Common Ground rocked the Hill

By Jonathon Shacat
Staff Writer

While many of their colleagues took the summer off to do research projects, three Western Maryland College professors were in the classroom from July 7 to 13 teaching courses for Common Ground on the Hill’s summer program.

The two-year-old program, founded by WMC alum Walt Michael of New Windsor, brings together people of different ethnic backgrounds via teaching music and art. “What we are doing here is not purely academic, however, the traditional arts have, for centuries, been the well from which academics have drunk,” according to Michael, also artistic director of the program. “The Common Ground program is fortunate to have support and participation of members of the WMC faculty both as artists and members of the Board (of Directors).”

Ira Zepp, a professor of religious studies emeritus and a founding director of Common Ground, has “always been committed to social justice, human dignity, and reconciliation among differences.” He tentatively decided to join the program.

He jointly taught a course with Lea Gilmore called Martin and Malcolm, Their Nightmares and Dreams. According to the Common Ground catalog, this course examines Martin Luther King Jr. and Malcolm X’s contribution to civil rights, been the well from which academics have drunk, according to Michael, also artistic director of the program.

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In-Depth
Western Maryland is up to speed with the information highway

By Jen Vex
Features Editor

The days of dusty old typewriters, postage stamps, and fraying card catalogs are long gone at the WMC campus.

Students first had access to computers during the fall semester of 1985. Since that time the number of computers at WMC has grown tremendously. Today, they provide writing needs, and Internet, programs.

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Wes, and electronic mail access. This technology is "continually evolving," said Wallace Newsome, programmer/analyst for Information Services located in Decker College Center.

A Baltimore Sun news article entitled “At last; typewriters that know how to spell” announced the unveiling of WMC’s first writing laboratory. The lab, created by the English department in September 1985, contained 20 Apple Macintosh terminals and five printers. This investment totaled $20,000 and was set up in a classroom of Memorial Hall, with five student tutors monitoring it.

"The focus on the lab was for it to meet the needs of the English department," said Virginia Story, assistant professor, philosophy and religious studies; Robert Luminet, assistant professor, communication; Judith L. Motley, associate professor, education; Duane R. Pichert, visiting assistant professor, chemistry; Rachel E. Stone, assistant professor, deaf education and special education; Karen Helmeuser, professor, military science; and Tammy McEnany, assistant professor, political science.

Students marched to the beat of a new orientation theme

By Michelle Hamilton
Editor in Chief

Eight brigades, departing at staggered intervals, joined Pickett’s Charge and the rebel troopers as they marched toward the Union line.

No, this wasn’t a reenactment of the Battle of Gettysburg, but rather it was New Student Orientation’s Gettysburg Hike, the highlight of the program. During this time, 417 people and one dog walked “common ground’ with their peers and united with figures of the past.

The Pickett’s Charge hike, which is a bore trail through fields, was chosen because “Pickett’s Charge was the most momentous event of Gettysburg,” explained coordinator of the event, the well from which academics have drunk, according to Michael, also artistic director of the program.

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WMC welcomes new faculty

Western Maryland College has welcomed 10 full-time and 13 part-time undergraduate faculty for the 1996-97 academic year, according to College President Robert H. Chambers.

The new full-time members are: Timothy J. Bowers, assistant professor, sociology; Lauren Duder, assistant professor, sociology; Susan Futeral-Myrowitz, visiting assistant professor, social work; Karen Helmeuser, professor, military science; and Tammy McEnany, assistant professor, politics.

New lecturers are: William Alexander Bowers, Jr., biology; and James C. Tolan, psychology.

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They, too, will soon discover that: Sheetz, Dominos, and 7-11 are great places for late night munchies, and that the new Subway only lets you order through a window after 12 a.m. Another option, especially for interesting drawings, is Little G's.

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So, while we continue to wrestle with common riddles, like the same old food every week and balancing our time, remember that some are going through the ropes for the first time. Keep that in mind and extend an invitation or offer a ride, a hand or a hint to one of our newest additions this fall.

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Family, friends and colleagues want L. Stanley Bowlsbey Jr., to know how much he has meant to them and to Western Maryland College. Earlier this year they started an endowment fund at the College in his name to recognize his contributions as a student, professor and administrator.

The L.S. Bowlsbey, Jr. Endowment fund will provide support to the program in school administration, according to Ken Pool, Dean of Graduate Affairs. Dr. Bowlsbey served as director of the Graduate Studies Program from 1970-1988, he said.

"He has had a lasting impact at the College and in graduate education around the region," said Donald Rabush, a retired professor of education who was one of the first faculty members brought to WMC by Dr. Bowlsbey. "I was fortunate enough to be part of the great team of educators he put together here. His good reputation is well deserved and we can thank Stan Bowlsbey for much of that."

Dr. Bowlsbey, who now lives in Finicsville, Md., became a part of the Western Maryland College community as a student, earning a bachelor’s degree in English in 1952 and a master’s degree in education in 1959. He joined the faculty in 1960, becoming chair of the education department in 1970 and simultaneously beginning to serve as dean of education. He continued to teach throughout his tenure in the graduate program, and Dr. Bowlsbey, who also served as Dean of Planning and Research from 1988-89, was granted emeritus status after retiring in 1989. He later served as a consultant with the Maryland State Department of Education.

Dr. Pool said the first award from the endowment fund should be made during the 1996-97 academic year. Earnings from the fund will be used for library and equipment acquisition, graduate or faculty fellowships, research support, lecturership, leadership institutes or other approved projects. Dr. Bowlsbey and others will serve on the review committee. Proposals will be solicited later this year, Dr. Pool said.

More than 1,100 students are enrolled in the graduate program at WMC which offers master's degrees in nine areas, including the largest deaf education program in the nation and the only media/ literary studies program solely on school library media.

Courtesy of Public Information

**Ritual drinking provides topic for Ridgeton Lecture**

James C. Wright, a distinguished professor and administrator at Bryn Mawr College, will present Western Maryland College's fourth annual Ridington Lecture on Tuesday, Oct. 29, at 8 p.m., in McDaniel Lounge.

Also a well-known and respected archaeologist and researcher, specializing in the civilizations of Ancient Greece, Dr. Wright will discuss "Ritual Drinking and Feasting in Prehistoric and Historic Greece."

His passion for digging through the past was literally forced upon him as he visited a friend on a cave in England in 1967. In order to visit with his buddy, Dr. Wright had to pitch in with the excavation work. He was hooked and immediately signed up for the upcoming summer for more dig work, this time at an Etruscan site in Italy. A few years and a couple of digs later, Dr. Wright received his PhD in Classics from Bryn Mawr.

He has been involved with excavations there ever since, including work on the Sanctuary of Zeus at Nemea and also the port town of Kommos.

Since 1984, Dr. Wright has directed the Nemea Valley Archaeological Project in Greece, which is currently unearthing evidence of human activity in the area, beginning more than 8,000 years ago through the modern age up to 1950. He also has participated in many other excavations in Greece where his professional interests range from the long-term history of societal development in the Aegean area to ethical issues concerning cultural property.

He has even done some archaeological sleuthing. In 1993, he alerted Greek authorities to the sale of golden Mycenaean jewelry in New York. Dr. Wright suspected the treasure was from an excavation in Alodia and lobbied the U.S. public and federal officials to put pressure on the dealer to return the items to Greece. It worked and the jewelry, which had turned up to be from Alodia, was returned to Greece earlier this year after an out-of-court settlement. Dr. Wright's involvement in the case was summarized in an issue of Archaeology.

Dr. Wright has secured grants for his work in Greece from the National Endowment for the Humanities, the National Geographic Society, the American Council of Learned Societies, and The Institute for Aegean Prehistory.

Dr. Wright is Dean of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences and also is a professor in the Department of Classical and Byzantine Studies at Bryn Mawr. He joined the faculty there in 1978.

Dr. Wright served as a Fullbright Research Fellow in Greece in 1985 and also received a 1983 fellowship from the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, serving as faculty at Philippus University in Marburg, Germany.

He is a member of the Archaeological Institute of America, the Society for American Archaeology and the Society for the Preservation of Greek Heritage, and is a representative to the managing committee of the American School of Classical Studies at Athens, Greece.

A prolific writer on Greek architecture and civilization with a long list of books, articles, chapters and book reviews, Dr. Wright earned a bachelor’s degree from the Year by The Maryland Colonial Society. Cardinal Keeler has earned the Shaw Award from Rotary International and the Other Award of the Salvation Army. Baltimore Magazine named the Cardinal one of its top ten Baltimoreans in 1995 for his work in the city and the state. Other awards include Marylander of the Year in 1994 by The Baltimore Sun and Media Person of the Year for 1994 from the Maryland Press Association.

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The Mass and the honorary degree ceremony are open to the public. Also, WMC will host a public outdoor reception following the ceremony. In case of rain, the reception will be moved to McDaniel Lounge.

Music for the service will be provided by six members of the WMC campus Ministry and the WMC choir. Students performing will include Kevin Hord (guitar), a junior biology major from Frederick; Maddalena Tilli (vocals), a junior biochemistry major from Olney; and Christopher Wolkow (vocals), a junior biology major from West Chester, PA.

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Internet up to speed at WMC; students finding better ways to communicate, find romance

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on-line catalog system that did not exist in the old library. Before this, students could check out two or three typewriters owned by the library.

Edward Holthause, technical services specialist, helped convert local computers to the school’s network. These two centers were merged in 1993 as Computing Services, but recently changed its name to Information Services.

The name change was made because of WMC’s acquisition of an Internet environment. The original Computing Services dealt with a “local area network,” according to Newsome. It allowed only students and faculty to communicate with each other on campus, but not to the outside world. The Internet, explained Newsome, is an “actual gateway to the outside world.”

The Internet has been kept very busy during the past year. “We have too much to do down here,” said Holthause. WMC’s computer network currently operates over a 56K connection which means 56 thousand bits of information can be handled per second. Newsome said that at certain times of the day, most often between 12 a.m. and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. to 1 a.m., 95 percent of its capacity is being used. He credits this to over 900 students who now have e-mail accounts.

Holthause estimates that around 200 computers are available for students on campus, bringing the total to about 500 used by WMC’s computer network currently operating the Internet. “It’s a computer center with four employees that handle about 200 connections per second. Newsome said that at certain times of the day, most often between 12 a.m. and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. to 1 a.m., 95 percent of its capacity is being used. He credits this to over 900 students who now have e-mail accounts.

In January of 1995, 30 students and faculty were selected to use the e-mail system for three months to integrate the system and see how it worked. During the 1995 fall semester, WMC began to offer e-mail accounts free to all undergraduate students and faculty, and by the advent of spring semester, graduate students were allowed to have them as well.

E-mail runs 24 hours a day, though the lab is open only at all hours of the day or night. “E-mail is probably the only thing they’re not just using to send messages,” he said. It has halted because of problems with the Domain Name Server, a machine located in Newsome’s office, through which all e-mail has to run before being sent out.

During the last freeze, Holthause said, “It’s a big problem, and there’s a lot of problems.”

WMC gained access to the Internet “environment” last summer through the Internet provider BBN Planet that requires a yearly fee of $11,000. The Internet, said Chris Mathews, director of Information Services, “was purely text-based information technology at WMC. In high school, he worked with computer art and graphics but never had an Internet account. Johnson said he has mostly taught himself how to use the Internet and has even created his own Web page. On this page, he’s written about himself, created artwork, and scanned in photos.

Now, a junior who wishes to remain anonymous, has even found love and romance through e-mail. Last semester she spent each morning from 8:30 to 10 and then again in the afternoon, “talking” to a man in Spain with whom she now has a “relationship.” This student first received an e-mail account last fall and started writing to her friend in Spain in October. Recently, he flew to Maryland to visit her. She said that all her time on e-mail has not affected her schoolwork because she makes sure she has it done beforehand.

Unlisted e-mail number an option at WMC

If you already have an Internet account through WMC’s Internet address is currently available on the college’s World Wide Web site. To most students, this is an advantage, but for those who do not wish to continue their e-mail through WMC’s system, an unlisted e-mail number is available. To have an unlisted e-mail number, students must first make sure they have an Internet address through WMC. Your Internet address is currently available on the college’s Web site. To most students, this is an advantage, but for those who do not wish to continue their e-mail through WMC’s system, an unlisted e-mail number is available.

Though these students spend a lot of time with WMC’s new computer technology, they have not caused problems like other students sending harassing messages to one another. These students, Newsome said, have been given warnings and if the problems persist their accounts will be taken away, though this has not had to be done yet. Story said there have been problems with students getting pornography on the Writing Center computers but that no actions have been taken against this. “We walk a fine line between the students’ right to access information and the fact that this is a public academic lab,” she said.

WMC students have Internet access, including e-mail, but not World Wide Web access from the dorms.

“Soon I see all students having quick and easy access to the Internet and Web in the dorm rooms,” said Mathews, “and we’ll be communicating more through e-mail, which will cut down on our use of paper, and save on postage.”

Holthause said in the past it was easy for the school to plan the amount of hardware to buy and where to set up labs, but that with the ever-evolving Internet, it’s impossible to predict what will be needed in the future. “The Internet drives our network,” he said.

Reikvoid explained that the Internet is “spreading faster than sliced bread,” and is a highly volatile environment. “There’s a joke I like to tell people,” he said. “Ask, ‘how old is the Internet?’ and the answer is, ‘it was born this morning.”
New Student Orientation proves a success as students socialize; gain understanding of liberal arts

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The Gettysburg theme was the academic centerpiece of Orientation," Dean Hornoff explained. It was an ideal place to focus on "because of its proximity to the college, and it could integrate all the components of Orientation-academic and social." The good thing for my group was that they got to spend time with their adviser in an informal setting," said Student Orientier Tameka Collins, junior social work major. "Students also became familiar with professors through the mini-lectures they delivered throughout the day.

Junior Becky Sommer, first year S.O., said that the experience "Gave new students time to get to know one another and get to know the campus like never before." I talked to a couple of people [during the walk] I wouldn't have met otherwise," explained first year student Kris Riddle, undecided major. S.O. Kendra Jones, anthropology and economics major, said students benefited by "meeting other people and doing something in common to talk about even if it was complaining." Others enjoyed the free time in town. "I especially liked the shops," said junior business and economics major Costas Hadjipoulus, who just joined the class of 1998 from WMC-Budapest. "I bought an original cap from the Union army; I have always wanted one," he explained. "I told my mom I was going to wear one of these hats, and now I'm going to be the only one to wear such a hat in my city." First-year student Bryan Flynn said a "tour guide through the walk" would have been helpful, especially for pointing out the spots of the battle.

All aspects of Orientation required a great deal of planning, according to Brandy Mulhern, senior English major and Student Coordinator of Orientation. "The number of people moving around brought many difficulties," explained Mulhern. Hornoff and the Orientation committee formed the concepts of Orientation, but Mulhern actually was the one who made it happen. She was responsible for logistics. "I don't think I've ever worked so hard on a project," Mulhern said. As her last class and they freaked out — how to keep doing it, but it's time for somebody else to take it on," she said. "Overall, Orientation certainly served its purpose," Mulhern said as she considered the academic and social aspects that Orientation tied together.

"In comparison to last year's Orientation, the physical aspect was more up to everyone's speed," explained Mulhern. Just as the 1995 Orientation was adjusted, the 1996 Orientation won't go without improvements for the future. "We realize that the first day was totally exhausting for everyone," said Student Orientier. "I especially liked the shops," said Student Orienter, "but this is a nice problem to have." ROTC offers new experiences and more

Concerned about not being able to pay for college? Look into applying for an Army ROTC scholarship. The Army ROTC program offers four classes for those students who wish to experience a different kind of class, whether for one semester or four years. Students who complete the four-year ROTC program are commissioned Second Lieutenants at the time of graduation.

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The Class of 2000 is big news. But not because the students are the first class of a new millennium. It's just really big, according to College President Robert H. Chambers, who noted WMC is enrolling its largest class of new full-time students in 10 years. Currently 389 freshmen and 54 transfer students are set to start classes next Tuesday with returning undergraduates. The 443 total new students is an increase of almost 17 percent more than last year's entering class of 379 new students, including 322 freshmen of the class of 1999.

"It's going to be tight quarters on campus and I've still got people calling wanting to know if they can come this fall," Martha O'Connell, director of admissions, said. "I think they told me that if I just took that last room space we had set aside for a female student. But this is a nice problem to have." Of course, another bright spot, she continued, is that student quality has kept pace with the increased enrollment. National test scores and overall grade point averages of new students are the same as in previous years.

The enrollment figures also do not include WMC's first incoming class of students from its Budapest campus who will finish their degree here in the spring. The 20 students spent the last two years at WMC-Budapest, the only American undergraduate college in Hungary. "And that program is growing beyond our wildest dreams," Dr. Chambers said. "There are 30 students in this year's sophomore class, which will come to us in 1997, and more than 50 trying to get in the next freshman class over there."

The new students at WMC represent 23 states, up from 14 in 1995, and the number of students from Maryland is 68 percent, up two percent, Ms. O'Connell said. Ten new foreign students are enrolled versus four in 1995 and minorities represent 8.6 percent of the class, up from 6.7 percent last year.

"We can't point to just one factor that has caused the bump," she said. "We have continued to build on a number of energies and all of those have now come together to give us this bigger class."

For example, the College has run a billboard campaign in Prince George's County aimed at attracting more minority students from that area. The increased visibility has yielded a 100 percent increase in enrollments from Prince George's, nine to 18.

New students, she said, also have noted they appreciate the College's devotion to strong teaching and the increased opportunities for undergraduate students to participate in top-notch research with their professors. "We also have to look at what is going on around us," Ms. O'Connell continued. "There is a lot happening on this campus with upgrades to the physical plant and I know that students pay attention to those details. Our campus visits have increased and more and more people are seeing a lot going on and that things are moving here. Maybe we are doing things to improve the campus that other colleges just can't or aren't doing right now and that might be the deciding factor for some students."

She pointed to improvements in many of the academic buildings and residence halls, as well as the projected science center which will upgrade and expand the biology and chemistry laboratories.

"Concerned about not being able to pay for college? Look into applying for an Army ROTC scholarship. The Army ROTC program offers four classes for those students who wish to experience a different kind of class, whether for one semester or four years. Students who complete the four-year ROTC program are commissioned Second Lieutenants at the time of graduation. "I tell [students] about the [military science] class and they freak out — 'Oh my God, I have to cut my hair and wake up at 6 a.m.' — without even thinking about scholarships," said Anne Fuller, a Second Lieutenant working at WMC for the summer."

Two and three year scholarships are offered in amounts of $12,600, $9,000, $5,000, and $3,000 to eligible freshmen and sophomores who meet the application requirements. The college offers an additional incentive toward tuition for those who qualify. Scholarship winners may also receive free room, $225 per semester for books, and $150 per month stipend. In order to be eligible, students must: be a U.S. citizen, be at least 17 years of age when applying and not older than 25 by the time of graduation — unless the individual has prior military service, — be a high school graduate, and score at least 1800 on the SAT.

After filling out a general scholarship application, students are evaluated based on the following criteria: SAT score and GPA, leadership positions (hold in high school, college, and the community), an interview with a military science professor at WMC, and performance during a Physical Aptitude Exam (400 m. run, pull-ups, broad jump, and basketball throw).

In exchange for these scholarships, students must make a commitment to the government to serve eight years in the Army as an officer on active duty or to the reserves. Reserve duty is one weekend per month and two weeks per year.

Last year, five students from the rising sophomore and junior classes received scholarships. In addition, five incoming freshmen will be on scholarship this fall, having won National Army ROTC Scholarships in their senior year of high school, according to Fuller. There is no obligation to the Army for taking either the freshman or sophomore-level classes. Contact CPT Matt Burke or 2LT Anne Fuller for more information.

"It's a great opportunity for people who really want it," said Fuller.
Tales From Reality

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any talk show (Today’s topic: people who have sex with their furniture). Anyways, the other day I was in a party at WMC. Land; you are probably thinking: “Wow!, this guy is lucky, there’s not many of these things around here.” My point is that I was in a party and, since I wasn’t having much success myself, I decided to observe other people: OK, you are right, I was bored. In circumstances like this, people usually get drunk, but I looked at the others instead. Don’t get me wrong, it was a result of a sociological experiment (yeah, right!). Anyways, at the party, guy A said to girl A (these are just letters to identify them, not the name of some international students): “your eyes are like the stars in a night with a full moon.” “Eh?, I thought, “that’s disgusting.” Then the girl laid down and kissed him saying: “that’s so beautiful.” Beautiful?, come on, a sea lion is more articulated than that.

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But, get real, if God didn’t want gender-based generalizations, He wouldn’t have created different genders. We all would be some kind of asexual species with the reproductive system of an amoeba and the external appearance of Michael Jackson. Thank God we have different genders, let’s see now, we have- males, females, and Keanu Reeves. And Thank God we also have pickup lines because otherwise we wouldn’t be able to communicate with each other, and we couldn’t perpetuate the human race. Or what’s even worse, we would spend our time playing the lottery and watching talk shows (Today’s topic: people that find Jim Carrey funny, then have sex with their furniture).

The moral of the story is: no matter what your gender is, communicate with your opposite sex by any means (yes, alcohol too). Even use pickup lines if you really have to (here I mean if you really have to). Anything is better than watching Rikki Lake.

Now. Who? Doesn’t matter (unless she looks like Rosanne). How? Doesn’t matter. Where? Anywhere. Why?... Well this is too deep of a question; usually a guy would give an intelligent answer to such inquire, like: “Huh?”. On the other hand, girls often are a little bit more complicated. Sometimes they are so difficult to understand that when God created them, he should have enclosed a booklet with directions for use.

You might think that my argument rests on gender-based generalizations. For those smart-ass fellows who think so, I have something to say: You are right. But, get real, if God didn’t want gender-based generalizations, He wouldn’t have created different genders. We all would be some kind of asexual species with the reproductive system of an amoeba and the external appearance of Michael Jackson. Thank God we have different genders, let’s see now, we have- males, females, and Keanu Reeves. And Thank God we also have pickup lines because otherwise we wouldn’t be able to communicate with each other, and we couldn’t perpetuate the human race. Or what’s even worse, we would spend our time playing the lottery and watching talk shows (Today’s topic: people that find Jim Carrey funny, then have sex with their furniture).

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Student Research and Creativity Grants available for Fall 1996

Students can apply for and receive grants for research and creativity projects for the fall of 1996. The deadline for applications for the grants is September 30, 1996. To apply for an award, a student must have a WMC grade-point average of 3.2 and obtain the direct involvement of close sponsorship of a faculty member. The awards are competitive.

The grants are intended to encourage special projects that complement students’ major academic emphases; they are not intended to cover the normal expense of a course.

The project may or may not be connected with a particular course. It may be a special studies outgrowth of a course. A grant may cover the cost of materials for such projects. It may also cover travel expenses to libraries or special collections. “These are merely examples,” said Dean Joan Coley, Provost and coordinator of the grants. Dean Coley also said she would like to see what kinds of creative proposals students may devise, in consultation with appropriate faculty.

Grants may range from $25 to $500. Applications are available in Dean Coley’s office.

SGA NEWS BRIEFS

The Student Government Assembly welcomes returning and first year students to WMC. Good luck in your classes for this semester. Should you have any questions about WMC, please call the SGA hotline at X631 or email at SGA001@nsl.wmc.car.md.us.

Welcome WMC Students!

Budapest Students!

—from The Phoenix staff

Magic and laser shows light up September

Illusionist Scott Grocki, a 1995 graduate, will open live for the 8:45 p.m. laser show on September 28. Grocki’s show is a high tech combination of magic and illusions.

Take the Star Wars trilogy, Star Trek and the other Gene Roddenberry spinoffs, toss in every high tech cartoon, shake until well blended and serve in a packed gymnasium.

That’s a sure fire recipe for fun in the 21st century, just a few years ahead of scheduled, and Western Maryland College is serving it up for students, faculty, staff and the surrounding community on Saturday, September 28, at 8:45 p.m. in the Gill Center.

The indoor laser, lights and music show includes high tech wizardry designed by Audio Visual Imagining, Inc. (AVI), America’s leading laser special effects and presentation company, and the appearance, and maybe disappearance, of illusionist Scott Grocki ’95.

The show is free and open to the public. However, tickets are required and will be available at the information desk in Decker College Center after September 15. Also, a second laser show just for students and the WMC community will be held at 11 p.m.

AVI, founded in 1978, presents more than 80 laser shows each year and is a consistent award winner for both technical and artistic achievement from the International Laser Display Association, including 11 awards at last year’s show in Miami. AVI took first place awards in corporate theater, animation and abstract design. The company, which also stages more than 50 planetarium shows each week, has worked with AT&T, Dr. Pepper, General Electric, Walt Disney World, IBM, and Pepsi.

Grocki’s show, which opens for the 8:45 p.m. laser extravaganza only, is also a high tech combination of magic and illusions, incorporating pyrotechnics and aerotechnics. He and fellow performer WMC graduate Jenifer Brown ’95 will create unique and person presentation of some of the magic world’s classic illusions, as well as present some special skits created just for the show at WMC.

Grocki, who quickly turned his hobby into a full-time career after graduating from WMC, has performed nationwide for college and corporate audiences. Grocki Magic Studios is based in Westminster.

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The Captain returns to WMC during launch

One of the nation's most beloved teachers of all time, Bob Keeshan, best known for his role as Captain Kangaroo, returns to his "classroom" here September 28 to launch "The Defining Moment," the comprehensive fundraising campaign at Western Maryland College.

Known to his many fans simply as The Captain, Mr. Keeshan, the keynote speaker, will present "Defining Lessons" at 2 p.m. in Baker Memorial Chapel. His address will be followed by educational programs held throughout the campus' academic buildings. The extravaganza really heats up as a laser, light and sound show blasts off from "the Hill" around 8:45 p.m. in Gill Center. All events are free and open to the public. However, tickets, which will be available at the information desk in Decker College Center after September 15, are required to attend the indoor laser show. Also, a show just for students and the WMC community will be held at 11 p.m.

Illusionist Scott Grocki '95 will perform illusions and magic to open the 8:45 p.m. show only.

This is a return visit to WMC for The Captain. In May, Mr. Keeshan was awarded the honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree during commencement. "There was always something new to learn in his Treasure House," said College President Robert H. Chambers of Mr. Keeshan's TV teacher. "So we wanted him to come back and help us celebrate as we prepare for the educational challenges of the next century."

The campaign, Dr. Chambers noted, will fund many initiatives in teaching and campus improvements, including the design and construction of a new science center.

Besides creating Captain Kangaroo, the longest running character in TV history, Mr. Keeshan is the founder and director of a national child care corporation and the winner of several Emmy, Peabody, and Gabriel awards. He has served on every level of education—as a school board member in New York; as a college trustee and board chairman at College of New Rochelle; and as founding trustee and chairman of the Council of Governing Boards representing trustees in independent sector higher education in New York.

In 1990, he was made an Honorary Fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics and, also in 1990, was elected a trustee of the National Association of Children's Hospitals and Related Institutions. In addition, he is a director of the National Committee for Prevention of Child Abuse.

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the freedom of their people, their place in American history, and "how we can help to continue their search for common ground in the 21st century."
Dr. Zick, a white male, said jointly teaching this course with an African-American female makes it easier. Last year he taught the class by himself. Gilmour, he said, "knows the struggle of the black race from within, [and] I know it from without."
While she was not pursuing her other job of editing and arranging choral music for publication, Margaret Boudreaux, an associate professor and chair of the music department, taught a course called Madrigals and Company. Madrigals is a renaissance song form intended for the recreational enjoyment of the singers; it explores music and poetry.

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"I am absolutely dedicated to the idea that people can find a common ground through music," said Dr. Boudreaux, who is also a founding director of the program. "I have seen a lot of different music camps and Common Ground is very unique in its focus." Unlike the other two professors, Dr. Caldwell, also a music professor, taught at Common Ground for the first time. When he was told about the program by Michael Clay and Mitchell Alexander and Mike Webster. The campus community is also very friendly here.

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Kate Scaletti, Head Resident of ANW

Scaletti is a native of nearby Frederick, MD. She served as an RA for three years at the University of New Hampshire. "As a native of Minnesota, Zick recently finished a position at University of Denver in Colorado. Position: Hall Director and full-time student of Higher Education and Student Development with an emphasis in counseling Psychology."

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Got Your Phone?

Residence Life staff changes give WMC new faces around campus

Changes in Residence Life, aimed at providing better service to students, have brought new faces to WMC.

Greg Zick, RLC of Greek students, and Kate Scaletti, Head Resident in ANW are only two of the new changes within the staff.

Zick and Scaletti both have expressed their ideas for WMC and impressions of WMC.

With the help of Angela L. Harris, The Phoenix was able to get a closer look at the two new additions on The Hill.

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RA training provides students with quick thinking skills for situations

This year past RAs and future RAs undertook an extensive two week training course. Most of their days began at 8am with breakfast and icebreakers. Then, on to lectures or demonstrations which often extended until 6 at night.

The program trained RAs in policies and regulations, as well as how to build a community in the residence halls, commented Sara Gruber, a RA trainer.

Many programs were held to prepare RAs for specialized problems or incidents that might arise.

The training is very intense and right full of stress, we deal with suicide, fighting, alcohol possession, bomb threats and many other situations," explained Donielle Long, a returning RA.

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Long became an RA to aid her in her major of social work. "It's important to communicate and help those who are in need of assistance."

Even though Long is a second year RA she feels that it was important to go through training again. Training is an on going process."

"I was nervous going into [RA training], but I feel they prepared me better than I ever could have imagined," Sara Gruber, a Theater/Communication Major, said.

Gruber felt that the most enjoyable experience of RA training was "the relationships that have been built between the staff. Everyone became so close."

Even after training, the RA's work was not done. For New Student Orientation they helped with moving people into their rooms, handing out keys, ushering at convocation, and acting as tour guides.

This year's theme is "Community and Civility." Long stated that RAs strive to "build a better community" for themselves and also for their peers.

Coordinator of RA training, Beth Rosko, was unavailable for comment.
International duo kicks off 1996 Sundays of Note

The D’Amore Duo, an international, as well as internationally-renowned group, will open the 1996 Sundays of Note series at Western Maryland College, September 29, at 2 p.m., in Baker Chapel.

The duo brings together two outstanding young virtuosos from opposite corners of the world. American guitarist William Feasley and Russian oboist Vladimir Lande. The group’s repertoire includes a variety of styles and influences spanning more than 300 years and features Mr. Feasley’s creative arrangements of classics ranging from Telemann and Bach to Vaughan Williams and Scott Joplin.

Winners of the Baltimore Chamber Music Awards and the Montpellier Recitalist Competition, the D’Amore Duo has earned praise from critics throughout the world for the group’s fresh, yet eloquent approach to its vast selection of music.

Mr. Feasley, the first guitarist to receive the Peabody Conservatory’s covered Artist Diploma, also was selected to play for the great Andres Segovia at the Master’s historic last class and later featured on the CBS special, Evolution of Segovia. Since making his professional debut in 1980, Mr. Feasley has toured the United States and abroad, including concerts at The Kennedy Center, National Gallery of Art and The Phillips Gallery, and in New Zealand, Spain, Iceland, Greece, and Eastern Europe. He is Artist-in-Residence at the University of Maryland-Baltimore County and is a faculty member at The Levine School in Washington, D.C.

Mr. Lande has won numerous accolades in competitions and has performed as principal oboist with the Leningrad Philharmonic Orchestra and has garnered numerous prestigious prizes in performances throughout Europe and the United States. He is currently a featured soloist with the Concert Artists of Baltimore and with New York’s Bachanalia Ensemble. Mr. Lande also is a member of the music faculty at St. Mary’s College of Maryland and Washington Conservatory.

The recital is open to the public. Admission is $5 for adults and $4 for seniors over 65. Students are free with a valid I.D. Sundays of Note, funded by the Peggy and Yale Gordon Trust, is an afternoon series bringing outstanding young instrumentalists and vocalists to the college three times a year. Other artists featured this year are: Wayne Evans Hankin and Paul Shippen on October 27; and Towson State University Cello Ensemble with pianist Elizabeth Borovsky on April 13.

For more information call 410 857-2599.

Courtesy of Public Information

Monday Night Music series opens in Baroque fashion

The Monday Night Music series at Western Maryland College opens its season on September 9 with an evening of Baroque music. And it will even include Baroque that Bach would be proud of, according to Linda Kirkpatrick, a WMC music lecturer.

When most Baroque music is played today it isn’t quite like the composers intended, she said. “There have been changes in style and technology through the years that have made true Baroque music a real thing of the past.”

The concert, which begins at 7 p.m. in McDaniel Lounge and is free and open to the public, will feature the music as it was written to be performed and as it is performed more than 300 years later.

“We have no pianos or metal flutes, just harpsichords and wooden flutes and they have such a different sound,” she continued. “Also, Baroque pieces were not written to include vibrato by the flutist and that’s hard not to include when you play today because that is the way modern players are trained. We will give the audience a chance to hear the difference.”

For example, the wooden flute, she said, has a mellow sound and is pretty hard to play in tune.

Ms. Kirkpatrick will play the wooden and flared flutes, while Ken List, a WMC music lecturer, performs on the piano and harpsichord.

The concert will feature Baroque flute sonatas from the French, English, German, and Italian flute repertoires. Composers include Michel Blavet, Antonio Vivaldi, George F. Handel, and Princess Anna Amalia of Prussia, sister of Frederick the Great. The musicians also will discuss the performance practices of the time period, including dynamics and ornamentation.

For more information call the Arts Management Office at 410 857-2599 or the WMC Events Line at 410 857-2766.

Courtesy of Public Information

Prof’s art exhibit celebrates 30 years at WMC

Next year Wasyl Palijczuk will celebrate 30 years of teaching at Western Maryland College. A long time in one place, half of his lifetime, he admits. But the Ukrainian-born artist wouldn’t have it any other way. WMC is the right place for him and his life’s work.

The College will celebrate and honor Mr. Palijczuk’s devotion to WMC with “Rescued by Art: A 30-Year Odyssey,” a retrospective show which opens Sunday, Sept. 8, in the Esther Prangley Rice Gallery, in Peterson Hall. An opening reception will be held from 2-5 p.m.

The show, featuring early and current works of Mr. Palijczuk in many styles and mediums, is the first by a WMC faculty member in the Rice Gallery which opened earlier this year. “Rescued by Art” runs through October 11.

Some of the most poignant work featured will be paintings, drawings and photographs from his 1991 visit to his Ukrainian homeland. It had been 50 years since he had last seen that countryside and then as a fleeing witness to the horrors of World War II.

“I like to immerse the viewer in the art work and there will be several events in the show that will ask for personal involvement,” he said. “You won’t be able to just look at them and pass by. I want you to spend time with the work.”

Mr. Palijczuk earned bachelor’s and master’s degrees from the University of Maryland, including that institution’s first graduate degree in sculpture. He also earned a master’s of fine art from the Rhode Island School of Design.

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An art show depicting art professor Wasyl Palijczuk’s 30 years at WMC runs Sept. 8-Oct. 11 in the Esther Prangley Rice Gallery in Peterson Hall. An opening reception will be held Sunday, Sept. 8, 2-5 p.m.

Courtesy of Public Information
TOTH attracted the crowds over the summer months

The Baltimore Ravens weren't the only professional team to enjoy a successful summer on campus. In fact, Theatre on the Hill (TOTH) closed its best season ever, according to TOTH Producer Ira Domser.

"I think we even might have outdrawn the football team on some nights," said Domser, associate professor of theatre and production. "For closing night of 'The Secret Garden' it was only the second time in 15 years on the Hill that we've had a standing room only crowd in Alumni Hall."

The only other busting-at-the-seams capacity audience came to see the late Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neill Jr., former Speaker of the House and longtime member of Congress.

For its 15th season Theatre on the Hill produced "Ruthless!" "Greater Tuna" and "The Secret Garden." The cast also presented an original adaptation of "The Princess and the Pea" for children and the late night "Post Show Revue" after the Saturday main show.

"Greater Tuna," Domser said, consistently sold out the smaller, downstairs Dorothy Elderdice Theatre, while "Ruthless!" and "The Secret Garden," also drew large crowds to the Mainstage. "The Princess and the Pea," which involved children from the audience, too, was always a hit with families, he added.

The productions included current and former students, including Ryan Keough '99, who also played the lead in last year's student production of "Pippin." Also, Rob McQuay '84, who Domser calls one of the best actors ever at WMC, gave a stirring performance as Archibald in "The Secret Garden."

"I had people come up to me after the show and later in town to tell me that 'The Secret Garden' was the best production they had ever seen here," Domser continued. "It was a great season, one of those seasons when you hate to see it end."

Other WMCers involved in the season on stage or behind the scenes were: Dara Breitkopf '95 MA; William duPont Jr. '96; Andrew Grimm '94; Eric Lyga '97; Charles Neal, associate professor of political science and interdisciplinary studies; Anthony Ronan '94; Carolyn Roush '96; Josh Selzer '87, arts manager; Denise Umland '90; R. Reid Wnase '93; and Steven Zumbrun '92.

Joshua Perilo, left, and Ray Ficca, right, played the bickering Vera Carp and Aunt Pearl, as well as more than 20 other loony citizens of Tuna, Texas in "Greater Tuna." The Theatre on the Hill production of this huge off-Broadway smash comedy consistently packed Dorothy Elderdice Theatre in Alumni Hall this summer.

Cyclists used the Hill as a home away from home

WMC was the summer home of the Baltimore Ravens. Pictured above is Art Modell, Ravens owner; Nancy Willis, Delegate; John T. Willis, Secretary of State of Maryland; Roxsay Bartlet, 6th District Congressman; Ken Yowan, Mayor of Westminster; President Bob Chambers; Richard Yates, Carroll County Commissioner; Jack Liburn, Director of Economic Development for Carroll County. All were participants in the Ravens' welcoming ceremonies held on July 21.

WMC was right in the path of thousands of cyclists making their way across Maryland. The CAM-Tour guests turned the quad into campgrounds and the tennis court fence into a clothes line during their overnight rest at WMC this summer.
Ravens provide students with valuable experience

When Brad Mountcastle was trying to land a summer job with the athletic training staff of an NFL team, he had no idea how far he would have to go to get that kind of experience.

He never had to leave "the Hill."

Not long after Mountcastle ’97 learned he would be working with the Baltimore Ravens, formerly the Cleveland Browns, he also found out that team owner Art Modell signed a one-year deal bringing the Ravens to Westminster for a five-week training camp in July and August. The session, which ended August 15, marked the return of professional football to a campus and a town that had grown up with the Baltimore Colts, who trained at WMC until 1971.

But the Ravens not only brought thousands of fans to campus to again cheer for NFL heroes and future stars, the team’s presence created summer job opportunities for Mountcastle and other students, like former Phoenix staffer and editor Lisa Hill ’97 who worked at the team’s Comfort Inn headquarters. Others students worked with the College’s food service to help prepare the team’s three daily meals.

A senior from Elkridge, MD, Mountcastle said his work with the Ravens was a perfect complement to his exercise science major and minor in athletic training, but it also provided a direct boost for life after WMC. He can apply his training with the team to the about 1,000 hours of hands-on experience he needs to qualify to take the certification exam of the National Athletic Trainers Association.

Mountcastle knows his goal of someday sticking in the NFL as a full-time trainer is a long shot since there are less than 100 full-time athletic training jobs spread among the 30 league teams. But he must try, he said.

Von Tobel wins NCAA Division III championship

Carl Von Tobel of Paramus, N.J. (Dumont H.S.), became only the third National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) champ in Western Maryland College history as he won the men’s javelin Saturday at the NCAA Division III outdoor track and field championship May 25 at North Central College in Naperville, Ill.

Von Tobel, a senior, unleashed a throw of 214 feet, four inches in the finals. Rich Bodine of Rowan (N.J.) College was second at 206 feet, five inches, with defending champion John Lischner of Thiel (Pa.) College third with a toss of 204 feet, one inch.

The Green Terror champion, who had the best mark in professor III during the regular season at a school-record 218 feet, three inches, nearly did not advance to the finals. In the trials May 23, Von Tobel's best effort was only 178 feet, two inches, good for 11th place out of the 17 entrants. The top 12 performers in the trials moved on to the championship round.

Western Maryland’s other two NCAA champions were Tom Pontecorvo, the heavyweight boxing champion in 1995, and five-time NCAA track and field champion John Hulteen, who is a graduate of the 1993 College Division outdoor track and field meet.

Von Tobel’s first-place finish also earned him the fourth All-America recognition of his career in the javelin, a designation awarded to the top eight performers in each event. The Green Terror standout was second at the Division III championship last year and fifth in 1994. As a freshman at Bloomsburg (Pa.) University in 1993, he finished eighth at the Division II meet.

The 10 team points Von Tobel earned enabled Western Maryland to finish in a tie for 22nd place out of 73 schools which scored.
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WMC has equality and diversity

Sarah Snell
Staff Writer

During the college years, most students struggle to become individulas while trying to fit in at the same time. No one wants to be singled out as different.

Yet, for a handful of students at western Maryland College, not a day goes by without reality smacking them in the face. These are the African-American students at WMC.

“I wake up every day thinking about being black,” junior social work major Domelic Long said.

It is not the same being white, she explained, because most everyone else around is white. For African-Americans, there is a “daily reminder,” she said.

Mel Brennan, an African-American history and political science major who graduated in 1996, said he has heard such “blatantly sad.”

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Two dorms receive facelift over summer

Aaron Corbett
Staff Writer

Students concerns for dorm renovations were finally answered this summer, with a new electrical system installed in McDaniel and a new color scheme for Rouzer hall.

As concerns for McDaniel’s electrical problem surfaced and worsened, students made increased complaints to college administrators and the rest of the student body.

The budget took this in consideration and some $200,000 were spent making improvement to the two dormitories this summer.

The most expensive changes in McDaniel were ones, “you can’t see,” remarked Dean Sayre of Student Affairs.

Much of the expense went towards McDaniel as repairs to electrical system were made.

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The transformer also was a con-

NFL Ravens perch on the Hill

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Western Maryland “blessed” by Cardinal’s visitation

Francescaaylor
Staff Writer

Baker Memorial Chapel was converted into an “instant cathedral” on Sunday, September 8 to celebrate Mass with His Eminence William Cardinal Keeler.

This special occasion was arranged by the Western Maryland College Catholic Campus Ministry and Dr. Chambers, who presented Cardinal Keeler with an Honorary Degree of Doctor of Divinity in a ceremony at the end of Mass.

This was the first time a Cardinal has ever visited the Western Maryland College campus.

The invitation was extended to the Cardinal when two students, Crystal Murray and Michael Sanford, spoke with Cardinal Keeler after attending Mass at St. John’s.

He told the students to send him a letter, which they did in November, 1995, and after months of preparation and phone calls, their notion became a reality.

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President’s Notes

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Face to Face
The Defining Moment was more than la-
sers and magic for several Alumni and Trust-
ors who attended the event. Like many of
the reunions, it was a trip down memory
lane. While as students we may not realize
it, but WMC is a large part of several alumni
lives.

Before talking to several of the alumni this
summer, primarily from the classes in the
'20's, '30's, and '40's, it was easy to lose
touch of who these people are and why they
want to give gifts, like the ones to the capital
campaign. It isn't because they had good
food when they were students, that's for sure.
And it isn't because of the wild parties, es-
pecially since men and women couldn't even
speak in public at one point at WMC. They
truly love this institution and what it did for
them.

When interviewing alumni, most of them
didn't even recall how well Western Mary-
land prepared them. They cherished their
friendships, professors, and memories that
WMC gave to them. A group of commuters
recalled piling six people into a car with
chains on the wheels to get up the hill in the
winter. One alumna from the '20's who lived
in town recalled hiding in the closet of her
girlfriends' room so the club could eat the
goodies their parents sent them. One former
professor recalled that the golf course was pretty
popular. Some things never change.

Before hearing these stories, I realized
that my four years as a student at Western Mary-
land is just a small part of the big picture.
While the students' education and content-
ment should be the main focus of the school,
maybe our feathers shouldn't get so ruffled
if we have to eat in the Forum every once in
awhile.

For some Alumni, WMC is one of the
biggest parts of their lives. They donate their
time, energy and even money to help our in-
stitution succeed. And believe me, it isn't
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So, the next time you go to the bookstore,
asked if he thought there would be any
change in student attitude to the doors, he
responded, "On a large scale, it is going to
be better."

Well, it might. The new doors offer pri-
cacy to the residents and aren't as noisy as
the old ones-the students will leave them
alone. However, until the dorm is completely
renovated, other parts of the dorm may still
face destruction.

The good news is more renovations in
Rouzer Hall will occur. "This is just a start,"
said Seidel. "Rouzer is still on the list to get
more attention."

In another part of the article, Resch talked
about a time when he cleaned out the radio-
tor in his freshman room. In the process,
Resch found a dead, half decomposed rodent,
empty beer cans, toothpicks, and cigarette
butts - all of which were interfering with
the heating system. In addition, he found
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Hearing about this incident got me think-
ing. Maybe the ventilation system should be
replaced during the next renovation.

Nonetheless, in order for the renovation
in Rouzer Hall to improve, two things must
occur: a completion of the renovation and an
evolutionary change of attitude on behalf of
the residents.

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The Phoenix now accepts letters to the editor through our own email account. Just sent letters to "phoenix@ms.wmc.car.md.us"

Email users question of the week:
After reading the article "Honor's not moving to McDaniel" where do you think honors should be? Why? Selected responses will be published in next issue.
Hello there! I hope everyone’s summer was enjoyable. For those loyal readers who have come back to The Phoenix and The Soapbox, welcome back! For those for whom this is the first time, the bird “I am sure you will like what you see. I realize many of you were not here last year and don’t have any idea what the heck The Soapbox is about, why I spend my time writing it or why she should waste your time reading it. That is why I’m going to take some time in the next stage to explain. In order to make things clear, the ten phases of the life of a girl are listed below:

Here the girl realizes that it’s more fun to play with toys than with her hands or somebody else’s hands (later she will regret this decision).

First Phase; Birth Phase. Obviously there’s no girl without birth, everybody agrees here?

Second Phase; Spittle and Mustard Phase. In this stage, the girl spends the day in a cradle bawling her mother with her spit and mucous and other corporal fluids. Other educative activities during this phase are: touching her hands, looking at her hands, and crying for no apparent reason.

Third Place; Stupid Toy Phase. Here the girl realizes that it’s more fun to play with toys than with her hands or somebody else’s hands (later she will regret this decision), so she starts playing with stupid toys. Don’t blame the parents for the nature of the toys, they don’t buy them. Nobody purchases stupid toys like Barbie, Ken, or the baby-that-cries-all-night-long-waking-up-the-whole-neighborhood. They have their own way of reproduction, that’s the reason you find more and more of these toys in a girl’s room every time you enter it. Her sister came through this stage too, and whenever Mr. Disney was bored and felt like releasing a movie, new toys from the film inexplicably appeared in my home. There should be an episode on “The X-Files” about that.

Fourth Phase; Pet Phase. In this stage the girl gets bored with playing with inanimate stupid toys and opts to play with live stupid toys, which she calls “Sporky,” “Fluffy,” “something like that,” I call them “pets.”

Fifth Phase; Prince Phase. By “prince” I don’t mean this singer who changes his name every time he changes his underwear. You hear things like artist “formerly known as Prince” (the truth is his real name is Bob and he’s ashamed of it). In the Prince Phase, the girl spends the day looking at the horizon with a dumb expression on her face. She dreams of marrying a prince who looks like Richard Gere who is going to come in on a white horse and save her from the cruelty of a villain (usually her dad). Girls in this phase are usually called teenagers, adolescents, or stupid.

Sixth Phase; Wedding Phase. In this stage the girl realizes princes on white horses don’t really exist, so she gets married to the first John Doe who comes to her college dorm. This guy, John, is as attractive as John Goodman. He went to her dorm because he wanted to flirt with her roommate, who became a playmate. But her roommate was still married with the whole football team so John just got stuck with our girl. The key conversation took place during the basketball finals went like this:

Girl: “Honey, we have been going out for two days, so I think we should settle and get married.”

John Doe: “What? Are you telling me that wasn’t a fault? People go to jail for less than that!”

Referee, you suck!”

Girl: “I will take that for a yes.”

Probably the most romantic thing he will ever say to her will be: “BLUUURP!!” (and if he re-doing his dentures flying), did the thing up earlier then the rest of the group and I’m going to call my mom.”

Ninth Phase; Cruising Phase. After spending years telling lies to her grandparents about her life, she passes away. Thank God she dies before she can see her younger daughter gets married to the drummer of a heavy metal band.

As you have noticed, by now I have lost the focus of the story. So as I was saying, my sister wants a pet, an animal. I keep telling her we have enough animals, if you include my brothers, but she wants something less hairy. Just like every eight-year old girl in the world, she will get whatever she wants from my parents, despite my opposition. The thing is that I’m 21. I’m too old for them to pay attention to, so I will eventually have to move another hour if they buy a dog or a cat or an ant farm. I’d move to another country before listening to my sister call a hairball names like “Sporky,” “Fluffy,” or something like that. I can’t wait to see her wedding with my future brother-in-law, Mr. John Doe. Sergio Aguiler is an exchange stuC0lent at WMC last year, now writes from his home in Spain.
Baltimore Ravens perch on the Hill for training

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news

groups were cooperative and willing to accommodate the new situation.

The Summer Conference Program played a key factor in accommodating everyone's needs.

Colbert commented that her staff was busy "trying to do everything smoothly while the Ravens and various conferences took place." She expressed that it "was nice to see the campus work together for one cause."

Seidel commented that the Ravens, athletes and staff, were very pleased overall with the facilities. Furthermore, he added that the Comfort Inn offered them more privacy and better accommodations than the residence halls and that their convenient location did not cause problems transporting everyone back and forth.

According to Colbert, the Westminster community was involved with Ravens as well. The college and the city coordinated a "key to the city" ceremony for the Ravens when they arrived.

However, local businesses did not benefit as much from the Ravens presence in Westminster as they had expected.

Junior Political Science major Jeff Soltz, who worked for the Summer Conference Program, commented that the players were too busy with their schedules to go into town. In addition, Colbert suggested that the weather, usually rainy weather this summer, deterred large crowds from flocking to watch the Ravens practice.

Senior Communication major Lisa Hill worked as a general intern for the Ravens as a receptionist/office aide.

Hill explained that her job was menial at times; however, she stated that "the connections I made were immense. They're going to remember my name and my face when I send them my resume when I graduate."

In addition, Hill assisted Erin Cashman, the Ravens' marketing coordinator, with pre-game events at two of the Ravens' Preseason games this summer.

Hill stated that "it's amazing to see what goes into a football game. It's more than just what you see on Sunday." Seidel commented that WMC and the Ravens "had the day set down to talk about next year." Seidel expects discussion of the possibility of a long-term contract later this fall.

In order to have a long-term contract with the Ravens, Seidel asserted that both sides must "make sure that extending the relationship is mutually beneficial."

He further explained that facility improvements and modifications will have to be made, and only in relation to the length of the possible contract.

In addition, he emphasized the importance of maintaining the Summer Conference Program if such a contract with Ravens were drawn.

His Eminence Cardinal Keeler blesses Western Maryland College

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gan to arrange a time for the Cardinal to come.

Dr. Chambers had originally intended for him to come during Convocation, but the Cardinal was in Jerusalem so the date had to be postponed.

“We were fortunate to have the support of Dr. Chambers,” says Mrs. Friday. “I don’t anticipate that at any time he will forget us.”

The award makes the Cardinal a formal member of the Western Maryland College community and by doing so students hope that his face will become more familiar on campus.

“I would expect he would feel more welcome to come whenever he’s in the area and maybe even say Mass once a year,” said Cathy Pech, senior and president of Catholic Campus Ministry.

Pech said many students asked her why the Cardinal came here as opposed to other colleges, such as Towson, who had also requested his company. •

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Ravens Hall and McDaniel

Hill over the summer

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rooms to help. The hallways similarly received new carpeting and the stairwells were re-tiled and the banisters painted.

As for Rouzer, the white paint gave it a clean look fresh look. Both dorms had work done in the bathrooms, which are not complete in McDaniel. The rest of McDaniel’s bathrooms are receiving some clean up work in January.

Rouzer received full sized doors on one side each of the separate shower and toilet areas where previously there were two pieces of plywood attached with hinges to cover the entrance. This being the most remarkable change for Rouzer.

“If you give people a nice place, most will take care of it pretty decently,” concluded Dean Sayre.

As the final renovation for McDaniel represents, the on-campus lobby of McDaniel became a pet project for the college this summer.

“One of our goals was to restore the lobby,” said Dr. Seidel.

The remodeling of the lobby, with finished wood floors, wooden carved doors, and a beautiful color scheme to match, has set a precedent for future dorm renovations.

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Cell to host party for
Austrian anniversary

Austria is putting 1,000 candles on its birthday cake this year and Western Maryland College is hosting a little party on this side of the Atlantic to celebrate.

This year’s WMC German-American Day on Friday, Oct. 4, will be devoted to Germany’s southern neighbor, according to Mohamed Essa, assistant professor of foreign language. "Most of the celebration is free and open to the public.

“1,000 Jahre Osterreich” or “1,000 Years Austria” will feature an Austrian musician and a politician, as well as WMC professors. The program opens at 9 a.m. and after a short introduction, Julie Badiee, professor of art and art history, will present the slide show, “Art Noves in Vienna around 1900.”

A 10 a.m. concert features Helmut Jastar of Vienna who will perform his own compositions for guitar. The keynote speech will begin at 11:15 a.m. with Martin Eichdinger, press secretary of the Austrian Embassy in Washington, D.C. Dr. Eichdinger will discuss “Austrian Millennium and Austria’s Place in Europe.”

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College to host party for Austrian anniversary

A book you can really dig into

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"As the Thursday, October 17 program in McDaniel Lounge will feature a true gardener’s delight, “Deep In the Green” by Anne Raver, columnist for the New York Times, Community leader Elizabeth Marshall will give the scoop, or should, on this book of essays about Ms. Raver’s passion for the obsession called gardening.”

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Ann Raver, columnist for the New York Times, and senior communication major Lisa Hill, with previous experience as a general intern for the Ravens, are very pleased overall with the facility improvements and modifications that the Ravens “haven’t even sat down to talk about yet.” Hill expects discussion of the possibility of a long-term contract later this fall.

In order to have a long-term contract with the Ravens, Seidel asserted that both sides must “make sure that extending the relationship is mutually beneficial.”

He further explained that facility improvements and modifications will have to be made, and only in relation to the length of the possible contract.

In addition, he emphasized the importance of maintaining the Summer Conference Program if such a contract with Ravens were drawn.

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The award makes the Cardinal a formal member of the public school system and the importance of the reestablishment of basic values in the public school system and the importance of a solid education.

In addition, he also spoke of “understanding the differences between faiths and trying to create the common ground,” says Kahn.

In an effort to do this, he regularly meets with Jewish and Muslim leaders with a common goal of affirming values in school.

The homily was timely because the theme was “Who am I?” and how do I want to present myself...He understands what students are going through at this age,” said Mrs. Friday.

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Racial equality and diversity growing at WMC

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once at WMC as “bittersweet.” He said if he had to repeat this portion of his life, he would come here again because of his great respect for the professors, particularly in his majors.

There are presently 62 African-American undergraduate students at WMC, out of the 90 undergraduate minority students, according to Registrar Barbara Shaffer.

That is one of the reasons Long said he chose to come to WMC. She figured with so few black students, “I wake up every day thinking about being black”

Donnile Long

ents, she would not have much of a social life to interfere with her studies.

She noted that there is “a serious division... a certain point where [mixed socializing] just stops,” she said. For example, she said, white students do not generally give a lot of support to African-American parties and activities.

Long admitted that she was well aware of the divisions coming in, since she came from a nearly all-white neighborhood and high school in New Jersey.

Neither Long nor Brennan were members of the Black Student Union at the time of the interview. Long said she did not want to get into the details of why she was not a member in the 1995-96 academic year, but described it as problems within the management of the organization. Depending on the elections of the 1996-97 officers, she may become a member again.

Both Brennan and Long participated in other activities, such as being residents assistants.

Minority students are not the only ones who feel separated from the rest of the campus; minority professors do as well. There are only 14 African-American professors at WMC.

Dr. Charles Neal, associate professor of political science who came to WMC 18 years ago, said, “I don’t feel as if I’m in the mainstream of the faculty. There is a sense of first, second, and third-class citizens.”

Dr. Glenn Caldwell, assistant professor of music, agreed that in his five years here, he has rarely, if ever, gone out with other faculty members. He added that this may be because he lives in Frederick, which is a long drive for him to Western Maryland.

Neal, like Long, understood what he was getting into. He lived in Minneapolis and attended Luther College for his undergraduate degree in a small, liberal arts school.

Dr. Robert Weber, chair of the political science department, was involved in his daughter’s undergraduate degree of the college at the time. Ralph John, mandated that the political science department hire an African-American professor, according to Weber. “I would have [hired him anyway],” Weber said.

Dr. Christianna N. Leahy, former director of affirmative action for the faculty, said that all of the three to five candidates who make it to the end of the application process are qualified to be professors.

The department hiring chooses from the final candidates the one who has been “most discriminated against” and will advance the “diversity” of the staff, she said.

Yet, she said, sometimes the minority pools just do not exist. For example, in deaf education, there are only three minorities in the entire country with a doctoral degree.

The communications, sociology, and philosophy departments completed faculty searches last semester. According to the chairs of the departments, no minorities, other than women, made it to the interview stage out of a combined total of approximately 750 applicants.

“We’ve been real disappointed in the number of [minorities] that choose to apply,” said Dr. Joan Coley, provost and dean of academic affairs.

Leahy believes “the college is committed to affirmative action policies... voluntarily”.

On the other hand, Neal repeatedly made remarks such as “The school hasn’t made a concerted effort to generate application pools” and “Do we have the will to do it?”

Caldwell said that the school has “placed advertisements in all the right places,” but needs to “be more creative.”

Caldwell said that he recently received a letter from a school, which he declined to name, actually asking him to teach at their school. He said he was “impressed” by the personal attempts of the school to recruit minorities and suggests that WMC start something similar.

Caldwell has been a member of the affirmative action committee for three years.

So what is being done to create a more representative campus as far as African-American students and faculty? According to Coley, all professor openings are placed in the Chronicle of Higher Education.

The school also tries to target schools graduating a high number of minorities with doctoral degrees in the discipline they are hiring in.

When processing applications, they are placed in a three-tier system of highly recommended, recommended, and not recommended.

Formerly, in some instances, applicants in the second tier would be moved up if they were a minority, Coley said. In these instances, the school discovered that those people were not qualified for the job, she said.

Caldwell thinks the area has something to do with the low number of minority applicants.

“Carroll County is not particularly coming [to minorities],” she said.

Also, bigger-name schools are able to draw minorities by offering larger salaries, she said.

“Neal believes the area has little to do with the lack of minorities, noting that the school is only 30 minutes from Baltimore, and 50 miles from Washington, D.C. “We’re not as rural as we claim,” he said.

As far as the recruiting of African-American students is concerned, the school targeted Prince George’s County high school graduates last summer, many of whom are minorities.

The 12 billboards, WPGC radio advertisements, and posters of the “Black Student Union “worked like a charm,” Director of admissions Marty O’Connell said.

Minority applications were up 25 percent this year, and 29 minority undergraduate students joined WMC this fall, 20 of whom are African-American, she said.

BSU members are involved in calling accepted minority students to recruit them to WMC, O’Connell said.

The college also buys SAT-scores by segmented applications, which separates the exams by race.

Prospective African-American students are encouraged to attend AF- AM Weekend, a weekend where African American prospects attend classes and stay the weekend to get a feel for the college.

The number attending last spring, which was the weekend of April 18, was six, double the previous years numbers.

In the six years that O’Connell has been here, she said AF-Am Weekend never has been more than 10 students.

“I think it is worth it for six students,” O’Connell said. Many attend the regular admissions day and can not take the extra time out of their schedules to attend.

Filling out your race on the WMC application is optional and all applications are judged on the same criteria.

Rodney Joyner was formerly in charge of minority recruitment. O’Connell said he eliminate the title when he came here. “Everyone has to be recruiting every kind of student,” she said.

SGA News Briefs
Western Maryland College Student Government Assembly

Open Forum
Monday, October 7, 1996, 8pm in the Forum
All Students are invited to attend the voice concerns regarding any aspect of the college

Student Reps. to College Committees
Congratulations to the following students selected by the SGA:

Mandy Hofsitter: Student Representative for the Class of 1999
Mike Gaston: Budget and Finance Committee
Becky Tothero: SGA Representative to All College Council

Openings are still available for the Curriculum Committee, the Food Committee, Honor and Conduct Board, Academic Affairs, Buildings and Grounds, Long Range Planning, and Student Affairs committees of the Board of Trustees. Contact Brandy Mulhern at ext. 8269 if you are interested.

Homecoming
Homecoming is October 19th, 1996. Anyone interested in helping on a committee, please contact Andy at ext. 8259.

Class of 1997
Congratulations to Betty Beaver for winning the Raffle for Stamped Crabs.

SGA Meetings
SGA meets every Wednesday at 8pm in Gold Room B. The campus community is invited to attend.

Have a Concern You Would Like SGA to Address?
Call the SGA office at ext. 631 or e-mail the SGA at "sga001@msl.wmc.car.muds"

SCHEDULED EVENTS

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Wednesday, October 23: 3pm-6pm Englar Plaza (in front of the Dining Hall) "TIE ONE ON" THE Dye T-Shirt event

Thursday, October 24: 18pm-12am Ensor Lounge (Upper Level Deckers) "MIDNIGHT MILK HOME WRECKIES"

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Grant to WMC will boost science education programs

The Howard Hughes Medical Institute (HHMI) has awarded a four-year grant of $700,000 to Western Maryland College, according to President Robert H. Chambers.

The grant from the Institute’s Undergraduate Biological Sciences Education Program, the College’s second HHMI award since 1993, will be used to support four initiatives in science, including the development of a graduate institute for retired scientists to mentor WMC student researchers, Dr. Chambers said.

Through the Institute for Emeriti Scientists, experienced science faculty, who are eligible for early retirement at other institutions, will take on WMC students as research assistants, giving the students valuable practical experience in campus laboratories working on a wide range of projects.

Statistical reports, according to Dr. Chambers, have shown that scientists ages 58-62, want to spend less time on administrative tasks and more time mentoring young scientists.

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"Western Maryland College is committed to making the sciences more available and more enjoyable for its students now and in the future," Dr. Chambers said. "We have a tradition of success in the sciences and we will continue to build on that strength with the help of this grant."

Western Maryland is one of 52 colleges and universities this year to receive a four-year grant from the Howard Hughes Medical Institute, which recently awarded more than $45 million to selected schools to strengthen undergraduate education programs in biological sciences. Only two Maryland schools, WMC and St. John’s College, received grants.

WMC was one of 201 schools across the nation invited to apply for this year’s grant program.

The invitation, Dr. Chambers noted, was based on Western Maryland’s outstanding record in the sciences. The institution is among the top 50 colleges and universities in the per capita number of students who go on to receive doctorates in biology and biochemistry.

In 1993, WMC was the only Maryland school to receive a grant from the HHMI. When the biology and chemistry programs were awarded $550,000 for equipment for molecular and cellular biology, and for an undergraduate research program that matched students with alumni working in area laboratories.

That grant also currently funds an outreach program linking Baltimore City high school teachers and students with the Chesapeake Bay Foundation and WMC faculty.

Through field trips to environmental sites and research with scientists at WMC, the two-week camp program is designed to spur interest in science among the student participants.

Since 1983, the Howard Hughes Medical Institute, a medical research organization and the nation’s largest philanthropy, has awarded more than $335 million, the largest private initiative in U.S. history to enhance undergraduate science education.

“Our goal is to get students of all ages, including women and minorities, involved in scientific exploration instead of just memorizing facts from books," Purnell W. Choppin, president of the Institute, said. "Courtesy of Public Information"

New computers in math classroom help students understand material

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Don’t worry they won’t miss a word. It’s all right there in front of them on that color-screen. Welcome to high-tech calculus.

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Visiting professors get comfy with WMC

Jeremy Lopez Staff Writer

Two visiting professors settling into your race on the WMC application is optional and Dr. Duane Pilch, climbed the Hill this year and join the “green team.”

Dr. Dufertal-Muzyvot is a resident of Baltimore who wanted to come to teach WMC because of its excellent social work program, which she could not teach in other colleges.

She has a Ph.D. in social welfare, a masters in social work, and a bachelor’s in psychology.

The professor has administrative and clinical responsibilities in addition to her teaching assignments, in that she is a liaison for students who are “getting their hands dirty” doing field work in social work.

Dr. Fuder-Muzyvot was recently published in a book by the Oxford University press.

When asked for her opinion of Western Maryland, Dr. Fuder-Muzyvot said, “The students are enthusiastic and dedicated. They take education seriously. I was impressed by their level of insight and intelligence. They are warm and wry people. Everyone goes out of their way to be helpful. I could work here forever.”

Another visiting professor is Dr. Duane Pilch, who is teaching biochemistry this year.

He comes to WMC from the NIC Bethesda Cancer Institute, where he had been doing research. However, when given a choice of the two, Pilch prefers teaching.

Pilch was impressed by the sophisticated computers which are available for his class to use. “The people are supportive, helpful, and friendly. The students keep the class interesting,” he commented.

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Biology professor uses sabbatical to aid marine life

CHRISTIAN WILWOHL
Assistant News Editor

Dr. G. Samuel Alspach Jr. disappeared from campus last year to help restore the Chesapeake’s dwindling oyster population which has been slowly disappearing itself. Since 1990, Dr. Alspach, Professor of Biology, has been associated with this Chesapeake restoration project, sponsored by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources.

The project involves testing and using different types of materials as suitable habitat for marine life, especially oysters.

Alspach emphasized the necessity of these materials, known as artificial reefs of these materials.

Alspach commented that the survival rate of the oysters placed in the Bay during the summer of 1995 was highest in the reefs consisting of coquina.

However, the oysters found on the concrete and shell reefs were the largest because there was less competition for food and space among the oysters on these reefs.

Alspach commented that climatic conditions last winter and continuing into the summer prevented the oyster populations in the Bay from successfully breeding.

The large amounts of snow and rain kept the salinity level in the Bay below the level needed by oyster larvae to survive.

Alspach explained that environmental fluctuations are a natural occurrence and that “one bad year doesn’t mean that we should stop doing this.”

Two students, Cameron Speir and Wayne Parks, worked with Dr. Alspach on the artificial reef project last summer. Their contributions to the project consisted of maintaining the oyster nursery tank, data entry and analysis.

Speir commented that “the status of the oyster has not been very good for several years. I hope the artificial reef project will help correct it.”

Despite the problems that have been incurred along the way, Alspach stressed that “artificial substrates are effective for oyster habitats.”

Over the course of modern history, the availability of a hard substrate for habitat of organisms in the Bay has declined.

Dr. Alspach

The upcoming play at Western Maryland College will make you laugh. Guaranteed, according to student director Eric Lyga.

A senior theatre major from Hampstead, Lyga wanted to do a pure comedy and it only took three pages of the script to convince him to start casting “The Hand That Cradles the Rock.”

“We haven’t really done a straight comedy here since 1994,” Lyga said. “So this stage was crying for a comedy and this one is funny, out and out funny.”

The Warren Graves comedy about a role-reversed, “Mr. Mom”-like couple and the “dreaded other woman” will run October 3-5 in Dorothy ElderIDGE Studio Theatre. The Thursday and Friday shows begin at 8 p.m. and the Saturday performance begins at 8:30 p.m. Seats are $3 for all shows.

The story revolves around a working wife, played by Roxann Ingram, and her husband, a home-based writer, played by Colin Forman, and their lives immediately following the birth of their first child.

A nurse sent by the hospital, played by Melissa Farrell, to check on mom and baby may be checking out dad as well, Lyga said.

“The wife’s mother, played by Amy Drebelsba, who would probably feel at home in a leather jacket and smoking down the street on a Harley, and the mother’s boyfriend, played by Grant Rice, round out the five-member cast.”

“T here’s a lot of banter between characters, a lot of sarcasm, which helps to make it so life-like,” Lyga added. “But there’s still a happy ending. After all, it is a comedy.”

The play, although it sounds like it was just written, a story of the 90s, is from 1972 and first performed in Toronto. Graves’ other work includes “The Mumberley Inheritance” and “Would You Like a Cup of Tea?”

“I’m really into it and I hope the audience feels the same way about this play,” Lyga said.

“The Hand That Cradles the Rock,” is Lyga’s second directing job at WMC in 1996. He directed “subUbia” during the student playwright last spring.

While at WMC, he also has directed the one-act play, “Purgatory,” and acted in several productions, including “Into the Woods,” “Vinegar Tom,” “Dark of the Moon,” “Eastern Standard” and Badger Zeros’ “Untitled #6.”

He is currently a cast member of the sci-fi musical comedy “Starmites,” which opens at WMC in November. Lyga, who was dramaturg for this year’s “The Cherry Orchard,” also designed lights for WMC’s “Pippin” last fall and was master electrician for Theatre on the Hill’s productions in 1996.

He is currently president of WMC’s chapter of Alpha Psi Omega, the national dramatic arts honor society.

Courtesy of Public Information
Honors housing not moving to McDaniel Hall

Kate Hampson
Staff Writer

While most of the class of 2000 was moving into Whiteford and Rouzer, thirty new freshmen were settling into Daniel MacLea as members of Western Maryland’s honors program.

These students had the option to live separately from the rest of their class, to live in suite style housing with the upperclassmen of the honors program. Many people feel that it would be better for all the first year students to live together. There is concern that the honors students are separated from the rest of the freshmen, finding it harder to mix with them out of class as a result of living separately.

“Your goal for first year students is to help them to make a social transition to college,” said Barb Horneff, Dean of first year students, “I don’t want honors students to feel separate from their class.”

Whether intentional or not, many honors students do feel separate from the rest of their class. They have to make a special effort to integrate themselves, especially as freshmen.

Whiteford and Rouzer plan activities together which the honors students are not involved in. This enforces any feeling of isolation first year honors students may have.

One solution that has been raised was for first year honors students to have a wing in Whiteford and Rouzer.

Director of Residence Life, Scott Kane agrees with this. “This meets both the goals of the Honors program and of the first year program. I think we should try it.”

Many students agree, “I think it would be a good idea for freshmen to live together in dorms and then come into honors housing later,” says first year student, Amy Hacker.

Students not in the honors program feel this would be a good idea as they do not get to know many honors students.

It’s like a family. If you live with a good group of people, everybody looks out for each other.

James Riggins

“Most of my friends are in Whiteford,” agreed freshman Nicole Hughes, “I think it would be better if all freshmen lived together and then separated in higher classes.”

One advantage for freshmen honors students is that Daniel MacLea is laid out in suites, in which there are a mixture of males and females, upperclass and first year students.

This gives the new students the freedom to interact more easily with older students who can help advise them as well as introduce them to many on campus activities.

“I only became a part of CAP Board because the upperclassmen in my suite persuaded me to join,” explained sophomore David Seydel.

The idea of having the honors students living together is to foster a more studious atmosphere.

To remain in the program you must have a GPA of at least 3.4 as well as take special honors courses which are designed to promote new ways of thinking. As these classes are generally more advanced, it is a great advantage to live with people who are taking or have already taken the same course.

“If you’re having trouble with one of your classes, there’s usually one of the top students in that subject living right in your suite,” agrees junior Ed Milliner.

The college wants to attract the most academically able students. The honors program offers them an opportunity to take more advanced classes and to live in a more studious atmosphere.

Dean Sayre commented, “I don’t think it’s special housing I’m afraid, the housing program is meant to support the academic mission of the honors program.”

The honors housing is seen by many to be for the privileged few. Yet honors students would argue that they earn it.

To live in affinity housing you must complete certain requirements. Each semester the honors program has to have an activity for the building, and one for the campus.

In addition, each suite must prepare an activity for the whole honors program. Most honors students recognize that the housing is a privilege which must be earned.

“Kendra and I have been trying to do above and beyond what’s necessary,” says Group Manager of the honors program, Janis Riggins.

While some students are envious of the honors housing, others do not feel that they are particularly lucky.

“Rouzer has more options for socializing” explained first year student Andrew McCord, “Daniel MacLea seems a little shut off.”

When Honors first moved into Daniel MacLea, there were only 30-40 students in the program. Now that number has nearly tripled and the program has grown too big for its allotted housing.

Honors already takes up the first and fourth buildings of Daniel MacLea, a suite in the second, and a house on Pennsylvania Avenue. Housing is guaranteed for first year students, but upperclassmen must draw rooms in a lottery.

As the size of the freshman class increases, the problem of finding enough housing is becoming more important.

“If we have the same building again and we get the same number of suites, that won’t be enough for 30 new freshmen” explained Jones.

Last year there were discussions about moving the honors program to McDaniel Hall. This sparked an enormous controversy, both within the program and throughout the campus.

Many administrators saw it as the logical solution. “Moving them out of suite style living would have united them,” said Phil Sayre, dean of student affairs.

The layout of McDaniel would make it easier for students to interact as they would be in floors instead of in suites. Yet this raised violent objections among students, who considered the suites the ideal way to live.

In a smaller, more personal atmosphere the relationship between students becomes more intense, they are forced to interact. “It’s like a family. If you live with a good group of people, everybody looks out for each other” agrees senior James Riggins.

However, the idea is for the honors students to live together as a group. The suites are more concerned with the comfort and size of the rooms than with the aesthetic pleasures.

“Old, interesting buildings also mean ancient electricity and ancient plumbing,” exclaimed honors student Michelle Quigley. Although many renovations were effected over the summer, McDaniel still has many of the problems that come with age.

There was also the problem of where the existing residents of McDaniel should live. The independents would have to find other housing as Daniel MacLea is meant for affinity groups, and the Greeks would all have to live together. With the huge influx of first year students this year there simply wasn’t space to do this.

After much discussion, it was decided that the honors program would be better off in Daniel MacLea for at least this year.

However, there is a trustees committee discussing the housing situation on campus for next year and they will discuss the possibility of moving honors in the future.

Community Circle Dancing

October 10 & 27
November 10 & 24
December 8
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Tuesday 8am-10am 11:30am-11:15pm 4:30pm-midnight
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Sunday 1pm-midnight

Congratulations!

Phi Mu earns recognition

The Phi Mu sorority recently received Honorable Mention for the National Clara Raynor Rader Chapter Programming Award. They were received this award because of their outstanding programming achievements, such as their Easter egg hunt, as pictured above.

Anita Kaltenbaugh, Assistant Director of College Activities said, "Bravo to the sisters of Phi Mu and I am sure they will continue the excellent chapter of programming efforts!!!!" Heidi Snyder is the Phi Mu president for 1996.

Trumpeters’ Spotlight: their own organization, Trumpeters

Have you heard about the Trumpeters? No, I’m sorry it is not a new musical group. Members of the Trumpeters are seniors Brandi Mulhern, Dan Woonen, and Leslie Huffer. We follow the motto: “For if the trumpet give an uncertain sound, who shall prepare themselves to the battle?” (1 Corinthians 14:8). The question remains, what is the Trumpeters? The Trumpeters is a campus based honorary society which was founded in 1944 to recognize senior women displaying exemplary qualities of leadership, integrity, and sincerity. In the later years, membership was extended to males.

Today, members are chosen in the spring of their junior year based on 1) leadership, character, and service demonstrated throughout their three years at WMC, and 2) most importantly, the potential for continued excellence through their senior year in all aspects of collegiate life.

This semester the Trumpeters will be planning to spotlight a campus organization in each issue of The Phoenix.

Contributed by Leslie Huffer
Dining Out with The Phoenix

At Baugher's Country Restaurant, the price and food are just right

By Mike Peskar Staff Writer

To quote Sting, "October goes on a cold winter's night"—this is an apt description of Hollywood this season. Theaters will be flicking with all-star pictures as usual this month. With the science fiction fever that's been going around this past summer, it seems almost sci-fi that more attention is being shined on more realistic films, some of which are based on true stories.

Though it has been conveyed as a supernatural horror via its prequels, The Ghost and the Darkness is based on actual events that took place in late 19th century Africa. Michael Douglas and Val Kilmer (The Island of Dr. Moreau) play two British hunters who must kill lions (not animal spirits) who are hindering railroad construction in Africa.

Despite its publicity and big-name leads, this film is hit hard with competition on its opening day, Oct. 11. At the top of the list is The Cider House Rules, based on the John Grisham novel, this film takes an attorney, played by Michael Pfeiffer. The former has an exciting all-star cast, of both veteran and young actors, featuring Brad Pitt, Robert DeNiro, Kevin Bacon, Jason Patric (Geronimo), Dustin Hoffman, and Minnie Driver (Circle of Friends). According to Lorenzo Carcaterra, the author of the book on which the movie is based, the story of four men who avenge the assault on them by a reform school guard is a true one. Also, Patsie's performance in this movie may get him the lead in Speed 2.

The end of October opens with the biographical Michael Collins, starring Liam Neeson (Rob Roy) as the founder of the Irish Republican Army (IRA). Also opening on Oct. 25 are Nightwatch, a remake of a horror starrig Nick Nolte, the spoof High School High starring Jon Lovitz, Stephen King's Thinner and, The Associate. The latter, starring Whoopi Goldberg, is about a woman who dresses as a man in order to get respect in a male-dominated Wall Street. Ron Howard's Ransom, a film about an executive's son being held hostage and starring Mel Gibson, Gary Sinise (Apollo 13), and Rene Russo (Tin Cup), leads into next month with an opening of Nov. 8. Also, upcoming is Think Like a Dog and The Cradle, starring Daniel Day-Lewis (Last of the Mohicans) and Winona Ryder, and a live rendition of Disney's 101 Dalmations, starring Jeff Daniels (TV's Redwood Curtain).

Next month also holds films on Playing God, and updates on Batman and Robin.

Horoscopes

By Heather Woods and Jessie Watts Staff Writers

(For entertainment purposes only, unless we're right in case we know what we're doing)

Capricorn (Dec.22-Jan. 20)

Although usually organized, the first of the season most ralleys you a little. Hitting the books will help you get over the bumbs of midterms. After that, it's time to dress up and relax. And hey, why not go trick or treating!

Aquarius (Jan.21-Feb.19)

"Good things come to those who wait" is your motto for the month. The first few weeks may seem as uneventful as a Moon-day morning fry, but don't despair, a big surprise is in store for you this Halloween. The big question, though, is whether it'll be a trick or a treat.

Libra (Sept.23-Oct. 22)

A theater near you movie previews

The Ghost in the Darkness will soon haunt spectators in theaters near you

By Mike Peskar Staff Writer

At Baugher's Country Restaurant, the price and food are just right

Forget Pizza Hut, Taco Bell and even McDonald's. When your itching for a break from Glar, Baugher's Country Restaurant will fill up a meal that may even beat Mom's.

"Meals cooked in the country tradition" is what the cover of Baugher's menu says with little red apples, green curtains, and a freshly picked pumpkin sitting by the register.

Leaving little time for us to think about our famished appetites, our casually dressed waitress promptly brought out the meal. The hot turkey sandwich with gravy was ordered and came with fries smothered in gravy as well. This was thoroughly enjoyed, as was the club house special, which consisted of turkey, bacon, tomato, and mayonnaise, served with fries. Sandwiches are priced very reasonably from $1.05 to $4, and include hamburgers, hot dogs, grilled cheese, and crab cake. There are an abundance of side orders to choose from such as potato salad, jello, apple fritters, and tossed salad, for 90 cents extra.

Prices for platter meals, $4 to $10, are also easy on the eye, and these come with a choice of two vegetables and homemade rolls. Besides the usual soda, coffee, and milk to go along with the meal, Baugher's offers homemade sweet cider for apple lovers, either served hot or cold.

Baugher's has some of the best ice cream around and the dessert menu serves up a long list of flavors. Home style pies come in assorted flavors from apple and red raspberry, to coconut custard and butterscotch me- ringue. The traditional hot fudge sundae and a slice of pecan pie were ordered and proved to be a sweet ending to the meal.

Baugher's can be found just down the road from WMC on the other side of Route 31. In addition to the restaurant, there is a fruit market outside that sells produce grown at Baugher's farm, two miles away. In 1948, Ed Baugher and a few farm hands built what is now the restaurant. When it first opened, though, it was nothing more than a "little restaurant and lunch room" to cater to the customers of the fruit market, said Marjorie Baugher, who married the eldest son of Ed Baugher. She said many college students dined at the restaurant when it first opened and that when the Colts spent their summers at WMC last year, they would come in because "it was the only restaurant in town." Baugher said that competition has increased due to the many restaurants built over the years, but that she continues to see WMC students come in, as well as the usual local crowd.

Baugher's is open Monday thru Saturday, 7:30 AM to 9:00 PM and Sunday, 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM.
Carlson returns from six month exploration of the sights and sounds of the Spanish culture

By Nicki Kassolis

The streets of the city are filled with people. Festive decorations adorn every street corner and shop. Men and women walk around in trajes de flamenco, dancing, drinking, and celebrating life. The people of Seville are enjoying themselves at the traditional Feria festival, and taking in all of the sights and sounds of this Spanish cultural experience in WMC senior, Ingrid Carlson.

Festivals and celebrations, the cities and the towns, the people and their way of life all highlighted the experiences Carlson had when she spent last semester abroad in Spain. Carlson has a dual major in political science and Spanish. For six months she studied at the Center for Cross Cultural Studies in Seville. The school is run by Americans, and though all of the students are American, Carlson was required to speak Spanish in her classes.

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Ingrid Carlson

Taking classes with other Americans did not prevent her from experiencing the Spanish culture and way of life. While abroad, she lived with a family in a middle-class flat. Carlson describes her family as being “wonderful,” and remembers how the “senora” would make her do shots of sherry at lunchtime to keep her warm on cold days.

Carlson lived in the city of Seville which was a location full of tradition and history. “All of the gold that Christopher Columbus brought from the New World was delivered to the river, el Rio Guadalquivir, which was right near my house,” says Carlson. Thus, every time this senior looked into Guadalquiver, which was only eight miles from Africa, and the Rock of Gibraltar, which is located only eight miles from Africa, and that allowed her to see Africa, an event Carlson describes as “amazing.”

For six months, Carlson was a part of a culture which remains distinct from the American culture. She lived as a Spaniard for a semester and her experiences have changed her. “Enjoying life is a higher priority now,” she says, “I take time to go drink some coffee or have a glass of wine with my friends.” Even though Carlson has returned to the WMC campus, the life she lived in Spain, the festivals and the celebrations, the people and the places, the language and the history, will forever remain a part of her life.

The Spanish look to their cities as centers of history, culture, and traditions. Spaniards take great pride in their traditions, according to Carlson. One such tradition is the celebration of Holy Week, a festival in which people spend much of their time in celebration. Since 99% of the Spanish population is Catholic, this religious celebration takes center stage in every aspect of life for an entire week. Carlson described the festival as “the most beautiful thing I’ve ever seen.” Statues of Jesus and the Virgin Mary, decorated with candles, gold and silver, were carried throughout the entire city as the passion play was acted out.

Carlson’s semester in Spain involved adaptation to other aspects of Spanish culture, including their food. She says in Spain they eat a lot of “meat, olive-oil, garlic, rice, eggs, and ham,” with lunch being the biggest meal of the day. Generally lunch is eaten in the late afternoon and then a siesta, or nap, is taken after eating. “For three hours in the afternoon, everything is closed,” says Carlson. She found that in Spain, individuals are not as neurotic about food as Americans are. She says in Spain they eat a lot of “meat, olive-oil, garlic, rice, eggs, and ham,” with lunch being the biggest meal of the day. Generally lunch is eaten in the late afternoon and then a siesta, or nap, is taken after eating. “For three hours in the afternoon, everything is closed,” says Carlson. She found that in Spain, individuals are not as neurotic about food as Americans are, but yet they remain very slim.

Comparing the Spaniards to the American people, Carlson says “Americans are more open and smiley and the Spaniards are very friendly, but with an air of sophistication about them.” She adds that Spanish people are not as concerned with commercialism and money as Americans are. She says that the Spaniards find joy in doing things. During Carlson’s stay she knew the people would often tell her, “Americans live to work, but Spaniards live to work.”

While abroad, Carlson took in many of Spain’s tourist attractions including castles built by the Moors and Tarifa, the wind surfing capital of the world. She visited the Rock of Gibraltar, which is located only eight miles from Africa, and that allowed her to see Africa, an event Carlson describes as “amazing.”

While in Spain, senior Ingrid Carlson learned more than history and language. She developed a deep appreciation for a culture unique from her own.
Highlights from the president's office

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Hughes Medical Institute, with a donation of $700,000 to the college, and Lockheed-Martin, a defense contractor based in Bethesda, donated $300,000.

The campaign’s efforts culminated in the Defining Moment launch held on Saturday, Sept. 28th. Captain Kangaroo's return to WMC and a laser light show highlighted the launch with the primary purpose of formally announcing The Capital Campaign's goal. According to Chambers, “The launch will say to everyone that the campaign is to some degree a success. It will give us momentum for the final push we need to get across the top.”

From the campaign's fund-raising efforts, $12 million will be dedicated to the construc-

In the middle of September, Chambers visited Hungary to welcome a new class of freshmen to WMC. This freshmen class con-

sists of 33 students, one-third of whom are from Russia and the Ukraine. “I am pleas-

antly surprised with the number of students,” says Chambers as he reflects on the total of 55 students who attend WMC Budapest. If the

program continues to progress as it has in the past, one hundred students will soon

be involved in the exchange, “an extensive program in a school with only 200 stu-

dents,” according to Chambers. Now that the students from Budapest have arrived in the United States and the program can

call a success, Chambers sets his sights on finding a way to get WMC students over to

Budapest, a process which involves many

decisions.

The start of this semester marked the end of a hectic summer for Chambers and the

WMC community. “Especially the dominant event was the presence of the Ravens,” says

Chambers. “Everything went amazingly smoothly.” Chambers soon expects to sit

down with the Ravens management to nego-

tiate a contract for a possible return to WMC next year.

Chambers did manage to squeeze two

weeks of vacation into his busy schedule this

summer. He traveled to Europe for ten days,

spending time in both London and Athens.

He also visited the Grand Cayman Islands,

where he was able to keep up with his scuba
diving skills.

Mister Doodle

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I turned the knob to the navy blue door of

the shower, and it opened with a blood-
curdling screech. I walked in. The theme

music from Mission Impossible blasted from

the shower head. Jesus, the stall was muggy

(not as if Jesus cared or anything). I could

see steam rising to the ceiling and I could

barely breathe. No one else was present in

my hands and I was alone and defenseless.

I hung my towel limply over the front of

the stall and slowly reached for the knob.

Knowing the water was going to be freez-

ing, I prepared for the worst. As it came, I

shut my eyes and ran out and couldn’t see because of the thick, gray steam. It was like driving in the

mountains during bad fog. This sucked. I expected

the door to stall across from mine and

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Internationals settle in at WMC

BY HEATHER WOODS AND JESSIE WATTS Staff Writers

Each fall brings new faces to the Western Maryland College, so many wonderful people to meet. This year, more than ever, these faces include young adults that are not only new to WMC, but are also new to the United States. These international students come from countries that span the globe including such places as England, Japan, Germany, Sri Lanka, Brazil, and many more.

Some students come to WMC as freshmen and stay for four years, such as Kate Hampton who came to the U.S. from England as a senior in high school and chose to stay for college. Others are here for only a year and serve as tutors for the French, German, and Spanish classes. Kerstin Bose, a visiting student from Germany, had applied to study in the U.S. through Chicago's Institute of European and Asian Studies, was selected for WMC and is currently taking classes for her English major while tutoring students in the German suite.

Like many of the International students, Kate and Kerstin have enjoyed the first few weeks here and have met many friendly students and faculty.

In addition to the individual international students, this year has brought to the campus the first class of students from WMC-Budapest. The approximately two dozen current juniors who arrived in Westminster only weeks ago, have been preparing for their journey for two years.

They began as freshmen majoring in business and economics in Budapest, Hungary, where they completed their first two years of course work in rented classrooms in one building with teachers visiting from other colleges and universities. Most of the students are citizens of Hungary, although a few are from other countries.

One such student, Jorge del Villar, a native of Mexico, found WMC-Budapest "academically exciting" and full of "great teachers" and is thrilled to be continuing his education at the WMC main campus here in Westminster.

Although they no longer have all of their classes together, the students from the Budapest program still see each other daily both inside and out of class. This makes the transition to their new home easier, yet at the same time some have expressed that already having a set of friends makes it more difficult to meet other students as they are not forced to socialize with strangers.

The students from the Budapest program and the other International students have formed a small community within the WMC population, although there was some initial friction as some of the individual international students, particularly those who have been at WMC for awhile, felt that the Budapest students were receiving special treatment from the faculty which formerly had little involvement with the International Club and its members.

Many of the Budapest students themselves see this, but believe it is a result of their familiarity with Dr. Chambers and Dean Coley whom they had a chance to get to know while still in Hungary.

Despite this strong conflict, which did not result in any harsh feelings toward any member of either group, the majority of the International Students-from Hungary and beyond-have become a close-knit group meeting formally at the International Club meetings and informally on campus and at Champs.

Many feel that these students are bonded together by their similar situation as newcomers in a foreign country thousands of miles from their friends and families. Because of this, they see and experience America differently than the majority of the student population who know no other way of life.

For the international students, it is comforting to know that there are others who share their views and feelings.

Despite this strong community, the students are quick to mention the wonderful American students they have met and the strong friendships that have already been formed.

Despite the cultural differences, foreign and domestic students alike have many similarities.

Pesky flies can do police work, too

Flies are always first to smell death, so just their presence can yield investigators a swarm of clues, according to one of America's foremost forensic experts.

Bernard Greenberg, sometimes called America's Father of Forensic Entomology because of his extensive, groundbreaking research in the field, presented "Maggots and Murder: Flies as Forensic Indicators" on Wednesday, September 25, at 7:30 p.m. in Daniel McCleaf Lounge.

"You can actually tell when the death occurred based on the type of insect on the body," Dr. Greenberg said. "Flies are sometimes there within minutes and are definitely presently within hours."

The insects then lay eggs which, under normal conditions, hatch in 18-24 hours, faster in hot summer weather or slower in cool fall temperatures. Scientists can determine time of death based on the development of the larvae, either inside or outside the egg. Dr. Greenberg said.

For example, in one of his recent cases, there were eggs, but no maggots present on a body found in North Dakota. Two witnesses had given sworn statements that they had seen the deceased alive at very different times of the day, many hours apart. Through examination of the eggs, Dr. Greenberg was able to determine that one of the witnesses was not credible at all. The eggs were too developed and the time frame couldn't match up with his story, he said.

Forensic entomology, he noted, is gaining recognition and experts are being called on in certain cases by law enforcement officers worldwide.

"The flies are always present," he said. "So we might as well use what they can tell us."

Dr. Greenberg, a professor emeritus of biological sciences at the University of Illinois at Chicago, is president of BIOCONCERN and scientific governor of the Chicago Academy of Sciences. As a consultant and expert witness, he has worked on homicide cases nationwide. Dr. Greenberg, who earned a bachelor's degree from Brooklyn College and a master's degree and a Ph.D from University of Kansas, also is a reviewer for the National Science Foundation's USDA research proposals, as well as many entomology journals.

An international lecturer on forensic entomology, Dr. Greenberg is a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and Sigma Xi, the scientific research society.

The lecture was sponsored by the WMC chapter of Sigma Xi, and the departments of biology, chemistry, psychology, and sociology, and the WMC honors program.

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Stone gets feet wet at WMC

By SARAH SNELL
Staff Writer

WMC has welcomed several new faces to the campus this year, one of which is Rachel E. Stone, assistant professor of deaf education.

Stone has been teaching in the field of deaf education for over 18 years at schools in Washington, D.C. and Indiana. When asked about her age, she replies that she is “old enough to teach.”

Stone is married to Ray Harris and has three daughters, Raychelle, 22, Raylene, 20, and Rayanne, 17. The idea of the unusual names came from her husband’s common name.

She enjoys teaching because of the discussions she has with students. She stressed that teaching is a two-way communication.

Stone received her bachelor of arts in art history from Gallaudet and her master’s degree in deaf education from WMC. She describes herself as “a history buff” who enjoys art, but her goals changed as she furthered her education. Art history is not a common subject at deaf schools, and she hopes her interest will start more programs.

She is currently working on her doctoral thesis about perceptions of leadership behavior by staff of selected residential schools for the deaf, which will complete her doctoral degree in special education administration from Gallaudet. She says her greatest difficulty in achieving her degree has been keeping her commitment, and interruptions that have occurred along the way.

Her hobbies include reading a variety of books, walking, hiking, and “getting my feet wet at WMC.”

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Campus safety and students meet face to face

BY RUTH BRADLEY  
Staff Writer

If you were face to face with a Campus Safety representative, what would you say? What do you think a Campus Safety representative would say to you? Here are some responses of how students feel about Campus Safety and how Campus Safety feels about them.

Students Face Campus Safety

Students seem to have an overall negative feeling toward Campus Safety, but do, however, feel good about the safety of the campus. Generally, students think the Campus Safety staff are too "paranoid," too "police-like," and exhibit a "lack of coordination." One student says Campus Safety is quick to incriminate and assume the worst from us instead of giving us the benefit of doubt.

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specific complaint on which students seem to agree is the lack of good public relations with the students. Most students think the staff needs to be friendlier and to realize that sometimes students make mistakes.

Campus Safety is quick to "incriminate and assume the worst from us instead of giving us the benefit of doubt," one sophomore claims. Another student suggests that the staff should not set themselves apart, but instead "act like they are normal people like us."

Improved relations between campus safety and Greek organizations is another suggestion.

Students are also concerned about the lack of Campus Safety staff in the office at all times. "They are supposed to be open 24 hours, but when I go to the office they are never there," complains a junior. "When I went to the office to get my parking permit on the morning of Sept. 9, the officers were all out giving parking tickets, so I was unable to get a permit" says a frustrated student. Other complaints include slowness of the staff to respond to problems, lock cut fees, and loud music coming from a Campus Safety vehicle in the middle of the night.

On the other hand, a lot of students feel the Campus Safety staff is good at keeping the campus safe. Several who were interviewed agree that Campus Safety successfully keeps strangers off of the campus. Among other favorable aspects, one student who was helped by Campus Safety providers says they were "pretty nice." Campus Safety was also noted for being helpful and understanding when problems arise. According to some students, campus safety is good at keeping policies straight and enforcing the rules. An upperclassmen says that "if you obey the rules they [Campus safety] are cool. It doesn't matter who you are, they enforce the rules."

Although many students have a negative attitude toward Campus Safety, there is also agreement among them that Campus Safety does many good things to keep WMC safe.

Campus Safety Faces Students

Some Campus Safety providers say student behavior is fairly decent and usually fine, yet others say students exhibit a lack of maturity and typical college behavior--most irresponsibly.

A majority of Campus Safety officials agree that a small number of students can ruin the image of all students. One official says that the students' behavior is sometimes based on whether they are under the influence of drugs or alcohol. According to a safety representative, "When they aren't influenced by alcohol or drugs they'll say 'how are you?' but otherwise [they usually demonstrate negative behavior] while under the influence and in the presence of an officer."

Some Campus Safety officials are annoyed by the students lack of respect for property. One official is irritated by the dishonesty of some students. "I really hate when students lie to me. If you work with me then I'm willing to work with you; and if I'm able to write a good report, then it's beneficial for me and for [the student]."

Campus Safety seems to be happy about the willingness of the students to cooperate with them. Officers say students are willing to cooperate in filtering out the "bad seeds." According to Campus Safety, they can usually get answers to questions they have about troublemakers, and they have a network of students who will give them correct information, which is helpful in dealing with numerous problems.

One safety provider has noticed the improved social relations between the officers and the students over a period of six years. In 1990, Campus Safety had the reputation of being "untouchables," but in 1996, dealing with students and issues is different and much easier. This safety officer wants to stress that they are people who deal with real issues and that they can be approached, face to face.

Military science salutes new professor at WMC

Karen Helmeyer

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While preparing qualified officers to serve in the Army, she would also like to improve and enlarge the ROTC program, and increase awareness of its advantages.

Furthermore, Helmeyer would like to "think dangerously" and take advantage of the college atmosphere and pursue a master's degree in Physical Education and Exercise Science.

If you happen to see Maj. Helmeyer walking around campus with her dog, Lacy, make sure you give her a Green Terror welcome.

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Sophomore Natalie Hannibal

Sophomore Natalie Hannibal leads women's soccer in scoring

BY JUNI EDWARDS
Staff Writer

"There are no stars, really, everyone can score and we all have so much fun!" expressed sophomore forward/halfback Natalie Hannibal, from Eldersburg, Maryland of the 1996 women's soccer team. Hannibal currently leads her team in scoring with 7 goals and 1 assist, and is second in the Centennial Conference just seven games into the season. She returns after being named to the Centennial Conference second-team last year.

Her amazing soccer career began at the tender age of four when she started playing with her brother and his friends. She played throughout elementary school and the first-team all-county in soccer, and the first-team all-county in lacrosse. Natalie Hannibal continues playing soccer and lacrosse at Western Maryland. She said that compared to high school ball, collegiate soccer is much more physical. Hannibal chose to play for the Green Terrors because she liked being close to home so her parents could come watch her play, and because there is not too much pressure playing on the team. Even though pressure does not come from the team, she says she often misses classes due to games, but her professors have been very helpful to her.

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Starting off the 1996 season, the cross country team has competed in three meets, finishing well in all three. The men have placed within the top ten finishers in each meet, while the women placed within the top 11 teams in their first three meets.

In their most recent meet, the Dickinson College Open, the men placed 10th out of 19 teams, and the women placed 11th out of 19 teams. The Green Terror men were led by senior Greg Davis, who placed 14th in the 152-runner field. Davis's time was 27:10 for the 8,000 meter run.

Sophomore Mike Cushwa finished 46th with a time of 29:02 and freshman Max Lojevsky placed 50th just five seconds behind Cushwa.

Junior runner and wife of the men's cross country leader, Kelly Davis, placed 13th out of 145 finishers for the women at Dickinson. Her time in the 5,000-meter course was 19:41, just 63 seconds behind winner Meredith Unger of Harvard.

Following Davis was Laurie Cicero with a time of 21:00 even, which placed her 41st. "I'm real pleased right now with the runners," said head coach Doug Renner. "We are building for the future, and we will be strong for many years to come."

In their previous outing, the Terror women were the top non-Division I finishers at Towson State University Invitational at Oregon Ridge Park. The men placed sixth out of 11 schools which fielded complete teams. Davis led the men again with a 13th place finish overall all out of 93 runners with a five-mile time of 27:24.

Max Lojevsky came in 44th for the Terrors with a time of 29:12 and Mike Cushwa followed in 47th place with a time of 28:17.

The women were again led by Davis, who came in third overall with a time of 19:20 for the 3.1-mile course. Laurie Cicero was 22nd out of 67 finishers with a time of 21:17, and Cynthia Callen finished 31st with a time of 22:14.

The Green Terror's first meet of the season was the Montgomery College Relays held in Rockville, MD. The men finished second out of six teams, and each runner teamed up in 17 pairs to cover four miles of the eight mile course. The team of Davis and Cushwa finished second overall with a time of 46:32. The Davis/Cushwa team was followed by the team of Brendan Henderson and Lojevsky who finished in sixth place with a time of 48:59, while Josh Beck and Rocky Birdsell finished eighth with a time of 51:37.

The women finished third out of four teams in the meet, with runners pairing up to cover a total six miles (three by each runner). The team of Kelly Davis and Cynthia Callen finished second out of 16 pairs of runners with a time of 38:35. Following them were the team of Michelle Garvey and Heather Huffer who finished tenth with a time of 44:37, and finishing only 11 seconds after the Huffer/ Garvey team were Laurie Cicero and Liz Clark.

The next meet for both the women and the men will be the Goucher College Invitational on October 5.

Sophomore Natalie Hannibal leads women's soccer in scoring
This fall, surprisingly enough, the only team that has started the season with a winning record is the field hockey team. Not that it is surprising that the field hockey team has a winning record (just look at the returning players from last season) but it is surprising that no other team does. Last season, the field hockey team was tied for third in the Centennial Conference, and this year they have thirteen players returning, as well as eleven new players. The squad only graduated three key players from last season: Heather Seaburg (Second team All-Conference in both 1994 and 1995), Amy Egger, and Sonya Shadrick. Returning are two first team All-Conference players, one second team All-Conference player, and an honorable mention All-Conference goalkeeper. But even though the experience and skill is definitely there for the Green Terror women, the competition in the Conference this year will be just as tough, if not tougher than before.

The last three seasons, the Conference has had three different champions. First, Johns Hopkins dominated in the south, then Gettysburg came along in the west, and finally, last year Swarthmore, from the north, took the crown. If you put all of these things together, you come to the one conclusion that there is "no easy win" in the Conference this season. The Green Terror are going to have to work harder than ever to maintain their winning record. Not to say that it is impossible because with this Terror squad, we may just have our best season yet.

But, the competition is steep from other schools because not only does WMC return 13 players, four of which earned some sort of Centennial Conference honor, but the Conference itself returns nine players who received first team All-Centennial honors in 1995, including the Conference Player of the Year, Danielle Duffy, from Swarthmore. As to other sports thoughts, a fellow student of mine walked up to me a few days ago and posed the question, "You know, Carolyn, do you think it will ever be possible for someone to have a guy's volleyball team?" When I went to answer my friend's question, I realized that I had no clue as to why WMC has no guy's volleyball team.

Maybe it is because of the size of the college, maybe it is because of lack of interest, or maybe it is solely because of lack of funds. In fact, that would be my best guess.

Gruntled, I am a female, so I really shouldn't be making statements about a men's volleyball team, but honestly, this is the first time any one has mentioned it to me. This tells me that not too many people have heard about it, which is just not the way to go about starting a team. If there is honestly enough interest in a team, my advice would be to contact the Physical Education Department about this, or even start a petition to ask the school to begin to gather the information and to organize a team.

If all else fails, there are always intramurals, which brings me to my last thought for this issue: Get involved in intramurals. Believe me, it is one of the most enjoyable activities for the athlete here on campus. There is no stress involved as to whether your team wins or loses, there are no daily practices, and no coaches to bench you. It is just a fun, relaxing time to let loose and enjoy yourself - whether you are skilled or not. Until next time, when I see you off the beaten track.
**Women's soccer team strives to better poor start**

By TOM GILL and CAROLYN BARNES

Staff Writer and Sports Editor

Coming off an impressive '95 season, the women's soccer team returned for All Centennial Conference selections, giving them a great deal of experience coming into the '96 season.

Senior Erin Murphrey and sophomore Natalie Hannibal return as the conference's top scorers. In conference action, Murphrey and Hannibal scored 8-5-2 and 8-1-1, respectively as forwards last year.

Adding more experience to the offense is sophomore midfielder Stephanie Van Deusen who scored 59 yards on seven carries.

**Football remains winless; 0-2 in Conference**

By CAROLYN BARNES

A building year is in store for the Green Terror football team as they remain winless after four games at the start of the '96 season.

The road to the Centennial Conference championship will prove to be extremely tough after the team's first 0-6 loss against Bridgewater on September 7.

In the 13-year history of the conference, no team has dropped its opening Centennial Conference game and gone into the Championship.

The Western Maryland defense had six takeaways in the contest, which were three fumble recoveries and three thefts. Senior right wing Dante Abron had 11 receptions for 107 yards during the match.

Abron was named to the Centennial Conference's Football Weekly Honor Roll after the Bridgewater game.

The Green Terror produced 521 yards and 30 first downs in the contest. Abron moved into sixth place on Western Maryland's career reception and receiving yardage charts with four catches and 107 yards. He now has 80 receptions and 1,071 yards for his career totals.

Sophomore receiver Tim Herb had six catches for 93 yards and the first touchdown of his career at WMC.

Quarterback Ron Sernarini ran for 34 yards, but had some trouble passing the ball as he completed only four out of eleven pass attempts. These four pass only went for 32 yards.

Another problem for the Terror during the Ursinus game was the weather in Collegeville. Showers presented themselves off and on throughout the afternoon, making it especially slick on the playing field.

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The format is 18 holes medal play with plaques given to the first place team and the low medalist in the tournament. The cost is $15.00 per person and is payable at the time of entry.

Participants do not need to be members of the golf team. The tournament is strictly an invitational for any women on campus who would like to come out and enjoy a day of golf as a representative of the college.

Entry forms can be obtained from either Carol Fritz at the Physical Education Learning Center (410-857-2575) or Megan Petruno at the Centennial Conference office at (717-399-4463).

All women golfers are encouraged to attend.

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Sandra Geiman, newcomer to the women's soccer team dribbles the ball down the field in preparation for a scoring attack. Christine Colobius runs down beside Sandra.

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Sandra Geiman and Colobius each added a goal.

The women are scoring large victories over difficult teams, why they are still losing as often as they do? the lack of success can. Van Deusen scored her first contest. F & M won in overtime 3-2 with Harulfbal scoring another added a goal.
Terror field hockey sticks it to their opponents

By Julie Edwards
Staff Writer

The Green Terror field hockey team is trying to overcome its opponents thus far this season. This is no surprise, however, the team finished tied for third in the conference last season with an overall record of 10-4, 6-3 in the Centennial Conference.

The team welcomes back thirteen returning players from the 1995 squad. Among those are a centennial conference first-team middle and back, a second-team forward and an honorable mention goalie. Senior midfielder Jodi Wagner, (Abington, PA) is joined by sophomore forward Katie Haley (Rockville, MD) who scored 5-3-11 last year in league play, to lead the offense. Kellie Mitros (Westmont, New Jersey) returns to the backfield to help sophomore Jaime Moyer (Sykesville, MD) defend the goal. Moyer was fourth in the conference during the 1995 season with an overall record of 10-4, 6-3 against mark and an 87.5 save percentage in just two games.

Although the men's team's early season play has been slightly disappointing, it is still early in the season, and confidence is growing throughout the team.

Men's soccer off to slow start in early season play

By Tom Gill and Carolyn Barnes
Staff Writer and Sports Editor

This season's start seems to be the exact opposite of last season where the Green Terror men started fast at 5-0-1, and then dropped down the stretch.

The men do have some key players returning this season, especially senior Rick Estes. WMC's beat Villa Julie at home on September 28 as they were shut out for the fifth time in eight games. WMC's beat Villa Julie at home on September 28 as they were shut out for the fifth time in eight games.

The Terror's two leading offensive threats are junior middle John D' Andrea and junior forward Jeffrey Patten. Defensively, the men are led by honorable mention All-Centennial Conference back Mac Wilson.

Also, junior Christian Abildso is back and hopes to break his team-leading 17 points last season. Abildso also had a team leading 13 points back in '94. The Terror men's mid-field also looks strong because of the return of senior Brett Edwards and sophomore Martin Oswieczima. Brett was third in scoring last season.

The men also have several new stand-out players. Junior Art Crouse and freshmen David Sampson and Justin Wiener have made strong debuts early in the season. Wiener is the men's new goalkeeper and has shown that he can stop the ball as he has registered 17 saves so far this fall. Wiener was recently named to the Centennial Conference's Soccer Honor Roll because of his 0.43 goals against mark and an 87.5 save percentage in just two games.

One of the men's main problems early in the season has been scoring. In just four matches this fall, WMC has been involved in a pair of 0-0 draws. The first was against Marymount at Lynchburg College's Blue Ridge Tournament on August 31. The second was against Haverford when the Terror team was started by a score of 5-2. Seniors Estes and Laurence both scored one goal in the contest, and Crouse and Ryan each had one assist.

The Green Terror's most recent loss was against Swarthmore College's Blue Ridge Tournament on September 29. The Terror men lost 0-3 against Swarthmore College. The game lasted thirty minutes into the overtime period.

Also in the Blue Ridge Tournament, the Terror men lost 0-3 against Penn State University. The team went on to win their next three games, beating York, Muhlenberg, and Franklin and Marshall.
Time to come home to Western Maryland

Western Maryland College is celebrating Homecoming this weekend, but the invitation isn’t just for its alumni, the Carroll County community can join the party, too.

"Of course, there will be a big game on the gridiron and this year the Green Terror will take on Dickinson on Saturday, Oct. 19, at 1:30 p.m., at Scott S. Bair Stadium. Student admission is only $5 a vehicle. Admission to the game is free.

However, homecoming is more than football and the fun begins with the annual Main Street parade at 12:30 p.m., led for the 12th year than football and the fun begins at halftime in front of the stadium’s Western Maryland Bowl.

And football isn’t the only important game of the day. The WMC volleyball team continues the Green Terror Invitational at Gill Center and the field hockey squad hosts Villa Julie at 11 a.m. Football halftime festivities include the naming of the winner of the James Braut Memorial Cup, presented annually to the WMC freshman or sophomore who has excelled in academics, varsity sports, leadership, and community service. Also, Ms. Fratant, Ms. Benson, and the homecoming court will be honored during a short ceremony.

Alumni from the class of 1996 will gather at halftime in front of the stadium’s Western Maryland Railroad caboose for its 100 Days Reunion Photo. Courtesy of Public Information

Deaf students upset at lack of TTYs available on campus

The liberal arts college in Westminster officially announced the campaign Saturday, September 28, during a day-long celebration of education and technology, featuring a keynote address by Bob Keeshan, TV’s Captain Kangaroo, campus-wide academic demonstrations, and an indoor laser, light and sound extravaganza for the students, faculty, and community.

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All your life you've been told that once you become eighteen, you are officially an adult. Yet, now that time has come and has not changed—still you can't buy alcohol, your parents control most of your life, and if you don't smoke, buying cigarettes is not cause for celebration. Yet there is one thing that you can do that makes you feel like an adult with some sense of control—you can vote. Of course, you want to become a responsible adult, therefore you should vote responsibly as well. Voting responsibly entails getting to know the candidates and issues and basing your choices on facts rather than whether or not the candidate knows how to accessorize or whether the issue is one that particularly excites you. The right to vote should be exercised each year, yet is especially important when the U.S. prepares to elect its next president. Because the president is so powerful and has such an impact on everyone's life, it is extremely important that each voter know the candidates and their platforms.

The main candidates for the 1996 presidential election are current President Bill Clinton and Vice President Al Gore for the Democratic party while former Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole and his running mate, Jack Kemp, represent the Republicans. President Clinton and his fellow democrats have chosen a number of issues to highlight in the '96 platform including a pledge to boost the economy, cut taxes, and balance the nation's budget by the year 2002. They also plan to improve the school systems in the U.S. and have stated that they have no tolerance for illegal immigration nor for crime. Mr. Dole also pledges to balance the budget by 2002 as well as cut taxes by implementing a simpler tax system. Republicans want the U.S. to be tougher on crime and illegal immigrants as well as bolster the standards of the nation's schools. Both parties have expressed a desire to embrace all citizens and to make their platforms "party of inclusion," while the Republicans pledge to fight any discrimination based on "race, creed, or disability.

Although their platforms have many similarities, one should not be fooled into disregarding the fact that the parties have very different views on many aspects of the nation. Among those which are of particular interest to young people are the issue of abortion which Dole vigorously opposes and which Clinton believes should be a matter between a woman and her doctor only and the issue of Affirmative Action which Dole believes is no longer necessary while Clinton sees a continued need for policies that seek to decrease discrimination. A hot topic today is the future of the National Endowment for the Arts which Dole wishes to eliminate and is an organization supported by Clinton. As for the environment, Clinton supports both the Endangered Species Act and the preservation of the Arctic refuge in Alaska while Dole would like to see a restriction on the number of habitats listed as endangered and would like to open the Arctic refuge for oil exploration. Although both candidates agree on fighting crime and decreasing taxes, their philosophies on how to do so are quite different. Clinton proposes stiffening gun control and implementing a college tuition reduction in the federal tax system, while Dole opposes most forms of gun control and pledges no increase in income taxes once he takes office.

Clearly the presidential candidates have different views on what is important to the United States government. Because of the power that comes with the position, it is important that the American people select a leader who shares their views. After all, the policies made in the next four years will not only affect us today, but will continue to shape the future of this country. Thus, on November 5, we as responsible adults, should take part in this monumental decision by voting for the next President of the United States of America.
Tales From Reality

Sergio Aguilera

That's it, boys and girls of WMCL. I can't imagine this anything. I'm sick of it. I know I want to keep it, but this is too much. I can't help it. I have to explain, I have to say something. This is like bad gas you cannot throw out; this is like a friend you don't want to see and he calls you one hundred times; like a red light don't want to see and he calls you ugly face on a nice body; like a big product for McDonald's, but it is something different, also made of plastic.

The whole world seems to be crazy about this girl who is too good-looking and too faithful; the girl who spends the day hooking up with all her boyfriend's friends (not 1 or 2, ALL of them). I'm not his friend but just in case I might be lucky, I'm still waiting for my turn; the girl who likes new dresses (and she's proud of it) and wants to live in New York (and she's proud of it) in order to find a lucky, I'm still waiting for my friend but just in case I might be angry... Here I'm not talking about Dole, Clinton, Perot or whoever there might be. I'm not talking about Roseanne, John Goodman or the Beverly Hills boys and the torture of their continuous reruns; nor Dennis Rodman dressed like the ugliest drag queen ever (no, like the ugliest person ever). It's something even worse. Here I'm talking about this phenomena called "Macarena." It sounds like a new product for McDonald's, but it is something different, also made of plastic.

I'm not complaining about the rhythm either. I suppose there must be some good disco song in the 30s Pop history, although I cannot think of anyone now. You know that originally the "Macarena" was a Flamenco song -- a "rumba," actually. It was a bad Flamenco song, but a popular tacky Flamenco song anyway. So if it is not the lyrics and not the rhythm, probably it is the song itself. I just would feel better if someone out there would tell me that she doesn't like the song either. If anybody agrees with me, please say something.

...Hello? Is anybody out there? Hello?.. Anybody say something? Well, anyway, I'm going to tell you what we can do. I just thought of something; we are going to strike against the song and it's gonna be like this: The next time that you are at a fraternity party or in a bar or a disco and they play the "Macarena" and those fellows with the brain of a toad start dancing, you are going to dance it too but the other way around. I mean, you start with the jump and end doing these silly things with your hands (it's not that I have ever danced it). We are probably not going to stop them from playing it every five minutes, but at least we might make the people a little bit crazier that what they already are. If it doesn't work we can always marry the tattooed drummer of a Hard Rock band... and then have a breast implant done... or join the "Macarena" fan club... or move to another planet.

To Be Or Not To Be

Ty Unglebower

"To be or not to be, that is the question: Whether 'tis nobler in the mind to suffer the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune, or to take arms against a sea of troubles and by opposing them, end them." I would dare say that most people who are familiar with English literature recognize the above line. Just for the sake of those who may not be familiar, however, it is from William Shakespeare's classic play, Hamlet. When the players at Hookipa Haleakala Hula Festival set Act III Scene 1. In this opening to one of Shakespeare's most famous speeches, Prince Hamlet expresses his dilemma. He must decide whether to stand up to his adverse conditions, or to take the more simple approach, to lay down, give up and take his own life. Upon examination, I believe we, as members of a free democratic society, can ask ourselves the same question that Hamlet grappled with, only on a much more allegorical level.

We are indeed privileged to live in a nation with many precious rights and privileges. One of the most important is the right to vote for public office. Therefore, being so close to November, allow me to discuss voter turnout in the United States, or lack thereof.

In the 1992 Presidential election, it was estimated that 43% of eligible voters actually cast a ballot on Election Day. This is not a staggering number. The irony is it is an example of some of the more voter turnout in Presidential elections in decades, according to some experts. To me, this is not quite something to boast about.

So the question is: Why? Why are so few people turning out at the polls? In both Presidential and "midterm elections," the answer is the same. It lies in the attitude of the people who do, or do not, do the voting.

The general argument is two-fold. The first part, and the excuse most often used, is the old standby by that "my vote will not make a difference." People feel that once they vote, their vote will not change if they themselves choose not to vote. And the above attitude only applied to one person, that would be true. But instead, it involves, according to some polling data, 30% - 40% of eligible voters. This, mathematically, can be quite a staggering number, when it comes to the polling place. A good example of this is the 1960 election. John Kennedy defeated Richard Nixon by about 100,000 votes. It was determined that if one more voter in every district in the country had voted for Nixon, Kennedy would have been defeated. Only a single vote. The has to ask, "If every person who decided not to vote that year had voted, what would have happened?" This is an extremely interesting question, often referred to, but no less effective.

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Gospel Choir heats up cool Westminster night

Mother Nature might be ready to cool off, but several area performers are just heating up and will be red hot for the October 26 full gospel extravaganza at Western Maryland College.

The concert, one of two annually which benefit Common Ground on the Hill, a non-profit traditional arts and music center in residence at WMC, begins at 7:30 p.m. in Aumback Hall, with a $10 in advance, $12 at the door for adults, and $8 for seniors over 65. Children under 12 are free. Also, proceeds from this year’s concert will benefit the Carroll County Mass Choir, which is preparing for a Christmastime cultural and musical exchange tour of Austria.

The 25-member mass choir, including members of the Union Street Gospel Jubilars and the WMC Gospel Choir, was invited for a Dec. 18-23 tour of Vienna. The mass choir will host its own musical fundraiser November 3, at 6 p.m., at Westminster Church of the Nazarene.

The Jubilars, a 15-member group from the Union Street United Methodist Church in Westminster and recognized as one of the most talented groups of its area, will be featured at the fall extravaganza along with the WMC Gospel Choir. Both groups, as well as the mass choir, are directed by Eric Byrd, a WMC music lecturer.

Also making another Common Ground appearance are the VersaTiles, a four-man group with an acapella, street corner-like sweet sound, according to Common Ground founder Walter Michael.

The group was a late addition to Common Ground’s spring 1996 gospel concert and was such a huge hit that Michael made sure he booked them for the October benefit.

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deficit.

"It’s a real pleasure to listen to them do their thing and the audience is just going to love them," he said, noting the group has been harmonizing for almost 40 years.

The VersaTiles also join Michael’s group, Walt Michael and Co., as well as The Sisters in Harmony, The Nichols Sisters, and other Michael’s group, a well-known and respected folk music ensemble which has performed throughout the United States, Canada, and Europe, in conjunction with the college to simply bring people together through the arts.

The Center sponsors concerts throughout the year and in the summer offers a one-week institute featuring a variety of workshops on music, dance, visual arts, and related topics.

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is deaf or if that the call is legitimate unless an officer goes to the scene.

"Last week when the power went out, it scared all the deaf students, including me," said Marilyn Arellano, a deaf student attending evening classes. "We felt as if we were deaf and blind. It was a terrible experience!"

She was with a group of deaf students in Lewis Hall who could do nothing but feel their way around and wait for Campus Safety to come with flashlights.

Arellano is another one of several deaf students who see the need for more TTYs on campus.

If she were in an emergency situation, alone, and needed to use one, she said she would be "stuck and scared" if Decker was on campus technology. "We know where we are going," Dr. Satu Kujala, a 28-year deaf student, said.

"The only building that has TTY is Decker," she said. "The only building that has TTY is Decker," she said.

However, he is unemployed and "We are building upon traditions that we have enjoyed at this institution for many decades. Now is the time for us to move to a higher level of selectivity, quality, and recognition. And that is something which we are determined to do.

The college, founded in 1867 and named Western Maryland, one of only 161 Selective Liberal Arts Colleges in the United States, enrolls more than 1,200 undergraduates and graduate students in it evening and summer master’s degree programs, including the nation’s largest graduate program in deaf education.

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Defining Moment launch at WMC

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More than 2,500 people packed Gill Center for the laser, light and sound extravaganza, Carroll County’s first laser show. The finale to WMC’s Sept. 28 Day of Illumination also featured an opening performance by Illusionist Scott Grace ‘95 and his assistant Jennifer Brown ‘95.

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The six-element campaign also highlights the annual fund, undergraduate and graduate scholarships, and renovations to academic buildings and residence halls. The goals also include additional endowed faculty chairs and programs, a special endowment for library acquisitions, and upgrading campus technology.

Of the $90 million the College plans to raise, almost $22 million is earmarked for the college’s much easier option. I, however, can choose to lay down and die, which, of course, is the much easier option. I however believe that none of those tasks would be impossible to overcome if the citizens of this nation would only realize that when people try, no task is impossible. The challenges we face as a nation would be much easier to overcome if people join together and attack the common threats we all share, while fortifying those positive qualities which unite us all. It sounds like a difficult task. And it is. But I believe that with hard work, and faith in our own abilities, we, as a nation, can tackle the future, and make this nation a better place than it already is. And it can all begin at the individual level, when that one complainer stops and takes responsibility, and says, "I am going to contribute. I will cast a vote. Once we learn that, and once such an attitude becomes the rule, and not the exception, we, the United States of America, will be ready for any challenge, if we only try.

Ty Ungieweber is a new writer and in the class of 2000.
Don't miss the next open forum...

October 21
In the Forum

Ridington
Lecturer really digs

James C. Wright, a distinguished professor and administrator at Bryn Mawr College, will present "Archaeology Sleuthing" at 11 a.m. in McDaniel Lounge.

Wright, a well-known and respected archaeologist and researcher, specializing in the civilizations of Ancient Greece, Dr. Wright will discuss "Archaeological Sleuthing" in Prehistoric and Historical Greece.

His passion for digging through the past was literally forced upon him as a child. When he visited a friend on a dig in England in 1967. In order to visit with his buddy, Dr. Wright had to pitch in with the excavation work. He was hooked and immediately signed up the following summer for more dig work, this time at an Etruscan site in Italy.

A few years and a couple of digs later, Dr. Wright began working in Greece. He has been involved with excavations there ever since, in Germany, in Greece, in the Sanctuary of Zeus at Nemea and also the port town of Kommos.

Since 1984, Dr. Wright has directed the Nemea Valley Archaeological Project in Greece, which is currently unearthing evidence of human activity in the area, beginning more than 8,000 years ago through the modern age up to 1990.

He also has participated in many other excavations in Greece where his interests range from the long-term history of societal development in the Aegean area to ethical issues concerning cultural property.

He has even done some archaeological sleuthing. In 1993, he alerted Greek authorities of the sale of golden Mycenaean jewelry in New York. Dr. Wright suspected the treasure was an excavation at Aigion and lobbied the public and state officials to put pressure on the dealer to return the items to Greece.

It worked and the jewelry, which then turned up to be from Aigion, was returned to Greece earlier this year after an out-of-court settlement. Dr. Wright's involvement in the case was summarized in an issue of Archaeology.

Dr. Wright has secured grants for his work in Greece from the National Endowment for the Humanities, the National Geographic Society, the American Council of Learned Societies, and The Institute for Aegean Prehistory.

At Bryn Mawr, Dr. Wright is Dean of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences and also is a professor in the Department of Classical and Near Eastern Archaeology. He joined the faculty there in 1978.

Dr. Wright served as a Fulbright Research Fellow in Greece in 1985 and also received a 1982 fellowship from the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, serving as faculty in residence at Philips University in Marburg, Germany.

He is a member of the Archaeological Institute of America, the Society for American Archaeology and the Society for the Preservation of Greek Heritage, and is a representative to the managing committee of the American School of Classical Studies at Athens, Greece.

A prolific writer on Greek architecture and civilization with a long list of books, articles, chapters and book reviews, Dr. Wright earned a bachelor's degree from Haverford, and master's and doctoral degrees from Bryn Mawr.

The Ridington Lecture is endowed in memory of William and Edith Ridington, both former WMC instructors. He joined the full-time faculty in 1935 and retired in 1973, while she began a 20-year career as an adjunct lecturer in 1957. The series began in 1992 and other lecturers have included: Theo Lippman Jr., editor, columnist and political biographer; Taylor Branch, social historian and editor; Madison Smartt Bell, novelist, and Reg Murphy, journalist.

Courtesy of Public Information

Welcome to Hotel Halloween

Illustration Scott Grocki takes over Alumni Hall's Mainstage for three days of magical tricks and treats, Oct. 25-27.

Hotel Halloween opens Friday at 8 p.m. with a frightening theatrical spectacular for adults only. Admission is $7 in advance, $10 at the door.

The Saturday and Sunday matinees, both at 2 p.m., will feature a program for the entire family. Admission is $5 for all seats.

Grocki '95 and his assistant Jennifer Brown '95 recently performed at WMC's Day of Illumination's laser, light and sound extravaganza. Grocki, who quickly turned his hobby into a full-time career after graduating from WMC, has performed nationwide for colleges and corporate audiences. The magic duo is currently working at a Florida club.

The magical duo will also be assisted by several students from the WMC campus involved in the theatre department.

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On 9/19/96 at about 12:54 a.m. in Lewis Dene drive Campus Safety investigates a motor vehicle accident where an auto driven by a student who may have been drinking struck another student’s parked car. Westminster Police investigate because the driver had fled the scene.

On 9/26/96 at about 12:54 a.m. Campus Safety EMT treated a passenger in the moving van for trauma injuries and alcohol intoxication who is transported by ambulance to the hospital.

On 9/26/96 at 1:50 p.m. in Elderdice a student reports theft from the storage room over the summer.

On 9/26/96 at 5:13 p.m. in Parker Plaza Campus Safety discovers a student for a medical emergency.

On 9/3/96 at 12:33 p.m. in Whiteford a student reports a theft of a VCR from storage.

On 9/4/96 at 8:02 a.m. in Rozer Campus Safety EMT evaluates a student for a medical emergency.

On 9/4/96 at 10:13 a.m. in Rozer numerous staff reported a bar room mirror shattered by vandals.

On 9/4/96 at about 3:30 p.m. in Elderdice an employee reported phone harassment from Rousier.

On 9/4/96 at 9:00 a.m. in Blanche Campus Safety observes two students violating alcohol policies.

On 9/4/96 at 11:40 a.m. in McLea a student reports phone harassment.

On 9/7/96 at 5:21 p.m. in Parker Plaza Campus Safety EMT treats a student for a medical emergency who is transported by ambulance to hospital.

On 9/7/96 at 11:04 a.m. in English lot Campus Safety observes a student in violation of alcohol policies.

On 9/7/96 at 11:17 p.m. in between Blanch and Whiteford Campus Safety observes a student in violation of alcohol policies.

On 9/7/96 at 11:50 p.m. around Gardens lot Campus Safety observes a student in violation of alcohol policies.

On 9/8/96 at 6:04 a.m. in Campus Safety EMT treats a student for minor injuries. Student transported by ambulance to hospital.

On 9/8/96 at 3:30 a.m. in Blanche Campus Safety observes a student in violation of alcohol policies.

On 9/8/96 at about 3:34 a.m. in Whiteford Campus Safety responds to a report of possible drug use.

On 9/8/96 at about 1:22 a.m. in Whiteford a student reports damage to her door decorations.

On 9/8/96 at about 11:46 p.m. in Blanche Campus Safety responds to a fire alarm.

On 9/8/96 at 7:34 a.m. in the area of the golf course a motorist reports her auto struck and damaged by a golf ball.

On 9/9/96 at 11:51 p.m. in the area of Gardens lot Campus Safety observes a student in violation of alcohol policies.

On 9/9/96 at 7:10 p.m. in the area of Decker a student reports theft from an approved delivery service on campus. He refuses to provide identification and is issued a trespass warning.

On 9/9/96 at 12:43 a.m. outside of the var houses Campus Safety responds to several students involved in a disturbance.

On 9/9/96 at 2:00 a.m. outside of Baker Chapel Campus Safety observes a student in violation of alcohol policies.

On 9/9/96 at 7:10 a.m. in Decker an employee discovers an unknown individual asleep in a sleeping room. The employee later discovered she had been the victim of a theft.

On 9/9/96 at 11:30 a.m. in Lewis a staff member reports the attempted burglary of three rooms. Nothing is reported missing.

On 9/9/96 at 3:52 a.m. in Whitford Campus Safety investigates drug abuse by two students who are arrested by Westminster Police for drug violations.

On 9/9/96 at 7:56 p.m. outside of Whitingford a nonresident is investigated and trespass warned.

On 9/9/96 at 10:00 p.m in Gazebo Campus Safety documents a nonresident vandalizing the bench in question.

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On 9/10/96 at 11:11 a.m. in Rozer Lot a nonresident reports a Conduct Code violation by a student.

On 9/10/96 at 2:01 a.m. in Campus Safety Campus Safety EMT treats employee for minor injuries who self refer to hospital.

On 9/10/96 at 10:00 in Gazebo Campus Safety responds to a fire alarm due to burned food.

On 9/11/96 at 11:30 a.m. outside of Blanche Campus Safety discovers a student in violation of alcohol policies. Also in this group are several nonresidents, one of whom is arrested for drug abuse by Westminster Police.

On 9/11/96 at 12:11 p.m. in McLea Campus Safety EMT treats a student for minor injuries who refuses additional services.

On 9/11/96 at 4:32 p.m. in Rozer students report a student in violation of the Conduct Code.

On 9/11/96 at 3:55 p.m. in Campus Safety a student requests investigatory assistance on a past matter.

On 9/11/96 at 9:24 p.m. in Whiteford a student reports being harassed by a nonresident.

On 9/18/96 at 12:51 a.m. in Penna.

On 9/26/96 at 10:54 p.m. in Gazebo Campus Safety observes students in violation of alcohol policies.

On 9/26/96 at 1:15 a.m. in Rozer Campus Safety responds to reports of vandalism.

On 9/26/96 at 3:10 a.m. between Blanche and Peterson students report seeing others removing a decorative banner. Investigation pending.

On 9/26/96 at 11:14 a.m. in A. N. Ward students report vandalism and theft.

On 9/29/96 at 11:57 a.m. in Rozer Campus Safety investigates vandalism.

On 9/30/96 at 10:30 a.m. in Campus Safety Campus Safety EMT evaluates student with past medical condition and refers to Smith House.

On 10/1/96 at 1:28 a.m. in McDaniel Campus Safety observes a student in violation of alcohol policies.

On 10/1/96 at 11:33 a.m. in Rozer Campus Safety responds to a noise complaint.

On 10/12/96 at 1:28 a.m. in A. N. Ward Campus Safety responds to reports of possible drug use.

The Department of Campus Safety would like to thank those students who assisted us by identifying the intruder in the posters, and contacting us. As noted above, he was taken into custody by the Westminster Police. It is through just this type of teamwork that community members can take action to improve the safety of the campus. In this vein, please support the efforts of CARE, the affinity group devoted to enhancing safety on the Hill through increasing awareness and more effective reporting. As an aside, students are reminded that prying doors jeopardizes not only your own safety but that of your neighbors. Don’t prop doors or allow others to do it either. If you see a neighbor prying a door ask them to stop, if you don’t get any cooperation, give DoCS a call. There are severe sanctions for this offense.

We would also like to remind students and employees alike that alcohol and auto are a dangerous combination. Walk, take a cab, designate a driver, or don’t drink at all. No matter what you do, play it smart and safe.

Finally, please take advantage of the campus safety programming in the residence halls during the fall term. Programs such as Operation Identification can help you protect your property if it is stolen.

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Homecoming
Winds of Change: What’s in a name?

By MIKE PUSKAR
Staff Writer

The origin of a name can often be found by picking up a names book in the local library. For example, “Michael” actually began as “Micha-el,” a Hebrew name for one of many angels meaning “He who is of God.” Yet, when a name is composite and abstract, such as a nickname, there is a lot of red tape through which one must endure. Well, the tape has been cut on the definition of “The Green Terror.”

The name first appeared in print in the Oct. 15, 1923 edition of WMC Monthly. WMC football coach Ken Shroyer is accredited with creating the nickname, although William Wilson Wingate, a 1918 WMC graduate, was believed to have used the term first in an article he wrote for The Baltimore Sun. It is said that Shroyer saw his players come running down the field in their olive green uniforms when he coined their name. The Terror, unlike a mascot, is not just a name.

Contrary to popular assumption, the Terror is not the school mascot. It is, rather, a name used to label an abstract force. According to Director of Alumni Affairs, Donna Sellman, “The Green Terror’s not a thing. It’s a state of mind of commitment to excellence and performance.”

The Terror, unlike a mascot, is not just to raise the spirit of athletes. Sellman added that it can exist “in any area” of WMC.

The school mascot is actually one of many various incarnations of “the state of mind to excel,” the Green Terror. One example is a two-in-one embodiment of the Terror. It was a weird animal who carried around a lizard-like puppet. Interestingly, out of all the mascots to have been created, the identity of the person beneath the costume of this one was the only identity to be described—all the others remain enigmatic.

The most enduring incarnation thus far that barely exists today is the bobcat character. Its image can be found plastered on old shirts, buttons, and thermoses on the WMC campus. One of this bobcat’s predecessors was of the same genus. The year 1958 gave the college a leopard booster.

The most recent personification is a superhero, The Green Terror, who has made several appearances in The Phoenix and has embellished many athletic congratulatory notes. His name will of course change once he realizes that “the Terror” is not his outward appearance but the power within him. This epiphany, as well as the introduction of a female host of the Terror, will occur in the new comic book anthology that will be published in the spring of 1997 by WMC’s newest student organization, C.A.B.A.L. (Comics-Art-Based Artist League). While WMC continues to remain without an actual mascot, the spirit and perseverance of the Terror remains on the field, in the classroom, and in the minds of students past and present.

WWMC in the Blood of Fourth-Generation Graduate

By VALERIE MEHL
Contributing Writer from Public information

What would she change about her life if she had the opportunity? “Nothing,” replies Young Alumna Service Award Recipient Caroline Rodgers Benson without hesitation. Given her extensive and impressive list of accomplishments, her answer is not surprising.

Since graduating from WMC in 1985 with degrees in sociology and elementary education, she completed graduate studies at Harvard University and Oxford, England in conjunction with New York University. Most recently, she has started her own consulting firm, Benson Group, Inc., providing program development and fund raising guidance to non-profit businesses and organizations.

Among her clients are the National Association of Independent Schools, Chesapeake Bay Foundation, Maryland Special Olympics and the Challenger Center for Space Science Education. Benson was part of a team that helped establish the Challenger Center, a living memorial which was founded by the families of the astronauts who lost their lives aboard the ill-fated space shuttle. She assisted in the program development and funding of 30 learning centers throughout the U.S. that provide classroom instruction and a hands-on simulated space mission for school-age children.

Her reply to the life course question might have been different, she says, had it not been for WMC. “I never dreamed that I would go to Harvard, study abroad, or start my own business,” Benson says. When she first came to the Hill, she had planned to be a teacher, and in fact, did teach middle school and fourth grade for two years at Indian Creek School in Crownsville, Md.

“WMC gave me a fabulous grounding,” she says. “When I applied to Harvard, they were looking for students who were well-rounded, not only academically but extracurricularly. WMC gave me that, and as a result, gave me the opportunities that have made a difference in my life.”

She is not the first member of her family to feel this way. Benson is the fourth generation of Bensons in her family to attend WMC. She was most influenced by her grandmother Caroline Fouz Benson, a member of the class of 1923. Benson fondly remembers:

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Homecoming football on the Hill—(1941-1996)

Head coach Tim Keating shares his comments on today's game against Dickinson

By JULIE EDWARDS

Staff Writer

Homecoming has always been an important college event for alumni to celebrate with the current students of their alma mater. At the center of this tradition is football, and Western Maryland College has a very rich history of Homecoming football events. In known Homecoming games, Western Maryland is 32-19-1.

Records of Homecoming games date back to 1941 when the Terrier's shut-out Dickinson 20-0. In 1942, Western Maryland repeated Homecoming success, defying Mt. St. Mary's score of 3, winning 3-0. The Terrier's won eleven consecutive Homecoming matches from 1941 to 1954 (excluding 1943-1945 when there were no football teams due to World War II) until Drexel crushed the Terrior streak, beating Western Maryland 13-34. However, just a few years earlier, WMC had managed to shut out Dickinson, winning 1-0 in Homecoming in Waverlyonderland. The day was November 3, 1951; the field was a sea of mud and snow and it was a cold day, with the wind blowing the trees. The Homecoming football event spawned her involvement in Homecoming committees which united senior alumni with undergraduates to share stories, memories and other social gatherings.

In 1941, Western Maryland defeated Dickinson 12-8 in Homecoming, with the win in front of 5,200 fans. In 1987, Western Maryland recorded a 13-14 loss to Franklin and Marshall, but Danny Blackburn excited the crowd with the longest pass reception in school history, 97 yards for a touchdown. On a brighter note, in 1990 and 1992, the Green Terrier's delivered upset wins over Dickinson. In the 1990 match, junior tail back Eric Fries dove into the end zone from one yard out with just 52 seconds remaining in the game as Western Maryland upset the Red Devil's 14-7. In the 1993 game, sophomore kicker Dung Dinh booted a 26-yard field goal with six seconds left in the game to lead Western Maryland past the undefeated Dickinson squad, 17-14. The 1992 game is the last win Western Maryland has received on Homecoming. However, in 1993 under the direction of the current head coach, Tim Keating, the Green Terrier's recorded the only tie in WMC's Homecoming history, as the final score against Randolph-Macon was 27-27. Western Maryland is currently 26-24-1 in games against Dickinson, who first challenged the Terrior squad in 1904. The 1996 Homecoming game against the Red Devils is sure to be an exciting game. Western Maryland is coming off of its first win of the season against Muhlenburg (27-14) on October 5. The Green Terrier's junior wide receiver Dante Abron was honored as the Centennial Conference offensive Player of the Week for the week of October 6, after he shared five passes on the afternoon of the 5th for 145 yards in the touchdowns. Abron currently leads the conference in receptions (24) and receiving yards (420). Western Maryland also had a team member in the Centennial Football Conference weekly Honor Roll.

By Missy Summers

Continuing Writer

calls growing up hearing stories about what it was like on the Hill during the roaring '20s. This rela-
tionship spawned her involvement in the Undergraduate Relations Committee which united senior alumni with undergraduates to share stories, memories and sometimes advice at receptions and other social gatherings.

The Alpha Nu Omega is the sisterhood of this tradition is football, and Western Maryland College has a very rich history of Homecoming football events. In known Homecoming games, Western Maryland is 32-19-1.

The sisters of Alpha Nu Omega are looking to congratulate all sororities and fraternities on their Fall 1996 pledge class. We would also like to extend a warm welcome to our pledge class, Alpha Kappa - Keep up the good work. The Omegas have already started an exciting year filled with fundraising, community service activities, and numerous cocktails including a 70's theme get-together with the Bees. We look forward to seeing our alumni at Homecoming and at our annual wine and cheese. Happy Birthday to Lori Mowen on Oct. 5 and to Janet Horford on Oct. 13.

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The Phi Sigma Sigma sisters would also like to congratulate our new members to the Gamma Psi chapter. Congratulations girls! The Phi Sigma Sigma would like to welcome all our new members to the Gamma Psi chapter. Congratulations girls! The Phi Sigma Sigma sisters would also like to congratulate all our Greek organizations on their Fall 1996 pledge classes. We will be doing the Walkaboree on Oct. 5, 6 to benefit the American Diabetes Association.

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Welcome Back Alumnae!
We hope you enjoy Homecoming weekend 1996!

From the members of the Inner Greek Council and Order of Omega.
By Adam Dean

It may seem impossible, but 1981 was 15 years ago. In their honor, members of the Class of 1981 were asked to recall their years on the “Hill,” and how the school has changed since they were students so long ago.

Though the changes have not been as radical as one might suspect, things have changed at WMC. Keith Taylor, a 1981 graduate, remembers the Quad as being “brown grass and mostly dirt,” and was pleased that the college “is in better repair now.” Taylor was a WMC homecomer and was most recently on campus for the Phonathon. He talked about the pub being a popular hangout for students of his era and a drinking age of eighteen. It was common for students to drink on the weekends to drink and socialize with their friends. One of Taylor’s classmates, Barbara Wahlbrink, remembered the pub sponsoring parties and selling alcohol to students.

Fifteen years ago the dorms were more segregated according to sex.

Wahlbrink also remembered parties being held in the Window Student Center which was, at the time, a WMC tradition. In the late 1970’s and early 1980’s Fortines House was residential and Wahlbrink lived in a suite. Fifteen years ago the dorms were more segregated according to sex. Men and women lived at opposite sides of the campus. Fortines was a popular midpoint between the two areas and many students would hangout in this building. In 1981, the only gym on campus was Gill Gymnasium. Wahlbrink remembered it as a “crummy old place,” and not nearly as nice as Pель, which replaced it. Taylor remembered that he thought the new gym was a “big change” since he had attended WMC.

Hoover Library has also undergone some changes since the early 1980’s. According to Taylor, “One big change was the size” in the construction of WMC. Enstice remembers everyone parking in the gymnasium and Hoover Library, but that it still maintained its small town charm. Hobart, who resides in Columbus, also met his wife, Kathy, a 1973 graduate, while a student at WMC. Hobart was able to experience dorm life once again this past summer while participating in “Cycle Across Maryland.” The cyclists stopped in Westminster and were housed in WMC dorms that Hobart noted as not being staged much at all. He said the only difference was that in 1971 the sexes were separated by building, not by floor.

Hobart will return to WMC this year for the coming home game. “There’s usually only enough time to catch up with my friends,” said Hobart, who will attend his reunion party.

Charles Moore’s involvement with WMC has remained strong since graduating in 1971, and he is now a trustee for the school. “There has been a dramatic and continued improvement in faculty and staff,” said Moore about the changes he’s witnessed at WMC. He used WMC’s Defining Moment campaign as an example of how the administration has become progressive, and that it is “the most far-reaching campaign in the history of the school.” Moore, who was a sociology major, said that he is also impressed with the curriculum.

One factor that Moore expressed disappointment in was WMC’s inability over the years to attract minority students and faculty. Moore has been instrumental in planning the reunions for his class, who he said was very active in 1971 and continues to be today. He said that he’s grown closer to former classmates through reunion planning. As one of the founding chapters at WMC for the national fraternity Phi Delta Theta, Moore also attended his fraternity’s 25 year reunion this past spring.

By Nicki Kassolis

Five years ago the world was an entirely different place. A different president lived in the White House and the information super highway was only beginning to take flight. Five years ago the campus of WMC looked different. Hill Hall was known as Memorial Hall and Hoover Library was just beginning renovations. These changes in life both at WMC and off have affected WMC’s Class of 1991. As the class looks forward to their first reunion since graduation, they look back on their memories of the hill. From football games to floor parties, the Class of 1991 has fond memories of their time at WMC. Danielle Zeyher graduated in 1991 and said the best times she had on campus were spent with her sorority, Alpha Nu Omega. Zeyher looks back on college as “a great experience,” perhaps partly because she met her husband on the WMC campus. Matthew Zeyher, also a ’91 grad, remembers when he and his wife were on the homecoming court together their junior year of college. The couple had just started dating and ended up tying the knot in Big Baker Chapel.

The Zeys have attended every homecoming game since graduating from WMC. Matthew Zeyher likes to return to his alma mater since “it brings back all of the good memories, all of the beautiful surroundings, all of the good old days.” Zeyher was a history major with a minor in business and names Dr. Rezn, Dr. Durzy, Dr. Ohl, and Ethan Seydel as his favorite professors. After attending graduate school, he began his career in sales. Zeyher credits WMC with giving him "lifelong friends and bonds that will last a lifetime."

When Danielle Zeyher returns to the WMC campus, she is impressed with all of the changes and renovations. “I think the renovations are great, I wish it was like that when I was there,” said this business/economics major with a minor in accounting. Zeyher remembers Dr. Milstein as her favorite professor and the person with the “most influence on my future.” Zeyher now works as a public accountant for the firm Deloitte Touche.

Another member of the Class of 1991, Dave Weaver, majored in studio art and art history at WMC. According to Weaver, “WMC allowed me to mature and to learn more about life, while helping me get out on my own.” His fondest memories of WMC are the football games, namely homecoming. As a member of the young alumni committee, Weaver often returns to the WMC campus. This year he will serve Bloody Mary’s at a reception for alumni at Harrison House, before enjoying the day’s festivities.

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To the class of ’71, some things never change

By Jen Vick

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The cyclists stopped in Westminster and were housed in WMC dorms that Hobart noted as not being staged much at all. He said the only difference was that in 1971 the sexes were separated by building, not by floor.

Hobart will return to WMC this year for the coming home game. “There’s usually only enough time to catch up with my friends,” said Hobart, who will attend his reunion party.

Charles Moore’s involvement with WMC has remained strong since graduating in 1971, and he is now a trustee for the school. “There has been a dramatic and continued improvement in faculty and staff,” said Moore about the changes he’s witnessed at WMC. He used WMC’s Defining Moment campaign as an example of how the administration has become progressive, and that it is “the most far-reaching campaign in the history of the school.” Moore, who was a sociology major, said that he is also impressed with the curriculum.

One factor that Moore expressed disappointment in was WMC’s inability over the years to attract minority students and faculty. Moore has been instrumental in planning the reunions for his class, who he said was very active in 1971 and continues to be today. He said that he’s grown closer to former classmates through reunion planning. As one of the founding chapters at WMC for the national fraternity Phi Delta Theta, Moore also attended his fraternity’s 25 year reunion this past spring.

By Nicki Kassolis

Five years ago the world was an entirely different place. A different president lived in the White House and the information super highway was only beginning to take flight. Five years ago the campus of WMC looked different. Hill Hall was known as Memorial Hall and Hoover Library was just beginning renovations. These changes in life both at WMC and off have affected WMC’s Class of 1991. As the class looks forward to their first reunion since graduation, they look back on their memories of the hill. From football games to floor parties, the Class of 1991 has fond memories of their time at WMC. Danielle Zeyher graduated in 1991 and said the best times she had on campus were spent with her sorority, Alpha Nu Omega. Zeyher looks back on college as “a great experience,” perhaps partly because she met her husband on the WMC campus. Matthew Zeyher, also a ’91 grad, remembers when he and his wife were on the homecoming court together their junior year of college. The couple had just started dating and ended up tying the knot in Big Baker Chapel.

The Zeys have attended every homecoming game since graduating from WMC. Matthew Zeyher likes to return to his alma mater since “it brings back all of the good memories, all of the beautiful surroundings, all of the good old days.” Zeyher was a history major with a minor in business and names Dr. Rezn, Dr. Durzy, Dr. Ohl, and Ethan Seydel as his favorite professors. After attending graduate school, he began his career in sales. Zeyher credits WMC with giving him "lifelong friends and bonds that will last a lifetime."

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Frantum honored with award
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tention about students who would make good math and science teachers. The Dean told him about me, and I was hired to teach at Glen Burnie High School based solely on his recommendations," Frantum recalls.

It would prove to be a recommendation that Frantum would easily live up to, launching a 36-year career that surpassed her own dreams and expectations. She progressed from teacher to supervisor of instruction to principal of the school, culminating her impressive career with five years as a member of the Anne Arundel County Board of Education. She has been honored many times for her service and dedication to the Anne Arundel County School System, including the Anne Arundel County Executive Citation Award, County Council Award, Public School Award of Excellence and the Superintendent’s Award.

After a long and rewarding career, Frantum is now content in retirement, enjoying the serenity of her 12-acre home near Annapolis where she lives with her husband and 99-year-old mother. She enjoys relaxing at her vacation home in Ocean City, following Orioles baseball, doing crossword puzzles, traveling—and working with the Alumni Association. She says, "I met people I haven’t seen since college and the years just disappear. It’s like no time has passed."

Though her career in education is now behind her, the institution that got her there remains in the forefront. "WMC is unique in its relationship between faculty and students. From the day my father and I met with President Holloway until the day I graduated, I never felt like I was just another student. The faculty and administration always had the time for one-on-one discussions. They offer the highest level of commitment that I believe any institution would be hard-pressed to match," she boasts.

"Western Maryland College was there for me when I needed help. It gave me an education that allowed me to make a good living so that I can enjoy my retirement. Now, it’s only fair that I do what I can for WMC," says Frantum.

In addition to travels around the world with fellow alumni, Frantum is also president of the Anne Arundel County chapter of the WMC Alumni Association and chair of the License Tag Committee. In addition, she has previously served as President of the Alumni Association and class agent. Her ongoing commitment to WMC was recognized with the Trustee Alumni Award in 1982 and the Meritorious Service Award in 1990.

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there are no long tables to sit with gram served that "There is something turn. "They should have a con-
more. For senior Amy Glasgow, also said she hopes Glar will keep
"breakfast is always good." She make your own unique food.
I Cate committee said, "The options are
Amanda Rose, a junior, said "They have a lot of choices and if you
students are also pleased with the selections offered. Sophomore
students. Now, members of the Englar dining hall staff receive
students. Their daily concerns in dealing with Campus Safety in return voiced
officials with their opinions, and
Students stressed the desire for healthier food because the major-
ity of the food is fried. Food com-
committee chair, junior Mark Resch, said that Glar is taking steps to
improve their service to students.
"They are holding seminars to help employees be more friendly and cooperate with students," Resch also said that Glar wants student feedback. "Two weeks ago I suggested they have paper cups so stu-
dents can take a drink with them, and they now have those cups," said Resch. "If students are quick to complain would just come to the meetings, then a lot more could be done to satisfy their needs. I think a lot of progress has been made and the food committee has a lot to do with that.

Glar Faces Students
Representatives from several areas of Glar expressed positive feelings about students. Jeannine Peregoy is a checker. "I think most of the students like the renovations of the dining hall but I also think they would like to have larger tables for large groups." Two thing that annoy Peregoy are food fights, and students who don't pick up af-
ter themselves. A recurring prob-
lem is that "The people in the stage area frequently leave their trays behind and have no respect for the cafeteria as a whole," said Peregoy. "The students in general though are friendly. I have become friends with the students and know quite a few by name, especially the sports teams."
She went on to add that "The students are biggest as-
pact of my job and I look forward to providing service to students."
Diane Thornton works on the beverage and food line. Thornton said the students are "pretty nice and generally good kids. I'm get-
ting to know the faces and some-
times students will call me by name. If a student says how are you,' that helps brighten my day, as well as theirs."
Like Peregoy, Thornton is disgruntled by the stu-
dents who leave trays and throw food. "The carpet is ruined al-
ready," she said.
Monte Lessard works in the deli. "I think the students are a great bunch of people." Com-
mented Lessard. "The young ladies are very caring and concerned and ask me how my day is," he said. "I feel the students are the same way. The ROTC stu-
dents are very polite. They are outstanding people."
The only thing that Lessard is the rare student who snaps at her, but is appreciative of about 90% of the students that say "thank you." Don Bate, commonly referred to as "the Brownie lady," is a stu-
cok. "I like the students. They are very courteous and polite and generally good kids."
The major problem he has with students is the fact that so much food is wasted. "What is wasted is a sin. There is a bite out of an apple or a bite out of an Italian sub. The amount of food wasted just hurts everyone."
David Grollman works with the vegetarian line and salad bar. "I love it here. I like the young vibes and like to see the students having a good time," said Grollman. "I don't have any problems with stu-
dents at all. They are all neat, take what they want, and are respect-
tful."
Gandall Clarke is a dishwasher. Clarke likes working at Glar and said, "It seems rather pleasant and the people are fine people."
but he becomes irritated when students put their trays in the tray return
sideways. Mary Roloff is the accounting operations manager for the dining hall. There are several things Roloff likes about the students, namely their feedback, when they pick up their trays, when the stu-
dents greet the line servers, and the cooperation of Greek organization during meal exchange. Roloff said she likes "the comments. I've learned a lot about vegetarians - that's why we have the vegetarian bar. I've also learned about vaga-
groups. One thing that concerns Roloff is pitturgy. "If a student comes to me and wants to borrow something until the end of the year that's okay, as long as I get back some kind of com-
plainers. "I like the students who want to do something about a prob-
lem."
The food committee was formed as a service for WMC stu-
dents to voice their complaints and suggestions about the dining hall. The food committee holds meetings that people shouldn't be taken for granted be-
cause they are convenient ways for students and Glar representatives to meet - face to face.

ASAP members learn the ropes
By SHANNON TENNY Staff Writer
Community is the foundation, cooperation, determination. There are several of the necessary at-
tributes for a successfully led or-
ganization. The members of ASAP (AIDS: Support, Awareness, and Prevention) affinity group learned these very qualities Sept. 20 and 21 as they embarked on an impres-
sionable experience known as Camp ASAP.
During these two days in Jefferson, Mo. at Camp Martu Ridge, members of ASAP endured an intense schedule of activities that reinforced their knowledge on HIV and AIDS, and taught them invaluable lessons on the fun-
damentals of leadership and cohe-
siveness as an organization.
On Friday evening members of the ASAP gathered at the site and advis-
or Bonnie Bolsey reviewed the organization's mission statement which proclaims: "Our mission is to create awareness and to educate the WMC student body on the dangers of AIDS, to support people living with AIDS and its ongoing research, and to promote safe and responsible behavior to prevent the spread of HIV." The group took a moment to reflect on each section of the mission statement, then dis-
cussed how effectively those goals were carried out thusfar by the organization. By performing this exercise, all members could ex-
press their opinions about the organization's successes and areas for improvement.
Bright and early Saturday morning Camp ASAPers set out on a ropes course. Through the use of hypo-
thetical situations with corre-
sponding activities, ASAP had a variety of tasks to complete. For instance, one activity consisted of a box where every-
one had to have at least one foot on it, since the box symbolized the highest point of land that would save the townpeople from a de-
structive flood. Overall, the group
Four Green Terror athletes honored
Week of Sept 30-Oct. 6: Abron & Estes

Western Maryland College goalkeeper Rick Estes and wide receiver Dante Abron were named Centennial Conference Players of the Week for the games of September 30 to October 6.

Abron earned the men’s soccer honor after registering his third shutout of the season in a 1-0 win over conference opponent Franklin and Marshall on October 5. The Green Terror senior made nine saves in that contest, and 14 more in a 2-1 non-conference overtime victory at York, Pennsylvania on October 3.

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Terror football wins first game of the season

Sermarini and Abron join to lead team in two different touchdown combinations.

Cross Country coach in midst of twelfth year on the Hill

By Tom Gill
Staff Writer

Doug Renner has been the Western Maryland Cross Country coach for 12 years. A WMC graduate from the class of 1980, Doug has evolved the cross country program into an extremely competitive level.

When Renner was a student back in the late seventies, he was the stand out runner in both track and cross country. "I always wanted to run, and I knew that I wanted to be a coach later on."

In his years at WMC, he accomplished the school record in the one thousand meter. "I had the record for a while, but now I'm sure some one has beaten it."

In 1987 Renner married Linda Marriott, a WMC graduate from the class of 1987. "It's kind of funny how the two of us met. An athlete of mine was engaged to a friend of Linda's and he forced me to go the sorority formal with Linda. Now we are married and three years ago Colin our son was born."

The year after graduation, Renner got a job at Westminster High School as an assistant indoor cross country coach.

From there, he started a recreational league track organization called the Fleet Feet Track Club. This club is similar to recreational soccer or football, where kids of all ages compete in their separate age brackets.

Four years later, Renner came back to WMC as the head coach of the cross country team.

In 1988 he became involved in track as the assistant coach, only to completely take over the track program in 1990.

"Since I took over, I gathered some of the best coaches I knew to form a great staff. Mike Whitmore is an excellent hurdles coach, Dick Estis and Becky Martin combined to cover all of the field events."

The '96 track team, Renner says "is a very strong team. They have a great bunch of runners who come out everyday and work extremely hard. "I don't care if you can't run the fastest. If you come to practice and work hard to accomplish your goals while having a good time, that's what I enjoy. True it is gratifying to see runner finish first, but I have no favorites on the team. They are all winners."

Renner really puts in a great deal of effort in the program and wants it to excel. "Track and cross country is a great place to be, we have plenty of uniforms, give it a try."

While working as the head coach for cross country and track, Renner also teaches elementary physical education at Faith Christian School.
Senior resigns from Western MD Honor and Conduct Board

BY SARAH SIEDEL
Staff Writer

Senior psychology and French major Carolyn Arney has resigned from the Honor and Conduct Board due to her differing views with Scott Kane, assistant dean of students and the director of residence life, on what is "honorable conduct," she said. Arney did not want to be on a committee so influenced by him.

There is some question about whether Arney was actually on the board or an alternate.

Neither Arney nor Kane were aware that she was on the board until she asked for a list from the College Activities Office of members to send her letter of resignation to and she was listed as a full member. For the purposes of this article the list will be considered correct.

Their dispute seems to have initiated with Mr. Mumbly. Mr. Mumbly, or just Mumbly for short, is Arney's cat, which is neutered and box trained.

Arney did not wish to freely discuss her problems for The Phoenix, but only wished to say that she had been diagnosed with depression. Mumbly, she says, is her therapy. Arney asked Kane for a medical exemption from the school's no pet other than fish policy in the fall of 1994.

Arney says that Kane told her that if she received a letter from a doctor telling that she needed her cat for her mental well-being that she could keep him. However, Kane said that he did not suggest this route.

Susanna Kuespert, a senior biochemistry major and friend of Arney's, attended Arney's meetings with Kane. Kuespert said that she would not swear to it, but said it was her impression that if Arney got the letter she could keep her cat.

When Arney received a letter from Dr. Aaron Katcher, a psychiatrist at the University of Pennsylvania, she read the first names of those whose shots were commemorated in the squares. Other speakers reading the quilt staff that their main job as monitors would also help visitors find particular sections of the quilt and box trained.

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Costs estimated to hit $12 million for new science building

BY CAMERON SPEIR
Staff Writer

Work on Western Maryland College's new science building continues as architects and administrators begin finalizing plans.

According to Dr. Ethan Seidel, vice-president of the College, the design process is nearing completion.

"I'd say we're about 95 percent complete. Right now we're trying to resolve a number details," Seidel said that right now administrators are in the "schematic design phase" in which the general layout of the building is determined. Next, architects will create construction documents which will have enough detail for a builder to use.

The new building will house the biology and chemistry laboratories, offices, student research facilities, and possibly some seminar rooms.

It will be located between Winslow and Lewis Halls. The Lewis faculty parking lot which now lies between the Lewis and the new building, will be turned into a courtyard.

Seidel estimates that construction will begin sometime in the spring of next year, although no one is sure exactly when. It is estimated that the project will take 18 -24 months and be completed in the fall of 1998.

Seidel believes that a realistic goal is for teaching to begin in the new facility in the spring semester of 1999.

Once the biology and chemistry departments complete their move to the new building, Lewis Hall will undergo renovation.

Seidel says, "Lewis will become a second classroom center on campus, like Hill Hall. It will house some academic departments, although we haven't yet done a space analysis to help us determine who will go where."

The college has budgeted $12 million for the new science building. All of that money should come from WMC's "Defining Moment" comprehensive fund-raising effort.

The campaign began last month and will officially end on December 31, 1999. The goal is to raise $40 million to improve campus facilities.

Seidel says the fund-raiser is going well with over $5 million raised so far.

No name has been decided on, although Seidel says it will probably not be Lewis Hall of Science.

Students volunteer at AIDS quilt

BY FAYE INGRAM
Staff Writer

Eleven years ago in San Francisco, the first quilt square to honor a loved one taken by AIDS was created by Cleve Jones. Two years later, this monument to Jones' best friend Marvin Feldman was joined by 1,919 others to form the AIDS memorial quilt in its first showing in front of the Smithsonian castle on October 11, 1987.

This October eleventh through thirteenth the NAMES Project Memorial Quilt was displayed for the fifth and final time in its entirety in Washington D.C.

After nine years, and an increase in size by a factor of six, the quilt today still represents only about one tenth of AIDS deaths in our country alone-a number topping 320,000. The quilt, composed of over 70,000 squares, measuring three feet by six feet, representing the size of the average person, stretched from the Capitol Building to the Washington Monument, with additional space allotted for new quilt squares to be added.

I hope that the number of quilt squares shows that AIDS does not discriminate against age, race, sexuality, or gender," stated WMC student Lisa Pershan, who attended the quilt as a staff volunteer.

The showing of the quilt opened Friday, October 11, with Vice President Al Gore speaking to introduce the concept of the quilt, and read the first names of those whose lives are commemorated in the squares. Other speakers reading names included poet and author Maya Angelou and Elizabeth Dole, among others.

This diversity of speakers helped to emphasize how great an influence the message of the quilt has.

"It is able to bridge parties and help people to understand that AIDS is not a political issue. It is a health issue," observed Chris Sloan, a quilt staff orientor from Northern California.

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**Soapbox, soapbox! soapbox! What's up my loyal and honorable readers? In today's Soapbox I reckoned on writing another bit on the SGA. Uh-huh? "No god help us nooooooo-oo-ooooo!" "Shut up!" "No, you shut up!" "Shut up dammit! I'll kill you with my twit!" "Ach! Ya yaaawwyy!" "Now be quiet you jerk!" Oh, sorry about that, that was my evil twin Gabe talking there for a minute. He can be a real pain in the bee-hind. I keep him tied up in the barn, but he's a clever little dolt and you never really know when he will get out. Nylon rope and handcuffs seem to do a pretty good job of keeping him engaged, however.

So, should I start again? Good, by now I expect most of us have heard about the whole big scandal involving Indonesian money somehow getting into the hands of the Demo- cratic party. Our most exalted and high lord President has done a remarkable job of ducking the bullet on this one while his challenger has not been able to make much of an issue out of this. Incredible, isn't it? This is po- tentially a tremendous weapon that has fallen into the Republicans collective lap. But by the way the Republicans have handled this case, I don't see much of a surprise that they have not been able to use it. It is kind of like giving an oozie to a blind man. He might hit something every now and then, but mostly he just makes a lot of noise no-

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**COMMENTS**

**RUMINATIONS**

**Michelle Hamilton**

The complaining never seems to end, and the list of jobs to complete seems to get greater. This is probably how most campus and group leaders, and even administrators, feel when a problem arises or when they are criticized for something within their organization.

While constructive criticism is often times a leader's greatest tool to identifying prob- lems and making and implementing changes, outright complaints, based only on partial knowledge of events and facts, tend to add to the dead wood that halt the progress to- wards accomplishing a goal.

Mary Roloff, accounting operations man-ager for the dining hall, said it best when inter- viewed for the October 19, 1996 Face to Face article. "Roloff also discourages silent complainers. "I like the students who want to do something about a problem!" the ar- ticle reads. It is so seldom that a student actually cares enough about a complaint he or she has to do something about it. People who want to fix the problem, not just sit back and complain about it, need to be recognized and thanked for their motivation and belief that they can make the difference.

I encourage not only students, but facu- lty members, staff and administrators, to look at problems through a different light when they occur. Instead of going to the leader of a group and starting the conversa- tion with "Why didn't you..." start with "Can I help you to improve upon..." It would be so productive if more people saw problems in organizations and leadership as an oppor- tunity to help improve the group rather than a chance to complain about how it's not meeting their needs.

It is easy to sit at a distance and criticize people for making a wrong call or decision. I would like to challenge people, before they complain, to first put themselves in the other person's shoes. From there, evaluate the options that are available. After thinking about the problem, go to the group and offer your solution. The solution, however, will probably need research, people to enact it, and someone to oversee it. See your solu- tion through, providing the leadership nec- essary to make it work the right way.

Only from experience can people learn how to make changes in a system that they don't agree with. With silent and inactive opposition, nothing will be changed.

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**The Soapbox**

**Adam Dean**

Soapbox, soapbox! soapbox! What's up my loyal and honorable readers? In today's Soapbox I reckoned on writing another bit on the SGA. Uh-huh? "No, God help us nooooooo-oo-ooooo!" "Shut up!" "No, you shut up!" "Shut up dammit! I'll kill you with my twit!" "Ach! Ya yaaawwyy!" "Now be quiet you jerk!" Oh, sorry about that, that was my evil twin Gabe talking there for a minute. He can be a real pain in the bee-hind. I keep him tied up in the barn, but he's a clever little dolt and you never really know when he will get out. Nylon rope and handcuffs seem to do a pretty good job of keeping him engaged, however.

So, should I start again? Good, by now I expect most of us have heard about the whole big scandal involving Indonesian money somehow getting into the hands of the Demo- cratic party. Our most exalted and high lord President has done a remarkable job of ducking the bullet on this one while his challenger has not been able to make much of an issue out of this. Incredible, isn't it? This is po- tentially a tremendous weapon that has fallen into the Republicans collective lap. By the way the Republicans have handled this case, I don't see much of a surprise that they have not been able to use it. It is kind of like giving an oozie to a blind man. He might hit something every now and then, but mostly he just makes a lot of noise no-
LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

SGA needs backing of college community; numbers matter to make opinions count

I am writing in response to The Soapbox in the October 3rd and 9th issue of The Phoenix. To address the article, I refuse your statement “An activist government is a joke.” SGA was once barely recognizable as an organization for students, however now the current dedicated members have revitalized the assembly to a level which involves students and provides a vehicle for students to voice their concerns to the administration. Although students may not utilize the SGA, the communication the student voice effectively for those who inform us, however the administration does not always choose to listen. One might argue, the next step would be to organize a protest to show our ideas down the throat of the administration. Unfortunately, we are twenty elected members of a college campus well over a population of eight thousand. A situation, numbers matter to make opinions count. At the present, we do not have the backing of the college and legislation to ensure a solid movement. It is tough to motivate students who do not wish to take action.

The truth of the matter in which you questioned, does the SGA have power? The SGA does not have power, but influence. From the many Open Forums held, we have put together over ten proposals. Not all were responded to in which we intended, however some made a difference. Briefly I will describe some of the positive contributions of SGA resulting from our Open Forums. The SGA is responsible for Englar Dining Room opening at 11:30am for lunch Monday through Friday. Previously, the dining room opened at 11:30am. By opening Glar a half-hour earlier, lessened the peak hours at which you couldn’t find a seat, let alone get lunch. The SGA took a Student Safety Watch (now C.A.R.E.) proposal of emergency telephones outside of every residence hall to the administration. The telephones were installed last year, and now assist in making WMC a safer campus and facilitate these visiting other residence halls. Students were allowed back to school two days prior to the start of classes. This was a result of a SGA proposal. SGA co-sponsored the Campus Task Force, which brought the sale of the Deep Blue Concert to WMC. To all those who partied on the Hill during Homecoming: SGA plans Homecoming and every year with assistance from the Alumni Association.

The SGA does attempt to address all student issues, however even the major issues effecting student life are ignored. A perfect example of the administration not listening, takes us back to last year when the doors to residence halls were officially locked twenty-four hours a day. Despite an astounding percentage of students opposed to the idea through a referendum sponsored by the SGA, the policy was implemented with one freak accident, that couldn’t have even been prevented by the new policy. To those not familiar, several individuals made their way into Blalock and allegedly were the cause of a confrontation involving WMC citizens. This situation had the deciding factor to lock the doors twenty-four hours a day, even though it happened at night when the doors were locked anyway. Anyone can enter a residence hall if they wanted. How many times have you let someone you didn’t know into a residence hall? These are just a few of our accomplishments. They are not phenomenal, however each has made a difference for WMC.

The SGA should have power. The reason why don’t we have power is that we are among the list of administrative organizations supposedly representing the student's needs. All College Council is one of these bureaucratic organizations. With representatives from SGA, IGC, JSU, BSU, and select members of the administration this small implements policies often for the entire campus. What is the point of this organization? The breakdown of this organization is not at all egalitarian. There are elected members from the entire college community, and selected members from three of the largest organizations on campus. Therefore, all of the college over 1000 has equal vote and input as organizations that make up less than 30% of the campus. Instead, this selection of events and administration dictate policy over SGA. It seems to me, as a student, I would want an organization representing all students, rather than swayed representation toward large group membership. All College Council exists only to voice the concerns of the administration through several brain-washed students. This is not a true pro-student organization. I recommend a merger of All College Council and Student Government to offer an equal proportioned representation of students, and to promote policies in the interest of both students and administration. SGA has now voted to go forward with a merger, to offer an equal representation to those who have you questioned, does the SGA have power? The SGA was unable to decide, however, the SGA did capitalize on its role as an influential voice. I had to take a step backwards to look at the situation form a more objective position. It is in this position that I realized that my insider’s view has lead me to take information pertaining to issues and SGA functions for granted. I know that the SGA has been building strength over the past four years, but does the student body? Do students know that in 1993-94 academic year the only event the SGA planned was Homecoming? There were no Open Forums, no SGA Earth Day, and the average meeting attendance was 6 out of 20 members. Last year the SGA focused on building a new foundation in the form of a constitution to replace an old document that had been authored in 1984 and had not been adhered to for several years. This massive undertaking proved to be one of the greatest challenges and, I feel, one of the greatest achievements of the SGA because what is an organization without principles or structure? This year the SGA has kept the ball rolling and has done more in the first two months than was done in the entire 1993-94 year. However, the question remains, do students know what the SGA is doing for them? Do you know why you woke up a day early this fall? It’s because the SGA heard a student concern and persuaded the administration to allow students to move in a day early so they could get settled before classes began. Based on these observations, I recognize that the SGA needs to communicate more often and more clearly with the student body. A challenge all of you to join me in an effort to improve communication by voicing concerns at Open Forums, supporting SGA functions, and taking an active role in college affairs and issues through the SGA. In return, I will strive to provide students more accurate and meaningful communication on the part of the Student Government Assembly.

Brandy Mulher Senior English Major SGA President

To send letters to the editor, please send hard copy of letter via campus mail to The Phoenix. All letters must be signed. The editor reserves the right to edit for clarity, length, and libel and to publish as space permits.
Sandy was curled in a ball on her bed, shaking nervously. She knew he would torture and eat her eventually. She squeezed the comforter that covered her chin and ears. The wind whined like a freight train and the trees slapped the windows. Thunder exploded like a million fireworks as lightning penetrated her room.

Sandy's room was filled with dolls and toys and the pink walls were as clear as a summer sky. Her snow-white carpet showed spirit and life. The rain came down in sheets trying to burst through the roof. The attic creaked and she heard tiny footsteps scitter across the floor. She thought her mom had called the exterminator to kill all the mice.

"I'm very hungry Sandy. I like little girls, their soft pink flesh. She knew it was laughable. If you desire to use either Multimedia room in Hill Hall, room 104 or 110, and wish to use the VCR or Laser Disk player, you will need to sign for a key at the podium. This can be done after making your room reservation request through Diane Morris. Keys Must be returned within 24 hours after the scheduled meeting time.

The door slowly squeaked open. She could see the shadow of the beast. Its breath smelled like rotten eggs. Its back was hunched and it was covered with dark, mangy, black hair. Its ears were pointed and wrinkly. Its eyes were red and its fangs were six inches long and a mustard yellow. The nose was two black holes and it had long yellow claws on its hairy hands and feet. The monster's pointed tongue was black with green dots and slicked back and forth.

It leaped as fast as lightning onto the little girl, piercing her beneath him. A giant squirmy head protruded from its mouth saying, "your one of us now..." Sandy screamed as millions of tiny teeth were exposed. The thing put it's whole mouth around Sandy's head. Its breath smelled like rotten eggs.

The next thing Sandy knew she was awake and didn't know where she was. Looking around she realized she was in a cave where everything was brown. Rotten corpses were piled in one corner and beasts, like the one in her closet, were huddled around a fire. They looked at her and grunted. She looked down at her features and screamed. The monster had overcome poor Sandy's fate - she was eternally damned.

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Sandy retreated further under her blankets. She knew the monster was right though. Her dad checked the closet numerous times and found nothing.

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WMC dedicates computer graphics lab in Peterson Hall

Western Maryland College has dedicated its computer graphics laboratory in honor of a gift from Janet and Henry Lewis of Reisterstown, announced President Robert H. Chambers.

"We are honored that we can show our appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. Lewis for their support of our College," said Dr. Chambers. "The Lewis Computer Graphics Lab is a fitting tribute to Mrs. Lewis as an artist and a supporter of WMC."

Mrs. Lewis, a 1952 graduate of the liberal arts college in Westminster, is an amateur nature and wildlife photographer and has exhibited her work at the College, as well as throughout the community.

Her work includes photographic expeditions to Africa, Australia, Argentina, Alaska, and other areas of the United States. Mr. Lewis is owner of Henry H. Lewis Contractors, Inc., the principal construction firm for WMC's Hoover Library.

The Robert Janet High '52 and Henry Lewis Computer Graphics Lab, located on the ground floor of Peterson Hall, "enables art students to design pages without paper, draft type without ink and mix colors without paint," said Susan Bloom, associate professor of art and chair of art and art history department.

"As an artist I'm always excited about a clean canvas or a fresh drawing pad. The Lewis graphics lab provides us with great new tools for re-creating ourselves and showcasing the College's imaginative program for the arts."

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Student receives AIFS scholarship

Elizabeth Valiet from White Lake, MI is studying abroad this semester at the University of Salzburg in Austria with a scholarship from the American Institute For Foreign Study (AIFS).

The Political Science/German/Business Administration major from Western Maryland College is one of 50 AIFS International Scholars to receive a $1,000 scholarship for the fall semester. All recipients are selected by AIFS of Greenwich, CT.

To qualify, Elizabeth held a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA, met admissions criteria for acceptance into AIFS overseas programs and submitted an essay on why study abroad is beneficial to American Students.

AIFS organizes study abroad programs for nearly 3,000 college students annually. Since the organization was founded in 194, more than 850,000 students and teachers have participated in AIFS worldwide programs.

While in Salzburg, Elizabeth has the option of studying German, business, economics and humanities offered in English and German.

AIFS organizes additional excursions and opportunities for American students to mix with Austrian peers. A full-time, on-site Resident Director is always available to help.

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WMC students volunteer at AIDS Memorial Quilt

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Photographs of the AIDS Memorial Quilt, the largest public AIDS memorial, were taken by Roberta Oram (left) and Alene McCollum during the 1994 National AIDS Quilt Show at the National Mall in Washington, D.C. The quilts hanging in the Mall were made by volunteers who have dedicated their lives to fighting AIDS.

The quilts were on display at the National Mall for several months, and many of the visitors to the exhibit were moved by the beauty and emotion of the quilts. The quilts were created by thousands of people, and each quilt tells a different story about someone who has been affected by AIDS.

The AIDS Memorial Quilt is a powerful symbol of hope and support for those affected by AIDS.

Senior Resigns Honor & Cond. Board

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WMC series features a world of music

The Monday Night Music Series at Western Maryland College will present a little bit of Europe, a taste of the United States and a pinch of South America on Monday, Nov. 11, at 7 p.m., in Little Baker Chapel.


The program includes late pieces by John Dowland and Luis Milan, songs by Stephen Foster, romantic guitar works of Francisco Tarrega, as well as South American favorites. Monday Night Music is a series featuring performers from the college's music department faculty in a concert/lecture setting exploring topics that might not be covered in the usual classroom.

COURTESY OF PUBLIC INFORMATION
Area High School Students celebrate German-American Day at WMC

Ray Walker & Dr. D. Mohamed El
Contributing Writers

Every year in the first week of October, German-Americans celebrate their ethnic holiday, German-American Day.

German-American Day has been formally observed annually since 1987, when President Reagan signed the first Presidential Proclamation commemorating the significant contributions made by Americans of German heritage.

On October 4, Western Maryland College hosted German-American Day for the second year in a row. The focus of this year’s German-American Day was the Austrian Millennium (996-1996) which celebrates Austria’s one thousand years of existence.

The German-American Day at Western Maryland College started with a bang when bus loads of energetic high school students were unloaded in front of Alumni Hall.

The students all had foreign language background in German and were eager to see the program and also get a glimpse of college life. Among the high school students were also 18 exchange students and two of their teachers from Staufen, Germany who are guests at the McDonogh School for one month.

The students were welcomed by Dr. Mohamed El, German Professor, but the welcomes didn’t stop there. Dr. Chambers also greeted these potential students and gave them a sense of WMC pride.

Peter McDowell, the Director of Secondary Education for Carroll County shared his enthusiasm about the program, as did Dr. Thomas Deveny, the Foreign Language Department Chair.

After the high school students were sufficiently welcomed, Dr. Julie Radleke, Professor of Art and Art History dazzled them with a slide show, “Art in Vienna around 1900.”

She discussed the major art movements and prominent artists from the period such as Oskar Kokoschka, Gustav Klimt and Eugen Schiele.

Upon the conclusion of the slide show, Helmut Jabsch, an Austrian guitarist and composer, played a few selections featuring works by Bach and Schubert.

The first piece he played was written by Bach for a harp-sichord.

Jabsch liked the piece so much he reworked it for the guitar.

During his performance, all that could be heard in Alumni Hall was his music—everyone was silent.

The students were allowed a slight respite at this point before the greetings went into their second round. Dan Heldt, President of the German Club, and Kerstin Böwe, Director of the German Suite, welcomed the students again to the WMC campus.

This second greeting paved the way for Dr. Martin Eichinger, Director of the Austrian Press and Information Service in Washington D.C.

Dr. Eichinger gave a lecture, “Austrian Millennium and Austria’s Place in Europe,” which summed up the reason for the days celebration.

Afterwards, the students purchased lunch from Engel Dining Hall.

The high school students were seated at tables with a faculty professor and a student in the WMC German program so that any questions they might have could be answered.

A concert “Great my Vienna” with songs of Schubert and favorite songs from Vienna followed lunch.

The concert was given by Lewis Garnett, Baritone and Frank Conlon, Pianist.

At the end of the program, Wasci Palijczuk, Artist and Professor of Art at WMC accompanied 80 high school students, their teachers and chaperones to the Art Gallery and gave a short presentation on his Art Exhibit “Rescued by Art: A 30-Years Odyssey.”

His presentation and exhibit were very well received.

This year’s German-American Day that was sponsored by Provost Coley, Admissions Office, German Club and Suite, Foreign Languages Department and the Austrian Cultural Institute in New York was a big success for WMC.

Dr. El received numerous thank you letters from the many high school students who attended the event.

He intends to repeat the event every year by focusing on a different aspect of the culture and history German-speaking Europe and its relations to the USA and WMC.

Students voice opinions at open forum held by SGA

Christian Wilmor Assistant News Editor

The SGA recently sponsored a Student Forum as a follow-up to its Open Forum held a few weeks ago. At this forum, students discussed proposals and solutions to the issues and problems brought up at the Open Forum.

The SGA will submit these proposals and solutions to the appropriate administrators and request their feedback.

Students continued to debate the seating arrangement in GLAR. After last January’s renovations, the student减少了 were replaced with smaller square and round tables.

Sophomore Mandy Hofsiefer commented that she liked the “combination of the old and the new” seating arrangement in GLAR.

After students expressed the need for more round tables in GLAR, while some students expressed that the existing arrangement is adequate.

Some students voiced that they would like to have WMCF broadcasted in Decker College Center again.

Senior Randy Ryser asserted that “no one will listen to our show unless it’s on in Decker.”

The students at the forum expressed the need to fix this problem, which would improve college relations and boost interest in the radio.

Again, students addressed the poster policy in the residence halls.

Some students explained that hanging posters in the residence halls ought to be the students’ responsibility and not the RA’s.

Others questioned the purpose of this policy as censorship, however, Scott Kane affirmed at the Open Forum that censorship was not the policy’s objective.

An RA at the Student Forum commented that “RA’s do not get the posters in a timely fashion and that the procedure is not efficient.”

The RA further explained that the new policy “creates a lot of unnecessary, extra work.”

Regarding the new alcohol violations sanctions proposal, Senior Ryan John mentioned that “some things need to be more specified.”

Exhibit shows off America most people have never known

“American Pictures” shows this country most people don’t like to see, a side that many don’t want to admit really exists, according to the program’s producer.

The highly-acclaimed multimedia journey through the American underclass is coming to Western Maryland College, Monday, Nov. 18, at 7 p.m., in Alumni Hall. Admission is $3 with all proceeds benefitting area charities.

Jacob Holdt, a Danish photographer, spent five years roaming America staying with the poorest sharecroppers, drug pushers, magicians, as well as some of the country’s wealthiest families, including the Rockefellers, to highlight the vast contrasts.

The show was created from more than 15,000 photos taken during his trek, which began in the 1970s and continued in the 1990s.

Holdt, a self-described Danish vagabond who hitchhiked more than 118,000 miles, started out with only $40 and sold broccoli twice a week to buy food.

Besides portraits of the people he lived with he also followed criminals in the ghettos during muggings, snuck inside to work in southern slave camps for migrant workers, joined the Native American rebellion at Wounded Knee, and infiltrated Ko Klux Klan meetings.

Along with the KKK rally photos, Holdt also secretly taped a meeting. The chilling, sometimes bloody-audio is part of his “American Pictures.”

“American Pictures” is Holdt’s in-depth, poignant analysis in music, words and pictures of the country he witnessed and “most have never known.”

It has been shown in 200 colleges and universities across the country, including 11 times at Harvard, 12 at Cornell, seven at Stanford and Yale, and 17 times at University of California-Berkeley.

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Possibilities

"I shall be telling this with a sigh somewhere ages and ages hence: Two roads diverged in a wood, and I—took the one less traveled by, and that has made all the difference."— Robert Frost

Saturday, November 9, 1996 Western Maryland College Conference is free and open to all students Deadline Nov. 5, 1996 Details call ext. 266
Out of this world musical opens at Alumni Hall on Friday

In this scene Eleanor sings the Starmites to sleep while being watched over by a Banshee in the back ground.
Pictured L to R: Krysta Dawn Stacy, Mark Resch, Elton Elizabeth Keith, Ryan Keough, and Jimmy Redden.

BY ROXANNE INGRAM Staff Writer
Western Maryland College and its surrounding community are in for a real treat the weekends of November 9, 9, and 16 because that is when Starmites, the rock and roll, science fiction, musical comedy written by Stuart Ross and Barry Keating, will be performed on the Alumni Hall Mainstage.

Show starts at 8 PM and costs $8 for adults, and $5 for WMC students, children, and seniors.

The show is the rather unique story of Eleanor, a girl who loves comic books played by Elton Elizabeth Keith and Amie G. Glasgow, and her journey through Interspace.

While Eleanor's mother threatens to give away all of her comic books to the Comic Book Emporium, Eleanor sings about her passion for the comics and is sucked into Interspace by a evil Shak-Gra, who is portrayed by Liam C. Grey, Ed Miliner, Courtney Risch, and Kelley Dunnavant.

Fortunately for Eleanor, the leader of the Starmites, Space Punk, played by Dan Francko, comes to her rescue with the aid from the Starmites Dazzle, Herbie, and Ack, portrayed by Ryan Keough, Jimmy Redden, and Mark Resch respectively.

Meanwhile Shak-Gra is also busy trying to steal the crucify, an instrument of destruction, from Diva, played by Joanne Lajewski.

Another unique aspect of the play is that it explores a variety of musical styles: the songs range from bluesy songs like Diva's "Hard to be Diva," to almost gospelsound of "Reach Right Down," to the song "Attack of the Banshees," which the Banshees, Shotzi, Cambelle, Maligna, and Balbraka, heavy metal babes played by Erika Roskowski, Krysta Dawn Stacy, Ginger Parke, and Melissa Parrell respectively, sing in a style "more like Metallica," according to Director Elizabath van den Berg.

Being a "rock and roll" musical means that the music in Starmites is "much more contemporary, using real rock and roll instruments like synthesizers and guitars," explained van den Berg.

"The style is more like Little Shop of Horrors or Grease," van den Burg explained.

Of course do that means not of the songs tell less of the story than they do in regular musicals.

As with any other musical put on by the college, the "biggest goal is for everyone to have fun," an idea of things it is giving the cast and will give the audience a little culture where they did not expect it; surprisingly, there is a large amount of elevated language in the play used by Space Punk, a feature which isn't normally found in contemporary theatre.

There is also a challenge for the actors in that the characters are very extreme, yet need to be portrayed with a sense of realism and truth to make them believable.

The play is "fun, but also challenging," remarked van den Berg, and the cast will learn something that they can later use to move on to bigger pieces such as Shakespeare.

So far things are running very smoothly as far as rehearsals go, the only difficulty seems to lie in that rehearsals do not seem to get the priority that they should from the students, and rehearsals must be scheduled around their work and spots.

This cast however, has been extremely dedicated in giving up all their weekends since rehearsals started in September. It has been especially hard for some of the cast members to work out their scheduling conflicts because they were also involved in other productions like The Hand That Cradles the Rock, and Hotel Halloween.

"My main concern is that I don't want them to get burnt out. I'm concerned about having them conserve energy," explained van den Berg.

"Thankfully, this show... worked out pretty well because we started a little early, and we're right where we should be," said van den Berg.

The basic work for the show is done; the blocking is done, all the choreography, which is done by Julie Herber, has been taught, and the cast is off-book for their songs, thanks to Musical Director Linda Kirkpatrick, and for their lines.

What remains to be done now is moment to moment work as van den Berg described his staff as "stretched," but added that they "try to respond and do the jobs as professionally as possible."

Staff has increased by two from last year.

Before students arrived on campus this year, Brown and the rest of this year's RA's investigated every room on campus looking for problems.

Brown said that the RA's put in over 200 work orders before classes even started.

This backlog of orders can cause some problems because that by the end of September, Physical Plant is usually caught up.

Charges are levied for damages according to where the damage has been done and who was at fault.

"In my experience, they [physical plant] have been pretty good about fixing the problems. A couple times when I've requested repairs, I actually watched them do it," Christy-Ann Brown, RA in ANW.

If a fire extinguisher has been discharged, or damage has been done to a light or a bathroom, the hall on which the damage was discovered is charged.

If damage is done to a common area, such as a lounge or stairs, the entire building splits the cost of the repairs.

At The SGA student forum held Monday, October 21, Whitford Hall residents brought up the complaints that they had absolutely no water the day before and had not had hot water for weeks.

Due to press time, Bentz could not be reached for comment on this matter.

The show is the rather unique work being put on by the college, according to the current "Student Guide and Datebook." Christy-Ann Brown, a 19 year old RA in ANW says that this is usually the case.

"In my experience, they [physical plant] have been pretty good about fixing the problems. A couple times when I've requested repairs, I actually watched them do it," Brown said.

If the order is not responded to within five days, the student should call their RA and report it.

Emergency work orders are completed as soon as possible.

When the heat went out in Pennsylvania House 197, a repairman was there within minutes, according to the residents.

The Building Operations staff is composed of 15 electrical, plumbing, or maintenance employees with an average of 10 to 15 years of experience working at WMC.

Bentz described his staff as "stretched," but added that they "try to respond and do the jobs as professionally as possible."
Hypnotist to perform on the Hill sponsored by CAPBoard

Chuck has been performing professional hypnosis stage programs for colleges, universities, and comedy clubs for over 8 years.

His philosophy for performing is that the audience will have a good time but that he volunteers must have a great time.

Chuck has a bachelor's degree in criminal justice administration and possesses a lifetime teaching credential in police sciences. Upon completing a successful 15 year career in law enforcement he has turned his incredible talent to entertain on stage. Chuck and Terri, his wife, have been married for over 22 years. Terri often travels with Chuck working both on and off stage. They have two grown children and currently live in San Diego.

Chuck is a master at adjusting the material presented in his program to any audience level. Unlike most performers Chuck requests each school to edit, change, delete, or add to, any material in his program to ensure it fits their particular school.

No matter where Chuck appears, he always becomes a staple in their yearly program having made as many as four repeat appearances within a single school year at the same school.

Chuck's fun and likable personality makes him one of the easiest entertainers to work with, and having been on staff at the University of California at San Diego for 9 years, he has a keen insight to the social awareness, interests, and sense of humor of today's campus communities.

Chamber music series opens sixth season

Chamber Music on the Hill opens its sixth season at Western Maryland College Sunday, Nov. 3, at 7 p.m. in McDaniel Lounge.

"The program "Chamber Music Across the Centuries" will highlight works of Johannes Brahms, Benjamin Britten, Eldon Burton, and Bohuslav Martinu. Performers include WMC music faculty Katherine Barrell, cello; Linda Kirkpatrick, flute; and David Kreider, piano, and Baltimore musician Karen Bakkegard, French horn, and Evans Walker, tenor, chairman of the music department at Carroll Community College.

Bakkegard is a member of the Baltimore Opera Orchestra, the Baltimore Chamber Orchestra and the Washington Concert Opera Orchestra. She also is a regular substitute with the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra.

Walker, also associate professor of music in voice, is currently on sabbatical from Carroll Community College while he writes a handbook for studying singing. A graduate of Peabody Conservatory with a doctorate in voice performance, he has appeared with Towson Chamber Players, The Cathedral Concert Series and Chamber Music on the Hill.

Cellist Katherine Barrett, making her first appearance with Chamber Music on the Hill, also is a member of the Maryland Symphony and the Millbrook Orchestra, as well as a founding member of Camerata Pro Femina, a Florida chamber ensemble devoted to performing music of women composers.

Admission is $10 for adults and $5 for seniors over 65. Children and students (with valid ID) will be admitted free. For ticket reservations call the Arts Management Office at 857-2599. Tickets also will be available at the door prior to the concert.

Chamber Music on the Hill is a regular concert series in residence at the college featuring faculty and other professional musicians from the Baltimore and Washington symphonic communities.

The series is partially funded by grants from the Maryland State Arts Council and the Carroll County Arts Council.

Courtesy of Public Information
Student Government keeps things running smoothly at WMC

First were the blue light phones, then extended Glar hours, then the speed bumps were painted...and now Homecoming 1996 and a new allocations process for student organization funds.

Through projects such as these the SGA continues to quickly enhance student life on the Hill. With the exception of the weather, Homecoming 1996 was a great success through the cooperation of Associate Director of Alumni Affairs, Beth Harlow Buckalew, and the SGA.

Homecoming 1996 was truly a team effort. One person alone cannot take all the credit. The day really involved the entire college community,’ said Buckalew.

For Homecoming the SGA is responsible for coordinating the election of the court, the formation of the parade, the selection of faculty parade judges, and the advertisement of Homecoming events to the student body.

In addition, while Homecoming events were in the planning stages, the SGA encouraged and empowered other student organizations to be active on campus through the disbursement of funds.

The SGA recently allocated $9,600.00 from the $12,250.00 student organization allocation budget to 28 student organizations. Fund disbursement is outlined in the highlighted box.

The remaining $2,650.00 will be used for later allocations. Each year the SGA is responsible for allocating funds to student organizations.

The dollar amount of funds allocated is based upon several factors: the amount in the organization’s account, what activities are planned for the year, how these activities benefit the campus community, and how much funding the organization is willing to do.

This year the procedure has been revamped.

Now, each organization which receives funds is required to send a representative to one SGA meeting per month and to serve as a member of the social, academic, campus life, or public relations committee.

At SGA meetings, the representatives are asked to report on their organization’s expenditures and receipts for the month as well as upcoming activities and events.

While the allocations process was directed by the executive board of Treasurer Andreas Kalisperis, Secretary Amy Dreibleh, Vice President Randy Ryttner, President Brandi Mulhern, Adviser Dean Phil Sayre, and College Activities Director Mr. Mitchell Alexander, the legislative members of the SGA were busy making preparations for Homecoming.

The social committee, comprised of Kevin Landell, Mandy Hofstetter, Kris Rider, and Jeff Soltz, was responsible for the coordination of Homecoming court elections.

The committee ran nominations for two days followed by two days of voting.

They were also responsible for the coordination of the court during the halftime ceremonies. Junior class representative Jeff Soltz commented that, “the committee spent over twenty-four hours in one week preparing for Homecoming.”

The Campus Life committee organized the parade, from coordinating with Finch Services and Bangher’s Orchard for the tractors and wagons to soliciting student organizations for participants to lining up the floats.

Committee members Heather Hoffner, Samantha Dowdow, Kristin Harkins, and Scott Hoover coordinated all these aspects to put on a fun event for students, alumni, and the Westminster community.

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Heather Huffer, Junior class president and parade chair

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“All the organizations involved were very enthusiastic and did a great job on their floats.” commented junior class president and parade chair Heather Huffer.

The Academic committee, Matt Glick, Amy Absher, Ryan John, and Sara Beth Heyburn, also helped to make the parade a success by soliciting Dr. John Osh, Dr. Julie Badie, and Dr. Brian Wlaskowski to serve as parade judges.

Prizes were awarded for first, second, and third place to Phi Mu, Phi Sigma Sigma, and ASAP-Aids Support Awareness and Prevention, respectively.

Aaron Corbett, Meghan Friday, Becky Toothero, and Mike Welter, the Public Relations committee, work together by advertising Homecoming related activities through various campus media.

Freshman representative Meghan Friday stated that her experience with the SGA and Homecoming has been “enriching” and she hopes to continue to contribute to the SGA and the college.

Now that Homecoming is over, the SGA will continue their various activities aimed at improving and enhancing campus life. Along with other issues, the SGA will be evaluating the newly proposed Alcohol Sanctions and the Residence Hall Posting Policy and will be offering student opinion to appropriate administrators.

Continuing upon last year’s successful Deep Blue Something Concert, the Campus Concert Committee (CCC) will hold its first meeting on Sunday, November 3 at 7:30 pm in the Leidy Room.

The Campus Concert Committee is a co-sponsorship between SGA and CAPBoard’s Mainstage Committee and is responsible for planning the annual spring concert.

Anyone interested in participating on the CCC is encouraged to attend the meeting or call Randy at x8266.

The next upcoming event is a Winter Formal co-sponsored with CAPBoard’s Special Events Committee.

The formal dance will be held at the Omni Inner Harbor Hotel in Baltimore on Friday, December 6 from 9:00 pm to 1:00 am.

Transportation will be provided and tickets will be available November 13th through the 26th.

The SGA challenges all students to become involved in student government activities to make a difference on the Hill. SGA meetings are open to the campus community and are held every Wednesday evening at 8:00 pm in Hill Hall 104.

Allocations to student organizations

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Ranger Platoon                    200.00
German Club                      200.00
Phi Sigma Sigma                   200.00
Pep Band                         0.00
Circle K                         300.00
Tri-Beta                         200.00
STAY                             500.00

Winter Formal
Co-sponsored by SGA and CAPBoard Friday, December 6, 1996 at the Omni Hotel in Baltimore from 9:00pm-1:00am. More details to follow.

New Honor and Conduct Members
The following students were approved by the SHA for positions on the Honor and Conduct Board: Cindy West and Erin Williams.

Allocations Completed
Allocations were approved by the SGA for the thirty student organizations. Please refer to the related article for more information.

Campus Concert Committee Meeting
All those interested in helping CAPBoard and SGA plan the annual spring concert, please attend the introductory meeting on Sunday, November 3, 1996 at 7:30 pm in the Leidy Room. For more information, please contact Randy Ryttner at ext. 8266.

Homecoming
Congratulations to the winners of the Homecoming Parade Float contest:
1st Place: Phi Mu
2nd Place: Phi Sigma Sigma
3rd Place: ASAP-Aids Support Awareness and Prevention

SGA Meetings
SGA meets every Wednesday at 5pm in Hill Hall 104. The campus community is invited to attend.

Have a Concern You Would Like SGA to Address?
Call the SGA office at ext. 631 or e-mail the SGA at "sga001@nsi.wmc.car.md.us"
November in the Stars

By Jessie Watts and Heather Woods

Aquarius (1/21-2/19)
Trying to impress people won't get you anywhere. So be yourself and don't worry about what others think. It's a good thing you've been keeping up with your homework, you have some tough tests on your horizon. And talking about schoolwork, watch out at the library, you might not get much studying done due to a new "special friend" that you're going to meet on the Internet.

Pisces (2/20-3/20)
You're on top of the world this month. Yet, despite all the fun, you can't figure out why that special someone is being so distant. Relax, the time will come. In other news, while dancing the night away in ANW, be careful what you carry in your hand. Campus Safety has eyes in the back of their heads.

Aries (3/21-4/20)
Love is in the air this month. Although work is dull, someone is sure to capture your heart. Take it easy and things will fall into place. Meanwhile, a memorable event on the football field during halftime will serve as an anchor for the rest of the month.

Taurus (4/21-5/21)
Watch your temper this month, it might explode when you least expect it. Fortunately, your friends will be understanding. Be prepared to help a friend out this month, you have a wonderful shoulder to cry on. Also, be careful not to spill your tray in Glar. It just may land in your professor's lap, earning you a definite fail.

Gemini (5/21-6/21)
This month you are simply irresistible. Parties seem to crop up everywhere and you are the first to be invited. Take advantage of this time to network with new people. After all, the more people you know, the more exciting college will be. Meanwhile, while chatting in Red Square, an old friend will drop a big bomb that will make your head spin.

Cancer (6/22-7/22)
"First breath that she saw, "I love you." One of those times free?" With everything, you'll be singing that tune soon. It's time to let your friends and family know how you're feeling. You can't solve everyone's problem. They will have to do some thinking for you. As for your life, when checking your mail, expect a letter from someone you've been thinking of.

Leo (7/23-8/22)
November may seem challenging on many fronts, but don't let that frustrate you. Keep working hard and things will clear up by Thanksgiving. Romantically, your life is in order and you can relax and have fun. Meanwhile, a beautiful night catches your eye as you walk through Hill Hall. Read the story to someone else, and you may be surprised in return.

Virgo (8/23-9/22)
Head over to McQueen's because "you deserve a break today." After all your hard work during midterms, you can finally concentrate on what really matters: partying! Be careful though, split drinks in Blanche may cause a major downfall.

Libra (9/23-10/23)
You're behind in school and you're having problems with your love life. Get a hold of yourself, buckle down, and spend a little more time with that special someone. By the time Thanksgiving rolls around you'll be in control of your life and able to enjoy the holidays. Early this month, a walk through Lewis lands you next to someone you haven't seen for a while—why not do lunch?

Scorpio (10/24-11/22)
You may feel a little over-committed this month, but don't worry, with careful balance of your activities (and maybe missing an episode of your favorite show), you can get it all done. Meanwhile, at the pub, a funny feeling gets you when you meet someone new, it shouldn't be mistaken for heartburn.

Sagittarius (11/23-12/21)
Sometimes, you feel everything you say comes out as gibberish. This month maybe you should try being more reserved. People love mystery and the less you say, the more they will listen. Divine inspiration can hit you while watching WMC's production of Steamies. Follow your dreams and you may be a star.

Capricorn (12/22-1/20)
Before you diagnose your aches and pains as life-threatening, remember it's cold and flu season. Everyone feels a little low as winter rolls in. Don't despair and let it pass. By Thanksgiving, you'll be yourself again and ready to eat the whole turkey. On the career front, a trip to Smith House has...

Trumpeters Top 10 List

10. Experience diversity.
9. Mingle with the stars.
8. Can't say there's nothing to do on campus.
7. Improve social skills.
5. Get to know lots of great people.
4. Make the most of your college experience.
3. Help make events happen rather than looking for what's happening.
2. Get more for you $21,000

For more information on CAPBoard contact the college activities office or Brandy Mulhern. Watch for information on upcoming CAPBoard events.

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It Doesn't Take A Math Major To Reduce The Coefficient of Drag to .31

(And Do It With A Lot Of Style.)
New faces are found at the front of the class

BY JEN VICK
Features Editor

Who thought that WMC would be a really "cool place" to work before seeing the campus? Who spent the summer writing a grant for a youth program? Who has lived for a month on an Indian reservation? These questions may be baffling to students because they all apply to new individuals on the WMC campus. Dr. Robert Lemieux is a new professor in the communication department and he is happy in its rural setting but close proximity to the Baltimore/Washington area. He also feels comfortable with the small student body.

Most students seem to think the post office is efficient, but a major complaint is with the hours of operation. Students generally want the post office to be open to about 5 PM, and also to be open on Saturdays. Some students do have specific problems with the post office though. Sophomore psychology major Meghan Joyce said that when she went to pick up her package no one was at the window to retrieve it for her. Jen Vick, a junior English major, "sent a really important letter to someone through campus mail and he never got the letter." Vick is nervous about sending important items through campus mail and he never got the letter. Vick is nervous about sending important items through campus mail now.

New sociology professor Dr. Lauren Dundes already feels at home at WMC and has gotten to know fellow faculty, such as Dr. Robert Lemieux, new to the communication department.

Beyond the mailbox key, The Phoenix takes a face to face look with the campus post office and its employees

By Ruth Bradley
Staff Writer

In recent issues of The Phoenix, different campus organizations have been voicing their feelings about WMC students and students have been revealing their feelings about organizations. Campus Safety and Dining Hall have contributed and now so will the post office.

Students Face the Post Office

Most students seemed to have very little problem with the post office. Zach Galemore, a sophomore English major, claims the post office has a "nice system when you receive a package. They give you a note that you take up to get it. It's very helpful." Zach also feels that everyone else at WMC was expecting us even after we graduate." He said that everyone else at WMC was expecting us even after we graduate. Zach also feels that everyone else at WMC was expecting us even after we graduate.

"Outside of the classroom, Lemieux can be spotted on the track. He enjoys outdoor activities including hiking and traveling, and he is also an avid fan of college football. He's attended several WMC games and said that in comparison with big schools, he enjoys WMC football because "the community is more a part of the game." When Dr. Lauren Dundes is asked what her hobbies are she may respond "juggling my family and career," but this new sociology professor's hard work paid off this past summer. Dundes previously taught at Goucher College for five and a half years before coming to WMC. While at Goucher, Dundes worked with a student on developing an enrichment program for inner-city children staffed by college student mentors. It is entitled "Integrated Youth Apprenticeship Method" (IYAM) and Dundes well beyond her teaching duties.

The WMC Alumni Office would like to thank the SGA for their help with Homecoming '96. Special thanks to Brandy Mulhern and Randy Ryter for going the extra mile.

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It is a Tuesday night and you have just finished studying at the library. It's dark outside and you're alone. As you are leaving the library's steps you look up to the top of Elderdice. You think that you see a light on, but you know this is impossible since the attic room has been closed off for years and no one lives there, or do they? Well no living person lives there, but the ghosts of students past may inhabit the attic room of Elderdice and other locations on the Western Maryland College campus.

According to WMC legend, the campus is a hot spot for spirits of people from the past. Perhaps the most famous is Betsy. Betsy was a student in the late 1920s. She lived in McDaniel, room 311, and found herself in a difficult situation. She was pregnant. To escape her desperate condition, she hung herself in one of the closets in her room. Ever since then, Betsy's ghost has lingered around the halls of McDaniel. Students have described her as wearing a blue gown and "floating" around campus, often running from the gazebo to McDaniel.

Past inhabitants of Betsy's room have reported having difficulty opening one of the closets on occasion. Perhaps it was the ghost of Betsy that chemistry professor Dr. Bryan Wladkowski encountered when he was a student here. Wladkowski was living on campus during the summer, to conduct scientific research. One day he went down to the laundry room with his friend Dwayne. Wladkowski was swinging on the heat pipes when he heard the door open and close. He turned to Dwayne whose face was white with shock. "Initially I was taken back by the expression on his face. That kind of expression is difficult to fake," recalls Wladkowski.

Wladkowski encountered when he was a student another ghost, also a divinity student. This ghost named Harvey is said to haunt Alumni Hall. The ghost is also a former divinity student who developed a love for theater. Unable to follow his dreams, the student hung himself from the balcony of the theater on the eve of his graduation. Harvey has been seen sitting in the center of the balcony's first row to watch play rehearsals. And when the lights mysteriously go off, someone merely needs to yell, "Okay Harvey, that's enough," for the lights to come back on again.

Senior Kamali Welch also remembered strange things happening to her when she lived in the fourth floor of Whiteford. "One night it was really late and my roommate and I could not sleep," said Welch. "We were hearing weird noises and I was laying in bed when I felt something crawl into my bed. I screamed, and turned on the light." Welch attributes this and other odd occurrences in Whiteford to the ghost of a construction worker who died on the fourth floor.

The ghosts of an old woman and her two young children are reported to live in the basement of Blanche. The woman has been sighted there and if she is in a good mood when you see her, she'll fold your laundry for you. However, if she is in a bad mood she will order her children to throw your laundry in the basement. And if you walk beneath the Ward Arch on the night of a full moon, looking back at the campus will produce an image of the Old Main and the college as it was in the 1800s.

Robin Perlow, a first-year student, is no stranger to WMC's ghosts. Since she came to WMC, Perlow has seen two different ghosts. Perlow has seen one of the ghosts walking in circles on the top of Blanche. And in her room in Whiteford, Perlow reports hearing strange noises on a regular basis. Perlow said, "I hear footsteps on the walls and other noises that I know can't be coming from another room." This spirit has appeared to Perlow. She described it as the outline of a girl which is very bright, yet Perlow is unable to see the ghost's facial features. The spirit appears only at night and brings a coldness to the room with her.

Hats off to RA's
Great job for all your hard work!
From the office of Student Affairs to celebrate RA appreciation day.
-Oct. 28, 1996-
Tricks and treats and a birthday for President Chambers

By Nicki Kassolis
Staff Writer

The months of October and April are the two busiest months for the office of the president. April may be months away, but right now President Robert Chambers finds himself in the midst of one of his busiest seasons. And somewhere in the middle of his numerous obligations, President Chambers finds a way to celebrate his birthday and Halloween.

By far the largest event in WMC's recent history was the Capital Campaign launch held on Sept. 28. "The Defining Moment Launch was one of the biggest events in recent history," said Chambers who added that the day's events were carried out perfectly.

The day was highlighted by a speech from Captain Kangaroo, various student exhibits and performances. And a dinner at which the campaign's goal was announced. A laser light show finished off the day. Chambers was one of the last people to arrive at the first of two laser light shows that day and he said, "If I was stunned, there were probably 2500 people there."

According to Chambers, "the reaction to the day has been one hundred percent positive. It made the college look good." This will help WMC to reach its goal of raising $40 million by midnight on December 31, 1999. "For the rest of the year I will be spending a good portion of my time working on this goal," said Chambers. Working toward the $40 million dollar goal, $25 million of which has already been raised, forces Chambers to do a great deal of traveling. He has trips to Pittsburgh, New York City, and Savannah, Ga. all planned for the month of October. Even though Chambers enjoys traveling, he finds keeping up with the "day to day stuff," of paperwork, phone calls and e-mails, to be difficult. But his job is a balancing act in which he has to set priorities and keep them. When people ask President Chambers what exactly he does, his response is, "A little bit of everything that has to be done."

The job of the president includes participation in homecoming festivities. Despite the bad weather, President Chambers found a way to enjoy the day. "Homecoming is always fun and I get to see all of the people who come back." Now President Chambers may enjoy seeing former students return to their alma mater, but does he ever see former presidents in his house, or does he ever encounter a ghost on the WMC campus? "I've heard them in my house, the ghosts of former presidents and their families," said Chambers. He hasn't actually seen any of the other spirits that he has heard about, but that doesn't mean he doesn't believe they are here. Chambers asked, "Who am I to say that there aren't any ghosts?"

This Halloween, President Chambers will not be looking for ghosts at WMC because he will not be on campus, but that does not keep him from getting into the spirit of Halloween. A couple of years ago around Halloween, a real skeleton was given to the college. President Chambers thought it would be funny to display the skeleton in his office, so he gave it an identity. The skeleton was named Bones and was adorned with a WMC cap and a mug. Bones sat in the office of the president, reading a magazine and waiting for his appointment with Dr. Chambers.

"I love Halloween celebrations," said Chambers, who used to host a party on Halloween night at his house. At his parties, Chambers would wear a Ronald Reagan mask and dress like the former president. The party was modeled after these Chambers attended while working at Yale University. The president of Yale threw a big Halloween party every year and the costumes were "hilarious," President Chambers said, "I loved those parties. There were a stupendous number of people in costumes who went all out."

Another of Chambers' favorite Halloween memories was a party hosted by Doonesbury cartoonist Garry Trudeau. The guests had a Hollywood theme and all of the guests dressed as famous movie stars. As the guests arrived, some

in liminoses, they were greeted by reporters who struggled to get a shot of the famous folk. Happy birthday to WMC's most famous individual, President Robert Chambers.

New professors feel right at home at WMC

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ties in writing the grant and following through with the program. FYAM is now under the support of WMC and Dundes began to involve students in creating successful programs for the future.

Sitting in her office, Dundes gets down to business, slightly saying, "I love the morning sun." Not only does she love being in her office on the second floor of Hill Hall, Dundes loves being on the "heavenly" WMC campus that she describes as "absolutely beautiful." She takes advantage of observing the seasons change which she never experienced in Northern California where she grew up.

After receiving a bachelor's degree in Human Biology from Stanford University, Dundes went on to do her master's and doctoral work at The Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health. It was a postdoctoral fellow at the Center for Studies in Criminology and Law in Florida as well as a lead to her interest in criminology and violence as a public health problem.

Dundes teaches Introduction to Sociology and Criminology. Concerning her students she said, "I find them to be very curious and easy to talk to. They have a very good sense of humor," she added, "which is important." Dundes has also noticed humor among the faculty. She described the two faculty meetings she has attended and the "smiles and laughter" that went on along with getting things done. This kind of "positive energy" she described as the ideal working environment.

Dundes herself has a lot of positive energy. In the November issue of "Proteus, A Journal of Ideas," an article that she has written will appear on her study of the causes of violent behavior among youth.

Dundes lives in Towson with her husband and two children, ages two and six.

Though he grew up in Pennsylvania, Dr. Timothy Baylor has lived in the West, like Lemieux and Dundes. Baylor comes to WMC from a college similar in size called Augusta College in Sioux Falls, S.D. The classes he is teaching this semester are Cultural Anthropology and Race and Ethnicity, and Native American Ethnography as well next semester.

Baylor said that ever since he could remember, he's always had an interest in American Indians but he can't explain where this interest came from. He said that when boys play cowboys and Indians as children they typically want to be the cowboy, but he said he always wanted the role of the Indian.

For his first year of college, Baylor studied at Lancaster Bible College in Pennsylvania. He took a year off and was hitchhiking west to visit Indian reservations when he was picked up by a professor from the Northwest Missouri State University. This professor became a "mentor" for him at Northwest Missouri where he eventually earned a degree in Sociology/Psychology.

In the process of buying a house, Baylor is currently living in housing provided by the college. He hopes to stay at WMC where he said it is much "greener" than South Dakota, and where he is closer to his family.

Outside of the classroom, Baylor enjoys working out, volleyball being one of his favorite forms of staying fit. He's also an old pro at cross-country camping trips and has visited many of the national parks in the U.S. Baylor has lived in a number of regions in the country, but the Southwest is the area he most fond of.

Baylor said that he has enjoyed his students so far. He said that "Education should move people to action." Baylor himself has participated in many social movements. On his desk in his office in Hill Hall, there are pictures of a protest he attended in North Carolina that dealt with racial prejudices between whites, blacks, and Indians in the area.

Through teaching, Baylor likes to challenge preconceived notions. He said, "I tell my classes that if after four years at WMC they have not changed, or their ways of thinking have not changed, then there's something wrong."
Volleyball team evens overall record to 14-14

By CAROLYN BARNES
Sports Editor

Increasing their Centennial Conference record to 5-3 and their overall record to 14-14, the Terror volleyball team has fought hard to stay competitive.

On October 18 and 199, WMC made a fine showing as they hosted the Green Terror Invitational as they beat York in three straight matches (15-7, 15-7, and 15-11), Carlisle in four (15-12, 14-16, 15-5, and 15-8), and Richard Stockton in three (15-11, 15-9, and 15-12) to make it to the semi-finals. Western Maryland won Pool A with a 3-0 record. The Terror women lost to Gallaudet in four games (10-15, 10-15, 15-10, and 7-15).

Bridgewater won the Terror Invitational without losing a match. Junior setter Carrie Shadrack was WMC's representative on the All-Tournament Team.

Shadrack was also named to the Centennial Conference's Volleyball Weekly Honor Roll for her performance at the Invitational. She recorded 73 set assists, 35 digs, ten kills, while junior forward Kerry Wilson. This was Wilson's third assist of the year. She also had an unassisted 10 kills, and three blocks in the four matches.

Two days after the Gallaudet match, the Terror women traveled to Elizabethtown where they were swept 3-0 with scores of 5-15, 8-15, and 11-15.

Western Maryland hosted Washington College on October 23. Sophomore Kristy Kurtys and freshman Heather Tolkach each had seven kills and eight digs as WMC swept Washington College 3-0 in a Centennial Conference match.

WMC needed just ten minutes to win the first game 15-1, before beating the Shorewomen 15-8 in game two. Washington rallied from a 10-7 deficit in the third game only to take a 12-13 lead, only to have the Green Terror score the final three points to close out the match.

Kurtys, a middle and outside hitter, added four block assists. Classmate, sophomore Lori Noel topped the offense with nine kills, while junior Carrie Shadrack dished out 23 set assists.

This was WMC's fourth for the last six matches.

The squad hosted Ursinus and Swarthmore on Saturday October 26. The Green Terror women evicted their overall record to 14-14 as they swept both teams for the tri-match.

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Green Terror field hockey sticks with it through close of season

By JULIE EDWARDS
Staff Writer

The Green Terror field hockey team came out with force this season, maintaining a 5-1 record in the first month of the season. They beat Notre Dame (3-2), York (5-1), Muhlenburg (3-1), Franklin and Marshall in overtime (1-0), and Susquehanna (2-0), losing only to the 1995 Centennial Conference champions Swarthmore (1-2).

But the girls experienced one tough week in October. On October 5, the Green Terrors hosted Bryn Mawr and suffered an unexpected loss as the Bryn Mawr squad earned four goals, compared to one in Western Maryland's favor by senior Link Toni Smith This goal was Smith's second of the season, while sophomore Amy North had her second assist.

The week got worse, as Western Maryland failed to score against Johns Hopkins who they played on turf in the freezing rain, and Goucher, who they out-shot throughout the game, but were not able to find the cage.

The lady Terrors rallied against Haverford on the 12th of October to win in overtime with a goal by junior forward Katie Haley, who was assisted by freshman forward Kerry Wilson. This was Wilson's third assist of the year. She also had an unassisted goal, for her third goal of the season, that game to push Western Maryland to a 2-1 win.

Western Maryland lost to Gettysburg, who is tied for first in the Centennial Conference, on October 15. The Green Terrors gave the Bullets quite a challenge, as sophomore Amy North scored two goals, her fifth and sixth of the season, to force the game into overtime; however Gettysburg won 2-3.

Junior Katie Haley and senior Lisha Mummert both assisted North in her goals. These two assists were Mummert's and Haley's third of the season.

Head Coach Tracey Folio especially remembers this game because, "At the end of the game, the Gettysburg coach came over and told me my team has heart. I know they do, and it was nice to have another coach tell me that."

Head Coach Tracey Folio

Another freshman that scored her first goal during the Villa Julie game was Jaime Walker. Walker's goal was also unassisted.

Adding to the inning goals scored were freshman Shannon Benson's second and third goals of the season, one of which was unassisted, while the other was assisted by freshman Julie Hyde, who also made her second goal of the season. Hyde's goal was unassisted.

At Dickinson on October 19, the Green Terror improved its record to 8-5, 4-4 in the Centennial Conference as Western Maryland beat the Dickinson Red Devils by a score of 3-1.

Amy North scored her eighth Terror goal of the season. Marjorie Hargrave assisted North for her first assist of the year.

Senior Toni Smith contributed her third goal of the season, which was unassisted, and Julie Hyde also scored her third goal of the season.

Hyde's goal was assisted by senior Kellie Mitros. This was Mitros's second assist of the year.

The 1996 Terror squad has also established the record for goals in a season with thirty-two.

On Saturday, October 26, the lady Green Terror's hosted Washington College for another Centennial Conference game that began at 1:00 P.M. The team defeated Washington College by a score of 2-1. Junior Marjorie Hargrave and freshman Kerry Wilson each had a goal for the afternoon.

This game improved the Terror's record to 9-5 overall and 5-4 in the Centennial Conference.

As the field hockey regular season draws to a close as the team travels to Elizabethtown for a non-conference game on October 28. Currently, the Green Terrors are not certain of a possible appearance in the playoffs, but Folio promises her team will, "never give up and keep plugging away," as she stresses the importance of having a good time on the field.
FIELDCROU (8-5)

INDIVIDUAL SCORING

Player - Cl - Goals - Assists - Pen
Amy North - So - 8 - 2 - 18
Katie Haley - Jr - 5 - 5 - 15
Kerry Wilson - Fr - 3 - 3 - 9
Shannon Benson - Fr - 3 - 1 - 7
Julie Hyder - Fr - 3 - 1 - 7
Tom Smith - Sr - 3 - 0 - 6
Lisha Mummet - Sr - 1 - 3 - 5
Rob Zimmer - So - 2 - 0 - 4
Shelly Dinterman - Fr - 1 - 0 - 2
Mary Beth Francis - Sr - 1 - 0 - 2
Julie Hyder - Fr - 3 - 1 - 7
Krisy Kurtyka - Jr - 6-3 - 15
Krisy Kurtyka - Sr - 1 - 0 - 2

FOOTBALL (2-4)

Donte Abron - 6 - 22 - 0 - 22
Wyatt Lowe - 50 - 2 - 158 - 160
Mike O’Dell - I - I - O - I
Scooter Banks - 47 - 165 - 0 - 165

Player - No. - Rush - Pass - Total
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Jaime Moyer - So - 84 - 13 - .866

CONFERENCE

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UPCOMING GAMES

Date - Team - Time
029 - at Muhlenberg - 1:00

VOLLEYBALL (6-10)

Jacie Mathias - Fr - 7 - 6 - 7
Andrea Overton - Fr - 3 - 3 - 3
Jacie Mathias - Jr - 6 - 3 - 3
Laura Veise - Jr - 2 - 2 - 2
Stacie Healy - Fr - 3 - 3 - 3
Ashley Welter - Fr - 1 - 0 - 1

UPCOMING GAMES

Date - Team - Time
092 - Gallaudet - 2:00

FOOTBALL (2-4)

TOTAL OFFENSE

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Ron Sennarini - 188 - 179 - 880 - 1059
Deont Smith - 176 - 176 - 876 - 1059
Scooter Banks - 172 - 172 - 872 - 1059

Player - No. Saves - Allw'd - Save Pet
Bill Parks - 72 - 73 - .974
Michael Aces - 69 - 71 - .972
Shelby Benson - Jr - 71 - 73 - .972

UPCOMING GAMES

Date - Time
026 - Washington* - 1:00
028 - at Elizabethtown - 3:30

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Senior Rick Estes successfully switches from striker to goal

By JULIE EDWARDS

Western Maryland College is now enjoying the talent of an outstanding natural athlete for the last year. Rick Estes graduated from Dundalk High School in Baltimore County in 1993, and is now a senior at WMC.

In high school, Estes was a captain of the wrestling, soccer, and baseball teams. He was a member of the Maryland All-State soccer team for two years in a row, was named to the All-County and All-Region teams in baseball, and earned an appearance in the state wrestling tournament his senior year, but suffered a back injury.

At Western Maryland, Estes is currently a member of these teams, and he also played tennis his sophomore year. He was named to the All-Conference soccer team his freshman year, and has been the leading scorer for the past three years. Estes was second in the conference in wrestling at 177 pounds last year, and was also the offensive player of the year last season in baseball with a batting average of .483.

In addition to these sports, Estes is a member of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity.

Estes scored the first goal of the season for the Green Terror men’s soccer team, but has mainly defended the goal since the team faced Villa Julie on September 24.

He recorded his first shut-out of the season that game with five saves as Western Maryland won 3-0. This season, Estes has two goals, seventy-two saves, and has helped the team with wide records.

He placed in the goal, even though his regular position is striker, due to the loss of the team’s experienced goalie last year. His only previous experience in the cage was in indoor games and in four games at the end of his freshman season.

He is now fourth among goalkeepers in the Centennial Conference with a save percentage of .889.

Estes’s parents got him involved in an 8-10 year old team when he was only six years old.

Estes says his father has been very involved in his sports career, how ever his still has recruiters from the Baltimore Orioles, the Cincinnati Reds, and the Texas Rangers scouting him.

Estes is majoring in exercise science and physical education. He would like to be an athletic trainer, but will probably start in physical education.

He says that his rigorous schedule helps him manage his time, and commented, “I love sports, regardless of what it is.”

He still has six games remaining in the soccer season, and has a wrestling match on the same day as the last soccer game of the season, November 9.

This last game of the season will be played at Western Maryland on Saturday, November 9, against Washington College. The game is a Centennial Conference game and will begin at 3:00 PM.
Hill Hall plagued with renovation problems

BY JONATHON SHACAT

The final stages of the Hill Hall renovation are still being worked on, according to Ethan Seidel, vice president of administration and finance, but completion is expected by the beginning of the spring semester.

The architect, Centerbrook, has made a "punch list" and the contractors, Roy Kirby and Sons, Inc., "are getting there," said Seidel. A punch list includes the items that still need to be finished before the renovation of a building is complete.

Several items have had to be fixed several times and are still not correct, said Seidel.

In order to ensure that the job will be finished, the college is withholding the final payment until all items on the punch list have been fixed or repaired.

A representative of Roy Kirby and Sons, Inc., the contractor, could not be reached for comment.

Most repair costs will be absorbed by the contractor, said Seidel. Some of the money for the work, depending on the job, will come from the academic renovation budget.

At least two professors have commented that their teaching has been affected by these problems. Dr. Charles Neal, a political science professor, said "the chalkboards in that building are just not holding up." The boards in the classrooms on the second and third floors are peeling off the wall.

The initial installation of these boards (on floors 1, 2, and 3) did not meet the requirements of the contract, said Seidel. The contractor came back to fix them but they are still not right. He said this repair is on the punch list.

Dr. Julie Hadian, an art and art history professor, had trouble operating the multimedia equipment.

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More changes in store for the Pub's new look

BY ANDREW MCCORD

One of WMC's favorite spots underwent a face lift recently, and more changes are in store for the future.

The Pub, which saves hundreds of students from the late night munchies, has gone through a substantial renovation process that extended into the beginning of this school year. The fall semester has been plagued with water problems, especially in Whiteford and McNally Halls.

In the first week or so, early risers in Whiteford would sometimes wake to a cold shower.

The problem was that the boiler was timed to come on at 5 am, which meant that the water was often not warm enough when the residents went to take a shower around 7 am. This problem was soon remedied and the temperature was fine until the middle of October, when once again there was no hot water.

This time the problem was much worse, the water was freezing, almost impossible to shower in.

"The water was like ice, it hurt," explained freshman, Nicole Castro. Many residents complained of headaches and other pains after taking a shower; most tried to shower elsewhere.

"I had to go home to shower," said Kate Strohmah, a first year student, "my roommate at the time, went to the pool showers."

Other residents went in groups to shower in Rouzer, the male residence hall, with someone to guard the bathroom door; others showered in friend's bathrooms or at the gym.

The showers in Whiteford were not only cold, they also had extremely low water pressure, at times only a trickle of water would come out of the shower head, making it impossible for even the hardiest residents to shower there.

The cold showers lasted about a week, throughout this time both Residence Life and maintenance workers worked hard to try and solve the problem.

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AIDS Memorial Quilt comes to Carroll Co.

BY CHRISTIAN WILMOR

To commemorate World AIDS Day on December 1, Carroll Community College will display eight of the AIDS Memorial Quilt's seventy thousand panels December 1 to December 13.

The NAMES Project sponsors the quilt to increase AIDS awareness and to remember those who have died from the deadly disease.

In addition, the quilt raises money for people living with HIV and AIDS.

Western Maryland's AIDS awareness group, A.S.A.P., will perform skits dealing with the AIDS issue at Carroll Community on Monday, December 1.

Emily Grant, a member of A.S.A.P., explained the group's involvement in this project strengths its mission, "awareness, support, and protection."

Emily Grant further commented that "this is a great opportunity to see the quilt's panels close up."

In addition, Grant is involved

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This shower head finally flows with hot water after weeks of problems with the hot water in Whiteford Hall.
"I'm Snow White! Where's Dopey? Where's Dopey?" screamed one WMC college student. "I'm Dopey! I'm Dopey!" a male student replied as he ran over to "Snow White" and embraced her like he found her long lost love. No, this wasn't a play practice, but rather a psychological study under the direction of the hypnotist that CAPBoard sponsored.

That night, students, our peers, paraded on stage like Madonna and Michael Jackson, spoke "Moonwalk," saw alligators and dogs under their chairs, pranced like supermodels, and did a variety of other extremely strange things. They were not forced, but rather they volunteered to be hypnotised by the guest performer.

Given the humorous events that took place and the sometimes embarrassing actions our peers took, it makes one wonder about the power of the mind. How nice would it be if we could suddenly call back William Milligan and have him coax us through exams with his powerful hypnotism techniques. As much as we would all love to have someone hypnotise us into losing weight, getting good sleep, getting good grades or even being more productive during the day, we should all remember that he didn't do anything at all. All the power of hypnotism comes from within the person. This means that those powers are within each of us all of the time.

As the semester begins to come to a close, and the papers have to start pouring in, we should all remember that a positive attitude and belief in accomplishing a goal will get us much further than wishing. It's the same technique that the hypnotist used on us. It was a belief, a desire to complete a goal, and relaxation.

If we each took five minutes each morning and night to focus on what we needed to do, and then envisioned ourselves completing our tasks successfully, the same power that Mr. Milligan used on the students in the forum will work in everyday life.

Let's give ourselves a little extra boost this semester and stay positive and believe that these tasks can all be completed in a somewhat non-stressful and almost effortless way. Remember: our minds are more powerful than we think at times.

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This is definitely the time to push our limits, crack open the books, and even pull a couple of all-nighters. By staying positive, envisioning goals being met, and focusing on the end results, we might all benefit as we edge closer to the close of the semester.

It's definitely not luck that gets us through our classes and jobs. It's hard work, and we should be taking care of ourselves in other ways, too. By taking time out and focusing on positive things, mentally the picture could look a lot clearer and be the decisive factor when reaching for success.

Even if you don't believe, it's worth a shot. Just think, how many of us last Friday night thought our classmates would be hypnotised? For sure not many of us thought we'd see them getting hot and cold flashes, falling "asleep" on command, and getting imaginary jolts through the bottom of their seats.

The end of the semester, which I am definitely dreading, will be like the rest of them—hard and time consuming. Papers need to be written, tests need to be taken, presentations need to be given, and speeches need to be made.

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**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

Cats and small animals should be allowed in certain sections of the residence halls

Many people have asked about the proposed pet policy, so I would like to present it to the entire college community. I urge those of you who support this policy to make your support known to the President, Deans, and Residence Life office of the college. It has been said that it would be difficult to change the policy, but I believe that with the support of the student body, anything is possible. The policy has been revised several times to accommodate all of the concerns presented about this issue.

Cats and small animals should be allowed in certain sections of the residence halls with suite living arrangements (Daniel Melia, Garden Apartments, Pennsylvania Avenue, University, and the suites in ANW). The pets should be allowed only with the permission of the entire suite (in writing). All animals must be continuously supervised and must have vaccination records filed at the college, as well as a veterinary check for fleas. If any damage is incurred to the furniture because of the pet, the owner shall be responsible (a refundable deposit of 25-30 dollars will insure this).

If a problem is called to the attention of the residence life staff, an inspection will be made to determine the truth of this objection. As soon as a problem has been identified by residence life staff, the pet shall immediately be returned to its former residence. Owners must provide written proof that the pet has somewhere to go should they have another pet.

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In the same way, I think that "Baywatch" is also responsible for the increase of non-fat, low-fat products and all these different kinds of food for diets that taste exactly like metal coins.

In the same way, I think of all the time at school you can look like something else. I don't think that it has to be a problem if you have just started doing that, some advice here: Stop it. Don't even try it, eat an oily fatty food, and drop a set of glasses which cost $40 a piece (why are all those products with "low-fat" labels. The other day I went to a mart and saw a man who was big enough to have all these products. I guess this may be the case of just pulled this rant of mine out of thin air. I believe I was in space by signing advertising a lecture on child abuse. One of the speakers was from "Marylanders Against Handgun Abuse" and I just felt that this poor people acting are taken in by this crap. Wake up America! Groups like "Marylanders Against Handgun Abuse" and "Pro-Life" organizations want to impose their own small-minded moral judgments upon you! We need to understand that there is more to a name than just words. These names are picked carefully to be as ineffective and easy to support as possible. They are trying to claim the moral high ground. Don't let them, be strong in your convictions and tolerant of those who don't believe what you do. Being tolerant of something does not mean that you have to like it. There are attitudes, beliefs and lifestyles I detest with all my heart and all my soul, I do not like them. But I tolerate them. I acknowledge their right to exist and to believe as they see fit, without harassment on my or anybody's part.

And to set the record straight, I feel control is a simple solution for the simple minded (I got that off a bumper sticker) and I find abortion to be a moral outrage. I would never have one. But since I am a man that really isn't a problem I'm likely to face it.

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**Shower finally working in Whiteford Hall**

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in one of the pipes, which meant that water was getting into the system and affecting the temperature.

The main difficulty for the maintenance workers was locating the problem. According to Holdt, there was a problem at first with the bundling, explained Joe Bentz, Director of Maintenance and Building Operations, "We thought it was a control problem. As soon as we realized, we fixed it."

The college called in one outside contractor, who worked from 12 pm to 1:30 am to fix the problem. Since then the hot water has been back on and there have been no other complaints.

On Monday, 28th October, McDaniel residents went to take their morning shower and found that no water came out. There had been no hot water several times before and they had been told that it was being fixed, but nobody expected not to be able to take a shower.

"I was very angry that they gave us no warning," exclaimed sophomore Joy Fouramin, "I don’t think it’s asking too much to have a nice shower."

"There may have been a miscommunication," said McDaniel Bentz, "When you shut off the hot water you also shut off the cold."

Residents were not made aware of this.

**Problems in Hill Hall plague the building**

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located in rooms 104 and 110 when she showed a video to one of her classes. A problem occurred when she tried to "play" the tape. "The VCR would just turn off, said Harris. "It happened about five times." Eventually, with a great deal of help, she got it working properly.

This happened because the remote controls have the same radio frequency and interfered with each other, said Seidel. For instance, if someone in room 104 presses "stop" on the VCR, the tape in 110 also "stops," if one is being played.

The problem is easy to solve, said Seidel.

The college will purchase an adaptor that will eliminate the need for a radio signal, said Ed Sell, Director of facilities planning and capital projects. The new receiver will work off of infrared signals only.

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By Staff Writer

Tom Chapin concert is a family affair

A Tom Chapin concert is a family event. The kids will love it and the adults will find themselves humming along, too.

Chapin, a recording artist for all ages, will lead a benefit concert for Common Ground on the Hill Sunday, December 1, at 7 p.m., in Alumni Hall, at Western Maryland College.

His music is what he calls "adult-safe, adult-friendly."

"There are not many things you could bring your kids to that you will enjoy," said Chapin, brother of the late folk legend Harry Chapin. "I try to make this an experience that parents and kids together will share."

His storytelling-style that has made him one of the biggest names in children's recording "sets toes to tapping" and hands to "clappin'," according to a recent concert review. Last year Chapin was named Entertainer of the Year by the American Academy of Children's Entertainers.

The benefit also features Walt Michael, an internationally-recognized folk musician and children's entertainer. Michael, a WMU alumus, established Common Ground in residence at the college to develop relationships between people via music and the arts. The non-profit organization sponsors several concerts throughout the year and a week-long summer program featuring music and the arts from Africa to Appalachia.

"We're going to come around to raise money for a great cause," Chapin said, noting Common Ground and many of his songs reflect a similar theme. "In fact, Common Ground has every well have been the name of any of my albums."

"Family Tree," his first children's album released in 1988, has been showered with awards and praise, even hailed as "one of the best 10 of all time," according to Mothering magazine.

**AIDS Quilt in Carroll**

Continued from front

with this project through her internship at the Carroll County Art Council, a co-sponsor of the event.

On December 1, the Carroll County AIDS Alliance will sponsor a program from 3 to 6 p.m. in Carroll Community’s Great Hall.

In addition, Carroll Community will hold observances for World AIDS Day December 2 to December 5 at 2:15 and 6:30 p.m.

**Canned Food Drive**

Groups across campus will be collecting:

- Canned food items
- Clothing
- Money

For underprivileged people

Beginning November 15

American Pictures "shows a side of this country most people don’t like to see because many that want to admit really exists, according to the program’s producer.

The highly-acclaimed multimedia journal, which the American underclass is coming to Western Maryland College, Monday, November 18, at 7 p.m., in Alumni Hall. Admission is $3 with all proceeds benefiting area charities.

Jacob Holdt, a Danish photographer, spent five years roaming America staying with homeless sharecroppers, drug pushers and prostitutes, as well as some of the country’s wealthiest families, including the Rockefeller, to highlight the wide spectrum of need.

The show was created from more than 15,000 photos taken during his trek, which began in the 1970s and continued in the 1980s.

Holdt, a self-described Danish vaga-bond who hitchhiked more than 118,000 miles, started out with only $40 and sold blood twice a week to buy film.

Besides portraits of the people he lived with he also followed criminals in the ghettoes during muggings, sneaked inside to work in southern slave camps for migrant workers, joined the Native American rebellion at Wounded Knee, and infiltrated Ku Klux Klan meetings. Along with the KKK rally photos, Holdt also secretly tape recorded a meeting.

The chilling, sometimes blood-tinting audio is part of his American Pictures series.

"American Pictures," Holdt’s in-depth, poignant analysis in music, words and pictures of the country he witnessed is "most of national_picture has been shown in 20 colleges and universities across the country, including 11 times at Harvard, 12 at Cornell, seven at Stanford and Yale, and 17 times at University of California-Berkeley.

Courtesy of Public Information
BOOKS TO WRAP UP FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Good books always make good gifts and the next Books Sandwiched In at Western Maryland College will let you know what to get your favorite readers this holiday season.

This year’s Books for Holiday Gifts session features reviews by local author Carleton Jones and will be held Thursday, November 14, at noon, in McDaniel Lounge.

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Magicians to help WMC student organization

Five magic acts will team up Thursday, Nov. 21, to raise money for a student organization at Western Maryland College. "An Evening of Deceptions," featuring Baltimore magicians Chuck Bollinger, Tom Lilly, Mike Rose, and Robert Strong, as well as Westminster's Tom Crowl & the Mrs., will be held at 7 p.m. in Alumni Hall. Admission is $5 for adults, $2 for children. Reduced rates are available for groups of 10 and more.

All proceeds will benefit WMC's Non-traditional Student Organization (NSO), which represents the College's adult learners ages 24 and older. The group would especially like to start a scholarship for older students, said junior communication major Dierdre Crowl, NSO president and benefit organizer. She also is the "Mrs." of Tom Crowl & the Mrs. Crowl said the performers did a benefit for the Avalon Theatre in Easton, MD, and really wanted to work together again. "We are all comedy magicians, but with our own styles of presentation," she said of the five acts. "It makes a nice mix for a show and we enjoy working together, especially for a good cause."

Dierdre Crowl joined her husband on stage about seven years ago. He has been a touring professional for 12 years. They recently performed at the 1996 Maryland Renaissance Festival and have opened for Chubby Checker, America and The Drifters. "I call us the maritally-challenged magic act because Tom gets me and I always get him back," she said. "All in fun, of course."

Chuck Bollinger is a comedy hypnotist who has appeared with the All-American Mini Circus and has toured Europe and the U.S. Mike Rose, she said, also performed at this year's Renaissance festival in Crownsville and is a designated Budweiser magician featured at outings across the country. Robert Strong, a 1994 graduate of Towson State University, uses juggling and variety arts throughout his comedy magic routine and Tom Lilly features Beowulf T. Wonderbunny, a rabbit who helps with his vivid comedy magic for kids of all ages. 

Other upcoming events:

Tuesday, Dec. 3
Student Solo Recital
7 p.m., McDaniel Lounge

Thursday, Dec. 5
Gospel Choir Concert
7:30 p.m., Baker Memorial Chapel

Sunday, Dec. 8
College Choir Concert
7 p.m., Baker Memorial Chapel

European Film Festival at Western Maryland College in the Pub

Thursday, 11/14/9
"Cabeza de Vaca"
(Spain/Mexico 1991)
Director: Nicolas Echevarria

Tuesday, 11/19/96
"Machogeschi"  
(Talk of the Town / Germany 1995)
Director: Rainer Kaufmann

Wednesday, 11/20/96
"Trop belle pour toi"
("Too beautiful for you," France 1989)
Starring: Gerard Depardieu
The film won over 5 Oscars in 1999, including Best Film, Best Director.

Friday, 11/22/96
"Belle Epoque"
(Spain 1992)
Director: Fernando Trueba (Winner of the Oscar for Best Foreign Film in 1993)

60 Seconds
By Christian Wilwhol

What do you think about American politics and elections?

"Clinton's election proves that Americans are truly uninformed, overlooked Clinton's evident character flaws, and don't place moral leadership as a high priority."

Randy Rytter '97 Political Science

"Candidates seem like celebrities here. In England, it's not a campaign about personalities, it's about policies and ideas."

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Students get a taste of life on the campaign trail

By Adam Dean
Staff Writer

As we all know, 1996 was an election year. The presidential race dominated the election coverage, but there were many other smaller races. Offices like senator, congressmen, governors, and school board positions were up for grabs. Many are happy to leave political activity to the politicians, but some students felt compelled by class requirements, personal convictions, or a combination of the two to insert themselves into the political process. These students became campaign volunteers and sacrificed their time and their labor to one or more political candidates.

What can students do in a political campaign? A lot, even if someone has little or no prior experience with campaigning. Students can make calls, answer phones, and stuff envelopes with campaign literature. People are always needed to walk around neighborhoods and distribute literature, signs, and other information about a particular candidate. Volunteer work like this makes a campaign possible. Nobody, not even Ross Perot, has enough money to pay people to do all of these required services, but they must be done. Campaign volunteers provide the foundation upon which a successful campaign can be built.

WMC student and Democratic Taisha Berry, a junior, worked for the Clinton/Gore reelection bid. Berry is a Maryland resident, but her hometown was too far away for her to commute. To contribution, she campaigned out of the Baltimore office of the Democratic Party. She wanted to work for "something that would effect me, and somebody that would have an effect on Maryland." While working on this campaign, Berry met some interesting people. She worked with Comptroller Jim Gintens of the Democratic Party of Baltimore, and called people to "get out the patronage vote" in Baltimore City.

Berry was surprised at how much depended on campaign volunteers. "Things just don't happen without the little people," she said. Engagement in filing and organizational tasks, Berry even typed up the agenda of a Democratic candidate. On election day she met and shook hands with Senator Barbara Mikulski.

Republican Sara-Beth Reyburn, also a junior, worked on a smaller campaign. Reyburn is a Pennsylvania resident and went home to work for a candidate. Republican Joe Pitts was running for Congress in the 16th district in Pennsylvania. She would drive for an hour each way to work for this campaign on the weekends. Reyburn chose to work for this candidate because "he's a good man, a good person and he believes in things I believe in." Reyburn was upset that Pitts' challenger, Democrat James Blaine, dumped a large amount of money into negative advertising.

Reyburn also attended campaign rallies such as the Christian Coalition rally, but she didn't quite care for it. "The speaker they had didn't really reflect his [Pitts'] views and beliefs," she said. Pitts is a supporter of pro-life and prayer in public schools.

Reyburn also met state senators and other interesting political figures and used this to her advantage in finding opportunities for internships. When asked if she regretted anything about the campaign Reyburn responded, "I wished I had more time to work on this campaign. I got to meet a lot of people who supported him [Pitts] and a lot of interesting people."

The civic duty of voting is very important. But there is more out there for a concerned person to do if he wishes. These students are examples of the impact little people can make on the campaign system. The political process depends on volunteers to keep on working. Without them no candidate, no matter how rich, could afford to run a modern political campaign.

Forum to rock with The Dirges

The Dirges plan to make another hit at WMC this year

By Ross Holleran
Contributing Writer

As they get bigger and bigger here in the Northeast region of the U.S., the Philadelphia-based band, The Dirges, have not forgotten Western Maryland College. This five-piece band, who began their career with a first place finish at Penn State’s 1992 ”Battle of the Bands,” continues to grow in both fan base and talent. Last semester The Dirges gave a concert for the WMC community is fortunately invited to listen for themselves in early December.

Drawing from "Nifty Vanilla" (1,250 copies sold) as well as their first two albums, "Fiber" and "Splinter" (combined 6,850 copies sold), The Dirges look forward to another entertaining evening at WMC. Jim Santos of Alternative Press said of The Dirges, "[they] mix R.E.M.'s earnest jangle with Pearl Jam's anthemic anguish and give it a bouncy beat. Dreams do come true."

Whether or not one believes dreams come true, The Dirges are a solid band that are about to take off on the national level, and the WMC community is fortunately invited to listen for themselves in early December.

A shoulder to cry on at Smith House

By Jen Viock
Feature Editor

Comfortable couches, stuffed animals, soothing paintings of landscapes, and a box of tissues adorn the office of Susan Glore, director of counseling services.

For many students, Smith House is the dreaded two words: 

"I provide personal counseling for Appointment

Susan Glore, director of Counseling Services, knows all about college students' worries and woes.

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Creatures crawling around WMC, indoors and out

BY MIKE PUSKAR  
Staff Writer

Western Maryland College may not have an official mascot, but it sure does have plenty of patrons, courtesy of fauna. The campus is overseen by the board of trusty squirrels and is administered not by President Robert Chambers, but by President Robert Chambers’ cat. Moreover, who’s to say that former WMC football coach, Ken Shroyer, coined the term “Green Terror” when the name was already taken by a freshwater fish? Yes, a fish called Wanda.

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For years, several people have been helping squirrels stock up for winter. Among them is administrative assistant Marlene Meloche, who works in Fortlines. Meloche keeps her window propped open slightly and feeds the squirrels when they come knocking. If Meloche doesn’t feed it, a squirrel will chew the window and look at Meloche typewriter, where a squirrel would have to be ground. Some squirrels are even respectful of their caretakers in the Registrar’s Office—albeit on rainy days they leave muddy footprints everywhere—for they seem to know that they aren’t supposed to go beyond the counter. In one instance, a squirrel played litterbug when it took a whole bag of nuts up its tree and dropped the empty bag to the ground.

ROTC students brave the early morning hours for PT

BY MAGGIE KIMURA  
Staff Writer

It’s dark, it’s cold, and it’s really early in the morning. While most students are probably asleep, either dreaming of the next A, or having a nightmare about the next exam, the Army ROTC cadets are just beginning their day at 6 a.m., Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

These cadets are required to do physical training (PT) that consists of push-ups, sit-ups (or variations), and running. Students with ROTC scholarships or contracts are required to attend PT sessions, while students taking ROTC as a basic course are eternally aged to participate. It is held on the track or in Gill Gym if the weather is cold.

The goal of PT is to establish a solid foundation for physical fitness and to prepare juniors for the physical challenge of Advanced Camp. Advanced Camp is an intense training period the summer before a cadets senior year that is required if they are to be commissioned after graduation.

PT helps the cadets prepare for the APFT (Army Physical Fitness Test) that is administered once a semester and involves sit-ups, push-ups, and a timed two mile run. To pass, a cadet needs a score of 180 or higher. Juniors, a score of 250 is desirable for Advanced Camp. According to Sargent First Class Stanley Hall, who is in charge of the PT program, “The goal is to be above the average Advanced Camp PT score.” Seniors, prior to being commissioned, are advised to achieve a score of 290 on the APFT.

The PT session is not always push-ups, and sit-ups. Sports such as flag football, soccer, volleyball, etc. are also played to break the monotony of the PT session.

The ROTC faculty are present during PT and help to motivate the cadets into achieving the highest physical goals that the cadets set for themselves. After an hour of PT, the cadets may be a little tired and a little sweaty, but they are ready to face the challenges of a new day.
WMCR's Clam Chowder adds flavor to Monday nights

By NICKI KASSIOLES
Staff Writer

It is 5:30 p.m. on a Monday evening. You are walking from dinner back to your dorm room. As you exit the cafeteria, you stop to listen to the Western Maryland College Radio (WMCR). You do not care about anything but listening to music. Instead you hear Clam Chowder. What is Clam Chowder? Well, it is a creamy type of soup with clams and potatoes and it is the title of WMCR's political radio talk show.

Seniors Dave Dempsky and Randy Ryter are both political science majors and the stars of Clam Chowder. The talk show is in its first year of broadcast on WMCR. The idea came from a "conglomeration of all of our political views packed into a two hour time slot," according to Ryter. Dempsky had hosted a radio show last year and Ryter found himself stopping by on a regular basis, so this year they decided to host a show together.

Clam Chowder airs from 5 to 7 p.m. Monday evenings. "Originally we picked this time slot to coincide with dinner and have people come in and talk with us," said Dempsky. Each show begins with a basic outline of what will be discussed in the two hour time slot. Past show topics have included the election, "The Simpson's" Halloween episode, and parental licensing, complaints about Glar, gun control, and MTV news. "We have basic topics that we know we're going to stick to, but we never end up sticking to those topics. It gets kind of whacked," said Ryter.

Guest participation is a large part of Clam Chowder. Dr. Charles Neal, associate professor of political science, has been a guest, as have members of AIDS Support and Awareness (ASAP). Yet the award for the most guest appearances goes to Dr. Herb Smith, professor of political science. Having participated in professional talk radio in the past, Smith thinks "it's kind of fun to see the student version of it." Ryter and Dempsky enjoy the guests that they have scheduled every week, yet it is the spontaneous people who stop by that keep the show interesting. "Most of the time professors will tell their students about the show and they will stop by. Our friends also stop by," said Ryter. Visitors to the show help to increase its spontaneous nature. According to Dempsky, "Four or five regulars will pop by and hang out. It keeps things flowing and helps to make the show more student based."

The most memorable of Clam Chowder's shows was the first episode. A pack of people fit into the small radio studio and everyone wanted to talk on the air. According to Dempsky, "A big raging debate with two equal sides began. It was a lot of fun."

The importance of this type of political talk show comes from its ability to make people think about a certain issue. "The show is like an open forum every Monday. We encourage people to think about an issue, rather than prejudge it," said Dempsky. Ryter hopes that the show can "broaden people's views and open them up to different sides." Ryter and Dempsky are often in a mediator-like position during the show. "We're there to move things along and to moderate the show. We encourage others to speak their minds," said Ryter. Standing in the middle of a heated debate forces these seniors to learn how to compromise. Ryter and Dempsky both feel that this skill will be useful in their future careers as lawyers. "The show makes us see both sides of the issue," said Ryter. "It's a big time prep for law school."

As for the future of Clam Chowder, Dempsky and Ryter look forward to big name guests and a lot of experimentation. Ryter is working to get politicians such as Congressman Irlich, the mayor, and other elected officials to visit WMCR. Ryter is working to get politicians such as Congressman Irlich, the mayor, and other elected officials to visit WMCR.

"Going My Way?"

Before leaving for Thanksgiving Break, make sure you check out the "Going My Way" board in front of the doors of Glar. The big green and yellow board offers travel solutions to people not only far away, but nearby as well.

People needing rides to different areas of the US and East Coast, or people able to offer rides simply fill out cards telling where they are going to or need to go. A "ride needed" or "ride offered" card is filled out by the individual, and then placed on hooks that correspond to a particular region. On the card, the student must fill out, name, date, going to, time leaving, city, campus address, and campus phone.

Currently there are more rides needed than rides offered. Regions listed on the board are Maryland (Central, Eastern Shore), Delaware, DC, Pennsylvania, New Jersey (North and South), New York, Virginia, and an "other" category. The program was started by the parents organization.

Education department welcomes new professor, Dr. Judith Mouny

By SARAH SNEILL
Staff Writer

Dr. Judith L. Mouny is a new face this year, and brings with her five years of teaching experience from Boston University where she instructed graduate courses. She has a psychotherapist. Mouny received her bachelor's degree in elementary education from Boston University in 1974, her teacher's degree in deaf education from Temple University in 1976, and her doctorate in 1986 from Boston University in applied psycholinguistics.

Attending mainstream schools, Mouny said, as a hard of hearing student, she had to learn to teach herself. She had acquired good study habits by the time she entered college and made it through. She admits that if she had had a family at that time it would have been even more difficult.

After retiring from academia, Mouny said she would like to be a psychotherapist.

Mouny is originally from Philadelphia, Pa. and enjoys soccer, reading, drawing and painting, and spending time with her daughters. Her daughters Ludmila Rose and Hannah Jo are students at Westminster College.

Mouny is married to Robert B. Weinstock, a psychotherapist.

Mouny's most important role is to give students a sense of positive self-esteem, self-awareness, and a love of learning. Mouny has been an invaluable resource to students because of the knowledge and skills she has. She is a positive role model for students who are hard of hearing, and she is also tolerant of themselves and each other.

Mouny is a strong supporter of Robert B. Weinstock, a psychotherapist.
Absent from class, but busy with homework

Professors on sabbatical pursue their interests and gain experiences that can be helpful in classes

**By Nicki Kasolis**

Many professors at Western Maryland College are not teaching classes or interacting with students. Their office doors are shut because they are taking a sabbatical or leave of absence this semester. Though their work has taken them away from "the Hill," these professors have not been taken away from difficult work.

Typically, professors are entitled to take a sabbatical after seven years of teaching at WMC. Dr. Colette Henriette, associate professor of French, found herself in that position this fall. She has used her time away from the campus to work on three major projects. The first is to revise her dissertation. In her dissertation, Henriette researched the French writer Madame de Chateaurriere, namely the correspondence she shared with a Swiss officer.

In addition to researching for her dissertation, Henriette is busy researching for two new classes she will be teaching in the spring. One class is an upper-level study of female French writers from the middle ages until the 18th century. "This course was directly inspired by the students," said Henriette. Another new class is about contemporary French culture. This course will examine current events in France through reading newspapers. Henriette encourages students to enroll in these courses.

Henriette's final project during her sabbatical has left her surfing the Worldwide Web. She has spent a great deal of time exploring the Internet and various online services to see how they can be utilized in the classroom. Henriette is attempting to "make sure that anything I present to the students will be useful." While she has missed her time interacting with WMC students, Henriette feels that her time away from campus has been well spent. "Once in a while you need to read again to find a new source of inspiration, it is kind of exciting."

Henriette is not the only professor spending her time reworking her dissertation. Associate professor of art, Michael Losch, has spent his sabbatical reading new material about the French artist Paul Cervanne, the subject of his dissertation. Losch wants thoroughly they cover political races," said Dalton.

In analyzing these four newspapers, Dalton has looked at the quality and quantity of the political coverage while finding any trends that may emerge. He has also interviewed both reporters and editors of the four newspapers. Since it is election time, the fall semester provided Dalton with the ideal time for his sabbatical. The information that he has collected will be used in Dalton's journalism courses.

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Another new class is about conquests of the 18th century. This course was designed to give students an idea of inspiration and how to begin to write poetry. Dalton has also been spending time working on two articles for publication and developing new courses to be offered in the future.

"When you teach three classes a semester, maybe four, and have all of the other obligations as a professor, you don't have the time to devote yourself to pursuing more scholarly activities," said Losch. By taking a sabbatical Losch has found that time, even though he misses the WMC community.

Journalism professor, Terry Dalton, has spent this fall doing a great deal of research and writing. Dalton has been studying how four newspapers in Maryland have covered the 6th district congressional race. "As a former political reporter, I have always been interested in smaller newspapers in rural congressional districts and how well, how it was important to do something that would be useful in the classroom," he said. In addition to his research, Dalton has been working with students. Their office doors are shut, but they have certainly found their own voice developing when you read.

Whether they are researching, writing, reading, or exploring the Worldwide Web, these professors are keeping themselves very busy. Their experiences away this fall will translate into the classrooms they will return to in the spring.
Students learn of abuses of children and handguns

By Sara Gruen Staff Writer

Violent crime and lost children are some of those things that most college students try to ignore if they think it doesn’t affect them. The evening of November sixth, a group of students realized the impact that crimes involving handguns, knives, and drunk driving and the frequency of child kidnappings have on their lives.

Angela Harris, Head Resident of Whiteford Hall, with help form the RA’s of Whiteford, held a program entitled “Save the Children” with speakers Nancy Fenton from “Marylanders Against Handgun Abuse” and Paula Proudfoot from “Maryland Center for Missing Children.” Harris created interest in this program by putting a large sheet of paper outside of Whiteford Hall, with help from Harris, whose friend from New York was killed in a drive-by shooting.

“If you haven’t been touched by handgun violence you get the feeling of ‘Keep away! Don’t even worry about it,”’ Nancy Fenton pointed out. An alumna of Western Maryland who remembers living in McDaniell Hall twenty years ago, Fenton now travels to schools and fights for gun control legislation with “The Marylanders Against Handgun Abuse” otherwise known as MAHA. “Gun violence is the leading cause of death for Marylanders under 25 years old,” she pointed out. Fenton attributes the cause of these deaths to the accessibility of guns, saying that there are 800,000 to one million handguns in Maryland and right now; that’s one handgun in one out of every four homes in Maryland. Fenton and MAHA don’t promote the banning of all guns and understand the NRA’s point of citizens having the right to bear arms, but they know that handgun violence is “too much of a problem in this state and in this country” to ignore.

Along with MAHA speaking at schools and institutions, they also state programs, such as Straight Talk About Risks (STAR) and Students Against Handgun Abuse (SAHA), within schools so students can make a difference in their communities.

Carla Proudfoot began her speech by remarking that she was “impressed with the turnout. It [gave her] hope to see that there are people who will help make a difference.” The Maryland Center for Missing Children (MCMC) is a relatively new organization that works with law enforcement and victimized families to help find missing children. “Fifteen years ago it was easier to find a missing car than a missing child,” Proudfoot stated. But in the past ten to fifteen years, more children are being taken.

John Walsh has done a network of information about missing children, 80% of missing children reported in the State of Maryland are recovered. CompSec sponsors the 49-state computer network which has made it easier to track down missing children who might have left or been taken out of their home state. Baltimore’s Channel 53 displays missing children’s photographs and the MCMC has an 800 hotline for sightings. The number of children still missing in the State of Maryland, a staggering 15,415, shows us that we still have a long way to go.

Most children found are runaways who are either abused or their parents don’t want anything to do with them. The second largest amount of missing children are parental abductions, where one parent will just leave with the child without informing the other parent.

Proudfoot said that this is one of the “biggest problems with the association, because often there is a custody battle going on at the same time and the parent is not often charged with abducting his/her own child. The third largest group is stranger abductions, which encompass only one tenth of one percent of found children. This statistic is misleading, though, since there are so many more children to be found that we don’t really know how many were abducted by strangers.

When asked how she deals with this problem every day, Proudfoot replied, “I pray a lot. These kids have to be somewhere. It bothers me to know that there are kids that nobody knows.”

Glore continues to work and solve problems of students

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counseling at WMC, about two thirds are women, and one third are men. This is standard to counseling statistics everywhere,” Glore commented about her largely female clientele. She also said that more seniors and juniors come in to counseling than sophomores and freshmen.

The most frequent issue Glore finds she has to deal with are problems with relationships, whether they be with a parent, a friend, or a partner. Other frequent issues are depression and loneliness, while the issue of stress is always present. Stress problems arise more often before midterms and finals, and Glore said that her schedule, which fills quickly, fluctuates with the stress level on campus.

Because Glore must often juggle a tight schedule because she’s the only counselor on campus, Jay Day, psychology major, feels that it would only be “fair to students and to [Glore] to have someone else.” Day talks to Glore on a regular basis and said he has been a “positive” experience for him, but he also feels that there should be a licensed psychologist on hand for students with more serious problems.

A friend of Day’s, who wished to remain anonymous, said she knows students with serious psychological problems such as manic depression and others with serious depression and social phobia. This student added that, though many of the people with serious problems are already seeing a psychiatrist, if a sudden problem arises Glore may be their only resource to turn to. In this student’s opinion, Glore is not qualified to handle the problems of these students.

Glore is not a psychiatrist but she is certified in counseling both in the state and nationally. She has her master’s degree in counseling and her practicum work dealt directly with college counseling. There is a psychiatrist with whom Glore meets twice a week, and they work together on how to solve a tough problem a student may have. Glore makes sure to maintain confidentiality during these meetings. From time to time she may refer a student to a psychiatrist if deems it is necessary.

Glore is required to continuously attend training to maintain counseling skills, and she belongs to a consortium of college counseling director groups. In these groups the counselors “brainstorm and discuss what is going on at their schools, and generally try to ‘stay abreast of issues.’”

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They’re rough, tough, and can’t get enough! WMC’s ROTC Competes at Ranger Challenge

BY BOBBI LEISTER

What did you do last weekend? While most of us kicked back with some friends or lounged around at home, twenty of Western Maryland’s ROTC cadets gave up their weekend and traveled to Ft. A.P. Hill, Virginia October 25-27 to compete in the annual Ranger Challenge competition.

The teams arrived at the base on Friday to organize and get psyched for the weekend’s events. The competition was fierce with schools joining them from all over the East Coast.

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**Jarrod Gilliam (SO)**

**Brian Flynn (FR)**

Alternate: Alex McLean

**TEAM 2**

**John Green (SR)**

**Liz Clark (SO)**

**Ben Craven (SO)**

**Keith Brockman (SO)**

**Matt McQuigg (FR)**

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**Bob Taber (FR)**

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**Jen Fot (FR)**

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Football wins second straight; one more win to .500 Centennial Conference record, 4-5 overall

Freshman quarterback Sermarini, junior wide-receiver Donte Abron, sophomore DeFraitas lead Terror team

Freshman quarterback Ron Sermarini threw for three touchdowns and ran for one to lead Western Maryland over Lebanon Valley 4-25 in a non-conference game.

Sermarini found junior wide receiver Donte Abron for a 40-yard touchdown with 4:46 left in the first quarter to snap a 7-7 tie and give Western Maryland the lead for good.

The second touchdown pass was a five-yarder to Scooter Banks with twenty-nine seconds left in the first half on a play during which Sermarini recovered a fumble and actually threw the ball from the Lebanon Valley 25-yard line. That pushed Western Maryland's advantage to 27-13 at halftime.

Lebanon Valley pulled back to within 27-19 when Greg Kohler scored on a six-yard run with 8:40 left in the third quarter.

Sermarini then drove Western Maryland 62 yards in fifteen plays, finding Jay Tharpe for a 10-yarder to make the score 34-13. That drive included 290 passing yards and Sermarini's 25-yard touchdown run to complete a 34-yard drive with 9:49 into the second quarter.

Sermarini completed 28 out of 38 passes for 300 yards and combined 312 total yards, for the score 24-0. The fourth quarter brought Sermarini's 25 yard. 

Sermarini also rushed for 47 yards, and combined 312 total yards for his fourth 300-plus yard effort.

The Terror play their last game this Saturday at Hopkins. Courtesy of Sports Information.

1997 BMI student composer awards competition opens

New York, Nov. 1 - The 54th Annual BMI Student Composer Award competition will award $15,000 to young composers, Frances W. Preston, BMI President and CEO, announced. The postmark deadline for entering the 1997 competition, which is co-sponsored by the BMI Student Composer Awards, 320 West 57th Street, New York, NY 10019.

There are no limitations as to the creation of concert music and, through cash prizes, to aid in continuing their musical education. There are no limitations as to the instrumentation, style or length of work submitted. The prizes, ranging from $500 to $3,000, are awarded at the discretion of the final judging panel. Ten former winners have gone on to win the coveted Pulitzer Prize in Music.

The 1997 competition is open to students who are citizens of the Western Hemisphere and who are under 26 years of age on December 31, 1996. Compositions are judged completely under pseudonyms. Milton Babbitt is the awards chair.

Students learn about missing children

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think that so many people have been affected by the violence and apathy of criminals, and it is scary to see how violent this country and state are becoming. Proudfoot said, "Our kids are either the leaders of the future or the criminals of tomorrow," thought to be running the ball with the team members block the opposing players.

Deal is leading the team with 17 points returned for 182 yards for an average of 10.7 yards per return.

the score 24-0. There was no score in the third quarter. The fourth quarter brought Warhorne's only touchdown, and Sermarini's 25 yard pass pass to freshman wide receiver Marc Alegi.

Sermarini completed 22 out of 37 passes for a new Western Maryland completion record of 60 percent.

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Women's soccer complete season with defeat of Muhlenberg

Strong 1997 season hopes look ahead for women's team with only one player graduating in the spring

By Tom Gill
Staff Writer

Western Maryland's women's soccer team finished their season with a 9-0 Centennial Conference victory over Bryn Mawr on October 27. The girls had won five straight, and had shown some signs of great things to come.

Senior Erin Murphey scored three goals and three assists during the game to finish with the second-highest total in Western Maryland history. Junior Lynne Stoehr added a school single-game record five assists for the Green Terror.

Also scoring during the Bryn Mawr game were juniors Jessica Mongrain, Christine Kalobius, Kalobius scoring two goals, sophomore Tara Mazza, and freshmen Elaina Herndon and Meg MacPherson. Assisting in the nine goals were Stoehr with five assists, Murphey with three, and junior goal-keeper Julie Backof with one.

The lady Terror also beat Muhlenberg on October 2 by a score of 2-1 in Centennial Conference play. The ladies scored two second half goals to take the lead and eventually win the game.

Sophomore Stephanie Van Deusen scored with 19:45 left to knot the game at one. This was Van Deusen's third goal of the season.

Then senior Erin Murphey scored the game winner, and her 13th goal of the season, three minutes and 27 seconds later with an assist from sophomore Natalie Hannahb, her third. The Green Terror won despite being outshot 24-16.

Junior goalkeeper Julie Backof registered 18 saves in goal for the ladies. This victory extended Western Maryland's winning streak to four games. The lady Green Terror ended their season 8-7-1 and 5-3 in Centennial Conference play.

Murphy was also named to the first team All-Conference for her second consecutive year for WMC. She received the honor by scoring 14 goals in conference games, which sets a new Centennial Conference record for most goals scored in a season. Overall, Murphy scored 16 goals and a WMC record high nine assists, which tied her for the most single season points with 41.

Backof received an honorable mention place on the All-Conference team with 203 saves in the net and a 1.55 goals-against average.

Also two weeks ago, the girls blanked Dickinson 3-0 at home. Murphey scored her eleventh and twelfth goals of the season, one of which was assisted by Erin Kelly, for her sixth assist. Murphey's two goals were within 63 seconds late in the second half to give the Terror the lead.

Dickinson, 7-10 overall and 3-5 in Centennial Conference play, was stopped by Backof as she made eight saves in the shut out. Junior Christine Kalobius also added an unassisted goal with three minutes and 29 seconds left in regulation play.

The women started to turn things around when they improved to 6-7-1 with back to back victories last month. Murphy scored twice at Johns Hopkins on October 15, with one goal being unassisted, and one assist coming from Herndon, to give Hopkins their first Centennial Conference loss of the season.

The Blue Jays of Hopkins had not allowed a goal in the first five Centennial Conference games until Tuesday, October 15 in the 3-1 victory, Murphy advanced her team-leading goals to eleven, while Erin Kelly added her third goal of the year. Murphy was also named the Centennial Conference Player of the Week for the week of October 14-20.

This exciting Western Maryland victory came just after a two-to-nothing shut out of Catholic three days prior to the Hopkins game at home. The Catholic game's lone scorer's were Kalobius and Kelly, with assists from Kelly and Natalie Hannahb respectively. This win stopped a three game skid of the Terror's, but added to Catholic's skid streak of four.

The ladies have gone into overtime periods in the two previous games with scores of 2-2 at Frostburg State University on October 3, and 2-3 at home versus Haverford on October 5.

At the Frostburg game, both goals were scored by Murphey, with assists from both Mongrain and Kalobius.

The Haverford game played at WMC showcased Murphey again as she assisted Hannahb and Kalobius in their two goals.

Looking to jump back into the win column, the ladies had to face an extremely talented Gettysburg team who also suffered tough losses early in the season on October 9 in Conference play. The Bullets jumped out in front early with a goal in the first minute and 44 seconds of the contest and kept the pressure throughout the game.

The lead was scored by Kelly in the first half. Jessica Mongrain scored two minutes into the second half, which would be the only goal for the Terror as they lost the game 1-5.

The 1997 season looks promising for the lady soccer players as they lose only one member to graduation in the spring. Although the senior is MVP Erin Murphey, the team should be able to utilize the upcoming talent.

Freshman leads Green Terror football team

By Julie Edwards
Staff Writer

Freshman quarterback Ron Sermarini has held the honor of Centennial Conference Player of the Week twice this season. Once, after the Dickinson game in which Sermarini threw for 342 yards and two touchdowns. That game he also set the Western Maryland record for completion percentage in a game at 73.7% by completing 28 of 38 attempts, as he lead the Green Terror past the Red Devils 27-14.

Again after producing 358 yards of total offense and four touchdowns in the Green Terror's 46-25 romp over non-conference foe Lebanon Valley, he repeated as Player of the Week. In this game, Sermarini completed 24 of 36 passes for 290 yards and scores of four, five, and five yards. He also rushed 14 times for a team-high 68 yards.

Sermarini is a native of Toms River, New Jersey. He began playing football in seventh grade on a pop-warner football team. His father has been a major influence in his football career, since he is a football coach. Sermarini says his family is very supportive of him and his career, since he is a football coach. Sermarini says his family is very supportive of him and his career, since he is a football coach.

The 1996 Cross Country season is winding down, and the men and women have just competed in some extremely difficult Centennial Conference tournaments.

In the Centennial Conference Championships in Gettysburg Pennsylvania on October 26, the men placed eighth out of nine teams competing in the meet.

Haverford College came in first place with twenty-three total points, followed by Franklin and Marshall College with fifty-eight.

The Terror men only placed higher than the Muhlenberg men who had 263 cumulative points in the 8,000 meter run.

Placing first for Western Maryland, and twenty-eighth out of 97 finishers overall, was team leader Greg Davis with a time of 28:43.0. Davis's time was only about two minutes shy of first place Karl Paranya of Haverford College.

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Haverford College took the meet with 29,049. Josh Beck, Brendon Henderson, and Robert Birdsell all finished in the top 85 out of one-hundred runners.

Sophomore Mike Cashaw, the team's second runner throughout the season, did not compete due to a commitment with the school's Army ROTC detachment.

The women had placed tenth out of ten in Gettysburg for the Centennial Conference Championships.

The Terror women were somewhat disadvantaged during this meet because of missing lead runner Kelly Davis, wife of men's lead runner Greg Davis, and Cynthia Callen, the top freshman on the team, due to injuries.

The ladies were led by senior Laurie Cicero who placed first for Western Maryland, and twentieth out of 98 women runners competing. Cicero's time over the 5,000 meter course was 20:52.3.

Cicero was also two minutes shy of the second place finisher, Meredith Unger of Haverford College.

Haverford College took the meet with 34 points. Dickinson followed with 26 points, and Gettysburg and Frederick College rounded out the meet with 278.

Another finisher for the Lady Terror was Heather Huffer, Aimee Crewek, and junior Jennifer Vick.
### FOOTBALL (9-6-1)

#### INDIVIDUAL SCORING OVERALL
Player - Cl - Goals - Assists - Pts
Amy North - So - 8 - 2 - 8
Katie Poryzla - Jr - 8 - 2 - 8
Karen Millar - Jr - 6 - 2 - 6

#### FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE
Player - Percentage
Andrea Overton - .167
Lori Noel - .148
Jacie Mathias - .111
Stacie Healy - .100
Krissy Kurtyka - .071
Stacey Seward - .062
Karen Millar - .061

#### CONFERENCE
Player - No. Aces
Carrie Shadrick - 39
Heather Tolkaeh - 39
Lori Noel - 25
Karen Millar - 23
Stacey Seward - 22
Krissy Kurtyka - 21
Jacie Mathias - 18
Ashley Welte - 16
Jacie Mathias - 7

#### BLOCK ASSISTS
Player - No. Block Assists
Krissy Kurtyka - 45
Karen Millar - 43
Ashley Welte - 28
Lori Noel - 22
Karen Millar - 20
Carrie Shadrick - 19
Heather Tolkaeh - 6
Stacie Healy - 5
Jacie Mathias - 5
Andrea Overton - 1

#### KICKING
Player - No. - Yds - Avg. - Long
Bob Picton - 14 - 191 - .13 - 58
KICKING

#### FOOTBALL (4-5)

#### TOTAL OFFENSE
Player - Plays - Rush - Pass - Total
Ron Seminari - 279 - 189 - 139 - 1492
Gavin DeFraitas - 135 - 430 - 430 - 3.2
Janie Moyer - So - 55 - 10 - .846
Jessica Horwath - Fr - 55 - 13 - .809

#### WORLD SocCCER (9-7-1)

#### INDIVIDUAL SCORING OVERALL
Player - Cl - Goals - Assists - Pts
Erin Murphy - Sr - 16 - 9 - 41
Natalie Hannibal - So - 8 - 3 - 9
Christine Kabubus - Jr - 8 - 3 - 9
Erin Kelly - Jr - 4 - 6 - 14
Jessica Mongrain - Jr - 6 - 2 - 14
Stephanie Van Dezen - So - 3 - 4 - 10
Lynne Stoere - Sr - 8 - 1 - 8
Elaina Herndon - Fr - 1 - 2 - 4
Tara Mazza - So - 1 - 0 - 2
Meg MacPherson - Fr - 1 - 0 - 2
Jaslei Mongrain - Jr - 6 - 2 - 14

#### GOAL TENDING OVERALL
Player - Cl - Saves - Allw'd - Pet
Krissy Kurtyka - Jr - 0 - 1 - .1

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#### SOLO BLOCKS
Player - No. Blocks
Ashley Welte - 14
Stacie Healy - 6
Krissy Kurtyka - 10
Lori Noel - 9
Karen Millar - 6
Carrie Shadrick - 5
Heather Tolkaeh - 1

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Stacie Healy - 5
Jacie Mathias - 5
Andrea Overton - 1

#### DIGS
Player - No. Digs
Lori Noel - 316
Karen Millar - 215
Ashley Welte - 107
Stacie Healy - 12
Andrea Overton - 1

#### SET ASSISTS
Player - No. Set Assists
Jacie Mathias - 9
Ashley Welter - 167
Lori Noel - 148
Jacie Mathias - 111
Stacie Healy - 100
Krissy Kurtyka - 181

#### VOLLEYBALL (15-7)

#### KILLS
Player - Cl - Goals - Assists - Pts
Carrie Shadrick - 336
Karen Millar - 71
Stacie Healy - 6

#### All stats are as of November 8,
Early season play keeps men’s soccer team from playoffs

Seniors Estes, Laurence, LeCron, Wilson, and Edwards finish final season at WMC

By Tom Gill

Finishing their season with a loss against Washington College on Saturday, November 9, the Green Terror men’s soccer team arrive at a 6-10-2 record for the 1996 season.

Freshman Ryan Bowles, the second leading scorer with 10 points for the season, scored the only goal in the contest.

Despite the loss to Washington, the Terror came up with an excellent overtime victory over Ursinus on Saturday, November 2 at home in a Centennial Conference game. Senior Mac Wilson and sophomore Duane Campbell scored in overtime to give Western Maryland the 4-2 win.

The Terror men appeared to be finished in the second half, when junior Art Crouse tied the game with only 28 seconds left in the game. Crouse was assisted by sophomore Jason Wattenshaidt, his first assist of the season.

In overtime, Wilson broke the 2-2 tie with 6:15 left in the first overtime period off of an assist from Crouse, Campbell added his goal with only one second remaining in the first overtime to give the Terror the 4-2 lead.

The first goal of the game was made by Chris LeCron, with another assist from Wattenshaidt.

The scheduled second overtime period was canceled because of darkness.

Senior Rick Estes registered seven saves for the contest.

The men got blanked by Johns Hopkins at home on October 25 on single goals in the two periods. The Jays are 11-1 and 4-0 in the Conference, but the Terror gave them stiff competition. Estes was once again in the net during this game, and made 13 saves in the 2-0 loss.

The Green Terror men had some hard luck losses early on in the season and near the end, they had trouble with their offense, and they had trouble scoring goals. The men were in three overtime games, and in two of those they remained scoreless (0-0 September 14th, 0-1 September 28th, and 2-1 Oct 3rd).

On October 18th, the story was not very different as Muhlenberg (8-3-2) blanked the Terror men in a Centennial Conference game 3-0. The men held the tough Muhlenberg team scoreless for the entire first half, but they mounted an attack early in the second half. Muhlenberg with that victory became 3-0 in the Centennial Conference and they extended their regular-season home unbeaten streak to 26.

On October 15th, the men went west to Frostburg State University and took an early lead on Ryan Bowles’ third goal of the season.

Duane Campbell assisted Bowles in his goal. This lead was short-lived as Frostburg put pressure on the Terror all afternoon. Frostburg took 23 shots compared to the Terror’s seven shots at goal.

Goalkeeper Estes had an excellent game in goal making 16 saves and only allowing two goals. Unfortunately, that was enough to put up a victory for non-conference Frostburg State (2-7-3).

The Terror men also won on October 5 versus Franklin at Marshall. WMC shut out Franklin and Marshall at home 1-0, with junior Art Crouse scoring the game’s only goal in the first five minutes of the contest.

Estes recorded eight saves for the day by blocking every single Franklin and Marshall shot.

The Terror men will be looking for young talent next fall as they lose five players to graduation this spring. These players include Eric Laurence, who is third in overall scoring for the season, goalkeeper Rick Estes, Chris LeCron, Mac Wilson, and Brett Edwards.

Head coach John Plevyak will return for a fourth year next fall season.

Terror field hockey ends 9-6-0 overall

By Julie Edwards

The Green Terror field hockey team had big aspirations going into the 1996 season, with 11 returnees and 11 newcomers combining to make a very strong team. The ladies fell short just short of a post-season play-off appearance but enjoyed many satisfying moments, nevertheless.

Sophomore forward Amy North was honored as the Centennial Conference Player of the Week, early in the season, as she helped the Green Terror rally to beat York and Muhlenberg. North led the team in goals and points with eight and 18 respectively.

Other highlights include a 1-0 win in overtime at Franklin and Marshall, and a 9-1 Homecoming romp against Villa Julie, in which the team established a school record for goals in a game.

The team ended the season with a 2-1 win over Washington, and a 1-5 loss to Elizabethtown; their final record was 5-4-0 in conference play and 9-6-0 overall.

Senior back Kellie Mitros (Westmont, N.J./Haddon Township) was named to the Centennial Conference first team, and senior midfielder Lisha Mummert (East Ber- lin, Pa./New Oxford) was named to the second all-conference team.

Amy North (Sykesville, MD/Liberty) received an Honorable Mention bid this year.

The Terror hockey team will be losing five valuable players this year, but will retain the strength of seventeen experienced athletes.

Seniors Jodi Wagner (halfback), Mary Beth Francis (halfback), Kellie Mitros (sweeper), Lisha Mummert (halfback), and Toni Smith (link) will be graduating in the spring.

WMC split their last two games of the season, winning the first against Washington in a Centennial Conference game, and losing the second to Elizabethtown.

Against Washington, freshman Kerry Wilson scored her fourth goal of the season, which was unassisted, while Marjorie Hargrave added the second goal to win 2-1.

The Terror’s last game ended in scoring one goal against Elizabethtown to lose 5-1. The goal was scored by freshman Shelly Dinterman.

All-Centennial Conference women’s teams chosen for volleyball, soccer, field hockey

FIELD HOCKEY:

First team: • Senior back Kellie Mitros (3rd consecutive year)

Second team: • Senior midfielder Lisha Mummert

Honorable Mention: • Sophomore forward Amy North

VOLLEYBALL:

Second team: • Sophomore hitter Lori Noel, junior setter Carrie Shadrack

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL TEAM MEMBERS FROM THE PHOENIX
Chambers contract renewed by Trustees

By CHRISTIAN WELSH
Assistant News Editor

Recently, the WMC Board of Trustees renewed Dr. Robert H. Chambers' contract as President of the college for another five years.

Chambers commented, "I am honored by the faith the trustees have placed in me. After more than 12 years at WMC, I am delighted that the Board has decided to recognize my years of service in this extraordinary fashion."

Since Chambers assumed his position in 1984, there have been remarkable changes at WMC. The campus has undergone extensive construction and renovations, most notably the Physical Education Learning Center, Hoover Library, Peterson Hall, Hill Hall and Eogler Dining Hall.

During this time, WMC created the Honors Program, which has grown to over 100 students. Over the past three years, 31 full-time faculty members have come to teach on The Hill.

In addition, 27 new members have been added to the Board of Trustees in the past four years.

Chambers commented that "every area has shown progress at WMC." He further explained that he played some part in all of this. "Looking ahead, Chambers affirmed that "WMC is taking off right now."

Regarding the Defining Moment Campaign, Chambers explained that $25 million of the expected $40 million has already been raised. He further commented that "the campaign is positioning WMC for the next millennium."

Chambers commented that he currently devotes about 40% of his time to the campaign. For instance, he works on extensive proposals to raise revenue and meets periodically with various groups off campus.

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Retention rate increases at WMC over the last year

College creates specific programs aimed to keep students onboard and on task

BY CAMERON SPEIR
Staff Writer

Western Maryland College's retention rate is up from last year.

The portion of students who remained at WMC after their first year rose from 78% to 83%.

This reflects an increase rate in retention from the class of 98 (73%) to the class of 99 (83%) from the fall of their first year to the fall of their second year at WMC.

Administrators say they are "cautiously optimistic" about the rise, but they do not believe the figure indicates that a significantly higher percentage of students are staying.

Philip Sayre, Dean of Student Affairs, remarks that over time the retention rate has tended to stay about the same and that this rise is "fairly consistent with that."

Sayre goes on to say, "Actually, that consistency is a positive thing, because across the country retention rates are falling. But, I would like to see our retention stay in the high 80's to 90%.

It is difficult to pick specific reasons why students leave the college.

Barbara Hornoff, Dean of First Year Students, conducts interviews with students who transfer out of WMC. She says most students who leave do so for personal reasons. "If a student leaves because he/she wants a larger school or to be closer to home, there isn't a whole lot we can do about those things," she explains.

Some students leave because WMC does not offer a particular major that they want. According to Sayre, "If after their first year a student places her bid into the unique box created by each fraternity, that the grades of the Greek students were not only just as good as those of the campus as a whole but were even higher and that the retention rate of the Greeks also was higher."

Because concern over falling grades after joining a fraternity or sorority, WMC has created specific programs aimed to keep students onboard and on task.

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A student places her bid into the unique box created by each fraternity or sorority. WMC's retention rate has increased from 78% to 83% over the last year.

Retention committee formed in February 1994 to monitor the retention rate. The committee expects to distribute a standardized Student Satisfaction Survey to track the causes of student successes and satisfaction and to compare Western Maryland to other schools.

The first year student orientation and first year seminar programs are two programs that the administration believes can improve retention over time.

For example, one of the main responsibilities of the student orientation is to help new students get connected to WMC.

"If the new student feels comfortable in the new college community, s/he is more likely to stay," explains Hornoff.

She added that these programs are designed to help students form a bond with the college, with professors and with other students.

A low retention rate presents a difficult challenge for the school.

"The admissions office works hard to bring quality students to this campus, but it is everyone's responsibility to keep them here."

Retention rate at WMC improves over the last year

College creates specific programs aimed to keep students onboard and on task

BY FAYE INGRAM
Staff Writer

For the past three years, Western Maryland College has been going through a trial period of allowing second semester freshman to rush sororities and fraternities, but this all might end shortly.

Before this time, WMC students could not rush to become Greek until their sophomore year, and now an Administrative Council will be meeting on December 13th to make a decision on whether or not to keep freshman rush.

The outlook is very good for those who support the continuation of a freshman rush process, as on November 25th the Inter Greek Council made the proposal to keep the practice.

The presenters, including Sarah Shockey, Nate Winegar, Missy Summers and Anita Kaltenbaugh, made a recommendation to continue freshman rush for a variety of reasons.

The two major points that the group made at the meeting were that the grades of the Greek students were not only just as good as those of the campus as a whole but were even higher and that the retention rate of the Greeks also was higher.

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Michelle Hamilton

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Aft as my last editorial as editor in chief of The Phoenix, I would like to thank all of those who have made my job over the past year rewarding. It is difficult enough to manage a staff, and almost impossible to do it in an unsupportive environment. The majority of administrators, faculty, staff and students at WMC have been fully supportive of The Phoenix. They have granted last minute interviews, critically complemented and criticized the paper, and brought upcoming events to our attention.

Student support and readership has grown which is shown by the effective use of letters to the editors. The Phoenix has successfully evolved over the past few years as an effective student forum where students can be heard and taken seriously.

Many students, faculty and staff have personally called to compliment The Phoenix on its improvements. These calls and notes have been appreciated and often times have served as the motivating factor for the staff. It is not only by criticism, but by compliments as well that we know which areas to improve and continue working on.

As the editorship of The Phoenix changes, I am leaving behind a motivated staff who

Out on the farm

About five miles due southwest of the WMC campus, there is a 68 acre parcel of land. Two ponds, a stream, some barns, and three houses can be found on this forest covered land.

The property, called the Singleton Mathews Farm, is owned by the college; one third of the land was bequeathed to the college by Marhild Mathews in 1987 at which time the remainder of the farm was purchased for $260,000 from Johns Hopkins University, to which Charles Singleton had willed his portion, according to the Hill magazine, August 1990.

The three houses located there are rented out. The money collected pays for the upkeep of the land, said Ethan Seidel, vice president for finance and insurance. The college hopes to sell part of the land someday. It has plotted out seven lots and would like to sell them. This idea is only in the planning stages, said Seidel. He would like to see WMC faculty, administrators, or alumni residing there someday.

The college plans to allow development on this 68 acre parcel of land. Under the new editorship, there will be another piece. Students would not

LOCK AND KEY

Jonathon Shacat

The number of study abroad participants is expected to rise. "It will definitely increase our percentages of study abroad students," said Williams. The loan is a financial resource that students did not have access to before. "It may bridge the gap between the financial aid and what they can afford."

Motard-Noar agrees. By offering this loan, some students will have the opportunity to afford their dream, she said. "This might be the bridge that will make it happen."

The maximum amount that can be borrowed is $3000 per academic year. It is a loan, but it is potentially a free loan. If it is repaid in full during the first year, only the principal is due. Otherwise, the borrower will have to pay interest on the loan. More information can be obtained by contacting the financial aid office at extension 233. Faw interviews those students who apply for the loan.

At least study abroad is a bit more feasible at Western Maryland College.

Just like every business in the world, the WMC bookstore, owned by Barnes and Noble, is looking to increase its sales. They are expanding their product line. "People go to malls to get books for gifts for holiday shopping," explains Thor Johnson, the bookstore manager. "And I also now offer [that merchandise] on campus."

The general book selection has increased 100 percent since last year at this time, said Johnson.

Competitive prices have been placed on certain items in the bookstore. What they are selling in the bookstore is considerably cheaper than what is sold at other stores. Several books are for sale at discounted prices. Barnes and Noble can sell them for cheaper prices because it purchases in bulk quantities.

Due to an educational discount, prices of computer software programs also have been discounted. To be eligible for this discount, students must present a "Continued on page 4"
**Letters To The Editor**

**Administration should return respect and punctuality to students.**

Dear Editor,

We are writing to express our disgust with the lack of respect shown to the Student Government Assembly by members of the administrative staff. As the SGA, we represent the students of this community and it is our responsibility to ensure that the administration properly addresses student concerns and issues. In order to fulfill this obligation, we organized an Open and Student Forum earlier this week to gauge student opinion and to formulate proposals which aim to improve the quality of life for students. After careful consideration and final approval by the SGA, our proposals were forwarded to the appropriate administrators for response in a reasonable time frame.

The administration demands respect and punctuality from students. Therefore, the SGA expects the same common courtesy in reciprocation.

As of December 6, with the exception of Dean Barb Homeff who responded by the requested deadline, we have yet to receive either written or verbal response, or request for an extension from Mr. Scott Kane or Dr. Ethan Seidel.

The administration demands respect and punctuality from students. Therefore, the SGA expects the same common courtesy in reciprocation. In the future we hope to receive response from administrators in a more timely fashion so that we may continue to improve life on the Hill.

Sincerely, The Western Maryland College Student Government Assembly

**The Soapbox**

** Sometimes it is frustrating to sit here and write about what you feel and believe. It is good to express yourself and get some of these frustrations out in the air but it usually is a pointless exercise. But when you see something you have been critical of greatly change for the better it makes you want to keep on going. That said I want to compliment the SGA. In this semester alone they have become more active and more open to the student body than ever before. At least that is my experience. Many of these "changes" are nothing of the sort, but the SGA has taken the time to make known that these options are out there. Now I know that anything I may have said or written probably had nothing at all to do with these improvements. But it is nice to see things starting to change for the better.

The SGA has made itself more approachable to the student body. SGA forums, meetings on a regular basis and advertising their hot line and e-mail address all make it easier for students to voice their concerns to the only student-run body on campus that could possibly offer solutions. The SGA has addressed real issues in this semester instead of concentrating on "busy work" and passing pointless resolutions. I personally feel that the idea to offer BLARS over Jan term deserves some serious consideration. The SGA's backing could help make this idea a reality. I would just really like to say "good job!" to all the people in student government that have tried to make their organization a much needed pro-student influence on our campus. Good job guys!

Now, to totally change the subject, I have a question to ask. Why do the residents of the Garden Apartments and the PA houses have to follow the rules and check out times of the residence halls? I live in the Garden apartments and I think the situation is very different from that of a dorm room. It is a real, self-contained apartment. So what if they are shutting down Glar for a while? There is a stove and a fridge. I know there is the tired, old maintenance excuse, but that doesn't really cut it, now does it? If other apartment complexes can allow their residents to stay in their homes all year round, why can't it be done here? It just doesn't make sense. I wonder if anyone out there can offer a good explanation why this is the case?

**Saving the National Anthem**

Ty Unclebrower

Nearly all Americans know it. It is played at the beginning of not only sporting events, but also many ceremonies and celebrations. I myself sign off my radio program on WMCIR with it. I am, of course, referring to the national anthem of the United States, "The Star-Spangled Banner." Most know the story of its creation. Francis Scott Key, who was held prisoner on a British ship during the British bombardment of Fort McHenry, became inspired upon seeing the American flag still flying over the fort after the fight was over the next morning. The tune was added later to what was originally a poem, "The Star-Spangled Banner" which has been the song which has inspired patriotic Americans at home and abroad, in good times and bad, for more than 150 years. But if some have their way, it will not meet those ends as our national anthem for much longer.

There have been many people who have suggested that the song "The Star-Spangled Banner" should no longer be the national anthem of the United States. And the opinion is gaining momentum. Already there are those starting movements to have our national anthem changed to "America the Beautiful." And the reason for doing so is both simple and absurd. That is why I am against such an action.

The biggest opposition that the national anthem faces from such groups, (including members of Congress who are working on legislation to have it changed), is the fact that it is an unpleasant song to sing. The argument is, if it is not to be the national anthem, it should be able to be sung by the average person. To be sure, the National Anthem is not your average "do, re, mi" tune. But is this really an adequate reason for changing it?

The song is unique in the story it tells. Its conception rings with the fervor of the American spirit. Within those few words so skillfully penned nearly two hundred years ago, we experience the patriotism of one man, and the strength not only of an army at a certain fort, but the survival of an idea. The words are the testimonial to the very fact that the Great Experiment which is the United Continuation on page
**Preserving the National Anthem**

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Preservation of the National Anthem is crucial. This anthem, “The Star-Spangled Banner,” was adopted in 1931 and is considered the official national anthem of the United States. It is sung at various events, including sports games, military ceremonies, and governmental occasions.

Key points to consider:
- The anthem should be performed with respect and dignity.
- The lyrics and melody should be preserved.
- The anthem should be taught to students at an early age.
- The anthem should be performed correctly.

**Lock and Key**

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**Contract renewed**

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The contract has been renewed to continue the construction of new campus buildings and renovation of existing ones. This includes the construction of new science laboratories, residence halls, and academic buildings.

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Several WMC students walk out of MD Student Legislature

By Sarah Sneed
Staff Writer

Once again, Western Maryland College students have been accused of thinking dangerously.

On November 16 and 17 WMC sent 12 delegates to the Maryland Student Legislature Interim Council where they certainly made an impression.

Several of the WMC delegates as well as many of the delegates from University of Maryland, College Park walked out of the conference in protest of actions taken by the Attorney General Jamie Kendrick of Goucher College.

The controversial action concerned the handling of “late” legislation.

WMC had a rocky start even before the actual conference. The proposed legislation was sent in to the Attorney General on a Macintosh disk by the due date, but because the disk could not be read, the bill could not be heard by Kendrick, the legislation had to be resubmitted.

Thus, the legislation was late and, according to the MSL, standing Rules of Order, should have been considered emergency legislation.

In the interest of fairness, the Council of State decided to create a new category called “late” legislation for all of the legislation handed in late. Thereby the legislation could be heard in the different subcommittees.

Emergency legislation is not given a recommendation by the subcommittees.

When the “late” legislation was to be heard on the second day of the conference, the problems began.

UMCP Delegate Nathan Jones, citing rule 21(d) of the MSL Standing Rules of Order, was the first to disagree with the handling of the legislation in question.

“The Rules and Calendars Committee should have admitted they made a mistake and allowed things to stand as they were.”

Christian Wilwohl

Ten of the 28 pieces of legislation were debated that weekend including late term abortion and reformulation of the electoral college.

All of them passed through the Resolutions Committee, with only two vetoed by the Governor Alex Jennings of UMCP.

WMC students attending the Interim Council included sophomores Carolyn Barnes, Aaron Corbett, Amy Hanna, Scott Hoover, Kristin Miller, Jaime Moser, juniors Cody Northcutt, Sam Beth Ryburn, Jeff Soltz, Rebecca Tohoro, seniors Sarah Sneed and Jason Chesman.

Student Play Festival opens this week

By Rekam Eisenberg
Cultural Arts Beat Reporter

This December eleventh and twelfth those who have been craving to see another WMC production are in for a special treat: a two day festival of student-directed plays.

As this is Ron Miller’s first year teaching the directing class, he decided to experiment and determine how well having his students become the directors of actual productions will work.

At first the students ran into some difficulty in that when auditions were held in early November the turnout was not enough to fill all of the casts.

Fortunately though, other students were recruited to supplement the actors, mostly freshmen and sophomores beginning their theater careers, who were cast from the auditions.

Another problem the student directors faced was finding all the props and costumes they needed. Most felt that it was difficult working with no budget, but managed quite well by utilizing the props and costumes available.

Chris Fernandez, director of “The Maker of Dreams,” which was presented on the Mainstage on the twelfth along with “Killing of the King” and “Hello and Goodbye,” commented that “it’s fun, despite the stress, and it’s interesting in terms of experience because I’ve never done it before.”

Jim Gross, who portrays the Manufacturer who makes it possible for Pierrette, played by Megan Townshend, and Pierrot, played by Colin Forman.

Although their play is more lighthearted because it is a satire of the King Arthur legend, the cast of “Killing of the King,” Ed Milliner, who plays King Arthur, Francesca Saylor, who plays Guinivere, TJ Grable, who plays Lancelot, Harry Singer, who plays Merlin and Monted, Savita Hotto, who plays the page, Kim Bloch, the stage manager, and their director Michael Gibbons, felt they also had to bond in order to bring across the comic element involved.

Gibbons explained that they have been “trying a very loose approach because it’s a comedy and they’re trying to experiment with it.”

The cast seems to enjoy doing so as they unfold the tale of a golf and trombone playing Arthur whose kingdom has lost its edge so as they unfold the tale of a golf and trombone playing Arthur whose kingdom has lost its edge so, speak, because all the knights, except Arthur, have softened due to country club membership.

Another cast which gets to play around with the comic element, though in a droll manner, is the cast of “Date with a Stranger,” which is directed by John Ou.

Jonathan Rattner, playing Clark, and Jen Cuch, playing Paula engage in flirtatious conversation in a diner until she is “stolen away” from Clark by the businessman with the newspaper played by Colleen Forman.

All of those involved in the festival are excited having the experience, and seem to share in John Ou’s sentiment that it is “a worthwhile experience.”

Sue Oxley, director of “The Valentine Fairy,” starring Chester Stacey as Rodyard and Faith Walker as Ingrid, and Carolyn Rosh, director of “Hello and Goodbye,” starring R. Reid Waease as Danny and Sara Gruber as Sandra, were not available for comment.

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A.S.A.P. affinity group spreads information on World AIDS Day

By Shannon Tinney
Contributing Writer

On Sunday, December 1, 1996 World AIDS Day was observed. Across the country programs and vigils were held to commemorate and recognize those who have lost loved ones to AIDS.

As part of the World AIDS Day observance, here in Carroll County, Carroll Community College in conjunction with Carroll County Arts Council and Allies brought eight panels of the Names Project Foundation’s AIDS Quilt to the community.

The Names Project Foundation’s goal is to target rural areas which are not as exposed to the realities of AIDS as in larger and more diverse metropolitan areas, like Baltimore and Washington, D.C.

Along with the display of the eight panels of the AIDS Memorial Quilt; at the Carroll Community College Great Hall, there were a variety of presentations given by members of the Carroll County community including Western Maryland College’s A.S.A.P. (AIDS: Support, Awareness, and Prevention).

A.S.A.P. devoted their time to this community effort by presenting their peer education skits.

Beginning on Sunday, World AIDS Day, A.S.A.P. performed skits throughout the week at 12:15p.m and 6:00p.m to coordinate with the times that classes changed at the community college to attract the attention of passers-by.

The peer education skits performed ranged from a silent, dramatic interpretation of the song “Turn Around” depicting the variety of ways AIDS can become a part of an individual’s life through risky behaviors to that of a satirical monologue about condom use.

By participating in the week long observance of the AIDS Memorial Quilt Project A.S.A.P. hopes to accomplish a few imperative goals. First, to continue with the ongoing effort of fulfilling their mission statement declaring: “Our mission is to create awareness and to educate the WMC student body on the dangers of AIDS, to support people living with AIDS, and its ongoing research, and to promote safe and responsible behavior to prevent the spread of HIV.”

In addition, this peer education group desires to reach the outlying communities to promote their message of AIDS education and prevention.

Finally, through the knowledge they offer their audiences A.S.A.P. hopes to inspire others to become involved in the effort to demystify the falsehoods of AIDS and promote the compassion and understanding needed to fight this disease.

The panels of the AIDS quilt which visited CCC were recently on display in Washington D.C. over a three day period in October. Here ASAP peer educator Kristi Benson walks before one of the panels of the quilt before performing one of the group’s skits.

The International Club pictured above hosted the 7th annual International Dinner.

By Kate Hampson
International Beat Reporter

On November 10th, the International Club hosted their 7th Annual Dinner.

Over two hundred guests, including faculty, staff and students, were treated to food and entertainment from a wide variety of cultures.

The evening began with a satirical Top Ten Reasons Not To Come Next Year, by Pambos Charalambs and Jessie Watts, who acted as master and mistress of ceremonies for the evening.

Then came a traditional Indian song, sung by Vijay Petwel and Richard Hamilton. This was followed by Mexican Jorge del Villar, who gave a dramatic recital of the story of the creation taken from the Mexican Mayan culture.

By far the most important part of the evening, according to some of the more hungry guests, was the food.

Many of the students had cooked a traditional dish from their country. The guests were invited to try a little of everything from the multitudinous selection of dishes, which ranged from Venezuelan Arrozy con Arroz to Russian Olivier Salad.

The food was a great success: “It was delicious,” said Hamilton, a junior. “It was interesting to try different foods that I’ve never eaten before.”

“Gastronomically, it’s certainly an experience,” agreed Jorge del Villar. “You perceive all the nationalities through their food.”

After the meal the entertainment continued with Renata Vesnovsky from Russia, who recited a poem she had written. After this, Sean Chaudhuri, Ahsan Latif, Petwel and Hamilton performed a traditional Indian comic dance, which the audience found highly entertaining. Then Michelle Marrero and Jessica Watts, both from Puerto Rico, danced a Merengue dance with Brazilian Fabrizio Ferronato and Jorge del Villar.

This was followed by a fashion show; a spectacular event featuring costumes from all over the world, including South-East Asia, China, Africa, Spain and the Middle East.

Ferronato and Andy Kalsperis then sang a love song to Dean Barb Hornoff, much to the delight of the audience. The penultimate act was by Ana Maria de los Rios from Colombia, who sang a Mexican song, accompanied by Dr. Armstrong on guitar.

The evening ended with the flamenco, danced by Spaniard, Lourdes Real-Penalver and Jorge del Villar.

The International Club has 84 members, 54 of whom are International Students.

With the assistance of their advisor, Mr. Bill Spence, the students organized and hosted the dinner themselves. Under the direction of three students: Charalambs, Ferronato and Dina Awad, a Palestinian, the club members worked hard to make the evening a success.

“It was very rewarding,” said Ferronato, “It got the group together and was a bonding experience.”

A lot of the International Students like the fact that the dinner gives them the opportunity to show their culture to the college.

“In terms of personal satisfaction,” agreed Latif, “it feels good that people get to know about my country.”

The dinner helps raise campus awareness of the International Students, as well as providing the opportunity for people to experience cultures they might never know otherwise.

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Teachers finding new ways to teach students

The internet is fast becoming used as an integral part of many WMC classes

BY CAMERON SPEER
Science & Technology Beat Reporter

The internet is becoming an important part of how students learn at Western Maryland College.

Technology is playing an increasingly important role in the curricula of a variety of classes in departments such as biology, communications, economics, English, history and physics.

Dr. Esther Iglich, professor of biology, uses the internet to help teach several classes. She puts the syllabus and all lecture notes on her ecology homepage on the World Wide Web to allow students to review information they may have missed the first time around in class.

Iglich's environmental health class homepage also includes a syllabus and class notes. In addition, it contains links to other web sites with information on topics studied in class.

Iglich says these links are helpful because they contain "stuff that even recent textbooks don't have, cutting-edge scientific data and information."

The graphics included on many web sites are also helpful to some students, she says.

Also, "it gives people another way, and some extra time, to absorb the material. Different people learn in different ways and this is one more way to present this material."

History professor Dr. William Chase is also using the internet in his teaching. His classes have "web assignments" where they are asked to look up a certain site on the internet and comment on what they see.

Chase says, "The internet is a place where students can find controversial, arresting, very accessible information."

He says that a web site called "The African-American Holocaust," which was a web assignment for his Development of Modern America class, generated an outstanding class discussion earlier this semester.

Chase's favorite way to utilize the internet has been through e-mail discussions.

Chase sends an e-mail message to the class and students respond by writing back. He says this technique has been "100% positive." He has found that students who may feel shy in class feel more confident when responding in an e-mail message.

In addition, the responses are often better thought-out than quick answers given during a fast paced discussion.

"I find myself taking my students more seriously," Chase says, "because I see them seriously discussing these topics in their responses."

English professor Dr. Pam Regis has also found ways to use e-mail in her classes. She often gives assignments and communicates with students using e-mail messages. Regis also uses e-mail to exchange papers.

Students in her advanced composition class are required to evaluate each other's writing assignments. Regis has found that e-mail is a much easier way to do this.

She says, "It's convenient, instantaneous and it saves the materials and labor involved in making photocopies."

Dr. Regis' freshman composition classes are also using the internet to research for their papers on the death penalty.

Regis says, "I didn't insist on that but many students did anyway."

She is glad to see that they did. Using the internet puts less strain on the library's resources since no books need to be checked out.

Professors emphasize that they still value personal contact with students.

Iglich says, "Human contact is still important. The personal interaction with students is crucial, I think it's still the best way for people to learn."

Dr. Chase emphasizes that his internet assignments are a "supplemental resource. "His class participation grade still includes class discussion and not just e-mail responses.

All three professors see an increased role for the internet in education.

BY GRANT RICE
News Editor

The Holidays were officially opened at WMC last Wednesday the 4th by the College Choir in Upper Decker.

The college Choir lead by Dr. Margaret A. Boudreau, a associate Professor and chair of the music department, sung a wide selection of songs that incorporated Jewish and Christian music.

Thirty-seven members of the choir sung the first tune which was Joy to the World.

Their second selection was Blow blow thou winter wind a musical rendition of a sonnet written by William Shakespeare. The choir displayed wonderful harmonies and talent while performing this song.

David Sosley, a biology major, commented that the music was "very beautiful."

Another song which got a rousing round of applause was David Waks' rendition of Jingle Bells. With actual jingle bells in hand and wood to simulate horses snorting, the choir sung a racy and comical song. Sound effects of a whip cracking and a horse " neighing " combined together to make this selection an audience favorite.

One Jewish song celebrating Hanukkah, which started the day after the event, was Mo-oz Tov, which again Boudreau encouraged listeners to become involved and sing along. The song was first Continued on page 9

College Choir opens the Holidays

Here a WMC student uses her electronic mail account to send assignments to her teacher saving time, energy and paper.

Dr. Regis would like to create a more interactive, web-based syllabus. She also notes that classes at some colleges are offered over the internet.

Dr. Iglich remarks that "the face of education will change, I see it becoming much more computer oriented because this allows anyone to create and receive information."

She estimates that within two to three years computer-based education will be a much bigger part of her classes as she becomes more comfortable with the best way to use the technology to teach.

Dr. Chase says that the current WMC community is "part of a student generation that is pioneer-
December in the Stars

By JESSIE WATTS and HEATHER WOODS

Capricorn
It's winter and you're ready for a change. So, this holiday season treat yourself to something new. Maybe buy a crazy outfit, or cut your hair all off, or just try out a new television show. Go ahead and get funky, you deserve it.

Aquarius
Wow! There is just no slowing you down. As finals approach, the adrenaline will kick in even more and your energy level will reach an all-time high. Be careful though. While the extra gusto may help you now, the crash and burn will soon follow. Try to make it through New Year's, or else 1997 will catch you fast asleep.

Pisces
You may seem a little confused right now with Christmas coming, yet you feel more like celebrating Valentine's Day. Don't worry-you're not crazy, you're just in love. And what better way to show it than running out to the mall and buying a lavish present, but keep the receipts.

Aries
As you sing the famous carol "Christmas is coming, the goose is getting fat...," take heed. When you sit down to the turkey, stuffing, cranberry sauce, cookies, eggnog, pie, and more—remember, don't be the goose. Of course if you forget this wise advice, Sally's will be sure to have special holiday prices.

Taurus
Cough, cough, sneeze, sneeze... Finals are coming up and afterwards, Christmas, but all you want to do is climb into bed with some hot chicken soup. Too bad you turned down that flu vaccine last month. Oh well, don't panic, viruses like to spread their joy to others, so soon you'll be back on your feet and ready to party (don't forget to study, too).

Gemini
Okay Scrooge, it's time to take a little trip through the past and future. What do you see? If you're satisfied with the vision, you're blessed more than most. If not, perhaps some changes should be made. Keep in mind that the best gift is the one you give away.

Can't This month you'll make a harsh decision. It's been boiling for awhile and the top has blown. Stick with your decision and don't back down. Holiday shopping will be lots of fun this year. Though you normally wait till the last minute, everything will fall in place.

Leo
You're a party animal this month and everybody wants to be around you. But beware, something you say at one of those parties you attend might be misinterpreted. Begin your "to-do" list so that you'll start clean for the new year.

Virgo
You'll have some luck this month. Take advantage of it because it won't last long. Studying for finals is going to take away your holiday spirit, but not to worry, on the way to a party it will all come back. Also, don't forget to make a New Year's resolution.

Libra
This Christmas season is going to be great. Once you fly through finals, Christmas spirit will be on the rampage. You'll get cool gifts from your folks and a surprise from a loved one.

Scorpio
It's time to buckle down and study for those finals that are looming around. Although usually alert, you keep forgetting things this month. Wake up! The semester is almost over. Be careful at parties during the holiday season. You might miscalculate a step and spill something on someone you've had your heart set on all year.

Sagittarius
Winter blues are in effect the beginning of the month due to all the work you have to get done. But don't worry, your birthday will be great. Try having a birthday/Christmas bash—twice the presents and twice the fun!
WMC students hit Main Street for holiday shopping

By JEN VICK
Features Editor

During the last test-filled days of the semester, holiday shopping may be put on the back burner, but why not pick up a good book and explore downtow Westminster.

Whether shopping for mom, dad, brother, sister, grandparents, friend, or for a significant other, gifts can be purchased at stores just down the road from WMC. Though Main Street may appear to be a throng of expensive antigen and professional, there is a find for under $20 that are easy on a college student's thin wallet.

For example, if your roommate is a music or book lover, check out Record and Book Heaven. They have a wide selection of used CDs, including Bushes' Sixteen Songs, the Cure's Seventh Wave, and Cracker's Kenesene Hat which are priced at $9.95. Hootie and the Blowfish can be purchased for $9, and the Steve Miller Band's album Book ofuide u2's Joshua Tree for $8. A few of the movies they carry are Jurassic Park for $9, Singles and Songs for $8, and Wayne's World for $7.50. There is also a wide selection of Anne Rice and Stephen King books in paperback.

Main Street offers another excellent book store, Local Books, which sells only new books, as well. Here there are exceptionally good prices on large posters priced at $9. Another gift idea, desk calendars, can be purchased for $8 and range in theme from the "Left Handers" calendar to "The Whole Internet Calendar" that has 365 addresses of online "adventures."

At Bobby's Hobby Lobby there are model cars and train sets items well under $20 that could be a great gift for a dad or brother that is young-at-heart. Forget Me Not is a perfect store to find something for the young at heart. The store is adorned with intricately made ornaments and the smell of potpourri. Crabtree & Evelyn or Claire Burke lotion, bath gels, powders, room sprays, and candles can be purchased here. Flavored teas, stationery, cards, and gift bags are among other items.

One particularly good find at Forget Me Not was a hardback scrapbook entitled "Treasured Christmas Memories" priced at $19.95. Inside, Christmas memories can be recorded and photos of records and cards preserved. Throughout the book are holiday recipes as well as quotes from classic writers such as Dickens and Longfellow.

If you know someone who has an interest in or is a native of the British Isles, why not stop into Cardoll 702 and consider the Christmas Advent Calendar in which the 19th century composer Johann Strauss conducted. A local high school and a town square are also on the itinerary. Byrd has selected several songs with a holiday theme for their overseas "gig."

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Ireland possesses an entirely relaxed culture unlike the hustle and bustle of the land. Hot water, daylight, and there were words of wisdom they were offering me, and I’m so glad that I took advantage of my opportunity to study abroad.

Some of the streets here are only as wide as hallways. It’s so amazing to see how different some people live. The food is excellent here and consists of a lot of fried foods and ham.

We have taken a bunch of study trips to other cities in Spain, and during our 10 day fall vacation I traveled to some other countries in Western Europe with some friends. This experience has been incredible and I can’t believe it will be ending soon, but I am looking forward to coming back to WMC for the spring. Hasta luego, Heather Jacoby.

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Progress

Letters from abroad

Spain

Hola WMC! Greetings from Sevilla, Spain. Spain is beautiful, different, and definitely an exciting change from Westminster. The weather has been terrific, and it’s only rained four times in the past 11 weeks. We were able to wear shorts up to the second week in November. It was that warm here! At first it was difficult being thrown into a different culture and language but now it’s all second nature to me, and I’m so glad that I took advantage of my opportunity to study abroad.

Collective Soul’s Ed Roland states, “December whispers of treachery.” This is true of any end-of-the-year films, as well as those beginning the new year. After the box office flops Assasins and Judge Dredd, Sylvester Stallone felt he needed a more dignified, Harrison Ford-type role. In this month’s Daylight, Sly believes he has that role—a rescue worker who must save those trapped in the Holland Tunnel after it is attacked by terrorists. This role may be dignified, but it is also very tite as far as typecasting goes.

Bye bye July 4, Friday, Dec. 13 will now be “Independence Day”; that is, if the characters in Tim Burton’s Mars Attack! are competent enough to kick some alien butt, which is unlikely due to the fact that many of them are as comically naive as those who “greeted” the aliens in ID4 and got blown away. This satirical flick, based on the controversial 1962 Topps trading card series, is chock full of stars who portray dimwitted earthlings. On his “Mr. Know-it-all” Martianologist role, Pierce Brosnan (Goldeneye) remarked, “He hasn’t a clue what’s going on... I wear my blue Cerruti suit and go out and greet them, and of course they land and they blow the shit out of everybody.”

On her character, a hip reporter, Sarah Jessica Parker (Hocus Pocus) commented, “I don’t even think she’s really aware of what’s going on...”

The superbaim cast includes Jack Nicholson who portrays the U.S. president while taking on the second role of a drunken low-life in Vegas. Paul Winfield, Rod Steiger (On the Waterfront) and Martin Short, all play clai-dumb-founded government personalities, singer Tom Jones is himself, and Danny DeVito, Annette Bening (The American President), ex-NFL player Jim Brown, Glenn Close, and Michael J. Fox make up the rest of the cast.

A week from Friday the 13th, Wes Craven’s Scream will hit theaters. Featuring the likes of Courtney Cox (“Friends”), Drew Barrymore (Mad Love) and David Arquette (Wild Bill), this hip comical horror pits a small town against a psycho.

January brings about a greater deal of treason with Playing God. A doctor, played by The X-Files’ David Duchovny, is forced into the underground to help the enemy—the Mafia. Also featuring Timothy Hutton, Playing God opens Jan. 31. February, however, is even more treacherous. This month will be Unforgiven, because Clint Eastwood will direct and co-star with Gene Hackman in Absolute Power. What is the perfidy—murder in the White House.

Now Playing—Star Trek: First Contact
On its opening day, Nov. 22, I wanted to see this new film, and the theater was packed, outing its forerunner Generations. Part of the movie’s immediate success, aside from its great special effects, seems to be because of its ability to familiarize audiences with the different life-styles we have.

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Ireland

Greetings from the other side of the Atlantic. I have agonized over writing this article for weeks now. Thinking about what to write and how to describe life in Ireland has left me in a state of writer’s block.

After two months, I still feel as though I just stepped off the plane. You can’t come to Ireland and not explore its fine cities and towns. I’ve traveled to some other countries in Western Europe with some friends. This experience has been incredible and I can’t believe it will be ending soon, but I am looking forward to coming back to WMC for the spring. Hasta luego, Heather Jacoby.

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A theater near you

By Mike Pescar
Staff Writer

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Clocks, mugs, and Elvis sharing a home with Chambers

BY NICKI KASSOLIS

The ticking of the clock is ever present... tick-tick-tick-tick. The Elvis clock swings its pelvis with each passing second while the Victorian clock needs to be wound on a daily basis.

In the office of WMC President, Robert Chambers, the ticking of the clock is not really apparent. The Elvis and Victorian clocks are just two of the 18 different clocks that have a special place in Chambers' office, and clocks don't make up the only collection of things that the president owns.

"I am a collector, but not a disciplined one," said Chambers. Among his most famous collections is a set of coffee mugs that sit on top of the bookshelf in his office. He has about 90 different mugs, most of which fit into five categories.

The first classification of mugs pertain to advertising for companies with which the school does business. Then there are the mugs from different colleges around the nation and around the world. There are also mugs that were given just "out of the blue." Chambers notices the mugs. They have become part of the decoration of the office.

Mugs and clocks are not the only interesting things that adorn Chambers' office. The president has a large collection of books, a small collection of baseballs, a collection of various hats, and a collection of Elvis paraphernalia. "The Elvis thing has taken on a life of its own," the president said. He has an Elvis mug, an Elvis Christmas ornament, and a picture of Elvis shaking Richard Nixon's hand.

"The office, as a whole, describes my personality," said Chambers. "I never throw things away." From the clocks to the mugs to the books to the Elvis memorabilia, the collections of President Chambers define his personality as they decorate his office and his home. And as for clocks, they keep on ticking and ticking and ticking, until of course it is time for them to be wound.

Happy Holidays from The Phoenix!

A theatre near you

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Alien was always a creature of an entirely different species with no concern about human values of any kind. It was more scary than something that tears you apart, because they don't tear you apart. They make you over into something you don't want to be. To me, that's much scarier than just being killed." Thus, the Borg evoke the same catharsis as do the zombies in The Night of the Living Dead.

Another one of the film's strongest aspects is its recognition of a viewer's modern culture. Chasing the meatballs to the lives of her students is one of Jakoby's goals as a professor. She is working to develop a seminar for first-year students that will hopefully be implemented in the fall of 1997. The seminar would examine how students can use philosophy to deal with the problems they encounter in their first year of college.

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The philosophy of Dr. Jakoby finds its way to the Hill

There is a new professor in the philosophy department and she is not from around here. She was not born in Maryland. She was raised in Carroll County and English is not even her primary language. This new professor is Vera Jakoby, a native of Germany who has made her way to WMC this semester.

Jakoby, her formal title being assistant professor of philosophy and religious studies, was born, raised, and educated in Germany. Shortly after she was married, Jakoby and her husband "decided to pack our bags and try it here." Palomar College in California and the University of California, San Diego were both schools at which Jakoby taught for a total of six years. Though she describes the West Coast as "very exciting," she wanted a change of scenery. "I wanted to come to the East Coast because it is closer to the German style of living," Jakoby said.

That desire, along with an opening in the philosophy department, brought her to WMC. Her first semester has gone extremely well and she said "What surprised me was that the students and faculty and administrative people were very friendly and very supportive and no one wrinkles their forehead when they hear me speak with my accent."

Jakoby enjoys the size of WMC and her ability to "have a lot of personal contact with students outside of class." While in the classroom, she encourages student participation and involvement and attempts to incorporate her students' interests in her daily lessons. Jakoby explained that "When the teacher and the student learn from each other it is very exciting." Bringing the study of philosophy close to the lives of her students is one of Jakoby's goals as a professor. She is working to develop a seminar for first-year students that will hopefully be implemented in the fall of 1997. The seminar would examine how students can use philosophy to deal with the problems they encounter in their first year of college.

Another favorite element in her new home at WMC are the squirrels that roam the campus. Jakoby and her husband have six dogs, three cats, two horses, three fish, a turtle, and a frog. "It is important to take the animal world seriously as part of our world," said Jakoby, who also follows a vegetarian diet. Jakoby likes to travel and has been to Asia, Turkey, China, and Korea. In comparing life in America to life in other parts of the world, this well-traveled professor has found that "no matter where you go, you find people who are open and people who have closed minds." Yet, Jakoby feels that the most interesting place she has ever been is where she is right now. "Wherever we are we have to be full present and not have an eternal desire to be someplace else," she said.

Next semester, Jakoby looks forward to teaching a course in Modern Philosophy and a course on Existentialism and becoming more acquainted with her new community at WMC.
The Western Maryland wrestling team has good reason to look forward to challenging the conference title. Last season they placed third in the Centennial Conference, its highest finish ever, and gained its first CC MVP, heavyweight Ted Speers who graduated last spring.

The Green Terrors have been rejuvenated in just three years by the current head coach, John Lowe. Lowe won the 1993 AAU Grand National Championship in Greco-Roman wrestling at 163 pounds, and has not been scored upon in a Maryland Greco tournament since 1991. He is also the head coach of the Maryland Cadet National Team. Lowe recently named Brandon Totten, a 1996 graduate of Delaware Valley College, assistant coach. Totten, currently enrolled in the Western Maryland master’s degree program in athletic administration. He is a two-time NCAA Division III wrestling champ, and a three-time Division III East Regional champion. Lowe describes Totten as “the most intense individual he has ever met,” and is confident Totten will be an asset to the team’s success.

Tri-captains Rick Estes (senior), Phil Simmerer (senior), and Steve Smiddy (junior) add leadership to the team as well. Smiddy is currently undefeated, he won his weight division at the Kings College Invitational Tournament on November 16, beating two national qualifiers in the process, and was the 1995 WMC Wrestler of the Year. Estes placed second at the tournament, and Simmerer has yet to compete due to a dislocated elbow. Sophomore John Wert also placed 4th at the Kings Invitational.

This year’s team is relatively young, as four to five of ten starting positions will be filled by freshmen, yet they expect to go undefeated throughout the 1996-97 season, and are off to a very good start. The Green Terror clobbered Albright 52-6 and defeated Wadesburg 33-16, as the team definitely made its presence known in the season opening tri-meet on the hill.

142-pounder Smiddy and freshman 177-pounder Charlie Conway both registered two pins, with 134-pounder Wert adding a pin and a technical fall. Conway, a Maryland State Champion in high school, hails from South Carroll to strengthen the Terrapin squad.

Brandon Totten, a two-time NCAA Division III wrestling champion for Delaware Valley College, has been named the assistant wrestling coach at WMC by head coach John Lowe and athletic director Dr. Richard Conaway. Totten captured the Division III 158-pound weight class in both 1995 and 1996 for Delaware. He was also a three-time Division III East Regional champion, and a two-time Middle Atlantic Conference champion.

Totten is the “Aggies” career leader in wins with 122 and, combined with a 7-4 record as a freshman at Rutgers (N.J.), expects to see the top of the world.

Head Coach John Lowe
New women's basketball assistant returns after 10-year absence

Former Brunswick High boys' basketball coach Terry Brant has been named the assistant women's basketball coach at WMC by head coach Becky Martin and athletic director Dr. Richard Carpenter. Brant replaces David Smith, who resigned after three seasons with the Green Terror.

Now a resident of Forest Hill, MD, Brant was the head boys' coach at Brunswick from 1979 through 1983. He also served as the head track coach and as an assistant football coach during his 13 years at the school, which concluded in 1986. Brant had been employed in the insurance industry over the past 10 years, but hopes to return to the teaching field as a substitute.

The new Green Terror assistant earned a bachelor of arts degree in health and physical education degree from Catawba College. Brant is currently enrolled in WMC's master's degree program in special education.

Men's basketball

Starting at the ages of nine and seven, respectively, sisters Heidi and Kathi Snyder began playing basketball with their father and family in West Perry, PA.

As the two ladies remember, they describe how they used to play in an old barn near their house in the winter to keep warm.

"We had to sweep the hay off of the floor when we were finished," commented both sisters simultaneously.

"We didn't even own a basketball hoop until I was in the sixth grade," continues Kathi.

So, how did they learn to play without a hoop? "Our father taught us," explains Heidi. "He taught me how to shoot a hook shot," comments Kathi.

Basketball seems to run in the Snyder family, along with height. Kathi's twin sister Krisi also plays (her specialty is three-point shooting) and her father played in the Marines. Looking at height, Heidi stands 6'4", while Kathi stopped growing at a tall 5'10".

"I had always been a solid player in basketball. In high school, there was never any other sport, and both sister earned several honors for their dedication and skill level.

Heidi won the Sportsmanship Award and the Coach's Award her senior year, as well as being named an Honorable Mention Mid-Penn All Star. She also played in the Kidney Foundation All-Star Tournament and the Mid-Round Ball Classic held in Hershey Park Arena.

At WMC, Heidi holds the record for most points in a season. The record stood at 201 at the start of the 1996-97 season.

Kathi also was awarded several great honors such as Most Valuable Player her junior year of high school, and Mid-Penn All Star. Kathi also was named on the Honorable Mention list for their conference. Also, her senior year's squad were the first high school District III Champions and played in their state's final four.

At WMC, Kathi was named to the All-Star team in the York tournament last year, and she currently holds the freshman records for scoring and rebounding.

As to the Snyder's opinions on their team this year, Heidi comments, "I'm disappointed with the way the season is going so far. The first game versus Rowan (#4 in country) was a great game. We all played really well, but we should have beat Ursinus. We're just not running our plays well." Kathi adds, "It's frustrating, but I think that we'll get to where we want to be in the long run."

"The Snyder's have no problems getting along on or off the court. "We don't treat each other any differently than we would any other teammate on the court," Heidi says.

Both players also feel that the team really feels comfortable with each other. "We're close."

Women's basketball over .500 with 3-2 beginning record

Experience leads squad and helps to improve on new talent as eight return from 1995-96 season.

Since losing to Rowan, they faced Villa Julie in the consolation game on Saturday, November 23 at 1:00 PM.


Haley was 10-of-11 from the field, the only miss coming on her only three-point attempt. She also made all five of her free throws, and topped the Green Terror in rebounds with eight.

Guard Michele Jarman hailing from Linwood, MD, added 16 points, along with pulling down five rebounds, handing out five assists and grabbing seven steals.

All thirteen WMC players scored and saw at least nine minutes of action in the contest.

Next for the Lady Terror, was the Centennial Conference opener versus Ursinus College on Tuesday, November 26. Unfortunately, the ladies were defeated by a score of 62-56. The Terror did come close, though, when they closed to within three points, 59-56, on a Heidi Snyder basket with 1:05 left in the game, but failed to score on its final three possessions.

Haley topped WMC players with 17 points, and added 10 rebounds. Heidi Snyder contributed 14 points, while her younger sister, Kathi had 12 points and a game high 12 rebounds.

The ladies would then come back to even their record to 2-2, as they defeated Notre Dame on foreign turf by a score of 73-67.

Sophomore Michele Jarman, a Poquoson, VA returning letterwinner, scored consecutive baskets in the final two minutes to lead WMC past Notre Dame in the non-conference game.

Murphey put the Terror in the lead for good at 65-64 with a free throw with 3:11 remaining. Jarman made a steal with 2:07 left, and then upped Western Maryland's advantage to five, 69-64, with baskets at the 1:48 and 1:18 marks.

Four different WMC players made one foul shot each down the stretch, while Notre Dame only managed one three-pointer with 12 seconds remaining in the competition.

Haley topped the Green Terror with 20 points, eight rebounds, six assists, and four steals for the contest. Miller added 18 points, while Jarman came off of the bench to score seven points for WMC.

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**Men's basketball shoots for winning season**

Freshmen dominate men's squad with seven players; only two seniors return

*By Julie Edwards Staff Writer*

The Green Terror men's basketball team aims to improve on their record from last year. Coming off of a 4-20 overall season, its first 20-loss season in the 74-year history of the program, head coach Nick Zoulas has worked to improve the conditioning, team defense, and transition game this year. He believes last year did not give justice to the talent on the team. Many of the games were very close, as was illustrated in a game against Franklin and Marshall, the 1994 and 1996 Centennial Conference champion, in which the Green Terrors were only down three points at halftime. Western Maryland competed in one of the most difficult Division III conferences for men basketball in the nation.

Zoulas, in his eighth year directing the team, will be counting on his forward tandem of Will Marshall and senior Dave Dierd. St. Rose to equal the 83 points and 5 rebounds. Jameson Pain, and Jason West are the three senior leiter winners returning. Hooper scores, and 10 assists, in his first season. Steve Easterday, assistant coach, is in his first season.

**My players have shown a great attitude this year.**

*Head Coach Nick Zoulas*

The Terror team came back on December 7 to break a three-game losing streak and defeat Ursinus 89-66 in their Centennial Conference opener. Twenty-three of his 36 points came in the second half.

St. Rose beat the Green Terrors 75-67, as Western Maryland fell to 1-3 so far this season. Marshall led WMC with 15 points before fouling out, and St. Rose contributed 13 points and a team-high 10 rebounds. Billman off the bench to score 10 points and pull down six boards.

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Dr. Jerry Allen, the 1995-96 Rookie of the Year, averaged 14.9 points per game last year, and was named to the second-team all-conference team. New this year is Kelvyn Selby, a graduate of Frostburg State who is currently a graduate assistant coach at Frostburg State and a graduate student at Western Maryland.

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**Two new assistant coaches join men's basketball staff**

Former WMC men's basketball player Chris Lambertson of Baltimore and Kevin Selby of Westminster have been named as assistant men's basketball coaches by Green Terror head coach Nick Zoulas and athletic director Dr. Richard Carpenter.

Selby fills the paid staff position vacated by Doug Kelly, who moved out of the area after two years assisting Zoulas and working in the Admissions Office. Lambertson is joining the staff as a volunteer.

Selby comes to WMC after serving for four years as the head junior varsity and assistant varsity boys' basketball coach at Northwestern High School, his alma mater. The native of Deep Creek Lake, MD earned a bachelor of science degree from Frostburg State University in 1995, but did not play basketball for the Bobcats after tearing ligaments in both of his knees while a student-athlete at Garrett Community College.

The new Green Terror assistant is currently enrolled in WMC's master's degree program in counseling, and works in the College's Academic Skills Center and Career Services Office.

Lambertson returns to his alma mater after playing in 88 games in his Terror career and scoring 546 points. He was captain of the 86-87 WMC squad as a senior, and was named the team's Most Valuable Player that year after averaging 16.6 points per game and shooting 52.2 percent from the field.

This is Lambertson's first coaching experience at any level. Lambertson, whose father was a master's degree in business administration from James Madison University in 1990, has been employed in the food-service industry since graduating from WMC in 1987.

Selby and Lambertson join third-year coach Brian Hollingsworth as assistants to Zoulas, who enters his eighth year as the Green Terror head coach.

**Swimmers dive into new season; hoping for improvement**

Women return and add three new swimmers; even pick up only one

*By Tom Gill Staff Writer*

The 1996-97 Western Maryland swim team has entered its new season, and seems to be having a rocky start. Kim Easterday is back for her 21st year as head coach and Steve Easterday, assistant coach, is in his 14th year. The Green Terror hope to have a good building year with their small squad.

Consisting of three seniors, three juniors, six sophomores, and three freshman, the men are lead by senior captain Kevin Lundell. The men placed first in the 200 free relay and held off the Green Terrors by hitting 21 of 23 free throws in the second half. St. Rose topped Western Maryland 20 points and six caroms, with sophomore guards Paddy Taylor and Tombs contributing 14 each. St. Rose and Tombs were also named to the All-Tournament team.

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MEN’S BASKETBALL (2/3)

GAME RESULTS

Team - Score - Winner

at FRANKLIN & MARSHALL - 28-21PM
at GETTYSBURG - 2/14-7:30 PM
at JOHNS HOPKINS - 2/19-7:30 PM
at Washington - 3:00 PM

WOMEN’S BASKETBALL (3/2)

GAME RESULTS

Team - Score - Winner

Rowan - 55-67 - Rowan
WCU - 56-62 - Ursinus
Notre Dame - 73-67 - WMC
York - 77-66 - WMC

FIELD GOALS

Player - Class - FGM - FGA - FG%

Kari Friedheim - Jr - 5 - 10 - .500
Brian Wyant - Fr - 7 - 11 - .636
Brian Conway - Fr - 1 - 1 - 1.000
Brian Wyant - Sr - 1 - 3 - .333
Karen Friedheim - Fr - 1 - 3 - .333

THREE POINT SHOTS

Player - No. - 3PA - 3PM - 3PM - 3PM

Erin Murphey - Fr - 2 - 2 - 1.000
Ben Murray - Jr - 2 - 2 - 1.000
Kathi Snyder - Sr - 2 - 2 - 1.000
Karen Millar - Jr - 1 - 1 - 1.000

FOULS

Player - No. - FGA - FG% - 2 - 2 - .500

Karen Millar - Fr - 1 - 3 - .333

STEALS

Player - No. - Assists - Assists per game

Kathi Snyder - 4 - 2 - 1.000
Karen Millar - 4 - 2 - 1.000

REBOUNDS PER GAME

Player - No. - 1/30 - 7:00 PM

Gettysburg - 2/14 - 7:30 PM
at Washington - 3:00 PM

SPORTS

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UPCOMING GAMES

Event - Date - Time

at Rowan - 1/21 - 7:00 PM
at Gettysburg - 1/21 - 7:00 PM
at Westminster - 1/25 - 7:00 PM
at Jewel Bucket - 1/30 - 7:00 PM

All statistics are as of December 9, 1996.
Men's club volleyball begins at Western Maryland

Sophomore and President Jerry Burge organized team sponsored by WMC

BY CAROLYN BARNES
Sports Editor

Can men play on the women's varsity volleyball team? No? Why don't we have a men's team? Now, we do.

Sophomore Jerry Burge decided last year, his first at WMC, that he was determined to start a men's team at Western Maryland, because he wanted to play. Last year, though, Burge's idea "fell apart" according to Jerry. "This year, though, I'm really excited that the idea came through," says Burge.

Although the school could not start another varsity athletics team, Burge settled for club volleyball, until more interest grows in surrounding colleges or universities, so that there will be a fair amount of competition.

The club team will be part of the MACVC Conference, which includes club teams from the MAC, Capitol, and Centennial Conferences.

Another reason why it has been difficult for the men to start the sport as another varsity team is because the school Athletic's office has placed a moratorium pronouncing that they will not fund another varsity sport.

Currently, the team consists of fifteen members. "Our team is unbelievable," exclaims Burge. "Some of these guys have never played volleyball before in their lives, and I am really impressed with the team's effort and dedication."

And, "effort and dedication" really shows when you observe the team in practice. The men have been practicing regularly and diligently for about a month now, and have increased practices to three time a week. Currently, the practice times are Monday through Wednesday from 7:30-9:30 in old Gill Gymnasium.

The squad has also found a coach that is interested and willing to work with the team. Craig Keiki, living in Westminster, but hailing from Hawaii, played volleyball for Brigham Young University in his college years.

The team seems to like their new coach, and Burge comments that, "since Craig came to the team, we have turned right around. He's a wonderful teacher."

Hope Filer, a college Admissions Office employee, has volunteered to be the faculty advisor for the team.

The team hopes to compete in the first annual NCAA Division III men's varsity volleyball championship this year which will be hosted at Juniata.

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President Jerry Burge

The new men's club volleyball team poses for a team photograph. In the bottom left-hand corner, sits President of the club, sophomore Jerry Burge. Burge has been trying to organize the team as a sport since his first semester here at Western Maryland.

Congratulations . . .
All-Centennial Conference Football Selections

First team: Offense - Donte Abron (Wide Receiver, Junior, Baltimore, MD)

Second team: Offense - Mike Rough (Offensive Lineman, Senior, Wheaton, MD) - Ron Sermarini (Quarterback, Freshman, Toms River, NJ)

Defense - Justin Lavis (Defensive Lineman, Junior, Columbia, MD) - Kevin Brown (Defensive Back, Junior, Canaan, CT)

Honorable Mention: Defense - Marvin Deal (Defensive Back, Freshman, Capitol Heights, MD)
BLAZING FIRE DESTROYS CAMPUS LANDMARK

Cause of fire still unknown; officials have been able to rule out the possibility of criminal activity

BY HEATHER WOODS Staff Writer

On the morning of December 31, 1996, a lone painter arrived at the WMC campus to continue work on Gill gym only to discover flames coming out of the basement door at the rear of the gym.

The painter quickly notified the Westminster Fire Engine and Hose Company who arrived on the scene within minutes. Unfortunately, it was already too late.

The fire increased to a five-alarm blaze which took more than 200 firefighters from 15 volunteer companies from Carroll, Baltimore, Frederick, and Howard counties as well as from southern Pennsylvania to handle.

The heat and smoke were so intense that the men and women fighting the blaze were forced to evacuate and fight the fire from the outside.

Fortunately, no serious injuries occurred.

Problems with parking persist

BY JAMES M. GROSS Staff Writer

Faculty and students have been complaining about the parking at WMC for years, wondering if there are enough spaces for everyone, according to Mitchell Alexander, director of college activities.

There are more than 900 parking spaces at WMC and according to Michael Webster, director of campus safety, it breaks down like this: 227 employee spaces, about 95 graduate student and commuter spaces, 575 undergraduate spaces, 12 visitor spaces, 9 handicapped spaces, and 10 spaces reserved for work vehicles.

"This said, campus safety records show that there are 350 employee stickers, 356 graduate stickers, 285 commuter stickers, and 471 undergraduate stickers. Unfortunately the math is not as easy as it looks.

Many of the employees, graduate students and commuters have stickers on more than one car, and most graduate students and commuters are not on campus all day every day.

"This makes figuring out an convenient parking in the future? Perhaps not. According to Alexander, the faculty and staff would be unlikely to give up their parking lots, especially with the loss of the lot behind Lewis Hall. That lot is being torn up in order to build a new science building according to Seidel.

In order to make up for those lost faculty spots "we are expanding, redesigning, and paving the Harrison House lot this summer, adding 40-50 spaces," says Seidel.

He was unsure as to how those new spots would be broken down but he said that some would be faculty only and some would be student parking.

There is enough parking for continued on page 5

New fraternity finds home at WMC

BY SARAH SNEU Staff Writer

Western Maryland College is being invaded by Greeks! A new branch of Phi Kappa Sigma is coming to WMC. The last official step for the group to present a final proposal to Dean Philip Sayre, currently in the works according to Vice President Jeff Soltz.

The new fraternity presently consists of 11 male students including President Dave Long, Vice President Soltz, Secretary Christian Wilwohl, and Treasurers Jason Barr and Fabrizio Ferranto. Steve Mangner is the acting secretary while Wilwohl is studying abroad in Geneva, Switzerland. The groups two advisors are Dr. Brian Walekowski and Dr. Mohamed Esa.

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Welcome back to The Soapbox! I hope all of you had an enjoyable January. I was eating lunch the other day with some friends when one of them said something I thought was very clever. We always fill out evaluation forms for the professors and classes we take at the end of the semester. It is obvious that student input is desired in regards to the faculty. Why not put out evaluation forms for the other departments at Western Maryland? There are elements of the maintenance, janitorial, registrars, bursars, your friends, and other departments which are not particularly user-friendly and could use some feedback from us the users. Many students have done all but sell their souls to attend this college. It is not unreasonable to expect a little responsiveness on the college's part. It's an interesting idea, and a good one.

Now let us change the subject. On February 7, 1997 an interesting article appeared in the Baltimore edition of The Baltimore Sun. In the article entitled “Anti-gun initiative is in the mail” by Robert Guy Matthews we learn that the Baltimore City police are planning to hand out envelopes at nine community meetings beginning this March. The envelopes will contain forms which allow the anonymous snitch to finger anyone he or she suspects is carrying a gun. The police will use this information to compile a list of names and log them into a computerized tracking system. The police will search out those persons most mentioned by the anonymous snitches. The Mayor of Baltimore, Kurt Schmoke is quoted by Matthews as saying, “We will give that person special attention. If we see him on the street, one false move and we pounce.” Why not cut out any one as being wrong? These kind of Gestapo tactics do not belong in any freedom loving country. A system like this is wide open to abuse. You and I both know that these anonymous tips will be used by some to settle personal scores and attack those they do not like. Somebody stole your girlfriend? Well, hey, he might be packing a piece. Do the people next door have too many loud parties? They both might be carrying guns.

The dangers of this concept are very apparent. These measures do much more than just threaten a person's right to privacy. And what does the Mayor mean when he says “once false move and we pounce”? How would you like to be pulled over and arrested for carrying the envelope just because your name matched one of those on a list provided by some anonymous snitches? From the information given by anonymous snitches there are no repercussions for giving false or misleading information.

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According to The Student Guide and Datebook the Zero-Tolerance Drug Policy states that "the College does not tolerate the possession, use, or distribution of controlled substances (drugs). When staff become aware of the presence of drugs on campus, they are required to notify the Westminster Police. Law enforcement authorities follow legal police procedures in investigating such matters, including searches." It is safe to assume then that the police will be called on every occasion that marijuana or other illegal substances are being abused. There is, however, no "Zero-Tolerance" policy for alcohol, yet it is considered an illegal substance for a large portion of the student body. According to Maryland Law, "Any undesignated individual, purchasing or possessing alcoholic beverages is subject to fine or imprisonment." The college does not uniformly contact the police in regards to alcohol violations. Why then should they involve authorities in every instance of student marijuana use? With the recent proposals to decriminalize marijuana in the United States, it is not irrational to suggest reconsidering the Zero-Tolerance Drug Policy.

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It is the belief of the Phoenix that students charged with the use of marijuana have committed no greater crime than those underaged students caught abusing alcohol. The Phoenix does realize that marijuana, under federal law is just as illegal as narcotics and other substances, but we question the harshness to the person that marijuana causes compared to these other drugs. Therefore, students charged with the use of marijuana should not be subject to the Zero-Tolerance Policy. But rather, given, at the very least, a first warning. Both marijuana and underage use of alcohol are illegal. It is illogical and unnecessary for the police to be involved in other of these situations. Like alcohol, marijuana use on campus is an internal college matter and all attempts to handle the situation should be made on campus before turning to outside authorities.

I have played basketball in church basements in Brooklyn, in recreation centers in Philadelphia, in y's and J's in many cities, on my basement even in a prison in Virginia. I have played in College field houses, airplane hangers and vaunted Madison Square Garden, but I have never bounced a ball on a more certain, more resonant surface or felt "sweetest" rims than those of old Gill Gym. When I dribbled a ball, the gym was filled with excitement created by winning teams. Victories over rivals such as Hopkins, Catholic U., Towson State, and St. Mary's made game-nights into memories I will never forget. Gill Gym had capacity for several hundred, maybe a thousand, the night we beat The Mount. I can still hear that tumbling, still, and the stillness of the building hours later.

What does it mean when an old building dies ignominiously, by accident, in an early morning blaze? For some, there are memories of courses taken or taught, escapes to workout or just blow off steam. For me it is the loss of a place I can no longer hear the friendly thump of a dribble or the hiss of a shot only catching net, or the shouts of voices from the past. For me, my visits to The Hill, which always included a peak at Gill Gym will be different. I will miss the place.

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It is with great dismay that I learned of the recent fire that destroyed old Gill Gym. For some, it was a place to escape to, to work out, whether for conditioning or simply blow off steam, as during exams. For many, it was the arena in which to watch the basketball team compete. For me it was more.

I first visited Gill Gym in July of 1959. I was 17, had just graduated from high school in Brook...
On the evening of Sunday, February second, my roommate and I were startled by the screams we heard coming from, what sounded like, the outside of Whiteford Hall. The voice had a distinctly female pitch to it, but we couldn’t make out what the girl was shouting. We were concerned, so we called an R.A. to check out the situation. Eventually, the screaming stopped, but our concern went on...until I spoke once more to Kim, the R.A. on duty.

It is shocking to me that a woman would want to howl at the moon for entertainment. In the hallways of Whiteford, rape statistics are posted. The numbers are there to remind us to remain aware.

When I traverse this campus, I keep my senses alert, not only for my own safety, but also for the safety of others. However, not many of the WMC students that I spoke to are as alarmed as I am when a scream rings out. They are accustomed to the noise at night. You see, I’ve only been here since January twenty-sixth. I haven’t had the necessary training required for participation in realistic campus fun. I guess if I want to hone my screaming skills, I’ll have many tutors to choose from.

Now, I come to the reason for my unnecessary alarm. The girl was just playing a harmless game of “Let’s call friends in far places without using the phone.” Perhaps it won’t be long before I, too, will be immune to the sounds, and the loud remarks will be dismissed as casual fun.

The mere thought of shouting profanities for all to hear makes me weak in the knees. Meanwhile, maybe we can all get together and develop a code word that means “take me seriously.” Seem like a lot of trouble? Imagine the trouble when one of the shouts is real, and no one pays attention.

So, please, the next time you are restless visit my room. I am bound to have silly pitty or a coloring book. Of course, if you must play a game, may I suggest Monopoly. I would sleep a lot better if everyone was busy bidding for Park Place.

delicate subject in single-sexed dorms such as Whiteford Hall and Rouzer, it is ridiculous to stringently enforce such policies in coed dorms. If the residents of a floor hold no objections against members of the opposite sex using their restroom, then why should those members be punished?

R.A.’s have repeatedly and continue to harass members of the Western Maryland College community. They supposedly exist for the “welfare of the residents.” It is pretty sad when members of Campus Safety can be quoted saying “R.A.’s are taking their jobs to extremes.”

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Problems with student parking persist

continued from front everyone, but according to campus safety records, 20 people have been towed so far this year (all of them students).

“People would rather get a ticket than be inconvenienced by parking a long way from their dorm,” Webster explains.

One student says that his car was towed while parked in a faculty space because there was no student parking when he returned from a breakfast off campus. Above that this student counted “7 faculty and 4 commuter stickers in the undergraduate lot behind ANW all without tickets.”

Nathan Birdsall, a sophomore art major complained about how non-student cars were not ticketed for parking in the student lot, while students that parked in faculty lots seemed to always get ticketed. According to Birdsall, nothing has changed, even though he took the issue up with campus safety.

Says Alexander, “I doubt very seriously that if faculty received tickets that they would pay, the reason being that students are in their spaces. Until Campus Safety gets all students out of faculty lots, it would be pointless to ticket the faculty.”

One student disagrees: “Why should faculty get to park anywhere on campus, while resident students, who are more likely to get in their cars during the day, have to park in outer Mongolia [Harrison House lot]?” It is a question that doesn’t have a good answer right now.

In conclusion, it looks like the student will just have to bite the bullet and park legally, even if it means walking a good bit. The decision comes down to getting a ticket and possibly getting towed, or taking the extra time to park safely and legally.
New Fraternity finds home at WMC

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Then, they had to ask three national fraternities to visit and give them more information on the groups' philosophies. The new fraternity initially sent letters to 17 different national fraternities and narrowed their choices from there. After the three meetings, the group chose Phi Kappa Sigma. Now they are in the period of colonization, which is the period before they receive their charter.

National fraternities vary on how long this period lasts. Once they charter, the groups will write their bylaws.

Re-birth of Tartuffe

BY RON MILLER
Theatre Arts Department Chair

When I came here in 1987 to interview for a faculty position, I happened to arrive on a weekend featuring a production of Tartuffe. Now, for the first time in a decade, we’re repeating ourselves. Beginning on Friday, February 26, we will be presenting Moliere’s penetrating comedy about religion and power.

Much has changed here in the intervening decade. Then, the Dramatic Art department was being phased out, the department merged with Communications. Theatre students were few and dispersed. Today, we have a thriving program, featuring a major, dual majors, and a minor in an autonomous department. While our permanent faculty is small - Ira Dommer and myself - our work is supported by Elizabeth van den Berg, a professional actor who teaches a variety of courses, mostly in acting; Josh Selzer, an alum who serves as Arts Manager; Tony Rosas, an alum and resident T.D.; Denise Umland, another grad who designs our costumes; and Jean Burgess, who teaches acting and children’s theatre.

The manner in which Tartuffe is being rehearsed and performed is another measure of our maturity as a department. Difficult theatre pieces, such as Tartuffe are now rehearsed as part of a laboratory course, Performance Lab, which is designed for students with prerequisites in advanced acting classes. This is the seventh year for this kind of production. Many of you will remember earlier productions by Isen, Wilde, Shepard, Churchill, and Chekhov.

In some ways, Tartuffe may seem foreign to American audiences. Ours is not a nation in which religion is usually a mask for criminality. We must remember, however, that criminals control politics or political, economic, and religious authority in many nations worldwide. Tartuffe is a caution against the ingress of such persons. A Colombian director once told me that in his version of Tartuffe, the criminal wins, because in Columbia that’s how it is.

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Old Gill Gym Fire

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ing new carpeting and freshly painted walls. By the beginning of the spring semester in late January, athletic department faculty were able to return to their offices.

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Dining at the Chicken N’ Ruth Delly
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offers many types of sandwiches, breakfasts, and desserts, waiter Jonathan Schulman said the milkshakes are the best by far. “Think milkshakes,” he said, referring to the thick concoctions made with real ice cream and served in old-fashioned soda fountain glasses.

For the big appetite, brightly colored placards on the wall list the many specialty sandwiches, named for people who have ordered them frequently. Most notable are William Donald Parris Glendening, and of course, Maryland Governor and Maryland Governor’s speciality sandwiches, named for the governor and his certain tables reserved for the governor and city council members.

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Jonathan Schulman, waiter

Schulman notes another large reason for the restaurant being so special, “It’s the fact that you get so many different types of people. This is really Annapolis, this is the traditional small-town deli.”

Whether for a take-out snack or a sitdown meal, Chicken N’ Ruth’s is one dining experience that will never be forgotten. Many people agree with Schulman, who said, “It’s a fantastic restaurant. No better place in the world.”

“Star Wars: The Special Edition”- still out of this world after twenty years

Re-release of George Lucas’s sci-fi classic brings the force to a whole new generation

By Jim Gross
Staff Writer

Long ago, in a galaxy far, far away...

These eight words define the beginning of a movie that most current college students have never seen on the big screen but still know every line by heart.

This year marks the 20th anniversary of the original release of George Lucas’ masterpiece, “Star Wars,” and everyone can celebrate with the re-release of the trilogy.

On Jan. 31 the lines at movie theaters worldwide were packed with people eager to see “Star Wars: The Special Edition.” And why is this edition special? It is filled with computer enhanced visual and audio effects, and scenes never before seen by the public. These enhancements really improve the blockbuster and help to make it appear more realistic. The explosion of the Death Star space station no longer looks the same as a tiny TIE fighter. The technological advancements make it new and interesting for even the most die-hard fans.

Best of all for me, was the opportunity to see my favorite childhood characters on the big screen. The young and naive hero Luke Skywalker, the beautiful and strong Princess Leia, the swashbuckling Han Solo and his pal Chewbacca, and the clumsy C-3PO and his chirping friend R2-D2. And who could forget the powerful and menacing evil of Darth Vader.

So once again, Luke, Han, Leia, and friends do battle against the evil Imperial Empire and try to destroy the planet. But is it worth the $7 to get in? In a word...yes.

The added scenes and effects make the movie refreshing and there are surprises around every turn. It is definitely better on the big screen.

If you see only one movie this year, this should be it.

With the re-release of “The Empire Strikes Back” on February 21, “Return of the Jedi” on March 7, and the huge popularity of the toys and books, I think that Obi Wan Kenobi said it best: “The force will be with you, always.”

Peterson Hall hosts Chatterley Exhibit

By Maggie Kimura
Staff Writer

On display at the Esther Rice Prangley Gallery are the life-sized sculptures of Mark Chatterley. “Chatterley Exhibit”

The seven sculptures are practices in the metaphysical and abstract and are inspired by the “artistic tradition of the metaphysical, surrealist and baroque,” Dr. Michael Losch, associate professor of art, said.

At first glance, the sculptures appear to be solid rock or stone. However, they are actually made of ceramic and are hollow. The effect of having the sculptures appear stone-like makes them look like people who have been caught in ashes for too long.

The eyes are actually slit eyes inspired by Japanese and Chinese prints,” according to Losch. These slit eyes focus on the obvious and the inside, or the soul.

One of the seven exhibits, “The Sin Eaters,” is a table and chair set. The “table” is made of two sculpture people who are dead, and the “chair” are four sculptures seated around the “table.” Viewers are permitted to sit at any of the “chairs.” The whole premise of “The Sin Eaters” Losch said, is the ancient belief that people who rest the souls of the dead in order for them to go to heaven.

Other sculptures in the exhibit, “In Your Face,” “Dirty Dancing,” and “Kiss,” are pretty straightforward. “Kiss” is a piece of artwork in which two figures are melded together in a kiss to illustrate that in this union, faces seem to disappear and two people become one.

Dirty Dancing are two figures intertwined and “In Your Face” is a sculpture illustrating the strong force that anger is, and how a person who is angry can literally be in someone’s face.

The sculpture titled “Emergence” shows a man knocking away from a wall that contains his imprint. This is to illustrate where man came from.

Mr. and Mrs. Arbeytay are two standing, life-sized sculptures, and “Morphogenic Wave” is a sculpture with figures that are sitting closely, one behind the other.

Overall, the exhibit demands a lot of the viewer but is worth the free visit to the gallery. The sculptures will be on display until March 14.

My Rating: Five Stars

A sculpture among Mark Chatterley’s collection of clay sculptures being displayed in Peterson Hall until March 14.
Addressing the problems that commuters face is one of the club's key functions. One such problem is "getting information to commuters about different activities and getting them involved," CSA president, Sarah Simantel said. To deal with this problem, the group conducted a survey last year to find out the best ways to help commuter students.

The results of the survey put parking problem number one on the list of concerns. "My biggest problem is finding a parking space," commuter Laura Gatier said. "There are more commuter students than there is parking," Simantel added. With the help of Campus Safety, the CSA addressed this problem by opening an additional gravel parking lot. Permitting parking by the track, providing commuters with more spaces, and giving more tickets, are other steps being taken to reduce the parking problem. "Overall, we're pleased with what's happened," Simantel said.

To raise money, the CSA holds various fund-raisers throughout the year. Some of these activities include performing magic, role playing, and selling food and soda at Spring Fling. The money is used to stock the commuter lounge with free soda and to pay for photocopies made by the CSA. This year, the CSA will hold an end-of-year pizza party. The money raised by the party will be used to buy something new for the commuter lounge, such as a new television. Currently the lounge has a couch, a television, a radio, a small refrigerator, and a microwave. With a small deposit, any commuter student can get a key from Alexander to use the lounge at any time.

"Commuter students who would like more information about the CSA can either contact Mitch Alexander or attend one of the weekly meetings.

Annapolis offers unique dining at Chicken N' Ruth Delly

BY COURTNEY RICHS Staff Writer

On certain days, you may even find the governor of Maryland enjoying a tuna salad sandwich in his private booth. It all happens in Chick N' Ruth's Delly, an Annapolis landmark that reminds the diner of times gone by. From the old-style service and delicious food to the bagels hanging from the ceiling, every aspect of this restaurant leaves a mark in people's minds and hearts. Plus, the deli is open around the clock, seven days a week, which makes it the perfect place to grab a midnight snack or a very early breakfast after a night out on the town.

"There are more commuter students than there is parking."

Sarah Simantel, Commuter Student Association President

SGA News Briefs

Campus Concert Committee

Thanks to all who participated in the concert survey conducted by the campus Concert Committee. Due to availability, fluctuating price, and previous show information, the Campus Concert Committee chose They Might Be Giants to place a bid on. These are the top five bands listed in alphabetical order based on the campus survey. Please keep posted for more information.

Better Than Ezra
Garbage
Jewel
LL Cool J
They Might Be Giants

Need Poster-Making Supplies?

The SGA has recently purchased a set of Texas Markers and paper for poster-making. Any student organization is welcome to use the set for a fee of $5 to defray the cost of purchase. Forms will be available at the Information Desk. Please contact Brandy at ext. 8269 24 hours in advance to reserve the set.

Dorm Renovations Forum

Thanks to all who participated in the Dorm Renovation Forum. Results will be tallied and more information will follow next semester.

SGA Meetings

SGA Meets every Wednesday at 8pm in Hill Hall 104. The campus community is invited to attend.

WMC’s well-spoken students face off at speech contest

Dr. Lemieux, assistant professor of communication, revives the event after 60 year absence

BY JEN VICK Features Editor

On December 9 all of the seats in McDaniel Lounge were filled by students and faculty who came to witness WMC’s first speech contest since 1936.

In the late 1800’s WMC had a department of elocution and "elo- cution recitals" were regularly given for 45 years. But since they’ve ended, activities of this kind have been restricted to the classrooms.

Dr. Robert Lemieux, assistant professor of communication, sought to revive these long lost competi- tions by hosting a speech contest for four of the best speakers from his two speech classes. Each was elected by their fellow classmates to participate.

Nicki Kassolis, James Gross, Jeannine Witles, and Robin Zimmerly presented persuasive speeches on a topic of their choice. Their speeches were separate from those they’d given in class for a grade.

Kassolis, a sophomore communication major, persuaded the audience not to forget the disadvantaged during the holiday season with her speech entitled “A Holiday for Hannah." This was followed by a speech about the positive efforts of Habitat for Humanity presented by Gross, a junior communication major.

A communication major and se- nior, Witles presented a different view of medicine with her speech entitled “The Advantages of Alternative Medicine.” Zimmerly, a sophomore communication and English major, wrapped up the contest with an enlightening persuasive speech on “The Effects of Over the Counter Stimulants.”

First, second, third, and fourth prizes were awarded. Zimmerly walked away with the first prize of a plaque, $50 cash, and a gift certi- ficate for a restaurant. Gross was the second prize winner and also received a restaurant gift certificate and $20 cash. Kassolis and Witles came in third and fourth respectively, winning two free movie tick- ets each and restaurant gift certifi- cates.

The judges for this event were Richard Dillman and Dr. Jasna Meyer, representing the communication department, and Dr. Richard Kernan for the department of phi- losophy.
Students venture to England and Scotland over Jan Term

By Jen Vick
Features Editor

The poet Miller once exclaimed “When you huff and puff And finally save enough! Money up to take your family! On a trip across the sea/ Let me tell you where to go/ Go to England oh.”

From Jan 10 to 25 a group of 31 members of WMC’s family traveled across the sea to England and Scotland. The trip was a Jan Term study tour with Dr. Ray Stevens, professor of English, and Dr. James Lightner, professor of mathematics, as knowledgeable and enthusiastic guides. With 23 years of traveling experience in the United Kingdom and 12 of these together, Stevens and Lightner guided students through a land rich in history and royal tradition.

The trip did not specifically emphasize literature, music, or science, but rather all of these were incorporated into the experience.

“It was a very good tour because it seemed the students were responding well and were involved,” said Stevens. “Seeing students learn and enjoy is the secret of a good trip. The two should go hand in hand.”

With five days in London heading the agenda, the group from “Mary Land” was bombarded with accents, red double-decker buses, pubs and clubs, getting from here to there on the underground, and the sights, sounds, and smells of England’s capital city of seven million.

Witnessing the influences of what is one of the world’s last surviving monarchies, visits were made to Windsor Castle and Hampton Court, both stomping grounds for the United Kingdom’s royalty. At the Tower of London, Queen Elizabeth II’s crown, weighing five pounds, glimmered with a wealth of British and Scottish crown jewels. A free day was provided with the play of music, sounds, and smells of England’s capital city of seven million.

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Just becoming accustomed to the Scottish twist on the English accent, the group was off and moving again, southward through England’s Lake District. The sun shone brightly on this mountainous region consisting of about a dozen lakes. Several photo stops were made to carry home the memories of the breathtaking scenery.

Once again in England, the little town of Stratford-Upon-Avon boasted Shakespeare’s birthplace and home. Not far from this was Anne Hathaway’s childhood home, the woman Shakespeare married when he was 18.

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WMC receives mini-grant from area organization

Western Maryland College will use a mini-grant from a Carroll County drug treatment program to find a major alcohol awareness presentation just prior to Spring Break 1997.

The $1,500 grant from Junction, Inc., of Westminster also will be used to cover expenses from other awareness and prevention events held during National Colleague Alcohol Awareness Week. More than 600 students participated in the college's first Midnight Milk and Cookies which featured dozens of homemade goodie baskets from faculty and staff members, and more than 150 students took part in the One On One, a dye t-shirt event promoting awareness.

In March, Mike Green, a former all-star athlete and recovering alcoholic now touring nationally, will discuss his personal battle and the dangers of drug and alcohol abuse. Specifically targeted audiences include WMC’s athletic and Greek communities, according to Bonnie Bosley, medical services coordinator.

“Spring Break is historically a big drinking week,” said Bosley, noting the prevention program with Green is co-sponsored by WMC’s Phi Delta Theta fraternity.

“We are hoping that students will take the message to heart and think before they make some high risk choices during Spring Break,” Bosley added.

Members of Phi Delta Theta recommended Green after hearing his message at a national fraternity conference last summer. After Green’s presentation, student health services will throw a non-alcoholic party to let everyone know that they can have fun without drinking,” Bosley said.

Last year three WMC student groups received mini-grants from SOS.

Senior-sponsored party will kick off countdown to graduation

Extensive fund-raising efforts allows for no charge to students

To commemorate the last 100 days before their graduation, the senior class officers are sponsoring a celebration. The party will be held on Feb 28 at 9 p.m. in the forum.

The party will be non-alcoholic and entries is by invitation only. All seniors should receive an invitation in their mail boxes and are advised to keep the invitation because it is the rainy season, the primary purpose of the event is to support for proposed volunteer experiences of WMC students. Therefore, the major focus of each application will give seniors an opportunity to “hang out with those friends that we haven’t seen since our days in Rouzer and Whiteford.”

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WMC students and officers Ryan John and Sam Dwoskin have all been involved in the planning of the party. Landriff feels this celebration will give the seniors an opportunity to “hang-out with old friends we haven’t seen since our days in Rouzer and Whiteford.

Faculty members have been invited to join in on the festivities. “We’ve been in their classes on their turf and now they will come to our turf,” Welter said.

He also thinks that the party will act as a “send-off” of sorts, giving all the seniors and faculty one last time to get together before the end.

“It’s going to be a great time,” Lundell said, who adds that the senior class should go “crazy for a night.”

Musical, Theatrical and Artistic Notes

February

Starting Feb. 3rd - In the Rice Gallery, a collection of sculptures by Mark Chatterley.

Feb. 23 - Chamber Music on the Hill presents “A 20th Century Musical Kaleidoscope” - 3 p.m. in McDaniel Lounge.

Feb. 25 - The Soldiers Chorus of the United States Army Field Band will perform a program of traditional choral music and contemporary compositions at 7:30 p.m. in (Big) Baker Memorial Chapel.

March

March 12 - Tartuffe - Molieres classic comedy in Alumni Hall Theatre at 8 p.m. Tickets are $5 for Adults and $3 for Children, Students, Seniors, and WMC.

March 3 - Monday Night Music presents select piano pieces by Johannes Brahms - 7pm in McDaniel Lounge.

March 6, 7, 8 - Closing nights of Tartuffe - This is your Last Chance!
Griswold-Zepp award applications available

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should be on answering the question: How will this award help me become a volunteer in a meaningful social service action project? While interested in supporting relevant social service organizations, the selection committee is most concerned with encouraging innovative proposals whether in connection with existing social service organizations or not. The selection committee is particularly interested in proposals which emphasize personal interaction with the target group to be assisted.

Any full-time Western Maryland College in undergraduates in good standing, that is, with an overall GPA of 2.0 or above, may apply.

Applications will be available in the development office and at the information desk in Decker. Completed applications should be submitted to Griswold-Zepp Award, c/o Development Office.

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FEATURES

Women’s History Month

• February 26: One Woman Show: Michelle Banks
  “The Reflections of a Black Deaf Woman”
  Forum 8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
  Sponsored by: CAPBoard/BSU

• March 6: “Tahireh: poetess and heroine of 19th century Iran”
  Harrison House 7:30 p.m.
  Sponsored by: Bahá’í Club

• March 7: Film (TBA, but will be current Women’s film)
  Decker College Center 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
  Sponsored by CAPBoard

• March 10: Women and AIDS speaker
  Hill Hall Room 108 7:00 p.m.
  Sponsored by: ASAP/Health Services

• March 25: Lecture:
  “Breaking the Bowls”
  McDaniel Lounge 7:30 p.m.
  Sponsored by History Department

• March 26: Musical Ladies Dinner Show
  Dining Porch 6:15 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
  Sponsored by CAPBoard

Film series to be announced
Sponsored by: Women’s Studies and Various Departments

All events are free and open to the WMC Community

The support and awareness of women’s history is an important component of fighting sexism.
Men's basketball works hard to earn 9-11 record
Will Marshall hits 1000 point mark as underclassmen step up to help team

Entering the 1996-97 season things looked bleak for the Western Maryland men's basketball team. They were coming off a devastating 4-20 1995-96 season, and would go into this season with seven freshmen and four seniors.

Despite all this, the Green Terror have turned their fortunes around to earn a respectable 9-11 record, including a victory over Franklin and Marshall in their last game.

Head coach Nick Zoulias credits the players' work ethic and desire for making the difference. "This is a different team than last year's team," he said. "It's a different composition of players, and I think these guys have a higher level of commitment to playing."

Part of this commitment was established in the preseason. "We talked about some things that we had to do at the beginning of the year. One of those things was conditioning," said Zoulias. "We felt our team was not as well conditioned last year as they should have been. We had a very good, strong preseason conditioning program for our guys this year."

Zoulias feels that this hard work has allowed the team to win games that would have slipped away last year. "At times it seemed almost like early last year, but the difference was these guys hung with it and made things happen." Their hard work has paid off, and with four games remaining they have already more than doubled their number of wins from a year ago.

January saw wins to Catholic University (84-84), Gettysburg College (82-74), Frostburg State University (84-73), Haverford College (65-60), Villa Julie College (76-75), and Franklin and Marshall.

Junior forward Will Marshall scored a game high 33 points to give WMC a come-from-behind win against Catholic. In the Gettysburg contest, senior forward Dave St. Rose scored seven straight points in a 58-second span to key the Terror's conference win.

St. Rose also added 21 points against Frostburg, as Marshall netted a game high 27 points which put him over 1,000 points on his career. Freshman center Brian Billman scored a season-high 20 points to top four WMC players in double figures in their non-conference win over Villa Julie; sophomore guard Brian Tombs added 15 points and Marshall and St. Rose contributed 14 and 11, respectively.

In their last game the Green Terror defeated Franklin and Marshall 71-64. Although they lost an earlier contest by 33 points this season to the Diplomats, the Green Terror came ready to play in the rematch. Billman scored 18 points and grabbed 15 rebounds to lead Western Maryland, as Tombs added 12 points and sophomore guard Kevin Buckley contributed 12 points to help the team defeat F&M by a score of 71-64.

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The victory ended a 24 game losing streak to the Diplomats, dating back to 1985. "Our guys showed a lot of courage," Zoulias said. "The whole history of comings and goings back to 1985. "Our guys showed a lot of courage," Zoulias said. "The whole history of coming and going back to 1985. This year we played one of our best games of the year in that game, that's what we made it special." WRITING

With two freshmen and only one senior in the starting line up, most of the credit for the improvement this season has to go to the younger players on the team.

Billman is currently fourth on the team in scoring, and leads the team in rebounds. He has been the team's leading scorer in four of the last five games, and was named to the Centennial Conference's Weekly Honor Roll this past week for his performance against Villa Julie and F&M.

Freshman point guard Jeff Cree has also been a key player for the Green Terror this season, and he currently leads the team in assists. "Cree has emerged as a very good freshman point guard," commented Zoulias.

Tombs, another young player, has proven that he is a dangerous outside shooter, hitting 45 three point baskets this season, good for third in the conference. "(Tombs) is coming into his own as a player, as we thought he would," said Zoulias.

With leading scorer Will Marshall and several other key players returning next season as well, the Green Terror men look ready to make a successful run at the Centennial Conference title. "We think our future is bright," Zoulias said.

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BY DAN GARD
Staff Writer

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Women's basketball 14-6 overall, 7-5 in the Centennial Conference

Green Terror women now full force, on three game winning streak and tied for third in conference

BY TOM GILL
Assistant Sports Editor

The Western Maryland College women's basketball team is on a roll with their three game winning streak. The ladies handed Dickinson a loss last Tuesday with a final of 83-75. Katie Haley hit up the scoreboard with 25 points and also grabbed a career-high 21 rebounds in the game. Sophomore forward Kathi Snyder added a season high 24 points and 13 rebounds, which included 16 points and 11 boards in the first half. WMC had a 4-2-1 lead by halftime and maintained a 15-point advantage until the last few minutes when Dickinson scored the last 11 points. Senior Heidi Snyder had 14 points and helped raise the ladies record to 14-6 overall, and 7-5 in the Centennial Conference.

Last Saturday in Lancaster the ladies squeaked a 66-61 victory over Franklin & Marshall. Junior forward Haley and center H. Snyder combined for 55 points and went on to over-take F&M in overtime. Red hot Haley piled up 30 points and 16 rebounds, the second time in four games she has had at least 30 points and 15 rebounds. Snyder hit 11 of 16 shots from the field with a career-high 25 points, and seven rebounds.

The men upset Ursinus with a score of 94-85, while the women fell 66-29. The Green Terror men won just three games this season that it was going to be a rebuilding season with WMC, knew coming into the Centennial Conference.

The teams are finished for now, but will attend the Centennial Conference championship meet at Franklin & Marshall February 21-22.

The swimmers concluded their dual meet schedules with losses at Washington College last Saturday.

The men were defeated 125-52, while the ladies lost 147-76. The only event winner for WMC was senior Peter Fuller in the 100-yard breaststroke. Fuller had a time of 1:03.93.

The men ended their season with a 3-6 record, and the women were 1-9.

Back on February 1st the ladies traveled to Bryn Mawr to take on a tough squad. The score was knotted at 57 and the winner of the final event would be the victor.

The 200-yard freestyle relay went down to the wire and the Mawrters edged the Terror's by less than 35 tenths of a second, 1:51.97 to 1:51.65.

Freshman Barkley Dameron was an individual double winner in the 50 and 100-yard freestyle, in addition to swimming a leg in the victorious 200-meter medley relay.

Right before the start semester, the swimmers headed up north to take on Ursinus College.

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Senior Mike Welter and Martin Wisor both finished first in their events: the 200 backstroke and 200 butterfly, consecutively.

At Dickinson on January 18, the men edged the Red Devils 48-46, but the women fell 66-29.

The Green Terror men won just three events, but that was enough. Fuller captured the 200-yard individual medley and Welter the 100-yard butterfly.

Those two events proved to be the difference in the meet, as freshman Wisor was second to Welter and sophomore Scot Hoover third behind Fuller, giving the Green Terror a 1-4-4 advantage and offsetting the Dickinson first places.

For the women, Dameron was a double winner sprinting to a victory in the 50 and 100-yard freestyle, while sophomore Michelle Garvey placed first in the 500 freestyle.

They put WMC in a tie for third place in the conference.

After a devastating loss to Muhlenberg at the start of February, the ladies rebounded with a 66-52 victory over Lebanon Valley. Haley and H. Snyder each scored in double figures in rebounds and tied in points with 14. Haley scored all of her points in the second half, and finished the game with 17 rebounds. Snyder had most of her scoring in the first half with 12 points, and finished the game with 10 rebounds.

Before the ladies fell 85-62 to Muhlenberg, they defeated Gallaudet in a non-conference overtime win 93-91. Haley made two free throws with six seconds left in overtime to lift her to a 36-point career-high.

Along with her career high in points, which is also a record of most points for a Western Maryland player in the college’s 13-year-old Gill Center, Haley pulled down a career-best 17 rebounds as well. Sisters Heidi and Kathi Snyder added 14 points each for WMC, with Heidi grabbing eight rebounds and blocking five shots against Gallaudet.

The Green Terror women have three regular season games left to play. They will host Catholic on February 21st.

Swimmers end rebuilding season; look forward to Conference Championship

BY JULIE EDWARDS
Sports Editor

Western Maryland's swim teams are working hard, and rebuilding for next season. Head coach Kim Esterday, in her 21st season with WMC, knew coming into the season that it was going to be a rebuilding year.

The Green Terror indoor track team has had eight national qualifiers in five years and will send at least two more this year.

Junior Donte Abron qualified provisionally for the 55-meter dash at the Sawyer Invitational at Hagerstown Junior College. Callen won the 55-meter hurdles (8.6 seconds), and smokehouses Mike Cushwa in the 800 (2:04.2) and Matt Helfrich in the pole vault (12 feet).

Wilson currently holds the conference record in the long jump and provisionally in the triple jump and 55 hurdles.

In Hagerstown, Wilson won the 400-meter dash in a school record 5:08.8. The men’s two mile relay unit of Mike Cushwa, Mike Bogart, Robert Birdsall, and Max Lojevsky was second with a time of 3:18.8.

A week earlier in Levisburg, PA, Abron set two school records. He placed fourth in the triple jump with an effort of 45 feet, 4.5 inches and covered 22 feet, 4.5 inches and earned sixth place in the long jump. Also at Bucknell, Wilson improved her own school record in the women’s triple jump. Her mark of 37 feet, 5 inches was good for second place.

Indoor track sprints toward national championship

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The only other conference record held by a Green Terror was earned by Western Maryland graduate Julie Cox in the 55-meter hurdles in 1994.

Head coach Doug Renner commented about his team, "I am real proud of our team. They are definitely not the biggest or most recognized team, but I think they all have something to leave the season feeling proud of."

Assistant by Dick Estes and Mike Whitmore, he has built an incredibly strong team, despite the fact that it is only 12 women and 19 men deep. They believe they have a chance at winning the conference meet on February 21-22 at Haverford College.
**WOMEN'S BASKETBALL**

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Wrestlers compete at Centennial Conference Championship

The team aims to win, and send wrestlers on to win at regionals in the coming weeks

BY JUUF. EDWARDS
Sports Editor

Going into this 1996-97 season, the Green Terror wrestling team wanted to go undefeated in conference dual meets. What they did was place second in the centennial conference in dual meets, the highest Western Maryland finish ever.

On the brink of the conference championship, to be held at Western Maryland and February 15, the team again has high expectations. Head coach John Lowe anticipates his men have eight legitimate shots at individual championships, but the team is aiming for the conference title. “They want to win the conference as a team, I think even more than they want to win as individuals,” commented Lowe.

As a result, many of the wrestlers have moved up in weight classes to allow more team members to compete. This will not affect the wrestlers chances of competing at nationals, as the conference meet is not a qualifier for the regional tournament, rather a good basis for bragging rights.

Sophomore John Wert, who will wrestle at 142 just for this meet has already been ranked first seed. Junior Steve Smiddy has as well at 134 pounds. Freshman Julian Tai is ranked second at 126 and Josh Ellin (150), Paul Scott (158), Charlie Conaway (167), Phil Simmerer (177), and Rick Estes (190) should be placed in the top three seeds. They have worked hard all season in order to reach this level. On February 7, Western Maryland shut-out Gallaudet in a non-conference match. Conaway pinned his opponent for his 10th fall of the season in 1:46, Estes posted a second-period pin for his 50th career victory, and freshman heavyweight Matt Lennon pinned Gallaudet’s Josh Lavine in 2:24. Smiddy and Ellin recorded technical falls for Western Maryland, which finished its dual-meet season with a 15-10-1 record.

A week earlier, the Green Terror squad went 2-1 at a quadrangular meet at Ursinus. Western Maryland beat Washington and Lee (28-18) and Swarthmore College (49-0), but fell to the hosts (31-11). A highlight of that day was Conaway’s 31-second pin of Swarthmore’s Jesse Bean, as him, Smiddy and Wert each recorded three wins.

Lowe believes he has five possible contenders for the national tournament, including Smiddy who has already defeated the nationally ranked number four man in his weight. Going into the regional tournament February 20-22, Lowe has “mixed feelings.” He feels his team is on an upswing, as he stated, “We have done as well as we have ever done, but we still haven’t wrestled as well as I believe they can.”

Centennial Conference wrestling championship results

Ursinus wins 4th annual meet for third time with 103 points, Western Maryland close second with 86.5

118 - Jon Pilonzo (Fr.) 4th
126 - Julian Tai (Fr.) 3rd
134 - Steve Smiddy (Jr.) 1st
142 - John Wert (So.) 1st
150 - Paul Scott (Jr.) 3rd
158 - Josh Ellin (Fr.) 2nd
167 - Charlie Conaway (Fr.) 3rd
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190 - Rick Estes (Sr.) 1st
275 - Bob Picton (So.) 2nd

At 150 pounds, sophomore Josh Ellin fell to Muhlenberg’s Craig Ehrin 8-3 who won the weight division.
Company finds right chemistry in education

A local company already recognized for its strong business-education partnership will sponsor a faculty office in the new science center at Western Maryland College.

The recent gift from Lehigh Portland Cement expands the company's continuing support of education on all grade levels, said WMC President Robert H. Chambers, noting Lehigh's longtime relationship with the college.

"Lehigh Portland Cement has a special interest in chemistry," said plant manager David Roush, noting the company's commitment to sponsoring a faculty office in the new science center.

The company currently supports 200 students.

"Lehigh and its employees are true advocates for our students," as well as all others in Carroll County," Dr. Chambers added.

"The success of the programs the company has instituted and the support it has committed here and around the county shows that business can make a real difference." Construction is expected to begin later this year on the $12 million science center, the capital centerpiece of WMC's $40 million comprehensive fund-raising campaign.

The exact location in the new center and the name of the sponsored office will be determined at a later date.

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He also noted that production supervisor Herb Weller regularly continues on page 5

Students to offer free tax help to area residents and WMC students

Western Maryland College students and others trained by IRS agents will offer free tax help through early April via the federal Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program.

The program, open to students and others who cannot afford professional preparation services, especially older, handicapped and non-English speaking taxpayers, emphasizes self-help assistance to those who can help with the preparation of their own taxes.

But the students will provide complete tax preparation if needed, according to Susan Milstein, associate professor of economics and business and coordinator of the WMC program.

The student volunteers earn academic credit for their work in VITA.

All returns are checked by Ms. Milstein, a certified public accountant, and other volunteer CPAs before being sent to the federal and state tax offices.

The VITA office at WMC will be open to the public Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday through mid-April, April 12, in Gold Room B in Decker College Center. The office hours are: Tuesday and Thursday, 7-9 p.m., and Saturday, noon-3 p.m. However, the VITA program will not operate during WMC's spring break from March 14-24.

Appointments are required. Those seeking help should bring last year's federal and state tax returns and all of the necessary 1996 income verification forms (W-2, 1099, etc.).

The complete VITA schedule is:

Tuesday: March 11, 25; April 1, 8
Thursday: March 6, 13, 27; April 3, 10, 17
Saturday: March 8, 29; April 5, 12.

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WMC professors some of the lowest paid in Conference

12% pay raise requested by teachers; Dean Coley: "They don't have to throw us scraps of meat."

How much are your professors worth?

Committee Z of the American Association of University Professors, in its annual request for a pay increase, has asked the Budget Committee for a 12 percent raise, according to Dr. Herb Smith. The contracts will come out this week, he said.

Smith, chair of Committee Z, said the groups requested a fairly large increase "to get where we belong among other institutions."

Provost Joan Coley agreed saying, "We're not where we want to be, but they don't have to throw us scraps of meat."

Mr. Richard Dillman, president of the AAUP, termed the request as an "academic quality raise." According to Dillman, if WMC wants to portray itself as a selective school, the professors should be paid the same as at selective schools.

Smith said that in 1988, WMC had the second highest paid professors in the Centennial Conference. Now the college is among the lowest.

Coley, Smith, and Dillman agreed that WMC could not compete itself to schools such as John Hopkins University or Swarthmore College.

Coley said that the drop was due to a regional enrollment drop in the early 1990's, extraordinary expenses, and a significant amount of financial aid and scholarships. The other schools WMC compares itself with have a much larger endowment to fall back on, Coley said.

WMC was "never a wealthy institution," according to Coley. During the 1991-92 and 1992-93 school years, the professors and administration at WMC did not receive a pay raise at all, Coley said.

WMC is "very tuition dependent," she said.

The enrollment drop was a "natural fluctuation" which occurred at other state schools, according to Coley. The 12 percent raise request was meant to compensate for those years without pay raises, Dillman said.

Faculty salaries are ranked at four levels, one being the highest. In 1988, WMC came very close to Dr. Robert Chambers goal of level one across the board, Smith said. Full and associate professors were at level one with assistant professors not far behind in level two, Smith said. Now the rankings are 2-3-3.

How much are your professors paid?

The groups requested a fairly large increase "to get where we belong among other institutions." According to Coley, the goal of raising faculty salaries is reasonable, but she was not sure about the percentage.

The raise, Coley assured, would not affect tuition. WMC has a "policy that will keep tuition raises under four percent," Coley said.

WMC full professors are paid an average of $32,500 per year, according to Academe, a magazine putting out by the AAUP. Associate professors make $41,600 and assistant professors $34,600, according to the magazine.

Professors at Gettysburg College are paid $54,400-$43,700-$38,000 respectively. Academe said. According to the magazine, the difference between Ursinus and WMC is even larger with full professors at $66,500, and assistant professors at $50,300, and associate professors at $41,900.

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The AAUP is an organization of professors that serves as a discussion forum for issues from salaries to teaching style, Dillman said.

According to Coley, the AAUP only represents a small number of professors on campus. Some refuse to have AAUP represent them because it creates and "us-them" relationship, Coley said.
**COMMENTARY**

**THE SOAPBOX**

**Adam Dean**

As you know, this is the first Soapbox of March. You might not know that March is also known as “Women’s History Month.” February was “Black History Month” and I am sure there are other history months we are not aware of. I myself was not aware of the existence of “Women’s History Month” until someone mentioned it to me last week. The reason I mention this is because I find the implied logic behind these history months disturbing.

By setting aside a particular month to celebrate the history of one legally defined “minority” (how a group which makes up 52% of the population can be considered a minority eludes me) the powers that be have created the dangerous, false impression that the groups in question have an isolated, separate history than that of the country as a whole. Do women have a history separate from that of men? Do Black Americans have a history separate from that of the rest of the country? No they do not. History is interaction and is interaction, no one group within the nation exists in isolation from the other. The accomplishments of members of any one group can not be explained or properly examined without taking into account the stimulus which came from those outside his or her gender or ethnicity.

I am a second semester junior. It’s not too hard to figure out that I’ve been here for two and a half years. So I’ve seen a lot of shit go down on this campus. I’ve seen the bad, and there is a lot of it, but I’ve also seen a surprisingly large amount of the good as well. I’ve lived on a fraternity floor for the last two years, and I hang out with at least a few representatives from most of the other fraternities (not to mention the numerous friends I have in all the sororities – yeah, Phi Alph’s). So I know a little bit about what is going on with the various fraternities and sororities on this campus.

Spring semester is well on its way, in fact we are starting a three week countdown to Spring Break. Along with another spring semester comes another opportunity to pledge one of the many sororities and fraternities at Western Maryland College.

The question on many of the students’ minds, these last few weeks has been whether or not to pledge. It’s an important decision to make, one which should be given a respectable amount of deliberation and pondering; definitely not one to be taken lightly.

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PHOENIX SUPPORTS 12% FACULTY PAY RAISE

WMC Professors have recently requested, through the American Association of University Professors (AAUP), a 12% salary raise to take effect in the 1997-98 fiscal year. The Phoenix fully supports the faculty request.

Each year, the AAUP presents a proposal to the budget committee, which includes Dr. Robert Chambers, President of the college, requesting a salary increase.

"We agree with the professors that a 12% pay increase is needed in order to bring them closer to their goal."

Upon Dr. Chambers arrival at WMC, the faculty felt that he portrayed a goal of raising the faculty salaries to the top 25th percentile in the Centennial Conference. In 1988, this goal was nearly achieved with full and associate professors in the top percentile and assistants in the second. Since an enrollment drop in the early nineties, the salaries have fallen within the lowest three schools in the Centennial Conference.

For two consecutive years (1991-92, 1992-93 school's years), neither faculty nor administration received any raise whatsoever. In order to compensate the faculty for the two years without a raise, the AAUP's plan was to receive a six to seven percent increase which they hoped would bring the salaries back up to previous standards. Unfortunately, these requests did not amend the loss.

We agree with the professors that a 12% increase is needed in order to bring them closer to their goal. This request is more than reasonable for several reasons, if the funds are available.

First, the college's image, as Ursinus, WMC professors receive much less pay. As far as attracting top professors, which in turn attracts top students, would add to the college's prestige. Also, untenured, part-time and newer professors would be more inclined to stay at WMC.

Third, compared with other small liberal arts colleges, such as Ursinus, WMC professors receive much less pay.

Finally, the Phoenix feels that just compensation must be made for the two years the faculty went without any pay increase. We feel that the 12% is more than reasonable if available. If funding for the full 12% is not available, maybe the college should consider a plan to recompensate the faculty over a period of a few years.

GIVE A POOR HOMBRE SOME PROVISIONS, EH? MY BURRO NEEDS TO EAT YOU KNOW.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The following letter was originally written to Dean Sayre, but was submitted by the author to the Phoenix for publication.

Dear Dean Sayre;

I am writing to you because I feel that it is vital for the administration and the students to understand the detrimental effects one member of the Residence Life Team is having on the student body. Several people have experienced unnecessary concern and worry caused by the actions of Mr. Tom Zmucki. He has appeared insensitive and unethical in his behavior towards students. Some of the other people affected will write letters about Mr. Zmucki's actions which will be mailed in the near future.

As most people know, I have been discussing the issue of my cat with the Residence Life team for several years. This however is not the focus of my complaint.

I am concerned because I recently learned that Mr. Zmucki, the Residence Life Coordinator living in McDaniel Hall, has two pot bellied pigs living with him. Not only is this a violation of college policy, but it is a direct contradiction to several statements he has made. He told me repeatedly that he believed having a cat in a Residence Hall was unsanitary and unfair to the other residents. I hardly think that two pot bellied pigs could be considered more sanitary than a cat. He also told me that he had given up his pets in order to comply with college policy. This is obviously not the case since on January 22, he told Dr. Robin Armstrong that he had two pigs living with him, and he actually invited her to visit the pigs if she wished. Dr. Armstrong also reports that as of February 7, Mr. Zmucki still had the pigs. I am incredulous at the audacity it must take to so obviously unconcerned about the ethical issues involved in these contradictory statements.

In addition to that issue, Mr. Zmucki has imposed strict sanctions on students he has found to have animals on campus. He threatened to remove one person and her entire suite from campus housing because he discovered a cat in the dormitory. It is my hope that you will understand my outrage at the deplorable hypocrisy of someone who is supposed to be setting a good example for students.

I do not wish to cause trouble on the campus community, but I feel that I must express my disappointment at a situation which appears to highlight behavior that would not be tolerated in students. Not only is this behavior hypocritical, but it is an apparent abuse of the power given to someone in a position of authority. Mr. Zmucki seems to think that he is above the rules imposed on students. I would like the administration as well as the campus community to be aware of this behavior, and I request that the administration investigate the circumstances surrounding the pet policy and consider more productive alternatives for both students and staff at this college.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Arney
Substance Free Housing

Presently, at least forty two underclassmen express an interest in continuing to live in substance-free housing next year. Recently Residence Life asked the SGA to recommend a space where these students who desire to continue living in substance-free housing could live. However, instead of coming up with a place to accommodate these students, the SGA dismissed the idea of substance-free housing for upper classmen altogether.

The SGA’s main objection is that there is no separate space in any dorm to place these students without infringing on independent living. However, instead of coming up with a place to accommodate these students, the SGA dismissed the idea of substance-free housing for upper classmen altogether.

Substance-free housing seems like a good idea. After all, what could be better than a group of students who want to live in a smoke-free environment? However, instead of coming up with a place to accommodate these students, the SGA dismissed the idea of substance-free housing for upper classmen altogether.

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Theatre on the Hill announces summer season schedule

Theatre on the Hill has scheduled five shows for the 1997 summer season, including the first production of "Blood Brothers" mounted by an area company.

Entering its 16th year in residence at Western Maryland College, the professional theatre company also will present "My Fair Lady," "Noises Off," "Winnie the Pooh," and "The Fabulous Post Show Revue.

"My Fair Lady," a long-running Broadway favorite, opens the season June 20 and runs through July 5. Theatre on the Hill newcomer Jeff Lee will direct the story of Professor Henry Higgins and spunky Eliza Doolittle, the Cockney bird who on a dare and a hag becomes the famous sentimentist's greatest challenge. The legendary Lerner and Loewe score boasts some of the musical theatre's finest treasures, including the soaring "With a Little Bit of Luck," the tender "On the Street Where You Live," and the exuberant "I Could Have Danced All Night."

It should be no problem for Lee, who has directed a myriad of shows ranging from a U.S. tour of "Shirley Valentine" starring Loretta Swit to the live stage version of "Mortal Kombat." He also has directed other showbiz greats including Helen Reddy, Ellen Burstyn, Dorothy Loudon, Davy Jones, and the Fabulous Post Show Revue.

"Blood Brothers," a haunting musical drama by Willy Russell, author of "Educating Rita" and "Shirley Valentine," runs August 1-16 on the Mainstage. A modern-day take on "The Prince and the Pauper," it is the deeply moving story of a struggling single mother who makes every effort to keep the broth- ers apart.

A huge hit on Broadway and still running after nine years in London, this will be the show's first local production. All shows are at 8 p.m.

"The sciences have always been strong at Western Maryland College and the new center should certainly add to its reputation," Dr. Chambers said, noting the WMC curriculum stresses hands-on collaboration with outstanding science faculty and the opportunity for undergraduate students to publish in major research journals.

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Lehigh Cement science donation

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models real world applications of science theory and management at the Lehigh plant for student visitors from nearby Francis Scott Key High School, and Lehigh provides annual financial sponsorship of Key's Top Scholar awards.

"Scientists play a huge role in our business, and chemistry is especially important," Roush said. "So it only makes sense that we support local programs as much as we can. After all, we hope some of these well-trained area students might someday be working in our plant."

Lehigh's involvement in educational programs, which earned it an award from the Carroll County Chamber of Commerce, also includes a mentoring program at Elmer A. Wolfe Elementary School in New Windsor, through the program, Lehigh Portland Cement provides release time for employees to meet one-on-one with students to promote positive attitudes about scholastic achievement and to work on improving the self-confidence of students.

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Putting the "phun" into physics

According to University of Maryland professor Richard Berg, physics really is fun and he can prove it.

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The program, already a favorite in College Park and surrounding areas, is making its Westmont debut Wednesday, March 12, at 7:30 p.m., in Alumni Hall, at Western Maryland College.

Dr. Berg will present "The Physics LQ. Test," one of 16 "Physics is Phun" programs developed over the years. Other programs explore the various areas of physics, including demonstrations of vibrations, waves, the atom, water, heat, and electricity. There are about 20 engaging demonstrations in each 75-minute segment.

The Physics LQ. Test is a collection of counterintuitive brain teasers. The audience tries to guess the answers which are then played out in a series of physics demonstrations, said Dave Guerra, assistant professor and chair of the physics department at Western Maryland.

"You're going to swear you really know the answers to some of them," he said.

And just when you think you're right and there's no way the experiment can go the other way, the demonstration will prove you wrong. It really does show you how challenging, yet interesting and fun this can be."

The experiments, he said, are geared to the high school level, but the program, free and open to the public, is highly recommended for younger and older audiences, even those of adult age. "The lecture is not confined to academic research but is public education," he said.

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Monday series at WMC celebrates German composer

The Monday Night Music Series at Western Maryland College presents a program celebrating the works of Clara Schumann at 7:30 p.m. in McDaniel Lounge.

Performers include WMC lecturers Judy Ferenz and Don Hornett, both on piano, and Katharine Barrett, cello, as well as area musicians Denrocks, Stotelmyer, violin, and Cynthia Blum, mezzo soprano. Also, Alyssa Banks, piano, will portray Clara Schumann at age 15.

Monday Night Music is a series featuring performers from the college's music department faculty in a concert/lecture setting exploring topics that might not be covered in the usual classroom setting.

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Mark Chatterley's figure sculptures featured at WMC

Mark Chatterley's large-scale figures appear to be aged bronze or craggy, weathered stone, but those twisting, rising bodies are actually ceramic pieces, carefully handcrafted to resemble the more familiar metal or rock structures.

An exhibit of the unique sculptures, mostly the figure in the abstract or metaphysical, runs through March 14 in the Esther Prangley Rice Gallery at Western Maryland College.

Chatterley, a Michigan-based artist, has exhibited his work, measuring up to 14 feet, throughout his home state and in shows and galleries across the United States. In 1996, Chatterley showed in an international ceramic art exhibition in Korea and in 1995 he participated in the Fletcher Challenge Ceramics Award Exhibition in New Zealand.

The sculpture also has garnered numerous other awards, including first place at the 1993 Festival of the Masters at Disney World. Chatterley has worked in private and public collections in Korea, the United Kingdom, New Zealand and the United States, including displays at Michigan State University's Kresge Art Museum, Monroe County Community College, East Lansing City Hall, Upjohn Research, and other sites in Illinois, Michigan, North Carolina and Ohio.

Chatterley earned bachelor's and master's degrees from Michigan State University. The Rice Gallery in Peterson Hall is open Monday-Friday noon-4 p.m. In addition to the featured exhibit, the Albert and Eva Blum Collection of Art from Five Continents is on continuous display.

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Saint Patrick's Day to be celebrated March 17

BY FAYE INGRAM
Staff Writer

Although there are not many events scheduled on-campus for Saint Patrick's Day this March 17, many cities and organizations take time out either on or around the day to celebrate the life of the Irish saint and Irish history and culture.

Given major credit for the conversion of Ireland from Paganism, Saint Patrick was actually British. Born, in modern day Britain, as a Christian, Patrick was captured by an Irish raiding party as a teenager. Forced into slavery, Patrick was unable to escape his Irish captors for six years.

Following his escape and return home, Patrick had a divinely inspired dream calling him to return to Ireland as a missionary. Patrick traveled to Ireland after being ordained a priest, and spent the remainder of his life founding Christian churches, ordaining clergy and converting pagans. Perhaps this removal of the pagans is symbolically represented by the legend of how Saint Patrick drove all of the snakes off of the Emerald Isle.

Facing no serious setbacks to his mission, Saint Patrick played a major role in converting Ireland to a country with a long tradition in Catholicism. Although other missionaries were sent to aid him, he was the undoubted leader of the Christianization of pagan Ireland.

On campus, Glar is planning to modify it's annual beach bash this year to include green non-alcoholic beer and a green dessert in addition to the regular fare such as foot long hot dogs and cotton candy to celebrate Saint Patrick's Day on March 12, since the 17 falls during Spring Break.

The pub may also decide to offer a theme meal to celebrate the day, but as of yet no plans have been made.

Other Saint Patrick's Day festivities students may attend to commemorate the day are the Saint Patrick's Day Parade in Washington D.C., and a Saint Patrick's Day celebration in Baltimore.

The Washington Parade will be held in mid March, lasting for one day and including a parade down Constitution Avenue with bands, bagpipers and dancers, followed by a planting of Shamrocks.

Lasting for three days, starting March 15, the Celebration in Baltimore will be held in the Clarence "Du" Burns Arena and include an Irish band and dance group, free balloons and a leprechaun look alike contest.

For more information about the parade in D.C, call (202) 426-6700, and about the Celebration in Baltimore call (410) 396-9177.

Musical, Theatrical and Artistic Notes

March

March 6, 7, and 8 - Closing nights of Tartuffe . This is your Last Chance!

March 10 - Monday Night Music presents a program celebrating the works of Clara Schumann at 7:30 pm in McDaniel Lounge.

March 11 - Integrated Arts Ensemble. A performance piece blending music, theatre, and dance starting at 7:30 pm in (Big) Baker Memorial Chapel.

March 24 - OPENING RECEPTION for Gloria Bunting Blades' exhibition of oil pastel drawings from 7 to 9 pm. The show will run through April 18.

April

April 1 - Collegium Concert at 7:30 pm in (Little) Baker Chapel.

April 5 - Common Ground on the Hill presents a Gospel Extravaganza in Alumni Hall at 7:30 pm.

April 7 - Monday Night Music Presents a program of original instrumental pieces by Bo Eckard at 7 pm in McDaniel Lounge.

April 11, 12, and 13 - OPENING NIGHTS the Rimmer of Elderdice in Alumni Hall Theatre with all shows starting at 8 pm. Tickets are $5 for Adults and $3 for Children, Students, Seniors, and WMC.

April 13 - Yale Gordon Sundays of Note presents Towson state University Cello Ensemble with Elizabeth Borowsky on piano.

The performance starts at 2 pm in McDaniel Lounge.

April 17, 18, and 19 - Last Chance to see Steve Martin's comic play Picasso at the Lapine Agile in Alumni Hall Theatre.

April 18 - A Senior Recital by our own JOANNA LAJEWSKI at 7 pm in Levine Recital Hall.
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BY KATE HAMPSON
Assistant News Editor

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Letter from abroad: Living “the good life” in Spain

BY JOSHUA SHACAT
Contributing Writer

I am studying at the Center for Cross-Cultural Study in Seville, Spain. I arrived here a few weeks ago and I am having the time of my life. The climate here is perfect. It rarely rains and the temperature is about 20 degrees Celsius (66 to 70 degrees Fahrenheit) most of the time. The life here is very relaxed and laid back. I think it is safe to say that the only people who are in a rush to get somewhere are the taxi cab drivers. And that is probably because their customers are late for a meeting.

But overall, it seems as though all Spaniards follow the same rule: fiesta at night and siesta during the day. The older people seem to only follow the latter part of that rule though. I don’t know exactly when I fit in when it comes to following this rule. Sometimes I go to the bars in the evening, sometimes I don’t, sometimes I take a mid-day nap, sometimes I don’t.

The drinking age here is 18-years-old and this law is usually not enforced. If you have 100 pesetas you can buy a beer at most any cerveceria. As a result, teenagers grow up with easy access to alcohol and (unlike in the U.S.) don’t have drinking problems when they get older. One could say that the “Spanish drink alcohol” and the “Americans get drunk.”

Living and studying here is what we like to call “la vida buena,” which translates to “the good life.” I reside with a Spanish family. The food my Spanish mother prepares is delicious and I sometimes find myself looking forward to the next meal. Their house is about a 30 minute walk (10 minute bus ride) from my school. At the Center, we have classes Monday through Thursday and Fridays are free to allow for traveling during the three day weekends. Most of the students in my program are females.

Getting around town is not a problem. Most people walk, but a lot take the bus. A bus ride costs about 50 cents each way if you buy a 10 trip pass. Gasoline prices here are about three and a half times higher than those in the U.S. Also, parking spaces are sometimes tough to find. Hence, most people don’t have cars. Those who do, drive small or compact vehicles. Motorcycles are very common.

Traveling out of town is equally as simple. The bus and train stations are very close by and the costs are reasonable. I have not gone on any trips on my own yet, but I plan to go to Madrid and Barcelona in March. Almost each weekend, CC-CS sponsors tours in Seville and trips to other parts of Spain, and they are free. We went to Cadiz recently to celebrate and experience Carnaval ‘97. It was basically a huge festival. We will also visit sights in Seville including the Cathedral, the Alcazar, and Museo Bellas Artes. Other trips will be to places such as Italty, Granada, and Rabida.

Renovations included in Chambers’ current agenda

BY NICKI KASSOLIS
Assistant Features Editor

Recuperating from the Gill Gymnasium fire, planning a trip to Hungary, and getting ready to break ground for the new science facility have kept President Chambers’ date book full throughout these past few months.

The fire, which captivated the spotlight throughout January, continues to affect the WMC community. Chambers said that the fire was one of the largest in Maryland’s history. He was amazed at how quickly Inexcon, the clean-up company, was able to restore the offices located in Gill. “The fire was unfortunate, but we are fortunate that nobody was hurt, it was contained, and we were well insured,” said Chambers.

As for the future of old Gill Gymnasium, Chambers hopes the restorations will be complete by June. “We want it back as fast as possible, we need it,” he said. Chambers also noted that use of WMC for the Baltimore Ravens summer camp will not be affected by the fire.

Old Gill Gymnasium is not the only building on campus to get a facelift in the coming months. Lewis Hall of Science will soon undergo $12 million worth of renovations, as a new science facility is added.

On April 18, the Board of Trustees will meet to hold the official ground-breaking for the new facility. According to Chambers, the Henry Lewis Construction company will start construction in June. “It’s going to have a major impact on the campus for the next two years,” says Chambers, who adds “this is the biggest project in the history of the school.”

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Another major project on Chambers’ agenda is the WMC Budapest program. In early March, Chambers will travel to Hungary with Provost Joan Coley and director of admissions, Martha O’Connell.

He also plans to co-sponsor a fund-raising event with the Hungarian Ambassador. The event will be held at the Hungarian Embassy in Washington.

Dr. Chambers has been busy spending a lot of time in both Washington and Annapolis, but not just to sponsor fund-raising events. Chambers is very active in both the Maryland Independent Colleges and Universities Association and the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities.

He feels that President Clinton’s pledge to become “The Education President” has made this “an exciting time to be in education.” One reason is the HOPE scholarship. President Clinton is attempting to implement a national scholarship fund, similar to a project presently underway in Georgia.

The HOPE scholarship would give every qualifying high school graduate, with a B average or better, a $1500 grant or tax deduction for their college education. Although the exact details still need to be worked out, Chambers is enthusiastic about the current political emphasis on education.

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by Nikki Belanger

When the C.E.O. of Technology Net called Amanda Rose to tell her she had won a trip to Cancun, Mexico she thought it was a joke. "I laughed. I didn’t believe him," she said.

Over the recent winter break, Rose, a junior at WMC was "playing around on the Internet" while waiting to go out with some friends. She discovered contests different companies were offering and she was "playing around on the Internet contest awards student with trip to Cancun, Mexico" about five weeks after she entered the contest. When she returned his call, he told her she had won a trip for two to Cancun with airfare and hotel accommodations included.

"People say I must be lucky," Rose admitted with a smile. Just last semester, she won a raffle to be on the set of the soap opera, "One Life to Live," in New York. One of the show’s stars, Tom Zmok, was on campus to promote a program about AIDS. The raffle benefited Camp Heartland, a camp for kids who are HIV positive or have siblings who are.

She is also lucky because the trip only flies the winners to Cancun out of Baltimore Washington International Airport. The woman whose name was also drawn in the contest is from Illinois and must provide her own transportation to BWI.

Because she needs to take the trip between March and October, Rose will probably go sometime after finals. The hardest part is choosing one of her friends to go with her. "I want to take them all," she said.

How does she feel about this free trip? "It hasn’t hit me yet. When I get there, that’s when it will hit me."
Leotards and tights return to physical education

**BY JEN VICK, Features Editor**

When Laurice Quickley picked up the 1995-97 undergraduate catalog last year a ballet class that was listed caught her eye. But when she looked at the course schedule for the following year she couldn’t find it anywhere.

So Quickley, a sociology major and now a sophomore, approached the administration about the problem and Barbara Horneff, associate dean of first year students, suggested she start a petition to reinstate ballet, modern, jazz, and tap dance classes. The classes hadn’t been offered in over six years, according to Dr. Richard Clower, professor off exercise science and physical education.

“If the courses are listed in the catalog,” Quickley said, “then they should be offered or else they should change the catalog and not list them.”

The petition was signed by over 50 people and Dr. Jean Coley, dean of academic affairs, approved the dance classes to be offered, beginning this semester with ballet and jazz dance.

By the time Quickley registered last semester, the 15 spots in the ballet class were full but she was granted special permission to be in the class because of her efforts in getting it offered. Quickley, who has 10 years of previous dance experience, has enjoyed the ballet course under the instruction of Patty Neivert.

“Ms. Neivert would like to eventually see the ballet course offered for a whole semester and with an additional level beyond the introductory level that is currently offered,” Quickley said.

None of the physical education classes, at least one in the categories of fitness and skill. Dance is considered a fitness course and will continue next year with ballet and modern dance offered in the fall, and tap in the spring.

Quickley plans to take jazz and modern dance in addition to the ballet that she said has strengthened her muscles without “getting big and bulky.” Through her efforts to have dance classes once again offered, Quickley not only exercised her body, but also her right as a student to see a change made.

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Simply the Best
Coming Soon to theaters: Brad Pitt, and Harrison Ford

BY MIKE PINKAR
Staff Writer

And the winners of the 1997 Oscar for best celebrity team-up are... Harrison Ford and Brad Pitt! It may be possible that after the release of The Devil's Own this month, Pitt portrays truly nasty Irish Republican Army soldier, in a performance of similar nasty wit that earned him an Oscar nomination for Twelve Monkeys. Ford plays against Pitt as a naive N.Y. cop, making this another "patric pie game" for the veteran actors. Joining the two powerhouse performances on March 26 will be Treat Williams (Methilhand Falls).

A musical salon with vocalist and instrumentalist Carolyn Arney

March 31 • Monday at 7:00 p.m. • Levine Recital Hall
Senior William Gill presents a program of vocal classics

April 4 • Friday at 7:30 p.m. • Levine Recital Hall
Senior Leslie Huffer presents a varied vocal program

April 6 • Sunday at 3:00 p.m. • Levine Recital Hall
Sophomores Jaime Walker and Nicole Mechaly perform in a piano recital

April 11 • Friday at 7:30 p.m. • Levine Recital Hall
Senior Keith Remo in a recital of piano pieces

April 18 • Friday at 7:30 p.m. • McDaniel Lounge
Senior Scott Humbert performs an assortment of piano pieces

April 25 • Friday at 7:30 p.m. • McDaniel Lounge
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May 2 • Friday at 7:30 p.m. • (Big) Baker Memorial Chapel
WMC Senior Carleen Alves in a vocal recital

All performances are free and open to the public.

WMC professor creates web site for book lovers

BY JEN VICK
Features Editor

A pair of computer animated, wandering eyes encourages young readers to look at Mona Kerby's Web page, and the mailbox opening and closing urges them to take their Internet search a step further.

The Web page, "The Author Corner: Mid-Atlantic Authors & Illustrators," is a creation of Kerby, designed to attract students in the middle grades to meet Mid-Atlantic authors and illustrators of children's books. A children's author herself, Kerby is also an assistant professor of library science.

I did this for the sheer love of it. When you've been a teacher for so long your always looking for ways to make students read," Kerby said, who was an elementary school teacher and library media specialist for 20 years in Arlington, Texas. At the site, located on the Carroll County Public Library server, children can meet Kerby and local authors Mary Downing Hahn, Bianca Lavies, Mary Lyons, and David Wisniewski. Each author's page contains biographical information and a list of the books they've written. Most have summaries of the books and a photo of the author. On computers with appropriate software, a short sound bite from the author can even be heard.

Kerby's Web site is by no means limited to Mid-Atlantic authors. It has links to authors all over the country, the Internet Public Library, and the Library of Congress. A visitor to the Web site can also send an e-mail to an author or order one of their books.

"I think it's just another dimension to always bring the student back to the book," Kerby said.

Kerby's future plans for her Web site include her library science students creating more pages for career credit, having children write book reviews and posting them on the site, and adding more authors. One of these authors will be Barbara Robinson who wrote "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever."

Designing the Web site has been so time consuming for Kerby that she hasn't had time to work on any new books. She's written a total of 10 books of fiction, biography, and science. In 1989, "Ashtoma" and "Cockroaches" were two of her books named to the Outstanding List of Science Trade Books, and "38 Weeks till Summer Vacation" received the 1994 Maid Hart Lovable Award. A new biography of Robert E. Lee will be published in the spring.

Kerby said her page, which has only been on the Internet since Feb 3, will "get better" once more authors are added and it becomes established. So far she has received about 20 e-mail messages, primarily from her college students and her friends in Texas, but none have been from children. She pointed out that the Web site is "still in its infancy."
Steppin through Black History month

The energy was contagious the night of Feb 15 as Western Maryland College played host to its first step show in Alumni Hall.

“Steppin Back to Africa” was the title of the step show that displayed the tradition known as “stepping” in African-American fraternities and sororities, that draws from the legacy of African dance.

The show, held in celebration of Black History month, was dynamic as each of the seven African-American Greek Organizations tried to outdo each other to win first place. Greeks from Maryland, Delaware, and Pennsylvania universities participated, including West Chester University, University of Delaware, Morgan State University, and University of Maryland College Park. Also participating was WMC’s own step team, whose members are senior Kimberly Smith, junior Melina Ascenio, and sophomore Erika Herron.

The idea of the step show originated and was coordinated by three people. These people were senior Calvin Enieberger, who is also vice-president of the Multi-cultural Students Organization and President of Bacchus. Angela Harris, head resident assistant, and junior Diane Drakes, cultural arts chair of CAP/Board. They sent letters to area schools and networked on the Internet. The Westlake High School step team from Waldorf, MD. contacted WMC through e-mailed and said they were interested in participating and, as a result, they performed at the step show.

“Due to the fact that it (the show) was after winter break, there were only three weeks to prepare a set,” said Drakes, “and also because Western Maryland is a long way for most of the competitors, it had to be a competition, and not just a show.” Drakes added that “it is common for African-American Greek Organizations to do a step show competition. So the step show here definitely had to be a competition for the organizations to come.”

The seven African-American Greek Organizations who did come were Alpha Phi Alpha, Phi Beta Sigma, and Omega Psi Phi fraternities, and Alpha Kappa Alpha, and Delta Sigma Theta sororities (another sorority that was scheduled to compete, Sigma Gamma Rho, was unable to come). They made the cold winter evening leave the mind and Alumni become hot with the energy and excitement of the step show. The steppers were given strong vocal support from the audience, and most people could not just sit there and stare.

While Alpha Phi Alpha and Alpha Kappa Alpha were the fraternity and sorority that won the competition, each receiving a prize of $400, the competition was not about winning or losing, but about brotherhood and sisterhood. The event was meant to “draw on the rich ancestral legacy of African dance—specifically the West African Boot Dance,” as it was stated in the program by the coordinators.

The reaction by the students and faculty who attended the show was positive. “Those who did not come, regret not coming,” Drakes said, “and we hope that this event will be repeated because of the positive reaction on both the students and community at large, and of more programming to come together.” She also said the coordinators enjoyed the “cooperation of the many groups involved.” These groups were CAP/Board, Bacchus, IGC, MSA, and the BSU.

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FEATURES
Green Terror baseball covers all bases going into 1997 season

All-Conference shortstop Brian Van Deusen returns to coach

BY DAVID GADD
Staff Writer

Shortstop Brian Van Deusen ended his playing career at Western Maryland last season as the only member of the team selected to the All-Centennial Conference team. He was also Centennial Conference Player of the Week in the final week of the season, going 7 for 12 at the plate with three home runs. "A shortstop is one of your key defensive players. He was also one of our top batters. You don't just replace those people," said head coach Dave Siebert.

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Siebert won't have to replace Van Deusen, just find someone to play his position, as Van Deusen returns this season as a coach. Siebert feels that Van Deusen will be especially helpful coaching the infielders this season because he played every position in the infield during his playing career. While Van Deusen will be missed as a player, 17 players return from last season's team that went 14-15 and 9-9 in conference play. "If I feel good about our depth, we have a lot of numbers," Siebert said.

Of the 17 returning players seven are pitchers, four of whom started 25 of the team's 29 games last season. "Probably our strongest point is our pitching. We have most of our experience back in our pitching department. I feel very good about our pitching right now," Siebert said.

Siebert said he expects seniors Tim D'Angelo, Bryan Drzgal, and Brian Culley to be important pitchers for WMC this season. "I always feel it's a lot out of our seniors," he said.

While Siebert is confident that the pitching will be solid this season, he feels that the offense will be the key to success. "Our big concern is going to be our offensive productivity," he said. "How competitive we are is really going to depend on our run production." Rick Estes, who hit .483 in conference play last season, and Pat Durand, who hit .343 overall last season, both return and should help spark the team's offense. Estes was selected to the All-Conference Second Team a year ago. Siebert is also looking to Christian Abildso, Chad Dickey, and Brian Culley to contribute to the offense.

With 17 players returning and new freshman class coming in, while the Green Terror women would up sixth in the eight-team field.

The Gettysburg men and women both won their fourth consecutive Centennial titles. The men's team will lose seniors Kevin Landell, Mike Welt, and Fuller this year, all with three letters.

The Green Terror women, on the other hand will be back with full force, as there are no seniors graduating. Juniors Heather Jacoby, Lynnsae Stoeper, and Captain Tasha Berry will return next year to lead the ladies, as will freshman swimmer Barkley Damon, who was a huge asset this season.

Swimmers compete at the Centennial Conference championship
Senior Peter Fuller qualifies provisionally for the NCAA Division III Championships

Western Maryland College senior Peter Fuller won the second Centennial Conference title of his career to highlight the Green Terror's performance at the fourth annual Centennial swimming championships at Franklin & Marshall College.

Fuller won the 100-yard breaststroke and broke his own school record with a time of 59.47 seconds, which also is a provisional qualifying standard for the NCAA Division III championship meet.

He edged David Miksa of Franklin & Marshall by just seven-hundredths of a second in the final. In 1995, Fuller captured the 200 individual medley, in which he placed fifth this year.

In addition, Fuller added a third place in the 200 breaststroke with another Western Maryland record of 2:06.63.

In his career, the Green Terror senior placed fourth or better eight times in Centennial championships.

Senior Mike Welter had a sixth place finish in the 400 individual medley and an eighth-place effort in the 200 breaststroke for the Green Terror.

The Western Maryland women were led by freshman Barkley Damon, as she came in seventh in the 50-yard freestyle at 25.79 seconds and eighth in the 100 free.

Western Maryland's men finished first out of seven teams.

Outlook track jumps into season

Runners and field events look strong, expect to capture several conference titles

BY TOM GILL
Assistant Sports Editor

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Wrestlers compete at East Regionals, Smiddy advances to NCAA Division III National Tournament

When the Green Terror wrestling team arrived at the East Regional Wrestling Championships on February 22, nearly all of them had placed a week earlier at the Centennial Conference Championship.

Steve Smiddy, John Wert, and Rick Estes won conference titles, and freshman 150-pounder Amanda Rose of Reisterstown, MD, senior 167-pounder Phil Simmerer of Upper Marlboro, MD, and senior 177-pounder Rick Estes of Baltimore.

Steve Smiddy, junior 134-pounder decisioned Jerrold Weida of Delaware Valley 14-4 in the regional championship bout to capture his weight class. Smiddy became WMC's first qualifier for the NCAA Division III wrestling championships in 12 years and upped his record to 39-6 on the season and 63-27 for his career with three wins in the tournament.

The ten weight class champions from the East Regional, plus seven wild card selections, advance to the Division III national championship March 7-8 at Ohio Northern University.

The last Western Maryland wrestler to be the national tournament was 158-pounder Mike Martinovich in 1985.

Smiddy graduated from Northeast High School in Anne Arundel county in 1994. He started his successful wrestling career at the tender age of eight by joining the Buckeneers Wrestling Club. He also played football and lacrosse and said that he first got involved just because all of the neighborhood kids played.

Once he reached high school, Smiddy concentrated on wrestling and was able to compete in the Maryland high school wrestling tournament all four years. His junior year, wrestling at 130 pounds, Smiddy placed second in the high school tournament and repeated at second place his senior year at 140 pounds.

"I am just happy to have the opportunity to be an All-American and fulfill one of my dreams," commented Smiddy about the national tournament. He has already competed against seven of the wrestlers he will face next weekend, and Head Coach John Lowe believes he will place in the top eight in his weight.

"He showed that what he could do with good competition when he was focused," said Lowe on Smiddy's performance at the regional tournament, "nobody was close to Steve."

Lowe added that he was very pleased about his team's accomplishments this season, although he feels they could have done a lot better. He will encourage the wrestlers to compete in Freestyle and Greco Roman wrestling this spring. "This will help their technique and give them all more experience," explained Lowe. Western Maryland will host a USA wrestling open-tournament on May 11.

Congrats!

Junior guard Katie Haley of Rockville, MD was named to the 1997 All-Centennial Women's Basketball Team. Haley was second in the Conference in scoring (18.8 ppg.) while placing third in rebounding (10.6 rpg.) and eighth in free throw percentage (74.9). Haley was on the Second-team All-Centennial in 1996.

Junior forward Will Marshall was named to the 1997 Second-team All-Centennial after reaching the 1000 point mark in just three years. Marshall was named to the Centennial Second-team last year as well.

Senior center Heidi Snyder was chosen as a CC Player of the Week for her performances against Lebanon Valley, Dickinson, and Franklin and Marshall. She scored a career-high 25 points against F&M and added 14 against Dickinson.

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Womens lacrosse looks forward to season

"I am really excited about this upcoming season. Everybody wants to work real hard and were all getting into great shape," said Francis.

Junior goalie Amanda Rose, will once again be in the net. Last season Rose saved 221 goals, and allowed only 137 goals. With a .617 save average compared to the .554 save average of the WMC opponents in '96, Rose is 3rd in career saves with six goals and two assists at the end of last season.

Sophomore defender Natalie Hannah will be back once again with sophomore Wanda Malihom.

Hannah had an excellent first season. She netted four goals and four assists as a defender.

With the graduation of three starting defenders, Rose and Hannah will be

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they were 0-4 when trailing at the half.

Although the team is fewer in numbers this season, the ladies are expected to do well. With new assistant coach Erin Eaton and head coach Kim Easterday back for her 21st season, the outlook is good. Eaton came in and worked the team hard, with head coach Easterday finishing the swim season.

Both senior co-captains Mary Beth Francis and Jodi Wagner have played all four years at WMC, and are hoping to grab yet another letter.

Wagner is currently 4th in career goals with 104 heading into her final season. She is also 4th in career points with 128 goals and 124 assists.

347. The school record is 507 career saves, not far out of reach for Rose, who played every minute last season with a total of 786 minutes played.

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Courtney Boden and Stacey O'Brien are the other returning juniors, with junior Marjorie Hargrave playing in her first season at Western Maryland.

Boden had a total of three goals last year with one assist, while O'Brien had looked to, to lead the defense. Sophomore attackers Amy North and Robin Zimmerly will try to better their number of 16 & 29 goals respectively.

The team added eight new freshman players in 1997. Meghan Bellucci, Shannon Benson, Cynthia Berger, Megan Giuliano, Jessica Harwath, Nicole Interior, Christy Jones, and Janelle Milam.

The women's lacrosse team will compete against Limestone college at home on March 12, and then travel to Florida over spring break for more training.

When they return, the ladies will see Dickinson away, and then host Washington College and Ursinus on April 1st and 3rd, respectively.
Indoor track and field competes at CC tournament

Kerry Wilson and Donte Abron advance to the NCAA Division III National Tournament

Wilson and Abron have advanced to the NCAA Division III Indoor Track and Field Tournament. Abron, a senior, has qualified provisionally for the 55-meter dash with a time of 6.47 seconds. He hails from Mount St. Joseph High School in Baltimore, MD, however he had never run track until he reached college.

Throughout high school, Abron played basketball, but asthma kept him from playing other sports. Since then he has been treated for his asthma and excels in football, basketball, indoor track, and outdoor track and field. He plays wide receiver on the Green Terror football team and was recognized as a 2nd Team All-Conference player in 1995, and a 1st Team athlete in 1996. Last season he also lead the conference in catches, yards, and touchdowns.

This is his second year participating in indoor track and is already an experienced athlete in Donte, and Kerry at the opposite end of the spectrum as we travel to nationals.

Mike Whitmore, Assistant Coach

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Wilson and Abron have qualified provisionally for the 55-meter hurdles with a time of 8.5 seconds. Wilson competed in Track and Field throughout high school, in addition to playing right wing in field hockey. In the ninth grade, she was a member of the sixth placed 4x200 relay team at the Maryland State Track Tournament. The year after that, she placed third in both the long jump and triple jump, fourth in the 200-meter dash, and fifth in the 4x400 meter relay.

She held the Maryland State title in the long jump and triple jump her junior and senior year of high school. She also placed in the 200-meter dash and the 4x400 meter relay both years.

At WMC, Wilson is a member of the field hockey team, and has broken eight school records and placed in seven events at the Centennial Conference Championship, in her first season of indoor track.

She said she is “excited but nervous” about her appearance at the national tournament. “I love to run and the team is really close, we have a lot of fun.”

Speaking of Wilson and Abron, Whitmore said, “Both live the sport and treat themselves like professional athletes, that is probably the key to their success. We have an experienced athlete in Donte, and Kerry at the opposite end of the spectrum as we travel to nationals.”
Above is the architect's rendition of the new science building that will stand connected to Lewis Hall of Science.

WEIGHTED GRADES TO BE IMPLEMENTED

BY KATE HAMPSHIRE
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For the past six years, WMC professors have been grading students using pluses and minuses to indicate how well the student is doing. Yet, this has had no effect on the students grade point average.

At the moment a B+ and a B- are worth 3.0, the same as a straight B. However, a motion passed at the March faculty meeting will change this. In the future, students GPA’s will take into account the pluses and minuses they have received.

The new grading system will be as follows: A+ = 4.3, A = 4.0, A- = 3.7, B+ = 3.3, B = 3.0, B- = 2.7, C+ = 2.3, C = 2.0, C- = 1.7, D+ = 1.3, D = 1.0, D- = 0.7, F = 0.0.

The new system has been implemented for several reasons. Out of the eleven colleges in the Centennial Conference, only WMC, Swarthmore, and Washington College do not use the weighted system.

As Dr. Carol Fritz, head of the Admissions, Retention and Standards committee, who put forward the motion, explained, “We want to bring WMC in line with the schools we identify with.”

Many graduate schools require a weighted GPA, which means that WMC students often have to recalculate their grades. Committee and faculty members also felt that it is important to recognize the amount of work a student has put in and to distinguish between the student who has earned a plus grade and the student who has earned a minus.

The faculty voted for the new system to begin in Fall 1997; however, Registrar, Barbara Shaffer, revealed that the computer system has recently been changed and that until all the problems have been sorted out, the new system will not be implemented. “It is not something that can be done in six months time; the computer can’t handle it yet,” Shaffer said.

The new program will probably be installed over the summer of 1996 and weighted GPA’s will begin that fall.

There is some concern amongst students that their GPA will fall when the new system begins. Much research has been done as to whether this will be the case and findings have shown that there will be very little change indeed.

Statistics professor, Dick Claycombe, found that if the system had been operational last year, nobody who graduated in May 1996 would have fallen below a 2.0 and thus failed to graduate. However, the number of perfect 4.0’s would have been affected.

For the fall semester of 1996, 100 students had a 4.0 average. If the new system had been in place only.

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Revamped first-year student orientation to take effect this fall

New students to stay overnight at the Four Seasons

BY KATE HAMPSHIRE
Assistant News Editor

The space-age class of 2001 can look forward to a fun-filled Orientation program to launch them into the WMC community.

Entitled “The Odyssey Begins Here,” the five days before the beginning of their first semester will be an exciting introduction to college life.

The focus of orientation is an overnight stay at the Four Seasons Sports Complex. The new students will leave the campus on Sunday evening and enjoy 11 hours of fun, returning to the college at 6 a.m. the following day.

The night will be packed full of activity: all-night music is being provided by WMCR, and there will be movies, competitions and all sorts of games, ranging from Pictionary to indoor soccer.

The swimming pool will be available and there will be opportunities to play sand volleyball, tennis, basketball and lacrosse. Students will also be able to use the new miniature golf course for a small fee.

The idea behind the event is to encourage team building, to give the students a chance to mix with others outside their Student Orientation groups, and to create a feeling of class unity.

Ground breaking for new science building on April 18

Funding for the new science center will be raised from public and private sources

Even the building services staff is cheering the start of construction of a $13.4 million science center at WMC. After all, they won’t have to turn over another supply room to the scientists.

Space is too tight in the old science hall that the college’s microscopy suite is housed in a converted janitorial closet. But the new, state-of-the-art four-story structure contains more than enough space, including a ground floor home for that high-tech lab and plenty of closets.

Although site work on the center is slated for June, members of the community are invited to join faculty, staff and students of WMC Friday, April 18, for a public groundbreaking.

President Robert H. Chambers and members of the Board of Trustees, as well as officials from the

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THE SOAPBOX

Adam Dean

A library computer lab full of other students is no place to get in touch with your inner feelings.

Well, I'm glad I got that off my chest. And speaking of chests, I found another problem.

This afternoon I was sitting down at a computer to work on a paper I had due the next day. So I just sat there, typing away on my own little carpal-tunnel syndrome world. While I heard the man sitting next to me kind of grunting. I figure, okay, he is probably one of the deaf grad students. They sometimes make noises that don't really disturb me. But I guess, unless they get really loud. I don't think this guy was deaf. He was actually sitting with his face awkwardly close to the computer screen and had the monitor pointed down so that a passerby wouldn't see what was on there. Being a true student journalist, I decided I had to see what was going on. I leaned my head slightly over and was shocked. This fellow was looking at a picture of an improbably endowed young woman.

Do not misunderstand me. I enjoy a pretty woman as much as the next fellow. But please, there is a time and a place for everything. And a library computer lab full of other students is not the place to get in touch with your inner feelings.

Howdy! So, what have you all been up to? Not reading enough Sophocles. I do. I know you. "I don't have time to," or maybe "I wanna watch TV." Or "I need to do my homework." Yeah, right. I know you do. Homework 15 minutes before the class it is needed for. Phew! And what, do you think watching Seinfeld or whatever is more important than an tidied little column in a student newspaper? Where are your priorities? Sometimes you just have to make time for things. Important things. Like reading this column!

"The main problem with locking the doors is inconvenience."

Eric Barry

In response to the positives of locking buildings, I feel a must in reporting on the negatives. The main problem with locking the doors to dormitories is inconvenience.

If parents come to visit they have to call your room, they can't just walk in and go to your room. Also, if you invite a friend over, you have to go down possibly four flights of stairs to let them in.

The locking applies to all the buildings, not just dormitories. I think locking all of buildings hinders activities for students. Students are less likely to go to a friends dorm because they know they will have to call the person to let them in. Also, the locking of the library and Decker Center hinders students' activities and makes them resort to drinking in their rooms. Clearly this wouldn't solve the campus' drinking problem or possibly even help it at all. The fact is that Westminster and WMC both continuously are described by students as being boring, and the way the campus dies at 1:00 a.m. is upsetting to some.

If dormitories were unlocked students could roam freely and meet new people, or save their present friends the hassle of having to let them in. Overall, I think keeping all buildings unlocked at all times would add some excitement to the college. Then maybe everyone wouldn't be so depressed. To prevent vandalism just hire a few more campus safety officers.
Hazing Throughout College Campuses Should Be Put to Stop

Since the beginning of Greek life on college campuses, the issue of hazing has plagued these organizations. While we realize not all fraternities or sororities endorse hazing or commit the actions of those that do affect our community, hazing, defined by law, is any action a pledge is forced to do, against their will, to prove their devotion to the group. The Phoenix recognizes that this is a broad definition, and some forms of hazing are less odious than others, yet the fact remains that this is illegal.

The purpose of the pledge period is to unite sisters or brothers, yet the Phoenix does not understand how degrading fellow students through hazing promotes brotherhood or sisterhood. Reasons given for continuing the practice of hazing include tradition, bonding, and proving loyalty to the organization.

The Phoenix suggests that these virtues can be promoted in different ways. We are not suggesting that Greek Organizations, or any other organizations, should allow people to join without showing their pride and loyalty, but it should not be done through humiliation. Humiliation only produces feelings of inferiority, resentment, and lack of respect. One cannot do it alone. I need the help of the staff members to provide for a much more stable basis of camaraderie. Hazing also adds to the many negative stereotypes inflicted upon Greek organizations. In order to end these stereotypes and promote the positive aspects these organizations have to contribute, the organizations should take a stand and stop hazing. Stand up for your independence and the integrity of your organization.

The Phoenix responds:

The Phoenix feels that Mr. Singer does not have a legitimate complaint. In his letter he says, "I did not expect the Phoenix staff to actually read the newspaper onto tape for me but rather help me find someone who would be willing to do so." Unfortunately, that is not true. Mr. Singer left a message on the Editor-in-Chief Carolyn Barnes’ office phone mail requesting that he or a member of the Phoenix staff read into a tape recorder for him. Every member of the editorial staff heard this message, and Ms. Barnes still has it saved on her phone mail. Mr. Singer also states that he wanted only a "few articles" recorded for him. That is not what he requested. He asked that someone from the Phoenix staff read the entire newspaper into a recorder for him. The Phoenix’s position is that this is not a reasonable request.

The Phoenix is a student-run newspaper associated with Western Maryland College. It is not an "organization of the College Activities Office" as Mr. Singer believes. The majority of the newspaper’s budget comes from sources outside the college, such as advertising and subscriptions. The people who work for the Phoenix are all volunteers, working in their spare time and not-so- sparse time to put out a paper. We do not publish an audio edition because of time and expense constraints. The Phoenix has the utmost sympathy for Mr. Singer’s disability. However, it is not our responsibility to provide him with a special edition of the paper. Like Mr. Singer says, the Americans with Disabilities Act states that any service, within reasonable accommodations, must be made accessible to the disabled. The Phoenix submits that it is not reasonable to request that a nonprofit, student-run newspaper produce an audio version of itself. The Phoenix feels that it has done the all it can to accommodate Mr. Singer's request. The Phoenix has not discriminated against Mr. Singer or anyone else in anyway except through the unavoidable nature of it's medium.
SWIMSUIT ISSUE DEGRADING TO WOMEN'S ACHIEVEMENTS

**Maggie Kimura**
Staff Member

Only last week, the 69th Annual Academy Awards took place. One of the films nominated for best picture of the year was "The People vs. Larry Flynt." The film portrays the legal encounters of the man who founded the pornographic magazine Hustler.

Though the Hollywood presentation of Mr. Flynt's adventures in and out of United States court rooms did not win the Academy's most prized award, that of best picture, the issue that this film deals with is more timely and significant to today's political arena than that of any of the other nominees. In what ways, you may ask?

As was previously mentioned, Larry Flynt is the founder and publisher of Hustler. The movie bearing his name is a portrayal of the conflict between those who attempted to force Flynt to stop printing his "indecent magazine," and Flynt himself, who insisted that he had the right under the first amendment to the Constitution to print anything and everything that he wanted.

As is known by most, the battle was ultimately won by Flynt. His Hustler endures.

The story of Flynt relates rather well to a controversial topic in the current day. Ironically, this issue also involves the production and distribution of pornography, only this time, it is on the Internet.

Like Flynt's opponent, those who would, and currently are, fighting to have pornography removed from the Internet entertain the argument that because the Internet is so universal, and so accessible, that sexual images which are deemed indecent, or even unjustly, should be banned along with the cyberspace.

Naturally, the producers of the numerous sources of erotica on the Internet take the same stand, and on the issue that Flynt did thirty years ago, that it is their right under the first amendment to the United States Constitution to put on the Internet anything that they wish. I express my agreement in this issue with the producer's of the so called cyber-porn, as well as that of the now famous Larry Flynt.

I will point out, as many do, that it is on this issue that I side with the pornography industry, not the industry itself. I can honestly say that I do not personally applaud the production of such images. But I am perfectly capable of separating the constitutional issue behind this controversy from the other distractions which often blur it.

I quote the First Amendment: "Congress shall make no law abridging the freedom of speech or of the press."

The key word here is "no." It seems to me that the idea of making exceptions to the very simple idea of "no law" is nothing short of stupid. It was established in the Constitution to stop whatever they want on paper. A logical argument in favor of changing that stance, simply because the medium by which the images in controversy are produced is a computer, as opposed to a magazine, is difficult to make.

My view of the Founding Fathers' intentions were as follows. Being wise enough to know that as time passes things change, they made the protection of ideas, and the expression of those ideas, universal. They did this, as was mentioned above, by using very simple language which, when taken exactly as stated, leaves no room for doubt or second guessing whatsoever. Again... "Congress shall make no law..."

When contemplating this issue, that is the one concept which can not be ignored. The universal and all encompassing language of the First Amendment itself. Wether it be internet protection, that universal coverage, as it were, ceases to apply in one situation, simply because a certain demographic finds it inappropriate, then it naturally begs the question what is stopping anyone from making a case to have other concepts and ideas speckled? Then another and another. Such a domino effect would slowly chip away at the power of the First Amendment, and ultimately make it an empty promise, as opposed to the bestowed freedom and powerful protector that it was intended to be.

For this very reason, I believe, that the wording is so very clear. So as to prevent little exceptions to and dodges from the Constitution.

All of this being the case, I wish to state my complete and unwavering support for the universal protection of expression as is described so brilliantly in the language of the First Amendment. As a natural result, I state my complete and unwavering support for the right of people like Larry Flynt, and the cyber-porn industry to produce and distribute any kind of material or images they wish.

In summary, I whole heartedly support the Constitution of the United States exactly as it is. And I possess no anxiety for doing so.

The contributions of women are somewhat degraded when pictures are published showing women in a sexual, play-like atmosphere.

As sex objects or playthings. By publishing this issue during Women's History Month, Sports Illustrated is sending out a subtle slap in the face with photos of big-breasted women in bikinis which most women do not go to the beach without feeling indifferent. Sometimes, I feel that the...
Recital features talented pianist

How do you celebrate the anniversary of a concert series? With another concert, of course.

WMC will honor the start of the second decade of its Sundays of Note Series April 13, at 2 p.m., in McDaniel Lounge, with a program featuring pianist Elizabeth Borowsky and the Towson State University (T.S.U.) Cello Ensemble.

The afternoon series, sponsored by a grant from the Peggy and Yale Gordon Trust of Baltimore, brings outstanding young instrumentalists and vocalists to the college three times each academic year. The anniversary concert also highlights a talented young musician who started taking advanced piano lessons when most of her peers were more concerned with perfecting their finger painting strokes in preschool. At 7, she gave her first public performance, and two years later her recital in Bulgaria was nationally televised.

Now at age 14, Borowsky has received rave reviews from around the United States and the world, and is recognized as one of our country’s most gifted young pianists. She will share the stage with the T.S.U. Cello Ensemble, featuring T.S.U. students and graduates, as well as area amateurs and professionals. The cello ensemble, headed by Cecylia Barczyk, an internationally-acclaimed cellist and teacher, has performed at the International Cello Festival, the Kennedy Center, and last year’s American Cello Congress.

Borowsky has performed throughout the United States, including the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C., as well as in Poland, Canada, Austria and Indonesia. Her 1996-97 schedule also includes a tour of Germany, Poland, Russia, Israel, and Jordan.

Recital features talented pianist

Revamped first-year orientation to take effect in fall 1997

“...to help the new students adapt to college life, ...”

Horneff.

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peated this year.

In spite of student complaints, Convocation will still be an important part of orientation, but Dean Horneff wants it to be looked at in a more positive sense. “My goal is to help students recognize the tradition of Convocation,” Horneff stated.

An important new aspect of orientation will be an alcohol awareness program designed to educate new students about making low risk choices on alcohol and to delay the onset of first use of alcohol.

The new orientation program combines both academic and social activities, so that the students have, as Horneff explained, “a mixture of what they feel they need and what the college feels they need to become contributing students.”

Fun aspects of orientation include: several picnics, a pizza party, a mixer sponsored by the RA’s, the award-winning play “Choices ’97,” presented by upper-class theatre students, and a Video Dance, as well as the overnight stay at the Four Seasons.

However, the second day of orientation will be “Academic Day,” during which students will take various placement tests and will meet with their faculty advisors.

The class of 2001 is required to take a First Year Seminar and on this day they will meet with the other members of their class and also their Classroom Assistant.

The Classroom Assistant will be present throughout orientation as part of the support system to help the new students adapt to college life.

“It is very important for WMC to have a good orientation program,” explained Horneff.

“I view it to be the program for first year students that has the greatest effect on retention. Orientation needs to get students off to the right start; to make a great impression so that from day one they are glad that they chose WMC.”

By Matt Gribbin

I went with the WMC baseball team to Cocoa Beach Florida. We played good ball and came together as a team.”

Matt Gribbin

I went to Santa Monica, California. I experienced an earthquake and went to the Jay Leno Show.”

Kim Bloch

I read 1984 by George Orwell. And I slept and dreamed.”

Kathryn Brown

“I was so busy during the first part of this semester that I used my spring break to catch up on sleep and basically do nothing productive.”

Ken Fischer

“I slept from Sunday to Thursday.”

Kevin Worley
In a scene from "Rimers of Eldritch", Driver Jr. (played by Ryan Keough) attacks young Eva (played by Roxanne Ingram).

"Fast cars, fast women, and... sheep?" These are the few things which interest the residents of Eldritch, the small mid-western town where The Rimers of Eldritch takes place, according to Erika Roskowski.

The play centers around the lives and out of control behavior of the Rimers of Eldritch, a small mining town, where everyone knows everyone else's business, and the story surrounding the shooting of Skelly Mann (played by Dan (Tomko), the town outcast.

The audience is introduced to Eldritch and the people who live there by the town gossips, Wilma Atkins (played by Jenny Hess) and Louise Peabody (played by Kim Gruber). The two biddies reveal the connections between the other members of the town, glibbing about the affair between Walter (played by Mark Resch) and the fourteen year old, crippled little girl, Eva Jackson (played by Roxanne Ingram), and Skelly's inclination for Roxanne Ingram), and Skelly's inclination for Roxanne Ingram), and Skelly's inclination for Roxanne Ingram), and Skelly's inclination for Roxanne Ingram).

The Rimers of Eldritch, the upcoming spring theatre production at WMC, is no different. And the gossip machine is unravelled when a resident is put on trial for the murder of another townie. All of the diary, little secrets will ooze out, said director Tracey Ann Tokar Smith, Class of '88, of Baltimore. Students will come to realize that "it's a very different show from what you might expect traditional high school, no traditional stage right and left. It's realistic. Everyone's put in a lot of work."

"The set is really cool because it looks like it's not sturdy, but it really is. It's a real analogy to how the plot and characters of the play are, and the life of the town is." According to Jones, "It's a great show with a very talented cast and crew. Everyone's put in a lot of work.

Assistant Stage Manager Jimmy Reddan agrees that "it's a great show with a very talented cast and crew. Everyone's put in a lot of work."

The Rimers of Eldritch will be presented in the Dorothy Elderdice Studio Theatre of Alumni Hall April 17, 18 and 19 at 8:00 p.m., and April 20 at 2:00 p.m.

New program: On Campus Talking About Alcohol

BY NIKEI KASSOLIS Assistant Professor of Theatre

At 1997’s first student orientation, a new subject will be added to the list of WMC colloquium topics: alcohol.

"First-year students seem to be where the bulk of alcohol offenses lie," says Bonnie Bosley, medical service coordinator. Bosley is in charge of alcohol education at WMC and hopes to target these high-risk students with a new program, On Campus Talking About Alcohol (OCTAA).

Bosley explained OCTAA's program details and goals at a press conference Tuesday March 11 in a journalism class.

The program is based on the Lifestyle Risk Reduction Model of Prevention, according to Bosley. OCTAA helps to identify the risk factors which contribute to alcohol problems and dispel myths about what defines an alcoholic. It also shows people "how to make choices in a low-risk program," says Bosley.

Bosley took over the responsibility of educating students about alcohol last summer. She learned of OCTAA through the Prevention Research Institute (PRI) in Lexington, KY. After taking part in a training session, Bosley spoke with Barbara Horneff, associate dean of first-year students, about incorporating the program in the first-year student orientation program.

"We're a bit overwhelmed with how it's going to happen," says Bosley. At orientation, the students will attend two-hour sessions to learn about OCTAA's principles. These sessions will include lectures, large and small discussion groups, and slide presentations. Then Bosley plans to visit each first-year seminar class to take all of the processed information and connect it to the students' experiences.

Acknowledgment of the drinking problem at WMC is an essential component of OCTAA's success. "I think there are statistics to show there is an alcohol problem on every college campus and WMC is no different," says Bosley.

OCTAA presents abstinence as only one option. "If you choose to drink, then here's some information you need to look at," says Bosley of one of the program's goals.

Bosley hopes this goal will be achieved through an $18,000 grant from PRI. The grant stipulates that if WMC commits to teach first-year students the OCTAA program for the next four years, PRI will train up to 35 individuals on how to teach the program. Finding faculty and staff members interested in becoming trained OCTAA instructors is Bosley's task.

Dean of Student Affairs Dr. Philip Sayre has been interested in OCTAA since he was first introduced to the program. "It seemed to offer a promise of solid information without preaching to people in an adult approach which is good for college students," he says. "It might be one of the 35 trained to teach OCTAA.

Student orientation and resident assistants will go through a six-hour version of OCTAA training. Kendra Jones, a junior chemistry major and student orientation assistant, has learned about OCTAA and the role she will play in implementing the program. "I think it's a good thing," she says. "[Alcohol] is not something you encounter a lot in high school and this shows the effects of drinking in a non-preachy way." According to Jones, the student orientation assistants will be able to evaluate how the program is presented to the first-year students.

"I'm hoping the SO's buy into it and encourage the students to just give it a chance," says Bosley who adds, "We're trying to make this as painless as possible.

No matter how painless the process becomes, will it be effective? Bosley hopes that it will. The program has been closely followed by PRI with statistics available to prove OCTAA's effectiveness, according to Bosley.

"Yet Dean Sayre is not as optimistic. "We have to be realistic," he says. "I don’t believe we will finally have a significant drop in drinking." Sayre hopes that OCTAA’s impact on campus will include a common vocabulary about alcohol and a knowledge of the effects and risks involved in drinking.

Sophomore psychology major Erin Evans, who spoke at Saturday night’s candlelight vigil to teach [first-year students] about alcohol because it will have an effect on them. Even though you know they are going to drink anyway, you at least want them to be prepared and understand the long-term consequences," she says.

Drinking's long-term consequences are addressed in OCTAA's program. WMC is the first college in the state to adopt the program and last year eight different colleges used OCTAA. Among them was Hamden Sydney College in Virginia. Bosley spoke with officials at the school to describe the program as a success.
Little Baker home of new organ

BY MICHELLE HALL

It has come to pass that the organ in Little Baker Chapel is now reborn. The pipes of the past are due for a grand reenactment.

The old organ of Little Baker was a Möller Organ; built in Hagerstown, Maryland, in 1928. This organ was not only a landmark for the church, but to the community as a whole. The organ moved back to old Lewis Hall of Science.

The real newbuilding is in Memorial Hall, which is the home of the liberal arts college.

Ground breaking of new science building on April 18

It begins with the laying of the first stone for the project on April 18. It is an event that marks the beginning of a new chapter in the history of Western Maryland College.

There are several awards for its work around Baltimore, including honoring Western Maryland College's Gill Gymnasium which was partially destroyed by fire on college's Gill Gymnasium which was partially destroyed by fire on June 14. It was refinished, and Boudreaux stated that the decorative pipes will be placed within the week of April 14, and then the project will be finished.

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Grades to be weighted at WMC

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Campus Safety Blotter

On 3/31 at 1:25 a.m. in Blanche D, DoCS responded to a vehicle accident involving a non student off campus. A student was injured and was transported to a local hospital.

On 3/31 at 11:32 p.m. in Blanche D, DoCS documented a student for conduct violation.

On 3/31 at 7:52 p.m. in PELC D, DoCS responds to assist WFD ambulance with a student conduct violation.

On 3/27 at 10:30 a.m. in McDaniel Residence Life staff reported excessive vandalism. Investigation is pending.

On 3/24 at 6:00 p.m. in McDaniel Residence Life staff reported excessive vandalism. Investigation is pending.

On 3/21 at 1:30 p.m. in Decker, DoCS evaluated a student for an alcohol violation.

On 3/20 at 12:06 p.m. in Elderidge, DoCS EMT evaluated student with loss of consciousness. The student required medical attention and was transported to a local hospital.

New writing guidelines may be implemented

By Nikke Bremander

You're assigned to write a paper for your psychology class, but you've only written papers for English classes, so what should you do? The English department at WMC may have the solution.

"The goal is to introduce all faculty to a method of grading papers based on the standards of a checklist," Pam Regis, English professor, said.

In a booklet called Writing Standards, Regis outlines this checklist and provides detailed information for each point. There are eleven items on the list, each one a basic standard for writing. The list includes details such as "the writer will include a thesis statement that directly addresses the topic" and "the writer will create unified, accurately developed, coherent paragraphs."

To introduce faculty to this checklist, Regis will conduct several faculty writing workshops on April 15, 17, and 23, with each workshop lasting for about an hour.

These workshops will be open to all faculty on a voluntary basis. Regis plans on handing out a sample paper she wrote and having faculty members mark it using the checklist to demonstrate how even the most confusing paper can be graded efficiently.

She will also provide strategies for helping students write better.

Because of the college's new curriculum, Regis said that instructors are expected to create writing standards that are consistent in all subjects and went to Dean Joan Coley for approval.

Coley supported the writing of the booklet and the faculty workshops.

The entire writing competence test for entering freshmen is already based on this checklist and Regis points out that using this checklist across the curriculum will ease the confusion among students and teachers.

It can begin in Freshman Composition and continue.

"This can potentially help students a great deal and streamline faculty's time in grading," Regis said.

Students will be able to understand the standards better when they are written down and professors can point out on the checklist exactly where the student needs to improve.

After attending a workshop, each faculty member can still volunteer whether to adopt the checklist.

If he or she decides to, the checklist will be handed out to students in the class.

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Damages to Rouzer reach all time high during last semester

BY DAN GADO
Staff Writer

Last semester more than $4000 worth of damage occurred at Rouzer Hall, more than doubling the damage done just one semester earlier. Although it is clear that this damage must be paid for, some students are not happy with the share that they must pay.

School policy dictates that students cover the cost of damages done by wing in residence halls. In other words students in each wing divide the cost of damages done to that wing.

"Generally what we're trying to do is get the smallest living unit that seems reasonable, that has access to that area and bill them," said Scott Kane, director of residence life at WMC.

This policy was put to the test last semester, however, as residents of some wings had to pay as much as $85 each, while residents of other wings paid only $30 and less. This difference left some students upset.

"I think it's because most of the damage is done by visitors to this wing," said freshman Rohy Marren.

Freshman Mike O'Dell, a sociology major, agrees. "I don't agree with it because someone else from another floor can come down and do whatever to the floor," he said.

Kane's solution to this problem is to "turn them in." he said. "That's what they're going to turn them in," said Maher, who doesn't feel that most vandals will be caught committing the act.

Although O'Dell agreed that he would turn the vandal in, or pressure them to turn themselves in, he also feels that a large number of acts will go unnoticed.

"While the vandal walks free, the money comes out of our pockets," he said.

However, Kane is more optimistic. "In a surprising number of cases it has actually worked to first of all reduce damages, and then two, when the damage occurs, for students to actually exercise influence on the people responsible to get them to turn themselves in," he said.

Kane feels that for the policy to work the students have to view their wing as a community and try to protect that community, and the other people in that community. He is counting on students to break away from "that real sense of 'I don't want to rat on anybody'."

In the real world you live in a house and have a yard, and if somebody's drunk and drives off the road and drives over your lawn and tears up the area, you are just going to say 'I'll pay for it'. No, you're probably going to try to find out who did it," Kane said.

Last semester 60 disciplinary actions were taken against students for the previous record for disciplinary cases in a semester since Kane arrived in the spring semester of 93 was 35), 14 fire extinguishers were set off (also a high during Kane's tenure), two fire alarms were pulled, a vending machine was broken, and toilets were consistently clogged when students tried to force down such objects as rolls of toilet paper.

The 14 fire extinguishers were an especially costly item for students, costing $120 to refill each time. It cost $1000 to repair the broken vending machine, and several hundred dollars were spent for the fire alarms and clogged toilets.

Kane realizes there is an immediate problem in Rouzer, but hopes the community-oriented policy will be more effective in upcoming semesters.

"Most of the things that we want to do are proactive and preventative vs. consequence for behavior," he said. Much of what is being done is attempting to "increase awareness," Kane added.

According to Clay, in an attempt to increase student's awareness, bulletins have been posted giving facts and figures regarding the damage, and RA's will be more visible.

Residents of Rouzer Hall were required to attend a meeting at the beginning of this semester to discuss the problem, and Kane says that student safety will increase it's patrols in Rouzer.

One idea to help slow down the damage is a Community Assistants program. Students involved in this program would be "really just keeping watch of what's going on," Clay said.

More specifically she said they would be doing such things as monitoring people coming in and out of the building, going on patrol with RA's, and keeping an eye out for damage in certain areas.

Currently the Community Assistsants program is just an idea while volunteers are being sought. Some students question the program, however, wondering how effective other students will be at controlling the damage.

Another feels that few people would be interested in being part of this program. He feels that it would be hard to have to turn other students in, and that other students would not respect the assistants. "I think people will just make fun of whoever the hall monitors are," he said.

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Spring Break
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While many students and professors were enjoying a much needed time off during Spring Break, Dr. Herbert Smith taught a class on fishing.

Here he proudly displays one of the many barracudas he caught from the ocean during his trip. Note: All animals caught during the trip were released back into their natural environment.

Second annual candle light rape vigil to be held in Westminster

The second annual "Bring It Out of the Dark" Candlelight Vigil for Rape Awareness will be held Wednesday, April 16, from 7-9 p.m., at St. Paul's United Church of Christ, in Westminster.

The vigil, free and open to the public, is cosponsored by the Social Work Department and Social Work Club of Western Maryland College, and the Rape Crisis Intervention Service of Carroll County.

Speakers include The Honorable Kenneth Yowan, mayor of Westminster; State Delegate Ellen Willis; State Senator Larry Haines; Lt. Col. Cynthia R. Smith, bureau chief of administration of the Maryland State Police; and Carroll County commissioners, W. Benjamin Brown, Donald Dell and Richard Yates.

Also, the program includes poetry readings by WMC students, as well as performances by Fool Proof, an improvisational group from North Carroll High School; and the WMC Gospel Choir.

Last year's vigil marked the first time Carroll County held a planned recognition of April as National Rape Awareness Month. This year, April 13-19 also has been designated as National Crime Victims' Rights Week, according to Laurina Anderson, WMC student coordinator of the vigil.

Students from the College's Social Work Club, will begin distributing black and blue ribbons to symbolize the vigil theme "Rape Awareness: Bring It Out of the Dark." Black, of course, is synonymous with sadness or mourning, and blue and black is usually representative of bruises and violence. But this time with the added sky blue, the combination represents dark and light, night to day, and that's the way the students want Carroll countians to think about rape and rape awareness, Anderson said.

Ribbons will be available in the community and people are asked to wear them to show their support, she added.

Chamber Music on the Hill Celebrates Brahms

Chamber Music on the Hill will celebrate the works of Johannes Brahms on Sunday, April 20, at 7 p.m., in (Big) Baker Chapel.

The concert features faculty and area musicians, as well as The College Madrigals directed by Margaret Boudreaux, associate professor of music.

Other performers include: David Kreider, WMC senior lecturer and Don Horneff, WMC lecturer, both on piano; Elaine Conover, soprano; Melissa Zaraya and Karen Tengney, violin; Sharon Myer, viola; and Esther Mellon-Thompson, cello.

Tickets are $10 for adults and $5 for seniors. Students are free with a valid ID. For more information call 857-2599.

Correction

There were two errors in the last issue of The Phoenix in the professors pay raise article. First, the salaries of Getzsch and Ouzinos were incorrectly listed and were numerically correct. Also, Dr. Herbert Smith was misspellered; the article incorrectly stated that WMC was formerly the second highest paid faculty among schools WMC has historically compared itself to. The correct schools are: Getzsch, Washington, Muhlenburg, Moravian, Elizabethtown, Susquenness, Albright, Ursinus, Goucher, Johns Hopkins, Lebanon Valley, and Mount St. Mary's. In the 93-94 school year, WMC was ranked 10th in the US. The Phoenix regrets any confusion.
Giants “full band sound” coming to WMC

BY JENNIFER SACKS
Contributing Writer

These guys are big, real big, so make room, they might be giants. John Linnell and John Flansburgh aren’t really giants, but they are giants in the music industry as members of the band They Might Be Giants, coming to WMC on Friday, April 18.

The “Johns,” who hail from Brooklyn, N.Y., are bringing their show to PECL gymnasium with eight albums under their belts. Their most well known is 1990’s album Flood. It brought to the surface such hits as “Istanbul (Not Constantinople),” which received a MTV breakthrough award, and “Particle Man” and “This house is in Your Soul” which appeared in the Warner Brothers cartoon Amaranthics.

Though Linnell and Flansburgh started the band in 1986, naming themselves after their “organic full band sound” until 1992. The band incorporates Flansburgh’s talents on electric guitar and glasses, and Linnell’s mastery of the sax, keyboards, and accordion with Eric “Wah-Wah” Schermerhorn, who played guitar previously for The Th and Igy Pop. On drums is Brian Doherty, of Freedy Johnston fame, Graham Maby is on bass, Dan Levine on trombone, and Jim O’ Connor on the trumpet. Together they create the unique sound of They Might Be Giants, and the “happy, joyful” attitude that has come to epitomize the band’s music.

Since 1992 they have released Apollo 18 and John Henry. Their latest album, Factory Showroom, was released just last year.

So far, little over half of the 1000 tickets have been sold for the concert sponsored by the College Activities Programming Board and the Student Government Assembly. The general admission tickets are $10 for students and staff of the college, with a limit of 4 per person. For those outside the WMC community, tickets can be purchased at Record and Tape Traders for $15. They Might Be Giants will be giving a performance the following night as well at Bohringer’s located in Fell’s Point.

So be sure to put a bee in your bonnet and show up at PECL gymnasium, not Constantinople, for a fun-filled night of TMBG.

TMBG Facts
Did you know...

The band’s name comes from an early 70’s movie starring George C. Scott as a para-noiac who thinks he’s Sherlock Holmes; while Joanne Woodward plays his psychiatrist, Dr. Watson?

Linnell and Flansburgh attended high school together in Sudbury, Massachussets?

Linnell played in the Rhode Island band, the Mundanes?

As fate would have it, in 1981 Linnell and Flansburgh moved into the same Brooklyn apartment building and shortly after became roommates?

They often “spin the dial” while performing, they turn on the radio and randomly play whatever is on?

They have appeared on David Letterman, Conan O’Brien, The Today Show, the Tonight Show, and Good Morning America?

TMBG have performed over 1000 shows?

Flansburgh directed a video for Soul Update’s “Just The Way You Are”?

Linnell played on the debut album for Jon Spencer Blues Explosion?

Factory Showroom is the sixth full-length, non-compilation album created by They Might Be Giants. Released by Elektra in 1996, most of the album was recorded within a week at the Mercury Lounge in New York.

Factory Showroom contains 13 songs and one hidden track. As always, the band manages to blend poetry and insanec music into a rainbow. And the songs are as distinct as the colors of the rainbow, brilliant and unique in their own way. Though some of the songs seem uncharacteristically set in concrete life with the songs “James K. Polk” and “XTC vs. Adam Ant,” it just goes to show that with every rainbow you need brown and UART.

However, the album does contain some brighter and more noteworthy tunes.

These take the shape of the psychedelic canary yellow of “Sprinling Shape” and the soothing vibrant violet of “The Bells are Ringing,” two of the best songs on the album. They serve as reminders of other classic upbeat TMBG music that are hard as access to get out of your head once you have heard them.

Just as different colors are made depending on the way the light may hit the rain, TMBG create colorful tunes by experimenting with different sounds. In Factory Showroom they use a cello in “Your Own Worst Enemy,” a vibraphone in “Sprinling Shape,” a metal saw stroked with a bow in “James K. Polk,” and an Edison wax cylinder recorder from the Edison Historic Site in West Orange, N.J. in “I Can Hear You.”

All in all, Factory Showroom is a good effort. And though good on CD, tape, and vinyl, nothing beats a live performance. I first heard this album at a concert this past summer and that experience far surpassed listening to their recorded work.

If, however, you are still pining away for the good old days of TMBG, check out their newly released box set. Released by Restless Records March 25, this two-disc set is titled Then: The Early Years and contains 72 songs, 19 of which are previously unreleased. Check it out.

Fells Point, an experience by the water

BY COURTNEY RISCH
Staff Writer

Are you a serious shopper whose tastes run on the eclectic side? Or a person who enjoys a choice of places to spend a Friday night? Then Fell’s Point, located on the water in Baltimore, is the place for you.

Fell’s Point has goods and services that range from vintage clothing to vintage wine, and there is a little something to be found for everyone amidst the many shops, restaurants, and bars.

One of the newer vintage shops in Fell’s Point is called Nine Lives. Its offerings of new used clothing, shoes, and accessories are standard fare at many stores in the area. Owner Cat Mihos, a student at University of Maryland, opened the shop around Halloween and said that business has been good. Her favorite places to eat among the many offerings at Fell’s Point are the Sushi Cafe and John Stevens Restaurant.

“I love to be right by the water,” Mihos said, a statement echoed by other Fell’s Point merchants.

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Plane rides offered at Westminster Airport

BY ABBEY RUDMAN
Staff Writer

Are you bored on the weekends? Are you looking for something to do that is different and can even make your imagination soar?

Then try a flight at the Westminster Airport located at 200 Airport Drive. The airport offers 10 to 15 minute flights on small 172 airplanes for a maximum of four people. If you think the rides will have a “flifty” price, then come down from the clouds. The airplane ride is only $30 a person and there are no age restrictions.

The flights normally take place on the weekends. Reservations are recommended to secure a plane.

For more information call: 876-7200
April's music sounds diverse

From Alanis to Sting to techno/metal, new spring music provides an alternative for everyone

By MIKE PUSKAR
Art/Graphics Editor

Alternative

After releasing many tracks from her album "Jagged Little Pill," Alanis Morissette has announced production of her second album, tentatively called "Fingernails on a Chalkboard." Though not many details are available, Alanis hopes to do a title-cut and two new verses "Feel Me Like a Rope" and "Dub." She also would like to do "Trojans," a song written by a friend who wishes to remain anonymous. Nothing is final, but rumor has it that Alanis will be recording one track with Smashing Pumpkins.

Pop Rock

After having already done a greatest-hits album, Sting had decided it is time to do a collection of his rarer gems. To commemorate the 20th anniversary of The Police releasing their first single, "Fallout," Sting will be releasing the 2-CD set "Under Arrest: The B-Stings," which collects rare "B" sides. The first CD of this collection will feature all of Sting's remakes from his days with The Police, including the "Demolition Man" soundtrack and the Live-Aid performance of "Every Breath You take" with Phil Collins. Another live-in concert recording will be the rap-interlude version of "Englishman in New York." This CD will also include cuts from the soundtrack of the Iman film "The Living Sea."

The second CD offers songs that the "Man in a Suitcase" has performed but have been written by others. All of his soundtrack appearances will be featured. In addition to songs from the movies "Sabrina" and "Leaving Las Vegas," this CD will feature the hit theme of "The Three Musketeers," and "All For Love," with Bryan Adams and Red Stewart. Another hit that will appear on this CD is "Do They Even Know It's Christmas," performed by the all-star cats Band-Aid.

To top all of these works, the second CD will introduce three brand new songs recorded on Feb. 12. The profound, mystic truths of the King of Pain will meet the pensive, melancholy truths of Alaskan superstar Jewel in the song "Baby Blue." The following track, "Synchronicity," is a medley of some of Sting's more universal verse combined with the magical vocals of Enya. No information has been disclosed on the closing track, though it has been rumored that it reunites the Three COPPERS.

Variety

There's a new posse in town and lead singer Deck Summers says, "We ain't gonna preach nothing, but we will speak our minds."

Their alternative single "Screw You" is climbing the charts. The Irish-Texans who call themselves Shooting Pigs will be releasing another single, the techno/metal "Ant Hill on a Flying Saucer," this month.

Summons gives two reasons why the band members chose their unusual name. "We all grew up around a pig farm outside of Tyler where the pigs were shot in order to be butchered, something that really disgusted the three of us," he said and added that the other reason was because of "pigs like David Koresh."

The band's quasi self-titled album "When Pigs Fly" is full of contrast and variety. From the soft rock "Me Adore Forevermore" and "The Death of Juan," to the world music of "Beached," to the metal "BrobdinRage," this album highlights a talent unlike most. A parody of the Waco Incident named after an Ernest Hemingway novel, "The Old Man and His Fleas," uses operatic rock combined with country-western.

"We wanted to do something different," said drummer William "Billy Babe" Babonywicz. "We decided to drop our instruments and play with our VCR's a bit." This joke applies to the last track on the album called "Hollow Wood," a hilarious combination of sound FX mixed with a few lines that mock concealed movie stars.

Student Internship Opportunities at Interfaith Housing

Interfaith Housing of Western Maryland was created by Jewish and Christian religious bodies to develop affordable housing for lower-income families in the five western counties of the state, including Carroll County. Internships will receive academic credit.

All expenses such as mileage, meals, long-distance telephone calls, and incidentals will be paid. Here are some of the internship opportunities offered:

1. Regional Office Administration: Requires some knowledge of office equipment, and basic computer skills would be helpful. Time commitment: about 14 days. Location: office in Middletown, MD.

2. Fund Raising: Assist the organization's fund raiser in identifying donors and organizing special events. Time commitment: very flexible. Some good communication skills and enjoyment of meeting and talking with people would be helpful. All mileage (at .31/mile) will be paid for travel to and from the Middletown office as well as travel on the job.

3. Self-help Housing Intern: Work with families who are building their own homes by assisting construction supervisor to order materials, assist families in construction and in preparing loan applications. Transportation to the site in Brunswick, MD will be reimbursed at .31 per mile. Time commitment: six days, working with families on some weekends.

4. Video Project: A great chance for learning experience. Visit several projects and video tape buildings and families. Car needed to visit locations with mileage reimbursed at .31 per mile. Time commitment is about ten days and could be done part time over a period of several weeks.

5. Computer Intern: Organize databases and teach staff about how to use computers and the Internet. Help design a web page for Interfaith. Need to have good knowledge of computers and software. Time commitment is flexible.

6. Real Estate Research: Intern will search land records for possible sites for projects. Need car to visit county courthouse. Need good research skills and should be able to learn how to use tax records to locate owners of properties. Time commitment: seven days.

Other internships are available with the Human Services Program of Carroll County, in Westminster, and possibly with two housing organizations also in Westminster. Expenses will be paid.

Contact Professor Robert Hartman, duPont Project Director, at 849-3777, or campus extension 758.
Students inducted into Society for Collegiate Journalists

By Jen Vink
Features Editor

On March 12, Western Maryland College introduced the Society for Collegiate Journalists as a new campus honorary organization and its first six members were inducted.

The inductees were senior Sarah Snell, a political science major, juniors Michelle Hamilton, a history major, Jonathan Shacat, a Spanish major, and English major Jee Vink. The sophomore inductees were art/art history major Mike Puskas, and Grant Rice, a theater arts major.

The initiation ceremony was presided over by William M. Lawbaugh, President of the National Council of SCJ and director of the writing center at Mount St. Mary's College, and Steve Newman, professor of public speaking at St. Mary's.

As part of the ceremony the inductees stood and pledged to:

"Gather all pertinent news and opinions concerning issues and events on the campus, striving at all times for accuracy and fairness.

Safeguard the freedom of all campus media in order that they be able to serve the campus community without dictation, coercion or restraint."

The National Constitution and Handbook state that "In the judgment of the Society of Collegiate Journalists, these standards represent the highest precepts of enlightened and professional journalism." Each new member was given a certificate and a pin with the Society's seal of a circle with crossed quills above an inkwell.

Last semester, seeking to adopt such standards for journalism at WMC, Hamilton, then editor of the Phoenix, and Shacat, a staff writer, were informed about SCJ through Terry Dalton, professional journalist and gathered together students to start a chapter at WMC.

Each student paid the membership fee of $25 that will last them through their college careers, and entered some of their work done for the Phoenix in the SCJ National Contest. The contest is described in the Handbook as "the only college media competition judged exclusively by professionals in the field.

The contest is designed to stimulate interest in various newspaper, yearbook, magazine and broadcast categories." WMC's new SCJ members who submitted work are waiting to be informed of the winners that will be announced some time this spring.

The new SCJ chapter has yet to choose officers, set standards for qualification as a member, and plan future activities to sponsor. The organization plans to include not only students involved with the newspaper, but all members of campus media.

The SCJ was formed on June 1, 1975, when two Greek-letter journalism societies, Pi Delta Epsilon and Alpha Phi Gamma, merged. Today there are SCJ chapters throughout the United States.
April in the Stars
BY HEATHER WOODS
and JESSIE WATTS
Stars Written
Capricorn 12/22-1/19
Something is wrong with you this month, but you don't know what it is. Maybe it's too much studying. Take a break, you deserve it. Go to the movies with a friend and enjoy yourself. By the end of the month, you'll feel much better.

Aquarius 1/21-2/19
It's surprise time for you this month. But beware, you might not like what you're going to get. Not to worry, you'll be able to roll with the punches and recover quickly. Meanwhile, some extra cash will be sure to help you through the rough spots.

Pisces 2/20-3/20
What a wonderful month. Your grades were great for midterm and you had fun during Spring Break. In fact, everything seems to be going your way in April. With all this luck, you might as well start on a project you've been putting off. You'll be glad you did because luck inevitably runs out at some point.

Aries 3/21-4/19
Ooh... trouble is brewing for you. You'd better triple check your calendar this month in case you don't double book anything. Two dates at once may sound nice, but it can get very messy. On the brighter side, you'll gain new friends who are ready to help when needed.

Taurus 4/20-5/20
"Oh no! I forgot!" Sound familiar to you? It will this month if you don't keep a datebook nearby. With so much going on, your mind won't be able to keep up. Be careful or you might just miss that interview for the perfect summer job. Meanwhile, the person you've been eying lately is starting to look your way.

Gemini 5/21-6/20
Curiosity may not have actually killed a cat, but it could really damage you. Although mysteries are fun to uncover, they can also be harmful. So let your friends work out their problems on their own and you'll find out the truth eventually.

Cancer 6/21-7/22
Spring Break is over and it's time to get in gear...start cracking those books or you'll be in big trouble when finals come around. On the other hand, romance is in the air for Crabs this month. Have fun and enjoy it while you can. It might not last long.

Leo 7/23-8/22
Listen very carefully: You're getting sleepy, very sleepy... If you've actually fallen asleep just reading this, it's time you took a nap. Those late night study sessions may help you on the next test, but without rest you'll never make it to finals.

Virgo 8/23-9/22
You may have thought you'd be able to keep your 'extracurricular' activities a secret, and so far you've been successful. Watch out though, over-confidence is causing you to make some bad moves that are making someone very suspicious. Better quit while you're ahead or you may end up alone.

Libra 9/23-10/22
Despite your best efforts, your big project just isn't going according to plan. It's time to introduce some new words into your vocabulary - I give up. Good, move on to other things, like making new friends.

Scorpio 10/23-11/21
Ugh! Midterms are already over and you've hardly opened your books. Better start studying now and leave the parties for summer. Otherwise you will have to start planning for a fifth year at WMC. While that may be more fun than facing the real world, it will be very expensive.

Sagittarius 11/22-12/21
So Valentine's Day wasn't the spectacled even you were expecting and Easter was a drag. Well, get over it! Don't wait for the next holiday to plan something special, treat yourself to something right now. If you still need a reason, why not declare a national "I Love Me" day and do something wild to celebrate.

Zepp rehashes memories of WMC
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my wedding because I wanted my marriage to be special," she said. Zepp received a master's of divinity from the Drewe Theological Seminar, in Madison, NJ, his first step into becoming an ordained minister.

Zepp is enjoying his role as a retired professor who just can't seem to stay away. "Zepp has no regrets about his life. His favorite time of his life is happening right now. "Where you are living now incorporates everything you've ever had," he says.

Ira Zepp's life has incorporated a plethora of interesting experiences. As a student in Maryland he was a student, professor, and minister. In society he has been civil rights advocate, published author, humanitarian, and father. At WMC, Zepp was a big part of the past but the near-40 year presence of Ira Zepp has stood the test of time.

Case explores frozen terrain of Antarctica during sabbatical
By JEN VICK
This year's winter was an unforgettable one for Dr. Sam Case, who spent most of it lathering on sunscreen, sporting sunglasses, and wearing long underwear. Professor of physical education and exercise science, Case is on sabbatical this semester evaluating data being gathered in Antarctica as part of a research team, and in information on the nutritional aspects of participants in February's Iditarod sport event in Alaska, for which he also ran 100 miles.

Case made his first trip to Antarctica in January and spent the month with a team of physiologists, endocrinologists, and psychologists. Their project is a four-year study of people who live and work in Antarctica and develop symptoms and hormonal changes, called the Polar T3 Syndrome, after living in the extreme climate longer than four or five months. People with the syndrome have been described as having a 40 percent increase in energy requirements, frequent mood disorders, doubling of the production, use, and tissue stores of the thyroid hormone triiodothyronine (T3), and a decline in central nervous system thyroxine (T4).

"I feel incredibly lucky to have been chosen as a part of that research team," said Case, of the Antarctic project funded by the National Science Foundation.

The study is currently in its second year which is being devoted to the evaluation of the T4 hormone. Next year it will concentrate on T3.

It took Case a total of 27 hours in planes to finally reach Antarctica. The last leg of the trip consisted of eight hours on a plane that had four engines. The passengers had to wear ear plugs to drown out the engine noise and survival gear was worn on top of long underwear, two layers of polar sex suits, and a parka. The absence of seats on the plane was an additional discomfort.

Once in Antarctica, Case and the field-team members went to work facilitating exercise, drawing blood, and administering cognitive tests via computer on the 16 volunteer human subjects.

"Most are navy personnel supporting the science mission," Case described the participants in the project who will be in Antarctica from October to August. Presently, Antarctica's population of 950 is experiencing 24 hours of summer sunshine. When not outside, Case lived in a dormitory and worked in a Recreation Chamber Facility.

"I thought e-mail was going to be my only form of communication," Case said, who was surprised when his room in the dormitory was equipped with a phone. He frequently communicated his daughter and WMC students.

The frozen terrain wasn't merely a snowy wilderness. Case said he saw an abundance of wildlife that included seals, penguins, and whales, and that a great sense of history prevailed in the marks of past explorers.

One such explorer, Robert Falcon Scott, made his first trip to Antarctica in 1910 with Dr. Sam Alspach, who was awarded the Howard Hughes Grant last year. Case gathered data on the nutritional aspects of the athletes participating in the Iditarod from February 15 through 17. The events contained of snowshoe, ski, bike, and running races, and a triathlon.

Participants in the ultra-marathon himself, 55-year-old Case was the second oldest runner to complete the grueling 100 mile distance while pulling a gear-packed sled. Drugul said he provided "emotional support" during Case's last 9 miles, running along side him to finish the race in 49 hours.

"Helped the people who organized the race, helped keep times, and ran with stragglers," said Drugul, a biochemistry/chemistry exercise science major.

"As competitors came in I gathered nutritional information from them," This is the second time Case has participated in the ultra-marathon, having previously run in 1995 with Dr. Sam Alspach, professor of biology.

"I think in my next life I'm going to study warm environment," Case said who is now back in Westminster, studying data and "writing away," in less extreme temperatures. Among his written projects are articles for the magazine "Ultrarunner," "Journal of Strength and Conditioning Research," and "Bike Magazine."

Case's dedication to physical fitness recently earned him an appointment to the Governor's Advisory Council on Physical Fitness, and recently he was selected as president elect of the Mid-Atlantic Regional Chapter of the American College of Sports Medicine.
Men's and Women's tennis endure rebuilding season

By Dan Gaul Staff Writer

Get used to the men's and women's tennis players at WMC, they're going to be here for a while. With no seniors on either team, WMC will have to rely on a youth movement this year.

With six players gone from last year's 18-15 team, and only four letter winners returning, the women's team, especially, finds itself battling inexperience. They have done so with some success early this season, defeating Swarthmore 7-2 on March 27. Two days earlier they fell 8-1 to a very good Johns Hopkins team, but did so in a "very competitive" manner according to Cara Ober, an assistant tennis coach at WMC.

"It's a young team, we have three freshmen in the starting lineup...They're doing better than we thought they'd do. They're actually really strong for a young team," Ober said.

In the Swarthmore match freshman Lara Henderson, Jessica Boyton, Stephanie Nemeck, and junior Kim Keller provided victories in three singles matches. The WMC doubles teams of Keller / sophomore Amanda Greening, Henderson / sophomore Amy Shook, and senior Jessica Keller / Nemeck were able to sweep the doubles matches to clinch the victory.

The men's team returns only four letter winners as well, but has five juniors on the team, three of whom join the team after spending their first two years of college at the WMC campus in Hungary. One of those players is Roland Wolff who has earned the #1 singles spot on the team and will be looked on to help end the team's current 24 match losing streak in Centennial Conference play.

Ober describes Wolff as a strong player who will "be competitive in all his matches," Ober said. Junior Craig Eckard is back on the team after not playing last year, and will occupy the #2 spot. Freshman Tyler Barrell earned the #3 spot by making an impact on the coaches the moment he got here. "He was kind of a surprise. We didn't expect any of the freshmen to be as strong as he is. He's very consistent," Ober commented.

Thus far the men have only played one match, losing to Johns Hopkins 7-0. The loss was the 24th consecutive loss in conference play dating back to 1994. That was the first year WMC competed in the Centennial Conference and thus they have never won a match in the conference.

Our conference is really thought and a lot of those programs do a lot more recruiting in tennis. The coach is a new coach. Last year was his first season and so we really haven't done much recruiting," Ober said.

Ober also points to the fact that other teams in the conference are doing things with their teams during spring break to help build stronger teams. She feels that this something WMC might look into doing in the future.

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Women's lacrosse lead conference

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By Mike Puskas Art Editor

Breaking the tradition of starting after spring break, the ladies' lacrosse team hosted Limestone College of South Carolina on March 12. The team is in its first season of play and Green Terror took advantage of their weakness, WMC steamrollered their rookie opponents 9-2 at halftime and won 18-2. Freshman Meghan Bellucci was named player of the day after scoring five goals and earning four assists. Sophomore Robin Zimmerley and senior co-captain Jodi Wagner each scored three goals with freshman Meghan Giorno, sophomore Amy North and senior co-captain Mary Beth Franks each pulling in two. Junior Courtney Boden and Stacey O'Brien also scored.

After returning from a stint in Florida over spring break, the ladies busied up to Dickinson College on March 25 to play their first Centennial Conference game, winning 17-8 (12-4 2nd half). Though Bellucci came across with three goals, it was Wagner who led the team in this game with five goals and one assist. North and Boden each brought in two goals, with Zimmerley (also two assists), O'Brien, Francis and Giorno (one assist) each scoring as well. Sophomore defensive player Natalie Hannibal also contributed an assist.

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"It's all for one and one for all,"

Head coach Kim Easterday
Director of Alumni Affairs inducted into Carroll County Sports Hall of Fame

By Nikki Belanger

She once dreamed of being a nurse, airline stewardess, or biology teacher, but Donna Duval Sellman achieved a different dream.

On March 26, Sellman, Director of Alumni Affairs at Western Maryland College, was inducted into the Carroll County Sports Hall of Fame in a ceremony held at Carroll Community College, celebrating her 23-year coaching career for girls’ sports at Westminster High School. She is among five inductees who were added to the hall created by the Westminster Rotary Club four years ago.

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About two weeks before school started in 1945, Sellman was asked to fill a vacancy at WMC and began her career as a physical education teacher, forever changing the number and types of sports available to girls. Physical education wasn’t taken as seriously then,” Sellman said. As a result, there was no investment in gyms or other buildings. Despite this, Sellman introduced life-time sports in girls’ physical education curriculum, such as golf, tennis, fencing, badminton, archery, pistol marksmanship, and table tennis.

She also brought field hockey to Carroll County public schools in 1954, which was an expensive sport because “everyone needs a stick” and the team had to travel to Howard County and Baltimore County because there were no other Carroll County schools participating in the sport. She led the team through two unbeaten seasons to become county champions in 1963 and co-county champions in 1964 and the volleyball, speedball, and fieldball teams to state championships.

Sellman also coached the girls’ basketball team who “were playing to be the best [they could be]. They were county champions from 1949 until 1951, Western Shore champions in 1947, and state champions in 1949. Because there was no Title 9 law at the time, requiring girls to have equal opportunity in sports, the boys basketball team had first use of the gym. When the girls’ team couldn’t find time to practice, Sellman bought gymnastics equipment, set it up in the hallway, and began interscholastic gymnastics. “I never gave up,” Sellman said, with a smile.

To help buy equipment for the classrooms and sports teams and to officiate intramural sports, Sellman organized the Varsity Girls Athletic Board. They held different fund raisers, such as selling hot dogs at football games and holding an annual carnival.

Sellman ended her career as a coach in 1968, when she was asked to take the position of vice principal of WHS, becoming the only female high school administrator in the county. “At that time, you didn’t apply for the position, you were asked and it was flattering to be asked,” Sellman said. While it was a hard decision, she enjoyed high school aged students and “wanted to take on a challenge.”

As vice principal, Sellman was responsible for all of the girls. She became involved in curriculum and scheduling. “I enjoyed being in a position to help students with adjustment and academic problems. I have enjoyed all of the different things I have done in the public schools,” Sellman said.

Although there were no programs while she attended high school, Sellman did play basketball, volleyball, speedball, softball, and participated in track and field events. WHS had no gym at the time, so the students went to the armory during the school day to use the gym there. Every year, the area schools also held a “Spring Field Day” when teams from different schools in the county would compete.

Sellman still enjoys “recreational” sports such as tennis and golf. “My favorite is ballroom dancing,” she admits.

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This year, all five inductees have ties to Westminster High School, including Mabel Brown Braune who, according to Sellman, was one of her “most outstanding athletes.” Braune also attended WMC and received a Master’s Degree as a reading specialist.

Braune, who played under Sellman on the basketball, fieldball, and speedball teams and also served on the Girls’ Athletic Board, remembers Sellman as a coach. “She was my idol. She was very strict and organized, and very good,” Braune said.
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WMC golfers ranked 22 in nation
With seven tournaments left, they will face a challenge from many Division I schools

Junior Mike Diehl prepares to putt at the Western Maryland College Invitational. Diehl is a leader and co-captain of the team.

BY DAN GADIL
Staff Writer

Western Maryland's golf team is on a roll entering the spring season, and they should only get better from here. The team is currently ranked twenty-second in the country and there are no seniors on the "A" team, which means their top five golfers will be back next year.

So far this season the Green Terror have competed in two tournaments, the Loyola College Invitational on March 29 and 30, and the Western Maryland College Spring Invitational which took place on March 24 and 25.

At Loyola, WMC took 13th place out of 20 teams. They were the only Division III team in the field which consisted of 17 Division I schools and two Division II schools. Junior Mike Diehl tied for 13th place out of 100 golfers with a score of 157 over 36 holes, just 13 over par. Freshmen Ryan Reid finished tied for 29th place with a score of 163.

The Green Terror entered an "A" team and a "B" team in the WMC Spring Invitational. The "A" team finished tied for second place out of eight teams, just three strokes behind the winner, Towson State. Freshmen Tony Santillo and Ryan Reid were both able to make an impact in their first year and are now contributing members of the "A" team.

The leader, and co-captain of the team is Diehl. "He's our #1 man," said Moyer. If the Green Terror are going to move up in the national rankings Diehl will be one of the players responsible. Joining Diehl on the "A" team are juniors Matt Harding and Scott King.

The other co-captain is senior Greg Hedbing who is looked to for help not only on the golf course, but off as well. Captains Diehl and Hedbing are looking to "almost like an extension of the coaching staff," said Moyer. Their duties as captains include attending functions for the team, giving talks, and recruiting.

Moyer feels his team is ready to move to new heights with all of his starters coming back next year and a strong recruiting class coming in. "We would be in the top 15 if we had not played poorly at the Naval Academy tournament," he said.

"Obviously, our first goal, we'd like to win the conference championship. We'd also like to get to nationals, that's what everybody's working for, Nobody works harder than our guys," Moyer said.

Spring Schedule

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Congratulations!

Western Maryland College junior Bo Schrott of Baltimore and Green Terror freshman Meghan Bellucci of West Chester, PA were selected as the Centennial Conference men's and women's lacrosse Players of the Week for the games of March 8 through 14. Junior Steve Smiddy of Pasadena, MD won two matches but fell one victory shy of earning an All-America spot at the NCAA Division III wrestling championship March 7 and 8.
Graduation to be held on a Thursday next year

**BY NIKKI BELANGER**

Staff Writer

For the past 12 years, graduation has been held on the Saturday of the week following finals. For next year's senior class that tradition will be broken.

In 1998, commencement will be on Thursday, May 21 at 1:00 p.m. with baccalaureates on Wednesday night instead of Friday night.

The administrative council brought the proposal to change the date of graduation to the faculty council last fall because of a scheduling conflict. In 1998, the state high school track and field event, which uses Western Maryland College's facilities, would have been taking place during the same time as graduation.

"This was a gesture of good will to the high schools," Dr. Gregory Alles, secretary of the faculty council, said.

According to Alles, the initial proposal last fall was to change the baccalaureate to Saturday night and have graduation on Sunday afternoon. However, administrators believed that Sunday would be too late for people to move out of their dorms and would also spread senior week too thin.

They also considered whether seniors would have time for all the activities that are normally planned during that week but "were assured that all activities could be fit in," Alles said.

The faculty council then decided that "this was an idea we could enforce and pass on to faculty." Alles said.

The proposal was raised at the faculty meeting on Tuesday, April 1. There was a brief discussion with some concerns raised by faculty members, and the proposal was accepted by matter of consensus.

According to Dr. Philip Sayre, Dean of Student Affairs, there will still be enough time for all of the activities that seniors normally plan.

"Most [senior classes] have only used three, sometimes four days" instead of the full week, Sayre explained.

Traditionally, activities include an evening on the schooner, Chip, continued on page 4

They Might Be Giants rock Western Maryland College

**BY EMILY STEAMITHS**

Staff Writer

"Every once in a while there comes a band who changes the face of history forever... Ladies and gentlemen do not be alarmed..." With that announcement filling the dark PELC Gym Friday night, the spectrum of lights flared, the disco ball spun, and They Might Be Giants took the stage.

The concert, brought to WMC by the CAPBoard Campus Concert Committee, had a high turnout, with 700 of the 1000 tickets sold as of the night before the show. Counting the tickets sold at the door, CAPBoard president Brandy Mulhern said a sellout was possible.

The nearly full PELC Gym contained a mix of WMC students and people from the community, ranging from elementary school-age children to adults. No matter their age, everyone in attendance responded to They Might Be Giants enthusiastically.

The Gravel Pit warmed up the crowd at 8 o'clock before TMBG continued on page 5

**By JUAN DE LA SQUIERA**

PHI SIGMA SIGMA PLEDGING HALTED BECAUSE OF HAZING

**BY KATE HAMPSON**

Assistant News Editor

Pledging a fraternity or sorority is always an eventful time, but thePhi Sigma Sigma program was halted by college officials.

A number of reports of a hazing incident involving the sorority were received by Dean of Student Affairs Dr. Philip Sayre and the College Activities Office, so the program was suspended while investigation took place.

The exact nature of the incident has not been disclosed and both the college and the sorority are unwilling to do so. The Phi Slis did request an official list of the allegations against them but the college did not consider this necessary.

Reports of the incident came from a variety of sources including parents, students and faculty members.

Liz Clark, the pledge educator for Phi Sigma Sigma is under the impression that one of the pledges complained to the college, but Assistant Director of College Activities Anita Kaltenbaugh will neither confirm nor deny this as she wishes to keep her sources confidential.

However, she does stress that there were numerous reports from many different sources and the investigation was based on a wide variety of complaints.

After the incident was reported, Dean Sayre, Kaltenbaugh, and Director of College Activities Mitchell Alexander, met with Clark and Sorority President Meredith Bowen to discuss the issue with them.

They also met with all the pledges, both as a group and individually, and with the sorority's advisor and representatives from the national organization.

As a result of these meetings the sorority has been put on probation for two semesters and has had to rewrite their pledge program. In the future they will follow the national Phi Sigma Sigma program known as "Reflections."

According to Clark, this program has more activities involving all the sisters and will "show the new members what sisterhood is about."

Dean Sayre emphasized the importance of learning from this experience and of changing for the better. He commented, "too many people see hazing as the way to bring someone into an organization. A better way is to educate them about the group and to create a bonding experience."

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Western Maryland College is blessed with many hard working, courteous and knowledgeable administration and staff members as well as faculty. The faculty is willing to accept student input in the form of end of the semester evaluation sheets. I believe that members of the faculty take advantage of this feedback in order to improve their job performance and provide the students with a superior education. Last year, I took a class that I had some difficulty with, as did others. On the end of semester evaluation forms we made some suggestions for minor improvements to the course. Some of my friends are taking the same course now and have commented on how the course is much different than I had described it. Realistic improvements have been made to what was already a more than adequate offering, to the benefit of future and present WMC students.

And yet there are no evaluation forms for the administration and staff available to students at WMC. Why is this? This state of affairs is currently unjust to both the faculty and the students. It is unjust to the faculty because they have to put themselves in what must be an uncomfortable situation by being evaluated by their students. It is unjust to the students because they do not have the ability to suggest common sense solutions to problems that administrators and staff members may not be aware of.

Chairman members are subject to this evaluation, why should the administration and staff receive this special treatment? Are not they subject to the same rules as everyone else?

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Drug-Dealing Rappers As Role Models?

Maggie Kimura
Staff Member

Last month, the Notorious B.I.G was killed. He is the second rapper this year to have died from the violence that he escaped from. September, Tupac Shakur was also killed. Why mourn the passing of these two rappers. I find the violence that is tearing communities apart, without giving or suggesting ideas. I believe that these people did before they were stars.

"Unfortunately we as a society have tolerated this tradition for so long that we forget what these people did before they were stars."

I care. I care because today’s role models are people who sold drugs and glorify the violence that is tearing communities apart, without giving or suggesting ideas. I care because these role models are the only visible sign that someone has made it out of the ghetto and into a suburban neighborhood. It bothers me that someone who "has made it big." He is black America’s Horatio Alger’s, an almost typical drug dealing to riches story that young people try to emulate because they see no chance of success in a white man’s country. Why should I care? I care because today’s role models are people who sold drugs and glorify the violence that is tearing communities apart, without giving or suggesting ideas. I care because these role models are the only visible sign that someone has made it out of the ghetto and into a suburban neighborhood. It bothers me that someone who "has made it big" sold a product that destroys millions each year, and then manages to make a fortune by exploiting his past life of drug dealing and the crimes and violence that often accompanies it. Unfortunately, as a society, have tolerated this adoration for so long that we forget what these people did before they were stars.

True people will say, “Be happy, they made a success out of their lives, and why don’t you forget about the past?” I cannot be happy, since I cannot forget about the past. I cannot forget whenever some kid is dead on the street because he/she got caught in the cross fire of a shoot out. I will not forget that while these rappers are living out the American dream, there are several million people devastated by something they sold, and the glorification of the violence that is associated.

Cigarette Butts Depreciate the Beauty of Our Campus

R. C. Phillips
Guest Writer

Usually, one does not like to butt into other people’s business, especially if you run the risk of ending up being the butt of their jokes. On behalf of many people here on campus, I need to butt heads with those who are littering our sidewalks, steps, and ground.

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I learned how to field strip a cigarette: peel off the paper, scatter the tobacco into the air, suck up the paper and rather put it into your pocket or into a trash can. Bye.
COMMENTARY

STUDENT - FACULTY ROMANCES RAISE ETHICAL QUESTIONS

A special bond exists between a student and a teacher. This bond is based on friendship, respect and admiration of the teacher by the student. This bond can be quite strong. This bond leads us into the subject of our editorial this week, faculty-student dating.

Currently there is no policy on faculty-student romances stated in the student handbook. And yet, The Phoenix feels that this issue is one which needs to be addressed.

There is a power dynamic in any student-faculty relationship. Students have been taught to respect and honor teachers since they were children. To insert a romantic element in to this relationship may be disrespectful to the student and professionally to the faculty member. It raises many ethical questions as well.

Can a professor remain objective in a class when he/she is dating one of the students? How can he/she maintain discipline and a proper level of respect with the rest of the students? If the professor remains objective, can the student accept this? The Phoenix feels it is possible, yet extremely difficult, to maintain the traditional student-faculty relationship in this instance.

Students having relationships with faculty members teaching them would not receive the same respect and acceptance from other students. Every grade they receive would be suspect. Did they really earn that grade? The Phoenix does not object to widespread age differences in relationships. After all, both parties are adults. Nor do we object to faculty dating students in another department with which they would never share a class. What we do object to is the power dynamic that is created when a teacher dates a student in his/her class. The Phoenix realizes that it is not practical to tell people who they can and cannot date. But the ethical issues at hand, here, are in need of mentioning.

Without going to the extreme of having a written policy regarding student-faculty dating, the Phoenix feels that everyone at WMC should and is responsible enough to make fair decisions.

In fact, it is possible that this issue is one which teachers and students have been dealing with for years. Why are a couple prospective students in the track meet taking priority over the class of 1998?

My final question concerns the proud parents of the class of 1998. Did the administration consider that parents might encounter serious difficulties getting off work to come see their child graduate? But then again, what does the administration care, as of that date our parents are done with tuition payments.

This situation is just another example of how this administration makes decisions without considering the student's needs. I don't know who exactly made the decision to change the graduation date, but I hope they are listening, because the Class of 1998 is about to think dangerously!

Sincerely,
Andreas S. Kalisperis
Student

Response to "Swimsuit Issue" article

After reading an article entitled "Swimsuit issue degrading to women's achievements" in the April 8th issue of the Phoenix, I felt compelled to respond. Not only was I surprised by the amount of spelling errors (bikinis spelt with an apostrophe?) but I was truly embarrassed for the writer. I think that while she made an interesting point about the swimsuit issue of Sports Illustrated coming out during Women's History Month, her attempt to persuade the readers to accept this by using respect for women, not the writer's personal opinions is difficult, to maintain the traditional student-faculty relationship.

The repeated use of the terms "big-breasted" and "bikinis" over-emphasized an article that should have focused on respect for women, not the writer's personal vendetta toward the well-endowed.

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I couldn't decide whether to laugh or cry! I hear the word "feminist" misused all the time, but it bothers me most when a woman uses it incorrectly. I know some of the readers are probably sick of hearing this, but because I literally hear this word misused several times a day, I am going to point out right now what it really means just to clear this confusion up. Webster's dictionary says that the term feminism is defined as being, "the theory of the political, economic, and social equality of the sexes; organized activity on behalf of women's rights and interests". I find it hard to believe that most people reading this think that women don't deserve political, economic, and social rights. Now, I will make an exception for people who think they have no children, who always go to work outside the home, but I would think that educated college students would know the difference between a word's real meaning and the false stereotypes that seem to accompany it and that have made it a "dirty" word. Feminists are NOT all militant, British, man-hating lesbians who march in DC every week. Sure, there are people like that, but the majority are not, and if people don't stop focusing on the negative, like the stereotype of what they think a feminist is, it's going to be pretty hard to get anything accomplished for women.

The real point of the article that prompted me to write this response should have been to encourage the reader to understand why publications like the swimsuit issue are offensive to some, not to bash the people paid to pose. Hey, they get a lot of money to stand around and have some pictures taken! Do you blame them? But they wouldn't if people didn't pay for it, and maybe that's what the focus should be.

Danielle Franks '97

Class of '98 disturbed by graduation change

To Whom It May Concern:

It is to my understanding that the date of graduation for the class of 1998 has been changed from a Saturday to a Thursday. To make matters worse the administration made this change without student opinion.

Why did they do it? Because our administration also sees an opportunity to market the school, by hosting a high school track meet that weekend. In order to host this meet, they had to inconvenience the students who have been loyal to this college for four years. Why are a couple prospective students in the track meet taking priority over the class of 1998?

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Andreas S. Kalisperis Student
Phi Sigma Sigma hazing incident
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One way through which the sorority is hoping to correct this problem is by sponsoring an Inter-Fraternity Leadership Conference in the Fall, which will have a special emphasis on hazing.

College officials also received reports of another hazing incident involving an un-named organization.

However, although it was asked to stop its pledging for a couple of days, very little evidence was found to confirm the report and the inquiry was dropped.

In the past, WMC has had quite a few problems with hazing, but the college has been working hard to correct this.

"Hazing is always a problem if it exists," said Sayre. "In most areas it has been diminished but there are still vestiges of it about."

In our last edition we spotlighted the problem of hazing and we spoke out against it. We therefore make no apology of reporting an incident that occurred on our own campus.

We would be hypocritical to condemn it in one issue and in the very next one ignore it happening in front of our noses. There are those on this campus who wish to do us so, in fact they have told us as much. Hazing can only survive and thrive when a conspiracy of silence allows it to. The Phoenix will have no part in this conspiracy nor will we be intimidated by it.

Graduation date to change in 1998
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per City, in the inner harbor in Baltimore, a trip to an Orioles game if they are in town, a faculty-senior picnic/softball game, and a Forum party.

Activities normally take place on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. The change in the graduation date will move them closer together; not eliminate them, Sayre said.

"This is the last time for seniors to be together," Lynnae Stoehr, next year's senior class president, said. She plans on trying to reverse the decision by meeting with Dean Sayre, addressing the problem at the Board of Trustees' meeting, and writing letters to the Parent Board.

"It's my understanding that students were not involved in this decision," Stoehr said. The Student Government Association was not consulted or asked about the decision, according to Brandy Mulhern, S.G.A. President.

Stoehr also questions why the state track and field event precedes their graduation.

Colleges are prime targets for the spread of Meningitis

By sharing a soda or a beer or kissing, you increase your chances of catching this disease

BY SARAH SNELL
Senior News Reporter

College is one of the easiest places to catch meningitis, according to an article in The Sun on March 25, 1997.

Meningitis is contagious but difficult to contact. It is spread through saliva. This, in combination with lack of sleep, poor nutrition, and unsanitary living areas, make colleges, in particular, a prime target for the disease.

Western Maryland College has not had any cases reported, according to registrado Nurse Bonnie Bosley.

Even by sharing a soda or a beer or kissing, you are increasing your chances of getting meningitis, said state Senator Paula C. Hollinger, who is also a registered nurse.

Health experts, The Sun reported, said that it may not be a coincidence that the meningitis-related illnesses occurring at Loyola have affected athletes. Members of an athletic team often are in close proximity of each other and share water bottles.

The strain that killed 19-year-old freshman Bela Czuray at Loyola was Neisseria meningitidis, a bacterial infection. The vaccine for the bacterial infection is highly effective. The mortality rate of this type is below five percent in most medical centers, though 10 to 30 percent of those infected experience residual damage, according to Encyclopedia Americana.

The viral strain is less serious. There is no treatment of therapy available, nor is it necessary. Recovery is usually complete.

One type of meningitis, herpes simplex meningoen cephalitis, results in death for 30 to 50 percent of those infected. Results of treatment of this type of virus have varied, according to Encyclopedia Americana.

There have been 20 cases of the bacterial form in Maryland this year, according to The Sun.

Meningitis is an inflammation of the membranes surrounding the brain and spinal cord, according to Encyclopedia Americana. It can be caused by bacteria, mycobacteria, spirochetes, rickettsia, fungi, viruses and parasites.

The typical symptoms of meningitis are headache, fever, irregular pulse, drowsiness, photophobia, vomiting, back pain, and stiffness of the neck.

Diagnosis for meningitis are made by performing a lumbar puncture and examining the fluid for an increase in the number of cell and for bacteria, according to Collier's Encyclopedia.
They Might Be Giants rock Western Maryland College

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began their set. The five-man band’s upbeat tunes, highlighted by the lead singer’s keyboards, prompted plenty of cheers and dancing from the crowd.

The opening act lasted about 40 minutes, then after a 45 minute halt in the action, TMBG began their performance at 9:30.

The music lasted for well over an hour, but after nearly five minutes of cheering from the crowd, the band returned for a two-song encore. This featured what may be TMBG’s most popular and immediately recognizable song, “Istanbul (Not Constantinople).”

The band’s quirky musical style translated into a lighthearted, fun, and purely energetic live show. They opened with “S-E-X-X-Y,” a song from their latest album Factory Showroom. Within minutes a rainbow of confetti was shot from the stage and one fan in the crowd was blowing bubbles.

A lot of what made the concert as unique as TMBG’s music was the use of unusual instrumentation. There was accordion accompaniment on a few of the songs, and one featured a glockenspiel. A headbanging rendition of Maryland’s State Song provided another offbeat, memorable moment.

Another song, “Exquisite Dead Guy,” didn’t have the band performing by the CAPBoard Mainstage Concert Committee and Student Government Assembly.

The first step was to survey WMC students to get an idea of who they wanted to see. According to one student who voted, the list also contained groups such as Garbage and Elastica. Scheduling, the size of the crowd the band might draw, and money were also factors that ultimately made TMBG the school’s choice, Mulhern said.

It cost $10,000 to bring the band to WMC, plus more than $5,000 extra for sound and lights, catering, radio advertising, and other expenses, according to Mulhern. The concert was advertised on 99.1 WHFS, in order to bring others from the community to the show.

All security was handled by the Phi Sigma Sigma sorority, Sigma Phi Epsilon, and Phi Kappa Sigma fraternities, the Campus Concert Committee, Campus Safety, and an off-duty Westminster Police Officer.

Mulhern stressed that everyone involved put in their maximum effort, working from noon to 1:30 a.m. on the day of the concert.

"Everything that is done to get the band is totally student volunteer work," Mulhern said.
Two students win national awards in journalism

**STAFF REPORTS**

Two former Phoenix staff members have captured national awards in a journalism contest sponsored by the Society for Collegiate Journalists, one of the oldest honorary journalism associations in the country. Michelle A. Hamilton, '97, and Heather M. Reese, '96, each captured a third-place award in nationwide competition among some 75 college and university chapters of SCJ. Western Maryland's chapter of SCJ was formed in December, less than a week before the contest deadline. Awards were given in 18 categories for student newspapers, with first, second, third-place and honorable mention designations in each category.

Hamilton, a junior history major and former editor-in-chief of The Phoenix, earned her award for Editorial Page Design and Content. Reese, who graduated last May and now works for the Baltimore Business Journal, won third place in the News Stories (exclusive stories) category for in-depth stories last April that examined the college's ongoing efforts to retain more students. The retention articles, mainly due to a misleading headline, drew considerable administration criticism despite being essentially correct in reporting a one-year dip in the college's retention rate for the freshman class entering in 1994.

Hamilton, who served as The Phoenix editor in 1996, completely redesigned and expanded the newspaper's opinion pages and editor in 1996, completely redesigned and expanded The Phoenix's features section with articles that are more critical of the administration and its policies. Hamilton also helped to retain more students and was instrumental in the creation of the new retention program.

Reese could not be reached for comment on her SCJ award.

The Phoenix and SCJ chapter adviser Terry Dalton said he was "absolutely thrilled" by the news of the two national awards.

"I am proud of not only Michelle and Heather, but the finest student journalists I have had the pleasure of working with, but everyone on The Phoenix staff last year who helped make this recognition possible," Dalton continued.

The SCJ awards, for student journalism appearing in 1996, were announced Friday by Arthur Barlow of Clarion (Pa.) University, executive director of SCJ. Shelly A. Green of SUNY-New Paltz supervised the contest judging.

Other awards were given for college yearbooks, magazines, and broadcast stations. William Lawbaugh of Mt. St. Mary's College in Emmitsburg, Md. serves as president of SCJ's National Council. He commented Friday that the SCJ awards competition is typically dominated by the chapters at the largest universities, some of which are ten times or more the size of Western Maryland.

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**PE BLARS to be offered during January Term**

**by Faye Ingram**

Staff Writer

In the January sessions of classes for 1998, students at WMC will have the opportunity to complete one of their Physical Education basic liberal arts requirements (BLARS). Last January, Dr. Ober of the Physical Education Department was approached by the Curriculum Board, which was first asked to consider this option. The board asked Ober to think about offering some gym classes over the January Term.

Dr. Ober is concerned that this procedure may seem to "go against the principle of Jan Term," as normally Jan terms classes are those not offered in the Spring and Fall semesters. However, it was decided that the school offer a course to offer the students the opportunity to take a course that was not offered in Spring and Fall.

Dean Hornnoff expressed her approval, saying "I think it's a good thing. Students who find themselves taking one course and end up trying to take another, they can take one of the PE courses that were solicited as a way to constructively use that time."

The two gym classes that will be offered are a badminton course taught by Dr. Nielsen and a step aerobics course taught by Dr. Jennsbick and a step aerobics course taught by a student assistant. Classes will be the same as in the regular semesters, except for the need to hold class everyday to fit in the amount of sessions that are more than 200 cases of domestic violence each year.

An in the appeals to media he advocated more coverage of such problems in order to "bring it out of the darkness" and enable victims to realize that there is help available.

Other political speakers included Senator Larry Haines, Delegate Ellen Willis, and County Commissioners Richard Yates and Donald Dell. They all spoke along the theme of the necessity to educate the public about violent crimes and the need for more legislation to help victims. They praised the organized and practical vigil for bringing the problem to light and encouraging more community involvement in such issues.

Students from North Carroll High School presented two talks about sexual abuse and date rape. They gave an excellent performance, reinforcing the message that anybody and everybody is affected by sexual assault and that it can't be ignored.

Perhaps the most effective in bringing home the reality of rape were the readings by WMC students and graduates who are themselves survivors of sexual abuse. Their courage in talking about their experiences enabled the audience to really understand the horror of rape and to see firsthand how it affects the victim.

After the many speeches and presentations came the lighting of the candles. Pastor Gayle Watson of Damascus-Friendship United Methodist Church talked about the importance of spreading the light. She pointed out that rape has been happening since biblical times and that it can only be prevented by being brought out into the open.

**Candle light vigil held to bring rape out of the dark**

**by Kate Hampson**

Assistant News Editor

Every single day in America, 1,871 adult women are forcibly raped. This amounts to 78 hours each hour, or 1.3 every minute. One out of every four college women have been victims of rape or attempted rape. Thirteen percent of adult American women have been victims of at least one forcible rape in their lifetime. This is just a sample of the magnitude of the problem.

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Milstein gets down to business with VITA tax program

Perhaps one of her greatest achievements on campus is the free tax help program. In 1993, Milstein wanted to organize a program which would allow her students studying to be CPA's (Certified Public Accountant) to provide free tax help to students and low-income individuals. So she contacted the IRS and asked them to provide the basic supplies. The following two years, they received whatever amount was needed for incidentals. In the future, the free tax program will be built into the economics/business administration department budget, Milstein said.

The program requires little money because two computers were donated by Palladian Computer Company, Kaplan Computer Corporation, donated software, Staples donated a computer table, and a parent also donated a computer table. This program has been so well put together and organized by Milstein that the IRS used her method of running the program as a model at the regional conference for IRS agents three years ago.

Impressed yet? On top of her teaching and running the tax program, she has had her own accounting company, Keisler and Milstein, for the past 15 years. The company serves approximately 150 clients and added 10 this year, she noted.

She has also owned her own invitation business for the past 28 years. It came into existence when her husband Marvin worked for a printing company and, after the third call from a customer inquiring about invitations, he called Susan and asked if she wanted to go into business. She remarked what a great money-maker this business would be if she only had more time to devote to it.

Milstein has covered a lot of ground having two master's degrees. Recently she was asked to be the chairwoman for a committee, specifically Members in Education, of the Maryland Association of Certified Public Accountants (MACPA). The MACPA represents almost 10,000 CPA's in the state of Maryland, This is the organization that awarded her the "Outstanding College Accounting Teacher of the Year" in 1992.

Despite all her career achievements, Milstein still regards teaching and her involvement at WMC as being most important to her. Her active life in the WMC community has included the rape-crisis program, teaching mahjongg, Jan term course for the past four years, advising trumpeters, and advising the sorority Alpha Nu Omega for 12 years.

Anyone can see her admiration for Alpha Nu Omega by just stepping into her office which is filled with pandas, the sorority mascot. This panda craze started in Milstein's second year of teaching at WMC. Five of her students were Omegas and they invited her to a meeting and later asked her to become their advisor.

"Mrs. M.", as the girls call her, remembered the feeling that engulfed her at that first meeting: "I could tell it was right because the girls were so full of life." Even Milstein's daughters, Jen and Debbie, observed what a special thing Alpha Nu Omega was and after years of growing up with the sorority they became sisters with their mom as an adviser. When Jen was asked what it was like having "mom" as an adviser, she said, "My mom knew a good place to be and I felt the same thing."

Last spring Milstein gave up advising the sorority, rape crisis, and teaching mahjongg. Fortunately, she was forced to give up these activities because her tax business is growing rapidly and the MACPA committee is time consuming.

It appears that Milstein will never let one aspect of her life take up all her time because, as John put it, "She is energetic and always willing to fit students into her schedule and do it happily."
College television is reborn at WMC

Addition of new networks and "alternative college" programming on Channel 17 makes for exciting viewing after a two-year hiatus

BY NIKKI KASSOLIS
Assistant Features Editor

For sports fans there is ESPN. For music enthusiasts there is MTV. And now for the Western Maryland College fanatic there is Channel 17.

Channel 17 has resurfaced following a two year hiatus, according to assistant professor of communication Robert Lemieux. He was asked to be the advisor of the station last fall.

Stolen equipment, lack of funds, and no studio were some of the problems facing Channel 17. But after receiving a grant from the SGA, buying new equipment, and putting a studio together in the basement of Rouzer, Lemieux looks forward to the "rebirth" of Channel 17.

At the helm of this "rebirth" is station manager Tim Gill, a senior communication major. Gill became interested in Channel 17 after reading about it in a WMC viewbook he received while in high school. When Gill arrived at WMC, he was disappointed to find the station nonexistent. "Let's bring it back," he said, deciding to dedicate his time to this project.

"We're up and running again," Gill said. The station is on the air seven days a week from 7 p.m. until 1 a.m. On Tuesday nights new movies are broadcasted on Channel 17 and are rebroadcasted the following Monday night. Past movies have included "Clueless" and "The Phantom."

Channel 17 also shows free programs sent to the station from outside sources. "Burly Bear" and "Da Spot," are examples of these "alternative college" shows. "These are shown at a lot of the big universities," Gill said.

As for local programming, Channel 17 broadcasts "WMC in Brief," a news show that looks at the major campus events of the past week, and a "Work in Review." According to Lemieux, Channel 17 also airs a student produced movie review show and an investment program hosted by WMC alumni, Christopher Orcawsili.

In addition to the "rebirth" of Channel 17, two new cable stations have been added to regular cable service at WMC. Lemieux continues on page 9

WMC offers study abroad opportunity in Budapest

BY NIKKI KASSOLIS
Assistant Features Editor

Have you ever wanted to spend a semester abroad? Have you ever dreamed of taking in the sights and sounds of a foreign culture? You are not alone. AsstantFeatures Editor Robert Chambers reports.

"Budapest is a remarkable, magical place which is rich in history and culture. The public transportation system and the fact that English is spoken at the universities makes it possible: one can be eating in a dining hall.

Perhaps the most attractive feature of this study abroad opportunity is the cost. Study abroad in Budapest would cost a WMC student to study in Budapest.

"Budapest is a remarkable, magical place and one that will change your life if you take the opportunity to live there for three months," she said.

O'Connell visited Budapest for a week and describes the city as rich in history and culture. The public transportation system and the fact that English is spoken at the universities makes it possible:

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While the school's size allows it to offer only a limited number of courses, the program directors are willing to work with the student's individual needs. "If somebody can define what they want to do, then we can do our best to work it out," said O'Connell who adds this may involve independent study courses and internships.

Proost Joan Coley encourages WMC students to take part in this study abroad opportunity. "The experience in general is enriching and Budapest itself is spectacular," she said. Coley has been to Budapest five times and describes it as a "very cosmopolitan city."

Students who choose to study in Budapest will live in apartments with other WMC students. They will be given money for their meals and will have the option of eating in a dining hall.

If you are interested in studying in Budapest in the fall of '97, contact Martine Motard-Nour at x467 or 857-2467. You can also reach her by e-mail at mntard@1.wmc.ecar.md.us. The deadline for registration at WMC-Budapest for the fall semester is in early June.

Dundes coordinates apprenticeship program

IYAM makes WMC students into mentors

BY ARTHUR DUNDES
features editor

This summer, WMC students who would like to spend their vacation helping improve the lives of others, need look no further.

Since last year, Western Maryland College has sponsored a "Community-Based Strategic Learning Prevention Program," called Integrated Youth Apprenticeship Method (IYAM) that is coordinated by Dr. Lauren Dundes, professor of sociology. It focuses on the problems in communities where youth face violent street life without proper career guidance or constructive activities.

According to Dundes, IYAM "provides a foundation for stability" by reaching out to areas in East Baltimore through student mentors. These college mentors provide valuable role models to the youths, stressing the importance of education, values, goals, and discussing how to deal with anger.

IYAM also provides opportunities for the children to participate in activities with the guidance of the mentors. These activities range from field trips to museums, to being taught to make their own African drums and performing basic drumming techniques for Baltimore's mayor, Kurt Schmoke. They also gain exposure to vocational and career opportunities, community service projects, that includes preparing an art exhibit in city hall, visit places like Chuck E. Cheese, and even take a week-long camping trip.

"The key to IYAM's success is sending the right message to the children. That is why the mentors are so important. Dundes explained that they provide hope and inspiration to youth at-risk of delinquency. The role models help the children realize that they can do anything they want, do anything they want and even go to college. In order to obtain this though, Dundes noted, "We need the right kind of staff whom children will respect." She said this is necessary to build up trust between the staff and children which explains why there is only about one staff member to every three children, providing an environment ideal for bonding.

This summer IYAM will be funded by the Goldsmith Family Foundation with $10,000 in matching funds. Johns Hopkins Hospital's Corporate and Community Relations will fund $8,000 and the Carpet Cleaner (a privately owned business) also has pledged $2,000. However, Dundes said that financial needs for IYAM is needed because increased funding can allow for more children to be served with more stimulating activities.

AWMC students are encouraged to be a part of IYAM. There are some paid positions available for students who would be good role models for African-American youth. Dundes wants students to be a part of the program because they help and volunteer among the lives of these children, their community, and their future. For more information contact Dr. Lauren Dundes at extension or (410) 857-2534.
WMC students gaining real-world experience through internships

BY NIKKI BELANGER  Staff Writer

While most students are busy on campus, some are experiencing the "real world" off campus.

Approximately 50 students this semester are participating in internships from areas such as journalism, business, and politics. "We've even had students design web sites for different companies," said Joseph Carter, senior lecturer for business administration.

Two political science majors, Aaron Corbett and Andy Kalisperis, are interning in Congressman Roscoe Bartlett's Carroll County office. Dr. Herbert Smith, political science professor, mentioned the opportunity to both students who were interviewed and selected by a district assistant under Bartlett.

"It's a good start off-point and a great experience," Corbett, a sophomore, said. One of their tasks is addressing the problems of voting members in Bartlett's district. Corbett and Kalisperis fill out a request for the Congressman and then write a letter to the proper agency on behalf of the voter. They also keep up with the problem and update the voter on any progress made.

Both students work under Phil Straw, one of Congressman Bartlett's top aides. "He challenges us to think about politics," said Kalisperis, who is a junior. Straw and several other assistants share their experience and advice and have helped both students with their resumes.

Junior Jen Vick, an English major, and Straw have been meeting, interns at the Carroll County Bureau of The Baltimore Sun two days a week for the Carroll County Bureau of Baltimore Sun. "They have helped both students with their internship because students in the different companies," said Joseph Carter, senior lecturer for business administration.

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Vick has written over ten stories that have been published. She is learning valuable interviewing skills and the way a newspaper works, especially with deadlines. At a recent press conference, Vick was able to interview Senator Barbara Mikulski, and one of her more memorable experiences was writing a story on and listening to Stan Stovall, a news anchor for Channel 2 news, give a speech at Liberty High School during Black History Month.

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Approximately 20 students earn additional credit for hours spent doing the free tax help that is offered to low-income people. Features editor Jen Vick contributed to this article

Cruising the Chesapeake Bay with music and romance

BY JEN VICK  Features Editor

The Inner Harbor lights grew dim as the Bay Lady ventured out onto the Chesapeake Bay, carrying WMC couples that lingered by the boat's rail and friends who cut a rug on the dance floor.

Although the damp cool weather overshadowed the evening's moonlight, the annual Moonlight Cruise sponsored by CAPBoard was a sold-out success. "All the feed back I've gotten so far is pretty positive about people enjoying it," said senior Kendra Jones, who helped organize the event as vice-president of CAPBoard and head of the Mainstage committee.

For freshman Erin Howard, 1997's Moonlight Cruise was her first. "In high school you had formals, but being on the cruise added an extra element that made it more exciting," she said.

"The difficult thing is it looks fun but you have to write and you have to shoot and you have to edit. The fun stuff comes with the realization that commitment is involved," said Lemieux. A group of about 15 students are responsible for the new Channel 17.

"If anybody out there has an idea for a television show or wants to be involved in television production, come on down, don't be shy," he said.
WMC Baseball sends Washington home: 6-5 CC record

They are currently on a roll after two consecutive wins over both Washington and Swarthmore

BY DAN GARD  Sports Editor

Strank: That is the one word that probably best describes Western Maryland’s baseball team this season.

The Green Terror entered Centennial Conference play with a solid 8-3 record, but proceeded to lose their first four conference games, two to Franklin and Marshall and two more at the hands of Johns Hopkins. They followed that by winning their next six games, defeating Washington, McDaniel, and Swarthmore each twice, and then losing 13-6 to Gettysburg, making their conference record 6-5.

Earlier in the season head coach Dave Seibert has said that run production would be the key to the team’s success. This was evident in the two streaks as the Green Terror went on a 15 run winning streak in the four losses, but nearly 10 runs per contest in the six wins. Senior Rick Estes has been one of the reasons for the sudden turnaround, scoring, having four home runs in the last four games, including two in the second game of a double header against Swarthmore on April 13, earning him a spot on the Centennial Conference Honor Roll for that week.

“It’s been a big spark. When you have a guy that’s going to hit home runs like that, that’s a big spark to your offens,” he hit four home runs in the second game against Swarthmore.

“We lost our composure there. We made a lot of mistakes, you can’t do that against really anybody and expect to win. We would have

You’ve got to put it in perspective. It’s one game. You have to make corrections, you have to learn from your loss and the mistakes you’ve made. We have nine games left and our goal is to go out and try to win every game we play,” Seibert said. “We have the opportunity to win nine more. We can beat anybody on our schedule if we play well...we play well.”

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Despite the five losses in conference play, Seibert says he is pleased with his team’s play, and he expects good things from them during the rest of the season.

“We’ve had a combination of good pitching, our offense really has been more than good enough. We’ve been solid. We’ve been well played up to the Gettysburg game,” he said.

One highlight on the pitching staff this year has been the relief work of freshman Brent Fuchs. Fuchs picked up saves in both of the double header against Swarthmore.

“Mr. lax checking off opponents

BY JULIE EDWARDS  Sports Editor

Men’s lacrosse is raving the centennial conference this season. The Green Terror play on the toughest schedules in Division III lacrosse, but you would never know based on their record.

The men are now 9-4 after an exciting upset win against Gettysburg last week, and a win over Haverford. On April 9, WMC hosted eighth-ranked Gettysburg. Junior Bo Schrott helped Western Maryland secure the win in the fourth quarter with a goal and an assist, and senior goal-tender John Torpy made the Centennial Conference Weekly Honor Roll for his performance of 17 saves that game.

Three days later, the Green Terror came back from a 3-0 deficit to defeat Haverford 11-8. With this win, WMC climbed to tenth on the national Division III poll and tied the school record for most consecu- tive wins. Sophomore Jeremy Kober recorded three goals and one assist in the win.

The Green Terror are having a phenomenal season. Including their win against Gettysburg, they have won 15 runs, heading into the April 15 game against Gettysburg. Davis was leading the team with 16 goals and 37 assists. Marciello and Marino added two goals and four assists each. Schrott helped Western Maryland secure the win in the fourth quarter with a goal.

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Track athletes run toward championship

BY JULIE EDWARDS  Sports Editor

The Western Maryland track and field teams are having a phenomenal season. Competing against Division I schools like Penn State, the athletes are running strong.

After the Shippensburg Invitational on April 12, the men and ladies each placed eighth out of fifteen competitions. The men competed against Penn State in the 5,000, the 100 in the 100 and 400 hazards, as well as the two record setting relay teams at Colonial, and Erin Williams with the 3rd farthest shot put and fourth fastest 800 meter run.

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The other men’s relay set a school record at Colonial was the sprint medley combination of Chris Hydon, De Freitas, Mike West, and including Josh Beck currently has the longest throw in the conference in the javelin, Gary Parsons the second best discus in the conference, and Matt Hollfus is fourth in the pole vault with a height of twelve feet. Arron currently has the topscore in the 100 and long jump, sec- ond in the 200 and triple in addition to his pole vault.

He won the event with a time of 11.09 in the final, as well as capturing the triple jump. Wilson won both the triple jump and the long jump with leaps 13 inches and 18 inches beyond her closest competitor.

Athletes who have been instrumen- tal this season include Wilson, Cynthia Callen in long distances with a fourth in the mile and seventh in the 200, Hannah Anderson in the 100 and 400 hurdles, and Erin Williams with the 3rd farthest shot put and fourth fastest 800 meter run.

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Giorno, North: kindred Lacrosse spirits

BY MIKE PUSKAR

Here’s the story of a likeness and a lob-ber (no, it’s not a fable). It all started when a little girl of about five or six picked up a basketball. This sport led little Amy North into her stunning ath-letic career. North first picked up lacrosse in seventh grade because it was something new. She continued to play, somewhat influ-enced by her elder brother’s participation in men’s lacrosse. North attended Liberty High in Sykesville, MD, playing lacrosse there all four years and becoming co-senior captain with WMC defender Natalie Hannibal. Her highest honor while playing was being named Player of the Day. Following that, the second half was similar. Though no goals were scored immediately, the ball kept changing sides constantly. WMC eventually won 18-8 (12-3 @ home). Zimmerly led with five goals and one assist, with Bellucci not far behind with five goals. Gribbin, who became player of the day, scored twice and had two assists, while the captains each scored two. North and Berger scored as well.

As for future plans in lacrosse, North and Giorno would like to coach high school, the latter being the team’s secret weapon. Berger is not a starter, but whenever she substitutes, she is bound to score. Boden, Wagner and freshmen Meghan Giorno each had one goal and one assist. North also scored, and Bellucci lent an assist.

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Softball success in conference surprises young squad

The Lady Terrors are 13-5 overall, 10-1 at the top of the Centennial Conference

Sophomore Kim Ruprecht strives to reach base before the throw. Ruprecht leads the women this season with her strong, consistent pitching.

By DAN GADO
Staff Writer

If you hear the sound of explosions emanating from somewhere near WMC's practice fields, don't be alarmed, it just means WMC's softball team has a game.

The offensive numbers put up by this year's softball team are overpowering. Just ask any WMC opponent. They have used this power to earn them a 10-1 record in the Centennial Conference and first place (13-5 overall).

The Green Terror had the top two hitters in the Centennial Conference, the top two home run hitters, and three of the top four run scorers heading into their April 16 double header with Dickinson.

Julie Mathias ranked second behind Ruprecht in batting average (.680), and home runs (3).

No one else in the conference was even close to these two in batting average or home runs, as the third ranking batting average was below .600, and no one else in the conference had more than one home run.

"Where most teams are fighting, and sacrificing, and clawing for a run, we're going for the three run blast," said head coach George Dix.

Dix wasn't quite sure how the team would do when the season began. He says the loss of key players from last year's team left some question marks heading into this season. He was pleased, however, to see some of those voids filled by Mathias' development as a player.

"We're just surprised by the way she has been hitting the ball with power. I think that gave us an extra lift. That may be the difference right now. She's been a big surprise," said Dix.

Along with Mathias, Dix says he looks to Backof, Kari Thompson, and January Scott to help keep the team on top.

According to Dix, when "the game is close or something like that, they have that little extra drive to reach back for a little extra. That's been the big thing, I think, to give us the edge. Whenever we need a big hit or something, one of those four have been able to come through for us."

Western Maryland's only loss in conference play this season was in the first game of an April 5 double header against Washington College. The Green Terror were trailing 13-1 before making a furious comeback to tie the game at 13, sending it into extra innings.

Washington, however, was able to capture the victory in the ninth, scoring two runs without getting a hit.

The second game of the double header was also exciting. With the score tied at 4, Backof was able to get a single with one out in the bottom of the seventh inning, driving in the winning run and handing WMC the win.

The Green Terror faced Messiah on April 10, a team which was ranked #2 in the NCAA Division III East Region, but they did not back down. The Green Terror were narrowly defeated 3-2. After giving up 2 runs in the first inning, pitcher Amy Cipolloni took control, only giving up the run the rest of the game.

Western Maryland's usually explosive bats, however, were only able to muster four hits, two of them from Kari Thompson.

Since that time the Green Terror are 4-1, with all four victories coming over Centennial Conference foes Muhlenberg and Dickinson.

The only loss being an 8-5 defeat to non-conference York.

Amy Cipolloni earned a spot on the Centennial Conference Honor Roll for her performances against Messiah and the opening game of the double header against Muhlenberg. "She's done a good job for us. She doesn't have the speed, but she's able to move the ball around and keep them off balance. Her control is probably her biggest asset," Dix said of her.

In the opening game of the April 16 double header against Dickinson, the Green Terror launched four home runs, two coming from Mathias. Gina Hughes and Backof also homered. Stacie Healy added a home run in the second game to give WMC live on the day.

While WMC's bats have been giving opposing pitchers headaches, Kim Ruprecht has helped keep other teams at bay. She currently has an E.R.A. of 1.42, giving up only one run in her last game against Dickinson.

With no seniors on the team, Dix is looking forward to having an excellent team next year. "Anytime you don't have any seniors, you have your top players returning, plus a couple of new people to add to it. It's something a coach looks forward to, especially when you're having a good season," he said.

Before the team looks into the future, they must get ready for double headers against Unions and Gettysburg, both of whom are still in contention for the championship.

Tennis endures rebuilding season

The Green Terror tennis team began this season with three goals in mind: developing as a team, developing a positive team attitude, and not worrying about wins and losses.

Both the women and men are in the middle of the conference which is real good at this stage. I didn't expect that," Lopez commented on his ladies squad.

Junior Kim Keller is playing the number one spot, followed by surprise success Lars Henderson. Henderson is a freshman, but fourth in the conference in her position. She is 3-2 in Centennial Conference.
Open forum challenges graduation date of ‘98

BY NIKKI BELANGER
staff writer

On Monday, May 5, about 50 students from the junior class met in the Decker Center Forum to devise a plan of attack to have graduation in 1996 changed back to the Saturday of the week following finals.

"We want to deal with this in the most professional manner possible," said Lynnae Stoehr, next year's senior class president. The group discussed several ways to have the students' concerns addressed. They passed a petition around to different campus organizations and students, and parents are writing letters to the administration.

"There is huge student concern and a disgruntled student body," Stoehr said.

After answering questions to clear up any misunderstandings, the group addressed what actions they would take if the graduation date was not changed back to Saturday.

Among the several possibilities is boycotting Senior Pride, which is an annual project the seniors undertake by soliciting classmates to donate money for a project on campus. Another possibility is refusing to donate any money once graduated, as future alumni.

"I foresee a huge problem," said Assistant Director of Annual Giving Vanessa Berger, who added that many times if alumni have had a problem with the administration in the past, they have often refused to donate any money to the college.

Sara Beth Reyburn, next year's senior class Student Government Association representative, met with Berger to discuss the chance that Senior Pride may be used as a bargaining tool.

Although she has no control over the situation, Berger said she is willing to do whatever she can to help the junior class by passing any information she has on to her boss Stevenson W. Close Jr., Associate Vice President and Director of Development, who can relay it to the administration.

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WMC STUDENT CHARGED WITH THEFT OF PHOENIX

ACCUSED TO APPEAR BEFORE HONOR AND CONDUCT BOARD TOMORROW AFTERNOON

BY KATE HAMSON
Assistant News Editor

A WMC student is to be brought before the Honor and Conduct Board on Friday, May 9 over the recent theft of the Phoenix.

More than 1,300 copies of the April 24 edition of the paper were taken from Decker Student Center on Wednesday 23, sometime between 2:30 and 4 p.m. Renews Times "Time limit," but a day early and were standing outside the post office awaiting distribution.

The student will be called in front of three charges of misconduct dishonestly, intentional obstruction or disruption of teaching, research, administration, disciplinary proceedings, or other college activities; and stealing, concealing, defacing, or damaging college property.

The newspaper featured an article about a recent housing incident by Phi Sigma Sigma sorority. The incident involved psychological pressure and mental?harrassing. Before the paper was printed, the sorority had asked the Phoenix not to publish the story. They did so in a way that left staff members feeling as though they were being bullied, although no specific threats were made.

It is not known whether the student coming before the board is a member of Phi Sigma Sigma and this information will be released until after the hearing is completed, sometime before the end of the semester.

If the board finds the individual responsible, he or she faces sanctions ranging from a warning to expulsion, according to Dean of Student Affairs Phil Sayre. The investigation is being conducted by Campus Safety, who are referring to some suspiscions, although Director of Campus Safety Mike Webster said that he had talked to a lot of people, including members of Phi Sigma Sigma. However, he stressed that many people had been spoken to and said that it would be "impossible to focus on the sorority." The Phoenix is hopeful that the perpetrators will be found and punished.

Editor Carolyn Barnes said that it was "really frustrating" to discover that the newspapers were missing. She explained that a lot of work goes into the newspaper and that the stolen edition had been particularly difficult as there were computer problems. She said, "I'd like to find out who the culprit was not at least have them pay for the reprint."

The newspaper was reissued the following day at a cost of $392 and placed in students' mailboxes, to prevent the theft from recurring.

The Phoenix is hopeful that the perpetrators will be found and punished. The Honor and Conduct Board will not be taken off-campus.

The Honor and Conduct Board is a committee made up of two students and two faculty members, chaired by Assistant Dean of Student Affairs Scott Kane. The board will examine the information and decide on punishment.

Overcrowding resident halls not to be a problem in Fall

Transfer acceptance are not due until July 15.

According to Director of Admissions Marty O'Connell the number of students is "not way up, but they were way down."

new students. Typically 80 to 90 percent of new students are residents. O'Connell said. If overcrowding ever does occur, Kane said that houses the school has rented to the general public can be used and taken for students.

Some single rooms can be made into doubles and doubles into triples. Kane said. Also, the long range plan to renovate the residence hall should aid this problem.

In addition to practical and cosmetic changes to Blanche Ward and Rouzer Halls this summer, Pennsylvania Avenue houses 147, 171, and 189 will be converted from rentals to house students, according to the Proposed Residence Hall Renovations Timeline" by the Long Range Planning Committee.

In the Summer of 1998, Albert Street Hall will be renovated to have large suite-style accommodations, according to the report.

In the next year...

Spring 1997
All residence Halls fire alarm systems tied to central annunciator in Campus Safety office
Summer 1997
Rouzer Hall replace beds, desks and chairs in student rooms refurbish lobby furniture cut door form RLC office to lobby Blanche Ward Hall add lighting in hallways repair plaster, stipples and paint, and carpet hallways refresh doors replace lobby carpet with floor tile or rubber matting

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SPECIAL EDITION:
Spring Flung photo spread

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Western Maryland College
Thursday, May 8, 1997
Censorship is an ugly thing. Everyone opposes censorship, right? Maybe not. Last Wednesday someone decided to abscond with almost the entire run of *The Phoenix*. Was Censorship their motive? And if so, what did they fear?

Censorship is the realm of cowards and those whose ideas are so weak as to be unable to withstand any scrutiny. What has a strong, righteous individual to fear from the free exchange of ideas? The answer is nothing. Nothing at all. If the papers were taken to oppress the freedom of speech, that is censorship in its most raw form. The Nazis used to burn books to prevent the spread of ideas they were uncomfortable with. This cowardly theft is not better.

One might ask how can a free publication be stolen? The answer is very easy. The *Phoenix* is free to every one so long as each person takes a reasonable number. Almost 1,300 is not reasonable mount for any person or group to take. As a matter of fact it is felony theft. Think about that, a felony. Even if you avoid prison, you lose the right to vote. A felony conviction does not impress many employers and you lose other rights and privileges of being a citizen. I hope whoever pulled this stunt thinks it was worth it.

As an aside, the Western Maryland College Association of Deaf Education sent me this note: "Hope who ever pulled this stunt thinks it was worth it."

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The paper welcomes free-lance submissions on Macintosh disks in most word processor formats. The editor reserves the right to edit for clarity, length, and libel and to publish as space permits. All submissions (excluding self-addressed diskettes) become the property of *The Phoenix* and cannot be returned.

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**FELONY THEFT OF PHOENIX BEING PERCEIVED AS COLLEGE PRANK**

The disappearance of more than 1,300 editions of the last issue of *The Phoenix* leads us to believe that some individual or group did not wish others to read it. It is our responsibility and our right as journalists to report the news and we will not be intimidated by any effort to stifle it.

If the aim of stealing the paper was to silence WMC news, it actually had the opposite effect. Each student personally received a reprint of the paper. Articles have appeared in the Sun, the Carroll County Times, the AP wire, and Channel 7 news has questioned about the incident. There is so much publicity surrounding this issue because it is not merely a college prank. Aside from violating the school's code of conduct, *The Carroll County Times* stated in their coverage of this issue that, "It is a felony to steal anything worth $300 or more and the maximum penalty is 15 years in prison and a $1,000 fine. It is also illegal in Maryland to steal newspapers and the maximum penalty is 60 days in jail and a $500 fine.

As you can see, this is a serious crime which is an insult to the constitution, our staff, the college, and the campus community. However, although it

suited the college, *The Phoenix* feels the college is taking this matter too lightly. The Phoenix questions Don Schumaker's statement which appeared in the Sunday, April 27 edition of *The Sun*, "Schumaker said, 'If a student or a group is found to be involved, the matter will be treated as a violation of [rules of] student conduct....' If non students are involved, he said, criminal charges would likely be filed."

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

WMCADE Responds to "Soapbox"

We, Western Maryland College Association of Deaf Education (WMCADE), are writing a response to the "Soapbox" article in the April 8, 1997 issue of the *Phoenix*. First, we would like to say that we originally were going to speak directly with the author of the article, Adam Dean, but he refused to do so. We have since decided to have our voice heard by all. We would like to comment on the statement: "...I hear a man sitting next to me kind of grunting. I figure, okay, he is probably one of the deaf grad students. They sometimes make noises and don't realize it. I usually ignore it unless they get really loud...."

Our first question is, what do you do when a deaf person gets really loud? Our second question is, whether yourself or any other person that you consulted, have ever had contact with the Deaf culture or of Deaf people? There are many people in this world who believe that because they see Deaf people everyday, it means they are educated in the culture, mores, and personal mannerisms of Deaf people.

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The term "grunting" that was used in this article is very offensive and we would like to take a minute of your time to explain how comments such as this one has affected the culture in the past. An example occurred in 1880. This is when 164 men gathered in Italy to do away with all sign languages around the world. All deaf schools from that point on would be under the oral (lip reading) method. The final vote for oralism stood as follows: 159 hearing voted for the resolution, and 4 hearing and one deaf voted against it. This event forced Deaf people around the world to communicate in an unnatural manner. Almost 100 years later (1976) this Milan enactment was finally rescinded. Because of this 100 year forced persecution there are still many Deaf people who, out of habit, use their voice when communicating with hearing people. For many years, the Deaf schools could not communicate among each other outside of the classroom, in the native language; but when they talked with their hearing teachers they were forced to use this simulated language.

There are several Deaf people who still have the habit of code switching when conversing with hearing people. The comment made in the paper that Deaf people "grunt" makes them seem like animals who do not know how to communicate through any means of other than savage grunts.

We would first like to explain the spelling of 'D' eaf. The 'D' is capitalized to signify that the person/people we are discussing are actually part of the Deaf culture and therefore not relating to them as an auditory unit.

The Phoenix feels the same action should be taken whether the culprit is a student or a non student. The theft of the newspapers is no less a crime for a student than it is for non student. *The Phoenix* does not desire to see anyone do jail time, but it feels leaving the issue to the school authorities would only result in a slap on the wrist. This is a felony whether it occurred on the confines of our campus or not.

The schools desire to prevent negative publicity will only enable the recurrence of future incidents similar to this one.

*The Phoenix* understands that this publicity is negative and does not portray the school in the most positive of lights. Yet not taking formidable action will be even worse for the school's image.

This is a crime committed against Western Maryland students, most likely by fellow students. What kind of message does the college wish to send to it's students? One that says, "Hey, it's okay to blatantly disrespect your fellow students' time and hard work."

Does the school really want to support censorship and theft? *The Phoenix* does not.

The above editorial is the opinion of the Phoenix's editorial board, not any one individual.

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WMCADE holds open meetings, usually, on the first Tuesday of every month and we would be very pleased to see some new faces there who are curious about the Deaf culture, Deaf education, or Deaf people in general. To confirm a date of the next meeting please feel free to e-mail us at wmcade@truxton.com. We hope that all of you have learned something new about a wonderful world and may even want to explore it more.

WMCADE Representatives
Graduating seniors reflect on past four years at WMC

BY SARAH SIECKE AND LISA T. HILL
Contributing Writers

With a mixture of nostalgia and relief at the close of another chapter of their lives, the graduating class of 1997 looks back on their four years at WMC as they prepare for Commencement on May 24.

In the past few weeks, surveys have been distributed to randomly chosen seniors, asking them to express their feelings about WMC. Half of those who responded were women and half were men. There was also a good balance between commuters and residential students.

The results of the survey varied, but one thing was held in common: these seniors have many special memories to take with them.

Although students spend the majority of their college days in classes and doing work, much time is spent developing lasting friendships and relationships with others.

When asked what her most vivid memory of WMC will be 10 years down the road, communication major Shea Henyon said, "I don't think I'll have one particular memory, but I will look back and think of a lot of terrific memories and very special friendships.

Business administration and economics major Ryan John said that his best friends-Randy, Mike, Andy, Pete, Brian, Kevin, Drew, and Donald-will be his most vivid recollection.

Likewise, sociology major Brian Calley said, "Playing on the baseball team and making a bunch of great friends" will be his best memory.

In addition to sharing their fondest memories, seniors were also asked to rate their experience at WMC, number one being "the worst decision [they] have ever made" and 10 being "the best time of [their] life." Most of the answers ranged between seven and nine.

"I strongly believe that WMC was very important in making me the person I am today," said art and history major Heidi Snyder. "I have become open-minded and have acquired great leadership skills.

"Even after spending four years at WMC, seniors leaving in less than a month also had advice for incoming first-year students as well as current underclassmen.

Communication major Jim Boiecourt, who gave WMC an eight, said, "I've only made one better decision, [but] WMC also loses a point for not serving the tastiest food around."

One of the main complaints these seniors expressed was the inadequacy of the social life on campus. Communication and theater major Kristen Olsh wrote that the "continuous 'crack-down' on all levels of student revolvy has 'become ridiculous.'"

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On a more cultural note, art and communication major Calvin Lineberger said he would have liked to have a more diverse campus with more students.

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Changing Quiet Hours

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The Phoenix was recently made aware of a proposal by Director of Residence Life Scott Kane to push the start of quiet hours back from 9 o'clock to ten or even later.

This reporter thinks that is a great idea. This is a great idea and a very pragmatic one. The quiet hours as they now exist are difficult to enforce and do not reflect the reality most college students face living on campus.

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Under these conditions having quiet hours start as early as 9 p.m. is ridiculous. At 9 o'clock most nights the evening is really just beginning. I myself work late and don't usually get home until after nine. As the rules are now, I can not listen to my radio at any volume other than a moderate one, or watch television if the sound might disturb the neighbors.

Although changing quiet hours from 9 p.m. to beginning at 10 p.m. would be a minor change, I disagree entirely. Residence Life has recently proposed this change in quiet hours because they believe it would be more practical for a college campus, as most students are not going to bed at this time, and Resident Assistants say that it would be much easier to enforce. True, it is much more practical for those interested social interaction, but what about those who occasionally would like to study? Isn't that one of the major reasons we are here?

Particularly busy students do not even begin their homework until later in the evening and 9 p.m. seems like prime time to begin. It would be impractical for everyone seeking some peace and quiet to go to the library to study. Of course there are other places on campus to study but, some people, like myself, enjoy the convenience and comfort of studying in their room and are entitled to do so without excessive noise and distraction.

No, quiet hours are not conducive to blaring your stereo or television, or shouting in the halls, but these acts are annoying and inappropriate at any time of day. Therefore, I do not support changing quiet hours simply to allow people to listen to their stereos or talk to people from opposite ends of the hall a little while longer, which seems to me to be the primary argument for changing them.

Although the dreaded math proficiency test will not be required for the incoming class of 2001, political science major Leslie Kirkwood reminds other students to take it before their last semester on the Hill.

"Take the math and math class as soon as you can," said Kirkwood. "By the time you're a senior, you have little time, and it's a lot of unneeded pressure."

Boicourt suggested bringing a computer to school and making sure it is a Macintosh with ClarisWorks.

A majority of the seniors suggested others should make the most of their college years. "Do your work, but enjoy your four years here, because they'll be over before you know it," said Calley.

As for the academic side of things, John and communication major Jeanine Willes advised students to get to know their professors.

"Get involved in as many activities as possible, and get to know as many people as possible, including students, faculty, and administration," John said. "Not only do you build lasting relationships, you can get things done more effectively."

Although these seniors cannot speak for the entire graduating class, their classmates would surely agree that while they are happy to be moving on to "bigger and better things," a part of them will always miss their days at WMC.

BY ADAM DEAN
Editors Co-editor

One might argue that by extending the quiet hours the time available to students to study hassle free is reduced. This would be a convincing argument if it were not so irrelevant in real life. First of all, quiet hours are inconsistently and erratically enforced by the RAs. In some locations quiet hours are no more than suggestions. Second, no one is ever hassle free on a college campus. You get phone calls, people drop by, the nine yards wide. And third, there are plenty of locations in which to study. The library has permanent quiet hours. That is why I always do most of my studying and reading for class there. If you want, sit outside on a pleasant day, go down to Harvey Stone Park or sit in Red Square. You can even study in Docker Center most nights.

Even though most college students face living on campus, the present quiet hours are not severely or strictly enforced. Generally, those being extremely noisy only receive warnings, only in extreme cases do they get documented. Keeping this in mind, it is difficult to say that an excess of pointless noise violations is a real issue.

If quiet hours began at 9 p.m. on weekends, I would be one of the first people to say that they should be pushed back or even abolished. But they don't, weekend quiet hours are moderated to be conducive to the social lives of college students, just as the weekday quiet hours, beginning at nine are conducive to students desiring to study.

The Phoenix would be pleased for the benefit of those wishing to concentrate and for those who are unaware of the ways of common courtesy. They are not really not that inconvienient or difficult to abide by the way they are right now. Honestly, I believe it is said that quiet hours even need to be established. Wouldn't it be nice if everyone was just considerate?"
May means music at Western Maryland

By Emily Stamatis

A required first year course for freshmen and omission of a lab science are just two of the changes that will affect incoming freshmen with the implementation of new Basic Liberal Arts Requirements this fall.

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Levine Music Hall to receive a much needed addition

BY MICHELLE L. HILL

Levine Hall, one of the music buildings on campus, will soon be getting bigger. Levine is the oldest building on campus, and as of this year, it has not been greatly renovated. The recital hall did receive minor renovation a few years ago. However, this building can no longer completely house the music department.

Due to the growing number of music majors, and music minors, Levine can no longer accommodate the academic class. There are only two real classrooms in the building, the recital hall and a classroom on the third floor.

According to Dr. Margaret Boudreaux, the president of Levine Hall and the Music Department, the building, the recital hall and third floor, are in need of renovations. For example, the practice rooms and lessons rooms are in desperate need of soundproofing. The library will also have a computer with software to accommodate the growing program. Dr. Boudreaux feels that this administration is happy, proud, and pleased with this music program at WMC. She also feels that they are also frustrated by the fact that they could not do something sooner to accommodate the growing program. Dr. Boudreaux will soon be going on sabatical and she hopes that this project will have some closure before she leaves.

Before construction begins, some trees will have to be removed and also the generator and air conditioners which are located between Alumni Hall and Levine hall will be moved.

PASSOVER CELEBRATED ON CAMPUS BY MANY STUDENTS

Students attending this year's seder meal enjoyed a delicious meal while observing one of Judaism's oldest holidays and traditions.

By Faye Ingram

On Tuesday, April 24, the Jewish Student Union held a seder dinner to celebrate the holiday of Passover. The seder is a special meal held at Passover to help Jewish families remember what their ancestors went through in Egypt and how God delivered them from the Egyptians. This year's ceremony was led by the father of the Jewish Student Union's advisor, Sue Singer. Attendees took turns reading from the Haggadah, a special book that tells the story of Passover and gives instructions on how the seder should be conducted.

During the seder special foods are eaten to signify certain aspects of the lives of the Jews on Egypt. Some foods include hard-boiled eggs, which symbolize the Israelites' hasty escape from Egypt, bitter herbs (horseradish) which symbolize the bitterness of bondage over to help Jewish families remember what the significance of the actions was attributed to the particular Haggadah that was used. Tiffany Urbanik said, "The Haggadah that was used didn't explain the history as much as it could have." The JSU president, Heather Corto, stated that JSU's seder was open to all on campus and as the participants went through the seder the significance of the actions was explained. However, because there are so many things involved in the process of a seder, there wasn't enough time to go into great detail about each step.

Some of the loss in explanation could be attributed to the particular Haggadah that was used. Tiffany Urbanik commented, "The Haggadah that was used didn't explain the history as much as it could have."

The JSU is attempting to use a different, more explanatory Haggadah for next year's dinner.

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news is the knowledge that, thanks to extensive insurance coverage, Western Maryland College will not be forced to use funds from other sources to pay for the damage or any costs associated with the fire.

Of course, the rebuilding will not be excessive. That is, there will not be an indoor swimming pool or extra levels added to PELC. Despite the many rumors, once the rebuilding is finished, Old Gill is likely to look the same as it did before the tragic fire.

Currently, the only change being debated is the possibility of putting the flooring that is now in PELC into Old Gill and using hardwood floors (which had previously been in Old Gill) for the new gym. However, this will only occur if there are sufficient funds from the insurance company.

As for those affected by the fire,
Jamaican Me Crazy:
Spring Fling 1997
Saying good-bye to the talents of an alumnus and professor

By Jen Vick

Features Editor

Dr. Ray Stevens’ desk faces the door so that when students pass by his office on the second floor of Hill Hall they can be sure to receive a friendly hello. But when the semester comes to an end, this door will close for the English professor who will be retiring after 31 years of teaching at WMC. Stevens will not only be saying good-bye as a professor, but also as an alumnus, ending a 43 year relationship with WMC.

“I’ll miss teaching very much, but I’ll be doing other things,” he said.

From 1954 to 1958 Stevens was a student at WMC and graduated summa cum laude with a degree in English. He doubled not only in English as an undergraduate, but also in philosophy, French and German, and was a member of the Gamma Beta Chi fraternity. Describing himself as a “serious student,” Stevens was involved with the French Club, Future Teachers of America, Argonauts, and WMC’s college band as a trombone player. As an athlete, he played intramural football and softball, and occasionally refereed intramural sports events.

During his sophomore year, Stevens met his wife Ruth Ann who was also a student at WMC. They have two sons, David, 32, and Joel, 29.

Stevens received his Ph. D. from the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia and taught for three years at Butler University in Indianapolis before returning to WMC to teach in 1966.

“I felt I owed Western Maryland College something,” said Stevens, who wanted to show his appreciation for the education the college had given him.

“Stevens has done this in more ways than one, not only as a teacher who brings enthusiasm to the classroom, but also as a facilitator in establishing campus organizations. He instituted the literary honor society, Lambda Iota Tan, worked with WMC’s blood bank, and helped Dr. Sam Case, professor of physical education and exercise science, establish the Circle K club. In 1975 he was awarded the Distinguished Teaching Award, and has also received Faculty Creativity and Book Awards.

In the classroom, Stevens is well known by his students for the classical music he plays as they file in before class, Ruth Ann’s homemade fudge that is passed around before an exam, and for annual invitations to his home, six miles from WMC, for tea.

On occasion, Stevens will stand on a table in the classroom while lecturing, or digress from the topic of British Literature with outrageous stories from his experiences as a student at WMC or from his personal life. He often recounts his dormitory days in WMC’s former Old Main building where there was one light bulb and outlet for each room. Students would run extension cords from them for such things as radios and at least two or three fuses were blown a night as a result.

Or there is the story of the time when he was changing a light bulb at his house and found a can of Schaefer beer in the ceiling tile that his teenage son had stashed away. The punchline lies in Stevens’ confrontation of his son years later on the kind of beer he was attempting to hide when he asked him “Is this all I taught you?”

“I wouldn’t say I rant and rave, but I do sometimes bellow,” said Stevens humorously of his attempts to bring “comfort and cheer” to the classroom. “I’ve always tried to be something more than a teacher of English.”

Stevens has certainly been more than a teacher; he could be called an expert travel guide. He estimates having traveled with at least 500 students on Jan Term trips over the years to places that have included New Orleans, Ireland, Scotland, and England.

“The best traveling I’ve done has been with students,” he said. “There’s no greater joy than watching students discover.”

For a month this summer Stevens plans to venture to Germany, Poland, and the Czech and Slovak republics with Ruth Ann.

After retirement, Stevens will stay active with research and writing in addition to traveling.

“There’s so much I don’t know that I want to learn,” he said.

He will continue working on a volume of the Cambridge University Press Critical Edition of the Works of Joseph Conrad entitled Last Essays. The Conrad scholar has spent more than a decade traveling all over the U.S. and throughout Europe, as far as Zurich and Zakopane, to find Conrad’s original manuscripts to work with. Stevens has written countless essays on Conrad and other literary topics that have appeared in periodicals including, Conradiana, Journal of Modern Literature, and the Baltimore Sun newspaper.

This semester, Stevens is teaching the British Literature survey course as well as Irish Literary Renaissance with which he said he’s “having a ball.”

“What I teach is new every time I come back to it,” Stevens said.

He prefers the great wealth of British literature from 1800 to the 1950’s, specifically Victorian Romantic poets, over other literature because of the centuries that it encompasses.

“He really loves what he teaches,” noticed junior Dan Shuttuck, a history major, while taking a semester of the British Literature survey course. “He definitely knows British Literature ... and I liked his energy in the class.”

Dr. Ray Phillips, professor of English and chair of the department, has taught at WMC since 1963. Having attended graduate school with Stevens at the University of Pennsylvania, Phillips informed Stevens of the teaching position opening in 1966.

“He’s been one of our best teachers for a long, long time,” Phillips said. “I’ve always been impressed by his dedication and hard work. He’s a very informed man and good writer.”

After he stops teaching, Stevens said jokingly that he will “stay out of Ruth Ann’s way,” while he is busy writing and researching and paying visits to the WMC campus for an occasional hello.

CAPBoard: more than movies and meetings

By Mitch Alexander

College Activities Director

When new students arrive at WMC they either ask, “What is CAPBoard?” or they are told that it sponsors the movies, hypnotist, and a concert. When students do articles on CAPBoard they begin by asking, “How much money does CAPBoard get?”

Well, I would like to answer that question with a unique response. CAPBoard is a leadership building organization that uses students programming and volunteers to help create and supplement the social atmosphere on campus. Many would read that and ask how is that possible and what does that mean. Let’s back up to its conception to see what I mean by that.

CAPBoard began as an off-shoot of the Social Committee of SGA. Initially, the first director of college activities, Joan Nixon, advised the Social Committee part of SGA.

The group sponsored weekend parties in Winslow Center, weekday speakers in McDaniel Lounge, and Friday night movies in Docktor Auditorium. Nixon began the Student Center concept. The student chair person with a student committee voted and staffed every event.

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The fourth director, Kathy Dawkins, changed the names and function of the committees to put them in line with the National Association of College Activities guidelines, instituted a leadership retreat for the group while creating an assistant director’s position, and removed the faculty and staff from the committee.

NACA is a professional organization for activities directors. Dawkins’ new committee was Publicity, Performing Arts, Movies, Mainstage, Second Stage, and Concerts.

The fifth director, Mitchell Alexander, fine tuned the committee names to Publicity, Cultural Arts, Films, Mainstage, Second Stage, and Lecture.

His legacy is strongly encouraging group co-sponsorships, non-mainstream programming, increasing student involvement in the planning and implementation of campus activities.

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Christmas in April recruits volunteers

A group of 50 students met in Ensor Lounge on Saturday at 7 am. The students traveled to an elderly woman's house in Union Bridge, MD. Throughout the day they kept busy by putting a new roof on the house, painting, re-timing the kitchen floor, and installing a wheelchair ramp.

Joyce said the elderly woman was very appreciative of the help, as were her two sons who helped with the renovations. She added that about 20 skilled laborers worked at the house with the WMC students.

Sophomore psychology major, Meghan Joyce was involved with recruiting volunteers for Christmas in April.

"I liked that so many WMC students were involved," she said.

French class and research seminar, both conducted in Nyon, a small town situated on the La Leman between Geneva and Lausanne. After French class in the afternoon, my friends and I often got a drink or two or play frisbee in the park before we had to catch our train home.

I reside with a host family in a village called Mies in the canton of Vaud just outside the canton of Geneva, which is about a fifteen minute train ride from the center of the city. I am extremely happy with my host family. They live in a large home (much larger than I was expecting) designed by my host mother who is an architect. She plays classical guitar and basketball, and she is very active politically. (Here in Switzerland, citizens can play a much greater role in government than in the States). In addition, she keeps me very well fed. My host father works for a furniture company in Geneva. I have three teenage host brothers who love Bob Marley and reggae music. And of course, my host family loves to ski. They rent a chalet in Verriour, a well-known ski resort in the Swiss Alps, for the entire winter. I have spent a couple weekends skiing there myself. The slopes are not always very friendly!

"I often go running in the fields, located outside my village which are full of horses, cows, and orchards. The Swiss countryside is beautiful..." - Christian Wilwohl

In all Swiss cities, it is not very big. Only a couple hundred thousand people live in the city itself and the canton is only twice that size. The streets are magnificently clean. The Jet d'eau (water jet) shoots up almost one hundred meters from the lake Leman. Right now the parks are full of spring flowers. I have climbed the cathedral tower, and the view is gorgeous. In the Old City, the streets are narrow and cobblestone, and the buildings date back several hundred years. I really feel like I am in Europe in this part of the city. The lake Leman and the Rhone that flow out of it are beautiful and full of swans. The water appears turquoise in the sun shining. The Rhone turns red a few years ago after protesting Swiss farmers dumped several tons of tomatoes into the river!

In March I traveled to Paris for four wonderful days in the "City of Lights." I visited the Louvre, the Musee d'Orsay, and climbed the Eiffel Tower at night. I also spent some time with Florence Douce, last year's French House director, while I was in Paris. She took me to an awesome St. Patrick's Day Party where we danced to good Irish music and drank good Irish beer. We also visited Sacre-Coeur together.

For Easter, I spent four days in Nice, the French Riviera with my friends. We played frisbee on the beach and hit the bars and night clubs of the Old Town by night. The scenery in southern France is absolutely beautiful.

Shortly after my trip to Paris, I visited some other Swiss cities - Lucerne and Berne in the German speaking part of the country and Lugano in the Italian speaking canton of Ticino. I had some difficulties communicating in these places, especially in Lucerne and Berne. I encountered fewer problems in Lugano because Italian and French are similar. In the Swiss capital of Berne, we met with the American Ambassador, Madeline Kunin, at the American Embassy.

Even though I was still in Switzerland when I visited these cities, I felt like I was in a different country. Switzerland amazes me. I am fascinated by how different cultures, speaking four different languages, live in one small country and consider themselves Swiss. The mentality of the people changes from one section of the country to another. For example, the French speaking Swiss favor Switzerland's entry into the European Union, whereas the German speaking Swiss are against it. Now that my classes have ended, I started an internship at a French speaking NGO in Geneva. The NGO is currently involved with projects in Madagascar dealing with health and education.

If you want to improve your French and gain some international experience, the Geneva is the place for you, and I recommend this program to anyone who fits this profile. As much as I miss my family and friends from time to time, my experience here is worth it.
Letter from abroad: living and studying in Spain

BY JONATHAN SHACAT
Contributing Writer

I’ve been studying in Spain for nearly two and a half months and I’m getting used to living here. In that time I have realized that in fact not all Spanish people take a siesta or mid-day nap. Even though they party until the wee hours of the morning and probably need the rest, most youths don’t take one, for instance. The explanation of this phenomenon might be that some native students here work so hard for their courses that they don’t have time to relax. Some study very diligently and still manage to fail. (It almost reminds me of taking biology at WMC.) Nonetheless, all stores close from 2 pm to 5 pm each day for an afternoon break, but that is because it is a tradition.

My understanding of Seville and its surroundings has improved. I have done a lot of visiting and traveling. All my trips are via train or bus. When I went to Madrid, for example, I took the Ave - a high speed train that practically flies on the track. It was an expensive but worthwhile experience. One of the most beautiful places I have seen is the 100 meter-deep gorge that divided the town of Ronda. It is like the Grand Canyon on a much smaller scale. Also, the view of the snow-covered Sierra Nevada mountains in Granada is breath-taking.

I can’t get over how well things are related, or interrelated, here. We can discuss the significance of a piece of art in class and then go to a local museum to see the original painting. For example, in my civilization class we studied Spain’s involvement in the Spanish-American War, a work of the view of the snow-covered Sierra Nevadas. This semester I have listened to a tremendous amount of Spanish and even more about myself. My Spanish comprehension is almost 100%. I get each word. It is a great feeling to understand another language that well. There are times, though, I must admit, when I don’t comprehend much at all. That is kind of frustrating. My Spanish speaking ability is... well lets just say I need more practice. I have a thick accent; they tell me.

Reflecting on this time here, though, I think I have changed a lot as a person. Turn not so conservative now. But, even the more liberal attitude in this environment (which is full of drinkers and smokers) have not pressured me into starting any bad habits. I am still pure in that sense.

There’s no place like home...

As you may have heard, Tim Allen was visiting Westminster this past Monday and Tuesday. The purpose for his visit was to film Universal Studios’ latest movie, For Richer or Poorer. The Maryland Film Commission was responsible for the use of Westminster for the film. The commission’s purpose is to promote Maryland as a possible filming site. The production office is located in Glen Burnie and may be contacted at (410) 424-2080. The publicist may also be contacted via this number.

Whether the movie is as good as expected remains to be seen. By MIKE PESHAR

A THEATER NEAR YOU...

Now leaving the tyrannosaurus, June 6 will be the release date for the fourth installment of the Jurassic Park series. Tim Allen is back as Allen, playing the role of an FBI agent who assumes the identity of his son’s killer as a means of subterfuge. However, the film centers on an identity crisis when the killer (Cage) assumes Travolta’s identity.

The Comicon Conspiracy

The second month has been the release date for the fourth Battle, Batman and Robin. This column has already previewed the cast, so now let’s look at the costume. Chris O’Donnell’s Robin will don attire more much like Batman’s. His new em-...
Variety of faiths worshiped by campus religious groups

Currently about 200 students are involved in the five active religious groups on campus

By Matt Olear
Contributing Writer

Are you bored? Not sure how to get involved in campus life? If you are interested in becoming an active member of the WMC community, the religious life of the campus offers a wealth of opportunities.

There are currently five active religious groups on campus: Christian Fellowship, Catholic Campus Ministry, Jewish Student Union, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and the Baha'i Club. Overall, approximately 200 students participate in at least one of these organizations, according to Rev. Mark Lancaster, coordinator of religious life.

The Baha'i Club is probably the least well-known of the college's religious groups. According to Dr. Julie Badiee, professor of art and art history, Baha'i is a religion that developed in Iran in the 19th century, and is now the second most widespread religion after Christianity.

Badiee, the Baha'i Club's advisor, also said, "Baha'i is a global religion that has three basic teachings: the oneness of God, the oneness of humanity, and the oneness of religion." Another active religious group is the Jewish Student Union, which was founded about 30 members, meets on Mondays at 9 p.m. Because one of the group's goals, according to member Dana Jacobson, is to expand its membership, meetings are open to all students, Jewish and non-Jewish.

Most of the JSU's activities center around holidays and worship services. They sponsor a Hanukkah party and Passover dinner each year that are open to all students.

Another group is the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, which is sponsored by the JSU. The group is affiliated with the national organization, and is not very well-known on campus.

Kan Nunezelle, sports equipment/container manager at WMC, is in charge of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, but was unavailable for an interview.

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In the future, the JSU would like to team up with the other religious groups on campus and do one big project. Jacobson concluded, "Hopefully in the future we will do more for the campus and on campus so [more] people know about the group.

Another campus religious group is the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Unlike many of the other religious clubs on campus, this group is affiliated with a national organization, but is not very well-known on campus.

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She noted that all the Ministry's activities are open to all students, Catholic or non-Catholic, Christian or non-Christian. Like Friday, Price believes that the group's presence on campus is its most important contribution. "The Ministry's presence lets students know that there are places and groups that they can get involved with," she said.

The second largest religious group is Christian Fellowship, which has existed on campus for approximately 15 years, according to Rev. Lancaster.

It also lost popularity years back, but has since been revived to become one of the largest religious group on campus.

Christian Fellowship has no official membership, but has had attendances of between 40 and 50 people for their every other Wednesday night Happy Hour, open to all students from 9 to 10:30 p.m. The group sings, plays games, and has a guest speaker, according to club advisor and chair of the Exercise Science & Physical Education Department, the adviser for the Fellowship, but said he plays a very little role in the life of the group.

"It really is a student-generated and student-motivated organization," he said. "I'm amazed at the quality of leadership; the students have a real positive impact on the campus.

The main purpose of Christian Fellowship is to reach non-Christians who don't belong to a church and to witness to them," Bowman said.

Rob Newman, a sophomore bio-chemistry major, has been a part of Christian Fellowship for the two years he has attended Western Maryland, and now oversees the group's Happy Hour, which is held on some Wednesdays.

"I feel like I'm doing God's will on campus. I've tried to follow his teaching and try to put into words what I've gotten out of it," Newman said of how his involvement has affected him.

What is College Activities Programming Board

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College activities and events, using student talent for events, softening the appearance of Decker Center, and spreading out events to ensure at least one activity, if not two, sponsored by the CAPBoard.

A significant feature of being involved in CAPBoard is the leadership training that takes place.

The chair persons go away for a three day retreat to learn things like, running a meeting, negotiating a contract with an agent/performer, preserving spaces on campus, delegating tasks among group members, and burning-out, confrontation skill building, time management, working within a set budget, and promotion angles and ideas.

Their duties incorporate a grooming process of their successor, training potential leadership in other groups. These are the skills that employer are looking for as well as professional skills who want not only self-motivated, team players, but people who are skilled in leading and working with others.

Even though these volunteer positions are demanding, the rewards are many.

It is hard to explain the sense of accomplishment from seeing other students laughing at a comedian, applauding a high note from a singer, crying at the antics of a hyped-upized friend, or feeling that their payment of a few dollars to off-set the cost of a trip off campus was worth the money. It makes it all worth their time and efforts.

Now this is not a solicitation for chair persons, but is a request for help in deciding and running CAPBoard with others.

Your involvement can take as little time as an hour a week or as much as three or four hours a week. While we want your input, we especially need your physical help!

Movie previews for the month of May

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Ugly, Uma Thurman's Poison Ivy re- been very, very adhere to the comic book's character design. Arnold Schwarzenegger's Mr. Freeze design is a different story. It is too cyber-note in name to fit the Goofy-type of Batman. This design would practically allow any artery to assume the role, for it has no recognitions of Arnold

July 2 - "Titanic" James Cameron's "Titanic" hits the big screen to the stunningly accurate Omits. Cameron's character states, "We are the best, last, and only line of defense."

Cage again? Yes, but this time it's Johnny, not Nicolas. "Men in Black 2" will kick the big screen on August 1. Unlike the first movie, which was more a cool,pop-off of the game, the sequel promises a story, according to co-writer Yancey Biddle.

Home, Sweet Home?

Welcome back to Westminster, home of the new Tim Allen film in which someone you know may appear. "Men in Black 2" is the newest another movie will also feature your favorite character, "Men in Black 2" is now being advertised as the premier of Cold Sol-}
Despite these losses Seibert is optimistic about next season, as always. "As I've always said, we're not a rebuilding team. I always have a pretty good nucleus of upperclassmen coming back. I guess we will again next year," he said.

That nucleus includes outfielder Jay Finish who hit .403 this season, including a .471 average in conference play. "He did a fine job for us. We're very pleased with him," Seibert commented.

Freshman pitcher Brent Fuchs will also return next season. Fuchs tied the school for career saves, in one season. He had six saves this season, breaking the previous single season record of four. He also had the lowest ERA on the team at 1.98.

He was an unknown coming in as a freshman and he had a very good season for us," said Seibert. "We needed him. We needed somebody like that to come through."

While Seibert is optimistic about next season he wonders what could have been this season. "We had a good year. We would have liked to have done better in the conference. I think all the kids feel that way, but we had a good year. I mean 15-12, you can't be unhappy about that," he said.
WOMEN’S TENNIS

Opponent - Score - W/L

Player
Amber Wimpee - 6-1 - W
Amie Marlow - 6-1 - W
Chaz. Heinecker - 5-2 - 7

Goalending

Player - Sv - All’d - %
John Torpy - 188 - 11 - .602
Ed Swiatek - 11 - 10 - .524

SOFTBALL

Game Results

Opponent - score - WL

Backoff and Thompson are the top two run scorers in school history and both either held or are on the verge of breaking several other records. “Julie and I came in and we both broke school records our freshman year,” Thompson said. “It’s not like a competition, we’re both conscious of it. We both have goals to break more school records because we know we can.”

The team was in first place going into the double header but finished in third place. “It was pretty disappointing,” Thompson said. “The season started out pretty rough. Around the middle of the season a lot of people quit having fun and no one wanted to be there for us to even go for it.”

Thompson believes that the lack of unity cost the team some games this year and points to last year’s team as an example of what the team can do if they’re used to each other now. “Some of the personalities on the team, but I think we’re used to them now and they’re used to us, so I think next year’s going to be really good for us,” she said.

Thompson doesn’t want to have that unity with the freshmen this year, so that’s probably one of the things that put us in third place rather than first place,” she said.

Hopefully next year will see some changes, according to Thompson. She says that the players are used to each other now and it was just a matter of time before the team came together. “It took us a whole season, unfortunately, but it should be good for next season,” she said.

She also said the team is going to get together for a picnic and meet together before tryouts next year to make sure all the kinks are worked out.

Head coach George Dix’s team had no seniors this season and they’re used to being in good position to compete for the Centennial Conference championship again next year.
Men's Lax denied bid to NCAA tournament

The Green Terror lost the bout with Washington Saturday 13-9, yet deserved a playoff birth over Gettysburg College.

Reistenbach feels his team deserved a playoff birth this year, but said, "If we continue to be in the hunt, we'll get our shot eventually." Next year he may get his shot, as the field opens to twelve teams in the playoffs.

Earlier this season, WMC beat St. Mary's 16-13 after losing to now top-ranked Salisbury State 21-12. The Green Terror also beat Dickinson 19-6 in a conference game.

Against St. Mary's, the WMC trailed 6-2 after the first quarter, but Matt Hoppe scored three times and had two assists in the second quarter to pull Western Maryland into an 8-8 halftime tie. Hoppe ended the day with 5 goals to lead the team, and junior Mike Sargent added three straight to help with the win.

In the Salisbury game, WMC pulled back to within 14-11 on a Bo Schrott goal with 7:11 remaining in the game, but two Salisbury players put four points on the board to halt the Green Terror comeback.

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