltimore Fund Foundation.

The event and the reception to follow are free and open to the public.

Sidelights: Should the US continue nuclear testing in spite of the Soviet Union's overtures for a test ban?

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RA selection process completed for coming fall

by Beth Spangler

Associate Dean of Student Affairs Charlene Cole, and Assistant Directors George Poling and Cathy Compton announced their student staff choices for 1986-87. The fifteen positions for new Resident Assistants (RA) were filled this week, following an extensive interview process designed to single out those applicants with leadership qualities.

To merit consideration for the RA position, applicants must have a grade point

average of at least 2.5 (although others were considered), possess leadership potential and the desire to improve the campus living environment. In return for accepting the responsibilities, including supervising a floor of residents while on duty two or more nights a week, RA's receive credit for the cost of room and board for two semesters or the cash equivalent.

The Residence Life staff is responsible for administering the daily routine of dormitory life and assisting individual

students when needed. John Lambeth, a junior and an RA on the fourth floor of Rouzer Hall stressed that the committee which made the final decisions sought out "candidates who showed a high level of maturity in understanding school policies and who think in an organized manner, enabling them to uphold school policy. In keeping with this standard, applicants for the position underwent a series of interviews designed to assess their ability to deal

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Senior protests turn administration heads toward changes

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Weekend] at the expense of our to be grads."

Senior class president Sharon Eimer agreed. "Seniors felt the administration was more concerned about 'the conference' and making money," she said.

Eimer suggested that reservation forms sent out by the college to the alumni seemed to substantiate this, for the

Alumni Weekend information packets listed campus apartments and other senior dorm facilities as "available" lodgings for visitors to use "at modest rates."

The graduation problem, though, has been solved, at least for this year.

"Seniors were very happy [when they heard the decision]," said Eimer. "They felt like -- for the first time -- the administration listened."

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Weitzel named WMC's 3rd Fulbright scholar

When Nancy Weitzel opened her mail and read her name on this year's list of Fulbright grant recipients for study abroad she felt a charge go right through her. "It was like sticking my finger in an electric socket."

A Sykesville resident and graduating senior, Weitzel is one of approximately 550 young American students and artists who will receive Fulbright grants, and one of only three students at Western Maryland College to ever receive this prestigious and highly competitive award. Her grant offered through the Austrian-American Educational Commission will cover full transportation and living expenses, and tuition costs to study at the University of Salzburg.

No stranger to study abroad, Weitzel spent her junior year taking courses at the University of Salzburg and while there fell in love with the beautiful Alpine country and its history.

"It's heaven on earth," she says, explaining that her Austrian roommate acted as her tour guide. "I even met my German pen pal of five years and discovered her to be a practical joker like myself," she adds.

Because of her interest in Austrian history, Weitzel has chosen to research the intellectual roots of the Revolution of 1848. She will leave for her year abroad in September.



Senior Nancy Weitzel, Fulbright grant recipient.

Weitzel is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Weitzel of Sykesville. She majors in German at WMC and is currently a student teacher at Westminster High School.

McNiff restores Follies tradition following lapse

by Beth Jones

Cathy McNiff, 1986 Junior Follies coordinator, has her job cut out for her in trying to re-establish a WMC tradition. With a crew of about 35 people, she has been working since the beginning of February to organize this event -- a student variety show whose profits annually fund the Junior-Senior banquet.

McNiff admits that her biggest obstacle has been apathy, the very thing which thwarted attempts to compile a show last year. "I had to go out and actually ask people to come to meetings," she explains. Also McNiff says that several groups on campus did not choose to take part in the Follies, but the ones who

did were very cooperative. "Every junior in my sorority [Phi Alpha Mu] is involved in the show, but it's not supposed to be just Greek or group oriented -- this is a class project."

Although McNiff has fewer writers and performers than she had hoped, she is pleased with the enthusiasm of the group. "People who really weren't interested weeded themselves out early. We were left with a small but strong few dedicated to the event," she explains.

Participant Kim Baker agrees. "Everyone involved is really enthusiastic about putting on a good performance," she says.

Baker explains that most of this energy came from the

fact that there was no show last year. "I think that some of us were really determined to show that we could put this together," McNiff claims that this is the very reason that she took the helm of the Junior Follies. "No one else seemed interested but I knew that it had to be done. I wanted to try to bring the tradition back," she explains. McNiff hopes that next year's juniors will see the show and "get excited about doing it themselves."

The event, which remains close to its traditional framework, will consist of songs and skits that satirize the school and the senior class.

The production will be staged in Alumni Hall on April 10-12 at 8 pm

An interview with ... Warren Smith

A philosopher with a badge, walkie-talkie and harmonica

by Jonathan Slade

The cigarette between his fingers had burned down to nothing. Its last few ashes fell to the floor. Looking up from the desk and his half-finished report, he crushed out the butt and pulled a harmonica from the drawer.

"I've been playing this thing for six days now," he smiled, "and you've gotta hear this." A wavering blues riff wafted through the office, and for an instant the room became a clearing in the woods and his desk a campfire.

"Not bad, huh? Thus another hobby had sparked the interest of Warren Smith, the 26 year old Western Maryland campus safety officer whose drive to be unique makes him a thoroughly engaging individual.

"My interests have always been diversified, everything from sailing and backpacking to model trains and playing the harmonica," he explained. "I'll probably never get very good at anything, but I'll enjoy all of it."

Smith though, whose brown hair and dark eyes suggest his predominantly Jewish heritage, also likes to write and read — especially fiction. And it's not uncommon to find him on duty at 3 am digesting the works of Friedrich Nietzsche, Ayn Rand, or Stuart Mill. In fact, he's a philosophy major on campus, and owing to his nature, he occasionally loves to delve into deep tangential musings during the course of a conversation.

"I feel like everyone should leave his mark," he said, biting on a black ballpoint pen. "When you get right down to it, we're only here for



Warren Smith, campus safety officer.

a very short time and I think we should all leave something worthwhile behind.

"My mother died in July," he continued, "and she really didn't leave much. I feel kind of bad about that. It just seems all for naught, you know." Smith wants to make his contribution with writing.

"I think it would be kind of neat to have kids some day who could read something of mine," he smiled again.

One of Smith's most fundamental beliefs, however, is that he should be an individual, his own man.

"I feel like I have to be different in some way. I have to forge ahead in different areas," he said, fingering the harmonica. "The idea of having a house in Columbia with 2.3 kids, with a Mazda and a station wagon, and a job at a computer firm just doesn't appeal to me."

"It's not a bad life," Smith conceded, "but it's not what's most important to me." He added that this outlook probably developed during his childhood where he was "into" being unique.

Growing up in Pikesville, MD with his father and younger sister, Smith dropped out of high school at 16, much to the dismay of his relatives.

"When I turned 17," he explained, "my father and I got into an argument. He said, 'Why don't you join the Navy' and I said 'You've got to be 18 to do that.' Then he said, 'No, you've got to be 17 with parental consent and you've certainly got mine.'"

Consequently, Smith went out and joined the Coast Guard, instead of the Navy, partly as an act of rebellion to his father's suggestion and partly because of a personal philosophy.

"I decided that I'd much rather be serving my country by helping at home than preparing for a war that I may not be sure I want to fight anyhow," he said. By the time he left the Guard, though, he had received his equivalent to a high school diploma, as well as a letter of commendation for participating in a sea rescue during a gale force wind.

"This time of my life may give me some things to write about later," he said.

Pulling a new cigarette from a pack, Smith carefully held a lighter up to it, drew in a breath, and shifted again into his metaphysical mode.

"You know, I used to be an

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Annual Barthel poetry contest submissions due by April 15

The WMC English Department has announced the second annual "John P. Barthel Memorial Poetry Competition." Cash prizes of \$50.00, \$30.00, and \$20.00 will be awarded for the first, second, and third place winners, respectively.

The competition has been endowed by a gift from Mildred P. Barthel in memory of her husband. Both Dr. and Mrs. Barthel received their B.A. degrees from WMC.

Mrs. Barthel's gift has been given to Western Maryland to support an annual poetry competition at the college for ten years. Only students of WMC may enter. The required

subject matter for the contestants is "the home and family." Each entry must be limited to not less than 14 nor more than 30 lines. Judging of the competition will be done by a selected poet of national distinction.

The deadline for the poetry competition is April 15. Submissions should be typed, with the entrant's name and campus number in the upper right hand corner of the page. All entrants will be asked to grant a limited license for reproduction of their work in an anthology.

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RA selection completed

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with pressure situations. They were given hypothetical cases in which they had to respond with quick thought and action.

The candidates' groupwork abilities were assessed through interaction with other candidates. The pool was then narrowed down through individual interviews.

The new staff will join the returning staff for what is called "Spring Training." They will spend a weekend at a youth hostel in Pennsylvania, getting to know each other better, as well as attending first aid training sessions. The staff will be back on campus Aug. 26, one week earlier than other returning students.

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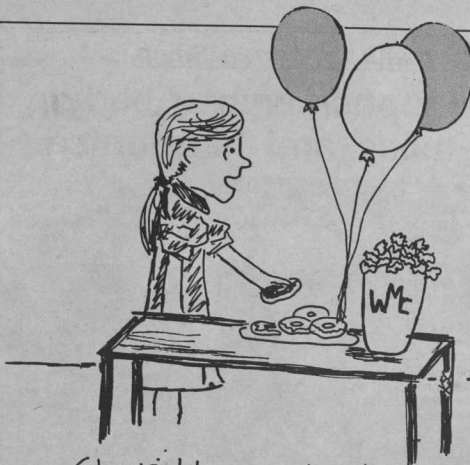
Ms. Mpho Tutu, daughter of Bishop Desmond Tutu, will be at WMC to speak this Sunday. Go and see her. The woman has lived with Apartheid and this may be your only chance to learn first hand about the hottest issue of the eighties.

Over the last year the world exploded with rage brought on by the practice of blatant discrimination in South Africa. We think the attention given the issue is good and hope that Apartheid will be stopped peacefully. However, *The Phoenix* is not in agreement with the bent that most college students have taken in order to make South Africa free: For Americans to divest their interests in the companies of South Africa would cause severe damage to *everyone* in the country. Everyone. If you take the money and jobs away from the nation, you not only hurt the companies, you injure the people who rely on those companies to feed their families. In South Africa this means Blacks too. A South African supporting divestment, then, would be like an American auto worker voting for robotics, knowing that he will be replaced by this new technology.

Certainly there is a way to end Apartheid and it can be done without severely hurting those people in the most trouble. For some reason, though, students of American higher education have taken the first available path without really looking at the alternatives. One avenue that we have yet to see come to fruition is a meeting between world leaders and P.W. Botha, president of South Africa. So far the superpowers have abstained from taking any formal, hard-line stand. And as long as the bread and butter is still there, without expressed concern from outside nations, no reason seems to exist for the South African government to take the initiative to reform itself. Act we must, then. But injure we must not.

Unfortunately for the Blacks there, they do not have enough accessible leaders like the American Blacks of the 1960's had in Martin Luther King, Jr., Andrew Young, and Malcolm X. One of the major leaders of the South African movement is Nelson Mandela, and though the man has inspired the oppressed to stand up for their rights, he has been in prison for years, passing his orders to outside assistants.

We do not yet know what Ms. Mpho Tutu will say when she goes into Baker Chapel Sunday. She may support the practice of divestment in her native land. We, though, simply cannot condone the possible destruction of the admittedly poor conditions that do exist in order to affect a change that would leave Blacks with even less than they have now.



Step right up and get involved in Wellness Week. Free donuts and popcorn to all!

Break produces puzzling attitudes, senseless death

by Tracy Kennard

Every year just before Easter, thousands of college students flock to Florida's beaches for some fun in the sun. After a week of the unimaginable and the unmentionable, spending megabucks on this bacchanalia (drunken orgy), they return to their college campuses and are declared "Survivors of Spring Break." People seem to develop a new attitude when they are away from school and in the sun with friends. It's almost as if you have a reason to go wild. "Oh, I'm on spring break," may be the rationale for some. But I don't think the producers of the 1960's flick *Where the Boys Are* (which institutionalized Ft. Lauderdale's spring) realized that Ft. Lauderdale 20 years later would be such a tragic place. The headlines in one major news magazine read "Deaths and Riots mar the Collegians' Annual winding." The recent publicity of nine tragic deaths in Florida over Spring Break indicates that maybe the fun has turned sour.

This year. All of this has taken place against the gloomy backdrop of rain. Five to seven inches fell and hailstones were reported one day in Ft. Lauderdale. The "fry all day, party all night" lifestyle was curtailed as heavy rains hit the southern coast of Florida and kept people inside their hotel rooms, where maximum capacity regulations prevented them from congregating in lobbies or other common areas. The only place they could drink was their rooms. The resulting vandalism was the worst in years. Caryl Sichel, director of Sales at Ft. Lauderdale's Days Inn said, "They did \$50,000 worth of damage in an hour." Local merchants however want to control but not stop the kind of horde that spends about \$120 million annually. The drinking age was raised to 21 this year and a new city ordinance prohibits drinking on the streets and beaches (What other city in the country needed to pass such legislation?) There is also a five foot high concrete wall that runs along the infamous strip, A1A, to keep drunken people from wandering out of bars and into traffic. The Elbow Room, a popular bar which opens for business at 7 am, was cited for violating fire laws last week. Maybe the problems of Ft. Lauderdale are just now starting to hit the press. In past years, contests and happy hours

were just a way of life in Lauderdale. The community may now feel abused by the maniacs who invade the resort at this time.

Meanwhile, the people of Daytona Beach tried to snag up on those who did not opt for the antics of Ft. Lauderdale, as M-TV sponsored concerts on the beach daily. Some Western Marylanders may have found themselves there. One student said of Ft. Lauderdale, "It's what everybody says it is - beaches, bars, bikinis, sand, surf and sex." I guess it's the sun which affects students in such a way that they do things which the would never conceive of when on campus. But then again how many colleges sponsor wet T-shirt contests? The combination of alcohol, freedom, and atmosphere account for some of the frolics in Florida. It's scary to think that the leaders of the future would act in such a way just because "THEY'RE ON SPRING BREAK!" After it's all over, students seem to develop the after spring break blues. Western Marylanders who have just returned from the south can empathize. You may be amongst these ranks as you lounge in the quad or play a few holes of golf to keep alive the spirit of Spring Break. Having this type of attitude seems prevalent as we return for the second half of the spring semester.



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What do you think of the U.S. - Libya conflict in the Gulf of Sidra?



If Libya can't recognize international water agreements, then they deserve trouble.

Eric Hirtle



We need to show that the U.S. has some strength to fight against their enemies.

Michele Cruikshank



We didn't belong in there but I think we should fire back when fired upon.

Althia Ellis



Reagan may have overstepped his bounds. He knew there was going to be trouble.

Lynn Stone



We had to be there to make a stand, but we were asking for an attack.

Nancy Boore

Susan Lauzu

Secular humanism: a crusader scapegoat

Perpetuating an age old ritual, Christian defenders of the faith have heaped their troubles with the public schools upon the head of secular humanism and are currently trying to drive it into the desert. I hope that this is one scapegoat that will not be easily hustled out of the way.

Precisely because of its nebulous character, secular humanism lends itself to attack by Christians who assert that this "godless religion" is

being taught in the public schools. Since one of the basic tenets of secular humanism, as expressed in the 1933 *Humanist Manifesto*, is the denial of "any supernatural or cosmic guarantee of human values," irate Christians may evaluate as "humanist" any discussion that does not result in an affirmation of traditional Christian absolutes. Values clarification, sex education, and new math are all seen as part of the humanist plot to undermine the faith of the American youth.

Perhaps the most conspicuous harrowing of progressive education occurs in Texas, where textbooks can be adopted only after acquittal at a hearing before the State Textbook Committee. A group of protesters, led by Norma and Mel Gabler, gathers each year to object to everything from "negativism" to "moral permissiveness" to "anti-Christian bias." If the publisher, who defends the texts, is overwhelmed by the protesters the books are condemned.

A small group of stridently

vocal parents presides over the moral standards of an entire state's school children. Gradually, any outlook contrary to Christian teaching is being eliminated, and this denial of various viewpoints seriously limits education. Advocates of pluralism and freedom of thought need to be aware of this narrowing in education and must realize that labeling as "humanist" everything objectionable is only a ploy. Programs shrouded behind the stigma of secular humanism merit close examination before they

are rejected as unsuitable for students.

The National Congress for Educational Excellence (NCEE) issued a list of words and phrases that will help parents identify the presence of secular humanism in their child's curriculum. Among them are "self-analysis," "understanding," "human growth" and "academic freedom." If these are the sins of secular humanism then this scapegoat deserves help in escaping the sacrificial slaughter.



Catherine Becker slugs it out against Franklin and Marshall in the season opener.

Split contests mark weeks scheduled games

by Cynthia Schafer

SOFTBALL

The women won one of three games in the first week of play, defeating Messiah April 1, 10-9, and dropping a doubleheader at Franklin & Marshall by the scores of 8-6 and 3-2. A seven-run third inning was the downfall for the Terrors in the opener against F&M, while a three-run surge in the bottom of the sixth gave the Diplomats the game in the nightcap. Senior Nicky Pesik and junior Cindy Boyer each contributed three hits in the twinbill.

GOLF

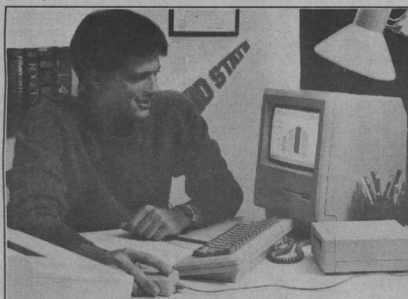
The Golfers split four matches, defeating Mount St.

Mary's on April 4, 405-439, and losing to Loyola, April 5, 392-415, and Catholic on the same day, 395-397. The Green however gained a forfeit win over Shenandoah. Sophomore Chris Conklin and senior Gordon Digby led WMC posting impressive scores against all three opponents. Conklin posted a 75 against the Mount and a 77 against Catholic, while Digby posted a 78 against Catholic and Mount St. Mary's.

TRACK AND FIELD

The men's track team split a meet with Ursinus and Lebanon Valley on April 1, defeating LVC, 52-29, but falling to Ursinus, 98-29. Freshman Bill Desciak paced the Green with a pair of victories, winning the 400 in 52.4 and the

400 hurdles in 59.5. Desciak and junior Darrell Guyton combined for second place in the long jump and third in the triple jump at the Western Maryland College Relays on April 5. The two leaped 39-4 in the long jump and 78-5½ in their placing in the triple jump. The women's team tied Lebanon Valley, 62-62, and received a forfeit win over Ursinus. Sophomore Kris Twiford and classmate Sophia Welsh led the Terrors with a pair of victories. Twiford won the long jump at 14-8½ and the triple jump at 32-11¼, while Welsh captured the 100 in 15.3 and the 200 in 29.6. Twiford and Mary Martha Peel combined to finish second in the high jump (9-4) at the WMC Relays. The men finished ninth in the relays while the women placed sixth overall.



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Terror Matt Jackson runs around a Salisbury State midfielder.

Dan Moskowitz

Gettysburg ousts Hopkins as #1 foe

For the athletes here at Western Maryland, who is public enemy number one?

It is safe to say that in years past, Johns Hopkins University has held a special place in the blackness of WMC students' hearts. Bitterness between the two schools spanned through nearly every sport -- especially football where it was most visible when the two squads faced each other at the close of each season.

Those games in the last week of the regular season often turn into nasty confrontations between individuals, and sometimes outright wars between large coalitions from both sides (which is the nicest way to describe a brawl).

And so the JHU hatred and rivalry has been burning bright for years, but somehow it seems to have grown less intense since the spring of 1983.

That season a new rivalry took shape.

Gettysburg had traveled to the Hill for a lacrosse game that would clinch for them the conference title if they won. Large groups of supporters

mobbed Scott S. Bair Stadium on game day. By the confrontation's close, Gettysburg had defeated our Terrors and taken the conference championship. At that moment, a contingency of Gettysburg Bullet fans stormed the field in an attempt to tear down the goal posts.

Of course, the Western Maryland fans began defending their school's property and a great brawl took place between the two factions that lasted quite some time.

Gettysburg, in that one incident, transformed itself into the "evil empire" in the eyes of many students here.

Just a few minutes up the road into Pennsylvania, Gettysburg is a school very similar to WMC, both academically and athletically. The proximity of the two institutions to each other, as in the case of Johns Hopkins, only serves to fuel the fire of an already intense blaze.

Athletes here will tell you that beating Gettysburg holds a special meaning to them. The Bullets are often the team our Terrors are "gunning for," and things remain that way

because of the success of Gettysburg athletics in recent years.

Traditionalists here on the Hill will argue that Johns Hopkins is still the team to beat. But athletes here now, who

experience the preparation for a contest with Gettysburg and spectators who watch those contests, can feel something extra when sticking it to the Bullets.

At a recent lacrosse game,

our Pennsylvanian neighbors came to the Hill with talent and an expected contingency of supporters. The Terror squad, before a large home crowd of its own, took an early lead and went on to defeat the visitors, 7-5. An early season game against any other opponent would not have drawn such an intense and verbose crowd, for each goal scored against the Bullets was treated by WMC spectators as a personal insult to the Gettysburg fans.

In fact, each goal scored became a proverbial "in your face disgrace" and all those there in support of the Terrors were lovin' every minute of it.

The only fair conclusion to make is that there will always be a rivalry between Johns Hopkins and WMC as long as the two compete, but for now, Gettysburg reigns at the top of the Terror hate mail list and will remain there for quite some time.

As one spectator at a recent lacrosse game in Scott S. Blair Stadium said, "This isn't just a lacrosse game going on -- that's Gettysburg out there."



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Terrors split two against Dickinson

by Cynthia Schafer

Western Maryland's baseball team opened their season at home on April 1 by splitting a doubleheader with Dickinson. Dickinson lost the initial game, 6-5, but won the second 11-7. WMC gained all the runs they would need in the first two innings, putting three over the plate in each inning in the first game, and then holding on in the last two innings when Dickinson scored their runs. Senior righthander Dave Fowler permitted the Devils only five hits over his six innings of work for his first win of the year, while senior Mike Pagione punched a three-run double in the first for the lead. Randy Capshaw picked up the save.

In the second game things did not "happen" for WMC,

as Dickinson scored in every inning except the sixth. Despite a two run rally in the seventh, WMC was unable to pull it out.

The Terrors pounded Ursinus on April 3, getting 20 hits and coming away with a 19-13 victory. But the Green suffered two crucial losses at Moravian on April 15 when the Greyhounds took both ends of a twinbill, 8-6 and 16-5. Senior Keith Berlin and juniors Dan D'Imperio and Dave Llewellyn each contributed four hits in the rout of Ursinus with Llewellyn driving in six runs. Sophomore Paul Stumpf pitched eight strong innings of relief to gain his first win of the season. D'Imperio recorded four hits including his first homerun of the spring in the two defeats at Moravian.

Women pull only wins, Hutchinson sets record

by Patrick Dall

WOMEN'S TENNIS

This year, the WMC predominantly young women's tennis team consists of four freshmen, four sophomores, and two seniors. They met with tough competition in their first few matches, losing to Susquehanna April 1, Johns Hopkins April 3, F&M April 5, and most recently to Elizabethtown April 8. At present they are 0-1 in the MAC Southwest Conference. Assistant Coach Mark McCullan feels that it is a "good team," but that they merely need to develop and play schools that are less difficult than those such as Hopkins and F&M. Their next set of home matches is today against Hood College at 3:30 p.m.

MEN'S TENNIS

Out of the four initial games on the schedule for WMC men's tennis, three of them were postponed. The remaining set of matches, which became our team's first for the year, ended up being played against Franklin & Marshall on April 2. The Terrors surprisingly missed out on some playing time and experience due to the postponements. Ultimately, the team lost all six singles matches and three doubles. Dan Clarke, the only freshman who played a singles match, and who happens to second on the team roster, was able to take his to three sets before losing 1-6, 6-4, 2-6. While Coach Alex Ober stresses that the team is made up of very consistent, solid players, he explains that F&M has traditionally had good players, and that they usually "end up beating us."



Freshman Julie Katcef goes to the goal against Franklin and Marshall on April 5. WMC lost 14-10.

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

The women's lacrosse team came into their April 5 game against Franklin & Marshall, a perennial MAC power, with an early record of 2-0 after defeating both Mt. St. Mary's and Widener Colleges. F&M proved to be the team's first block as they were defeated at a score of 14-10. Senior Nancy Hutchinson led the Terrors with a pair of goals, while classmates Alyce Harden and Laurie Dollar also

recorded a pair of goals in the losing effort. However, Hutchinson put herself in the record books as she is now the all-time leading goal and point scorer in WMC history. The team went on to beat Washington College on April 7 by a score of 25-8. Again, Hutchinson led the team in goals, having seven herself, followed by Sandi Stevens who netted five, as well as Harden and freshman Cindy Montanye who scored three a piece.

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English major, but now I'm a philosophy major," he explained, "and I'm not sure how I feel about that yet. The big difference is that... philosophy is far more explicit than implicit. I like that."

So basically he thinks it's okay to not know all the answers right now?

The telephone rang and he started to reach for it. "I'm not even sure we know the questions," he said.

No doubt, Smith has succeeded in his quest for individuality. He's a philosopher with a walkie-talkie, a writer with a badge, and a late night security guard with a walling harmonica. How more unique can you get.

Gung-Ho veers down mediocrity lane

by Jonathan Slade

Gung-Ho, Paramount Pictures' latest comedic entry into the movie market, isn't a bad flick. It's just mediocre -- which is especially ironic since the film examines this same sort of mediocrity in the American automobile industry. In fact, every time the movie starts to brandish a polished look, it stops, as if realizing that it's succeeding, and then for an unfathomable reason welds something shabby onto the existing framework.

Take, for example, Michael Keaton, who plays Hunt Stevenson, a foreman at a Pennsylvania automobile manufacturing plant. Keaton, whose character convinces a Japanese car company to bring its business here in order to save a small town's economy, is excellent as the happy-go-lucky bumbler who finds himself suddenly miscast as a mediator between the foreign management and the American workers. But, every once in a while, you get the impression that director Ron Howard just turned on

the camera and said, "Mike, go ahead and wing it." Several of Keaton's many speeches before the sweaty working throngs seem so ad libbed that any screen writer worth his weight in dialog would want a disclaimer on the final credits saying, "No, I'm not responsible for such-and-such a scene." Indeed, when Keaton appears to stick to the script, his exceptional comic timing shines through; but, when he indulges in spontaneous creation, not even the twisted-Keaton-grin evokes a snicker.

This is not to imply, however, that the screenplay itself is perfect, for even that has a few dents here and there. In fact, those speeches of Keaton's which are part of the formal script even come off sounding a bit preachy. Lowell Ganz and Babaloo Mandel, the head writers here, seem to decide halfway through the movie that their social statements have to be verbalized directly to the audience. Thus, they go about priming us (and more than once) for "the big message," only to let the moment hang in ambiguity.

The speeches, then, often liken a Sunday morning sermon that is one big anticlimax. After deciding that viewers are too stupid to figure out the theme of the film for themselves, they set up the situation to offer an



explanation, but never quite follow through with what they were going to tell us. It's frustrating -- sort of like driving a Mustang II with a transmission that keeps locking up.

And that's not all, for Ganz and Mandel start to stoop a little too low for a laugh after

the first half hour. At one point we see an American worker mimic a Japanese lunchmate's use of chopsticks. Does this reveal our sense of humor or our wealth of prejudice? In addition, these "Rice-a-ronies," as one character calls them, are constantly passed off as cold and callous "fish." You don't need to be a cultural theorist, though, to know that the people of Japan are much quieter and more reserved than we are. Callousness has nothing to do with it. Nonetheless, *Gung-Ho* occasionally chooses to feed off of our cultural ignorance rather than to dispell it.

Still, some exceedingly funny sequences do exist in the film, and most contain both Keaton and Gedde Watanabe, who stars as the Japanese head of this Pennsylvania car plant. Watanabe, who spiced up *Sixteen Candles* and *Volunteers*, applies his charm here to contribute a sense of humanity to the movie. Whereas Keaton is too busy being goofy, Watanabe gives us a sensitive portrayal of a man trapped between two vastly different

cultures. He is certainly a welcomed sight among all this insanity.

And finally, even the cinematography, which is extremely innovative in some instances, slips into the "average" realm during several shots. There is a perfectly coordinated scene where an auto worker walks out of his house at dawn just in time to snag the morning newspaper in mid-air. The moment is beautifully captured on film (A+). But there are also countless other shots made with a remote, portable camera -- for example, viewers almost get dizzy following Keaton around his home in one scene when he is on the telephone. The picture simply wobbles far too much (F-). In fact, you start asking yourself, "How can Ron Howard, who has directed such treats as *Nightshift*, *Splash*, and *Cocoon* let this shoddiness sneak by?"

Let's just hope that not all American workmanship is laced with this allegiance to mediocrity. Sadly, it could drive us away from the theater.



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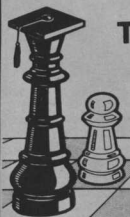
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Miller presses SGA constitutional revisions

by Beth Jones

SGA president Mike Miller, along with several students, faculty, and administrators, is presently reconstructing the Student Government Association constitution.

Miller's prime objective in rewriting the document is to place the leadership development role in the hands of the students themselves. "We believe that leadership and the rights of the students should be developed by the students, and not by the administration on behalf of the students," Miller says.

This objective, after being voted upon and ratified by the student body, will change the actual workings of the SGA. First it will alter the name of the Student Government As-



Mike Miller, SGA President.

sociation to Student Governing Assembly. Miller explains that the former title is not as impressive to prospective employers as the new name will be.

"'Association' doesn't sound like a real job, and it tends to have more of a negative connotation as a social organization rather than a legislative body. 'Assembly' has a more dynamic word association," he says.

Miller also hopes to make the senate the core of a WMC forensia society where students can debate among themselves as well as compete with other schools.

But the most controversial change in the new constitution seems to be the provision for a student supreme court.

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Dr. Raymond Phillips and Andrew Saporita star in a film celebrating the one hundred and fiftieth Anniversary of Carroll County. Dr. Robert Saporita, at camera, directed and filmed the action for this segment in the Baltimore Museum of Industry.

Tutu makes plea for US help

by Michael Norkus

"How long must the genocide of Apartheid go on?"

This was the theme of Ms. Mpho Tutu's speech, April 13, at Baker Memorial Chapel. WMC, one of many speaking stops on her American itinerary, heard her plea for an end to South Africa's racial problems.

Tutu is the youngest daughter of Archbishop Desmond Tutu, the leading outspoken activist of Apartheid reform.

She attends Howard University and helps her father by rallying support for the Blacks of her country.

In her speech, she said that it was "hard to draw parallels" between the civil right disparity in South Africa and the civil rights issue in the US during the late 60's. "The difference," she said, "is that the US admitted it was wrong. The South African government doesn't."

Tutu presented a chronology of recent events which emphasized the problems in

her country: In 1960, the first noticeable opposition arose to the lack of Black rights in South Africa when protests were staged in the town of Sharpeville. Later, in 1976, she said, several Blacks were killed when they called attention to the poor quality of state education. And more recently, Tutu explained, the "outward seeds of rebellion" took root.

She stated that the Blacks of South Africa "now are

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Rouzer residents victimized by theft

by Beth Spangler

Since the end of January, a number of thefts, mainly in Rouzer Hall, have plagued the WMC campus. Cash has been taken, usually in sums of \$10-\$20, from unlocked dorm rooms, and the total loss now amounts to more than \$100.

Mr. J. Scott Moyer, director of campus safety, explains that the break-ins have been occurring "in spurts" since the beginning of the semes-

ter, adding that the victims have been reporting the crimes up to several weeks after the incidents.

"As of now," says Moyer, "it's just been cash taken on the third floor. The doors were left unlocked in all cases, and there were no signs of forcible entry." In addition to cash, several checks and driver's licenses have been stolen.

Moyer believes, though, that the break-ins have been possible only because of the "false sense of security" with

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Sidelights: Will Clint Eastwood be an effective mayor in Carmel, CA?

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Faculty 'Press' makes bid for publishing jobs

by Kelly Connor

WMC Press is Western Maryland's attempt to begin a publishing house on campus. It hopes to solicit from WMC instructors manuscripts that they would like to use in their own courses. Using a micro-computer-based technique known as "desktop publishing," the Press will edit and produce the texts, and deliver them to the WMC Bookstore for resale to students.

According to Mr. Richard Dillman, assistant professor of

computer science, the Press would act as if it were a publishing house. It would contract individually with each author, based on the merits of his or her project. It would work with the author to assemble the textbook -- exercising editorial responsibility where necessary and providing assistance in layout and graphic arts. The final product, a manuscript stored in electronic form on a micro-computer diskette, would, subject to contract with the author, become the property of the Press. Finally, the Press

would reproduce and deliver the text to the WMC bookstore as needed.

"Today, students complain about the high cost of books, and professors often complain that they can't find books that are exactly right for their classes. WMC Press would take manuscripts that professors would write expressly for their courses and produce books that would be sold in the bookstore at a lower cost to students than

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Cobb honored by national educators

Dr. Eulalia Benejam Cobb, professor of foreign languages has been selected to the American Council on Education (ACE) Fellows Program for the 1986-87 year according to ACE President Robert H. Atwell.

The program, established in 1965, is designed to strengthen leadership in American higher education by identifying and preparing faculty and staff for responsible positions in college and university administration. Nominated by the presidents or chancellors of the institutions, 30-35 Fellows are selected each year in a national competition. Cobb is the only Fellow Recipient selected from Maryland colleges and universities.

Cobb graduated magna cum laude from Birmingham Southern College and holds a master's degree from the University of North Carolina and a doctoral degree from the University of Alabama. She is also a member of Phi Beta Kappa. After teaching experiences at the University of Alabama and Stillman College, Cobb became a faculty member at Western Maryland in 1974.

Participants in the program are typically assigned to a



Dr. Eulalia Benejam Cobb, Professor of Foreign Languages

college or university president and chief academic officer and become involved in administrative activities, either at the home institution or on a host campus. There they engage in a number of activities, including seminars and research, that prepare them for administrative careers in higher education.

False security leaves residents vulnerable

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which students leave doors unlocked, often with such inviting notes on them as "Be back at 11:00." Further he thinks that "95 per cent of the break-ins would stop if the students would only lock their doors. This is one crime that victims can stop."

The campus safety office has stepped up its crime prevention and awareness program by instituting notices, posters, and hall meetings throughout the campus.

"Most thefts committed in residence halls are committed by students themselves," Moyer says. He urges residents, however, to report any suspicious people that frequent the halls who are known not to be students. Moyer also emphasizes the importance of reporting break-ins immediately so that they can act promptly. Likewise, any malfunctioning locks, he stresses, should be reported to maintenance without delay.

The break-ins, though they have been occurring for some time, have recently reached serious proportions, according to Moyer. Sandy Ferrell and Chris Folmer, both third floor Rouzer residents, had \$10 and \$15 dollars taken respectively. Another third floor resi-



WMC Department of Campus Safety

dent reported that she was only gone "a couple of minutes" one weeknight, and returned to find \$15 missing from a "fairly non-visible place" in her unlocked room.

Moyer and the campus safety office have devised a list of "common sense tips" students should follow in order to prevent dorm thefts. First, residents should lock their doors "even if they're only going down the hall," Moyer warns. Next, they should refrain from lending their keys to anyone. They should also keep any valuables, especially money, in a

non-accessible, non-visible place.

"These people [the thieves] are not into ransacking. They're in and out in 10 seconds," says Moyer. He adds that if a student is victimized, he should examine his checkbook to see if any checks have been removed. Moyer explains that those who have had checks stolen, have found them missing from the middle of the checkbook.

"We are doing everything we possibly can," Moyer says. But, he adds, the best deterrent is to "always lock your door" when leaving.

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WMC Press set to publish campus writing

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'regular' books," stated Dillman.

Furthermore, if the idea develops well, the Press eventually will consider acting as its authors' agent in submitting fully produced, classroom-tested works to larger publishing houses for possible adoption.

Dillman stated that they would also like to publish some non-textbook projects, such as poetry or scholarly works. "We'd like to offer students opportunities to study publishing and marketing through internships or special studies." These students will work with WMC Press and try to find markets for the books.

The Press already has its first contract, with the American Planning Corporation in Alexandria, Va., a designer of soft-ware packages. Junior Tracy Kennard is working on the assignment for her senior project as a communications/systems analysis major. Through the guidance of Dillman and Ms. Pam Regis, an English instructor, Kennard is re-writing an entire manual for the User's Guide to a computer system. Regis acts as the editor, while Dillman acts as the technical assist-



Mr. Richard Dillman, assistant professor of computer science and technical director of the WMC Press

ant, stated Kennard.

"This is like a team project," said Kennard. "I write one or two chapters a week and we discuss my progress at our weekly meetings. It's an interesting project because it utilizes my communications major with a systems analysis program."

Although the writing is time consuming and often frustrating, "it's taught me a different way to write creatively," said Kennard.

Regis stressed that the

Press is self-supporting. "The money it makes goes directly back to the college. We [Regis and Dillman] use the money to buy more equipment. We're an unusual entity within the college because we have a contract."

Dillman believes that there is a lot of potential in the Press. "We're just getting ourselves organized this spring. We hope to produce two books next year, and two or three more in the year after that."

Jimmy Dean opens May 1 in understage

At the Kressmont five and dime store in small town in Texas, childhood friends unite for their twentieth reunion in the production of *Come Back to the 5 & Dime, Jimmy Dean, Jimmy Dean*. The anniversary brings friends together to catch-up with the present and reminisce about the past, yet flashbacks of their youth reveal personal conflicts each character has hidden over the years. These characters have been living lies for 20 years which have prevented them from growing and being content. One member of the cast, Julie Ann Elliott, commented that the dangers of being caught up in their deceptions have held them back from nurturing their lives.

And the play, it seems, is packed with subtlety. The setting, for example, reveals a stifling environment. For the past three years the small town has had a dry spell. The ceiling fan is broken, the air is dry, and the lighting is dim. During the flashbacks, when there is still hope, the ceiling fan is working, the air is moist, and the lighting is brighter.

Come Back to the 5 & Dime, Jimmy Dean, Jimmy Dean, which examines teenage idol worship, will be performed on May 1-4 at 8 pm in the Dorothy Elderidge Theater. Tickets are available at the College Activity Desk and extension 599. Admission for WMC students is \$1.

Tutu issues plea

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ready to pay any price" to end Apartheid. Blacks would prefer not starting a Civil War, she claimed, but the ultimate decision for one "lies at the feet of the government."

In addition, Tutu suggested that "the price" truly has been paid by the South African Blacks. The loss of human life, she added, is the ultimate sacrifice any nation can pay.

Tutu also believes that US businesses should divest their interests in South Africa, explaining that "only companies worry about improving things when they see their profit margins shrink." For Blacks, she continued, "divestment is seen as a feasible and desirable form of protest."

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Editorial

Pervasive malaise

This past weekend the Office of Student Affairs conducted a series of workshops surrounding the theme, "In Search of Hidden Leaders." The organizers selected their theme based on Price and Waterman's best seller *In Search of Excellence*, a survey of the best in American business. Unfortunately, the title is all that our administration has applied from the book.

As one glances over the management strategies and performances of the most successful enterprises, it becomes all too apparent that we apply the antithesis of the formula that has placed these companies at the top. Indeed, Western Maryland College is a ship sinking under the weight of a bureaucracy built on stifled, dissatisfied, and fearful employees; governed by detached, disinterested, and unimaginative management.

In order to produce a top quality product, labor and management must each have mutual respect for the contributions of the other, share a common unifying goal, and work in an atmosphere which fosters innovation and pride. We have none of the above. Our employees and students deride our administrators. They have little faith in their abilities or authority. Employees expect and receive very little positive reinforcement, yet work in fear of a faceless power structure that seems designed to stifle innovation. Students often criticize the bureaucracy but they rarely think about what a pitiable condition it would be to work where you know that you can do nothing that will make a difference and, what is more, do not know who can. Boredom, frustration, and fear hang like a black cloud over the Hill.

It is true that not all our middle and upper levels of management are the cause of this. Rather they too are victims. They must manage in the image of their superiors or not manage at all. Here, as in most organizations, there is one person who sets the tone and atmosphere that will affect everyone else. At WMC a made-to-fail attitude trickles down to students and to employees. But if you were to ask from whence it comes, you may not get the same answer twice.

Indeed, we can rid ourselves of this dangerous attitude by following three simple practices. First, our leadership must clearly identify itself, and secondly, get out of the office and back into personal touch with the employee. And finally, we must encourage new ideas, to the point of abolishing manuals of rules, regulations, and procedures that needlessly hold us back. Every employee must believe that he is a valuable, indeed an essential part of a vibrant whole that recognizes his ideas and will reward him for independent thinking.



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Letters to the Editor

A note of thanks

Editor,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all students, faculty and staff for their support, assistance, and, at times, perseverance while WMC has hosted outside groups on campus. This academic year the college will facilitate 45 different "outside" functions, from athletic tournaments to weddings and annual business meetings.

These outside groups have not only generated income for Western Maryland, but also created financial opportunities for student organizations. This year \$4,150 has been earned by student groups which have assisted with some facets of service to these outside groups. Other important benefits of these types of programs include greater college exposure and hosting prospective students visiting the campus.

The objective of the marketing department has been to generate additional revenue while keeping the unsettling impact to the campus community at a minimum. There is no question that, at times this year, the impact on particular students and faculty has not been "minimal." I apologize for these circumstances and thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

The overall concept of facilities marketing is very healthy, and the college benefits from it in many ways. Unfortunately, a period of trial and error exists as we fine tune this program. Your support has been greatly appreciated and has enriched WMC's image to our visitors.

Barry L. Bosley
Director of Marketing and
Facilities Management

Forgotten again

Editor,

On behalf of the Student Government, I would like to thank all of those students who helped to make the leadership seminar such a success last Saturday. We believe that it is essential for the future of this college to develop strong leadership for today and tomorrow. Perhaps with better leadership, those administration officials that failed to invite or notify the SGA to this seminar, will one day be replaced by people who respect the rights and autonomy of the student citizen.

Michael Miller, President, SGA

Costly mistakes

Editor,

There is no small irony in the fact that President Reagan decided to bomb Libya during WMC's Peace Week. The very purpose of Peace Week has always been to make ourselves aware of the human injustices in the world and to participate in programs that encourage peaceful solutions to conflicts.

Unfortunately, Mr. Reagan does not agree with the objectives of the Peace Week. Clearly, Libya is torn with internal conflicts that prevent it from exercising the power of which it might be capable. A few scattered terrorist attacks on American travelers are upsetting, but are not grounds for the sophisticated US weapons used to kill Libyans and damage buildings. Many of the airplane attacks may not be linked to Kadafy, but he will allow Americans to believe that they cannot leave their homes without the fear of being bombed or shot. President Reagan has allowed Kadafy to play mind games with him.

That is not to say that those Americans who died in terrorist attacks are unimportant. Many friends and family members were devastated by the sudden and brutal losses of their loved ones and this should never be allowed. However, perhaps President Reagan would be more effective and realistic if his policies concentrated on the undeterminable amount of mentally, physically, and emotionally neglected people in the US. The thousands who live in poverty could use our tax money in the form of education and job-training programs as well as better health care. Instead, Reagan chooses to waste our money on weapons to injure and murder innocent Third World people.

The sad part about this latest effort of the US government to flex its muscles is that the news media reports 70 percent of the American people agreeing with Mr. Reagan's decision to attack. It is upsetting that people are so easily coerced into believing that the only answer to such a difficult situation is to drop some bombs. Certainly, there are many alternatives to this age-old solution. But, perhaps, thinking up these alternatives is a little too difficult.

The question that dominates such a situation is "Has the US lost all of its imagination?" Have we forgotten how to think now that we feel secure with our superior strength? Are we, in a sense, bullying the rest of the world without listening to the opinions of others? We must try to discover the nature of Libyan antagonisms against our country. Only through mutual understanding can we hope to achieve any satisfaction in our relationship with foreign nations.

Linda Marie Ashburn



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60 Seconds on Campus

How do you feel about the U.S. bombing of Libya?



I don't believe in bombing countries, but Reagan was put under pressure.

Gerald Sullivan



We can't just sit back and watch Libyan terrorism take over.

Debbie Dean



I think it showed we're aware of their terrorist actions and that we are a stronger power than they are.

Susan Allen



It was a very unintelligent move. It will trigger other world powers and not cases to respond.

Carol Gauntlett



I didn't like the idea of Reagan killing innocent people. He should have used other measures.

Andre White

Tracy Kennard

If we're going to do it, let's do it right

Apathy, Greeks, tuition, housing, and the administration - we always seem to rehash the same campus issues. This week, though, I'd like to address a new concern.

The students of WMC are constantly bombarded by the marketing that the college does to promote "the liberal arts." A liberal arts education teaches you how to think creatively, solve problems, and interrelate disciplines. And most people would agree that this is the best kind of education.

Lately, however, I've become frustrated with my liberal arts experience as a result of a basic film and

video class which is designed to teach rudimentary filming techniques. This is a requirement for all communications majors and is open to any interested student. This semester there are 64 students (two sections) enrolled in the course. The students are divided into eight crews of eight people, and most of the work is done on an independent basis - that is, outside of the regular class hours. Western Maryland College owns a camera, a tripod, a monitor, a power pack, and an editing machine. The high demand for the course meant designing a schedule whereby each crew could use the equipment for twelve hours a week.

In turn, this meant that some crews (like mine) had the equipment at the crack of dawn (6 am) and other crews had it in the middle of the night (3 am). Let's face it, not too many people enjoy crawling out of bed before the sun comes up, and others have class in the morning and would like a good night's sleep.

In the course of producing the first video, the equipment broke down several times. (Remember 64 people are using the equipment around the clock.) The delays and headaches caused by this made students contemplate the value of this class. Is the film and video requirement

more trouble than it is worth?

Quite frankly, I am embarrassed to admit that I'm a communications major and yet so uneducated about video production. If I were to pursue a career in video (which I'm not), odds are I'd probably lose out to someone with the same degree from a more "equipped" school. If Western Maryland could channel some funds in the direction of this course, it could be a very beneficial learning experience. This course should either be eliminated as a requirement or "done right."

Rumor has it that WMC has not bought more video equip-

ment out of the fear that the college would start looking like a high tech training school and leave behind its liberal arts ideals. The contradiction here is that we live in a high tech society.

My point, then, is that I really do not think buying more video equipment will lessen the value of my liberal arts degree. In fact, I think it will only enhance my education. My high expectations for this course were most certainly affected by WMC's lack of equipment.

And there are at least 63 other individuals out there who will most certainly back me up on this.

SGA revisions urged

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According to Miller, WMC has had an "on and off" tradition of student court systems. This new supreme court, if implemented, would serve as a hearing after the case has been appealed and before it is sent for a final appeal to the college president. Miller says that this extra step is needed to make the process more effective and to give a consistency to the decisions made. The court would also function as a check for the SGA, to make sure that it operates within its bounds.

The reason behind most of the changes is the fact that the present constitution, ratified in 1965, is "completely unworkable." In fact, Miller describes it as "vaguely idealistic," explaining that it was a re-write of the original SGA constitution which was accepted on May 18, 1917. Miller spent two weeks searching for the original document and researching the

history of the SGA on campus. While he did discover that the SGA is one of the oldest functioning groups on campus, and that it grew out of the Honor System Association, he was not able to find the constitution.

Miller, along with other members of the SGA, believes that the SGA has to "find its roots" and follow the original objectives of the SGA. He thinks that the increased responsibilities will greatly benefit the school as soon as next year.

Though Miller does not anticipate running for a second term, he does acknowledge several qualified contestants who will carry on his work. Sophomore Blake Austin says, "As a member of the Greek community, ROTC, and the student senate, he has proven himself effective and reliable. I think he understands the need for constitutional reform," Miller says.



Dr. Raymond Phillips and Andrew Sapora discuss the founding of Carroll County in a mock print shop at the Baltimore Museum of Industry. Eileen Fisher holds the chalks while Dr. Robert Sapora directs and films the action. Due out later this year, the film will be used as an educational tool in Maryland schools.

—Nancy Shaw

Media makes unfair demands

Human beings constantly struggle for perfection in their lives, and this forces them to suffer from a lot of unnecessary stress. One of the chief contributors to a female's "hypertension" are the glossy, sophisticated women's magazines.

These periodicals sport stunningly beautiful women on their covers each month, not to mention the thousands of photos to be found inside. Each of these images is paired with an article, or sometimes as little as a phrase, dictating how and why this look is mandatory. If you, for example, want to look perfect, DON'T carry an overstuffed briefcase. Well, that's fine for the model who is living and breathing her "portfolio," but what about the woman office worker whose career depends upon massive amounts of paper work? Is she supposed to rent a U-Haul to transport her documents just so she can look ravishing to and from work?

Furthermore, how many ensembles in *Bazaar*, *Glamour*, *Mademoiselle*, and *Vogue* were made for the working woman? Instead, these magazines present lifestyles of leisure and luxury. And if you live by their standard, you will find the "perfect life" — a theory too many of us waste our time with. Oh, wouldn't it be wonderful to never have to work, to weigh 105 pounds, to be flawlessly beautiful, madly in love, and of the jet-set crowd! Would that constitute a perfect life? I doubt it.

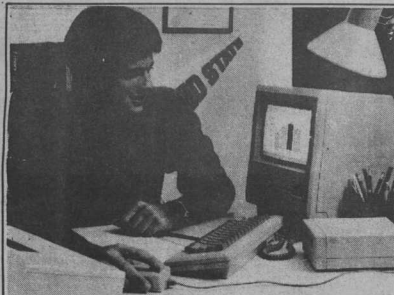
Yet so many of us subscribe to this attitude. Nearly



all of the women in my dormitory have carefully clipped out favorite, eye-catching layouts and papered their walls with these coveted images. Even though they criticize the models for being "ugly" or "too skinny," they still honor them with wall space. These picture-clipping young women, in particular, and perhaps all women to some extent, are deriving some sense of image and identity from these ideal types. Not only is this alone frustrating, but imagine the crisis when the idea of perfection changes, or worse yet when two images conflict. For a long time skinny was in, as in the Twiggy look. Then came the fitness craze, which is still ensuing. However, just

this March's *Mademoiselle* magazine has a feature entitled "Skinny girls ain't sexy — Those last 5 lbs. — don't lose them, use them." So are we supposed to be slim and fit, or are we finally able to indulge in at least five pounds of femininity?

I find this entire scene sad, for not one of us will ever match those ideal people that magazines are feeding us. Surprisingly enough, not even those doing the portraying are perfect people like the editors would have us believe. These models have real lives, with problems and unpleasant situations, too. Certainly, the perfect life does not exist, except on those glossy pages.



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Track loses despite strong showing

by Bill Desciak

The WMC men's and women's track teams registered fine performances under sunny skies at Scott S. Bair stadium on April 19. Although both teams came up on the short end against visiting Franklin & Marshall, they had many outstanding individual performances. A lack of depth, not talent, was the reason for the Green Terrors downfall.

The men's team took first place in eight events to F&M's nine, demonstrating WMC's need for more runners. Senior distance man Brian Russo led the way with a first in both the 1500 (4:06.6) as well as the 5K (15:45) runs. Freshman Jude Yearwood also was a double winner, taking both the 100 (11.4) and 200 (22.9) meter dashes. In the pole vault, the dynamic duo of Bill Henis (11'6") and Joe Monteleone (9') captured first and second respectively. Both heights are personal bests. Junior Darrel Guyton ex-

ploded for a first in the triple jump (43'3") and a second in both the long jump (20'1/2"), as well as the 110 high hurdles (16.0). Senior Tony Callahan flexed his muscles in the discus, easily taking a first with a toss of 128'7".

Other fine performances were registered by freshman Bill Desciak, winning the 400m dash (51.4) and taking a third in the 200 (23.3). George Marini took a third in the 100 (11.9), as did Steve Kaufman in the 1500. John Robinson garnered third place honors in the 400m (53.8), along with freshman Chip Rembert in the 800m (2:07), and Aaron Zajec in the long jump with a leap of 18'11".

The women's team put up a tough fight before bowing to F&M. Once again depth was the deciding factor. Sophomore Kris Twiford led the Lady Terrors with a first in both the triple (33'1/2") and high jumps (5'). She also took a second in the long jump with a leap of 15'2 1/2". Annette Rapley teamed with senior Susan Wallace to domi-

nate the field events. Rapley won the shotput with a toss of 30'11" and took a third in the javelin (80'1"). Wallace took seconds in both the shot (27'8") and javelin (83'9 1/2") as well as a third in the discus (68'6").

Although the 4x100 meter relay team got edged out at the wire by F&M, they did manage to put themselves in the Western Maryland record books, shattering the old record with a blistering time of 54 seconds. The team consisted solely of sophomore standouts, promising a future for the Lady Terrors. They included Heather Murtagh, Alice Swartzkopf, Annette Rapley, and Sophia Welsh. Welsh also registered a second in the 200 (28.5) and a third in the 100 (13.5) meter dashes. Freshman Sandy Metz captured a second in the 1500m, and a third in the 800m with a time of 2:32. Freshman Kim Lohman added to the strength of the Green and Gold underclassmen, capturing a second in the 400m (1:04.4).



Brian Russo, out front, wins the 1,500 meter in 4:06.6.



Kris Twiford claws through the air in the long jump. She took second place in the event with a leap of 15'2 1/2".

Lax men lose 2; tennis wins

by Patrick Dall

Men's Lacrosse

The Green Terror Men's Lacrosse team lost two games last week, one each to Fairleigh Dickinson University at Madison, 14-9, and Franklin & Marshall, 13-6. The loss to F&M dropped the Terrors into second place in the MAC West conference. Senior captain Mark Carter scored four goals in the loss to FDU. Madison while junior attacker Bill Hallett scored three times. Against F&M, Carter and junior Matt Jackson each scored a pair of goals while goalie Bill Brewster recorded 25 saves. The Terrors scored a 6-4 loss to Ohio Wesleyan on March 15. They secured two wins by defeating Gettysburg 7-5 on April 4 and receiving a forfeit win from Lebanon Valley on the second. WMC got off to a quick start against the Bullets by scoring twice in the first five minutes. Senior Mark Carter and junior Mark Wana-maker each scored one. The visitors tried to make a comeback, but due to solid play by goalie Bill Brewster, who recorded 23 saves on the afternoon, and goals by Carter and Mike Smith, they were unsuccessful. Carter became the ninth Green Terror to score over 100 points in his career.

Women's Lacrosse

The WMC Women's Lacrosse team continued their hot streak by downing Washington College on April 7, 25-8; Hood College on April 10, 20-5; and Johns Hopkins on April 15, 11-10. Senior Nancy Hutchinson had the best game of her career against the Shoreman, scoring seven goals and assisting on three others. Freshman Sandy Stevens scored five times while senior Alyce Harden and freshman Cindy Montanye each had three goals. Stevens scored six goals to lead WMC past Hood with the help of freshman Julie Katcel who had her second four-goal game of the season. On April 15, Stevens again led the Terror attack, this time against Johns Hopkins. Hutchinson tallied a pair of goals as did sophomore Stacey Bradley while senior goal tender Fran Ward had 10 saves.

Women's Tennis

The Green Terror Women's Tennis team won their first match of the season, defeating York, 8-1, on April 10. They won all six singles matches with straight set victories coming from senior Sue Malkus, sophomore Karen Martin, and freshman Stacey Greenberg. The streak was stopped at one by Dickinson as the Devils downed the Terrors, 7-2, on April 19.

WMC got doubles victories from freshman Beth Yingling and Jennifer Manger, and senior Julie High and Martin. At Elizabethtown, on April 8, the team dropped a match of 0-9. The Women's Tennis team has a present standing of 1-6 overall.

Men's Tennis

The Green & Gold Netmen scored their first win of the season, downing Dickinson 5-4 on April 12 after losing to Johns Hopkins 7-2 on April 8. Senior Mark Johnson was victorious in both outings, while Lee Holmes and Barry Goldmeier scored singles wins over Dickinson. Johnson and Holmes combined for the clinching doubles win. This doubles pair scored the only win against Gettysburg, leaving a final score of 8-1. The Men's Tennis overall standing is 1-3.

Golf

The Terrors (423) finished second in a quad meet with Shippensburg (407), Dickinson (430) and Mount St. Mary's (463) on April 19; and second in a tri-meet with Lebanon Valley (434) and Wilkes (487) on April 18 with WMC posting a 444 team score.

The WMC team rode the strong performance of seniors Gordon Digby and Jack Collins to a tri-meet victory over Juniata, Ursinus, and Gettysburg on April 12.

Terrors still alive in '86 title chase

by Cynthia Schafer

The men's baseball team has renewed their chances of gaining a Middle Atlantic Southwest Section title after splitting four contests with section rivals Gettysburg April 8, and Lebanon Valley on April 12. They were defeated by UMBC by an 18-0 count on April 14, but rebounded to crunch Washington on April 18, 10-3. The Green then raised their record to 5-0 by taking a sweep of Franklin & Marshall by scores of 2-1 and 12-5.

Junior pitcher Larry Smith threw a six hitter to lead the Green past the Bullets, 5-2 in the opener, but three Terror errors led to six unearned runs in the second game as G-burg came back for a 7-2 win.

WMC played a sloppy opening game against LVC committing six errors, which

gave the visitors a 5-1 victory. Senior third baseman Mike Paglione went three-for-three in the opener, punching a single to lead off each the second, fourth, and sixth innings. He finally crossed the plate to score WMC's lone run in the sixth on Denny Snyder's single. Sophomore Matt Green pitched a full solid game even though the Green lost due to the errors.

Dave Fowler pitched a two hitter in the nightcap and gave up one unearned run as WMC pulled out a win 4-1. The Green scored three runs in the bottom of the first to take the lead for good. Dan D'Imperio was the Green's first base runner when he drew a walk with one out. Matt Green singled to send D'Imperio to third, then DH Dave Llewellyn ripped a single to score D'Imperio, and put Green on second. Paglione walked to load up the

bases and then first baseman Tod Webster also drew a walk to give the Terrors their second run. Joe Broadhurst then hit a sacrifice fly to end the scoring.

The Terrors got a six-hit complete game performance by Smith in the win over Washington. Webster and D'Imperio each homered for the Green. Fowler allowed just four hits in gaining his third victory of the year in the 2-1 win over F&M. The Terrors scored a few runs in the nightcap, pounding out 13 hits enroute to an easy 12-5 victory. Webster had three hits and four RBIs, while sophomore Paul Stumpflick pitched 5 1/2 innings of three-hit relief to gain the win.

After ten games, Paglione led the Terrors with a batting average of .444 and 12 hits. Broadhurst had one of 400 and Llewellyn had one of .345.



Dave Fowler only gave up two hits to win 4-1 over Lebanon Valley on April 12.

Strong offense, weak defense puts women at 4-8

by Cynthia Schafer

Through 12 games, the women's softball team has an overall record of 4-8, and in the MAC Southwest annals, a record of 2-6. The Lady Terror's have been producing on offense, but have not been able to contain their opponent's scoring efforts.

This is evidenced by the Green's dropping three of four contests the week of April 9. Gettysburg swept a double header from WMC at home on April 9 by the scores of 4-3 and 22-6. The initial loss was a heartbreaker for WMC as they had the game-tying run thrown out at the plate in the seventh inning. WMC never had a chance in the second game. Shortstop Lisa Sullivan put in a solid performance, though, as Gettysburg accumulated four hits and drove in three runs.

On April 12 the Terrors split a twinbill with Lebanon Valley winning the opener, 16-15, and dropping the finale 14-12. Junior first baseman Cindy Boyer drove in the first WMC run in the top of the first inning to start things off for the Green. Nicky Pesik drew a walk to begin, and Jennifer Bertrand bunted, pushing Pesik to second. After Sullivan's fly out which put Pesik on third, Boyer drilled a single

to score Pesik. Boyer later delivered a two-run homer to seal the game for WMC in the bottom of the seventh. Freshman pitcher Tammy Kile went the final three innings for the victory in the nightcap. Sullivan once again had a fine day punching out five hits in both games, including a double, triple, and a homerun.

The Terrors then defeated York at home on April 17, 7-6. Sophomore Cherie Thompson knocked a two-out single in the bottom of the eighth inning to score the winning run. Thompson and first baseman Boyer each contributed three hits in the contest. Dawn Holman pitched the last 3 1/2 innings to pick up her first win of the year.

The Green then split with a doubleheader with Dickinson dropping the opener 10-6, but winning the other 10-8. Boyer went 3-3 in the first game against the Devils, but the Red was able to capitalize on the nine free passes for the win. Pesik went 3-4 in the nightcap while Boyer and Sullivan each recorded 2 RBIs. Holman allowed just six hits to gain her second win in as many days.

At the end of nine games Sullivan had the second highest batting average with a .433 effort, and Pesik led the team with one of .517.



Steve Lutche takes a slice at a recent home game.

Dan Moskowitz

Mandatory testing violates player rights

To simply say that there is a drug problem in professional sports is a misleading understatement.

The fact is, drugs are a problem for our society as a whole. However, the recent attempts to "crack down" on drug abuse in professional athletics has created a disturbing situation. The publicity raised in the drug related investigations, tests, and subsequent actions against players has left the professional athlete in a precarious occupation. Indeed, pro sports have become a business-like police state, where the private lives of the athlete and their rights, not as just athletes, but as human beings, are infringed upon.

League officials in various sports are continuing their efforts to put an end to drug abuse -- without a doubt, a good and commendable goal. But such efforts are only commendable if the tactics used to reach these goals do not cross the line of the rights of our nation's athletes.

Mandatory testing of players

in a myriad of sports can be interpreted by some as a direct assault on one's civil rights. If testing is to be done on the athletes of this country, why not, for example, make it mandatory for politicians as well. I'm not implying in any way that there is a drug problem in American politics, but that line of work surely constitutes an occupation of greater magnitude than that of pro sports.

The answer. You should not test either animal, because to do so *without proper legal justification* is against all this country and its Constitution stand for.

In the recent Pittsburgh drug hearings, several professional baseball players were called upon to testify against Curtis Strong, a suspected drug dealer.

New York Met first baseman Keith Hernandez was one of the players who spoke. Hernandez was guaranteed immunity during the hearing, however, in the wake of the publicity of the Curtis Strong case, he was still attacked by

the powers that be in his profession. The seven year Golden Glove recipient was offered a choice of two things. One, he could sit out a year from baseball and try to come back the following season (after testing negative for drugs); or two, he could play immediately if he relinquished ten percent of his earnings for the year and performed community service in the area of drug rehabilitation projects. That ten per cent, incidentally, would also be allocated to the

drug abuse program.

My point, the man was granted immunity by the United States Government to help put a dealer behind bars. That same man is then sacked by the league officials who should be in support of him. Granted, the man was a user. But he had cleaned up his own act before the Strong incident ever took place.

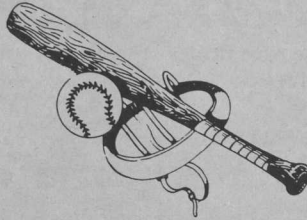
The professional athlete is a public figure. Many will argue that being an object of the public eye makes him a role

model and that the athletes have a responsibility to lead "clean" lives. Politicians, firefighters, and actors are all in the public eye as well. Talk of drug testing does not come up too often at political conventions or the Actors Guild though.

The athlete should be judged under the same guidelines that professionals in other fields are -- under the Constitution.

To insist on mandatory drug testing in various professional sports is a serious discrimination of the athletes who participate in America's games. In fact, it's a scary thought to ponder, that a small group of league officials, from different sports, have this power of arbitration over matters and issues that the Constitution already provides for.

Yes, there is a problem that has to be dealt with in professional sports. But until we find a solution that won't tread on established civil rights, mandatory testing of athletes should be merely examined, not enacted.



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Off-beat Legend wins with special effects

by Jonathan Slade

The first thought that streaks through the mind of the audience upon watching *Legend* can be slightly misleading.

"This flick is too weird for my blood," one viewer next to me said. But sit back for a while, stop wondering what mind-altering substance the concession stand slipped into the popcorn, and give the movie a chance. It is certainly the most innovative piece of celluloid to enter the theaters since Walt Disney's *Fantasia*.

Starring Tom Cruise as Jack, an innocent forest child who must rescue a guardian unicorn and save an early earth from eternal darkness, *Legend* wastes no time declaring its surreal intent. Indeed, the opening sequence flows from the festering pit of the film's satanic antagonist to the fluffy-light fields through which Jack and his lovely Lily (Mia Sara) skip. The movie, then, begins as if it is a dream and manages to maintain this ethereal nature throughout, sometimes jumping abruptly from a "daytime fantasy" to a sordid nightmare. And so, director Ridley Scott has succeeded in taking a mythical story and telling it without the iron chains of reality.

This is not to imply, though, that the plot is difficult to follow. On the contrary, William Hjortsberg's script is simple (almost too much so on occasion), thus allowing Scott to concentrate on the stunning visual imagery instead of a mess of burdensome dialog. In fact, the stars here

may not be Cruise, Sara, and Tim Curry (who plays the leader of the dark underworld) as much as Rob Bottin, who developed the special make-up for the assorted elves and goblins; Nick Allber, who masterminded the magnificent special effects; and Alex Thompson, the director of photography whose selection of camera filters soft-

Horror Picture Show and *Clue*, he handles his role as the ultimate heavy with the finesse befitting his character. The cumbersome horns on his head and his elongated chin never seem to throw him as he slithers about the set, delivering his lines in an electronically deepened voice that oozes pure evil. His performance could even give adults a nightmare or two, and it'll scare the hell out of little kids.

Perhaps the worst thing about *Legend*, though, is the prologue which scrolls by in the first thirty seconds of the movie. In an attempt to save viewers the trouble of thinking, it proceeds to spill the film's plot, setting, and theme all in a couple paragraphs. And in prose so hokey it likens a Harlequin romance, the summary even tries to explain the forthcoming relationship between Jack and Lily. Yes, they are in love. Any dope can see this. We don't need to be told ahead of time. Viewers should do themselves a favor and read as little of the introductory passage as possible.

Despite this, however, the movie succeeds, and the very weirdness that repels at the beginning is that which entertains the most near the end. The audience, it seems, eventually comes to accept the film on its own dream-like terms and not those of the standard cinematic production. You've been forewarned: This is not the same old mush, slash, or Hollywood rehash. It is innovation at its best.

Indeed, *Legend* may even deserve to attain that status which its title so brazenly suggests.

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Vandalism plagues halls, reparation rule disputed

by Michael Norkus

Sunday, April 27. 2:30 am. Several residents returning to their rooms on the top floor of Rouzer dormitory were greeted with a wave of water spilling out of a men's bathroom and surging down the hallway. Four sink drains had been clogged and the faucets turned on all the way. The water, which soaked a number of carpets and personal items, left several angry residents in its wake.

Vandalism is not dead at WMC.

In fact, the college spent "a little over \$13,000" to repair destruction in dorms during the 1984-85 school year, according to one resident assistant, with Rouzer topping the list at \$3,053 in damages. Blanche Ward Hall, which



Fran Held, Hall Coordinator, Blanche Ward Hall

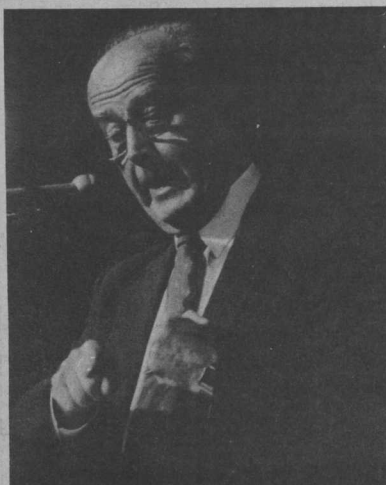
housed only women at this time, had the lowest repair bill on campus at \$905.

Regardless of the amounts, however, college policy is to charge all residents on the floor for destruction that occurs in their area, unless those who actually commit the vandalism are caught. And this practice, instituted in 1984, seems to be working, says Mr. George Poling, Assistant Director of Residence Life.

"In 1983, when I came here, it [vandalism] was a severe problem... Since the policy, it has decreased," he explains. "Making students more accountable for their actions has helped."

Junior Fran Held, Hall Coordinator in Blanche Ward, agrees.

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Mayor William Donald Schaefer spoke during a town meeting on Monday. The event was sponsored by WMC and held in Alumni Hall.

Guests to receive doctorates

WMC will award three honorary degrees during the school's one hundred and sixteenth commencement ceremonies on May 25 at 2 pm in the Physical Education Learning Center.

"The Hi-De-Do Man," Cab Calloway, will receive the Doctor of Fine Arts degree from Western Maryland. One of the twentieth century's show business greats, Calloway has entertained audiences in major nightclubs and concert halls throughout the

US, Canada, South America, Europe, the Far East, Australia and the Caribbean. While attending Crane Law School in Chicago, Calloway began moonlighting at a Southside nightclub, first as a master of ceremonies and later as a singer and band-leader. He gave up plans for a legal career to lead popular Chicago group The Alabamians, whose success led him to headline Harlem's legendary Cotton Club.

Roderick J. MacDonald, ad-

vocate for deaf-blind individuals and computer specialist, will receive the Doctor of Humane Letters degree. MacDonald has led a distinguished career in computer programming with the federal government developing computer training programs for deaf-blind persons. He graduated from the Perkins School for the Blind and earned his B.A. degree in philosophy at St. Anselm's College and a

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Schaefer examines MD tourism, schools

by C. Lloyd Hart

Though he refuses to admit he is running for governor, Baltimore Mayor William Donald Schaefer tends to precede all his answers with "If I have a say..." And while he will not make predictions, most observers believe

Schaefer is the decided front-runner in the upcoming Maryland gubernatorial elections.

Schaefer spoke before a partisan crowd of citizens and local politicians Monday in Alumni Hall. In his 45 minute address, the mayor concentrated on what he sees as a

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Sidelights: What effect will the accident at Kiev have on the American nuclear power industry?

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Christian fellowship polls religious attitudes

by Kelly Connor

God? Universal spirit? Religion? Spiritual teachings?

During the past few weeks students on the Western Maryland campus had an opportunity to voice their opinions about these topics. A few members of the Christian Fellowship conducted a random campus-wide survey of students, asking their opinions about religious views, and more specifically, about Christianity.

As part of the questionnaire,

students were asked what did and did not appeal to them in relation to religion. Of 92 surveys distributed, 80 were returned. The results should give "the rest of the campus" a chance to examine their understanding of religion, and how it is perceived by others.

When asked why Christianity does not appeal to them, 21 responded that it was too exclusive and does not recognize that there are "many ways to God." The second most chosen response was that too many of the Christians they met are "hypocrit-

cal" and "stuck-up."

Others felt that Christians are too pushy and constantly try to force their beliefs upon others. A junior English major stated, "Some people get too caught up in it and become preachy and judgmental of others."

A sophomore political science major added, "Some people don't try to improve themselves or do their best [and instead adopt the attitude that] 'God loves me the way I am.'"

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Schaefer speaks

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critical need for increased state support of secondary and higher education, a more attentive eye toward tourism dollars, and the breaking down of regional barriers within the state that hinder cooperation and economic growth.

Schaefer emphasized the necessity of a positive business climate all around the state, attacking Maryland's one percent sales tax increase as placing the state in a vulnerable position for attracting business. "We must develop a good business climate all over the place, and work hard to attract more business," or, warns Schaefer, "we're going to be left in the dust."

But not surprisingly, the man *Esquire* magazine called "The Best Mayor in America," and who for many symbolizes

the Baltimore "renaissance," stresses tourism dollars as a keystone to controlled growth. "We used to turn our back on tourists," says Schaefer, "but we must recognize the importance of tourism. It is our duty to help tourists spend money."

In addition to economic growth and tourism, Schaefer spoke in favor of increased state aid to education. The mayor often mentioned his desire to build more schools and improve teacher salaries. "If I have a say, increased aid for education will be a reality."

Schaefer, who's personal motto is "Do it now," believes that the outlook for Maryland is strong and ripe with opportunities. "We can continue to lay back, which is not my style, or we can move. [The state is] all ready, it's right on the brink."

Prisoner finds release in his poetry and fiction

by C. Lloyd Hart

His name is Mayo Winston Turner, Jr. A 40 year old divorced father of four from Chicago, Ill, he holds a Bachelor of Science from Southern Illinois University and is a published author of poetry and fiction. In addition, he's a former youth counselor, health educator, and administrative assistant to a Chicago city alderman. His writings reveal his black heritage, education, and deep hurt.

What is not so apparent, however, is that Mayo Turner is serving a 60 year prison sentence for robbery.

This February *The Phoenix* received a letter from Turner asking that his message, an appeal for correspondence, be printed in the newspaper. College and University newspapers receive such requests often. Most end up in the waste basket but then again, most don't include samples of the writer's poetry. This letter was different.

If the biographical sketch seems atypical of the men and women in Turner's position, it is because Turner himself is more than just a little out of the ordinary.

In an interview conducted by mail, Turner emphasized, "You'll discover I'm not your



Mayo Turner, poet, philosopher, and prisoner

stereotypical incarcerate. I don't drink alcohol or coffee, smoke, get high, eat pork or utter profanities. I enjoy life, laughter, children, sports and (am) an incurable romantic." All this he places up front to remind some "that all people in prison aren't bad, just as all bad people aren't in prison." Turner's childhood was spent in urban poverty as the second of eleven children. As he explains, "due to my mother and siblings being hungry I felt obligated to

supplement an almost nonexistent income by stealing. I learned to do wrong for all the right reasons. My lone solace is knowing (that) without my actions things would've been harsher on my family."

In 1981 Turner was convicted of robbery and sentenced to 60 years in prison at the Danville Correctional Center in Danville, Ill. At the time he believed his life had ended. "Prison environment appears designed in Hades to suffocate creativity, and breed confusion. When a person finally leaves prison, it is not the small places he fears, it's too much space."

But the same spirit which bought him out of the ghetto to a respected position in the service of his city would not let him quit. "Despite nearly insurmountable odds, I've managed to pick up the pieces of a seemingly irreparably shattered future and accomplish things," says Turner. And in May of 1984 Turner received his BS in University Studies from the Carbondale branch of Southern Illinois University.

After his imprisonment, while preparing to resume work on his undergraduate degree Turner turned to writing poetry. While he feels his

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master's degree from California State University.

Since 1981 MacDonald has served as president of the American Association of the Deaf-Blind and is a member of several organizations dedicated to providing services for handicapped persons.

Thomas Howard Eaton, business executive, grain farmer and environmental preservationist, will receive the Doctor of Humane Letters degree from Western Maryland. Eaton received his B.A. degree in chemistry from Western Maryland in 1927 and is an honorary trustee of the college. In 1934 he joined Johns-Manville, now Manville, where he was recognized for his industrial engineering and production expertise. Since his retirement in 1969 he has lived near Easton, Md.

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Vandalism up in '86

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"I think it's working really well," she says. "It encourages people who don't commit acts of vandalism to either discipline the people themselves or bring the problem to someone's attention who will take care of it."

Still, Held admits the policy isn't a cure-all. By her estimates, in fact, damages have probably increased this past year in Blanche, which now houses both men and women.

"I don't think [the increase is] because it's necessarily coed, though. I think it's because of the specific mix of people we have," she says, adding that college "is a time when people try to do all the things they wouldn't be able to get away with at any other time of their lives." For this reason, she suggests, the reparation policy is necessary.

Junior John Lambeth, RA on fourth floor Rouzer, also believes that the procedure of charging all residents for destruction must exist. He thinks, though, that even more damage can be avoided by creating additional coed housing.

"In a coed situation, probably integrating the males and females as close as possible will calm things down," he explains. "The females seem to keep the males in check."



The landing on the men's side of third floor Rouzer as seen two Sundays ago.

Lambeth says that vandalism cost the fourth floor around \$900 during 1984-85. "But," he adds, "Rouzer has actually been on the increase in their dorm since last semester."

Not everyone is content with these arrangements, however. Pete Yedinak, a resident of Blanche Ward, says "at first people were touchy about the policy. If someone was caught doing wrong, he or she would be chastised and told to stop." But, he suggests, this attitude did not last long.

Blaine Doaks and Todd Wilen, both residents of Rouzer, take a similar view, claiming that vandalism has actually been on the increase in their dorm since last semester.

"Now," says Doaks, "most people just feel that when another incident occurs, 'Oh, we have to pay.' Some even feel that they may as well [vandalize things]."

Wilen, in fact, blames some of the damage on the "constant absence" of the resident assistants, at least in Rouzer.

"If the RA's were more responsible," he says, "the vandalism would go down."

Survey results out

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Another issue brought out in the survey was the general belief that most Christians are not challenged by their faith and seem to "blindly follow the patterns laid out by their parents."

A junior dramatic art major explained that "too many people believe without questioning — that is unhealthy. And to be expected to believe without questioning is insulting."

One freshman biology major thought the most unappealing aspect of Christianity was that there is too much suffering in the world to believe in a loving God. "With all the bad in the world, how can God be loving? Even if we did sin, we're being punished too much."

However, more than a third of the respondents feel that Christianity gives meaning and purpose to life, as well as provides guidelines and standards for judging right and wrong.

A sophomore physical education major stated, "I am religious in my own way and turn to God when I feel it's necessary."

Other students responded that identifying with a religion gives one peace of mind and helps one to relax. As one

senior said, "Christianity never ends. There's always more to it!"

Yet, as a senior biology major stated, "There are many different religions and none can be proven. Many Christians I've talked to have put down other religious groups instead of allowing people to believe in who they want."

This survey project was structured after a similar one given by the editors of *HIS* magazine, a Christian publication for college students. Their sample included students from three campuses: Northern Illinois University, a four-year state school; College of DuPage, a two-year commuter school; and Northwestern University, a private, four-year "Big Ten" school.

The WMC project was conducted by Elizabeth Henry, Nicole Gaines, Heather Hastings, Roxanne Benjovsky, and Kelly Connor. Their advisor for the project was Greg Baker, the Christian Fellowship Inter-Varsity staff worker for the college. A discussion will be held tonight at 7:30 pm for those students who are interested in voicing their opinions about religion, or interested in learning more about the survey results. Led by Baker, the session will be in McDaniel Lounge.

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The Alumni Association is inviting all Western Maryland graduates to participate in an alumni cruise from Acapulco, Mexico through the Panama Canal, to San Juan, Puerto Rico on the magnificent new cruise ship the Royal Princess in Jan. 1987. In addition to the Panama Canal transit, five Caribbean Islands stops are scheduled including Cartagena, Aruba, Martinique, Antigua, and St. Thomas. The price for the trip ranges from \$3,297 for deluxe accommodations, to \$2,330.

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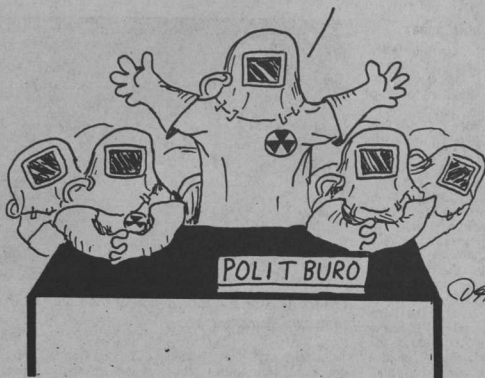
The President's Commission on Student Life has completed its intended task: They have published their findings and students will, for better or worse, receive that document soon. Without a doubt, the commission did a wonderful job. They put 18 months of hard work into a study which will ultimately better the Western Maryland College community as a whole. Last Tuesday night, however, when faculty, staff, and students had a dinner with the commission to discuss the findings, the group spent two hours discussing just one sentence from the report. That sentence was from chapter three, "Residential Life." It reads, "The Commission recommends that WMC eliminate social (Greek) housing from the residence halls." Granted, some of the arguments in the discussion were very good, but some were not. In fact, Dr. Ethan Seidel, in his statement, pointed out that he felt the commission "missed the point" with regard to Greek housing. We agree. Certainly, something is wrong when an entire evening is dominated by a single sentence in an 18 page report. Almost no mention was ever given to the other five chapters of the document.

What the commission showed us is that the college is sensitive to the need for change, and is willing to begin a dialogue to facilitate that change. The commission recognized that they still have a long way to go before the final version of the student life report comes out. It is important to recognize that the commission was appointed to make recommendations; nothing that is in the report is written in stone.

It can not be denied that within the confines of student life the Greek system is important and needs to be considered. But there are problems with many other facets of student life at WMC. Skip Fennel, Co-chairman of the Commission stated that he thought the status of the independent student on this campus is poor, and yet there was not a chapter or subcommittee set up to explore the problems that this majority of students has encountered.

The President's Commission on Student Life is a grand effort for this college. It would be a great shame if the good findings of the commission were muted by petty meanderings and technical word games. President Chambers, you have the results. Now we want to see the changes. We shall be disappointed if this is a "snow job" to push through plans that have already been designed. Disappointment will also occur if only the most volatile issues are addressed and the others are left to rot.

A Nuclear Accident! What Nuclear Accident?



Letters to the Editor

If only for a day

Editor,

As a pre-nursing student here at Western Maryland College, and someone wanting to learn more about Marlene Clements' role as nurse and Director of Student Health Services, as well as Marlene as a person, I signed up for the student-administrative staff switch. This also quickly became a lesson in apathy, as only two students (Dan Nurco and I) out of the entire student population signed up for this chance to learn and interact with the administration.

The chosen day was Thursday, April 24. I knew it would be busy from the start. My first class, Introduction to Art, was at 8:30 a.m., followed by Microbiology at 10 a.m. Finishing Microbiology at 11 a.m., I dashed for the Student Affairs office where I joined the Student Affairs staff and Dan Nurco, who was switching with Dean Sayre for the day. The focus for this staff meeting is the alcohol issue on campus. During this meeting I gained a real sense of how Marlene acts as Director of Health Services outside her office in lower Decker. She and Suzanne Oakley provide the freshmen orientation program on alcohol, along with bringing about forced referral to the Alcohol Education Program. Together with the whole Student Affairs staff, Marlene coordinates these and health-related activities, and also provides health care services

to the students. The basic outcome of this meeting is that Dr. Chambers is working on appointing an alcohol task force that will be useful from a coordinating standpoint, as well as help make the group more resourceful in its effort with the alcohol issue on campus. This meeting adjourned around noon.

We then had about 10 minutes before we met at the Pub for lunch and our "reading group." I was sent an article on AIDS earlier in the week that I was to read prior to this meeting, as was the Student Affairs staff. This meeting time provided the chance to discuss on a philosophical level the issue of AIDS, as based on research and information presented in the article. The article acted as a springboard for ideas and concerns about the AIDS issue and the recommendation from the American College Health Association. This free flowing exchange allows issues to be addressed and discussed, without having to make decisions or policy out of them by the end of the meeting. I see this as a good way to keep abreast of campus/student related issues in a constructive, preparatory manner.

It seemed we no sooner sat down to have lunch than it was already 1 p.m., the time I had scheduled myself to give blood. This was also a new experience for me, and as a pre-nursing student and member of this community, I felt it vital to confront my fears about donating blood. It was a positive experience, and I hope to donate again soon. I saw a wide variety and a large number of people from

the campus population come to donate blood. That was very encouraging to me. Then one Red Cross Volunteer said that five percent of the total population donates blood to sustain the whole. That really shocked me. Luckily, that five percent are very dedicated, and are multiple donors.

Once I was finished at the Bloodmobile, I went to the Health Center to accompany Marlene through the rest of her afternoon. It was busy! From the time she opened the Health Center at 1:30 p.m., 19 students were seen before 4:30 p.m. That may not seem like a lot to you, but based on the fact that Marlene, Joan Lusby, a physician's assistant, and I were working, and that Joan was tied up with the GYN clinic, that was quite a feat! And yet I am constantly surprised by the number of people who open the door to the Health Center, see one or two people waiting, and leave. During the experience of working in the Health Center with Marlene, I was able to utilize my skills as a Certified Medical Assistant to take blood pressure, obtain a hematocrit, check in supplies ordered, and label specimens.

Once we were done seeing students, I got to know Marlene as someone interested in my plans to be a nurse and helpful in pointing out reference books that will help me as a nursing student. This time was helpful to get to know Marlene as a person, and to learn something of her ideas and ideals in patient care. She has a strength in

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60 Seconds on Campus

What do you think was the best part of May Day?



The Christian Fellowship pie-eating booth. Rodney Joyner ate half of my pie though.



The fireworks



David Naster, the comedian



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Tracy Kennard

Commission report steps forward

Tracking down a copy of the Report of the Presidential Commission on Student Life was a real problem. But why was this 18 page booklet such a hot item? After skimming the findings in it, I have to say that I was impressed. The efforts of 17 committee members produced some interesting conclusions. Things like improving the temperature control of the library (which I've always found annoying) and carpeting Rouser and Whiteford were included. Obviously the commission got down to the nitty gritty of what goes on at WMC. The 17 people who served on this commission represented alumni, trustees, students, parents, and faculty. And who

knows the workings of the college better than they do?

I think that the topics which the commission addressed were the most deserving areas of attention: community in diversity, residential life, Greek life, and social environment. Developing a greater sense of community on the Hill is a positive suggestion which most students never really consider. The report states that "it is clear that faculty and students need to spend more time together." This is another valuable suggestion and hopefully faculty/student functions can be implemented in the future to insure that this will happen. With regards to their findings

on women students, I was disappointed to learn that students believe that "the faculty provides poor models." I am curious to know why this is so.

The issues concerning minority students were also dealt with frankly and realistically. I never realized that "in order to survive at WMC, black students are forced to shed their racial identity and identify with the white majority." The general remarks concerning women and minorities seemed representative of how it really is at Western Maryland College - people seem relatively satisfied with the environment. I agree with the findings and the recommendation to continue evaluation

of the social environment, which most certainly has its problems, but is not all that atypical of other college campuses. The suggestion was made to have all members of the community strive for collegiality; the next step would be to implement it. The first step in this process has been made and that was to conduct a Presidential Commission Report. At least, there is an effort being made to change the things which cause tension, and improve the overall quality of life on the Hill.

The Report of the Presidential Commission on Student Life is certainly a step in the right direction.

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providing patient education, and has done a lot in this direction. She brings a variety of services and programs to her career as Director of Student Health Services. Including addressing campus/student related issues on health-related matters, treatment and follow-up of students' health needs in the office and activities such as Wellness Day, and the blood pressure screening which are large, well run, well coordinated efforts. Thus, I saw health care as a team effort, provided by a dedicated staff, concerned for us as people, as well as for our health.

Joanie Colleen Cimmino

Track travels to championships

by Bill Desciak

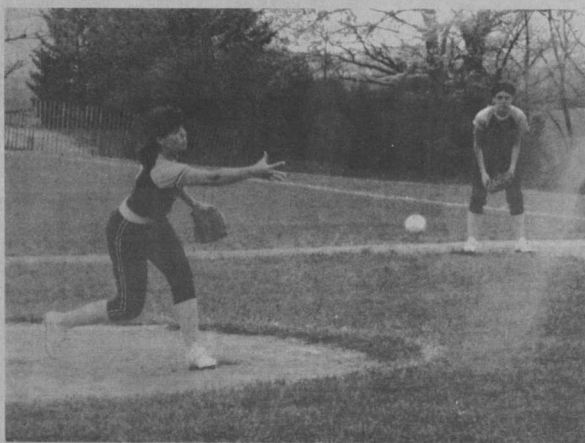
The Western Maryland men's and women's track team packed their bags and headed to Ursinus for the Middle Atlantic Conference track and field championships on May 2-3. The competition was about as stiff as the blistering wind which persisted throughout the trials, semis and the final races. A total of 14 Green Terrors qualified for the meet.

The Terrors were led by junior standout Darryl Guyton who propelled his way into a third place finish with a leap of 44'32". The effort was a personal best for Guyton, who was an underdog going into the event, but managed to raise a few eyebrows with his fine finish.

Senior distance-man Brian Russo ended his prosperous career at Western Maryland with a fifth place finish in the 5k. Russo, in the midst of a bumpercrop year of distance runners, consistently showed the poise and instinct to make him the leader of this Green Terror team.

Freshman Bill Heniss surprised everybody, including himself, when he vaulted for a career best of 13 feet. Heniss, the first quality vaulter Western Maryland has had in the past five years, did not even clear the qualifying height of 12 feet until his last meet against Gettysburg. A positive attitude going into the MAC's proved to be the difference as he proved to the conference that he is a force to be reckoned with in the future.

Other competitors qualifying for the MAC meet for the Green Terrors were Kris Twiford, in the long jump, high jump and triple jump; Annette Rapley, in the shot put, long jump, and 4x100 relay; Sandy Metz in the 800m and 3k run; Alice Scharzkopf, in the 4x100 relay; Heather Murtaugh in 4x100 relay; Kim Lohman in 400m run and 4x100m relay; and Susan Wallace in the shot put. For the men, Jude Yearwood qualified for the 100 and 200m dash; Chip Rembert the steeplechase; Steve Kaufman the 10K; and Bill Desciak the 400 and 200m.



Sophomore Cheri Thompson pitches a winner against Washington College on April 26.

Men fall to Swarthmore; women's lax gains berth

by Patrick Dail

MEN'S LACROSSE

The men's team finished their 1986 season, losing to Swarthmore, April 26, at home 16-9. Freshman Bill Hallett had a pair of goals and a pair of assists for WMC, while senior Mark Carter recorded two goals. Junior Bill Brewster chalked up 23 saves in the goal for the Terrors. The overall record for the season was 6-9, and they chalked up a 3-1 record in the Middle Atlantic Conference West Division. Mark Carter, Mark Wanamaker, and Cole Younger all

were named to second team ALL-MAC. Carter scored 34 goals and eight assists in the year, and Wanamaker had a total of 25 points.

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

The women's team won the Maryland College Women's Lacrosse State Tournament and a berth in the MAC playoffs for a successful end to the 1986 season. The Green's overall record was 10 and two, but they lost an important MAC match to Gettysburg on April 23, 18-8, to weaken their position for MAC playoff contention.

In the tournament pool-play, WMC finished 4-1 to advance to the semifinals where they turned back UMBC, 9-3. The Green then defeated Georgetown in the title game 14-12. Sandi Stevens and sophomore defender Laura Clambruschini were selected for the first team All-Maryland, while junior Cindy Robey and sophomore midfielder Stacey Bradley were named the second team. Senior Nancy Hutchinson, WMC's leading point scorer, was honored by being named to the first team ALL-MAC. Hutchinson netted 32 goals this season to close out her prolific career.



Men's tennis finished up their season with a 4-5 record.

Cerveny throws no-hitter

by Cyndi Schafer

BASEBALL

Freshman pitcher Ned Cerveny became the first Western Maryland player to throw a no-hitter in six years on Friday April 25 as the Terrors defeated Mount St. Mary's, 5-1. Cerveny walked six batters and struck out six in recording his fine performance. Mike Gosnell was the last WMC pitcher to pull off this feat when he did so in 1980. Junior second baseman Steve Lutche had three RBI's in the Mount game to give Cerveny all the support he needed.

The Terrors ended their season on an up note by taking out York in both ends of a double header at home on April 30. WMC didn't score

until late in both games, but it was enough to hold off the Spartans. Dave Fowler picked up the win in the first game of



four runs in the sixth inning to raise his record to 5-2 on the season with the 4-2 victory. Keith Lutgen also threw well in the second game, picking up a 2-1 victory.

Senior third baseman Mike Paglione led the Terrors in batting this year with an average of .355. He recorded 13 RBI's and only two strikeouts all season. Tod Webster finished with an average of .324, and Keith Berlin with one of .291. Dave Fowler led the team in wins with five and the second highest ERA of 2.56. He fanned 28 batters and allowed no homers.

SOFTBALL

The women also ended their

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Golf team finishes sixth

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season on the upswing by taking the second game on the Mount St. Mary's double-header on May 11-12. This brought their record to just under 500 with a 8-9 record overall. They fell in the first game by a score of 3-5. Previously, the Lady Terrors had won four straight, defeating Dickinson 10-8 on April 19, beating Notre Dame 13-9 on April 22, and finally crushing Washington College in a twinbill on April 26 by the scores of 29-1 and 13-3. In the opener, sophomore Cherie Thompson fired a one-hitter, while winning her first game of the season. Offensively, WMC pounded out 21 hits, with junior Jennifer Bertrand, senior Nicky Pesik, and sophomore Lisa Sullivan, combining for 10 safeties and six RBI's. Thompson went 3-3 with two triples and four RBI's in the nightcap to aid the three-hit pitching of Dawn Holman. Pesik out did herself with two homeruns in the twinbill.

Pesik was honored for her accomplishments by being named to first team ALL-MAC. She ended the season with a



Keith Berlin, number 19, steals second, April 26 against Muhlenberg.

.475 batting average which included 28 hits; three RBIs and four homeruns. First baseman Cindy Boyer had an average of .440 on the year. Pitcher Dawn Holman came away with a perfect record of 4-0 and an ERA of .503.

GOLF

The Terror team finished sixth out of 21 teams at MAC

Championships last April 26-27. Sophomore Chris Conklin was the low finisher for WMC, posting a 54-hole score of 240 for eleventh place. Senior Gordon Digby recorded a 253 while senior Jack Collins and sophomore Ben Watson scored 261 and 262 respectively. WMC posted a fourman score of 1016 to finish behind F&M (937), Scranton (955), King's (971), Ursinus (994) and Gettysburg (1001).

Poet awaits parole

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audience is the "empathetic and compassionate of every ethnic origin," he considers himself a Black writer. "My experiences primarily inspire my poems and short stories, (and while) I am not as cynical as my poems may seem to indicate, pain inspires." Turner feels that his prison environment, combined with the burden of poverty, account for the running themes of irony, bitterness, and disappointment in his writings. "Each day my soul cries out, 'Give me a break,' but the only breaks I receive are broken dreams, a broken heart, broken promises remembered, and a fractured spirit. Prison is social suicide. I'm not dead, but I exist devoid of most stimuli which make life enjoyable."

Turner accepts full responsibility for his predicament, but maintains that he is a victim too, of "a criminally racist judicial system. The travesty of justice is in her continuing policy of dealing harsher with minorities and poor folk. My peers ... are the malcontents, the incorrigibles,

the misunderstood, and the underclass," says Turner.

"My writing often reflects my regurgitating the bile of racism because 'to be Black and aware in America is to be in a constant state of rage.' You'd have to live the Black experience to comprehend (this) fully. I believe in the democratic precepts of America, and hope they'll someday become applicable to all her citizenry."

For now Turner has dedicated himself to obtaining an early release from prison, and is confident that his sentence will be reduced. Meanwhile there is waiting.

"I never stop thinking about when the time will come for me to be with my family," says Turner. "I love and miss them very much." He adds "you don't have to volunteer to join the endless ranks of the lonely here. Rooms are cheap, but the rent is high. Handkerchiefs and towels are free—you've paid for them in advance."

While he is slowly acclimating himself to prison life, Turner says he will never get used to it. "How can you be satisfied being alive when you dream of being free."

Dan Moskowitz

All-star faculty 'dream team' chosen

Intercollegiate sports are finally coming to a close for the 1985-86 year and to be honest, The Phoenix has made a serious error.

In our tireless effort to bring the students of WMC complete coverage of our school's teams, we have overlooked one of the lesser known, but very important athletic clubs that the college feeds (or at least should feed).

Yes, I am speaking, of course, of the Terror faculty baseball team.

No, I am not talking about that anemic (but lucky) faculty softball squad, but a real WMC "dream team."

And, although this "dream team's" season has come to a close (if indeed it ever had one), several key personalities stood out (or would have) and thus deserve recognition here.

Seldom was a ball hit into centerfield that Dr. Earl "The Gris" Griswald didn't run down for an out. His mobility and range was remarkable at times.

Griswald performed well at the plate as well in '86, driving in 90 runs and crunching 41 homeruns. Griswald says that his bat was once used by Atilla the Hun to butcher peasants and it gives him a little more power.

Griswald was at his best when in pressure situations. "When it gets tough out there, you gotta dig down deep and find something," explains the scrappy veteran.

Another fine outfielder who received all-league honors was Dr. Eleanor Schreiner, the "dream team's" left fielder. Schreiner played with precision all season, catching all kinds of stuff.

And then there was Dr. Charles Neal, a true standout. Battering over 300 with 57 RBI's and 12 homeruns, he was a threat to the entire league. His offensive ability, together with his golden glove defensive skills, helped make the "dream team" successful in '86. An Eddie Murray look-alike, Neal also led the team in stolen bases with 33, a league record.

On the mound, ace starter Dr. Del Palmer continued to shock the league. Palmer went 10-1 in '86, often striking out ten or more opponents. Palmer attributed his success this season to his latest and most damaging pitch -- the screwball.

When the going got tough, though, and Palmer felt into trouble, there was little doubt that the relief pitching combo of Drs. C. Darcy and T.

Evergates would put an end to any threat.

Evergates, or "The Gentle Stopper," as he has been called, chalked up an impressive 3-1 record with seven saves and 49 strikeouts as the righthanded reliever in 1986.

Evergates's performance this



year, however has been overshadowed by teammate Darcy. Darcy, or "Doctor D," just tore up the league. The hard-throwing southpaw struck out 110 batters en route to a shocking 14 saves and a record of 4-0.

Darcy's fastball (with a capital "F") has been clocked at

100 mph and is the reliever's best pitch. The veteran, who made Cosmopolitan's 10 Best Dressed Athletes list, showed extreme poise in tight situations, and was named arm of the year, "circa 1986."

Many expected a fine year from last season's MVP, third baseman President Robert Chambers. This season however, the "dream team" was forced to play without his services. Chambers had appeared on opening day when a local politician was present to throw out the first ball, but hasn't been seen since. Chambers' whereabouts are still unknown.

Finally, rounding out the "dream team's" all-league performers was coach of the year, Dr. Ronald Tait. Tait volunteered his services as coach of the team after suffering from a severe case of tennis elbow in the off-season. Tait's ability to mold all these wild individuals into a fine tuned machine was uncanny. His analytical prowess made him a natural in the coaching field.

And there you have it, a quick glance at a WMC team that deserved a look, or at least a thought, and some of the key players who made, or would have made a great team.

Quiet Earth speaks softly, but ...

by Jonathan Slade

The *Quiet Earth* will not make much noise in the theaters.

Though bits and pieces of this recent New Zealand release are excellent, the movie's conclusion is somewhat of a letdown. And this, along with the fact that it treats some very depressing themes, is usually enough to keep the audiences away. Let's hope it doesn't work that way this time though.

Set in the near future, Bruno Lawrence plays Zac Hobson, a computer technician who awakes one morning to find himself alone in his corner of the world. Coffee pots are boiling over, traffic lights are still functioning, but no one can be found. It's like they've all vanished in mid-step. And when he later finds out that the company for which he worked may have had something to do with the catastrophe, the guilt he feels is incredible.

Indeed, the first half of the film is by far the best, offering

us a haunting stroll through an empty civilization, and an eerie examination of a man driven mad by loneliness. Aided by John Charles' ghostly musical score and Geoffrey Murphy's slowly flowing direction, the most disconcerting -- and therefore, by the film's standard, the most successful -- sequence is when Hobson charges into a church with a loaded shotgun, demanding God to show himself. Upon receiving no answer, he then levels the barrel at a statue of Christ and blasts it to pieces. It's scenes like this that send chills rippling through your body.

Based on Craig Harrison's book also named *The Quiet Earth*, the second half of the movie becomes an allegory of today's national alliances. With the introduction of Joanne (Alison Rortledge) and then later Api (Peter Smith), the other survivors, we begin to see the characters choose sides in certain arguments, two ganging up against one, in much the same way countries establish and maintain

diplomatic relationships today. And sometimes the mindless disputes of Hobson, Joanne, and Api almost lead to murder, even though human life has become an incredibly scarce resource.

But this isn't the only theme

that wafts through the film. In addition there are some heavy Biblical overtones, with Hobson becoming a potential Adam and Joanne an Eve; as well as a potent banner against high tech military creations. We even get some heady musings on the nature

of death. Indeed, the final hour is literally crammed with philosophy, almost too much so.

Thus, *The Quiet Earth* is a thinking man's picture, something which hasn't sold too well in the theaters lately. In fact, the worst part of this film is when the producers try to pack in a little needless action at the end of the script, leaving the audience hanging in ambiguity. What exactly happens? Who lives and who dies? You kind of get the impression that you've just completed a fulfilling discussion with Socrates, only to have the honored philosopher jump to his feet, grab an anti-tank weapon, and obliterate a nearby fountain. Why must we have this incongruent action tacked onto the finale. Why? Why? Why?

But save your questions for the theater. And the next time you need to see something slightly more serious than *Pretty In Pink*, catch *The Quiet Earth*. It doesn't make too much noise, but you get the feeling it's thinking all the time.



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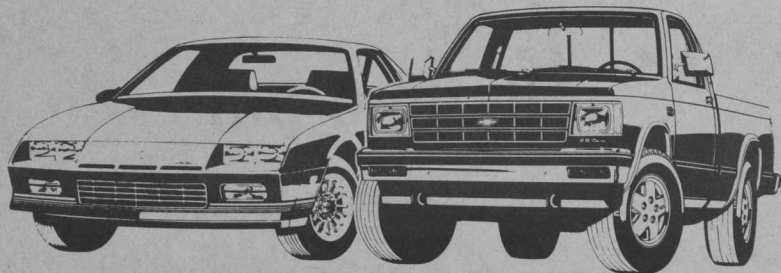
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