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Neil Sheehan, author of "A Bright Shining Lie" and other works about the Vietnam War, spoke in Hardie Auditorium last week. (Photo by Stephen Deusner)

Pulitzer Prize-Winning Author Speaks on Coming to Terms with Vietnam

By Rachael Rack

Neil Sheehan, Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *A Bright Shining Lie: John Paul Vann and America in Vietnam*, addressed a captivated crowd in Hardie auditorium on October 19. His lecture, entitled "Vietnam: Coming to Terms at Last," was provided by Rhodes' Olin Lecture Series.

Sheehan spoke of many issues surrounding the American involvement in southeast Asia. He addressed the phenomenon of Americans' "sense of infallibility" resulting from the Second World War as well as the tendency to demonize the "other," or anyone who is a Communist. "The truth about Vietnam," Sheehan explained, "is bitter, it is disillusioned, but it is necessary."

His remarkable journalism career began after graduating from Harvard and becoming an Army newsman in Korea and Japan during the late 1950s. He later became UPI bureau chief in

Saigon, Vietnam. His involvement there influenced Sheehan's writings for years to come. As a reporter for the *New York Times* in 1971, Sheehan was entrusted with the Pentagon Papers by former Defense Department analyst Daniel Ellsberg.

Using this as a basis for his meticulous research, Sheehan completed *A Bright Shining Lie*, for which he won the Pulitzer Prize in 1988. This work traces American involvement in Vietnam and explains the attitudes prevalent in the U.S. that influenced the war.

Sheehan urges Americans to "gain wisdom from Vietnam, otherwise the 58,000 names on the wall will have been in vain."

The theme of the Olin Lecture Series is "America and the Pacific Rim: Challenges for the 21st Century." The series is sponsored by a grant from the John M. Olin Foundation, Inc., of New York.

Women's Forum Plans "Take Back the Night" March

By Amy S. Hall

Next Thursday, October 28, the Rhodes Women's Forum will conduct the annual "Take Back the Night" march. Repeated in cities and on campuses throughout the country, the controversial event involves women and men marching along streets at night and is intended to signify a protest against sexual crimes. As women's activist Susan Howard has proclaimed, "Where we live, where we park, where we walk—with every step, American women must weigh their personal safety against the increasing odds of criminal attack."

The Women's Forum invites all interested students to meet at the Amphitheater at 7:00 on Thursday in order to march through Overton Park. There, the group will also hear a lecture from Ricci Hellman of the Memphis Sexual Assault Awareness Center concerning rape awareness.

The event has been met with recent criticism by author Katie Roiphe who argues in her new book, *The Morning After: Sex, Fear and Feminism on Campus*, that such events degrade the image of females to helpless, childlike victims in need of protection (see review, page 5). She feels the overall result is the depiction of women in their 1950's "delicate" role. Feminists

have in turn criticized Roiphe herself for her interpretation.

Concerning this debate, Forum member Bassham said, "I think that Take Back the Night is important because it is educational. We want people to be aware of sexual crimes, that they happen, and that they happen at Rhodes. We are not trying to scare people; education is not meant to be frightening. We just want people to be aware."

The newly created Women's Forum of Rhodes College is out to become one of the prominent establishments on campus. The idea for the Forum was conceived by Rhodes seniors Gayla Bassham, Liz Boucher and Kathryn Green, who sought to provide a group which could promote a better understanding of women's issues and concerns such as discrimination and special health needs.

Bassham stated of the Women's Forum, "We wanted a mainstream women's organization. We don't want feminism to be a dirty word on campus." In place of its regular business meetings, the Forum offers a bi-weekly discussion group open to the campus. This dialogue is intended for reflection on gender issues in order to improve relations between the sexes and has attracted many women and men.

In the presence of The Man...



Members of Rhodes' Phi Chapter of Kappa Sigma listen attentively as Sam Donaldson recounts stories from his long and colorful career in broadcast journalism. Donaldson, the 1992 Kappa Sigma Man of the Year, was in Memphis to speak to "Bridge Builders" and stopped by the Kappa Sigma house at Rhodes briefly. (Photo by Dan Millner)

Asia Week Wraps Up a Success

By Amy S. Hall

Last week marked the observance of Rhodes' Fourth Annual Asia Week, sponsored by the Asian Studies Department, the Office of Multicultural Affairs, and the A.S.I.A. (All Students Interested in Asia) campus organization.

This year the event focused on several different Asian destinations. Professor Michael Drompp, a coordinator, stated, "The purpose of Asia Week is primarily to promote interest in Asian studies at Rhodes. The world has become small; it is practical to learn of other cultures. Asia is a particularly dynamic region, economically, politically, and culturally."

The event kicked off with Indian food

night in the Rat which provided several native entrees. The highlight of the week was the Tuesday Olin Series Lecture dealing with the American involvement in Vietnam. Pulitzer prizewinner Neil Sheehan spoke on "Vietnam: Coming to Terms at Last" with standing room only available in Hardie Auditorium.

Thursday and Friday were reserved for the showing of two Asian Films, "Raise the Red Lantern" (1991) and "The Dagger of Kamui" (1986) which were in honor of China and Japan, respectively. A.S.I.A. group member Kim Phuong Nguyen stated, "We wanted others to be exposed to Asian culture, and we hope the student body enjoyed the event."

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CAMPUS SAFETY ACTIVITY LOG

Date	Time	Location	Incident	Action Taken	
10/15/93	4:30 pm	Stewart, 1st floor	Disturbance reported.	Campus Safety and Residence Life investigated.	
	10:05 pm	Greek Organization	Unregistered Event	Dean Contacted.	
10/16/93	2:00 am	White, 3rd floor	Unlawful use of fireworks and violation of Fire Code, to wit: bottle rocket ignited indoors into hazardous area.	under investigation	
10/17/93	11:00 pm	Spann Lot	Two suspicious persons located in Spann Lot, ran from Campus Safety officers upon investigation, west along Tutwiler.	MPD called, unable to locate.	
	11:20 pm	Evergreen Church	Campus Safety found door ajar	MPD/Pastor called. Determined, no forced entry. Door left ajar earlier.	
10/18/93	1:14 am	Evergreen Church	Suspicious persons: C.S. Officers located two suspicious persons in a red Ford Mustang (TN plates) behind the rear of the Church. Upon approaching, the vehicle sped away.	Broadcast made.	
	6:15 pm	University St.	Suspicious persons	Fled before Campus Safety arrived. Subjects reportedly cursing at passersby.	
	9:40 pm	Refectory, East Porch	Suspicious person: Male, wearing blue shirt and blue jeans, walking with a limp reported loitering on refectory porch. Unable to locate subject in area.	Broadcast made.	
10/19/93	5:21 am	Robinson, 3rd floor	Harassing phone calls	Campus Safety and South Central Bell investigating.	
10/20/93	1:45 am	Robinson, 1st floor	Harassing phone calls	Campus Safety and South Central Bell investigating.	
		Traffic Citations	80	Escorts	16
		Traffic Warnings	0	Jump Starts	8
		Alcohol Violations	0	Propped Doors	6
		Accesses	102	Visitors	67

THIS WEEK IN MEMPHIS

Wednesday

Women's Soccer vs. Christian Brothers

Thursday

Volleyball vs. Lambuth

Friday

Parents Weekend begins

Kappa Delta All-Sing

Faculty Recital featuring John Elmquist, piano; Rena Feller, clarinet; and Kathleen Powell, violin; Payne Recital Hall, 8:00 p.m.

Book-signing featuring Grand Ole Opry star Skeeter Davis, author of *Bus Fare to Kentucky*; Davis-Kidd, 7:00 p.m.

The Great Indoorsmen play at Six One Six

Living Colour plays at Memphis State University Fieldhouse, 8:00 p.m.. Tickets are \$12.

Saturday

Football vs. Trinity

Sunday

Halloween

Man and Women's Soccer vs. Centre

Rhodes Chorale concert, 4:00 p.m.

Rhodes Music Academy Benefit Recital; Payne Recital Hall, 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday

Gilliland Lecture: Carol Rittner

The Sou'wester is the official student newspaper of Rhodes College. The Editors and Staff of The Sou'wester publish 22 times yearly throughout the fall and spring semesters, with the exception of holidays and exam periods.

The Sou'wester office is located downstairs in Palmer Hall. Staff meetings are open to the college community and take place every Tuesday evening at 9:00 pm in Room 103 of Buckman Hall.

Interested parties are invited—nay, vehemently encouraged—to write letters to the Editors. There is a Sou'wester folder on the Academic Server, which can be accessed from the Computer Labs in Buckman or from any computer on the campus network. All letters must be signed and must include the author's phone number for verification. Any letter for publication may be edited or rejected for clarity, length, and/or libelous content.

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Greek News Notes

By Chris Gilreath

The Interfraternity Council has been working on its proposed **Greek Awards program**. Though some adjustments have been made, the plan as a whole is intact and is expected to pass the Council. The proposal came to a vote in IFC on Monday, October 25, but results were not available at press time. If passed, the plan will rely on the Order of Omega to be implemented, culminating in a banquet in April.

Pi Kappa Alpha and **Kappa Delta** were recognized by the Alumni office as having the best Homecoming yard displays, and will each receive \$75 from the Alumni office.

Sigma Nu was recognized as having the best Homecoming yard display by the President of Interfraternity Council. For their efforts they will receive \$100 from IFC. **Pi Kappa Alpha** was judged to be second, and **Kappa Sigma** third.

Kappa Delta AllSing will be held on Friday, October 29. The theme is "Remembering the 1980s." All groups are encouraged to participate.

Interested parties should contact Amy Hill for information on rules and how to sign up.

Congratulations to **Mike Gonda** and **Merryl Taylor** who were crowned Mr. and Miss Rhodes Saturday during Homecoming. All finalists in the contest were members of Greek organizations.

Wottle offers corrections to scholarship article

I wish to correct some misinformation, and to offer my opinion, of the article entitled "Admissions to Slash Bellingrath, Morse and Cambridge Scholarships" that appeared in the October 20 issue of the Sou'wester. There were numerous statements in the article that must be corrected if Rhodes students are to have the facts about the recent changes made to our merit-based scholarship program.

First, the opinion. I found the article, and especially the headline, to be very deceptive. The headline, which smacked of sensationalism, implied that the admission office was implementing a major cutback in the College's merit-based scholarship program. In actuality, the number of merit-based scholarships to be awarded to entering students this year has increased and the amount of money to be spent on merit-based scholarships has increased as well. The bottom line is that the redistribution of our merit-based scholarship funds will allow more Rhodes students to benefit from scholarship funds while not affecting the scholarship amounts received by current scholarship recipients. To me that sounds like a positive change rather than one that should have received such an alarmist and misleading headline in the student newspaper.

Stepping down from my soapbox, I wish to offer the following corrections. First, we do not have a "runaway financial aid budget". The major budget overrun we experienced last year does not mean that our budget is in a "runaway" mode, totally out of control. If changes were not made to our financial aid awarding system, that may indeed have become the case. But, in fact, as a result of the changes

made to the awarding system last year, our financial aid budget is not only under control but will remain within budget allocations during the current fiscal year.

Second, the number of Dean's Scholarships (scholarships awarded exclusively to African-American students) have not been increased. We were budgeted for five Dean's Scholarships last year and that commitment will remain the same this year.

Third, the number of "Rhodes Scholarships" we award has not increased because we have no "Rhodes Scholarships." We have increased the number of \$5,000 Presidential Scholarships from 20 to 50 per year and have also implemented a new scholarship called the Rhodes Award which varies in value from \$1,000 to \$4,000 per year. There were 38 recipients of Rhodes Awards in this year's entering class.

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Brooks Sponsors African-American Photography Panel Discussion, Exhibit

By Sheree R. Thomas

A public symposium focusing on the history of African-American photography and its future will take place on October 30, 10 am-noon at the Memphis Brooks Museum of Art. The symposium, sponsored by the Photographic Circle of the museum, will discuss the medium of photography as art and as social commentary.

Panelists include: Sharon Farmer, current White House photographer and contributor to the *Songs of My People, African-Americans: A Self-Portrait* exhibit; Ernest Withers, a native Memphian and nationally-recognized Civil Rights photojournalist; Jason Miccolo Johnson, also a native Memphian and exhibition contributor who currently lives and works in Washington, D.C.; Dawoud Bey, a Yale graduate, whose work is included in the distinguished collections of the Museum of Contemporary Art at Chicago and the Fogg Museum at Harvard; and Dr. F. Jack Hurley, author of

Marion Post Wolcott: A Photographic Journey (1992) and 1993 recipient of the prestigious Lyndhurst Foundation Award for Distinguished Original Writing. Dr. Tritobia Benjamin, director of the Gallery of Fine Art, Howard University, Washington, D.C., will serve as moderator for the panel discussion.

The symposium is held in conjunction with the landmark exhibition, *Songs of My People, African-Americans: A Self-Portrait*, which is scheduled to appear at the museum October 30-December 12. The exhibit features 150 photographs by 53 of the nation's leading African-American photojournalists. Traveling under the auspices of the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service (SITES), the exhibit was organized by the Corcoran Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C.

For more information about the symposium or the exhibit, please call the Memphis Brooks Museum of Art at 722-3500.

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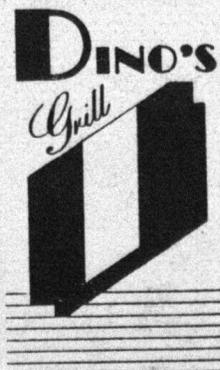


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Denny Verdicts Reveal Flawed View

This past week the men who participated in the televised beating of truck driver Reginald Denny during the 1992 Los Angeles Riots finished their trials. The worst perpetrator, a man who hurled a brick at Denny while in full view of the camera, received a conviction on the felony charge of mayhem and on four misdemeanor charges of assault. He was acquitted of aggravated mayhem and attempted murder. His cohorts were also acquitted of many of the charges they faced. There were two reasons cited for the unexpected acquittals: the prosecution was unable to prove the intent necessary for conviction on the stronger charges, and the jurors felt that the defendants were swept away in a "wave of violence," and presumably couldn't control their actions.

As to the first reason, that's pretty hard to second guess. As in the associated Rodney King beating trial, some parts of the case just can't be understood by outsiders. Still, I am unable to come up with any other motivation for hurling a brick at the head of a man already beaten into defenselessness other than to kill him. However, I wasn't there and I can only speculate.

The second reason, however, is something that I feel is open to quite a bit of debate. In fact, I think it safe to say that any juror who used this reason to vote for the acquittal of any of the defendants was dead wrong.

Striking a defenseless person, whether you are in the midst of a riot or a police officer apprehending a motorist, is a conscious decision. It is a decision that the attacker has full control over no matter what is going on around him or her. It is also a decision for which the attacker should be held fully accountable.

Now, there are some times when a person could say that he or she was swept away with the mentality of the crowd. Sports events are a good example. When you are in Busch Stadium and

the Ozz hits one out of the field, it is almost impossible not to get excited and cheer with everyone else around. However, when the actions become more serious, so does our ability to control them.

Try to look at it this way: thousands of people were in the part of Los Angeles affected by the riots, but not everyone looted, only four pulled a man out of a truck and beat him, and only one hurled a brick at the driver's head. If the idea that the men were swept up in the violence had any validity, Denny would have been hit with at least four bricks, there wouldn't be a truck driver left alive in Los Angeles, and the store owners who tried so hard to protect their businesses would have instead joined in the looting.

This is applicable to many situations we see today. Rodney King's beaters made the conscious decision to continue to beat him long after he was neutralized as a threat. There is even a great example from the Revolutionary War. During the Boston Tea Party, one colonist was seen stuffing his coat lining with tea. The patriots promptly apprehended the man and relieved him of his spoils. Though everyone around was breaking the King's law, the patriots were acting on their conscious decision to rebel against an unjust government by taking action for which they realized they could be held accountable. The looter was just hoping he could profit from the "wave of criminal activity" in the area, but he was still held accountable for his actions.

So what is my solution? Well, it's really pretty simple. First, take full responsibility for every action you make. Don't blame it on the mood of the times or your particular socialization. Secondly, expect others to do the same. If you can do that, then you have helped the world take one more step toward rationality.

Presidential Scholarships awarded (increased from 20 to 50) and the implementation of the Rhodes Awards were made during this past recruiting year. Thus we are able to gain some knowledge of the effect these changes had on enrolling the entering class. The results: we enrolled 415 new students, 20 more than last year, and remained within our financial aid budget, a budget that was the same as the year before. It certainly seems that the awarding of more scholarships of lesser value to more students has passed its first trial with flying colors. It is also interesting to note that the academic qualifications of our first-year students remained markedly similar to last year.

Dave Wottle
Dean of Admissions
and Financial Aid

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Fourth, contrary to what was stated in the article, the changes made to our scholarship program have been grandfathered in. The redistribution of the scholarship funds will not affect current Rhodes students and, as long as a student's scholarship was tied to our tuition rate when he or she enrolled at Rhodes, that scholarship will remain tied to the tuition rate during the student's years here. No current scholarship recipient will be affected by these changes.

And fifth, while 1993-94 is indeed a test year for the awarding of a smaller number of Bellingrath, Morse, Cambridge and University Scholarships and for no longer tying them to the tuition rate, the changes in the number of

A CALL FOR HELP

By Teri Sullivan
Campus Green Co-Coordinator

I am writing this editorial mainly to ask for help. Campus Green is being forced to take over the aluminum can bins in the dorms. What is required of us is that we empty each bin weekly and take the cans to the can shack. Campus Green simply does not have the power to do this alone, and we feel that it should not be a duty that falls on one club's shoulders. So far, we have received much help. Hall residents, individuals, sororities and fraternities, and club members are adopting can bins from us. We are looking for more clubs and groups to adopt bins from dorm floors.

While I have been very pleased with the response that Campus Green is getting, I feel that it is not enough, and we, as a club, are very concerned about its lasting ability. The problem goes still deeper than this. Campus Green feels that institutionalization is the best way to recycle. When Campus Green first began, the first step was to initiate recycling of aluminum cans. Yes, it was a volunteer project, but it was never meant to end there. Campus Green had views of becoming more than a "recycling" club. There are many more issues involved in environmentalism that need to be addressed, but with the recycling taking up all the energy it did, Campus Green was forced to put all of its efforts into recycling. The goal was institutionalization.

It is vital to organized recycling efforts that they be institutionalized. If one main group, part of the administration itself, takes over the duties of recycling, many things are accomplished. It shows others that the administration sees recycling as an important priority, thus sending out a positive message to other institutions and to individuals. It ensures that recycling remains steady, convenient, safe and sanitary. When it is a volunteer effort, we are less sure of its lasting ability. This was the philosophy behind Campus Green's efforts as we pushed for more efficient ways to recycle. And then we reached a breakthrough.

About two years ago, former Co-Coordinator Chris Buchanan was able to reach a trial solution. Blue bins with lids were donated to us. Brian Foshee, head of Physical Plant, agreed to add aluminum can recycling in the dorms to the list of duties for the housekeepers on a trial basis. At the same time, Campus Green managed to set up bins for paper to be collected by BFI. Physical Plant also agreed to take these bins to a central location once a week to meet BFI pickups.

Campus Green was able to breathe and focus on other important issues like bringing speakers to the campus, getting rid of styrofoam in the Rat, and the Environmental Fair. Campus Green began to expand and mature, until this summer. Brian Foshee, Brent Moberly (the other Co-Coordinator of Campus Green), and I met to discuss recycling. We had thus far received no complaints from Mr. Foshee and assumed we would be beginning another year with

the recycling system as it was and even begin to expand it. We received a cold shock. Not only did we realize we could not expand recycling, but we were going to have to take on the recycling in the dorms: 27 bins would be added to our duties. These bins also tend to be the ones that need the most attention and get more trash thrown in them, because of students who either don't think or don't care. How were we going to be able to take this on, we wondered, when our meeting attendance was so low and Campus Green had gone on to other environmental efforts?

I do not want to burn any bridges here. Physical Plant has not abandoned us. They have agreed to take the cans off-campus to Dixie Recycling Center if we can get them out of the dorms. Campus Green will also receive the money for these collections. This is a big help, and we appreciate it. While we understand that the administration does not see recycling in the same light that we do, we do not agree with its decision. We have been told that recycling should be a volunteer activity and should not fall on the shoulders of the administration. We disagree. As I have stated before, institutionalization is necessary for recycling to survive. Whether or not one believes in the environmental principles that environmentalists hold, it should be obvious to everyone that recycling simply makes common sense.

If institutions do not start seeing the importance of mandated recycling, then everyone is hurt. The government is even realizing the importance of this action, and yet Rhodes College says that it is important but should be done by volunteers. Campus Green would like to thank all of you who are putting all of your hard work into this project. We truly believe it is important for everyone. We want to thank Physical Plant for assisting us. I do not blame Brian Foshee. He has supported us as far as he feels he can. I do not agree with him, but I understand his position.

There is no guarantee that recycling will be here next year or the year after that. Students come and go. The dedicated ones leave, and some clubs disband, and still others lose interest. The only sure constant is the institution of Rhodes College. Even if we get everyone to adopt can bins, these people cannot stay here forever. We can pass it on, but there is no assurance that it will continue.

By saying that recycling should be done by volunteers, the administration is effectively saying, "It's not my problem." I am told by some that they support me, that they recycle at home, and why do I feel that students won't do the same thing? Like I said, people talk big, and these people who profess their support of me have not offered to adopt any bins.

Campus Green has lost a major battle; hopefully, there will be more battles to come. The one request I have for the administration, at this point, is that the volunteers, especially the students, get full credit.

Letter to the Editors

My, my. All this time I thought that Campus Green was toiling to carry off my Coke cans to a better life. Instead, I find that some wage slave on the Rhodes payroll is doing the deed. Am I to believe that Campus Green is like the other environmental

groups—happy to propose lofty uneconomic plans for the salvation of the world provided that they can get somebody else to foot the bill?

Ben Bolch
Economics and Business

Editor's Note: Campus Green has always been responsible for emptying the recycling bins in all academic buildings, including Buckman Hall, where Professor Bolch has his offices.

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Antioch Controversy Highlights National Issue**Rhodes Sexual Harassment, Assault Policy Redefined****By Jason Carmel
Editor**

Rhodes enumerated a new policy concerning sexual harassment and assault in its 1993-94 student handbook. The change from the former policy occurred prior to the national debate over the sexual conduct policy at Antioch College in Yellow Springs, Ohio, that mandates consent for each level of intimacy each time that intimacy occurs between two or more adults.

Rhodes changed its sexual harassment policy following the implementation of the federal Campus Safety Act which requires that all colleges and universities provide a separate definition of sexual assault and procedure for its adjudication by July 1, 1993. Previously the definition of a means of adjudication for sexual assault were included in the definition of sexual harassment in the Rhodes College handbook.

Dean of Student Affairs Tom Shandley and Director of Counseling Services Libby Robertson drafted the new policy after extensive consultation with College attorneys, Student Assembly and student resident assistants.

In addition to separating the definitions and procedures for sexual assault and sexual harassment, the college also interjected mediation as another method to informally resolve complaints of sexual harassment and assault. "Mediation is one of the most effective types of resolution forums," said Karen Silien, Associate Dean of Student Affairs at Rhodes.

The mediation alternative, added to suggestions of individual action or administrative hearings in the Student handbook following alleged sexual harassment or assault, has the victim and the accused parties meet with a faculty or administration member trained in mediation by local attorneys in order to discuss the issues and determine a binding written agreement in lieu of formal adjudicative procedures. The mediation must be agreed to by both parties.

Christian Feuerstein, a fourth year student at Antioch College, expressed amazement that the sexual assault/harassment policy at Rhodes condoned methods (mediation and individual action) that re-

quired the victim to confront the alleged assaulter.

Others, however, argue that the mediation aspect of Rhodes' new sexual assault/harassment policy can actually benefit the victim of that assault. "I think for a lot of victims of sexual assault it's empowering to face the accused this way," said Dean Silien. "And because it's voluntary, a sexual harassment victim that maybe didn't feel comfortable confronting an alleged perpetrator has other options."

Feuerstein defends the policy at her school stating, "students were outraged that there was no [sexual conduct] policy before this; we felt very open and very vulnerable." The new policy at Antioch, despite what media exaggerations have indicated, emerged from the students themselves who wrote the policy.

Gayla Bassham, Coordinator of the Rhodes College Women's Forum states that while the new policy at Rhodes is, in theory, beneficial, she is aware of instances when women approached the office of Student Affairs and were "strongly encouraged" not to use formal channels. "The policy is a very progressive one on paper, but if the administration discourages the use of the policy, then what's the point," said Bassham.

Despite some criticism of the mediation process, overall response to the College's new policy has been positive.

Bette Ackerman, Assistant Professor of Psychology and the female faculty representative on the Sexual Harassment and Assault Advisory Committee, is "exceedingly impressed with

the administration's willingness to deal with the issues in a fair way." Professor Ackerman defines her position on the Advisory Committee as a contact person for students, faculty and staff who are considering action, so that the victims are aware of all the resources and alternatives available to them.

Lynn Dunavant, Coordinator of Student Development and Rhodes Alumna, sees the policy as a "real good improvement," but asks a different question altogether. "My whole approach is that policy or no policy, we need to take care of those people who feel mistreated; everything else is on a second tier," said Dunavant.

Currently, the main problem facing the new policy is the lack of awareness concerning the rights of all parties involved in sexual harassment and assault. "I am sure that, as in too many policies, students may not know as much as we would like," said Dean Shandley. "Libby [Robertson] is working on a more 'user friendly' brochure that will help. All RA's discussed this in their training and were asked to include [the policy] in discussions with their residents."

According to Dean Shandley, no student to student sexual harassment has been reported under the new policy (harassment allegations involving other members of the Rhodes Community are handled by the appropriate dean). Effectiveness of the new policy will be an issue only after the community has utilized it.

"This is pretty new territory, not just for Rhodes but for everybody," said Professor Ackerman. "It may require constant modification."

**Roiphe Book Attacks
"New Feminism"****By Emily Flinn
and Jennifer Larson****Campus News and Features Editors**

In the September 20, 1993 issue of *Time*, a review of Katie Roiphe's controversial new book *The Morning After: Sex, Fear, and Feminism on Campus* appeared. The author of the review stated that Roiphe "charges that college feminists, in their zeal to raise awareness about date rape, have given life to an old stereotype: the innocent woman who must be constantly protected from men's dangerous sexuality."

This is a fairly accurate description of the book's thesis. Roiphe uses both personal accounts and anecdotes coupled with research to take a definite stand against the "we-are-all-victims mentality."

Roiphe explores the concept that women are victimizing themselves by portraying women as the victims of men, thereby resurrecting the image of women as passive and unable to speak or act in their own defense. In an interview in the October issue of *Glamour*, Roiphe acknowledges that while she may only be "talking about a privileged, upper-echelon world," her female classmates at Princeton University are no less assertive than the males. Thus, women should not reduce themselves by scrambling for victim status.

Roiphe believes that women should be assertive and that the re-

cent blurring of the definitions of rape and harassment works against the empowerment of women. According to her book, overreaction is causing women's status in society to regress to a more Victorian standard. By reducing women's status, much of what many feminists have fought for will be undone, ironically.

However, Roiphe seems to ignore the fact that women do get raped and, as stated in *Time*, "being aware of one's vulnerability is not alarmist." So often rape is covered up, and no one hears about the incident. Thus, people tend to ignore or fail to even wonder if rape is occurring. Roiphe does allege that "date-rape awareness and campus safety lights create a climate of anxiety where none existed," but she does not address the issue of whether rape was just as prevalent before the issue became a major subject of discussion and was simply glossed over or hidden.

Roiphe explores related topics concerning feminism, including pornography, declaring second thoughts the next morning as rape, and sexual harassment. The controversy that surrounds the book stems mainly from her stance on rape-awareness, which maintains that overreaction denies female sexuality and basic competence as a person in an archaic way but also denigrates the whole issue of rape as a reality that occurs more often than people would like to think.

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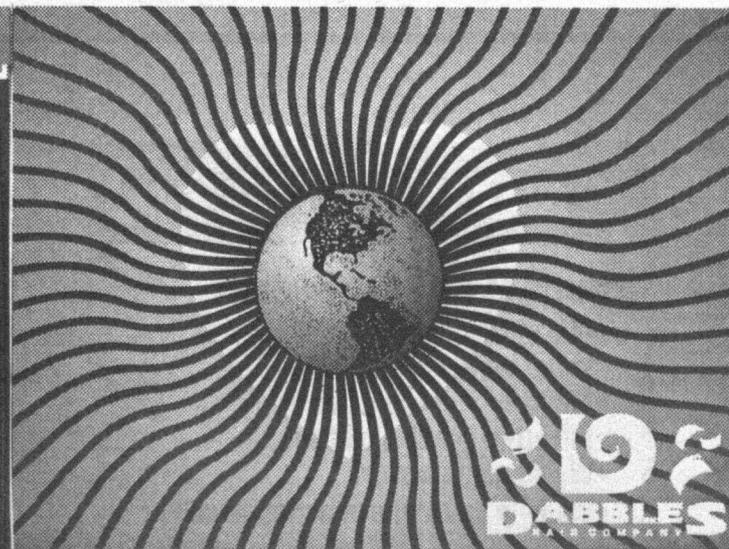
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Lynx Fail To Capitalize on Maryville Errors, Fall 16-12

By Chip Riggs
Sports Editor

The Maryville Fighting Scots tried as hard as they could to give Saturday's football game to the Rhodes Lynx. They continually shot themselves in the foot with penalties, turnovers and missed plays. Unfortunately, the Lynx would not take the gift offered them by the Scots, and Maryville prevailed in a sloppy game, 16-12.

Throughout the first half, the game by all appearances looked to be a Maryville blowout. The Scots scored on their first two possessions and took a 16-0 second quarter lead, only to be thwarted throughout the second half by a "bend but don't break" Lynx defensive effort.

Maryville's first possession, a 12-play drive mixing passes and runs, ended with a seven-yard touchdown run by fullback Ron Silver. Silver would prove to be a thorn in the sides of the Lynx all day, as he ran for 113 yards and both Maryville scores. Maryville's PAT attempt was blocked by Lynx receiver Don Purvis, so the Scots' lead was 6-0.

Maryville tacked on a 23-yard Vance Grant field goal and led 9-0 at the end of the first quarter.

The second quarter began much like the first, with a Maryville drive toward the end zone. However, the Lynx defense stiffened, and Grant's 40-yard field goal attempt missed wide left.

After Silver's second touchdown, the Lynx offense, dormant through most of the half, finally came to life, putting together a 12-play scoring drive. Running backs Mike Lee and Joey Thomas combined to rush for 28 yards on the drive, and quarterback

Jimmie Glorioso completed three of four passes for 24 yards, including a seven-yard score to Brian Vandegrift. The Lynx tried for a two-point conversion, but Glorioso was sacked on the play. With the score, the Lynx went into the half down only 16-6 and came out with renewed confidence and momentum for the third quarter.

Maryville's special teams let them down to start the second half. The Scots' defense forced Rhodes to punt, but Jason Turns' 41-yard kick was fumbled on the Maryville seven by the returner. Sophomore safety Cal Meeks fell on the ball, and Rhodes took over in the shadow of the Maryville goal posts.

Three plays and two penalties later, Glorioso dived in from the one-yard line to cut the Maryville lead to 16-12.

From that point on, the game became a battle of field position, with each team running three plays and punting on almost every drive. The Scots gave Rhodes another chance to score near the goal line, when Turns' 65-yard punt was fumbled again by the Maryville returner on the two-yard line. Unfortunately, Glorioso's hurried pass was intercepted in the end zone, and the Lynx were turned away.

Rhodes' final drive led them to the brink of victory. On fourth and three at the Maryville four-yard line, Thomas gained what appeared to be a first down at the Maryville one. However, a controversial spot by the officials put the ball on the two-yard line, and the Lynx finished inches short of a first down.

Thomas led the Lynx rushing attack, gaining 75 yards on 24 carries. Vandegrift caught six passes for 63



Lynx running back Joey Thomas (33) evades a Maryville tackler with help from wide receiver Justin Ross (8). (Photo by Dan Millner)

yards and a touchdown. Glorioso suffered through his worst day in a Lynx uniform, completing only nine of 27 passes for 87 yards, with one touchdown and one interception.

The Lynx will try to improve on their 2-5 record next week at home against conference foe Trinity. Kick-off at Fargason Field is set for 1:30.

Lady Lynx Destroy Loyola

By Jenny Gunter and Eddie Dieppa

The Rhodes women's soccer team triumphed over Loyola University (New Orleans) last Friday, winning by a score of 7-0. The Lynx record now stands at 13-1, their only loss to Trinity University, who are ranked fourth in the nation.

Rhodes scored quickly as Holly Miller deflected Jenny Gunter's assist into the goal. At ten minutes, Gunter gathered again, this time off Rachel Day's assist. The score at half-time was 3-0 in favor of Rhodes.

The Lynx started the second half with a goal. One minute into the second half, Jenny Gunter made it 4-0 with help from Kopfler and Day. Kopfler passed it outside to Day, who crossed it to the goal area. Gunter then knocked it in. Seven minutes later, Rhodes scored again. Holly Miller headed the ball for a goal off of Rachel Day's cross.

With thirty minutes of play to go, Amy Lounsbury took a shot on the goal. The keeper managed a good deflection, but Mo Martin was able to kick it in for another one, making it 6-0.

Laura McRae passed it outside to Leah Daniels, who got it over the keeper's head, who was too late on her jump to make the save. This last point made it 7-0 for Rhodes, who savored victory once again.

The Lynx have a 3-1 SCAC Conference record, and are ranked sixth in the Southern Region. They continued their quest for nationals Sunday with a 5-0 victory over Millsaps.

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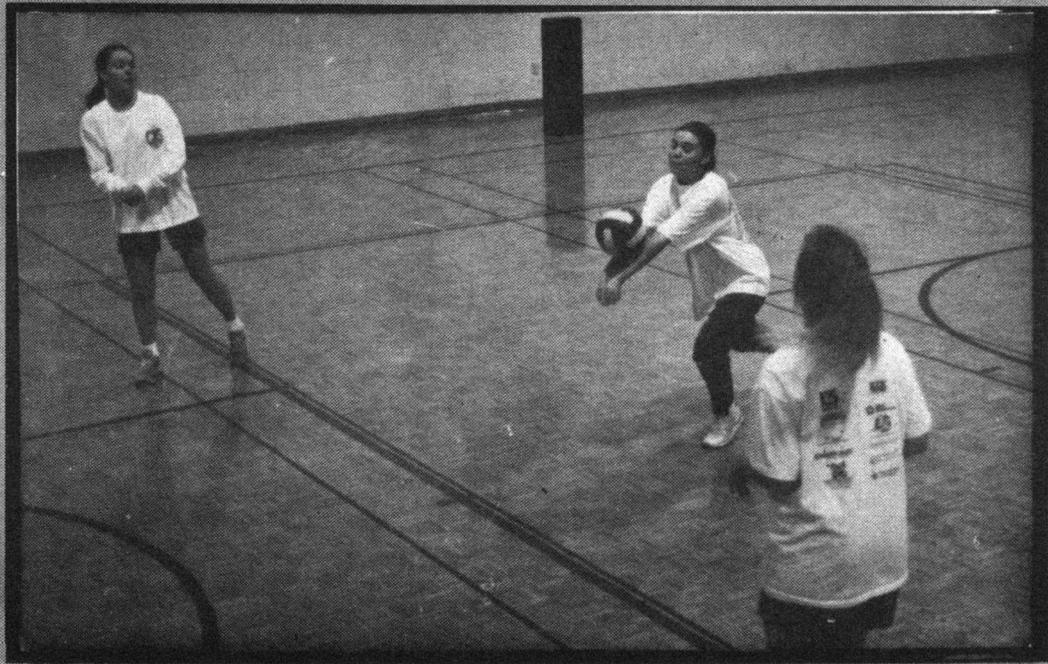
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Intramural Volleyball gets underway



The competitive vigors of the Rhodes intramural volleyball circuit started up last week, as Heather Moore, Amber Isom and Jill Schenk get into the spirit. (Photo by Stephen Deusner)

A Basketball Halloween Horror Story: The Revenge of Mike O'Keefe

By Thomas Johnson

It was a dark and stormy night. Not even a single ray of light peeked through the big bay window at the west end of Mallory Gymnasium.

I am nervous, very nervous. Every little sound startles me. I keep looking over my shoulder, always turning, always moving. My heart is beating — slowly at first, but then faster, faster and then louder, louder. Why is it so loud? Why am I so nervous? Am I going crazy?

Who was that man who called and told me to meet him in Mallory at midnight? Was it Coach Herb Hilgeman, who just wanted to help me with my free-throw shooting? But couldn't he have waited until tomorrow, the first official day of practice? I should never have agreed to come. Why wouldn't he give his name?

It is midnight, for Heaven's sake, on the night of the 31st of October in the year of our Lord 1993 — Halloween night. I should be in my reindeer costume having a good time at the Sigma Nu Halloween party. Instead I am at midcourt in the pitch dark in the Rhodes gym — that forlorn sight of so many shattered dreams, of failed college basketball careers, of lost SCAC championships.

I think of Coke Whitworth, who was kicked off the team by Coach Hilgeman, but swore that before he went to his grave he would get revenge. I fear for my life. What is that noise — a point guard dribbling or the beating of my heart? Am I going crazy or is this finally the Revenge of Mike O'Keefe?

Why are they after me? I didn't

mean to anger anyone with my newspaper articles. They were supposed to be funny. But how can I explain that to a half-drunk, half-crazed all-conference guard, foaming at the mouth, coming at me with a basketball in one hand and a knife in the other?

Jacob Mallory is dead. He is dead as a door-nail. The former Lynx Cat basketball great would not come back to haunt the gym that bears his name, would he? Just because Jacob Mallory was disillusioned with Division III basketball and just because he died during one of Hilgeman's murderous pre-season workouts wouldn't make him come after me, would it?

I can't stand it anymore! I'd rather be dead than involved with this crazy basketball program in this gym full of basketball playing werewolves like Duane Robicheaux. This place truly is filled with the essence of the Dark Side.

I try to impale myself on the basketball Shoot-A-Way, but I just won't die. "This stupid thing never has worked right!" I scream. Was the body of former player Brad Norwood really buried under the east basket in Mallory? I am ... slowly ... slowly ... going ... mad. Stark, raving mad.

But then it occurs to me. It is midnight on the night before the first day that colleges are allowed to practice basketball. It must be MIDNIGHT MADNESS. All the big schools have one. Thank God.

So I'm not insane after all. I just play basketball for Rhodes. Of course it's not the same thing. So why when I question if I truly am mad, I think I hear an answer throughout the pitch black gym. Should I or anyone be playing basketball for the Lynx? Quoth an unmanned public address system, "NEVERMORE..."

Cross Country Team Victorious Over Sewanee

By Eddie Dieppa
Sports Editor

The Rhodes College cross-country team started their weekend early by heading out to Sewanee for their afternoon meet. Sewanee hosted its annual Invitational, usually a tough place to win for most visiting schools. The meet was also attended by the University of Alabama A & M and Life College, although several committed schools did not send teams.

The women's team, exemplifying dramatic improvement over two years ago, finished first overall with 19 points. Alabama A & M took second with 51, and Sewanee was third with 60. The point totals clearly reflect the stomping that Rhodes gave to Sewanee, accomplished when Rhodes placed four runners in the first five finishers.

Charlotte Turnipseed took an early lead and lengthened it the whole time. She won the race for Rhodes, managing a time of 20:35 for the 3 mile course. Billie Ann Snodgrass (20:53) was second overall and had another well run race. First-year runner Anne Hardwick (21:17) raced extremely well, and Alyssa Browning (21:31) helped seal Sewanee's coffin with her fifth place finish.

Kristin Oswald (22:13), Meredith Neer (22:44), and Jennifer Farringer (22:48) ran well as a pack. The three of them will provide some very needed depth going into Conference, only two weeks away. Pam Baugus (23:41), Elizabeth Irvin (23:42), and Bonnie Binkley (25:04) also had good races.

The men's Cross-country team

had its best team race of the season. The top seven runners ran as close as they ever have, proving to Sewanee that no other conference team can match Rhodes in depth. Sewanee did place their top two runners ahead of Rhodes' first man, Jon Michael Morgan.

Rhodes came in third overall with 74 points, while Sewanee's defeat seems mild, as they scrambled to get 86 points. Only the lack of competition saved Sewanee from a true beating. Rhodes placed nine men in front of Sewanee's third man.

Morgan (27:31, 12th) lead Rhodes with a 40 second improvement on his best time for eight kilometers. Welch Suggs (28:01, 14th), Eddie Dieppa (28:02, 15th), and Felix Vasquez (28:02, 16th) had an exciting end to the race with a dramatic sprint at the finish. They were trailed closely by the second pack of the top seven.

Brendan Minihan (28:16), Sean Moran (28:18), and Denson Henry (28:32) had excellent races to close out the regular season. Edgard Cabanillas (29:01) and Dave Speas (29:15) also ran well. Completing their seasons, mostly for the first time, were Myles Bogner (29:30), Erik Berry (29:58), and Mike Rosolino (30:29), the team's late season addition.

The team now heads to Mississippi in two weeks for the SCAC Conference championship at Millsaps. Neither team has any conference losses, and both appear very strong in terms of depth and leadership. The only two teams that Rhodes has not faced are Centre and Oglethorpe.

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An Editorial: Dazed & Confused

For those of you who may not know I have a confession to make. I have a problem, a problem that many of you may share. I, Eric Dunning, am addicted to talk-shows. I watch them all: Jenny Jones, Geraldo, Jane Whitney, Richard Bey, Montel Williams, the list goes on and on. I'm not sure why I watch but I just can't control it. Many times these shows give me the opportunity to give advice or ask the guest questions. Many times this consist of screaming at the T.V., "Why are you people so screwed up, what are you-crazy?" I have yet to receive a satisfactory answer from anyone. However, I did call in last year to the *Is Elvis Alive?* special hosted by Bill Bixby on Channel 46. I really didn't have any new information, but I did tell Bill that I loved him as the Incredible Hulk.

I believe that many of you will agree that when you actually pick up the phone to call some washed-up, has-been T.V. actor you have reached a very low point. Speaking of low points, I was watching Jerry Springer three days ago and he had a special guest. He was an artist who had created real-live, working suicide machines.

These were not the nice sensitive ones as used by Dr. Kevorkian. Instead they consisted of the Abdominizer (a shotgun-suit that blows your stomach to pieces.) The Gasser (a back-pack style gas mask), and the Gut-Slicer (a suit with a large, rotary blade that slices you in half). I really liked the Gut-Slicer. Today suicide is often accomplished by pills, plastic bags, etc. I really admire someone who's unconventional, someone who says, "No! I want to die a slow, painful death. Give me something brutal! Give me the Gut-Slicer!"

However, the downside to the machines was the cost. All the machines retail for \$550. I

mean come on! Does it really need to be that expensive to kill yourself? You can go to *Walgreens* and buy razor blades for thirty-cents, you can save the plastic bag from your dry-cleaning, or you can jump off a building for free.

So all I'm saying is don't buy the Gut-Slicer, it's a rip-off and during the 4 to 6 weeks you're waiting you'll probably change your mind. So now you're stuck with one hideously-looking conversation piece in the middle of your room. Your friends will ask, "What in the hell is that thing?" and you will have to look them straight in the eye and say, "Well, that's the Gut-Slicer."

Of course not all talk-show subjects involve violent activity. Many times they help us understand one another. On Geraldo last week they had a show on transvestites. Of course my first response was, "You nasty bastards." However, I soon began to understand them (which was way to scary so I turned it off).

There is so much confusion in sexual identity these days, it is hard to know how to behave toward whom. For instance how is one to regard the giggly gangs of female impersonators, or transvestites, that have become a common sight on the streets of our major cities? Yet they are, by choice, though not technically, women, and as such must be accorded all such rights and privileges.

For homosexuals there is a slightly different tactic. Male homosexuals are *men*, and should be treated as such. Do not pander them in conversation by trying to bring the topic around to drapery fabrics, hair styling, or sailors. Do not offer to light his cigarette or open the car door for him. While I have no prejudices, I believe it is important to get these things out in the open. Thank you. ED

Cereal Info To Become Roomies With Serial Killers

The roving, Rhode'ster crack reporting staff has learned of yet another humiliating yet ironic travesty to befall Rhodes College. The staff of Rhodes' independent newspaper, the *Cereal Info*, has recently received a court summons for later this month. This episode follows on the heels of a string of journalistic incidents which have included the political upheaval of the *Rat's Ass* (the writers thought the name was too anal retentive) and the near lynching of an innocent *Sou'wester* reporter.

As for the scandal involving the *Cereal Info* staff, primary defendants Thomas Gieselmann, business manager of the *Cereal Info* and Jason Carmel, formerly of the *Cereal Info*, have received court orders for apparent tax evasion of the state of Tennessee. The two face up to six years in prison for this federal offense. According to Carmel, the whole situation was a big misunderstanding. He claimed that the *Cereal Info* merely set up a bank account in Tennessee, embezzled several thousand dollars from the Rhodes Third Annual Alumni Fish Fry fund, and simply forgot to file a tax form. Said Gieselmann, "Hey, everyone makes mistakes. When Christopher Columbus found some island instead of a continent, he didn't say, 'Oooops.' He just made the best of it and got on with his life."

When asked to explain the relationship of Columbus and tax evasion, Gieselmann had no comment. Carmel, however, said, "You know, 'subpoena' is such a strong phrase. We're just having a little CHAT with the judge. Yeah, 'chat' is a much better word for it."

Despite the brave external appearances of Carmel and Gieselmann as they face incarceration, close friends say that the two are quite shaken up about the incident. Said friend Chris Gilreath, "Yeah. Tom and Jason are quite shaken up about the incident."

One of the few people who are actually happy about the situation is Bubba "The Cannibal" Lechter, who resides at Shelby County Correctional Facility. Commented Lechter, "I'm so excited that those NICE, tasty—er, tasteful young, virile boys are coming to stay with me. I fixed up the spare bunks and even spiffed the place up a bit. I hope to make my future roommates feel right at home and have every amenity, wish or desire." The strait-jacketed Lechter also added that if Gieselmann and Carmel had any trouble adjusting, he'd teach them the "in's-and-out's" of prison life personally.

Upon viewing the photos of the young men an unidentified prison guard commented on their possible situation, "They'll get passed around faster than a crack pipe."

As for the response from Rhodes, most administrative figureheads were unavailable for comment. Allen Boone, Dean of Administrative Affairs, was called away from a record-setting game of Super Mario Brothers for comment. Boone, however, was ill-informed of the situation. Rhodes College President James Daughdrill was apparently better informed than Boone. Said Daughdrill, "Jason who?"

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10. Spend all your money on Transformers. Play with them at night. If your roommate says anything, tell him or her with a straight face, "They're more than meets the eye."

CAMPUS SAFETY ACTIVITY LOG

DATE	TIME	BUILDING	INCIDENT	ACTION TAKEN
10/20	12:03 am	Library	Student watching porno movies	Joined by Security officer
10/21	10:32 pm	Williford	Male stalker	Sexually assaulted by residents
10/21	11:04 pm	Security Office	Officer found bound and gagged	Fellow officers laughed at him
10/23	4:30 pm	Refectory	Dinner served	Students ate it anyway
10/24	9:51 pm	President's Office	Suspicious person reported	Mr. Daughdrill detained until police arrival
10/24	10:43 pm	Mallory Gym	Fat women on Stairmasters	Security Officer vomits and goes into shock

ED