Drunken Administration Declares Tuition Decrease

BY B.A. WALKER

After 176 drinks—according to the tab members of the administration left their meeting at O'Connor's Pub, having decided to lower the yearly tuition at Washington College to be made effective immediately.

One bartender said, "About an hour before last call, I noticed that the members of the administration were becoming very excited when it came to the cost of tuition. At the beginning of the evening many of the members were arguing for an increase of like, $10,000. But by the closing time, they had decided on a decrease. It was crazy!"

According to witnesses, after making a few quick cell phone calls to a couple members of the Board of Visitors and Governors, the administration agreed to a tuition price tag of 10,000 dollars. Plus room and board for two semesters, that would decrease WC tuition to a sum of $16,760.

If O'Connor's Pub was a popular meeting place for administrative decisions, a waitress of the establishment said, "We get a lot of administrators in here with their families or friends, but they normally hold their meetings at the Blue Bird of Domini. It was nice to see so many familiar faces all here at one time. They're great tippers." Said another waitress of the establishment, "I really can't answer that question. But I really just can't remember...any of it."

Another member of the administration, "If President Bush can give tax breaks, why can't we give tuition breaks?" The Board of Visitors and Governors seem to hold differing opinions when it comes to the recent tuition decrease. When asked what made him agree to the tuition decrease, a member of the Board said, "No one called me. And no one invited me to O'Connor's either."

I hope the administration realizes that it's rude to have parties, I mean meetings, when everyone isn't invited. Really rude.

Said one member of the Board when asked how he felt about the recent decision, he said, "Oh that. I guess it will all even out." Said another member of the Board, "Are they crazy! Anyway, this was a great meeting." Added a dean of the college, "I really can't answer that question. But I really just can't remember...any of it."

Students and professors also had differing opinions when it came to the change. Said sophomore Rich Gates, "This is wonderful. It feels like Christmas. To tell you the truth, I was planning on transferring because I wasn't able to earn enough money this summer to be able to come back here, but now with the decrease, I can stay! I swear, it's just like Christmas."

Freshman Cordi Price, however, did not see too much about the integrity behind the administration's decision. "I don't know about this. It all sounds a little fishy to me. Every eight months the price of tuition changes. I wouldn't be surprised if tuition was up to $50,000 by October." Said an SGA member, "I didn't realize the word "tuition" and "decrease" could go together."

History Professor Caesar Rodney added, "I wish my history classes were as popular as the administration is going to be after this revolutionary change."

Many professors, however, seem to support the decision to decrease tuition. Said Professor Debbie Samson of the decrease, "I'm really proud of the administration for making such a bold move. It's important to remember that it's the students that come first."

College is a stressful time, finances really shouldn't add to this stress."

Some professors appeared curious about the change in tuition costs.

Professor Aaron Ames asked, "Were the salaries of faculty discussed at this meeting? No, seriously, were they?"

Due to busy phone lines, the administration and representatives of the college were not available for comment on the change. Some members of the WC community hope for a possible on campus meeting to discuss the recent change as well as its repercussions.

When asked why phone lines were so busy, one WC switch board operator said, "I have been transferring calls from thrilled parents who wish to thank the administration personally for their decision. It's been so busy I had to skip my lunch break."

Plans for Kibler Field Revoked, College Hires Literary Legend

BY HOLLID CAUFIELD

In a snap decision Monday afternoon, administrators and the Board of Visitors and Governors decided against the building of Kibler Field and to hire the reclusive writer, J.D. Salinger as a literature and creative writing professor for one year.

One administrator commented on the decision. "Amid the protests of many students, we came to the conclusion that the building of the field was an obligation option. We wanted to increase enrollment and make the school more attractive, but then we realized that once more students came here, we wouldn't have any where to put them," the administrator said, referring to the fact that housing on campus has become more and more limited.

J.D. Salinger, the famous reclusive writer, has lived in New York in a secluded house with numerous no-trespassing signs for years, all since the publication of his novels "The Catcher in the Rye" and "Franny and Zooey."

When called for a phone interview, and asked what prompted his acceptance of the professor's position, Mr. Salinger said, "When I was 21 years old I was always my hero as a kid. I'm hoping to see his ghost somewhere. Plus, I heard that WC's creative writing program was under a lot of strain." Salinger was referring to the English department's decision to take away the Creative Writing portfolio again until a permanent professor was found.

Christy Christopher, a WC sophomore, expressed her excitement, saying, "It's about time there was something done about the need for more professors. Plus, I totally have the hots for Salinger...in a completely scholarly way only. Though, of course. He's, like, 90 years old..."

When a WC coach asked if the cancellation of the new stadium upset him, he said, "Of course, are you serious? This is ridiculous. We plan on meeting with the administration to find out what happened."

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“Beast” Beer Discontinued, Students Outraged

BY TASTE LOSS

On its 150 year anniversary the Miller Brewing Company decides to discontinue the make of Milwaukee’s Best beer. Students are outraged that the campus’ favorite beer is no longer being sold.

Many WC students agree that without Milwaukee’s Best, campus life just won’t be the same on the weekends. Senior Amy Amerson says, “I just don’t want to look forward to the weekends anymore.” With under $20.00 and some red cups you can have a party! The “Beast Ice” brew Milwaukee’s Best, is also a common favorite. Levi Leeryo says, “I love Beast Ice. One night I played 25 beer pong games with Beast Ice, all I remember is I had a great time, although I still can’t find my wallet.”

Students all over campus have become familiar with the taste low priced beer. Sophomore Brendon Chew, says, “I cannot believe Miller Corporation decided to discontinue the vile beer. I actually drink more Beast than two Lights. Now what am I going to do when my friends see I can’t handle my alcohol consumption?”

Many college students face the same problem Brendon faces every winter. Only, to find that the handy Milwaukee’s Best will no longer be available at the local stores. Manager of O-Town liquor Brenda Jimbojays, “I just hope the students don’t think it’s our fault. I did not choose for Miller to stop selling the Milwaukee’s Best. This beer was our best seller every weekend. We still carry Colt 45 and Pabst Blue Ribbon, and thank God for that, but it just is not the same. These college kids can’t afford fancy stuff like high priced beer.

The average price for a thirty can case of Milwaukee’s Best is $13.00, a steal compared to high competing prices of other brands. With a 4.5 percent alcohol content who would believe my alcohol consumption? - Miller amends the beer as a classic taste at its best.” Some beer consumers have called the light brew “cheap, affordable, fun, exciting, enticing, tasty, and strong.” With such a great reputation on college campuses everywhere consumers must ask why Miller stop making Milwaukee’s Best?

John Jackson, President of Miller Brewing Company says, “It was just too cheap. We cannot afford to allow the entire Miller Corporation to go down because our Milwaukee’s Best brew was so inexpensive.” The workers for Miller do not agree that money is the issue. Brian O’Brien, a long time worker for the Miller Brewing Company recently quit his job due to the scandal.

O’Brien says, “The barley used for Milwaukee’s Best beer was found to be contaminated by a fungus found in Eastern Russia. No one knows where the grains were grown, but they couldn’t get rid of it in the brewery. So, they decided to make the problem go away, and hope that it sold. Sure did sell but now the FDA has finally found out. They have to get rid of the Beast or get rid of the brewery. I quit my job to avoid a lawsuit.”

Bob Bobbott, a police officer from Baltimore, Maryland, says his squad has been investigating the matter for months. He says, “Why do you think they can’t serve this stuff in this part. I grew up in a grown adult who should be drinking know better, the college kids like cheap beer so they don’t ask questions. There is something screwy going on and we’re going to get to the bottom of it.”

Regardless of what the investigation shows, Miller has decided once and for all to stop producing and selling Milwaukee’s Best beers.

Junior Tom McMatheron says, “I can’t believe they will stop making our favorite beer. After this decision I am going out of college and start a brewery, this is how disappointed I am.”

Public Safety Report

SUSPICIOUS PERSON
On 3/15/05 at 9:15 PM

Officers responding to the LFC on reports of a person living inside the ractquetball court. The suspect, Jason Mraz, pleaded with officers, saying, “Just let me stay for another week or two, I have nowhere else to go.” The case was sent to the Honor Board, who quickly dropped the case into the trash bin under the desk.

SUSPICIOUS EMPLOYED WORKS WORKING
On 3/14/05 at 9:15 PM

Public Safety responded to loud racket coming from the CATER WALK. It was identified as BUILDINGS AND GROUND. Officers shook their hands and greeted them to the WASHINGTON COLLEGEスタブル。 The building’s head employees said it was funny they hadn’t met them in 7 years of working at WAC.

SUSPICIOUS BEHAVIOR
On 3/15/05 at 9:16 PM

An officer heard suspicious zoo animal noises coming from a quad lower suite. After further inspection, he found 6 freshman drenched in antifreeze reenacting Scott Norwood’s wide right field goal in Super Bowl X VII while 8 upper classmen pelted them with copies of Bill Clinton’s book, My Life. Hazing was suspected.

ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES
On 3/15/05 at 9:16 PM

Reports of campus wide gambling caused an officer to investigate these “Gambling and Gambling: Madness.” Nothing definite has been documented.

ALCOHOL VIOLATION
On 3/14/05 at 9:16 PM

Officers visited a CAROLINE dORM room and found a full empty bottle of ORANGE Flavor Nite Time Multi-Symptom Cold/Flu Relief with 10% alcohol. A sniffing and wheezing student pleaded that this over the counter “medicene” was for all ages. Town Police were called in to deal with the matter; they never showed up.

DISRUPTIVE BEHAVIOR
On 3/15/05 at 9:15 PM

A quad dorm was heard in a deviously silenced hush. Upon officers entrance, officers witnessed 8 shirtless freshmen with Cheetos hanging from each and every opening (every). They were whispering and watching an instructional video on Trap-shoot at the Trap-shoot terrace. They snitched and threw water balloons filled with sulfuric acid. Hazing was suspected.

ALCOHOL VIOLATION
On 3/17/05 at 9:16 PM

Officers entered the training room in the LFC and confiscated 4 bottles of RUB-BING ALCOHOL being applied on undergraduates’ skin.

SUSPICIOUS PERSON
On 3/18/05 at 9:15 PM

A 90 year old man resembling a bust in the new science building was reported sitting with some items in a classroom. The suspect was AWESOME. When the officers arrived, the man was personable and said, “I can do whatever the (expletive) I want.” The officers realized their place and left the man alone.

STRANGE SMELL
On 3/18/05 at 9:15 PM

Public Safety followed the noses of the surprisingly delectable smell and found themselves at the entrance of the CAFE. Bewildered, officers sniffed the heads and were reminded of the great saying; “Even a blind squirrel finds an acorn once in a while”.

NEAR DEATH EXPERIENCE SORT NA
All, This is Sick.

An officer chocked on a sumptuous chicken skewer with peanut sauce while in the CAFE. Said to be astonishingly tasty, he started to choke. The other officers came to the rescue, but before he could perform the heimlich maneuver, the officer had swallowed the delicious morsel.

DISRUPTIVE BEHAVIOR
On 3/18/05 at 9:15 PM

Officers on patrol busted into a quad stu after hearing sounds of paddling and voices saying, “Make me laugh at the other.” The suite had on the popular college movie “Animal House”. Everyone in the suite was fined for supporting Hazing and purposefully disrupting Public Safety.
A seven golf-cart pile up Thursday was a result of a personal vendetta between a maintenance worker and a student. The student apparently had casually tossed a used cigarette onto the worker’s path, and fearing gasoline combustion worker proceeded to aggressively taillight and run down the student on his way to class.

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"Grassy Paths"

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Solve the puzzle and stay tuned for more information on an upcoming campus event! (The completion of all 4 puzzles will be awarded a prize at the campus event of which we speak)

Brought to you by the Education Club
Ben Folds to Play WC Next Fall

By Radio Free

You heard me. That’s right. Ben Folds, here at Washington College next semester. Maybe we can get him to do a repeat performance of his current smash hit, “Ultimate Sacrifice.” After a few calls were made, I was able to actually talk to Ben on the phone and when asked, he replied, “Well, that was a special moment with Gustaf and Rufus but there is a remote possibility it could happen. However, I would prefer to convince Dr. Dre to come on tour with me and do a rousing version of ‘Kross Jump.’”

Whether you have loved Ben since his days of Ben Folds Five (for you drama majors out there), I highly recommend The Unauthorized Biography of Reinhold Messner, or have just recently discovered this guy, his one-woman concert sensus says, “Yes.” Ben agrees and pulling a pun on Sebastian this time around, he would do any Belle & Sebastian song in the blink of an eye. But, what was interesting was that Ben himself didn’t ask to do a repeat performance of his current smash hit. It happened because the music to Ascent of Stan was so amazing that it could happen. However, I was pleased to hear that he will be there.

Whether you will be there, I will see you will be there.

Oh yes, you will be there. I remember seeing Ben Folds Five back in 1997 at The (old) Ottobar in Baltimore, just before the full-length release of Whatever and Ever. Amen. Yes, they were once a small enough figure in alternative music to not sell out the (old) Ottobar. I asked Ben if he remembered that show and he said, “They didn’t even have a piano and there was no way you could even fit one down that alley! I had to play on a Rhodes Eighty-Eight! There were only about 30 people at that show. Geez, I could barely get anyone near the stage, now I can get 3,000 to sing the orchestrated harmony to Ascent of Stan.”

Kent Catches Fire, Entire Campus Gets Stoned

By Daniel Clemens

Traffic on Route 213 was slow last Tuesday, and it was not just to catch a glimpse of the Kent House on fire. The dormitory burned to the ground along with the secret stashes of many students. Luckily no one was injured in the blaze, despite the general apathy in regards to Kent’s fire alarm. “Usually I ignore the alarm because it gets set off so many times as a prank, but there was something about a fire alarm at 10 in the morning that made me get out of bed,” said a Kent resident, and he’s glad he did.

The firemen took a long time to extinguish the flames because “I was so high,” a fireman confessed. Apparently the smoke from the burning marijuana collections in the building spread to the entire campus by 11 a.m. with typical results: everyone singing and dancing, the audience come alive. Everyone sings and dances, not only the stage, but harmonize. We found amplifying and Ben has a way of making the audience come alive. Everyone singing and dancing, pays attention to what is going on. Rumor has it, and he wouldn’t confirm, that he may bring a small orchestra with him. He says he likes to keep what goes on at his shows a surprise. But he laughed, remembering Ben’s feeble attempt to get a bunch of 18-21 year old kids to sing the “Ba Ba Ba” part to Fair. I also remember that amazing moment at Wolftrap last summer when he did indeed get the entire audience to sing. Not only sing, but harmonize. We found amplifying and Ben has a way of making the audience come alive. Everyone singing and dancing, pays attention to what is going on. Rumor has it, and he wouldn’t confirm, that he may bring a small orchestra with him. He says he likes to keep what goes on at his shows a surprise. But he

I asked Ben if he would do any Belle & Sebastian this time around, he chuckled a bit and said, “Well, if you have a request, I just might have to do it.” So get excited all you crazies. Washington College kids! Ben Folds is coming in the Fall. If you are graduating this year, well, it’s just a reason to come back to campus. I mean, Ben Folds is good enough a reason to even skip class, or work, right? This one-woman concert sensus says, “Yes.” Ben agrees and pulling a pun on his own music, laughed and said, “Hey, it can be your last night in town. Ever. For real. I mean it.”

Do not hallucinate.
Kegs Now Allowed On Campus

By BORGES WILTON

President Baird Tipson walked out onto the CAC balcony facing Martha Washington Square on Monday, loudly greeted the students going to and from class, and yelled “Kegs-Now-Allowed!” He then promptly picked up a full sized keg and threw it onto Martha Washington Square, breaking a few bricks on impact. Witnesses applauded to a Donkey Kong-esque performance by the President. Kathy Ferdinan had just left Daily when the keg past her. She said, “I could see President Toll jumping over the keg, holding a mallet.”

Colton Chesbrough had been sitting on the bench that President Tipson was walking past her. She said, “I could see President Toll jumping over the keg, holding a mallet, but I can’t say for sure.”

Over the keg, holding a mallet President Toll jumped jumping and couldn’t really put the keg back inside the CAC, saying “I could see President Tipson walk-, but I can’t say for sure.”

Now-Allowed.

As today is Tuesday, the kegs will be tapped at 4 p.m. That President Tipson would try to appeal to us by throwing a keg like Donkey Kong is one thing.

Confrontation with Maid Not Awkward

By RAOUl DUKE

This morning started like most mornings that I would wake up at the exact same moment the maid started her daily routine with the sink and bathroom directly outside my room. Panic, like a brick to the face, would always launch me out of bed, erect and attention – first thing in the morning. My morning usually began at quarter to noon and the coincidences with the maid’s schedule was a recurring incident. Waking up was generally associated with dread, as I never do enough work before I go to sleep alone and inebriated, and the running water outside was more than a wake up call, it was reality slapping me on the ass.

So, I’m awake and the maid is going about her business outside my door, but the lack of an egress hole only leaves me more in the dark as I hold myself, slowly realizing my dilemma. I had to go to the bathroom and the maid (and her work) stood in my way.

Every time I attempted this before left me feeling ashamed and less of a person for having a kind workingwoman to the side only to pee on her recently cleaned seat. So I wait.

Listening to the sounds of her work, caught in a moral contradiction – I pay money to have my suite cleaned regularly and that same luxury is standing in the way of my natural body needs. Options flash through my mind, and refusing to piss in one of the cups I regrettably use does not settle well me with - leaving a hurried exit out my ground floor window, my only choice. How long can I hold on? I check my email twenty times and realize that the rest of campus is at lunch or class and there is no one to share my situation with.

This is not the first, nor will it be the last time I take drastic measures to keep my relations with the maid long distance.

What could she be doing out there? Washing my sink and cleaning my toilet is secondary to satisfying the basic human instinct to mark my territory and not associate with the person performing the aforementioned tasks. Sound no longer permeate my red oak doors and I risk slowly opening myself to the outside world. There’s no one there and I only have two steps until reaching the safety of the bathroom.

I take one lounge and immediately regret my decision to do anything before I return around the corner. Our eyes meet. Can she see the fear in mine?

Did she hear the sound of sex coming from my computer speakers as I was occupying myself with pornography just moments before? What can we possibly have to talk about? Unwilling to risk the shame of returning to my room and slamming the door again, I stand my ground, shaking in my under-shirt and boxers. “Hey,” I stammer like a pre-pubescent middle schooler dared to ask out the cheerleader. “Hi,” she answers, like she hasn’t seen what I’ve put out in the trash recently. “I’m just going to use the bathroom,” I make my exit quick and satisfy my most pressing need. Walk. The kegs.

And now I’m safe, alone, pantless, and wondering if I remembered to unlock my door before closing it.
Top Ten Trends for Spring

BY RICO

1. Combining stripes and plaid. Who knew your 80 year old grandfather was so stylish?

2. Socks and sandals paired with shorts or a skirt. Bonus points for wearing socks with thong flip-flops.

3. Shoulder pads. Make sure they’re in all your spring blazers.

4. Scrunchies. They’re back and better than ever. Wear them around your wrist to accessorize.

5. Peek-a-boo thongs. Why cover up your cute undergarments? Wear your super low-rise jeans without a belt like garments? Wear your super

6. Fluorescent mesh tops, worn off the shoulder, with only a bra or bikini top underneath.

7. One piece floral patterned bathing suits with the tiny bikini attached skirt. Cute sarongs and cover-ups that actually cover anything are soooo last year.

8. Spandex shorts. They’re not just for the gym anymore. Everyone should own them in an array of colors.

9. Pants under a skirt or dress. Keep your legs warm and look cute doing it.

10. Whatever you wore home from last night’s hook-up. The Walk of Shame isn’t so shameful anymore, plus you’ll cut your laundry in half.

New Budget, New Toilet Paper

BY THE CHARMIN MAN

The great Elm tree in the center of campus was draped in white ribbons this past Thursday as a select group of students celebrated the termination of the contract WC had with the “Reliable” toilet paper company.

The toilet paper that was strewn amongst the drooping branches of the Elm was removed during the early morning on Friday by Maintenance. According to Jeremy Roderick, Director of Public Safety, the amount of toilet paper removed from the tree was a “substantial amount,” enough to fill about three different residence halls.

The switch may come as a welcome surprise to students and carpenters throughout the Kent County region. No longer will students elect to stand rather than sit due to the pain inflicted from the toilet paper, and carpenters now have a large supply of available sandpaper.

A local woodworker in Chestertown claims that “this stuff shaves lumber down faster than anything I’ve ever used before. And it’s great for repairing old boats down at the wharf.”

The schism that has occurred between WC and their former toilet paper supplier is not the result of a drastic decision; rather it came about from months of complaints from students and faculty along with the increase in price per sheet.

Only one-ply toilet paper with its coarse texture, the no longer “reliable” brand of bathroom tissue will be phased out starting in the next few months.

Fortunately for WC the next company to supply toilet paper will be a major commercial brand, known for the softness and thickness of its sheets. There is currently a battle between the Charmin Company and Scotts Tissue Company to become the future official supplier of WC toilet paper.

According to President Baird Tipson, “both companies heard of our situation and immediately contacted the college to see if there was anything that they could do to assist our students.”

The Marketing Director for the East Coast from the Scotts Tissue Company, Josh McEnder, said that “the physical and emotional health of the students at Washington College is at risk. Bathroom anxiety is slowly becoming a major issue among colleges and universities nation wide.”

Reach out to the Community

Donate to the Special Olympics of Upper Shore for their Annual Fundraiser, Inspiration Walk (April 9)

For more information, contact ckurtz2@washcoll.edu

Nourishment for the Soul...

Catholic Mass is held every Sunday at 5:30pm in the Norman James Theatre in Smith Hall.

Be Nourished by Word and Sacrament.

Nourishment for the body...

Soda and Pizza are served immediately after Mass-stay and socialize with fellow students.

Can’t attend the 5:30pm Sunday on-campus Mass? Mass is also held at Sacred Heart Parish Saturday evening at 5:30pm and Sunday morning 8:30 and 11:30am.
“We will bury you, again!”

By Dan Holber

For everyone besides History channel addicts and a perhaps a few Bush ap- pointees, the Cold War has been over for the better part of two decades. That is, everyone besides Vladimir Putin. The Russian President, in a series of speeches last week condemn- ing the recent democratic revo- lutions in several old Soviet satellites, uttered that magical phrase: “We will bury you!”

Putin’s remarks sent Administration officials scram- bling for clarification from the Kremlin was black and white, again. Clarification from the White House was clear: “We will bury you, again.”

President Bush expressed concern about Vlad’s remarks, senting himself for 2008, recom- mendation from the White House was clear: “We will bury you, again.”

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Now, the Second Cold War has begun.

President Bush expressed concern that his dear friend Vlad may have been partaking in the Afghanistan’s primary ex- port, which would have been ironic since Afghanistan sym- bolized Soviet in the 1980’s. Bush’s concern about Vlad’s personal attributes grew when he received the word that Russia had “tested” a nuclear weapon, five in fact, on Guam.

Obviously Putin wasn’t the nice guy Bush had perceived, so he called his friend Sen. Kerry, asking for advice how to change his views 180 degrees. John was thoroughly con- fused, as he had always changed his views because politics changed, not the facts.

Contemplating his options, Bush called another good friend, Sen. McCain – because apparently Senators know everything. McCain, position- ing himself for 2008, recom- mended that the President talked to Senator Frist, the arch- itect of the so-called nuclear option.

With all options on the table, Bush listened to Senator Frist’s idea, which was to change the rules of engagement to preempt Russia from blocking decent government. Nuclear bunker busting mis- siles anyone?

Always the advisor, Karl Rove reminded Bush the Democrats would say if a nu- clear bunker buster was used to eliminate the encroaching Russian threat – “Why are we assassinating the leader of a free, albeit totalitarian nation, who nuked his own citizens?”

What about Usama?

You may be wondering why we’re not hearing about the beginning of the Second Cold War yet. Well, the health of Tony Schiavo and the Pope are of great importance. That and the Russians have already infiltrated Fox News.

The popped collars have done it! This week, Washington College gained its place in the Guinness World Record Book, setting the world record for greatest number of popped collars in one place despite protests on campus.

There were 332 popped collars on the campus green on Tuesday, along with nu- merous demonstrators protesting the event. The anti-popped collar activists were not enough to deter the participants.

The students assembled seven collars more than in the previous record, held by students from Bowdoin College in Brunswick, ME. In order to break the record with fewer participants, most of the students wore multiple shirts with popped collars. One student wore seven polo shirts, each in a differ- ent color.

The University of Illinois holds the record for most people wearing popped col- lars at one time. One of the Guinness of- ficials authorizing the event said, “It’s remarkable that Washington College was able to break this record, even with a smaller body than Bowdoin and fewer participants.”

Protesters stood on the edges of the green, wearing shirts with the collars hacked off and calling the students participating in the event.

Public safety was called to keep the demonstrators from interfering with the col- lar counting.

In order for the event to be authorized by the Guinness World Record Comission, the collars needed to be counted by Guinness officials. The count, conducted by three officials, was completed in under an hour.

Hilary Duff, one of the student organizers, said, “I was really pleased with how efficient the commissioners were. I was afraid we’d be out here for hours.”

Sophomore Mandy Moore said, “I wish more people had come out, but since it was in the morning, I guess people had class. If I’d had class, I definitely would’ve skipped to come here, because I’m sick of people on campus making rude comments about popped collars. I wanted to show the campus and the world that I’m proud of the way I dress.”

The demonstrators agreed that wearing one’s collar up is a pretentious way of setting oneself apart. “It’s just such a prep school, rich kid trend,” said Danny Masterson, one of the pro- testers.

Kelly Osborne and her friends cut the collars off their shirts in protest. Kline said, “Popped collars just look so stupid. I can’t stand it, and I can’t believe they’re actually getting recognition for this!” “I think it’s ridicu- lous that people actually protested us,” Duff said, “it’s just a trend.” She added that, in spite of all the hard work that went into planning the event, “It was so much fun, definitely one of my most memorable college ex- periences so far. And I don’t think the green has ever looked so colorful!”

Amid Protests, College Sets World Record for Popped Collars

By JUSTINE HENDRINCKS

BY Slacker Jon LERF

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It’s all the rave...
It’s May Day Every Week with the Introduction of Nude Thursdays

BY CANDICE B. FUREAL

The inevitable has happened; May Day will now make an appearance on Chestertown’s calendar as Nude Thursdays will occur every Thursday starting April 7th.

The administration believes that in order to get students prepared for the real world work place and their concepts such as “Casual Fridays” that WC should have its own casual day. Nudity was chosen because it can be seen as a school spirit day eluding to May Day, and what’s more casual than going naked?

The entire community of Chestertown and WC are coming together to make Nude Thursdays a success.

www.RateMyStudents.com - Where the Professors do the Grading... Still

BY BANNY BOBERT

A new phenomenon is sweeping college campuses and it is revolutionizing the education system as we know it. This one little website has allowed everyone to obtain knowledge that other

Students will be allowed to go anywhere they please. The library, the dining hall, classes, everywhere on campus. Don’t worry about feeling cold in the classrooms; the money allotted for laundry will go towards more heat.

The weight room will also have extended hours, effectively immediately, and the dining hall will be cutting back on the usual smorgasbord of fried foods and carbohydrates. All grilled meats, grilled cheese, fries, pizza, various nuggets of things, will all be cycled through the dining hall menu at some point, just spread out. The salad bar will be increased and special diet kiosks are coming soon to accommodate diabetes, Weight Watchers, and South Beach enthusiasts. People have talked about the new day.

Finch2@washcoll.edu!! Thanks!

Hey Seniors!

What is your favorite funny or memorable moment at WC?

I'm trying to come up with a "Top Ten" list to be included in a possible graduation speech for this year's commencement.

Send your moments to nfinch2@washcoll.edu! Thanks!

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WC Dorms Now Brought to You by Sheraton

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BY PURE BUNK

There is exciting news for any WAC student currently living on campus. It has come to the attention of The Elm that Robert Moore's, the co-founder of the Sheraton Hotels, great-granddaughter will be attending Washington College next year as a freshman.

The news does not end here however, because of a stipulation in the late Moore's will, the college that his beloved Elaina Moore will attend will receive a complete upgrade and refurbishing free of charge to the college and its students. So, plans are in the making this summer to remodel the dorms and dinning hall.

A construction team is lined up and ready to demolish and rebuild all the dorms except for the Western Shore dorms which will merely undergo a refurbishing.

The hallways will now all feature expensive oriental rugs, and wall chandlers outside every door. The doors will all be card key locked, and there will be a doorman at every entrance of the buildings for both security and to open the doors.

Each room will be painted a soft beige with plush burgundy carpets. A 36 television with a built in DVD/VCR combo will be standard in every room. Each room will have a small bathroom attached that includes a shower and sink. Unfortunately, there will not be enough rooms in the bathrooms to include toilets; however each hall will feature two common bathroom areas with state of the art facilities decorated in only the most lush and rich materials and designs.

As for the dining hall, they are planning to model it to resemble a four-star restaurant, and each meal will be cooked to order. Beautiful china and cloth napkins included in this new campus dinning hall.

When asked what this will do for the campus' historical image Dean Fullofli stated, "What does it really matter when you are talking about a 25 million dollar project completely funded by an outside source?"

The topic is still up in the air for students, Junior Jill Pseudonym was quite thrilled, "I'll be a vast improvement from the current situation. Right now I feel trapped as if in an insane asylum, this will really help the image of the school." While Sophomore Joe Fakes wasn't too impressed, "I came to this school because of the history and the original buildings, and just the feel of time. I'm not too sure this new WAC will be one that I want to attend."

So for better or worse, historical WC will morph into the luxurious Sheraton College of Chestertown.

Elm Circulation Hits Million Mark

The Washington College Elm has made it into the WC record books. Circulation for the paper has finally reached the million mark.

After taking a vow to gain readership this year, The Elm decided to only report on the stories that would impact people the most. "We sat down and went through every popular publication we could think of," says one member of the editorial staff.

"We thought of modeling ourselves after weekly news publications like Time or Newsworld. However, when we thought about the publications that flew off the shelves of Superfresh, we thought The Globe or The National Enquirer would do the trick for our numbers."

With the recent reporting of stories ranging from the fire in Kent dorm to the tuition decrease to the discontinuation of Milwaukee's Beast Beer, The Elm has remained on top of the news that truly matters to the Eastern Shore of Maryland community. "Reporting like this makes us comparable to the publications that hang on the check-out line at the grocery store," says the Editor-in-Chief of The Elm. "In my mind, that's a huge honor."

"Take a look at some of the headlines of these tabloids," continued the Editor-in-Chief. "They talk about marriage, adultery, kidnapping, and even murder...these are the real things that are happening in our world. To think that our readers think that we report on the real issues happening in Chestertown and the campus is a mark of distinction for The Elm. It shows that we simply rock."

“I am thrilled with the amount of people reading The Elm," says one section editor of the paper. “Finally, someone sees that we really do report on what’s happening, not just on gossip or negative happenings. We don’t put people up on pedestals and then take them down...that’s simply not our style. Once The Elm covers something that happened, consider yourself warned.”

“I think the momentum of this movement is just going to keep getting stronger and stronger. The more dirt that we dig, the better The Elm is going to be.
NCAA Agrees to Recognize Beer Pong as Washington College Sport

BY MEGAN BLOCK

The Washington College Athletic Association has agreed to officially add Beer Pong to its long list of NCAA recognized sports here on campus. The decision was made last Monday in front of the Washington College executive board with a vote of 7 to 1.

“We’ve been pushing for this for the past ten years. I’m glad we have finally come to our senses and joined the growing ranks of collegiate beer pongers,” says Hugh Jass, Spokesman for the WCAA. “This is such a premier sport. I think it will add a lot of prestige to the Washington College community. It’s a great way for students to get involved and do something worthwhile during their college years.”

Ollie Tabooger, senior co-captain of the current Washington College Undergraduate Beer-Pong League United or WAC-UBL, is equally excited about the new addition. “I’m so glad our sport is finally being recognized. This has been such an underground sport for so many years. We have so much talent, I’m excited to go out there and show them what we’re made of.”

The game will be the first sport to have continuous participation throughout all three of the current athletics seasons. Sophomore Most Improved Player, Anita Bath comments on the continuous ponging. “Playing year-round gets you so much practice. My arc has improved so much. I can hit a cup in someone’s hand without even looking. That gets them every time.”

Some administrators are concerned about the lack of physically involved in the new sport. “People overlook the athletic aspects (of the sport), but it takes a lot of hard work,” remarks last year’s elected MVP, Bea O’Problem. “I lift everyday. I maxed-out at 20 lbs. with my right index finger on a pitching machine. It really improves your reaction time, which is a crucial element of success for this game.”

Next year’s Head Coach of the men’s and women’s team was decided last Thursday. Seymour Butz, the future men’s coach was a three-time All-American ponger at Salisbury University where he broke the world record for number of consecutive cups in a game before having to take his senior year off due to contracting a bad case of Hepatitis. “I expect three-a-days for the first couple weeks of preseason and don’t be surprised if I throw in a few 6am-ers either,” reported the future coach.

Ivana Tinkle, the future women’s coach was a two-time All-American at West Virginia University, where she took her junior year off to train with the Olympic Team. She plans to do some heavy recruiting for the 2006 school year. “I have already scoped out some excellent players,” remarks the anxious future coach. “Just last weekend I attended a Kent County High School party in which I discovered three excellent players with outstanding defensive skills and a knack for seeing the whole table beyond their years. One player could down a whole cup in two seconds. That kind of stuff is essential for our program. I hope to get them to become members of our family.”

Injuries are also a concern for the new players. Some have already suffered injuries that have put them out for past tournaments. “I was so angry when I had to sit out a few games of the 180 cup tournament last year. I sprained my index finger trying to swat a sneak-attack bouncer. It was just impossible to shoot with a splint on. It was so frustrating,” said junior Jacques Strap. “You have to be careful about getting finger-prune. You can’t just dunk the whole ball into the water cup. You have to place it on the top of the water and roll it around or your fingers will get pruney. This could put you out 3-4 games, easily.”

An NCAA regulation game consists of 2 players on each side, with 10 regulation sized red cups (5 rings, never 3). Two NCAA qualified referees will be present at each game. To start a game, the team will choose a designated shooter to shoot at the opposing team’s cups, while looking the opposing designee shooter in the eye. The player to make a cup during this will be the first team to shoot. Penalties include knocking over cups, swatting a ball that is not a bouncer, and bringing your elbow over the line of play. A game will continue for as long as is needed for one team to make all the cups of the opposing team, although there is a 10-minute time limit on the last cup. If neither team can make the last cup before the beer turns warm, the game will then be postponed until a later date, or until someone goes on a beer run.

Official uniforms include normal Saturday night attire. Girls are advised not to wear low cut shirts and low rise jeans without belts because unlike normal Saturday night games, official girl games will be held against other girls, so there really is no incentive to show off their unmentionables. No one wants to see that.

Heckling is strongly encouraged, and the NCAA would like to point out that no heckling is too much heckling. At a recent Saturday night rendezvous with a future participating fraternity, I asked a boy who had just completed eight successful rounds of beer-pong about his feelings on the new teams. “I think it’s just the greatest sport ever.”

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GREATEST SPORT EVERRRR. I love you. What’s your name?” said sophomore Al Coholic before promptly passing out.
WC Baseball Team Questioned in Steroid Saga

BY PETER GRIFFIN

Major League Baseball has recently been hit very hard with the stunning outspoken words of former MLB slugger Jose Canseco. Canseco, a former homerun powerhouse recently wrote a book called “Juiced”, in which he openly admitted to getting, using, and distributing steroids to his former teammates and other stars during his time in the big leagues.

This has of course been all over the news and anyone who knows what a baseball is knows about this story. The true surprise is the implicated leagues.

WC Baseball Team Questioned in Steroid Saga

BY SOMEONE YOU DON'T KNOW

After receiving complaints from many students about the creation of a new stadium, the Washington College administration called an emergency meeting last week to discuss the stadium plans with the athletic department.

Students reminded administration that Washington College is a Division III college, and that academics should come first. In the eyes of many students, library improvements and athletic department improvements to quiet complaints. Beginning in the Spring of 2006, Washington College will field a track team after a long absence. The powers that be explained that a track team will increase interest in the college and improve the quality of the student body. This won't be the first time WC has fielded a track team. The Washington College Hall of Fame honored the 1949-50 Shoremen Track Team in 1988. Unfortunately, several years ago, many players on the track team were injured by the poor track conditions that still exist today. Shin splints, stress fractures, and tendon injuries caused by cement patches and the lack of a rubberized surface forced players to quit, and the WC track team was no longer.

After all these years, WC has decided to turn the focus from academics to athletics and renew the long-missed track team. The new Shoremen track team hosts visiting Gettysburg at 3:00 PM on Friday, March 10, 2006. Pull your head out of those outdated library books and come cheer on the team!