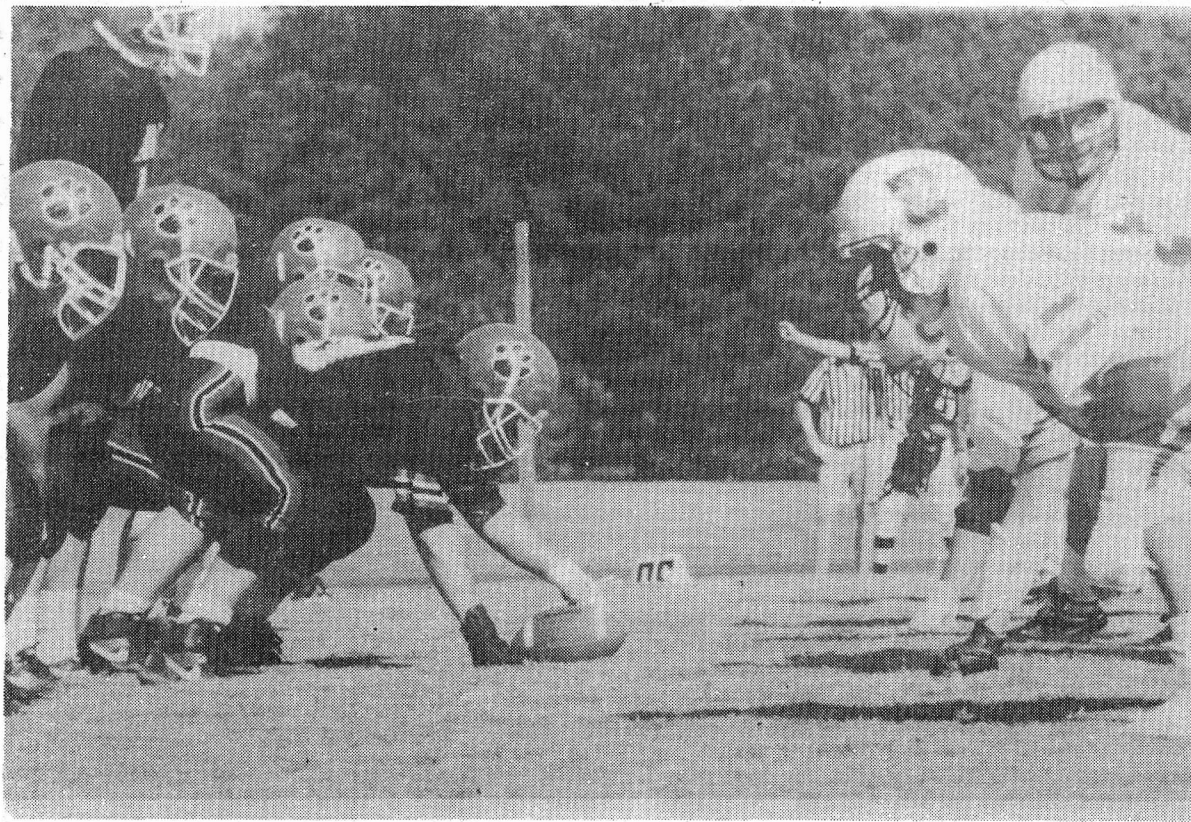


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Saturday's Homecoming Match A Draw

by Kathy Ray
Sports Editor

After posting three impressive victories on the road, the football Lynx returned to Fargason Field for a Homecoming conference matchup with the Sewanee Tigers. The stands were overcrowded in anticipation of the continuation of a longtime rivalry, and the Lynx hoped to break the Tigers' unbeaten 4-0 record. Despite the atmosphere prepped for another Lynx victory, the conflict between the rivals remained unresolved as the teams battled to a 14-14 tie.

The game began as a power struggle. Neither team scored in the first quarter. The Lynx broke through first with a touchdown late in the second quarter. Trey Babin and Drew Robison orchestrated a 60 yard scoring run, with Babin running 7 yards before giving the ball back to Robison for the sprint to the goal line. After the PAT by Likes, the Lynx led 7-0 and carried their lead through halftime.

Most of the crowd remained after halftime and the announcement of this year's Mr. and Ms. Rhodes, Julie

Story and Demetri Patikas. Sewanee scored early in the second half on a 66 yard run after Frank Greer picked off a Robison pass. Rhodes soon came back to score on a 76 yard drive. Babin again proved to be an offensive catalyst as he ran in 13 yards for the score.

The fourth quarter brought further frustration to the Rhodes offense. The Lynx failed to convert a key fourth down play deep in Sewanee territory during the quarter. Turnovers again hurt the Lynx, as Sewanee tied the game in the fourth quarter after a Rhodes fumble. Rhodes was unable to put together another offensive drive, and a quiet crowd watched the time run off the game clock.

Rhodes and Sewanee were neck and neck throughout most of the game and had similar final statistics except for the consequential turnovers. Babin had 10 carries for 64 yards to lead the rush offense, while Mr. Rhodes, Demetri Patikas, had the most receptions, 5 for 70 yards. Rhodes travels to St. Louis over fall break to meet the Washington University Bears.

"Who's Who" Honorees Named

The 1992 edition of WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES will include the names of 41 students from Rhodes College who have been selected as national outstanding leaders. Campus nominating committees and editors of the annual directory have included the names of these students based on their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.

They join an elite group of students selected from more than 1,400 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations. Outstanding students have been honored in the annual directory since it was first published in 1934. Students named this year from Rhodes College are:

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Alcohol Policy Enforcement Reiterated

As it is our mission to provide both for the safety and security of the physical plant and the campus community of Rhodes College, it is also our responsibility to effectively enforce the policies established therein along with the laws of the State of Tennessee that concern the use of alcohol and illegal drugs.

As stated last semester, cups or other like containers would not be checked by officers of this department or any other like authority unless the behavior exhibited by those in question gave just cause to do so. This, obviously, is being interpreted by some that it is acceptable to consume alcohol so long as it was not in the original commercial container and was in a cup or squeeze bottle.

It is our responsibility to enforce the laws of the State of Tennessee as well as the policies of Rhodes College and we are bound to do so. Investigations of alcohol violations will be based on either a person's behavior (indicative of intoxication) or physical evidence (ie, discarded beer cans, whiskey bottles, kegs, etc.) that would lead someone to believe that alcohol is being consumed or possessed in violation. This means, that it is illegal to consume alcoholic beverages anywhere on campus unless the user is 21 years of age in the privacy of their room or in other compliance with existing policy statements.

Thus, if a student is consuming alcohol on campus whether from a cup or like container and a Campus Safe-

ty officer, R.A. or other authority have reason to believe, as evidenced by behavior or physical evidence (ie, beer cans, liquor bottles, etc.), that alcohol is being possessed and/or consumed illegally, they will check the container.

Once again, we have no desire to invade upon the privacy of any person unless it is called to our attention. We live in a community that respects the individual rights of others and serve to protect those rights. However, if a person chooses to break the law and makes that choice known, we too have no choice but to enforce the law and policy and report it as such.

Respectfully submitted for your information.

Ralph Hatley
Director of Campus Safety

Portrait Unveiled of Colonel David Henry Likes, Soldier and Scholar

by Brent Moberly

Students, Alumni and Faculty of Rhodes College gathered together in room 105 of Buckman Hall last Friday, October 11, to unveil the portrait of the late Col. David H. Likes, one of the cornerstones of the International Studies department here at Rhodes College.

The portrait itself is about two feet in height and two feet in width. It shows Col. Likes in a brown jacket and a red tie. At the unveiling, someone joked that it looked as if Likes had just come from a faculty meeting.

Bill Frazier, class of 1969, painted the portrait. Unfortunately, Mr. Frazier wasn't on hand to unveil the portrait. In his stead, Mrs. David H. Likes unveiled the portrait.

Before Colonel Likes came to Rhodes in 1963, he was in the United States Air Force for 22 years. In WWII, he was shot down twice, and once he had to sneak across enemy territory wearing a veil to evade capture. Colonel Likes helped plan the D-Day invasion of Normandy. He also had part in the planning of the Potsdam Conference in 1945 which was attended by President Truman, Joseph Stalin of the USSR, and Winston Churchill of Great Britain.

As a soldier, Colonel Likes was highly decorated. Among his decorations are The Legion of Merit, a Bronze Star, a Commendation Ribbon, a WWII Victory Medal, and a National Defense Service Medal. But Likes was known here at

Rhodes for his accomplishments as a scholar. Likes came to Rhodes in 1963 from the Aerospace Studies Institute of Air University. He earned his B.A. degree at John Hopkins, and he earned his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Georgetown University.

At Rhodes, Likes was the chairman of the International Studies Department. He was active in the Model United Nations, and it was he who started the Arabic language program in 1971. In 1963, Likes published his book, *The Role of Air Power in Warfare*. Likes was made a Senior Fellow at Duke University and received the Harvard Fellowship.

Colonel Likes retired from Rhodes in June of 1983. He died in 1986 at the age of seventy-two, but his memory lives within the hearts of many of the students, alumni, and faculty of this college. At the unveiling of Colonel Likes' portrait, Buck Matthews, an international studies major of 1982, said:

"The Colonel had that rare ability to be a teacher and a friend without compromising either position. He taught us that when people are treated with respect they respond in kind. We learned that nations are comprised merely of people and that one must understand the people before understanding the policy. It is easy to see in retrospect that the daily lectures on international reactions were actually grand lessons in life."

There are very few who deserve a better epitaph than this — very few, indeed.

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Editorial:

Rhodes, Inc.

"Truth, Loyalty, Profit"

by S. Stinson Liles, Editor

As homecoming coasted to a stop last week-end, I noticed, as usual, that alumni weren't the only strangers on campus. Strange plants appeared in the lobbies; strange displays appeared in the cloisters. All of this is old hat to most everyone . . . the kissing of alumni butt seems to have existed as long as institutional education, itself. We casually laugh it off, though, because we realize the need for maintenance. We realize that, despite the \$16,000 cover charge, there are still unpaid expenses. The problem occurs, though, when these drives for funds pull ahead of education in the Rhodes list of priorities.

Again, I'm sure most of us like it at Rhodes and we want the college to thrive so that it can someday offer others what it has given us. Rhodes has been a good place to learn and we want the administration to ensure its survival. However, it seems that, lately, the folks upstairs have forgotten that this is a college. Nowhere in the Purpose of the College does it list "a commitment to raise funds" or "aspirations to affluence" (unless, of course, they changed it, recently). These are all technicalities; means to the end of education.

Pleasing large-scale benefactors, for example, is important, but not so important that we should allow them to tie their donations to curriculum demands. Wooing new donors is also important, but not so important that the College should spend tens of thousands of dollars to put them in the Peabody, cater meals, etc. when the need for new faculty positions seems so great. Improving Admissions is important, too, but not so important that video film crews should be allowed to circle Palmer Hall in a helicopter during finals (as they did, I might add, last semester). It's growing hard to tell where the process ends. We raise more money to build more buildings to attract more students to be more selective to get in more magazine lists to get bigger endowments to get more money to build more buildings . . . If education is in there somewhere, it certainly isn't given the priority that it needs.

It all comes down to one decision. Is our goal to be a high-quality college or a Fortune 500 corporation? A top-notch college is not a well-greased, donation-receiving, recognition-getting machine. It is a place where those things stand BEHIND the goal of education — and when the means don't enhance the goal of education (and begin to interfere with it) it is definitely time for them to go.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

I attended the STOP PREJUDICE workshop last Wednesday night and really enjoyed it. The speaker, John Gray, was a powerful catalyst for discussion on the topic. It was a worthwhile experience and I believe all that attended would agree. However, not as many people attended as I had expected, and this is why I write — to express my feelings of disappointment in the poor turnout for the workshop. I realize that this is a busy time for everyone but I also realize that prejudice is an important issue to examine. I feel that too often Rhodes students, myself included, get caught up in schoolwork, sports, work, social life, and so on and forget that there is so much going on around us. I think it is so important to be sensitive to the issues, such as prejudice, that are facing us at Rhodes and in the greater community. The school is providing us with educational speakers and programs; I think we should take advantage of these opportunities.

I encourage everyone that reads this letter to remember that there is more to life than just our daily/weekly routines here at school. I hope that in the future when we are provided with such dynamic speakers as John Gray and such educational opportunities as the STOP PREJUDICE workshop (and fear not, for I'm sure there will be many more opportunities) that we will attend them. Have a nice day.

Laura Pietrangelo

tion, I've had to endure several slanderous attacks which I feel have resulted from sloppy editing decisions. My own ambiguity on sexuality is meant to direct attention away from such issues and towards a discussion of language. The goal here is to bring forth my original intent.

In *Own the Way to Language*, Heidegger remarks that we find existence through language. His words might be altered to read that existence is secured through communication whose process provides us with the stuff of life. That is to say that through discourse the world is revealed. Norms and roles depend, in part, on the verbal symbol as a source of revealing — the symbol must be allowed to speak, and in this, it directs the flow of 'social energy'. Language as ritual is simply the unfolding of this directing through the totem, or referent, whose force unites the community. Thus, when Mal uttered the word "fag", he was reaffirming his own identity (say prejudice) by funneling this energy. In less esoteric terms, Mal relied on the ability of "fag" to restate his own existence which depended on the capacity of language to designate the other. The repetition of ritual allowed him to reify the experience such that honesty and openness is negated. Designating me as an object, he is then able to manipulate reality to suit his own needs. The elimination of Mal's ability to draw upon a vocabulary of slurs allows him

to gain access to different communities of interpretation, simply by using a language based upon the idea of fair speech. Education must seek to involve students in alternative rituals, suggesting different forms of thought and experience. It is hoped that this experience would lead to a re-thinking of monological, dualistic thought.

Brian Pepper
Anthropology/Sociology '92

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To the Editor:

Perhaps the brevity is the soul of wit, but the editing of last week's letter proves that it is not the heart of coherence. In an attempt to conserve space, the editors altered the contextuality of my discussion. As such, the letter reads, as some have been quick to remark, as an affirmation of homosexuality on the author's part, rather than a discourse on the importance of language. Since its publica-

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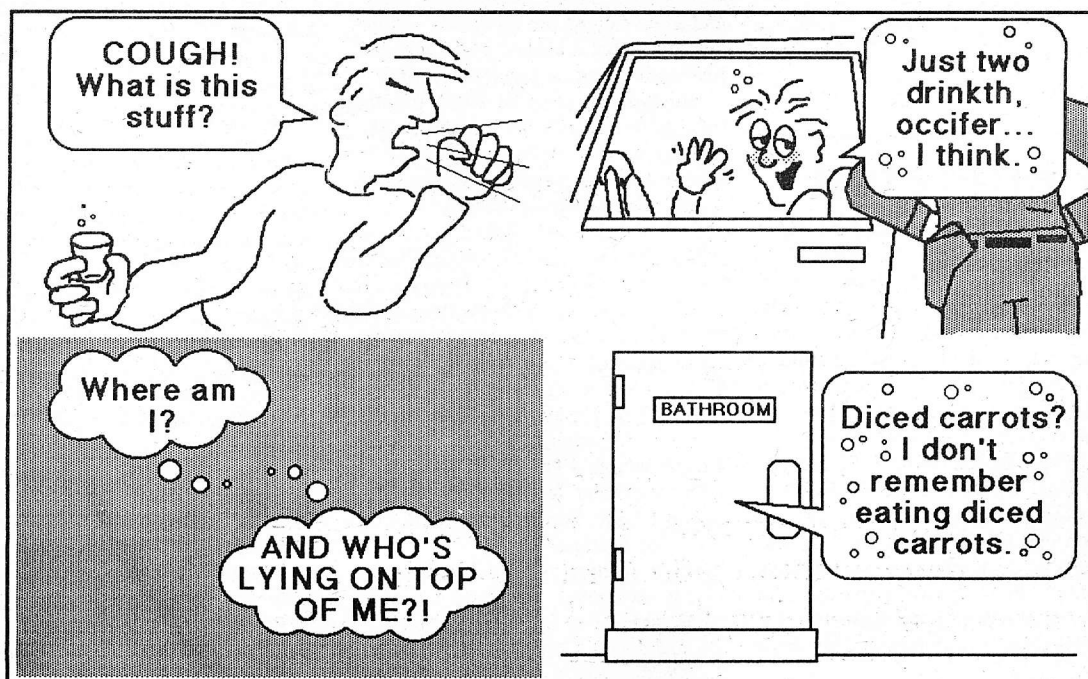
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Sexual Harassment and Rhodes College

Bill Jordan

We have witnessed some remarkable events during the last week in the life of our government, and it has left me with some uneasy feelings. I certainly do not envy the Senators on the Judicial Committee who were responsible for discerning what truth, if any, existed in the allegations of sexual harassment (or harrism-ent if you prefer the Senate pronunciation) presented against Judge Clarence Thomas. However, it seems that something is extraordinarily wrong with the nomination process if a man can pass through four nominations and ten years of life before these charges ooze to the surface. Furthermore, it seems very strange that Senators Kennedy and Metzenbaum would rather "leak" the charges to Nina Totenberg of National Public Radio, then question Judge Thomas about them during the normal nomination process. These are desperate tactics by desperate, unethical, and reprehensible men.

These tactics have given us rise to one of the strangest confirmation hearings ever seen in the United States. The citizens of the United States have been able to see a circus with Joseph Biden as Ring Leader. These events have done nothing to restore the public's faith in its leaders. In fact, we have to wonder what could so pervert the nominating process, and create one of the oddest and saddest chapters in our history.

The Thomas hearings have created several notable precedents, however. Never has a Senate panel lasted until 2:00 in the morning on a Sunday. Never has the Senate heard a ten-year old, unwitnessed charge of sexual harassment and played this hearing of the charges over prime time to every home in the nation. Never has a judicial nominee wished for "an assassin's

bullet" rather than a confirmation hearing. Never has the Senate showed itself to be as foolish as to allow these allegations to go uninvestigated prior to the vote of the full Senate. Never has the public been so polarized on male/female and black/white issues than before the Clarence Thomas nominations (except maybe the Willie Herenton election in Memphis). Moreover, never have many citizens been more distraught with the ineptness, inefficiency, ignorance, and unethical conduct of our government leaders. This feeling of dissatisfaction has been fueled by the check kiting scandal, the parking ticket fixing, and the general feeling that government officials are completely out of touch with their constituents.

This controversy has spilled over into the workplace, society, and our homes. Exactly what is it to sexually harass? What can men say? Can one tell an off-color joke? What do people consider offensive?

Most business organizations have some form of sexual harassment policy. These organizations may require sexual harassment sensitivity classes, or they may simply have a written policy which they pass out to their employees (and students). Certainly, if the Thomas hearings have done anything, they have caused all of America to think more about sexual harassment, and their policies which attempt to deal with it.

One has to wonder that if the Senate can so completely bungle a sexual harassment hearing, what is to keep Rhodes from doing the same? The Rhodes Sexual Harassment Policy is extremely and deliberately vague. Like the Code of Student Conduct, the Sexual Harassment Policy is designed to include basically anything which is offensive. However, this is extra-

ordinarily dangerous for both policies. For instance, under these guidelines it is sexually harassing to tell a "dirty joke" in the presence of one who does not approve of such remarks, even if this "dirty joke" was told to a group of people and not specifically directed at that particular person. It is also a violation of the policy to say "remarks about sexual activity or experience" in the presence of someone who does not wish to hear these remarks, even if this person is part of a larger group.

It seems to me that in a community in which people may be marginally sensitive, sensitive, or hyper-sensitive, it is extraordinarily difficult to accommodate all the needs of the hyper-sensitive. Yet our policies seem tailored to include as offensive that which the most puritanical among us would.

However, to the credit of the Sexual Harassment Policy, along with its vague language, it does provide several examples of conduct which could be sexually offensive, or would give the appearance of sexual harassing behavior. This includes, but is not limited to, an amorous relationship between a student and a professor, requests for sexual favors in return for advancement in a group, job, or class, and "unnecessary and unwanted touching."

The policy also empowers a committee to investigate and adjudicate claims of sexual harassment. This is where another problem begins. How can a group of academics, students, and administrators possibly be expected to adequately perform an investigation, and render a fair decision about a subject which fourteen lawyers on the Judicial Committee, their entire staffs, and countless public interest groups could not?

In addition, if I were ever accused of sexual harassment (unjustly, of course), I would have a lawyer on my case faster than another question could be asked. I do not believe that our present policy is capable of dealing with legal intrusions by attorneys and all of the complications which lawyers cause. Doesn't it seem that if an informal resolution cannot be brought about between the two parties that it is only fair that someone who is officially trained in these matters, such as an EEOC investigator or a Memphis Police investigator, actually perform the investigation? I do not think that I would ever want an official investigation done into these matters by someone from the Dean of Student Affairs or the Dean of Academic Affairs office. Though they could certainly play a role in the investigation, a charge of sexual harassment seems too complicated and has too many legal ramifications for Rhodes College to handle it alone without seeking outside assistance.

Consider for a moment the charge of rape, or even attempted rape. This falls under the definition of sexual harassment, and it seems absolutely ludicrous to believe that this college could do an adequate job of investigating and adjudicating an alleged rape. Hopefully this is something which never has to be done at Rhodes, but if a charge of sexual harassment should have to be investigated, it should be done by qualified individuals who have been professionally trained to deal with these complex legal and moral issues. Even then, though, the investigation will not be easy, but at least it will be done by someone who is experienced in matters of sexual harassment.

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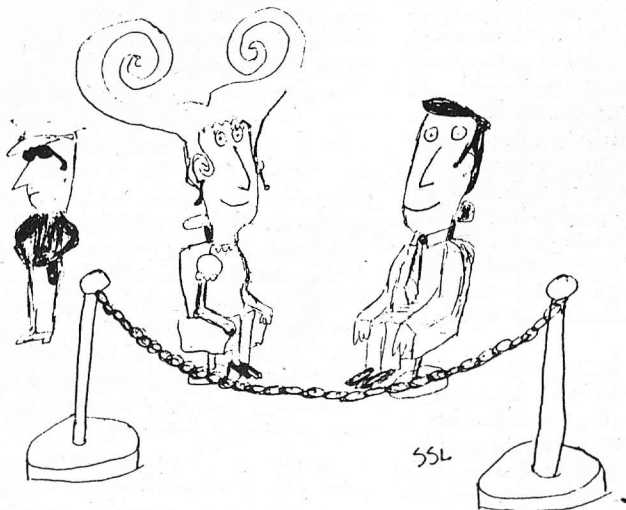
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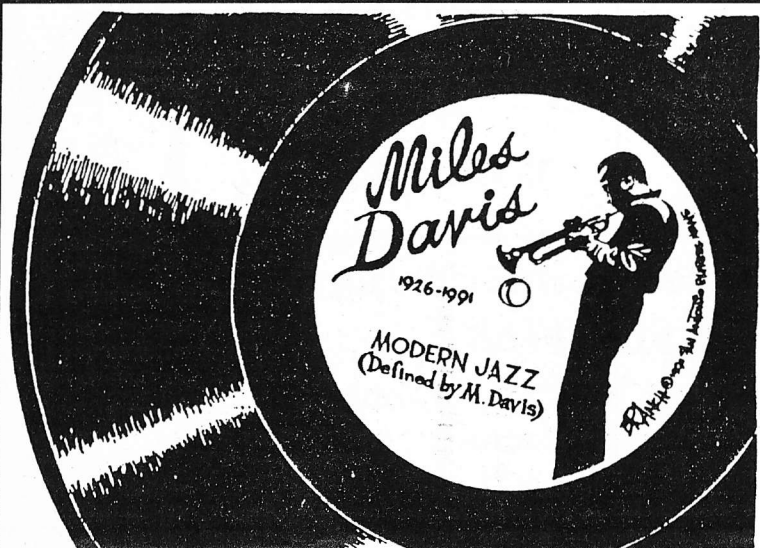
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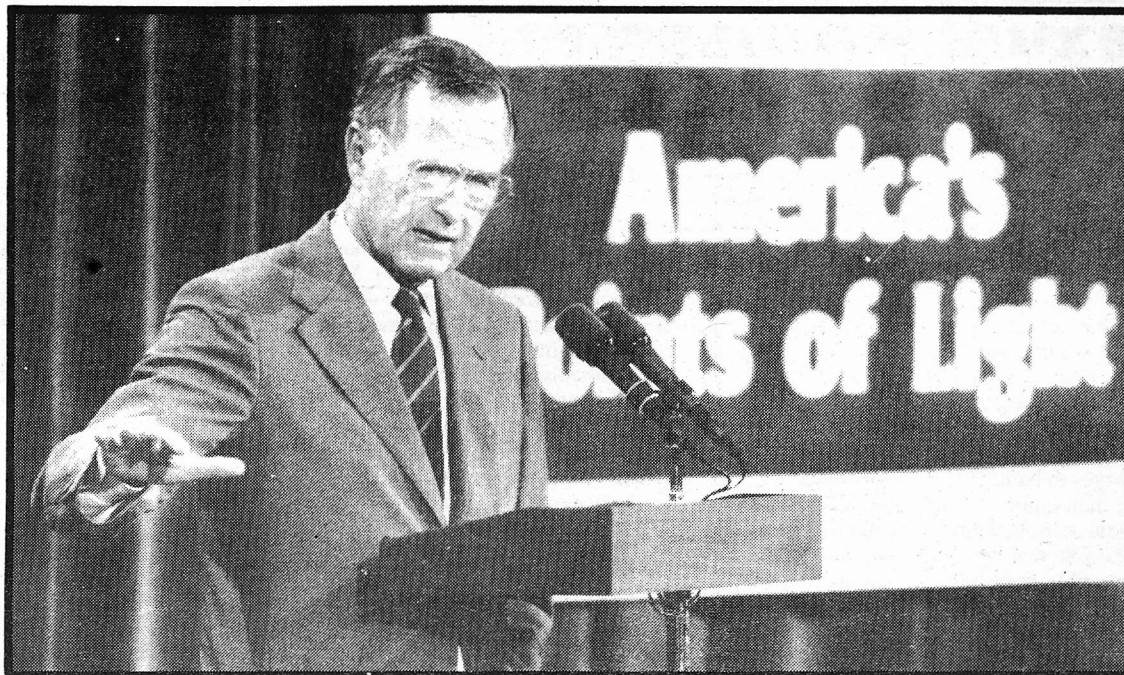


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President Bush praises nine colleges for their volunteer efforts during a speech in Orlando.

Student Volunteerism: A National Phenomenon

by Leslie Petrovski

(CPS) — It seems America's campuses are turning out a kinder and gentler breed of college student. The self-absorbed party animal is out — the enlightened community activist is in.

In recent years, student volunteerism has become a national phenomenon. During academic year 1989-90, students from Campus Compact's 250-plus member schools gave 13 million hours of ongoing service.

Students say the time is right, and many say they are ready to confront the problems in their communities.

"I've seen the difference I can make in a little kid's life," said Gina Schaefer, a junior at Wittenberg University. "That's a lot more important than a whole lot of cash."

No one is certain whether the service movement is a trend or a sign of something more permanent. Deborah Dillon, director of Wittenberg's Community Workshop, hopes that the volunteer movement continues to gain momentum. "I see the service movement as a revitalization movement," she said. "I see it as a cultural and social attempt to revitalize some sort of national spirit."

This fall, the Campus Outreach Opportunity League (COOL), will launch "Into the Streets," a Nov. 1 kickoff for a three-year student volunteerism initiative in which thousands of students nationwide meet with local agencies to discuss homelessness, literacy, AIDS and other social issues.

COOL has mobilized hundreds of campuses in hopes of building strong coalitions to tackle these tough social problems.

"This movement is designed by students for students," says Julian Posada, associate outreach director of COOL. "This is the first national initiative for volunteers. We are breaking the perception that we don't care."

COOL officials say student volunteers will commit at least one year's service to a social agency. They will receive a manual and will spend

time identifying and assessing local community needs. Posada expects more than 200 campuses to participate.

Laina Warsavage, project coordinator for Campus Compact, a coalition of colleges and universities that helps member colleges develop volunteer programs, says that President Bush's "thousand points of light" program has pushed volunteerism to new heights. Begun in 1986 by 12 institutions and housed at Brown University, Campus Compact lists 267 schools among its members.

At the University of Utah, for example, the number of volunteers has tripled since 1987, to more than 1,500 students involved in public service. At DePauw University in Indiana, student community service in rural Putnam County jumped 450 percent between 1987 and 1988.

At the University of San Diego, an estimated two-thirds of their 3,500 students participate in some form of community service. Mostly student-run, San Diego's volunteer program helps students develop and run their own projects, which include assisting refugees and serving as mentors to children.

Students are getting involved because they are becoming more knowledgeable about issues, said Scott Weaver, 23, a senior at San Diego.

"I think that's true of our generation as a whole," he said. "The Me Generation is over."

Deborah Feuer, 21, a project director for the University of Denver's new Community Action Program, agreed that student volunteerism is a trend. "Some students are getting involved because it's THE thing to do," she said. "But once they do it, they really get into it. They see that what you do really does make a difference."

While problems in inner cities seem the most acute, the challenges facing rural and small-town America are also significant. College students in rural areas are tackling problems in creative ways.

At Berea College in Berea, Ky., members of Students for Appalachia transformed an abandoned warehouse into a facility called The Learning Loft, where tutors teach adults to read, run a summer day camp and have group mentoring programs for teenage girls.

Four college students at Grinnell College in Iowa created a project that pairs 20 college students with 20 middle-schoolers who were identified as being at risk of dropping out of school. Other students often volunteer for Habitat for Humanity, which builds houses for people.

Recently, students at Kansas State University spearheaded a clean-up and repair assistance project for homeowners, a beautification project and an outing for disabled persons.

Service opportunities are limited only by imaginations. Students do everything from conducting dance therapy for the elderly to working with Native Americans. According to Warsavage, the top three volunteer activities among college students last year were tutoring, environmental activism and mentoring.

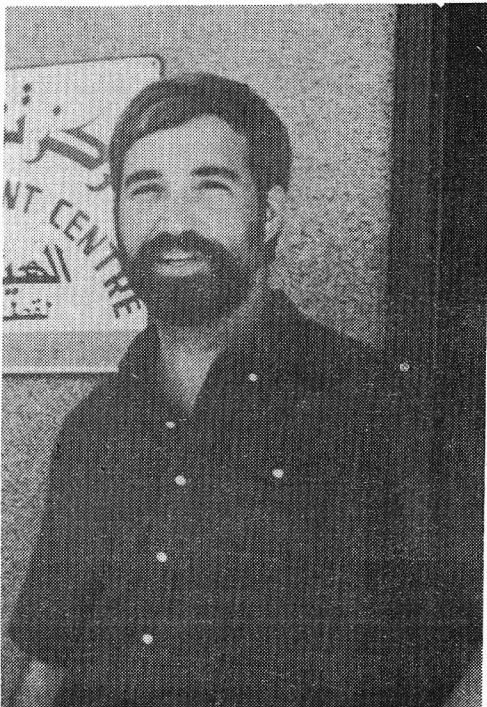
Some colleges are integrating volunteerism into the curriculum.

At Brevard Community College in Florida, 75 percent of students who serve in the community get academic credit for their efforts. Some of Brevard's teachers offer community service as an option to traditional papers, and the college also has created classes so students can experience social ills firsthand, while studying their underlying causes.

Some colleges have gone so far as to require community service for graduation. Wittenberg University requires its 2,300 undergraduates to perform 30 hours of community service during their sophomore years.

Schaefer said there was resistance from students when the school implemented a community service requirement. Now in its third year, students are more enthused.

Stanley Directs Relief Effort In Jerusalem



by Allen Bell

JERUSALEM — Friends and former students of Dr. Bruce Stanley will be happy to know he is still alive and well, and making a difference in international affairs. Bruce and his wife, Nancy, their son Ben (8) and daughter Sarah (4) packed up their things, said goodbye to Memphis and moved to Jerusalem this past summer.

In his brief time at Rhodes, Bruce became very popular with many I.S. students because of his extensive knowledge of, and experiences in, the Middle East. When he was denied tenure, in the Spring of 1990, a hail of student protests was unleashed that included a letter writing campaign to the Board of Trustees, posters along North Parkway, a sit-in at the President's office and a flurry of Memphis media coverage.

Bruce spent his final year at Rhodes directing last year's Great Lakes Jerusalem Program and on sabbatical last spring. It was during his sabbatical when the Washington, D.C. office of AMIDEAST asked him to direct their programs in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

AMIDEAST is one of five private volunteer organizations (P.V.O.s) operating in the occupied territories. Along with Save the Children, American Near East Refugee Aid, Catholic Relief Services, and the Cooperative Development Project, AMIDEAST shares a \$16 million A.I.D. grant (Agency for International Development — U.S. State Dept.). These P.V.O.s use the annual allotment to administer relief and development projects for the nearly 1.7 million Palestinians living in the West Bank and Gaza.

Each P.V.O. has a distinct focus. "Save" deals with children's health and family issues. "ANERA" works to improve the conditions of refugees through agricultural projects and light industries. "CRS" currently feeds 90,000 families through monthly provisions but is phasing its "hand-out" programs out (to focus on rural development during the next two years). "C.D.P." advises and assists farmers and is beginning to move into housing development assistance through small interest free loans.

AMIDEAST is different in its approach and goals from its fellow P.V.O.s. Educational and training services are the foundation of AMIDEAST. "We often use the old story about the difference between 'giving someone a fish and feeding them today, or teaching someone to fish and feeding them for a lifetime' to describe AMIDEAST's projects," Bruce told me during a recent visit.

In addition to helping Palestinian students to apply to study abroad, AMIDEAST is providing training opportunities for Palestinian doctors and nurses that work in the occupied territories. AMIDEAST is actively involved in the spreading trend, among relief agencies, that encourages and supports small businesses and private enterprise.

Spending a couple of hours with Bruce Stanley in Gaza or the West Bank quickly reveals his dedication and compassion. Rhodes made a mistake in letting Bruce slip through its fingers but there are many people here that wouldn't call it a mistake but divine providence!

Student Assembly News

by C. Annette DuBard

Last week's Student Assembly meeting was held in the University room of the Rat in an effort to gain student interest and input. One non-Assembly member did attend — thanks, Shannon! President Annie B. Williams reported that every Assembly member has been assigned as a liaison to a member of the administration, faculty, or staff. This should establish frequent and ongoing contact between students and the rest of the Rhodes community in an effort to increase communication as well as strengthen the student voice in administrative matters. The race relations committee will be working on the discussion topic for the November 6 Roundtable meeting.

Treasurer Rob Jarrett reported that the Allocations Board will recommend that the Student Activity Fee remain unchanged for next year. The Assembly voted against the proposed fall allocations for SHAC and BSU, and recommended that the Allocations Board strike the line items requesting food for weekly meetings. Any student interested in serving as Allocations Board secretary should contact Rob.

The Assembly also voted to provide support if any students are interested in participating in the Tennessee Intercollegiate State Legislature. The Student Life Committee will conduct a Campus Concerns Corner in the Rat to assess student concerns this week.

Economics and Business Departments Sponsor Homecoming Activities

by Jim Turner

In conjunction with Homecoming 1991, the Department of Economics and Business Administration sponsored several activities for students, alumni, and faculty on Thursday, and Friday. The events included a cocktail reception, a picnic, and an alumni panel discussion.

On Thursday evening, the department hosted a cocktail reception for alumni and students. The reception took place in Buckman and was of course restricted to those who were twenty-one or over.

At noon Friday, the department hosted a picnic open to all economics and business majors, alumni, and faculty. Conversation at the picnic ranged from recreation to local and regional politics, and alumni and student alike seemed to enjoy the event.

That afternoon in the Blount Lecture Hall the department sponsored its final event of the day, the alumni panel discussion. The panel featured J. Robert Dobbins (1979), Financial Advisor at Dobbins Partners, LP; Christopher Matthews (1984), Press Spokesman for the European Community; Don Schulze (1976), Marketing Manager, Cummins Engine; and Paul Parks (1983), CPA. The moderator of the discussion was department chair Dr. John M. Planchon. The panel fielded questions about economics and business education and the present state of the job market. Several students in attendance commented after the discussion that the panel was very interesting and gave them much needed information about their future after graduation.



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Madison Smartt Bell is a native of Nashville, Tennessee. He is the author of six novels, including *Waiting for the End of the World*, *Soldier's Joy*, and *Doctor Sleep*, and two collections of short stories, *Zero db*, and *Barking Man*.

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—Thomas Ruffen,
L. A. Times

Elizabeth Spires

Elizabeth Spires is the author of several books of poetry, including *Boardwalk*, *Globe*, and *Letter from Swan's Island*, as well as a number of children's books: *The Falling Star*, *Count With Me*, and *The Wheels Go Round*. Her poems have appeared in *The New Yorker*, *The New Republic*, *Grand Street*, *Paris Review*, and *Anteus*.

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Annual Student Leadership Retreat October 26-27

The Annual Student Leadership Retreat will be held October 26-27 at John Kyle State Park in Sardis, Mississippi. The focus of the Retreat will be Development of Networking and Communication Skills. Kirk Milhorne, a nationally known expert in the field of communication and leadership development, will lead the workshop. The cost of the weekend is \$25.00 which includes lodging, food and a hay ride. Scholarships are available through the Dean of Students Office. Only fifty spaces available. Interested students are encouraged to apply in the Dean of Students office, 229 Haliburton Tower, by October 29. Contact Lynn Dunavant, Coordinator of Student Development Programs, for more information.

The Happiness Of Being Back

Jason Vest

Every so often, a film comes along which is so human and sensitive that it has a profound effect upon the audience. This summer, we have again been given a film which, while it undoubtedly stirs the imagination, also stirs the heart, creating a glorious sensation in the viewer. It is an example of swift, vibrant storytelling which encompasses a mythological cycle and has been served to us by one of Hollywood's most talented filmmakers.

The person? James Cameron. The film? *Terminator 2: Judgment Day*.

Impossible, moviegoing pundits proclaim. *T2* is an action flick, something to be enjoyed, but definitely not something which is affecting. Or, to state one of the fundamental unsaid tenets of modern cinema, action-adventure is fun, not profound.

Certainly, *T2* is adventure in the grandest sense of the word. The pace is a rush of breathtaking action and spectacular special effects. There is gunplay at nearly every juncture, fantastic chases, and stunts worthy of a Bond film. In short, if you aren't careful, you may forget to breathe.

T2 is also, a compassionate film which utilizes incredible action to tell a human story. It leaves the mind spinning, the sweat glands flooding, and the soul soaring. This is no accident of creation, but a mythic stirring of some ancient themes. It is a glorious study of the human heart.

The plot is elegantly simple. Another Terminator, again played by Arnold Schwarzenegger, is sent back to the present, programmed by a future John Connor to save his younger self from the T-1000, an incredibly advanced prototype which can assume the form of almost anything it touches. The Terminator and young John break his mother, Sarah, out of a mental institution and then run from the pursuing T-1000, a flight which quickly turns into a race to save the future of humanity.

The acting is top-notch, with Schwarzenegger giving perhaps the best performance of his career. He equals the work he did in last year's *Total Recall* by mixing a flair for comedy with his considerable skills as an

action icon and a humanity unlike anything which he has previously accomplished. Linda Hamilton gives a textured performance as Sarah Connor, tougher, pumped-up, and occasionally frail. She's a ballbuster who's also terrified by her dreams of the day when the nuclear holocaust comes and a steel-skinned mother who wants to protect her son while also ensuring that he has a world in which to mature. Hamilton is marvelous in portraying Sarah's differing facets, doing so with convincing irony all the while. Newcomer Edward Furlong plays John Connor, a brash teenager who manages the seemingly impossible task of getting the Terminator to foreswear murder. The best bit of casting, though, is Robert Patrick as the T-1000. His boyish looks and slight body provide a disturbingly off-balance, silently menacing presence.

The film itself operates on several levels. Initially, the psychological level is presented, a place that Sarah inhabits at the opening. Her accurate knowledge of the future has landed her in a mental institution, and, even after the incredible circumstances of the past, there is still the smallest hint of "Was it all real?" The answer comes when the Terminator arrives at the hospital, providing a key moment in the narrative. Sarah's confrontation with the cyborg is a horrific replay of past events for her, as she is frightened that death is at hand.

However, a psychological transformation takes place over the course of the film as Sarah comes to trust the Terminator. Indeed, as she later observes, he is "the only one who measures up" when it comes to being a father figure to John. As John grows closer to his mechanical friend, so do we. This provides a springboard for the mythological level which pervades the entire Terminator saga.

Terminator 2 is a grand, epic film destined to be loved as the culmination of a mythological cycle presented to us by a grand mythmaker. Richard Corliss, film critic for *Time* magazine, pointed this out in his review of *T2*. He reminded us that the original *Terminator* was a retelling of the Annunciation: the Archangel Gabriel (a 21st

Century rebel named Kyle Reese) appears to the Virgin Mary (Sarah Connor) and informs her that she will sire the Messiah. This is a basic mythological reading of that violent and witty 1984 film.

Corliss also maintains that *T2* recounts the Holy Family's flight into Egypt. Again, a basic mythological reading, and an excellent one. Symbolism abounds in both films, not the least of which is the fact that Reese fathers the Savior and, in effect, functions as the Holy Spirit.

T2 puts a subtle twist on all of this. It isn't John, the proclaimed Messiah, who vicariously suffers for all of humanity, but the Terminator himself. Cameron and William Wisher, the film's writers, have taken a bold step by making the cyborg into a Christ figure. In doing so, they create a moment that won't soon be forgotten.

There have, of course, been Christ figures in recent films, such as Han Solo in *The Empire Strikes Back* and Spock in *Star Trek III*, but the ostensible difference between these two and the Terminator is humanity. Han Solo is wonderfully human and Spock half so, but, surely, conventional wisdom says, not the mechanical hero of *T2*.

Midway through the film, the Terminator asks John why humans cry, yet, at the climax, right before his final act, he says he understands. A transformation has occurred and it is a transformative moment for the audience. The Terminator's final act is both heartwrenching and glorious. It's an eloquent expression of a simple theme: sometimes nobility comes from the unlikeliest places.

The original *Terminator* was a cautionary tale about the dangers of allowing our humanity to be programmed away by a technological society. *Terminator 2* is a soaring tale of the human spirit triumphant. It reminds us that we can create the noblest things, all within ourselves.

James Cameron, Arnold Schwarzenegger, and everyone involved are to be given thanks beyond words for giving us this modern parable. It is a film to be loved. To be seen again and again. To be honored.

And, most of all, to be cherished.

Social Commission Comedy Night

by Jim Turner

As part of the festivities for this year's Homecoming, the Social Commission presented Comedy Night on Friday, October 11, 1991, in Hardie Auditorium. The event featured comedians Judy Gold and Dan Wilson in a two hour show before a packed auditorium.

The defiantly six foot, three inch Judy Gold opened the night, introducing herself as an Amazonian comedienne. She traded licks with the audience on topics ranging from her raising in a Jewish home by a mother who cried just a little too much to who in the audience wanted her (I think she decided most of the men and one of the women in the audience did). Her performance began with an off-the-wall raunchiness and kept the pace un-

til her rousing lip sync ended her set.

Ms. Gold's act set a high standard for turning bad taste into good comedy. Even her most offensive material avoided objection just because she made it so funny. I don't think that anyone in the audience that night will be able to forget her "tongue out of cheek" impersonation of the Brady Bunch or her own version of cheerleading.

The headliner of the evening was Danny Wilson. He presented a softer-edged style of comedy and yet still dabbled in "shock humor." Mr. Wilson coaxed laughter from the audience with sight gags such as using a pair of extra-extra-large briefs for a sweat rag, sound effects such as his do-it-yourself dentistry demonstration and gifts from the Holiday Inn for the

audience.

Despite the fact that he did make me laugh quite a bit, it's hard to see how Mr. Wilson could have followed Ms. Gold. His style seemed too laid back after the high energy opening act. I also wished that Mr. Wilson had spent less time worrying if he was offending the audience. Most people, myself included, have come to expect strong language from comedians, but not apology from them. Furthermore, apology will make little difference in whether or not an audience will find such things as midget jokes offensive or not. However, I did appreciate the concern he showed for the helplessly drunk members of the audience. It is still nice to see compassion from a comedian.

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Campus Paperback Bestsellers

1. *You Just Don't Understand*, by Deborah Tannen. (Ballantine, \$10.00.) How men and women can understand each other better.
2. *Four Past Midnight*, by Stephen King. (Signet, \$6.99.) Late-night hours filled with horror and terror.
3. *What Color is Your Parachute?*, by Richard Nelson Bolles. (Ten Speed Press, \$11.95.) Career and job guide for 1991.
4. *All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten*, by Robert Fulghum. (Ivy, \$5.95.) Uncommon thoughts on common things.
5. *The Joy Luck Club*, by Amy Tan. (Ivy, \$5.95.) Destinies of Chinese immigrant women and their Chinese-American daughters.
6. *All I Need to Know I Learned From my Cat*, by Susy Becker. (Workman, \$5.95.) Advice from a discerning cat.
7. *Seven Habits of Highly Effective People*, by Steven R. Covey. (Fireside, \$9.95.) Guide to personal fulfillment.
8. *The Education of Little Tree*, by Forrest Carter. (Univ. of New Mexico, \$10.95.) Growing up with the Cherokee way of life.
9. *The First Man in Rome*, by Colleen McCullough. (Avon, \$6.95.) Towering saga of a remarkable era.
10. *September*, by Rosamunde Pilcher. (St. Martin's Press, \$5.99.) A group of guests from all over the world meet in a Scottish town.

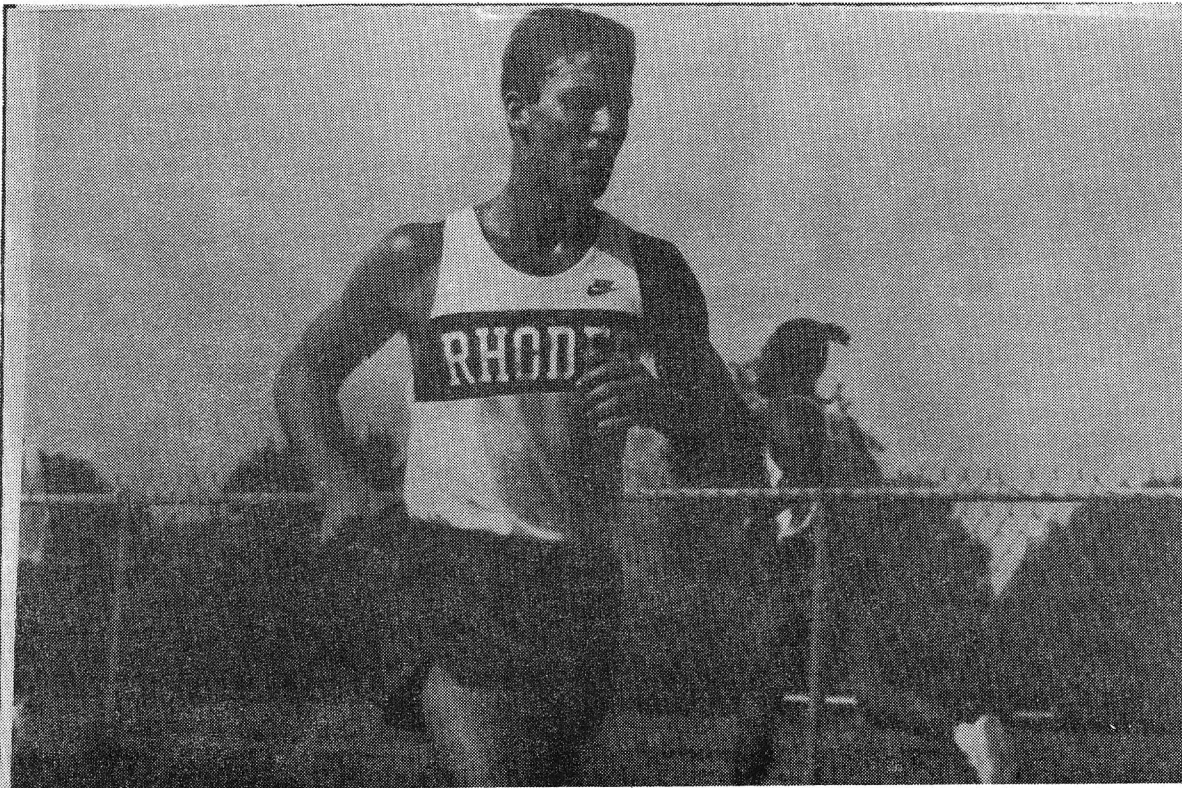
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New & Recommended

A personal selection of Marvin Stashley, SMU Bookstore, Dallas, TX.

- Rabbit at Rest*, by John Updike. (Fawcett, \$5.99.) Rabbit explores the bleak terrain of late middle age, looking for reasons to live.
- The Indian Lawyer*, by James Welch. (Penguin, \$8.95.) A vivid evocation of the American West and a provocative tale of the paradoxes of assimilation.
- The Odyssey of Homer*, by Allen Mandelbaum. Transl. (Bantam, \$3.95.) This new verse translation realizes the power and beauty of the original Greek verse.

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Cross-Country Junior Jeff Bean

VOLLEYBALL MADNESS

by Alicia Lartigue and Stephanie Prachniak

Over 5 thousand people watched the Lynx Volleyballers steal the national title and crown from the Washington University Bears this past weekend. Hundreds of local news teams fought the crowd to get footage of the Lynx in action. Tori Tangaroni, the San Francisco Treat, said, "I hope that signing all those autographs won't weaken my hitting arms." When asked how it felt to beat the nation's 2nd ranked team, Coach Julie Bowen responded, "I believe the additional 500 sprints in practice has helped a great deal."

Along with the victory came a few other surprises, including Worm's record-breaking pre-game service aces and kills. During the team's lunch break, Broden was beamed with a Lambert's "threw roll" which knocked her clear across the restaurant, sidelining her for the weekend long tournament. Also, Alicia and Stephanie were promoted to President and Vice-President of the Lynx recycling center headquarters, conveniently located in seat #2 with recycling bins strategically placed at either end of the van.

Braves Revive Baseball

by Trent Taylor

"Indeed, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last."—Luke 13:38

For years, the Atlanta Braves were laughed at as they were kicked around in the National League. Now, though, the Braves have risen from their own ashes much like the mythical phoenix to win the NL West and to take command in the NLCS. It is great to see the once wimpy Braves whipping the former bullies of baseball such as the Dodgers and the Reds. The most remarkable thing about the Braves is that last year, and virtually every year before that, they were in last place. It is refreshing to see a baseball team such as the Braves win without players who have monster egos and astronomical salaries. One cannot help but love the Braves—this team of Davids attempting to slay the Goliaths—who have taken the scraps from other good teams and fashioned their own good team. America loves the underdog and this year, the Braves have been tremendous underdogs. They have transformed Atlanta into a city full of rabid, die-hard Braves fans.

Most of all, though, the Braves have brought back the purity of baseball. There is no one dominating player on the Braves such as other teams have. There is no bickering between the players and the manager as so many other teams have. The Braves hasten us back to an era of baseball when it was still the national pastime, when the Yankees were actually good, when the Dodgers were in Brooklyn, and when everyone listened to their favorite team on the radio. The Braves have brought the enthusiasm back to baseball. Thank you, Braves, for playing baseball as it ought to be played and for injecting a little excitement into baseball purists everywhere who still prefer the crack of the wooden bat, the smell of the natural grass, and the game to be played outside.

I remember when I was a child how I used to listen to the Cardinals on the radio in the sweltering heat of summer and hang upon every word of Jack Buck. Baseball, though, went high tech with domes, astroturf, and arrogant players who thought they deserved millions of dollars because they could play a game. Because of that, the nation lost its interest in baseball. The Braves, though, have stirred the nation's interest in baseball once again. The crowds flock to the stadium to see this old-fashioned team win.

The other night as I watched the Braves play in Atlanta in the NLCS, I was amazed at the enthusiasm of the crowd. The stadium was shaking and reverberating with Indian chants and 60,000 people chopping tomahawks. I even saw Jimmy Carter doing the wave. Baseball is back as the national pastime. Thank you, Braves.

in which the men and women will face S.C.A.C. rivals Centre and Sewanee among a multitude of other Division III, Division II, and N.A.I.A. schools from the Mid-South. The teams appreciate all the help that the support crew gave during the meet on Saturday, as well as those who found the time to step outside their doors to cheer for the Lynx in a difficult and challenging race.

HARRIERS

Enjoy Continued Success As Season Enters Final Phase

by Welch Suggs

All across campus last Saturday, people showered and shaved to the sound of little feet pittering and pattering outside their windows as runners from ten schools across the Southeast competed in the Rhodes College Cross Country Invitational, circling the campus, running through receptions and negotiating walls in one of the region's more interesting races.

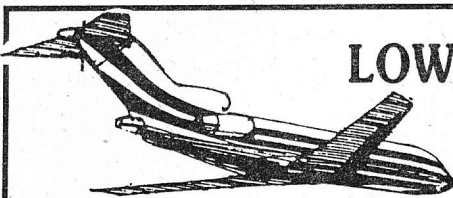
The men's and women's cross country teams took 2nd and 4th place in the overall standings respectively. The men lost a tight race to Ouachita Baptist University from Arkadelphia, Arkansas, an N.A.I.A. school which is favored to win the Arkansas Intercollegiate Athletic Conference later in the season. Top runners for the Lynx were junior James Westphal, who placed 3rd with a time of 27:49, freshman Welch Suggs (5th, 28:22), and sophomores Scott Haines (7th, 28:36) and Sean Moran (8th, 26:50). Following these four were sophomore Edgard Cabanillas, freshman Eddie Dieppa, junior Jeff Bean, and freshman Ken Phelps. The Lynx also had their first crack at conference rivals Trinity and Millsaps, trouncing both teams by margins of 41 and 83 points respectively.

The women placed behind Memphis State, Millsaps, and Hendrix, but they also defeated conference rival Trinity by a solid 20 points. Seniors Cindy McGraw and Kortney

Christiansen continued to lead the team with their 14th and 16th places respectively, followed by the freshman bloc of Bonnie Binkley (22nd), Allyson Hawks (24th), Erin Smith (26th), and Jennalie Travis (29th). Also finishing were junior Dani Boyce, junior Allison Fuss, junior Gina Deluca, and freshmen Katie Randolph and Amy Oberhelman.

A week before, both teams traveled to Arkadelphia to compete in Ouachita Baptist's Invitational, in which the men placed third and the women first for their second victory of the season. Over a fast course on a perfect day, Suggs knocked a minute off his best 5-mile time with a 26:30 to place 4th, followed by Westphal (26:44), Haines (26:59), Moran and Dieppa, enabling the team to place a scant 10 points behind first-place Ouachita and 3 points behind Henderson State. For the women, McGraw, Christiansen, and Binkley again led the team with fine performances.

During the upcoming weekend, the teams will forego a day of Fall Break to compete in Vanderbilt University's Invitational in Nashville for their last non-championship meet of the season. After that, things begin to get intense as the Lynx travel to Berea, Kentucky for the Women's Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Championship and the Tennessee-Kentucky Small Schools Championship meets



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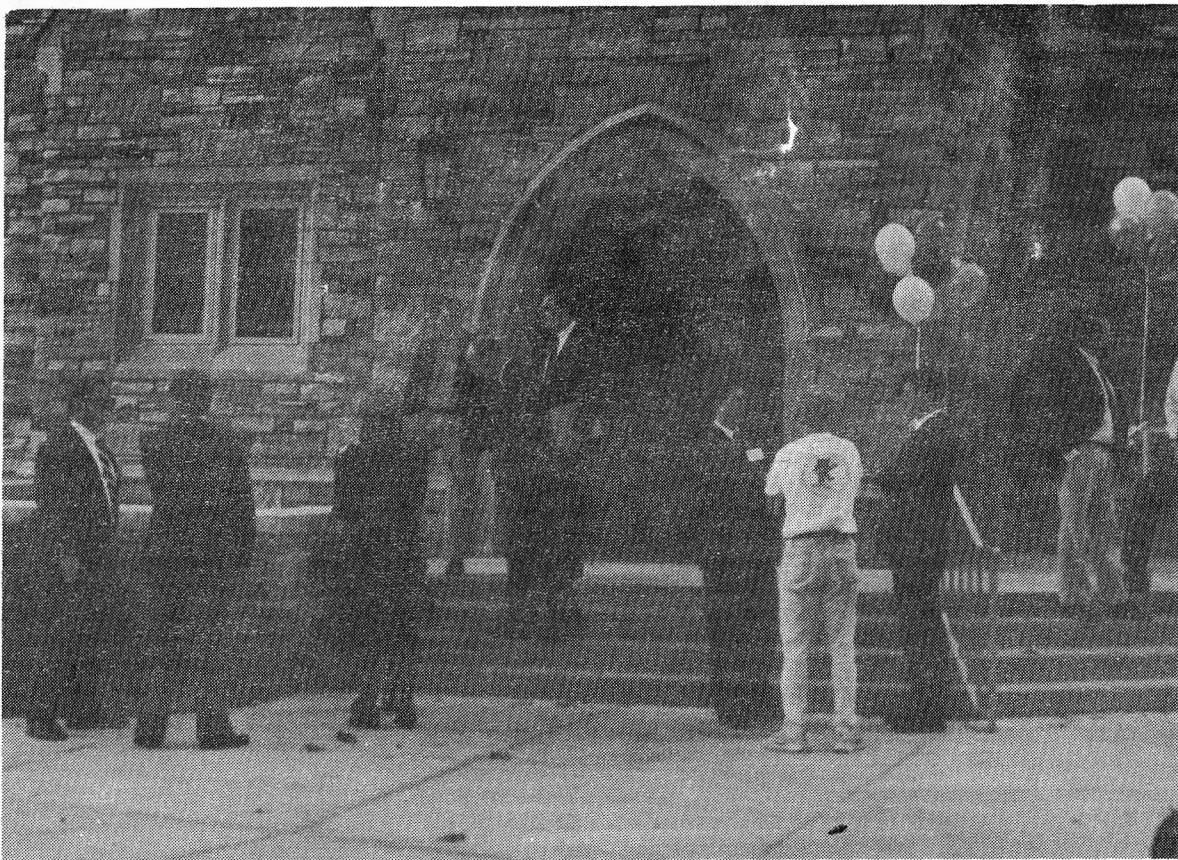
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"Rhodes Graduates in Organized Crime" Reunion Brings Business Leaders from All Over the Nation

Saturday afternoon, immediately following the International Studies Reunion/Career Program/Champagne Extravaganza and right before the English Department's Reunion/Lecture Program/"Unemployment's Not THAT Bad" seminar, about forty-five men in dark business suits gathered for a program in the Blount Lecture Hall of Buckman Hall. The informal program gave Rhodes graduates that have gone on to careers in organized crime a chance to reminisce and network.

Many of the participants had very interesting stories to tell. After ordering two acquaintances to beat Rhode'ster photographer Sean Lee unconscious, Frankie "The Weasel" Tridgiani ('63) told our reporter how he built on a Rhodes education. After

graduation, Frankie, Tony "The Executioner" Felazzi ('64), and Don "The Postmodern Structuralist" Totaglia ('63) left Memphis for Chicago. "We had nothing," Frankie recounts, "except for our liberal arts strengthened ability to 'improvise' and \$3.2 million skimmed from the bookstore when Tony staffed 'Cash-for-Books.'" He pauses and takes a long puff on his cigar. "Today, I own 19 liquor stores, Tony has 23 liquor stores and Don had 17 liquor stores before he was shot 39 times by Joe "The Freudian Existentialist" Twobagadonuts ('67).

"I could never have gotten where I am today," interjects a short, balding man in a dark suit ('58), "had it not

been for the things I learned from you people at Rhodes. I remember one day when Giorgi "The Granola" DiGiorgi ('59) (alias Bobby Whiteball) ('62) and me was sitting in my car selling overpriced beer to Freshmen. Rico said something to me I'll never forget. 'You know, *capi*,' he said, 'there's a lot of money in this.'"

The seminar went into the early evening as the reunion participants sipped wine and threw bread sticks at the accordion player. A jovial Charlotte Patton Parkes broke away from the fun to tell us how wonderful this first annual event has been. When asked if any substantial donations to the college had been made yet, she answered, "not as far as you know." —S. Liles

Survey of the Class of 1995: The Results

A survey was taken during orientation this year to determine the expectations that students had formed about the experience they would have during their first year at Rhodes. Here are a few of the results.

- 80% said they expected to have at least one alcohol policy violation, while 5% expected their combined alcohol, traffic, and dorm damage fines to exceed the cost of their books for the year.
- 95% of the respondents expected to be ranked in the top 15% of their class. 5% of the respondents felt that they would be ranked in the top 100% of their class.
- 65% of those surveyed planned to wash their clothes for the first time at Thanksgiving. This gave rise to the 35% of students who planned on having their roommates laundry listed as a possible Superfund cleanup project.
- 2% correctly identified the age and weight of their faculty advisor. 5% did not realize they had a faculty advisor.
- 15% of the students surveyed expected the news in the Rhode'ster to be true. These same 15% also believe professional wrestling is real.
- 12% of the respondents expected to become more P.C. during their college career as a result of their liberal education, while 63% liked the new Macintosh lab better than the PC's.
- 25% of the students correctly identified Rhodes on a map of Memphis, while 30% believed they were Rhodes scholars and should be in England.
- No respondents correctly identified themselves as "first-year students."

Rhodes Rat Refuse Recyclers Refute Responsibility for Riots

Campus Green has come out with yet another brilliant recycling idea. "Now that we have glass, can, and paper recycling going," announced co-president, Courtney Schwarten, "we want to recycle the food in the Rat."

The organization began this plan by taking food from the Rat to the Memphis Zoo, which was placed strategically across the street from Rhodes. However, the zoo declined the gift, stating that "The food is just not fit for animal consumption!" This conclusion was met when the zoo was struck with an unidentified plague that swept the park shortly after the food was served. At first, the cause was unclear, until a witness at the zoo proclaimed, "It must have been something they ate!" When the zoo people called Rhodes to complain, they announced that one giraffe had died while its companions were in critical condition, the elephants had become extremely clumsy, resulting in the death of one of the zoo-keepers, and the monkeys had begun throwing their food at the zoo-keepers, and shouting insults at them, disclaiming any relation to them. Other statistics were not released, though an innocent bystander watched many animals fly south, which, by the way, were the polar bears.

The zoo is trying to keep the animals under control and the news about the incident from spreading to the papers and television, but they are having difficulty with the chimpanzees who keep releasing information to reporters. By the way, more information can be learned by crossing the street at midnight and whispering "I don't believe in evolution" three times through the fence directly across from the Rhodes sign.

When asked what Campus Green's responsibility was for this horrible accident, Belinda Woodiel, the other co-president, replied, "We just wanted to keep it from going to waste. You don't think this qualifies as experimenting on animals, do you?" Campus Green hasn't given up the search for other ways to recycle food. "We can't stop now. We're on the verge of something big," announced Belinda, "But we will be more careful next time." The environmental organization is currently looking into donating the rolls from the Rat to the athletic department.

—T. Sullivan

Midnight Madness Grips Campus

This past Monday night, or rather Tuesday morning, the Rhodes Lynx basketball team met for its first official practice of the season. But more than just a basketball practice, "Midnight Madness" turned into a huge media event and what, in essence, amounted to a campus-wide party.

According to NCAA (National Collegiate Athletic Association) rules, college basketball teams may not hold official practice until on or after October 15, but after that time may practice whenever they want. The University of Kentucky Wildcat basketball team has taken advantage of this rule the past few years by scheduling practices at 12:01 a.m. each year on October 15. These are not just ordinary practices, however, as 23,000 fans fill Rupp Arena each year to meet the team, to party, and to generally enjoy "Midnight Madness."

In this same vein, captain Charles Mitchell organized a "Midnight Madness" here at Rhodes. The event featured a short practice followed by an autograph and photo session with all-conference guard Mike Gonda and a chance to meet and greet the new freshmen. The new mascot even made an appearance and sophomore David Rayfield modeled the team's new warm-up suits to the delight of the females in the crowd. Trainer Brian Gerry was also there.

The first annual "Midnight Madness" at Rhodes was a huge success, as a capacity crowd showed up at Mallory Gymnasium at twelve o'clock Tuesday morning to get their first glimpse of the 1991-92 Lynx. Writers from USA Today, The Commercial Appeal, and The Sou'wester attended the media session following the practice, and starting guard Thomas Johnson even fielded a question about the likelihood of Coke Whitworth's return. Event chairman Charles Mitchell said of "Midnight Madness," "I think that the inaugural Midnight Madness was very successful, and hopefully it will become an annual event for Rhodes basketball and Lynx Cat fans."

Liza Scott, one of the many people in attendance at the first basketball practice of the year, probably best summed up the gala extravaganza, commenting, "I think it's great to see the Rhodes community get behind the basketball team this way, and I am looking forward to attending Midnight Madneses for the next several years. Go Lynx." —T. Johnson

RHODES WEATHER FORECAST

WEEK OF OCTOBER 17-24

OUTSIDE: The early week should see cool mornings and afternoon highs in the low 70s. Evenings should be colder with dips into the 40s around the midnight hours

INSIDE: The library and Refectory will run about 12.5 degrees below the outdoor temperatures except during mid-afternoon. During these hours, the Rat will hover at 29°F and the library will average 31°F. By late week, the climate-control systems in the dorms should be operational. With the help of this technology, the dorms should level out at about 97°F during the evening hours.