Dean and Provost Scholz Resigns

BY BRIDGET ROMANO

After serving an unprecedented twelve years as Dean and Provost of Washington College, Joachim Scholz has announced his resignation from office, to be effective in June 2006. Scholz insisted in a recent interview that he was not leaving WC but is excited about returning to his "scholarly responsibilities."

"I want to return to what I was trained to do – teach. I taught [at Washington College] for fourteen years before I became Provost," said Scholz. "I was trained to do – teach. I taught [at Washington College] for fourteen years before I became Provost," said Scholz.

Scholz will stay at WC as a professor

The Washington College Board and bring their concerns to the faculty and vice versa," said Lamond. Tipton, who has been involved in the appointments of other Deans, hopes the future Dean will be able to work hard for both the college and for the faculty. "It is important to find someone who is a good constant builder, someone capable of listening to both sides before making a decision."

Scholz says he will not be involved in the national search for a new Dean, but feels that the search process is a common process here and that many candidates will be attracted to WC. According to Scholz, administration, faculty, and students will be involved in the process.

Many students, however, seem to feel that they do not have a clear understanding of what the Dean does. Said freshman Laura Human, "I'm honestly pretty ashamed to say this but I don't know what the Dean's position fully entails. But I think that it is important for students to become educated about the Dean and who will be filling Dean Scholz's position."

Professor Richard Gillin of the English and Humanities departments stressed the importance of students becoming active in the selection of a new Dean. "Students should get involved, really involved, in the process of selecting the next Dean. There's sure to be open sessions, and students should be the ones asking the hardball questions. Students should feel free to voice complaints and to become as involved as possible. Students also should attend the candidates' lectures and presentations, as well as talk to fellow peers and faculty members," added Gillin.

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During his time as Dean, six majors were introduced to the curriculum at WC. Foreign language and fine arts requirements were also reinstated, as well as the creation of two academic centers. The Study Abroad Program was also expanded under Scholz.

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been very good to me. Faculty and staff have been especially patient with me over the years. It’s a hard job, and without such generous support, I couldn’t succeed,” said Scholz.

Of his time spent working with the presidents of the college, Scholz said, “Clearly, of the last twelve years, I’ve worked most closely with President Hall. I’ve served under three presidents and I have truly enjoyed working with all. Dr. Yoll was especially helpful as a college leader and was a great mentor.”

Tipson commended Dean Scholz for winning the job after finishing his career in the classroom and in a room in and scholarship.”

“...a pretty good teacher. I really enjoyed his class,” said Ron Young, a WC Junior and former student of Scholz.

When asked what he was looking for in a new dean, Helt said, “We will be interested to see what the candidate’s previous personal experiences were. We have a strong system of co-governance here at Washington College and want someone who could continue to set a high standard for academics.”

Tipson added, “The President is the faculty representative, so it is vitally important that this person has the confidence of the faculty. But the dean must also judge the faculty, so he or she must appear fair and professional.”

Hall said that he felt there were about three faculty members at WC that would make very strong candidates for the soon to be vacant position. Tipson expects that there will be many outside candidates as well. Tipson on the possibility of a female filling the position of dean, “More and more women are now in administrative positions in their academic fields. I have a feeling we will find ourselves with a pretty equal number of male and female candidates. That is what I personally see as affirmative action.”

- President Tipson on Dean Selection Process

Public Safety Report

APRIL 6-12, 2005

NOISE VIOLATION: SC 05-1213
On 4/9/05 at 1:09 AM a student was issued a campus citation for playing loud music in Cecil Hall.

NOISE VIOLATION: SC 05-1214
On 4/9/05 at 1:10 AM a student was issued a campus citation for playing loud music in Prince George’s.

ALCOHOL VIOLATION: SC 05-1215
On 4/9/05 at 1:32 AM a student was issued a campus citation for possessing alcohol in the common area of Dorschester House.

ALCOHOL VIOLATION: SC 05-1216
On 4/9/05 at 1:42 AM an underaged student was issued a campus citation for possessing alcohol in the common area of Dorschester House.

MDOP: SC 05-1234
On 4/5/05 at 12:01 AM an officer responded to Sorberney Hall.

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PUBLIC URINATION: SC 05-1236
On 4/10/05 at 12:28 AM a student was issued a campus citation when he was discovered urinating outside of Talbot House.

PUBLIC URINATION: SC 05-1237
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PUBLIC URINATION: SC 05-1239
On 4/10/05 at 12:08 AM a student was issued a campus citation when he was discovered urinating outside of Kent House.

MDOP: SC 05-1244
On 4/10/05 at 1:33 AM a student was issued a campus citation when he was discovered urinating outside of Talbot House.

PUBLIC URINATION: SC 05-1245
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Bush Advisor Karl Rove to Talk Politics Monday

BY HEATHER BLAIR

On Monday, April 18, Washington College’s Richard L. Harwood Program in American Journalism will host political strategist Karl Rove to Thomas Theater with a 7:30 p.m. lecture entitled “The Polarized Press and Its Role in Politics in the Age of Bush.” The talk will be followed by a question and answer period moderated by John Harwood, director of the program and son of the late Richard Harwood.

“The subject of the lecture is the fairness and objectivity of the press—and how the press’ performance is viewed on both sides of the political spectrum in a country that is starkly polarized along partisan lines,” explains Harwood. “Rove is the leading Republican political strategist in the country, ‘anything he has to say on contemporary political issues is interesting and useful.’”

“For a long time conservatives in this country have felt that there’s a liberal bias in the press,” said Professor Taylor by chair of the Political Science Department. “On the other hand, over the last couple decades, conservatives have resorted to talk radio and Fox News. We no longer have this sense of the press being neutral and fair. We have this idea of the dueling press.”

Rove’s lecture addresses this idea of the dueling press and its connections to Mass Media. The Harwood Lecture Series is well-known on the Washington College campus for providing a variety of political speakers, from last year’s visit by Howard Dean to Robert Novak and John McCain. The lecture series strives to offer a spectrum of political views to the community, from the liberal to the conservative.

“They [the Harwood Program] at least make an attempt to make sure both sides of the issue are covered,” said Sarah Meller, President of the Washington College Republicans. “I have heard people complaining, ‘God, another conservative speaker.’ We didn’t complain when Howard Dean came.”

Rove currently acts as one of the Deputy Chiefs of Staff under the Bush administration, attempting to gain support for President Bush’s Social Security proposals while keeping close tabs on Congressional votes. Rove has been with President Bush since Bush’s gubernatorial campaign, and is credited as being the cause of Bush’s presidential election. Taylor, noted that “He is, at the moment, the most successful political strategist around.” In addition, Karl Rove can see the effects of this in his job as a political analyst and allows him to be particularly strong

But for WC students who do not have the opportunity to personally talk with the President, this is the chance to see someone who pulls Bush’s strings, according to Taylor.

Kelli Biringer, President of the Washington College Democrats, said much the same thing. She points out that although the College Democrats may not agree with Bush, “Rove is still a primary politician in American politics.”

“It’s not every day that the top advisor to the President comes to Washington College,” Biringer said. “Whether or not we agree with him, we’re still interested in hearing what he has to say.”

“My general impression of Rove is favorable,” said Senior Dan Moller, a member of the Washington College Republicans. “Obviously I am biased and have not agreed to a significant role in electing President Bush. However, I believe most people should be able to at least appreciate his ability to manipulate"sense of strategy.”

Members of both the Washington College Democrats and the College Republicans, as well as the faculty and the community, plan on attending this Monday’s lecture. Rove’s visit also brings the perfect opportunity for students and faculty to have a look at a leading political strategist direct question.

“The question I would like to ask is if you [Rove] had been running John Kerry’s campaign, what would you have done? He might not be willing to talk

 Serialization is a well-known phenomenon on the community. From the liberal to the conservative.

“Rove lecture sponsored by Harwood Program in American Journalism

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BY KELLY BIRINGER

Four months after the Indian Ocean Tsunami hit parts of South and Southeast Asia, the Tsunami Relief Group on campus is pulling together its projects to help the victims of the tsunami.

Brenna Schneider, a WC senior, explains that there are several layers to the relief effort, and the group is currently working on their first task, which is visiting local schools and centers. “We’ve gone to the Kent Family Center, Chestertown Elementary School, Kent County High School, Radcliffe Creek Elementary School, Chestertown Elementary School, and Norton Elementary, teaching kids about what the tsunami, and what it did to life there,” says Schneider.

The presentation that is given by WC students to the elementary, middle and high school students will consist of pictures of those places. Andrea Neighbors, a WC sophomore, has emailed people who have traveled to tsunami-hit countries. “College kids can connect with students - there are college students in the very least level that can make a difference.”

“We’re not just keeping it in WC – it’s good for WC to connect with the community,” says Andrea Cornacchia, a WC junior and member of the University Relay Council. “Students’ art will then be presented in an art show at the Visitor’s Center of Chestertown on May 6. The community can then come out and see the youth of Chestertown’s reaction to the tsunami. The art show will be on a First Friday of the month, in which the galleries downtown will be open from 5 pm to 8 pm. Viewers of the art show can then buy a ballot for $1 to vote for the best place of art in the student show and the winning piece will be put onto t-shirts and sold next semester. Proceeds for

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WC Joins Facebook Community

Online College Directory Becomes Newest Campus Fad

BY JUSTINE HENDRICKS

Get online and get ready to be “poked,” because Facebook is here.

After a long process, Washington College has been added to TheFacebook.com, joining hundreds of other schools with students who have gone wild over the new craze.

For anyone who slept through last Thursday and Friday and missed the excitement, TheFacebook.com is an online directory for colleges. It allows students to create profiles and view those of other students at their schools.

Last week brought not only Facebook to campus, but a new verb, “to friend.” When you see the profile of someone you know, you have the option of “friending” them. That person is sent the very elementary school request (“Joe Schmoe wants to add you as a friend”) and prompted to accept or reject the offer of friendship. When accepted, you are added to each other’s running count of “friends.”

In response to Facebooking turn into a contest for friends, as my friends sat at their computers with eyes glazed over. “I have 93 friends!” one proudly announced, followed by a dejected, “I only have 37” from someone else. As an article from the December 28th issue of The Washington Post pointed out, “a high friend count is as much evidence of a will- ingness to hustle as it is evidence of a will-ingness to hustle as it is a proof of popularity.”

Neely, one of the students who helped bring Facebook to Washington College, added, “It’s amazing that such a little thing (friending) is the biggest ego trip ever!”

People with Facebook profiles can also create groups or join existing ones. These groups encompass everything from the logical (sport teams, sororities) to the bizarre interests including the “Proud to Steam Food From The Dining Hall” group. By early after-noon of the first day, there were 10-15; by 11:00 that night there were more than 350 webpages filled with groups.

There are ever 300 hund red groups now, and the number contin-ues to grow. Rarely, when “friending,” there is also the option to “poke” people. You can click “Poke” and you rec-eive a message saying that the person you poked will be notified. That person re-ceives a message saying, “You have been poked by your-name-here” and offers the option of poking back.

In response to TheFacebook.com FAQ “What is poking?” the founders wrote: “We have about as much of an idea of what it is as you do. We thought it would be fun to make a feature that has no specific purpose and to see what happens from there,” adding cheerfully, “So mess around with it, because you’re not getting an expla-nation from us.”

In order to get your school on Facebook, you can either fill out an online re-quest with the name of your school, or you can submit a lengthy description of the school including the majors, names of dorms, and other criteria.

Neely, who was one of many students who worked to bring Facebook to campus, said, “It takes forever. There were a handful of us that started in September.” Neely said Facebook’s original purpose was to help students find names for the faces they see every day, like an illustrated college directory. “Now, it’s all about how many groups can you join and how many friends can you accumu-late,” she said.

A Sampling of Facebook Groups:

The Dr. Toll Fan Club: 176 Members

2005 WAC Football Team: 4 Members

Anti-Collar Popping Group: 43 Members

Collars Up Society: 15 Members

The Bob Day Fan Club: 31 Members

Eastern Shore of Maryland Natives: 31 Members

Facebook is Eating My Life...Oh Good! Another Way to Procrastinate: 62 Members

How Much is too Much to Pay for Washington College Tuition: 7 Members

I’m in Love with Dr. Connaughton: 19 Members

Tsunami Relief Continued from page three

by AMBika VISHWANATH

Ambika Vishwanath, a W' senior from India, is active about the relief ef-forts. “I guess it’s really heartening to know that people care enough to do as much as they have.” In January I was in DC and did a lot of work, but I think it’s a good self-de- trom booster.”

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Alumni Corner: New Stadium to Benefit

Dicky Grieves ’83, a member of the Stadium Fundraising Committee and Board of Visitors and Governors, has been an avid supporter of this project since day one. Grieves believes that, “now is a great time to be a student-athlete at Washington College. In recent years, the academic facilities have grown tremendously.”

“This summer, the College will continue this growth with the construction of a new athletic facility. The renovation of Kibler Field and construction of a new stadium will architecturally enhance the campus. Most importantly, this facility will increase recreational, intramural and intercollegiate opportunities for all students playing some form of sports and 30% of all students playing some type of sports and 30%.

“Most importantly, this facility will increase recreational, intramural and intercollegiate opportunities for you, the students. I join the student body and other alumni in welcoming this new and needed campus improvement and look forward to cheering our teams there in the future.”

The stadium proposed to replace Kibler Field will be built of brick with seating for 1,500 spectators. Other features will include locker rooms, a jogging track, an encircling fence, restrooms, walkways, landscaping, a new scoreboard, a meeting room and a concession stand.

A synthetic grass field will provide a state-of-the-art, all-weather playing surface. Stadium lights will make the facility usable at any time of the day or night. The durability of the playing surface will enable far more intensive use of the playing field than is now possible. One of the nicest features will surely be the sky box meeting room with press box which will offer students, faculty and staff an additional space to hold meetings or special events.

The facility will greatly enhance the playing experience for our teams, will move women’s sports to the center of campus, and will address unmet needs for expanding intramural and club sports teams. Varsity and recreational athletes, fans, and campus visitors to the Admissions Office alike will meet certainly benefit and be impressed by this improved campus venue.

Sarah Coste ’91, also a member of the Stadium Fundraising Committee and a recent WC Hall of Fame inductee stands behind this project as well.

“With the addition of this first-rate stadium, current players will have the best of both worlds: the new stadium turf and Shriver Field’s natural grass.”

“This facility will undoubtedly strengthen not only the women’s lacrosse program, but also all programs in numerous ways: additional recruitment opportunities for future teams, improved field conditions on the all weather surface and increased spectator base due to campus location and seating availability. “Women’s lacrosse was an integral part of my Washington College experience. As an alumna, it is exciting to see Washington College continue to grow in the area of athletics over the past 14 years. For example, the increase of varsity and intramural sports, the ad-

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Letter to the Editor: Could WC Be Greener?

While spring is here, we’re talking about “greening” in a...
It's Wednesday, two weeks, maybe days, maybe hours, I don't know. I'm tired enough to take an epic nap until dinner. Being the laid-back guy that he is, Mraz decided to go with the flow, and he was even kind enough to allow for a brief interview before the show. He was found relaxing in the racquetball court with his band, and donning a carefully selected pink WC hoodie.

Johnson introduced himself, Mraz commented on the WC campus, "I like the campus, the cherry blossoms are beautiful." Mraz also proved to be no stranger to the Eastern Shore, as he described that he recorded his first album, Waiting for My Rocket to Come, in eastern Maryland.

When asked about his first album, Mraz replied that his favorite song is "Boys Gone." He stated that this song was written many years prior to the accompanying songs on the album, and that he wanted to save it for the first album, because it carries a special meaning for him. He also claimed, "everything is just pretty songs, and every thing in the world is about relationships and having fun."

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God of War was released on April 15, 2005. It was published by Sony, making this one of the more rare game/slash. However, the combo system is revolutionized, because its not your standard button memorization. There are done and totally forshadow- owe the next events of the game. You find yourself in a breaking point. The game has almost 50 load time. Seriously, no load time. You never have to sit and wait for the next level to load. The game is one giant map. I'm pretty sure they used the cut scenes (very well done) to load the level. I could be wrong, but, 'nuf said. Graphically, the game is very well done.

I don't have any complaints about this game, except that it's pretty hard. There are copious amounts of save points, in all the right places, and they create checkpoints for you before any really hard parts, and when you die, you don't have back to the save point, which was unacceptable. This game is fantastic. Any PS2 owner should make this game his/her crown jewel.
My Brief But Memorable Stay at Kent County Detention

BY MICHAL McGRATH

Last Wednesday was an especially beautiful day all around. Ordinarily, there would be no reason for me to stop and take note of it.

On this day, however, I took it all in after I rubbed my eyes harder than I have in a long time. The parking lot of the Kent County Detention Center isn’t a very nice place to be, but once you’ve gotten this close to it, it doesn’t get any better.

As a resident of the Detention Center for almost 48 hours, I ate five meals, was strip searched three times, shared a 10’ by 5’ cell with another inmate, played two games of UNO, watched a lot of BET and went to the bathroom once.

I wore my new uniform while holding my bin of new belongings (army blanket, sheets, a towel, a cup, a spoon, a toothbrush, toothpaste, soap and a packet of shampoo) and was escorted to my cell. I passed through three doors; each one had to be electronically opened by somebody else, and each one gave a man, grinding horn orange, dangle reflected light in my bin on my bed (top-bunk), pulled myself up to my cell and this time the door was sealed shut, with that same noise accompanying it.

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After “intake,” during which they document what they see, I was stripped of my civilian clothes and my things, ex-girlfriend, a member, something that I ended up trying to avoid dwelling on any more. Anyway, I bunched myself up and tried to think of comforting stuff, but a lot of it seemed inappropriate. There are a lot of things that I ended up trying to avoid dwelling on during those two relatively sleepless nights. My parents, home, other family members, ex-girlfriend, a fun time somewhere in your past, a memory; but the idea of the looks on everyone’s faces if they could see me now was too intense. So what are you left with?

I always thought that if I were in jail I would spend every second of my time inside plotting an escape. The thought never crossed my mind. I felt so trapped and beaten that trying to escape would just reinforce the fact that I was stuck in a place, and at some one else’s mercy. The politics surrounding the remote I was never offered to anyone and when someone was through with it, they might eat on one of the tables. I certainly didn’t miss it. It never even crossed my mind.

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As we all piled into the elevator, a young boy in my cell and this time the elevator door closed as I stared at the kid, trying to make him realize that I was a regular kid, kind eyes, easy smile, could be your cousin. He didn’t seem convinced.

The second night, after a dinner of white bread, I watched some of “Days of Thunder” with the rest of the guys in the common room. There was an older man with flaky skin, a beard, and glasses. There was a Hispanic guy who looked to be my age that played the drums on the table with his spoon. There were a lot of white kids with shaving cuts all over his dome, following us. The politics surrounding the remote I was never offered to anyone and when someone was through with it, they might eat on one of the tables. I certainly didn’t miss it. It never even crossed my mind.

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The parking lot of the Kent County Detention Center is in the mid 60s Worton Park

Weekend Weather

Saturday

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Drama Review: WC Takes on Molière in the Senior Thesis Production of “Tartuffe”

By Rachel Mauro

Around half of the seats in Tawes Theatre were filled on Saturday, April 9, as Mike Ridgeway’s senior thesis play, “Tartuffe,” made its second and last appearance.

Written by Jean-Baptiste Poquelin de Molière in 1664, it first received angry reviews denouncing its satirical handling of the ideas of both Church and clergy. In a time when theatre was seen as the thing to do while digesting dinner, the idea of a moralistically didactic play was revolutionary. Molière’s brilliant wit and believable characters were not to be expected, and all of the actors did wonderful jobs at embracing their characters’ stereotypes with zest.

Often, their long-winded or haughty dialogues would have audience members laughing for a good stretch of time. In fact, my biggest criticism of the play would have to be that the Victorian music they employed to move from scene to scene often covered the first words out of a character’s mouth.

The actors did not just use their props well or deliver good lines, but also had good direction to use their bodies in ways to further the parody aspect of the plot. Examples that come to mind are when the two despairing lovers prepare to leave the stage but hold their hands out, knowing full well that the maid will drag them back, and Tartuffe, the main character and a monk, hiking up his robes (and displaying rather colorful underwear) in order to seduce his host’s wife.

Such displays would often be met with shrieks of laughter from the audience.

The very end of the play seemed to lack a little luster, but perhaps that is just because the plot getting “resolved” rather than staying in a constant (yet humorous) state of events.

However, the more serious truth is that satire relies on an actual message to the public underneath. “Tartuffe” was starred by a large but effective group of actors including John Heffner, Marc Frankel, Amanda Arnoult and course, an equally large group of people acted as crew members, and a special word of thanks to costume steward, Katie Coots and cast members for the wildly successful costumes.

Editor of News and Letters offers insight on the inner life

Robert Stewart, editor of New Letters: A Magazine of Writing and Art, presented his lecture, “William Stafford and the Inner Life of Writing,” on Monday in the Sophie Kerr Room. Sponsored by the Sophie Kerr Committee, Stewart’s talk focused on life and work of Stafford (1914-1993), noted American poet and pacifist who won the National Book Award in 1963 and later served as poetry consultant to the Library of Congress, a position now known as the U.S. Poet Laureate.

Stewart teaches creative writing, magazine writing, and editing at the University of Missouri-Kansas City, where he also serves as editor-in-chief of the university’s literary imprint, BkMk Press. His poetry and essays have been published extensively throughout the U.S.
A View from the Stands

Fantasy Sports: What You

BY WILL GROFIC

Fantasy sports has taken over a side of the sports industry.

A fan's outlook on sports will forever be changed by fantasy sports. It's like gambling without the instant money. A fan can take any sport and turn it into a fantasy one. Fantasy sports take the individual player's statistics of a team sport and turn them into points for a competitive purpose.

The Toronto Raptors are horrible, yet Jalen Rose, Chris Bosh, and Rafer "Skip" Alston can contribute to my top 4 fantasy basketball team.

Fantasy sports can also be attributed to one on one sports. Just this week; I watched the last 15 laps of NASCAR and yelled at Greg Biffle for losing spots in the last lap during the Food City 500. Who's Greg Biffle? I just liked the name.

I created a NASCAR fantasy league from the Yahoo! Sports Fantasy website. My friends and I are only allowed to put up posts (It's like gambling without the instant money). We made a rule that the NASCAR posts can only be made in the "verbatim" of NASCAR fans.

My friend, Colin, who I used to play cricket with, is in the three seat, just as I heard the other day...

"These here Horrors was riding, bound on go and mah family dun evolved from non-"... I dint no cot dang ape man! I laughed so hard. everyone dun know god made earth in some days. He made me, and them dinosaurs, and them apes, and there aint no way in hell related to an ape... they throw thems own faces... and I put mine in the hole out back... dat reminds me, gotta go empty that hole for...

In other sports we are more competitive, though. The baseball fantasy league my friends and I are in required a live draft. The live draft takes up to 2 hours, and it is done through the internet. In a live draft, a message board is present as well. This baseball live draft, the first I've ever done, included such memorable moments as when Barry Bonds was picked.

My friend, Colin, ended up being "that guy" to pick Bonds. He knew it, we all knew it.

Bonds may never play again, and he may never hit the way he did again. But Colin chose him any way... very admirable.

Anyways, fantasy sports will continue to take over the sports industry with the expansion of lives and technology of today. Colin lives in Lexington, VA and goes to Washington and Lee. My other friend who I have lost touch with, goes to Notre Dame. We keep in touch through the fantasy sports and keep that bravado alive. We kid through message boards... hey seniors! What is your favorite funny or memorable moment at WAC? 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!

Weekend Sailing Regatta Cut Short Due to Weather

BY ASHLEY SMITH

The Washington College Sailing team hosted the WAC Women's Open in Chestertown on the Chester River last Saturday, April 9.

Normally this type of regatta would have been held over the course of two days. Unfortunately, however, the weather forecast for Sunday was deemed poor for sailing, and a full rotation of races was finished on Saturday.

The races were held in a 10-15 knot wind, clear skies, and temperatures in the 70's, a perfect day for sailing on the Chester River.

On Saturday, sophomore skipper Vanessa Anderson and freshman crew Tonie Domino finished first in the A division, sweeping victories in five of seven races.

Freshman skipper Meredith Dooly and freshman crew Meredith Bluefield placed first in the B division, taking four of seven B division races.

The efforts of both pairs, along with the guidance of assistant coach Charles Shade, led the Shorewomen to the third women's regatta victory in WC history.

Previous victories for the Shorewomen include the March of 1999 victory at the Princeton Women's Spring Open and in October of 2000 at the Princeton Women's Fall Open.

Saturday's win marked the first home victory for the Shorewomen.

Men's Rowing Competes in Boston Race

BY JOHN MARSHALL

The Washington College men's rowing team competed in two races at a multiple-school regatta in Boston, MA, last Saturday.

Washington's novice four boat, Brownell, was in a time of 6:54.7, while the Shoremen's varsity four lost to Division I New Hampshire by only 2.1 seconds, finishing in 6:56.1.

Washington's novice four was tied with Wesleyan with 1,000 meters left in the race before Washington pulled ahead with 500 meters to go and went on to win by seven seconds.

The Shoremen's varsity four was even with New Hampshire for most of the race, before New Hampshire pulsed ahead with 800 meters left and eventually built a boat-length lead over the Shoremen.

WC finished 250 meters left, Washington closed the gap, but New Hampshire held on for the close win.

Junior Tom Murray served as coxswain of the varsity four boat. Sophomore Andrew Bright sat stroke, junior Mike Philipp sat in the three seat, and junior Martin Dunphy was the bow.

Freshman Meredith Weaver was the coxswain of the Shoremen's novice fourboat.

Sophomore Chris Broadwell sat stroke, freshman Trent Cosentino was in the three seat, junior Jason Brown was in...
Why Doesn’t WC Have a Track and Field

BY JUSTINE HENDRICKS

The Washington College athletic department has been beset by a serious problem that has existed among the sports programs for some time. It is a problem that is a recurring theme: Why doesn’t WC have a track and field program? That question has been asked for several years by some students, athletes, and fans of various sports.

There are several reasons why Washington College has not added track and field as a sport. One reason is the cost of maintaining a track and field program. According to Coach Orsini, who has been involved in track and field for several years, the cost of running a track and field program is very high. The facility would have to be constructed in addition to an existing track, which would require separate enclosures. It would also need to be constructed with a high level of student interest, as there are many other students who would compete at the collegiate level only.

Another reason is the lack of interest. Orsini pointed out that before a team was added, the facility would have to be costed out. Matthews, Director of Athletics, said, “The hardest thing about track and field is that it requires much maintenance. It is a team sport that is more than a good pair of running shoes. In fact, the running shoes are the reasons WC does not have track and field. The specialized field and track would have to be constructed in addition to an existing track, which would require separate enclosures, and jumpers. However, it requires much more than a good pair of running shoes. In fact, the demands of the sport, coupled with a lack of interest, are the reasons WC does not have a track team.”

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