

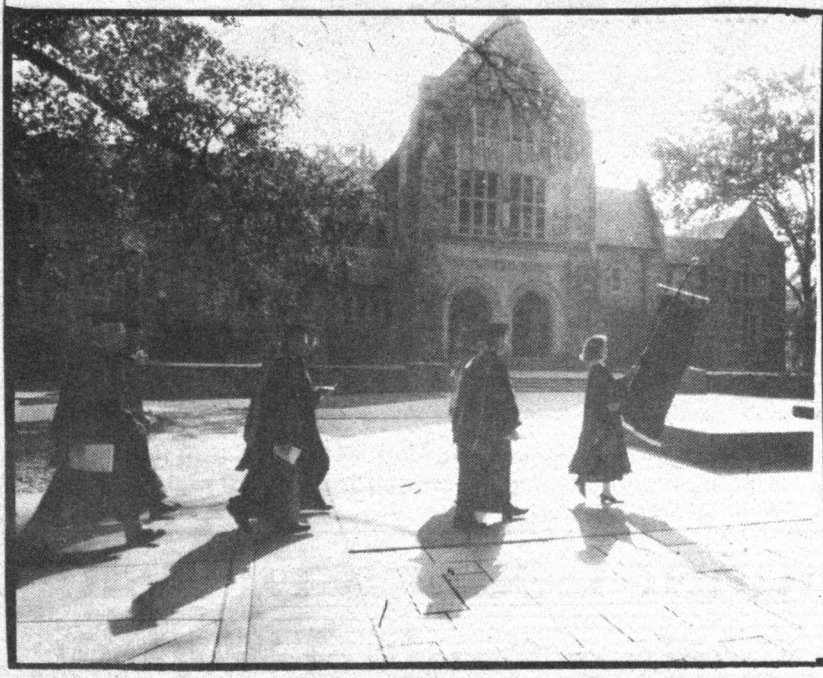
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Carrying forth the tradition



Student Assembly President Nancy Turner carries the Rhodes College banner as she leads the procession of faculty and administration to Fisher Memorial Gardens for the 1993 Founder's Day Convocation ceremonies this past Friday (see story, page 3). (photo by Stephen Deusner)

Graduate School Panel to Offer Application Advice

By Chris A. Palazzolo

After spending four years at Rhodes College, students find themselves confronted with questions about post undergraduate study. The Career Services office at Rhodes will host a program and panel discussion entitled "The Graduate School Option" scheduled for September 23 at 6 p.m. in the Orgill Room in Clough Hall to aid students with these questions.

Pat Donahue, the new assistant director of career services is sponsoring this seminar along with Sandy George Tracy, the director of the Career Services department. The seminar will consist of a thirty minute reception where students can actually meet and speak with representatives from several graduate schools around the U.S, followed by a panel discussion with the representatives.

Those graduate schools represented will be Memphis State University, the University of Tennessee at Memphis, the American Graduate School of International Management, Washing-

ton University Law School, Washington and Lee School of Law, and Mercer Law School.

According to Mr. Donahue, the fact that so many students at Rhodes do continue their education in some field of graduate study is reason enough to establish such a program at Rhodes.

Dr. Rodolfo Palazzolo, the representative from UT Memphis Medical School, decided to be a panelist in order to help those applying to medical school become aware of what is expected of them admission-wise and cost-wise on the graduate level. He hopes to meet many students personally, so that he can learn what their expectations are of a graduate study program in the medical field.

Mr. Donahue stresses that the program is open to all interested students, not just juniors and seniors levels. It is never too early in his estimation to prepare oneself for his/her future education and career.

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Fallows to Discuss Future of Pacific Rim

By Emily Flinn
Campus News Editor

Tonight at 8 p.m. the first installment of the John M. Olin Lecture Series will take place in Hardie Auditorium. James Fallows, editor of *The Atlantic Monthly* and the first lecturer slated for the series, will give a talk on "The Rise of East Asia as an Economic and Political Power".

The Olin Lecture Series is new to Rhodes. The theme this year is "America and the Pacific Rim: Challenges for the 21st Century". The purpose of the series is to look at the Pacific Rim, its rise as a major player in world economics and politics, and the effect of this rise on the United States. The John M. Olin Foundation, Inc., of New York provided the grant for the series. This foundation provides support for projects dealing with American Economic, political and cultural institutions.

Fallows lived in East Asia from 1986 through 1989. He speaks about this area frequently, and it is the subject of his upcoming book, *Looking at the Sun*.

Fallows was a speechwriter for Jimmy Carter's presidential campaign, and he was chief speechwriter during Carter's presidency. He took his position as the Washington editor of *The Atlantic Monthly* in 1979. Fallows is also a commentator for National Public Radio's "Morning Edition".

Fallows has authored several books including *The Water Lords*, *More Like Us*, and *National Defense*, for which he received the American Book Award. Journals such as *Fortune*,



Harper's, *Esquire*, *The New York Times Book Review*, and *The Washington Post* have published Fallows' articles.

Fallows earned his B.A. in history and literature at Harvard. He received a diploma in economic development from Queen's College, Oxford, where he was a Rhodes Scholar.

The Olin Lecture Series will continue on October 19, when Neil Sheehan will speak on "Vietnam: Coming to Terms at Last". The series will conclude on November 9 with a lecture from James R. Lilley, former U.S. Ambassador to Korea and the People's Republic of China.

Tonight: James Fallows

"The Rise of East Asia as an Economic and Political Power"

Hardie Auditorium, 7:30 pm

SPRINGFIELD LECTURE EXAMINES CLASSICAL MUSIC'S ROLE IN SOCIETY

Noted pianist Marvin R. Blickenstaff, professor of music at Goshen College in Indiana, will speak on "From Rachmaninoff to Rap: A Historical Perspective on Classical Music's Role in Our Ever-Changing Society" Thursday, September 23 at Rhodes College. Blickenstaff's talk is the 1993-94 offering of the Springfield Music Lectures. It will take place at 8 p.m. in the Shirley M. Payne Recital Hall of Hassell Hall.

The Springfield Music Lectures, which are free and open to the public, were established at

Rhodes by a bequest of Memphis composer and musician and Rhodes alumnus John Murry Springfield.

Blickenstaff is a frequent recitalist who has performed across the U.S. and abroad. He earned a bachelor of music degree from the Oberlin Conservatory of Music and master of music degree from Indiana University and made his well-received New York debut at Town Hall in 1969. For five consecutive summers (1988-92) he served on the faculty of the International Workshops in Austria, Canada and Switzerland. In 1990, he was named Teacher of the Year by the Indiana Music Teachers Association.

He currently teaches piano and lectures in piano pedagogy and music literature at Goshen College. He was chairman of piano instruction at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, where he served on the faculty for nine years. During the 1992-93 academic year, he served as professor of music at The Catholic University of America.

—courtesy of the Rhodes College public information office

Safe Rides: The First Night on the Job

By Aparna Murti

Over the past few months, Rhodes students have been bombarded with information about Saferides. The purpose of this innovative, student-run program is to provide rides, through the use of a Red Cross van, for students who are stranded off campus for any reason. Last Thursday, September 16, was the first night that the program was in operation, and I had the opportunity to spend the first action-packed hour with some of the students involved in it.

The first person I met was Molly Bradley, a team captain who explained the organization of Saferides. There are thirteen teams, each with a team captain and six members (three male and three female). When a call comes in, it is the team captain's job to write down information about it in a log. The captain also confirms the caller's identity in Faces and his or her location. Finally, drivers are assigned to pick up the student.

When I asked the members about their expectations for the first night, Beth Rather replied, "Tonight should be a little slow. I don't think the program's going to kick in until more people know about it." However, before anyone else could comment, the phone rang. Molly jumped up to answer it, nodding her head to let

the others know that Saferides had just received its first call, less than an hour after it had begun. For a few minutes before the drivers' departure, there were jokes about who would ride "shotgun" and who would actually drive.

However, when they left, everyone else was quiet with anticipation. At this point, Molly talked with me more about Saferides and explained that she didn't think that all of the calls would be alcohol-related. "More of the people who use it will probably be with a big group of people and be stranded without a ride because they either wanted to leave early or later," she theorized.

About fifteen minutes later, the two drivers, Becca Thom and Brian O'Neill, returned and reported that the first "mission" had been a success. Becca exuberantly said, "It was excellent, sheer ecstasy. It felt really good to help out".

If the first hour of Saferides is any indication of its success, the program will thrive in the future. Any student should feel comfortable calling it, knowing that it is entirely confidential and free. The number for Saferides is 726-3997, and it is in operation Thursday through Sunday nights from 10:00PM to 3:00AM.



Rhodes students Mary Beth Bankson, Matt Bettridge, Sarah Barnhart, and Hank Marchal prepare the Red Cross van for their first night as a Saferides team. (Photo by Stephen Deusner)

Catalyst Provides Important Services for Students

By Rachael Rack

On a campus such as Rhodes, it is no surprise that there are many programs geared towards helping students with the wide range of problems that can come their way. This fall there is a new program that stands out from the rest. This program is a group called Catalyst, and it is unusual because it is a diverse assembly of students that reaches out to others in many different ways.

These students were nominated by their peers because they are independent, trustworthy, and non-judgmental. Another noteworthy quality of this group is that they are as diverse as Rhodes itself. Greeks, independents and athletes constitute Catalyst as well as studious, shy, and outgoing students.

Last spring, Lynn Dunavant, Coordinator of Student Development and Counseling arranged the preparation for Catalyst. The students participated in a weekend of training and team building. This instruction included alcohol and drug awareness as well as some pre-counseling. Katie Terrell, '95, is quick to point out that their purpose is not to try to solve everyone's problems: "We just want to be able to handle certain circumstances better, and maybe help other students do the same."

There is a hotline that students can call which is always answered by a machine. The student gives his/her first name, a number at which they can be reached, and a brief description of the situation. A member of Catalysts will return this call and give the student the assistance he/she desires, whether it be someone to

talk to or a referral to a counselor. The caller can always be assured of the strictest confidentiality.

Catalyst works indirectly as well. Lynn Dunavant, who developed this plan last spring, describes this group as, "Promoters of change through activities they are already doing." She hopes they will be able to bring about community spirit and responsibility on campus through other organizations they are involved with.

Other programs that have been an outreach of Catalyst include SafeRides and Group. Hoping that they will help her to determine some of the special needs of the campus, Dunavant calls them "a focal point".

When asked about his hopes for Catalyst, Joe Sankey, '96, implied that because the program is new, it can grow in whatever way the student body requires. "We saw a need for a peer group to be available to the campus. Hopefully we will be able to accomplish as much as possible in the capacity needed."

Correction:

In the front page article by Brent Moberly concerning the search for new Deans at Rhodes in the September 14, 1993 issue, we incorrectly stated that Dr. Harmon Dunathan was Dean of Academic Affairs for four years rather than six.

Furthermore, Dean Dunathan was not dismissed as intimated in the article. Dean Dunathan resigned effective June 30, 1993.

We regret the errors

Honor Council Decisions Spring Semester 1993

Date	Charge	Plea	Verdict	Punishment
January 15	Stealing	Guilty		Suspension - 1 term
Reconsideration: Decision upheld				
March 17	Cheating	Not Guilty	Guilty	Probation for 3 terms; recommendation for failure
Appeal: Not Guilty				
March 24	Lying in Official Matters	Guilty		Probation - 3 terms
April 15	Plagiarism	Not Guilty	Not Guilty	
May 11	Lying in Official Matters (2 counts)	Guilty		Probation - 1 term

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College Community Comes Together For Convocation

By Amy Hall

This past Friday Marked Founder's Day, the annual celebration of a new school year. The event recognized the opening of the 145th academic session of Rhodes. The Rhodes faculty, as well as students and numerous other spectators, assembled in the Hubert F. Fisher Memorial Garden to commemorate the occasion.

After initial remarks from President Daughdrill, Nancy Turner, President of the Student Assembly welcomed students, faculty and guests to the opening of the session. In her speech, she emphasized the bright future possible for all Rhodes students, and that one should seek out and take advantage of the host of opportunities available in the college years since youth and its ambitions are passing assets.

The program then shifted to the presentation of two very prestigious faculty awards—the Charles E. Diehl Society Award for Service and the Dean's Award for Research and Creative Activity. Executive Vice President David L Harlow presented the Diehl Society Award for Service to this year's recipient, Dr. Robert R. Llewellyn.

Vice President Harlow explained that this award "...was created to honor a member of the faculty who has rendered extraordinary service to the Rhodes community through a record of consistent leadership and/or special initiatives that improve the quality of life at Rhodes."

Dr. Llewellyn, a faculty member since 1969, has served as both the Associate and Acting Dean of Academic Affairs, Chair of the Philosophy Department, Chairman of the Curriculum Committee, and an important member of the Search Course faculty.

Currently, he is seen working with various committees on projects such as Educational Program and Review, Faculty Professional Interests, Administrative Policy, Admissions, Continuing Education, Visiting Artists, the Gilliland Symposium, the Computer Center, and SACS. He has already been honored in the past with the Algernon Sidney Sullivan Award for a non-student, and the 1984 Administrator of the Year Award.

The presentation of the Dean's Award for Research and Creative Activity is unique in that it is not an annual event. This impressive award is bestowed only when deemed necessary by the collaboration of the faculty at large. It is reserved for an individual who has exerted a great amount of "extra effort" in their field with incredible results.

The individual chosen to be honored this year was Dr. Robert Strandburg of the Psychology Department. For the past three years, Dr. Strandburg has been engaged in extensive research within the realms of psychopathology, concentrating mostly on schizophrenia. He has been described as "...without question the leading expert in this area."

With grants from such organizations as the National Institute of Health and the National Institute of Mental Health, he has been able to perform "groundbreaking" studies in his field and has been published in several prominent

scientific journals. His scholarship serves as an example to his students as well as colleagues, and for this the Rhodes community is proud.

After these award presentations and a performance by the Rhodes Singers, Political Science Professor Michael Nelson delivered the Convocation Address. With great eloquence, Dr. Nelson first chose to elaborate on the many benefits of the liberal arts environment as opposed to standard research universities.

It is easy to take for granted the many benefits the small campus has to offer to its students as well as faculty, Dr. Nelson pointed out. The strong sense of community allows for a nurturing environment in which no one is a number but a familiar, friendly face. There is no isolation of departments, all know and mingle with one another; thus, a shared respect for all disciplines is achieved.

Dr. Nelson also addressed the idea of tenure in his speech. He stated, "I do not recommend that we abolish tenure, or in anyway abolish the tenure system." He explained that tenure serves as a safeguard to professors assuring them of no retribution, and no threat of academic freedom.

Tenure also serves as a catalyst for academic discovery as professors feel safe to experiment and adventure in their fields. However, he went on to explain that the probation period, the trial period, should be a humane and reassuring process for new professors, not allowing for a sense of anxiety or foreboding.

Dr. Michael Nelson's address at Convocation

FACULTY AND COMMUNITY

September 17, 1993

"Faculty and Community" is a much bigger topic than I can hope to cover in the brief time that I have. Members of the Rhodes faculty belong and contribute to many communities—the civic community, the artistic community, a variety of faith communities, and others. This morning I want to discuss and, in a few minutes, critique the two communities that I think are most vital to us as the faculty of Rhodes College. I speak of the campus community and the community of each academic discipline.

First, the **campus community**. Here I include not just faculty, but students, cabinet, staff, alumni, trustees—all who in some sense may be regarded as *citizens* of Rhodes College.

Our students value the campus community enormously. The national college guide published by the Princeton Review says this about Rhodes: "Most Rhodes students agree that a strong sense of community (a word we saw over and over again in our surveys) is integral to life at Rhodes." Asked what they like about Rhodes, I have found (as many of you have) that most of them will mention the honor code, which is both a creator of community and an expression of it.

I think it is also fair to say that members of the Rhodes faculty value, even cherish, many aspects of the campus community. The opportunities for friendship, conversation, and collaboration with colleagues in other disciplines; the ability to walk the Rhodes campus and recognize every face, to sit on this stage at graduation and know or know something about almost all of the students who pass before us, the beauty of the campus itself—are there any of us who do not find satisfaction in these and other features of our life together in this campus community, even as we grapple with the issues

and structures that sometimes divide us, as all communities sometimes are divided.

...That's the campus community—the first of the two communities I want to discuss this morning. In addition to it, most of us think of ourselves as members of a **disciplinary community**, which consists of the other scholars in our field, around the country and, often, around the world. In contrast to the campus community, only seldom and briefly (at regional and national meetings) is the disciplinary community a community of place. More typically, it is a community of paper and of telephone cables. Seldom, too, is the disciplinary community broad and varied enough to span the "two cultures" of the sciences and the humanities. Instead, it is, by design, a community of shared interests.

The virtues of the disciplinary community are considerable. It enables us to continue to grow intellectually in our chosen area of interest. It provides us with a framework within which to make our own contributions to knowledge and understanding. It offers places to go for faculty who choose to—or are forced to—leave one campus community for another.

What is the relationship between the campus community and the disciplinary community in the life of the liberal arts college? In some ways, faculty find the two communities to be mutually sustaining. The disciplinary community sustains the campus community with new findings and insights to teach to our students. The campus community returns the favor by providing us with many of the resources, tangible and intangible, that we need to grow in our disciplines.

But I would be foolish to pretend that the

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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. Student publications at Rhodes are under the aegis of the Student Publications Board, which is composed of the editors of all campus publications as well as class representatives and at-large representatives of the student body.

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Honor Council, Social Regulations Council Proposing Constitutional Changes

By Chip Campbell Honor Council President

This year the Honor Council has come up with several revisions to the Honor Council Constitution. On Wednesday, the entire student body will vote on whether to approve the revision.

One of the more important changes is the redefining of the cheating clause. Seeing that there is a difference between plagiarism and receiving aid, using notes and books without the professor's approval will now fall under the receiving aid section.

We have also included the options an accused student has if he or she has left campus (i.e. for Christmas vacation). The student may

return to campus immediately, proceed via telephone, or wait until the next semester. If they opt for the latter, their grades may be withheld or altered after the decision of the council.

Another revision is the removal of the President from the investigation process. Investigations will be handled by the Vice President and/or a council member. Along with that, the pre-trial committee will expand to include another council member, so that the committee will be comprised of the President, the Secretaries, the Investigator, and another council member.

These changes are not that dramatic, but they will hopefully make the council more effective and fair to everyone. If you still have questions, please feel free to contact me.

By Judy Brown S.R.C. President

On Wednesday, September 22nd the student body will have the opportunity to vote on an Social Regulations Council constitutional amendment that, if passed, will change the Pre-trial Committee on Investigation. The purpose of a Pre-trial Committee is to decide whether or not a case goes to trial or whether it is referred to another adjudicative body or counseling group.

In the past the S.R.C. Pre-trial Committee has always consisted of the President, Vice President, the secretary, and all the elected members. This arrangement has, in some cases, lead to the formation of judgements and decisions on possible verdicts before the trial even occurs.

In the current system, all the members of the council hear the evidence and statements of those involved during pre-trial stages. While names are never disclosed before a trial, the rumor mill on such a small campus often overshadows any confidential investigation of council members.

The proposed amendment would change the Pre-trial Committee to consist of only the President, Vice President, the two secretaries, and the special investigator. This change to a smaller pre-trial committee is aimed to decrease the chances that a voting member might form a bias during a trial. With the exception of the Vice President, the only member of the Pre-trial Committee who generally votes, the council would only hear the evidence once.

Election Commissioners Instituting Changes In Voting Procedures

By Jim Turner Elections Commissioner

One of the more chaotic events of each new school year is the beginning of the year student elections. The elections are held each fall to provide the new first-year students with representation in the student governing bodies, replace officeholders who did not return, and take care of unfinished business from the year before. This fall's election fills all three roles plus one new role. The elections to be held this Wednesday will be the first test of many new elections features implemented by this year's Elections Commission in the hopes of making elections less chaotic.

The first change to appear this year is the expanded time frame of elections. Instead of being due only three days before the election, petitions were due one week in advance so that the ballot could be publicized in advance. This change is designed to help students make their decisions before actually coming to the poles.

Along those same lines, the Commission is posting candidate information several days ahead of time in Frazier-Jelke instead of behind the voting box at the time of the election. Also, a special "meet the candidates" dinner will be held in the North Dining Hall on Tuesday night to allow students to informally get to know the

people who would represent them. All of this is aimed at increasing the number of students who vote from the currently abysmal twenty-five to thirty-five percent and in helping voters from being overwhelmed by the choice of seventy candidates and two ballot issues being voted on.

Voting itself will be different. The traditional polling place in the Briggs Student Center will be supplemented by a second polling place in the Refectory during lunch. Also, the ballots will have a different look, asking students to circle the candidate's number instead of the candidate's name. This is being done to allow the votes to be counted using the Systat pro-

gram in the computer center. Using the frequencies tables generated by Systat will be much faster than the old way of counting the ballots which involved people sitting in a room and making tick marks as one person read each ballot out. Now, the results of the election and the ballot for the following day's runoff can be posted within a few hours.

Elections will be held from nine in morning until three in the afternoon on Wednesday, September 22. Run-offs will be held during the same hours each day until all races have been decided by a majority, which will most likely occur Friday.

Sample Ballot: Get out and Vote, Y'all!

Student Assembly

First-year Representative (5 positions)

Kristin Delea	Sarena Teng
Alizza Punzalan	Jennifer Graves
Paul Kim	Amy Lafuria
Christopher Baker	Andrew Veprek
Julia Lang	Gary Farmer Jr.
Hank Mercier	Alison Santillo
Michael Ray	Catherine S. Carter
Holden Rushing	Alex Ardussi
Jennifer R. Hagan	Charles Robert Bone
J. Frank Day	Susie Tully

Sophomore Representative (1 position)

Cal Meeks	Sandi Klotwog
John Rose	Hank Marchal
Ginny Neal	Michael Rosolino
David G. Eubanks	Kim-Phoung Nguyen

Please note that one junior representative will be elected on Thursday, September 23, along with the first run-off. Petitions for this position are available now and must be turned in at 101 White by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 22.

Honor Council

First-year Male Rep. (1 position)

Steve Griffith Jr.
Bryant Benson
Brett Hudgins
David Osler
Kenneth C. McGhee

First-year Female Rep. (1 position)

Nell Bolton
Jenny Bartlett-Prescott

A. Chris Fisher

Emily Kryjak

Ashley Bailey

Tori Bonner

Sophomore Male Rep. (1 position)

Kevin Gideon
Jamie Bogner

S. R. C.

First-year Male Rep. (2 positions)

John Flowers
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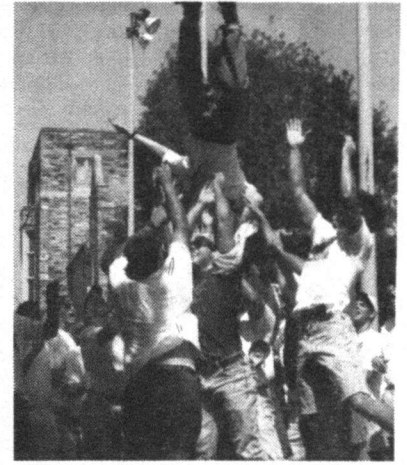
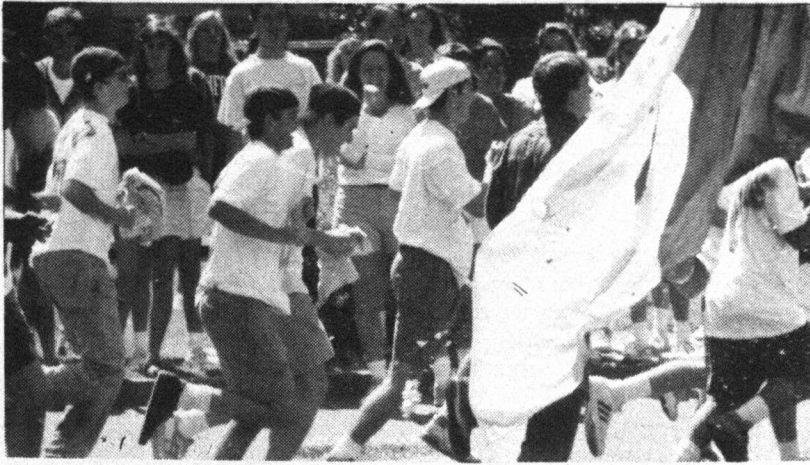
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Men's Bid Day 1993



(from left to right) The Kappa Alpha pledges hoist their flag, running to their fraternity house; Kappa Sigma Robert Browning comforts Julie Bhattacharya after smearing her face with shaving cream; the Sigma Nu's are so happy about their new class that they encourage one of the pledges to take flight. (photos by Stephen Deusner and Athena Petropoulos)

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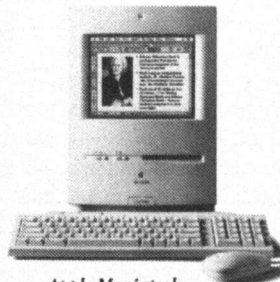
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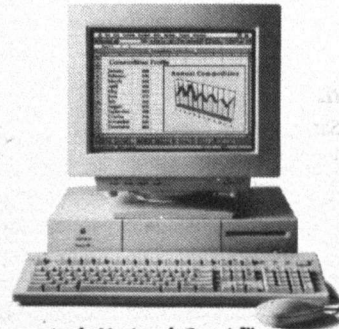
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two communities are never in conflict. Indeed, the conflicts are present in daily, particular ways. Where does more of my time, effort, and creative energy go—to teaching or to research, to the professional association committee or to the faculty committee, to my colleagues in other Rhodes departments or to my colleagues in political science departments elsewhere? The conflicts between the campus and the disciplinary communities also show up in more fundamental ways. How do I think of myself at the end of the day—as a political scientist or as a member of the faculty of Rhodes College?

In the liberal arts college, these tensions—to the extent that they force choices upon us—can be resolved in only one way. The campus community must be primary—that's part of what makes the liberal arts college what it is, and it is all that distinguishes an excellent liberal arts college from an excellent liberal arts division of a research university.

...As I think we all know, the trend at ambitious liberal arts colleges in recent years has been

in the *opposite* direction—tugging us toward the values of the disciplinary community.

...If liberal arts colleges reward research of any kind on an almost equal basis with teaching—and substantially more than service—they will encourage the one sort of academic activity at the expense of the others. And what a false path to success they will have chosen! Yes, university doctoral programs may prosper in their efforts to recruit excellent graduate students by having their faculty write for the academic journals that publish the scholarship of discovery. But that's because the faculty who guide prospective graduate students in selecting a doctoral program are the very people who read those journals. In contrast, liberal arts colleges recruit excellent new students by teaching and serving their current students so well that they spread the word to their friends, younger siblings, and high school teachers.

Strongly related to these self-created obstacles to the forging of a strong campus community are the ways liberal arts colleges handle faculty tenure. Like most of you, I am a close student of tenure and a strong defender of it. But I'm also aware of some of the self-defeating messages that tenure systems inadvertently send to new, tenure-track members of the faculty:

Message No. 1: You're not really a citizen of this campus community. Don't grow too fond of the place. Don't give too much of yourself to it. Don't buy college T-shirts for your kids. Know that after a few years you may be banished, in a manner in which, as Harvard Dean Henry Rosovsky has put it, the "rejection is carefully calculated, determined by close associates, and it is even public."

Message No. 2: Your lifeline is the disciplinary community. If you are cast out to look for another job, the scholarship of discovery that you have produced—the articles you have writ-

ten for refereed journals—will count infinitely more than the students whose lives you have helped to transform by teaching, advising, and befriending them.

Both of these lessons are learned at the formative stages of a faculty member's career. Thus, the awful irony is that even though tenure—once achieved—should be the great binder of senior faculty to the campus community by assuring them that this is their home for as long as they want it to be, the two messages of the probationary period often have become ingrained. They are scar tissue that doesn't easily dissolve.

Now, as Theodore Lowi observed at a similar point in his Gilliland lecture last fall, if I were speaking to a European audience, I could stop right here. I have identified a host of problems and that would be enough. But I am speaking to a mostly American audience, and so I have an additional challenge: to offer some attempt at solutions.

Let me confess—I don't have ideas that will make all the rough edges smooth. But perhaps I can focus on one of the issues that I have raised, a more pertinent issue than usual as we enter this '93-'94 academic year, the issue of tenure.

I do *not* recommend that we abolish or in any way undermine the tenure system—far from it. The traditional case for tenure is strong. As Roskovsky argues, tenure is "the principal guarantor of academic freedom, encouraging the right... to act upon knowledge and ideas as one perceives them without fear of retribution from anyone." Every generation of faculty in this century has experienced threats to academic freedom—some external, some internal; some political, some epistemological; some from the left, some from the right.

There is also a more modern defense. Tenure, the economic argument goes, is part of a utilitarian social contract: higher education needs talented people, "and professors trade life-long security and familial relations for lesser economic rewards" than they could have received by pursuing other professional careers. This is an especially timely argument as we enter an era, estimated to last from 1997 to 2012 and perhaps beyond, in which the demand for good faculty will substantially exceed the supply.

I would add a personal defense of tenure. My observation as a student or faculty member at several schools—including, no, *especially*, Rhodes College—has convinced me that tenure has, on balance, a strong and beneficial effect on motivation and performance. The desire to teach, serve, and conduct research well springs from many sources, most of them internal. If anything, tenure helps these desires to blossom by making the tree on which they grow more secure. Thus we find, for example, that at Rhodes, the *average* score for tenured faculty on the SIR evaluation's summary question in recent years has been 4.4 of a possible 5. Is any other profession in American society serving its



Professor Michael Nelson, Dean Marshall McMahon, President Daughdrill, Vice President Harlow and Chaplain Newton at the 145th Convocation. (Photo by Stephen Deusner)

Actor Willard Pugh Divulges Hollywood's Secrets

By Ginger Crouch

Okay, so maybe all that he told us was that Spike Lee was cheap, but I got your attention, didn't I? So, as long as you're reading...

Last Thursday afternoon, as many Rhodents were enjoying the fine cuisine in the Rat, a small group of theatre students gathered in 101 Kennedy and sat mesmerized as they listened to a lecture by veteran actor Willard Pugh.

Pugh, a native Memphian, is probably best known for his role as Harpo in the movie "The Color Purple." He can also be seen in "Robocop II," "Toy Soldiers" and "A Rage in Harlem." And, (as if those credentials weren't impressive enough) Pugh has also appeared on television shows such as "Hill Street Blues," "227," "Beauty and the Beast" and in numerous commercials.

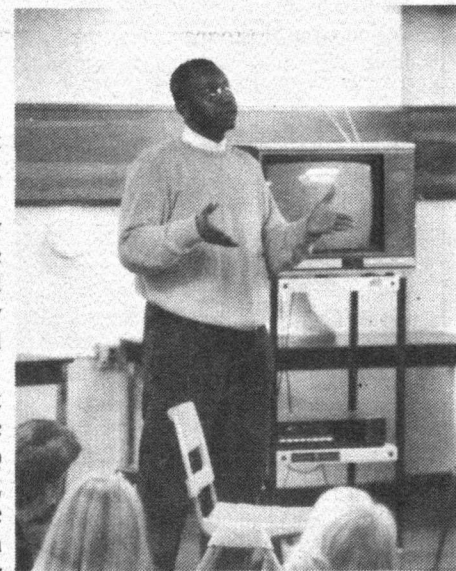
Pugh was a real, live, down-to-earth person as he explained in detail the ins and outs of life in show business.

"It's all about playing the game," he said. "Who you know gets you in the door, what you know is going to keep you there."

Pugh described the process that most people who are trying to break into the business go through. He urged the room of budding actors and actresses to be honest with themselves about their limitations.

"We're all legends in our own minds," he said, "but in order to succeed, you have to keep it in your own mind."

Pugh emphasized the fact that show business is just that, a business. Just like any other business, it takes a lot of hard work. He said, "If you just sit in your apartment waiting to be discovered, all you're going to get is a Jehovah's witness knocking at your door."



Actor Willard Pugh entertains and educates Rhodes theatre students. (Photo by Stephen Deusner)

The important thing, he said, was to be liked and respected by those in the business. A person has to have something special, besides beauty or talent, that's going to set him or her apart from the competition. "Star stuff comes and goes," he concluded, "but concentrate on doing what you do best."

While here, Pugh will be conducting a workshop for twelve theatre students who were selected by an audition. He will also give another lecture, this time for the general campus, on Wednesday, September 29 at 7:00 p.m. in McCoy Theatre. The topic will be the controversy surrounding "The Color Purple."

Theatre professor Cookie Ewing said, "Willard Pugh is a real person who's very concerned with Memphis and its conditions. We're really very happy to have him here."

clients that well?

In lieu of abolition, then, what can be done about the tenure system to reduce its corrosive effects on the campus community and to enhance its strong and positive effects. I offer three proposals.

First, the criteria for tenure should be tied more explicitly to what strengthens the campus community in the liberal arts college—namely, teaching (wisely and carefully assessed), service (especially to the campus community), and scholarship (broadly conceived)—in that order of importance, or perhaps in a variable order that properly credits the distinctive contributions of different tenure candidates.

Second, let us make the probationary period for tenure-track faculty as humane (dare I say nurturing?) as possible. All of us, by every means, should let new faculty know—in the same way that we let the new students whose coming we celebrate this morning know—that we want them to make it, that we would consider their failure to earn a lasting place in our campus community to be in large measure a reflection on ourselves. Numerical ceilings should not be allowed to bar us from this effort.

Third, if all this sounds too starry-eyed, let us recognize our competitive advantage in narrow economic terms. "The Achilles heel of the

American research university," notes Burton Clark, is its "inability to reward excellent undergraduate teaching." "Year in and year out, major universities send away brilliant young teachers, rather than give them tenure when their scholarship does not measure up" to the narrow standards of the scholarship of discovery. (265) It is our opportunity in the liberal arts colleges to recruit and sustain such people.

Here I conclude my remarks, aware of the variety of emotions that I have felt in preparing them. *Passion* in the ardency of my devotion to the liberal arts college in general and to Rhodes College in particular. *Fear* that liberal arts colleges are drifting downward by valuing what is least important and devaluing what is most important. *Frustration* with my inability to make smooth the crooked paths that I have charted. But, above all, *optimism* because, collectively, this campus community enjoys not just talents far greater than my own, but good will and dedication to match those talents.

Excerpted with permission from Professor Nelson.

November Comes Early to Rhodes

By Catherine Cuellar
Arts and Entertainment Editor

The first change that everyone noticed in Devan Yanik and Greg Hosterman when they played the Rhodes Amphitheater on September 17 was their haircuts. When they were students at Rhodes two years ago, their hair was much longer. People in the audience who remembered November playing at the VI every week couldn't stop talking about it. Why the change? Devan had never worn his hair long before coming to college, and just wanted it short again. Greg has had short hair before, and will probably grow it long again. No big deal. But those who haven't kept up with November since they left Rhodes might be surprised to realize how much has changed since then, besides their hair.

For more than a year, November has been professionally managed and booked, giving them more time to concentrate on their music. The results have been impressive. They have broadened their audiences in Tennessee, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas, including a performance at the music industry and media conference South by Southwest in Austin last spring. The 1993 Oklahoma Gazette music awards deemed them Band of the Year and Best Acoustic/Folk Band. And last month they released two CDs, *Bonfire* and *Poets & Priests*. Two CDs at once seems pretty ambitious, but "the band has enough songs that are thematically different enough that it works," according to Greg. *Bonfire* is a CD of love songs, including several titles familiar from November's first cassette, *Singin'*



On The Way. The music on P&P, according to Greg, is "more encompassing".

Devan joked during Friday's show that the band was on their "Sleeping on Our Friend's Floors" tour. Actually, they have high expectations of the current tour, which includes gigs in



(Above) Greg Hosterman and Devan Yanik, former Rhodes students, are touring the country behind their 2 new CD releases, "*Poets and Priests*" and "*Bonfire*" (Photo provided by November). (At left) November takes the amphitheater stage for their triumphant return to Memphis. (Photo by Edgard Cabanillas)

Atlanta and Knoxville. If the CDs sell well, hopefully they will be better recognized on future tours, including performances in new states like Colorado by December.

Recognition is a big goal for November now. For the band, the highlight of Friday's show was being well received by an audience familiar enough with their repertoire to make requests and sing along with their originals.

Certainly, the success of November sur-

prises some who remember them from their days at Rhodes. Their commitment has seen them through many trials, and they have an optimistic attitude that all experience is worthwhile experience. Already, they have outlasted the VI where they launched their Memphis career. At this rate, the realization of their aspirations seems entirely possible.

True Romance Worth Seeing

By Karen Jones

If *True Romance* receives no other critical acclaim, it should certainly win the award for "Most Misleading Title." This is no *Sleepless in Seattle*. In fact, in a range of cinematic love stories starting at *Sleepless* and ending with *Basic Instinct*, *True Romance* finds a unique niche right in the middle.

How does one achieve the middle ground between such drastically different styles of "romance" in film? Ask Director Tony Scott and screenwriter Quentin Tarantino, who cunningly weave together romance, violence, action and dry humor to make *True Romance* a surprise success. It is impossible to escape the movie's sobering message about what happens when an already complex situation spins out of control in the Nineties fast lane.

The central characters in this romance are Clarence and Alabama Worley (played by Christian Slater and Patricia Arquette), who go from strangers to lovers to newlyweds within the first fifteen minutes of the film. Sound unreasonable? Slater and Arquette pull it off with incredible style—you won't doubt for a second that they are head-over-heels in love.

Slater takes on the role of Elvis-obsessed Clarence with his usual sexy intensity, which is especially effective for this character. At times Clarence seems eerily reminiscent of Slater's character in *Pump Up the Volume*, as if this were him a few years later.

Arquette is equally convincing as Alabama, call-girl turned devoted wife. She brings the "true romance" into their relationship. Arquette's real-life sister Roseanna could use some of


Patricia's finesse—she takes over the screen precisely by being subtle and understated. It's tough to decide whether Slater or Arquette is more alluring overall.

Enough about the love story. This movie has a brutal side—it is violence, not sex, that it imports from *Basic Instinct*. However, the brutality of *True Romance* is of a very different sort, generating a clear message about the futility of violence in general. The gun battle at the end of the movie is handled beautifully by director Scott; the simple question, "Why?" reverberates with every gunshot. I am not a fan of cinematic gore; in fact, I despise it unless it has a specific purpose and is necessary to carry a film's message. Such is the case with *True Romance*.

Also worthy of mention and praise is the star-studded supporting cast, including Gary Oldman, Dennis Hopper, Brad Pitt and Bronson Pinchot. Oldman (famous for his portrayal of Dracula) is an unlikely but certainly believable pimp whose murder sends Clarence and Alabama on the lam from the cops and the mob. Hopper is spectacular in his stint as Clarence Worley, Sr. Pitt (*A River Runs Through It*) provides comic relief as a perpetually stoned friend of Clarence, and Pinchot (of television's "Perfect Strangers") makes a perfect neurotic yes-man for whoever is asking.


This is a movie well worth seeing no matter what genre of film you prefer—it crosses over several of them with style. Simultaneously entertaining and thought-provoking (isn't that the aim of all films?), *True Romance* is six dollars well spent.

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The Israeli-Arab Pact: Rhodes Perspectives

By John Hershberger

Though media sources were leaked the news nearly three weeks ago, it was not until early last week that President Clinton oversaw the signing of a historic and unprecedented peace accord between Israel and the Palestinian Liberation Organization (PLO), ironically on the same antique walnut table on which the Camp David agreements were sealed.

Monday, September 14, 1993 marked the first day in nearly three years that diplomatic talks resumed between the United States and the PLO, after the organization failed to condemn a terrorist raid near Tel Aviv by one of its factions. The new attitude at the White House was punctuated by Yasser Arafat's heretofore unwelcome presence and a handshake with old enemy Yitzhak Rabin of Israel, witnessed by millions via satellite connections.

In USA Today Rabin called the meeting and agreement "a beginning, not an end" saying that everyone involved had had "enough of blood and tears." Arafat responded similarly and President Clinton called the treaty "an historic and honorable compromise."

Even with the newly legal Palestinian flag waving in the Gaza strip and in the ancient city of Jerico alongside likenesses of Arafat, also newly legal, according to news sources there remains an air of apprehension and caution on both sides of the issue. Gone are the Israeli battalions of soldiers and their armored vehicles, but the memories do not die so quickly.

Christian Science Monitor Public opinion polls show that 62% of Israelis and 65% of Palestinians support the accord, including nearly 40% of Israel's ultraconservative right-wing Likud

party which, says Professor Eliahu Katz of the Guttman Institute at Hebrew University, demonstrates Rabin's extensive influence "among the security hawks in the Likud." But, other numbers may indicate the underlying currents of the situation.

Just 51% of Israelis trust the PLO to carry out their side of the bargain and 60% are not sure they understand the implications of the agreement. Nearly two thirds of those Israelis polled believe that the PLO will not be able to control rival Palestinian groups' terrorist action against Israeli citizens. Hasidic Jews consider Rabin to be a traitor to their cause, in some respects almost an anti-Semite. Likewise, Palestinians have their own questions regarding the agreement.

Palestinians wonder if the PLO leadership will be able to function in a democratic state; they wonder if the treaty will actually lead to a Palestinian state and Palestinian rights at all. Some Palestinians feel that the new government will use fear tactics when others fail and that the military and police force that will need to be assembled may turn oppressive.

Although they differ in ethnicity and religion—one would think that that is complicated enough—there are many other players in this "Peace Treaty" than just Israel and the PLO. Jordan, Syria, Iraq, Iran, Saudi Arabia, and Kuwait all have varying degrees of influence in the precious balance that may bring some lasting peace to the ravaged Middle East.

Newspaper reports indicate diasporadic Palestinian groups, such as the Democratic Front and the Marxist Popular Front for the Liberation

of Palestine, in Damascus, Syria cause some unease in Israel. They have propositioned Libya, one of two Arab countries to denounce the peace accord, seeking material and international support.

However, Rhodes International Studies Professor Mehran Kamrava does not see these overtures as a threat to the process as a whole. He suggests that "no-one wants to appear to be obstinate," and that there exists a general "wait and see attitude."

Countries like Iraq and Libya have used the liberation of Palestine "as a whipping boy," to detract attention from deteriorating domestic matters within their own borders, says Rhodes International Studies Professor Scott Thomas, and a separate Palestinian state would obviously alleviate Palestine of its status as bargaining stick.

Furthermore, says Kamrava, "none of the Arab nations are in a condition to support in any way but morally," due to the abysmal global financial situation, and falling oil prices will not help any. Says Thomas, the greatest threat to peace will come from Hamas, the Islamic fundamentalist group recently gaining power in the occupied territories among younger men, one of the main reasons Rabin has chosen at this time to turn over the territories to Palestinian rule.

Kamrava also believes that Hamas and political violence will provide obstacles that will need to be alternately tolerated and tiptoed around, but says that the main ingredient to lasting peace lies in the way both sides view the accord.

The Israelis, says Kamrava, view the step forward of the enemy, the proffered handshake, and the adherence to the treaty contract as perhaps most important; they look to the diplomatic cues. The Palestinians living in the occupied territories, he says, live "in a garbage dump with raw sewage running in the streets," where taxi drivers can only drive in a seven or eight block square and it takes "three to four hours per day to commute from work to the suburbs"; these people will pay attention to the spirit of the accord, to the creation of new jobs, availability of food, less violence, and religious freedom.

"If the conditions do not improve," says Kamrava, "there may be some slowing of the headway made in the peace process." Thomas agrees, stating that peace in the area will be "determined by the infusion of money into the occupied territories."

On a hopeful note, reading from a letter coming from a friend in the State Department in Jerusalem, Kamrava indicates that the reaction of Palestinians and Israelis is much less sober than is depicted in U.S. newspapers. "There is dancing in the streets . . . people waving flags and honking horns . . . holding up pictures of Yasser Arafat," Kamrava says, reading from the letter, and it appears that a new age is dawning in the lives of many in the Middle East.

Gone will be the days of Intifada with its strikes and protests and hopefully, soon, with increased emphasis on domestic agendas in Israel's Arab neighbors, there will be a new breed of interaction in the Middle East, based on diplomacy and negotiation and not terrorism, occupation, and war.

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Robert Plant is in concert at the Mud Island Amphitheater. Showtime is at 8:00 p.m.
- Thursday** Marvin Blickenstaff speaks on, "Music's Changing Role in Modern Society," as part of the Springfield Music Lectures; Payne Recital Hall, 8:00 p.m.
McCoy Theatre presents "Company," through October 3. Sunday Matinees are at 2:00 p.m. All other shows are at 8:00 p.m.. Tickets are \$8.50 for adults and \$5.00 for students.
- Friday** The Mid-South Fair runs through October 3 at the Mid-South Fairgrounds
- Saturday** Yom Kippur
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Life, Part two

The column this week will deviate hopefully into a more comical genre. Or, life before we had to take classes to learn how to think?! I mean philosophy has its place, but they just haven't dug it up yet!

Now that I've angered a number of Rhodes students, history is useless. Well, I don't want to hear it, if David Letterman said it, you would laugh!

[J.B. Slam-Hey bud, I came to Rhodes to learn how to use a calculator, not a condom, that is what growing up is for!]

I live off campus, so I don't have to watch the food my community peers didn't eat displayed in front of me. But we have a credo at my place that everything goes eaten. Few things gain a different destiny. (we eat everything, for you folk who choose not to decipher those remarks). But about thinking, I have been thinking about this community issue at Rhodes.

Community, what is it and how do you make it tick? What is it that we can say makes us community? It is your own definition, for those of you who haven't had a philosophy course yet. So does Rhodes live up to criteria of a Community? Do you care?

Well?

That is the whole point, do you care? I got help from Prof. Michael Nelson's speech about Community. I found tremendous parallels in my thoughts about many things and his remarks. You could say that there is a credo that holds up our community here at Rhodes: you are not accepted into our little community unless you prove yourself through the ritualistically assembled criteria. Do these standards make our place a better place?

I would have to say, uh, nope. You see it is like this, Tenure, Rush, Elections, it's all the same. These criteria go to satisfy just a small part of the community.

Rush is a superficial facade that people must endure, especially the poor women (or whatever term I am supposed to use!?!). Tenure seems to be more about what the person would contribute anywhere, than what the person actually contributes here already. Because we all know that faculty members can't act as tense as they do right before they go up for tenure the entire time at Rhodes, because I don't believe the company could supply near as much Percodan and Ritalin that we would need to make this place a better place?

Call me nutty, but imagine every person on this campus acting like they're wired on a severe stimulant and a sense of paranoia that would be a little too unhealthy.

It also seems to be a severe case of tunnel vision. It gets really hard to see past the West side of Palmer Hall through Fisher Gardens to the really nice sign out in front of the community on University. It really is sad that a place like this has such a distorted idea of the things that they hail so proudly. The way a community seems to me, (keep in mind I have had no philosophy classes here, so my thoughts might be skewed), that with the ideas stated above, we as a community simply push aside those that don't play an integral part of our direct relations with our group. Administration does it to students and faculty, the

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faculty and students do it to the staff. You see the general development of a rigid hierarchy that in my mind counters the very idea of a community.

Well, those are my serious thoughts. I don't really know what the solution is. But the fundamental problem I see is that the students are paying to be a part of this community and faculty, staff, and administration is being paid to be in this community. So is this really a homogeneous group? Hopefully it is.

We have a better situation here than many other places, so I ain't bitchin'. But this reminds me of a story. (For those of you who just thought uh—oh, you are quite correct).

When my dad was a child, his church was a having a big meetin' to discuss a chandelier. It was gonna be a big deal. The small church was finally gonna have a chandelier. Well, as one of the church elders stood up and called for the floor. He said with conviction that he thought that it might be a good idea, but since the Sears catalog didn't have a picture, they wondered if it would match the rest of the church. He also did wonder, if they got one, who would they find to play it. His comments ended with the lamentation that what the church really needed was lights.

Well, the way I see it, we have a general idea that seems to be working alright, but maybe if there was a picture in the catalog, we could tell the right one to order.

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Concerns, Doubts Remain Over Action in Bosnia

**RATIONALE
JIM TURNER**

Recently I received through Bitnet a draft report of NATO concerning Eastern European security concerns. In the report, which at this point reflected only the opinion of one NATO official, the author drew many parallels between the war in Bosnia and the early stages of World War II. At one point in particular he quotes Winston Churchill's comment about Britain's Munich agreement with the Nazis, "Britain had the choice between shame and war. She has chosen shame and will get war." The general inference of the report is that not taking action in Bosnia is equal to the United States remaining neutral in World War II. Such talk from an official in NATO scares me.

First of all, in World War II, there was no question of the bad guy. Adolf Hitler's armies had invaded sovereign states with established borders without provocation. Most of us now believe that Bosnia fulfills the innocent victim role and while Serbia, and now Croatia, should be cast as the demonic enemies of peace and goodness. However, until it too began an opportunistic offensive against Bosnia, Croatia was thought by most Americans as a possibly ally and nation deserving assistance. They now seem to be playing Fascist Italy to Serbia's Nazi Germany. Ask yourself whether it was Croatia that changed or our opinion that was inaccurate. Also, just this week The Wall Street Journal reported that Bosnians may have attacked innocent civilians. How do we really know that if Bosnia had the military advantage it wouldn't be attacking Serbia or Croatia or Macedonia or Albania?

Secondly, World War II was a war of nation against nation. A French soldier was born in France, spoke the easily recognizable language of his nation, and wore French insignia on his uniform. The same could be said of the other soldiers from the other nations. The former Yugoslavia is a war of race against race. It recognizes no fronts or borders and does not have a strict system of command. In Sarajevo, the conflict is literally between Bosnian and

Bosnian. In addition, many of the forces calling themselves Serbian have no connection whatsoever to Serbia's command and control structure. For outsiders with little previous knowledge of the region, even knowing which forces you are supposed to support and which forces you are supposed to fight would be a lethally frustrating task for a front line officer, many of whom are only twenty-two or twenty-three themselves.

Thirdly, the physical elements of this war are not conducive to outside intervention. This is a guerilla war fought in mountainous country. We have no front lines facing open plains to line up our tanks and air strips as we did in the Gulf War. The physical elements of this war are more similar to those the U.S. encountered in Vietnam. In fact, many elements of this war recall memories of Vietnam.

Finally, the current plans for NATO intervention sound frighteningly similar to the way we intervened in Vietnam. We are planning to send in 50,000 peacekeepers (25,000 U.S. troops and 25,000 from the other members of the alliance) encumbered with many of the same rules of engagement that allowed the U.S. marines in Beirut to become targets. It is my opinion, though I must admit that on this point this is a mere opinion, that sending 50,000 restricted troops will result in 50,000 needless casualties.

Basically, I see three options before us. We can intervene with a small force of peacekeepers and have NATO, the UN, and the U.S. humiliated and thousands of young men very similar to the ones you see each day killed. After all of that, the war would still rage and none of the problems would be solved. I'm most afraid this option, yet it appears to be the one the U.S. is about to commit to.

Or, we could intervene, but in a way more conducive to success. By this I mean sending a minimum of 650,000 troops (the size of the Gulf War force) with all of the fire power and support they need and allow them to fight an unlimited war to crush Serbia and all military forces loyal to Serbia. To do this, however, we must expect high U.S. casualties and reports of our own troops committing atrocities without losing our resolve to win the war (and at this point, it would be a war).

Or, we could restrain our natural impulses to do something and let the people of the Balkans find their own peace. This option is an agonizing one for all of us who see the suffering of a war-torn people, but it is the wisest one. After all, appeasement of our sensibilities is no reason to commit a nation to war and, no matter what course of action we take, when it is all said and done it will be the people of that region who find their own peace.

Rhodes College Campaign Against Violence: A Campaign Against the Bloodshed

by R. Trent Taylor, Editorial Page Editor

Our nation is at war. A war against an enemy that has killed more of our citizens than all our previous wars combined. A war against an enemy that is invisible, robbing us of our security without ever showing its loathsome face. A war against an enemy that particularly enjoys brutalizing our children. Where is this war? The steamy jungles of Vietnam? The hot desert sands of Iraq? The mountains of Bosnia?

No. The war is right here, in the streets of our nation. What is this evil demon that mercilessly ravages our cities? This enemy is violence. It claimed over 24,000 casualties in our nation last year alone.

The most outrageous part of this war is the devastating effect it is having on our children. The American Psychological Association conducted a study on first and second graders living in Washington, D.C. this year and it found that

"45% of these children had witnessed muggings, 31% said they had witnessed shootings, and 39% said they had seen dead bodies." Most wars do not involve children, but they are central players in this one, either as victims or as agents of our enemy. More and more children seem to be defecting in this war to violence. Murderers keep getting younger and younger. Yes, we are losing the war.

Here at Rhodes College in Memphis, we are on the front lines. Memphis ranks among the nation's top five cities for violent crimes per capita. In fact, much of Memphis has become enemy territory. In these zones, the police have just given up and let the thugs take over.

Is there anything that can be done? Is there any way to fight back? Yes, something can be done. I am currently in the process of starting a new organization on campus called the Rhodes College Campaign Against Violence (RCCAV). This can be one way that we can take back our

streets and fight violence.

RCCAV will do three things. First of all, it will go into the schools where our nation's youths are and help children learn conflict resolution. Dr. Leonard Lawrence, president of the National Medical Association advocates this by saying, "We've really got to teach our young people that there are alternative ways of problem solving . . .".

Many children fight or engage in violent behavior because they do not know any better. They watch television and movies and all they ever see is violence, fighting, and murders. Many children have become desensitized to violence. If they can be shown that there are other ways to solve problems or settle disagreements, then maybe we can make a difference in the war against violence.

Second, RCCAV would teach student leaders individually at some of these schools about violence prevention and about teaching violence prevention. They would in turn teach others at their schools and serve as peer tutors. These peer tutors, leaders from their respective schools, could make a big impact in the war on

violence. They could perhaps serve as peer counselors to other students who are prone to violent behavior.

Third, RCCAV would work to enact gun control legislation. The availability of guns in our nation is frightening, and it must be better regulated. When virtually anyone can walk into a gun store at anytime and buy any gun, something is wrong. There needs to be a national waiting period, a national background check, a national gun registration, and a national ban on automatic and semi-automatic guns for citizens.

We have not lost the war yet. We are under fierce attack, but we can fight back using the weapons of conflict resolution, violence prevention, and gun control legislation. And being on the front lines of this war, it is particularly critical that we as students here at Rhodes do something. Slowly and surely, the enemy is getting closer and closer, invading our ivy-covered walls and our paradise here at Rhodes, as we can see by the attack behind Stewart last semester.

If you have any questions or suggestions about RCCAV, please contact me.



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To Rush or Not To Rush? There's No Question.

By Ginger Crouch

When I decided to start writing for the Sou'wester, I never imagined that at any point during my career here at Rhodes, I'd be writing about fraternities and sororities. As an observer of the sorority and fraternity antics at the university in my home town for eighteen years, I came to college dead set against the whole Greek system. Come hell or high water, I was not going to rush.

And guess what? I didn't. (You thought I was going to say I changed my mind, didn't you? Well, that's what you get for trying to second-guess a freshman!) Plain and simple - I just didn't rush. No big deal.

Several people encouraged me to go through rush just to meet some upperclassmen, even if I wasn't planning on pledging. To be truthful, I actually considered it (for about five seconds before I remembered that smiling for more than 37 minutes makes my face hurt). But, when it came right down to it, I knew that I had no intentions of joining a sorority and that rushing would just be a waste of my time.

I can honestly say that at no point during the whole process of rush, bid day or pledge week did I ever feel any remorse because of my decision. I was able to sit back and calmly watch

as my hall mates dashed frantically from room to room looking for shoes to match their dresses. I listened without a care as they complained about their aching cheeks. And I sauntered off to the football game that fateful Saturday, stress-free, as they sat agonizing in their rooms waiting for "The Knock."

As I sat, dry and clean, watching the bid day festivities, I knew that I had done the right thing. After all, how many other freshman girls got both the front and back view of our infamous streakers that day? (Just kidding!) Really, I never did feel the need to scream and hug an egg-soaked sorority member while having buckets of water dumped on my person. Call me kooky.

By the way, don't assume that just because I didn't rush that I'm not in a sorority. On the contrary, I formed my own. It's called Gamma Iota Nu Gamma Epsilon Rho. (It spells Ginger in Greek letters. Pretty cute, huh?) According to Faces, I'm the only Ginger on campus and that makes me the sole member. Being a sister of the most exclusive sorority on campus has its advantages and disadvantages. My closed parties are pretty dead. However, I figure that the odds will definitely be in my favor at fraternity/sorority swaps!

Lynx Harriers Concluding Preseason Volleyballers Hit the Road following Successful Start

**By Eddie Dieppa and Welch Suggs
Various Editors**

Imagine staggering out of bed at 5:00 AM, stumbling down to the gym, and tumbling into vans with your similarly befuddled schoolmates.

Imagine piloting such a van across the Delta for a hundred miles, passing through Little Rock, and arriving in the scrub country enveloping Arkadelphia, Arkansas. All of this to race 5 or 8 kilometers, depending on your gender, over farmland against people who have made much the same from eastern Texas, and you have some idea of the dedication it takes to compete for the Rhodes College cross country teams.

The much improved women's cross country team travelled to Arkadelphia, AR. for the Ouachita Baptist University Invitational. The Lady Lynx faced very tough competition from schools like Delta State, the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, East Texas State University, Northwood Institute, and the hosts.

The race conditions were excellent, leading to good times for all the runners. Aided by the flat course and good weather, Rhodes placed 3rd overall behind members of the NCAA Division I opponents—i.e., people whom they pay to run—East Texas State and Little Rock.

The men's team placed 4th overall, finally edging out Ouchita Baptist. This was the first time the Lynx had triumphed over the Purple Tigers, an N.A.I.A. squad which regularly places highly in the Arkansas Intercollegiate Championships.

The top runners for Rhodes on the women's squad were Charlotte Turnipseed (8th overall), Alyssa Browning, Billie Ann Snodgrass, Kristin Oswalt, and Meredith Neer. Jon Michael Morgan had a very even-paced race and finished eighth overall. Welch Suggs was second for Rhodes and thirteenth overall.

The men's team appeared very cohesive, with all runners finishing very close together.

The rest of the top seven on men's team ran a very tight race. Edgard Cabanillas, Felix Vasquez, Sean Moran, Dave Speas, and Denson Henry placed within a minute of each other over an 8km (4.97) course.

As the Lynx prepare to move into the next phase of the season against Conference competition, both teams look very strong despite recent injuries and losses on both sides. For the men, the Conference championship is almost a foregone conclusion: 7 runners are previous selections to the All-Conference Team. The women are also capable of triumphing over Sewanee and Centre, thus earning their first-ever Conference title.

For now, though, the Lynx are getting ready to head to Nashville for another meet against top-quality competition this weekend at Vanderbilt.

Women's Flag Football Suffers False Start

By Carol Culpepper

The 1993-94 Women's Intramural Season kicked off its exciting season on Thursday, September 16 with a flag football game. The schedule called for members of Alpha Omicron Pi and Delta Delta Delta to hit the field behind the McCoy Theater.

Amazingly, the teams managed to walk away from the playing field without breaking a sweat or a fingernail. AOII was forced to forfeit to Tri-Delta due to an inadequate number of players showing up for the contest.

According to Mike Fulton, a student intramural supervisor who was supposed to work the game, it was a sad day for intramurals not to get to see such an exciting event.

But, never fear, the Rhodes community has not missed out on the entire flag football season. These two teams will face each other each Thursday at 4:45 until one team wins three out of five games, as these are the only two teams registered with the intramurals office at this time.

By Alyssa Browning

The Lady Lynx volleyball team is off to a strong start after defeating Trevecca in its season opener, September 9th. Rhodes also fared well in the Christian Brothers Tourney, which featured tough Division II and NAIA teams. The Lynx went 2-2 in the tournament, defeating Lambuth and Trevecca. They fell to the University of North Alabama and The University of Alabama at Huntsville.

Last weekend, the volleyball team travelled to St. Louis to play in another tournament. The tourney featured Rhodes, Principia, Maryville College, and Webster University. As in the C. B. U. Tourney, Rhodes went 2-2 for the weekend.

This year, the Lady Lynx are a well-balanced team. Four-year players Tori Taugner and Jane Ann Alwood, a team captain, will provide senior leadership to a very young team. The team graduated six seniors last year. Jamie Roeling, a sophomore and team captain, stated that the team has "a lot of young talent." She added that last weekend's tournament gave the team a chance to see how they match up against other teams from small colleges.

Roeling also feels that the Lady Lynx share a sense of unity, with everyone working together to meet this year's team goals. This determination and unity will serve them in attempting to take back the SCAC championship title from Trinity University, TX. "Everybody is really pumped up about beating Trinity," commented sophomore and first-year player, Amy Dollarhide.

The volleyball team will be on the road again this weekend, as they head to Millsaps College for the SCAC-West Volleyball Tourney.

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RHODES LEADS THE WAY IN NEW PLUMBING

In response to the overcrowding caused by the increase in new students and faculty the college administration has initiated a new plumbing policy. This "rapid-relievement" system involves the placing of outdoor toilets in certain areas of the college campus. While the locations are still undecided, many people have suggested placing one outside the administration offices since, "that's where most of the crap on campus goes on anyway."

Rhodes College will be the first in the U.S. to use such campus facilities. "We're all very excited", commented President Daughdrill, "I think this will help with recruiting. I'm so happy! I'm going to go use one right now!" However, some members of the administration are not so enthusiastic. Art Weeden, Director of Financial Aid, stated yesterday, "We can't spend money on stuff like that! How's that gonna help?—toilets everywhere!! If you're to lazy to go back to your room, then you need some professional help." Others on campus have shown support for Weeden's position. Todd Bryant, Director of Food Services, commented, "I heard they were going to put one in front of the Rat—that's sick! When you're going in to eat, you don't want to see someone sitting on the toilet. See, I know these things, that's why I'm in charge around here." Despite Bryant's complaints other facilities have expressed enthusiasm for the idea. A representative from the Burrow Library discussed the possibilities, "I think this is great! We plan on providing complimentary magazines and books. This will be an opportunity to expose the students to some of our new collections." Art Weeden responded to the idea dur-

ing the Board of Trustees meeting last week, "Hey! I think if we have students sitting on a toilet in front of the amphitheater they'll be exposed enough." Weeden then ran out of Clough Hall screaming, "It's nasty, it's just so nasty!!"

Despite the conflict in administration many of the students have responded favorably to the idea. "I think it's great, it saves a lot of time" commented one junior. Student Assembly Vice-President Erick Johnson added, "I think it will work, it's a great way for people to get to know each other—I enjoyed it! We're even thinking about adding it to the orientation program."

However, Nurse Gill of the Moore Health Facility is a little more skeptical. "With such an abundance of uncontained and unmonitored matter, the breeding ground for intestinal viruses, deleterious microbes and transmittable infections the chances of communicable diseases is dangerously high." When asked exactly what results the new toilets would have on campus Gill responded, "I really don't know. I just read all that stuff in the book—it sounded kinda neat."

President Daughdrill quickly responded to the question of student health, "Virus shmirus! Who cares? These things are wonderful, like a ride at Libertyland. Look at me—I just used one! It's so fun, I can't stop!"

The decision to install the new plumbing campus wide is still under consideration. There will be an open meeting this Friday of all students, faculty and staff who are interested in discussing the idea. Any decision reached will be considered by the Board of Trustees in their meeting on Monday.

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Letters to the Editor:

Dear Rhode'ster,

I was recently sitting on the toilet reading the Rhode'ster and suddenly I felt dizzy, confused and nauseous. I slipped off and hit my head. I think the ink on the paper had an adverse effect. Do you have any suggestions?

signed, Frustrated

Dear Frustrated,

You should never read the Rhode'ster the toilet—it's just too dangerous!

Remember, Rhode'ster + toilet = accident waiting to happen. Also, lets be honest okay? I doubt it was the ink, it was most likely you're own funky fumes that did it—so don't blame us.

Dear Rhode'ster,

I've read your past issues and I must say I'm very upset. Why are you guys so mean-spirited, rude and hurtful? Humor should bring people together in love. You guys are hurting society. Can't we all get along?

signed, Rodney King

Dear Rodney,

To bad the LAPD doesn't feel the same way right?—just kidding.

You're right though. Humor can be a posi-

tive thing. There are jokes that come from love, peace, happiness and life-affirming occasions—but they're not funny.

p.s. I hope you're bruises are healing nicely.

Dear Rhode'ster,

I'm 18 years old and I think I'm old enough to wear lipstick, rouge and eye shadow, but every time my mother finds these in my room she throws them out and punishes me. Please write back and tell me who is right.

signed, Ralph

Dear Nasty Pervert,

You are a sick, sick person and you need help. Sometimes I wish our Founding Fathers hadn't been so shortsighted as to give people like you equal rights!! Your mother is right, if you were my kid I'd beat the beejesus out of you until you ran out of the house, into the street and got hit by a truck. Then there would be nothing left but a squashed puddle of nasty-pervert! Then I'd hold a garage sale and sell all your sick perverted things. I'd scream, "Come see the nasty pervert's stuff! Ten dollars for the sicko's clothes!! Authentic stockings from a certified weirdo!!" I'd enjoy it, take the money and go to the Bahamas.



Toilets, Toilets everywhere, but not a...oh well nevermind. A fantastic look at one of the new outdoor commodes soon to be sprouting up all over campus. (Photo credit: Stephen Deusner— thanks, Stephen, ain't nobody can shoot a toilet like you can)

Students Reveal the Naked Truth Of Their Insecurities

On Saturday, September 4, at 2 a.m., a mob of exuberant first-year males stormed the room of their Resident Assistant in Townsend Hall. A mild struggle ensued in which the students overpowered their R.A. and forced him—against his will—to watch "Porn" on the Fourth of July." Jay Lennon, one of the first-year encroachers, described the film as "an educational foray into the human psyche as it relates to events in recent American history."

This incident is but one of many involving these first-year males in their natural habitats. Another event involves the implementation of an intricate male bonding ritual. The ceremony includes the stealthy removal of a fellow resident's towel while the resident is still in the process of showering.

The second, and perhaps most psychologically debilitating, step of the procedure requires the showering resident to dash to his respective room without any means of modesty. Zachary Ives, one first-year student who has experienced this ritual intimately, said, "I don't think I've ever sprinted that fast in my life, ever."

Another resident, David Harrison, appeared obviously shaken up and befuddled. Explained Harrison, "I feel so shaken up and befuddled." The effects of these rash actions are not confined to first-floor Townsend, though.

Several Williford females have unwillingly witnessed these rituals and consequently suffered psychological ramifications and sexual titillation. A first-year female, who wishes to remain anonymous, said, "I felt this whoosh of air and then I saw him—he was like a streak of lightning, he ran so fast. I tried to grab him, but I passed out in shock." The lack of consciousness caused the first-year female no lasting physical harm except for chronically dilated eyes.

The cognitive effects on the students from these incidents are more extensive, though. Director of Counseling Services, Libby Robertson, said, "I've been seeing an increase of first-year males and females coming in here with multiple dissociation complexes. In short, they are trying to forget about the incidents by creating a different personality for each traumatic incident they have experienced. Some of these personalities can even overlap each other and be present in one person at the same time."

Bryant ("Bear") Benson, who is purported to have one of the complexes Ms. Robertson described, said, "Look, I've lived through this experience and I'm perfectly fine. I am not, so shut up. No, you shut up! You always butt in when I'm talking! No, you always butt in on MY conversations!"

The administration has been alerted of the pending situation as well. Dean of Student Affairs, Karen Silien, released the following statement: "We are contacting the families of those affected students and consulting with mental health experts on ways to help the students and that poor R.A.. The administration is most concerned with the situation."

Vice President David Harlow said, "What are you talking about.....boys in their skivvies running around in the halls? And film festivals in the R.A.'s room? This is the first I've heard of it."

President William Daughdrill, however, appeared to be much better apprised of the Townsend situation. "I feel so left out. I mean, I asked (the first-year males) to tell me the next time they were going to have a shower sprint. I just don't know.....I thought we had really jived together. I thought we were buds....."

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