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Siri Neuzil, Program Director of WLCX, busies herself by re-stocking the compact disc library while moving into the new Hiner

WLCX plagued with setbacks

Misguided transmissions interfere with local television station

WLCX plagued with setbacks By Mike Klepper

Just when everything seemed to be running smoothly for WLCX, Murphy's law has reared its ugly head.

In the first issueof The Rotunda it was reported that WLCX was currently moving into a new studio in the Hiner Building and that the signal would be remoted to the transmitter in Jarman.

Following along with anything that could go wrong, will go wrong, Longwood's Radio Station has been forced to postpone its broadcasting schedule until a number of problems can be ironed out.

To begin, WLCX is encountering problems with the remote system purchased from Hall Electronics of Charlottesville. According to Ted Doran, Chief Engineer for WLCX, the electronics firm sold the radio station the remote, but failed to realize that the system was not compatible with their older model transmitter.

In an attempt to proceed with broadcasting as quickly as possible, WLCX decided to return to Jarman until such problems could be resolved.

Shortly after resuming live programming, WLCX received a phone call from Tele - Media, the local cable service in Farmville. As stated by Susan Morse, office manager for Tele-Media, interference with channel six out of Richmond prompted them to check for possible

According to Morse, personnel at the cable company discovered that the interference problem was being caused by WLCX. Apparently the WLCX signal, which normally runs on an assigned frequency of 90.1 fm, was actually running over a number of frequencies, one of which came very close to that of channel six. Morse believes it was, in fact, that signal which ran very close to the Channel six frequency and was causing all

In response to Tele-Media's complaints, WLCX shut down to investigate the controversy. According to Beth Camillo, director of the Longwood Television station and assisting the radio station in their move to Hiner, the transmitter was taken back to Hall Electronics early Monday morning for diagnostic testing.

Camillo commented that on that same Monday,

word came from Charlottesville that the transmitter "checked out Ok, that the exciter was clean," meaning that the signal was fixed on the assigned frequency of 90.1 fm as it should be.

Camillo further explained that the next step for WLCX is to check all the wiring to make sure everything checks out. If everything is in order, and running properly, Camillo felt "it is within our right to resume broadcasting."

As far as the remote is concerned, a representative from Hall Electronics will be coming to Longwood as soon as possible with the necessary equipment to install the remote, so the radio station can, in fact, proceed with plans to broadcast from Hiner.

The date for resuming programing is still unknown, and when asked, Doran replied, "we have no idea, but we're working on it."

On a more humorous side to the issue, WLCX Business Manager and DJ, a.k.a., Slurpman, Robert Brock commented that "this could be the first year Longwood has a WLCX Bandfest without actually having a WLCX."

Renovations rack campus

Campus growing pains are often distracting

By Angela Arehart

Within the past ten years, there have been numerous restoration projects performed on the older buildbut these projects take a great deal of money to complete. This led to some unsuccessful outcomes due to a lack of funding.

The most recently completed renovation was the restoration of the Colonnades. The trimming of the buildings, and the columns were rebuilt and painted because the wood had started to deteriorate. The project was finally finished for the December graduation ceremony of 1994. Residents of Tabb, French, and Ruffner were very pleased to wake up without the hammering and sawing that went on all first semester at 7:00a.m. in the morning!

One of the most successful projects was the completion of the Grainger building in 1992. It was completely renovated at a cost of nearly ings of the college. Most of these \$1,600,000. The building had to be buildings needed serious make-overs; completely restored with new furnishing, painting, lightingand wiring. A central air-conditioning unit was also installed. Grainger is one of the nicest academic buildings on campus now.

> An unfortunate disappointment was the restoring of Stevens science building. This building was very old and needed new wiring, heating and cooling systems, furnishing, and lighting. This operation cost the college so much money that it could not be completed. If you have classes in Stevens, notice that many of the classroom doors do not match because they could not all be replaced. The uncompleted project cost the college an excess of



Lancaster Library, pictured here, is one of the many campus buildings that have been renovated in the past few years.

.ongwood Housing apply within

By Justin Lincoln

back to campus, housing for next setheir minds.

However, students wishing to take advantage of special housing programs and options for this semester or next semester might want to start looking into them right now.

Already, students have been contacted concerning current vacancies, and application forms are available for programs ranging from International Studies Hall to off campus housing privileges.

A number of Longwood students have come back this semester as a single occupant in a double room. To evenly distribute students throughout the residence halls, Campus Housing is offering some of these newly avail-

able spaces to any student currently living in expanded housing. Indi-It seems like students just moved viduals living alone in a double room have, meanwhile, been offered the mester may be the furthest thing from opportunity to remain so guaranteed at the expense of an extra two hundred and fifty dollar deposit. Without this deposit, the housing office reserves the right to place students in these

> To avoid confusion in next year's living arrangements, students are recommended to look fully into options currently being offered by the Campus Housing Office.

Students wishing to apply for saved halls, or special interest halls, such as ISH, should pick up an application from the Housing Office before February 24. The applications will be due by 5:00 p.m. on this date.

sponsored event held on Her Field will

have to settle for half the space. This

concerns Carolyn Callaway, the Di-

rector of Intramurals and Campus Rec-

reation. While the activities and people

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Campus leaders escape ller field flooded with misery to Virginia Beach Resort

By Sarah Greenberg

On February 10-12, 1995, 37 students attended a leadership conference at the Holiday Inn SunSpree Resort in Virginia Beach.

Entitled "Unleashing the Spirit of Longwood," the conference was designed to generate ideas about how to promote school spirit among Longwood students.

Speakers at the conference included Niki Fallis, Onie McKenzie, George Stonikinis, Lee Bidwell, Lynette Jennings, David Rettig, Phyllis Mable, Joe MacPhail, and Zav Dadabhoy.

Kevin Kruger, the Assistant Executive Director of the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators, served as the keynote speaker.

The conference focused on the need to look into the future of Longwood and to focus on the changes the college needs to make in order to improve. In the first presentation of the conference, Kevin Kruger spoke about the information explosion in today's

"Two years ago was the first time I had ever heard of the internet. Now it has become part of our culture," he

Kruger explained that learning how to use resources such as the internet is a key factor in developing leadership skills. In today's technologically advanced world, networking is more important than ever. Kruger also spoke about principles of leadership in gen-

"Be willing to take risks," he advised, "be creative! Learn from failures and move on. Celebrate accomplishments!

His speech rallied the students and set the tone of excitement for the en- present them to the other groups tire weekend.

Since the major focus of the conference dealt with campus spirit, presenters spoke about the aspects of Longwood that help to tie the students

Niki Fallis talked about the traditions at the college. "What is tradition?" she asked the students.

The responses her audience gave her were words such as "community," "pride," and "spirit." Fallis then reminisced about the days of House Mothers, sign-in cards in dorm lobbies, and freshman ratting.

"These traditions are gone now," she said, "but there are lots of others George Stonikinis said.

that are still around today."

Some of these are the Honor Code, CHI, the Angel Tree, and Joan of Arc. She emphasized that traditions do indeed promote campus spirit and help to tie students together.

After several additional presentations, the students broke off into four different groups. These groups were the focal point of the weekend; they were each faced with the issue of how to further promote spirit on Longwood's campus, and each group had to develop viable solutions, then

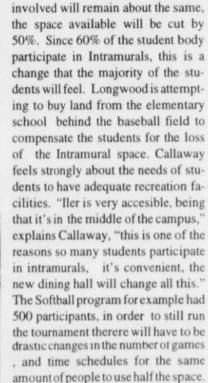
After hours of preparation, the ideas were presented and discussed. Some suggestions were: to open a convenience store on campus, to sing the Alma Mater at sporting events, to hold campus-wide formal dances, to place computer monitors in the Student Union in order to consolidate and list campus-wide events, and to remodel the Lankford Student Union in order to make it more appealing to students. These group sessions emphasized the importance of student leadership and the need for student input. "Culture on campus is more what WE make it than anything else,

Longwood is due for some structural rearranging this summer. Among those slated renovations is a new dining hall which is being built next to ller Gym. It will take the space now used for the basketball courts and a commuter parking lot. When finished, it will carry over onto ller field,

30 feet beyond the sidewalk.

The project is estimated to take two years, during that time, half of Iler field will be used for construction

This possible reality will significantly affect the Intramural program, since all outside activities are held on Iler field. Flag football, the softball tournament, and any other intramural



Whatever the compromise, Callaway firmly feels that "We at Intramurals will do everything we can to produce the same top quality program the students have come to ex-

Competitions on Her field will come to a stand still when construction on the new dining hall begins.

PERSPECTIVES

A Message from CHI

Dear Longwood Students,

We the members of CHI are writing this lettler due to a concern that some members of the student body are misunderstanding our purpose. CHI is the embodiment of school spirit which continues to grow and flourish with every new year. CHI helps in fostering this spirit and encourages its growth.

Spirit is shown in many different ways but the singular most definable goal of the spirit is improvement. The spirit of Longwood should move us to continually improve the Longwood College experience. By being involved, and dedicating time to organizations which make our time here as great as possible. This process is a continual activity which CHI recognizes at the end of each school year.

CHI is not about finding or catching a banner, CHI ball, or CHI kerchief it is about what these things represent. They represent the continual Spirit which drives us to make this college a better place. Like the organization, the symbols of CHI should last through the years being passed down to people whom we, as Longwood students, feel live the spirit.

CHI is not secret so people try to figure out who we are. We are secret so we can achieve our goal without outside influence. So we can commend in an unbiased fashion, and give recognition to those who truely deserve it.

If you are quiet you will hear our song when we walk, hear the words and understand their meaning. Just like the spirit of CHI its meaning should never be lost, and its melody should never be drowned out. Remember we are all CHI and the spirit is in us all. CHI aids us on a journey to a goal which is always strived for but never attained. Hold the torch of spirit long, keep it strong.





Kim Banks, a student teacher, guides her class through a reading assignment. Longwood student teachers began their on the job training this week.

"Jubilation!: African American Celebrations in the Southeast" opens March 5 at the Virginia Historical Society

On March 5, the Virginia Historical society opens the traveling exibition "Jubilation!: African American Celebrations in the Southeast," organized by the McKissick Museum of the University of South Carolina.

Examining the unique traditions African Americans have developed, "Jubilation!" explores the role of these celebrations in the emergence of the African american sence of self identity, community, and family. Lesley Williams, who curated the project, commented that "an exhibition like [Jubilation!] gives a good sense of the challenge of multiculturalism and diversity. This is a show trying to incorporate the voice of the people. It's not taking the authoritative mu-

seum voice. It's letting the people speak."

Following five years of intensive research and field work, the exhibit explores the spectrum of celebration events: from infant baptisms to funerals, from watch night celebrations to school homecomings and Decaration Day parades, from Emancipation day to Martin Luther King's birthday.

Collections highlight these events with portraits, photographs, and objects such as a midwife's certificate, and incubator, family Bibles, bronzed baby shoes, diaries, hymn books, clericle vestments, wedding photographs, a funeral program, school homecoming memorabilia, and items related to family and town reunions.

The exhibit closes on April 30.

On the job training

Longwood seniors hit the classrooms

121 Longwood student teachers begin their training this week

By Stacey Bates

Beginning Monday, February 13,/ 1995, Longwood seniors concentrating in secondary and elementary education jumped into their professions. There are 121 total students teaching this semester from various counties surrounding Farmville, Richmond, and Virginia Beach. These students are finally getting the chance to try their hand in their major field of work.

The semester began with a series of module classes starting at 8:00 a.m. and ending at 3:00 p.m. daily with each student receiving one hour planning periods at various times of the day. The first four weeks are designed to prepare students even further before entering the school systems. The next eleven weeks are spent at their respective schools usually teaching classes of their choice, and finally the last two weeks are spent back at Longwood before graduation.

Kimberley Crosswhite, an English-Secondary Education major who will be living at home and teaching in Virginia Beach, credits the English department, especially Dr. Robert Lynch and Dr. James Cope, for giving her "vast knowledge of English and how to teach it." She also feels that one of her education professors, Dr. Betty Jo Simmons, made the modules "a good use of [her] time and effort." She looks forward to teaching ninth grade English and Journalism classes this spring.

Psychology-Elementary Education major, Diane Rodgester, is very anxious to begin the first hand experience. "I feel Longwood has prepared me as much as it can, now it's my turn to prove the school, the professors, and myself worthy," she said. One

part of the eleven weeks she's not looking forward to though, it's the one hour and twenty minute drive every morning to Mecklenburg County since there is no student teaching program in her home town of Emporia.

During a conversation with Dr. Stephen Keith, the department head of education and overseer of student teaching, he stated that his job now is to "work for the student." Because he often misses working in the classroom, he will try to travel at least once a week to various school districts for supervising, interviewing, and observing student teachers. Keith is extremely proud of Longwood and the kinds of teachers it produces. He also adds that "there is a high demand for Longwood students in Virginia school districts. People want our students."

Cope, an English-Education Specialist who continues to teach three classes this semester, is preparing to be on the road a lot for the next eleven weeks. "Last semester I put 5,000 miles on my car observing." Cope travels around the state to observe and critique secondary English teachers. Each will be observed six times and twice visited unannounced. English is one of the only majors that conducts its student teaching department in this manner; Modern Languages and Physical Education being the others Cope says his "goal is to tell them what they're doing right, encourage them, and pick out one or two things that can be improved." He will devote much of his time to his student teachers located mainly in Virginia Beach and the south central part of the state.

Longwood has a strong tradition of producing excellent teachers. Many students, faculty, and staff particularly from the education department feel confident with Longwood's preparation. As Keith stated at the end of the interview, "it's great to be associated with success."

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frame and removed oil painting. If you have any information of this theft, please contact:

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Longwood jumps on bandwagon

Gaining fast on MWC and W&M

By Jeff Sacra

On January 30, 1995, the portrait of President Dabney S. Lancaster was stolen. The painting, which is normally located on a wall in the Rotunda, was removed by unknown persons, who left the frame that held the picture still attached to the wall.

This incident is only one in a string of larcenies plaguing Longwood College. According to the Uniform Crime Report for October - December of 1994, the highest number of occurrences of a selected crime was Larceny. During these three months Longwood experienced thirty thefts

According to the Chief of Campus Police, James Husky, most of these thefts are student against stu- of the educational institution does dent crimes, which occur because affect the crime rate. people leave their personal belongings unattended during major events dent Services, said, "Most of the like basketball games.

Longwood reported no homicides or campus. It's just the enviornment robberies, and only two sex offences. around them that changes."

But there were sixty-five reported larcenies. Yet compared statistically to other state schools, Longwood fares

During the same two years, Mary Washington College, Fredricksburg, reported eight sex offences, two robberies, five aggravated assaults, two burglaries, and one hundred and four larcenies.

William and Mary College, in Williamsburg, has had an even higher rate of crime. They reported six sex offences, three robberies, fifteen aggravated assaults, nineteen burglaries, and three hundred and eight larce-

The size of the town, and the size

Hilton Hallock, Director of Stustudents that preform criminal activi-During the years of 1992-1993 ties on campus do the same things off

Renovation

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after the renovation, there were major cooling problems, which ended up just costing more money.

Several other smaller projects have been performed on the college within the past ten years. Coyner was renovated to house a computer lab. What used to be the college computer center in Barlow is now the Registrar's Office. The Learning Center used to be the laundry center. They even had a staff to take care of your laundry for could not be properly completed, most you. Some things should never

\$1,300,000. And to top things off, moved to its new location just a few years ago, along with the addition of the post office to Lankford. Between 1987 and 1988, Jarman Auditorium gained new seating and painting. Handicap seating space was also added into the auditorium. And last, but certainly not least, the Rotunda Market, which used to be just a social hangout received new flooring, walls,

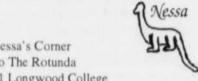
Although a few of the projects were a success. These renovations, big and small, past and present, were The bookstore used to be located sorely needed to maintain the beauty where Lancer Cafe is presently. It of Longwood College.

Nessa's Corner

This Column is open to all who have problems of any nature. Personal relationships, relating to teachers, roommate discourse, and finding information are just a few examples. Comments of praise and helpful observations are also appreciated. You may use your real name or a pseudonym to sign your letter. I will do my best to give you helpful advise

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Studnet Government discusses security

New access control system for dorms remains a question mark

By Brenda Huffstutler

It was quite heartening to see the Valentine's Day session of Student Government Association pick up in action. Multiple issues and events were discussed along with discussion among senators coming to a forefront.

One of the primary issues discussed, was again safety and the access control system. Phyllis Mable and David Rettig presented SGA with information as to what was indeed going on with the access control system, and heard grievances and concerns of the Senators- at -Large.

Director of Housing, Rettig, explained why implementing the system had been delayed, which was the typical beaurocratic run around. With some encouragement though, Rettig added, "Where we're at right now ...," is obtaining a bid.

Apparently, three companies have given interest so far with the bidding. And once a company has the contract in hand, the new system should be in place within sixty days.

Rettig then went on to hear concerns and questions. Some concerns such as certain residents not having black keys for Frazier were brought to his attention for the first time, as well as there being problems with desk aids not fulfilling their duties. Both Rettig and Vice-president of Student Affairs, Mable promised to look into these issues.

In summing up the problem, Sena-

tor-at-Large, Greg Rasnake stated, "We feel an immediate problem of access to the dorm."

Rasnake continued to address the problem in the Cunninghams of having to wait outside at the Tau Kappe Epsilon door to be let into the building. Safety was his concern.

To this SGA President, Rob Postel, offered an idea of a pilot program.

"We have been stressing since August... We are a community of responsible adults... Every floor has gotten together on how they're going to see how to deal with strangers... Lets have a pilot program for a week of just leaving the doors open for a

Postel continued to suggest trying this in the Cunninghams, meeting with Mable, Rettig, REC Ken Rockensues, the RA's, and Physical Plant. Residents would also be advised to be

responsible during this time period. Rasnake reiterated a need for something new saying, "There has to be an alternate plan. Not because of convenience, but because there are more safety problems with the plan we have

To this, Mable replied, "I'd be willing to maybe think about the weeknights. Weekends make me nervous."

Postel thanked the guests for addressing SGA's concerns. Under new business a motion was made for a letter to be drawn up, sending it to appropriate officials, requesting resi-

the week and until 4a.m. on the week-

The motion was approved unani-

Immaturity became apparent amongst a few senators during the meeting when there was confusion over who was in charge of drafting a letter for the black keys in Frazier.

Senator-at-Large John Moscarrillo, blurted out when his Physical Environment committee report came up, "I'm just pissed off. Am I taking care In other SGA news: of the black key system, or is she [the RHA President]?

Postel retorted also, "Do we have to tell you what to do?"

Moscarrillo responded, "Well, if

With that outbreak of emotions, the system. the Student Services reports were given with Senator-at-Large, Jeremy Glesner also saying, "I'm pissed off advisor of SGA, along with Crowl. myself. I couldn't even count on some of the senators to come [to his ~ SGA President, Rob Postel anmeeting last week], so why the hell nounced parking fees were going up would I expect the student body to next year to \$30.

dence halls be open 24 hours during cause of conflicts with lunch.

Sophomore class President, Brock Magoon informed the senate on his idea of going back to a traditional class ring. Magoon also gave his idea of the possilibity for a ring dance at the college level too.

Concerns were expressed by coadvisor Crowl about the Campus Elections chair not being filled, since elections were coming up within the next month.

~ Senator-at-Large, Jeremy Glesner, Vice-president, Alison Ross, announced Telecommunications accalmly addressed Moscarrillo, "Col-tually received permission from Sprint lectively you should be working on to shut down 800 numbers for a while. This was due to fraudulant activity causing Longwood to incur a bill of \$2000, not chargable to other accounts.

~ Glesner also clarified that E-mail you had been at the meeting...," which would shut down on Thursdays from was missed by Postel due to illness. 10p.m. to midnight due to problems in

~ Zav Dadabhoy is the new co-

Continueing with his report and ~ There was a rally held in Rich-Postel timing his length, Glesner an- mond on February 15, by the Virginia nounced that for now the Freshman Student Coalition. This was to Seminar class could not be required to reitterate the fact that Virginia is still show to a SGA senate meeting be- ranked 43rd for higher education in

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Students interested in applying for ARC, the Academic Residential Community, or for off-campus housing, should also pick up an application in the Housing Office. These need to be returned by March 10.

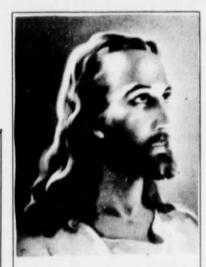
Students applying for ARC need to meet a GPA requirement for admittance. Students wishing to move off campus must meet a required number of credit hours or be old enough to meet the college's pre-established lim-

Rick Hurley, Vice President of Student Affairs, points out that another option for off-campus students may open up within the next year or two.

Longwood has been approached recently by several buildingfirms about the development of new offcampus appartments.

This housing will be open ograduate students, married couples and single parents.

Housing deposits for the fall senester are due on March 20. Lynette Jennings, Assistant Director of Housng, reminds students who will be ooking for new roommates that they may contact the Housing Office for an upcoming roommate search program.



God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. - Psalm 46:1

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Career Center poses a challenge for seniors

On Thursday, February 23, 1995, approximately 400 liberal arts and science students will be attending the Challenge Job Fair at the Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza in Lynchburg, Virginia.

Seniors from Longwood, Hampden-Sydney, Hollins, Lynchburg, Mary Baldwin, Sweet Briar, Virginia Military Institute and Randolph-Macon Women's College will participate in the fair.

Nikki Fallis, Director of the Career Center, explained that the purpose of forming this "consortium" of area colleges is to "expose students to more employers, because the employers were not coming to individual cam-

Challenge received a Virginia Vocational Guidance Association (VVGA) merit award as an outstanding vocational guidance program in

Fallis explained that graduating seniors were not using the facilities made available to them and expressed disappointment that more seniors from Longwood were not taking advantage of this opportunity. "The personal advantages for each

senior attending is that they will be ahead in their job search preparation. They will have a resume prepared and will have participated in an interview skills workshop. It also is an excellent way for students to look aroung and see their competition for the job market in 1995," she stated.

Several students have been hired on site as a result of the interviews that have taken place at the fair. Wachovia

Bank, Enterprise Rent-a-Car and Central Fedility are some specific examples of companies who have hired students in the past.

40 to 50 employers will be attending the 1995 job fair. These companies and organizations will be interviewing seniors for positions in insurance, banking, government, retail, education, automobile, enviornmental science, law enforcement, and other various areas.

The Career Center is still receiving registrationforms for the fair. A five dollar registration fee is required, and all checks should be made payable to Longwood College. Students who have not previously sent a resume in, must take some to the fair with them.

In order to participate, students must attend the Challenge Mandatory Meeting, which is an interview skills workshop, on Monday, February 20 at 5:00 p.m., in the ABC rooms.

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FEATURES

Longwood is playing God's Favorite

By Blythe Billingsley

Is the semester starting to get to you? Are classes suddenly becoming difficult? Then a good laugh is exactly what you need to relieve the stress. Where can you find that laughter? At the Longwood Player's production of Neil Simon's play God's Favorite, in Jarman Theater, February 22-25 at 8:00p.m. and Feb. 24 at 10 AM.

The play is a comedy based on the Bible's book of Job. The lead character, Joe Benjamin (played by Scott Joyce), builds up a fortune in the box industry, and seems to be the perfect man with the perfect family. Then God and Satan make a bet on whether Joe (a loyal servant to God) will renounce him. Life is all down hill from there for poor Joe. With the aid of his page, Sidney Lipton (played by Rohsaan Settle), God is able to keep in contact with Joe, even when Satan is trying his best to influence him, which by Monique Fournier becomes very comical. The Longwood Players have been working on the production since the second week of school with stage manager Carrie Murphy, guest set designer James Gross (a Longwood graduate), and guest director Joel Able.

Murphy has been quite busy with the actors and the technical people, making sure that "everything gets done," so that the play will go off as planned, on and offstage. She has had fun working with Able and has enjoyed the knowledge he has shared with her, as well as his sense of hu-When Murphy is not making sure that the actors have all their lines down, she makes sure that all the props are onstage, all of the lights are on cue, and that the show, as a whole, cult and time consuming and was es- a non-threatening environment." pecially difficult because she is double Last year, after receiving funding she has enjoyed doing it.

The guest director, Able, has enjoyed working with the Longwood Players, as well.. Nancy Haga spotted him in a play last year, in the Richmond area where he often works, and asked him to direct the production for Longwood. Able has quite an extensive theater background which in- program again the following year. cludes stage work, directing, film Point", or "Ironclads," which can all near Brookneal. Once there, activi- ing comes harmonious living." be found in a video store. Able prefers

to work on stage and has been in about 100 plays, as well as directed 20 plays. He was interested in doing "God's Favorite" not only because his friend Vince Gardenia originated the role on Broadway, but because Simon, though a comedy writer, puts deeper meaning into his work. Working with the theater students has allowed the director to teach them many things, "I always enjoy any kind of a teaching situation, it makes you owner of what you do". The students have had the opportunity to work with some one who knows what is out there and can help them prepare for the real world of Theater.



Rose Hurley

Retreat spawns search for acceptance and equality

On Saturday, February 18, 30 students and faculty will venture to Brookneal, VA, in an attempt to promote better understanding between cultures here at Longwood. The group attending reflects the ethnic tapestry on campus. This will be the second annual Multi-Cultural Retreat.

Brenda Cross (former Minority Affairs director) and Sue Saunders (Counseling Center) formulated the idea in 1993. The retreat is modeled on one that took place at Southern Illinois University. The purpose of creating the Multi-Cultural Retreat was "to give students from diverse backgrounds an opportunity to get beyond the stereotypes." Saunders also said that students will get a chance is going well. Her job has been diffi- to "learn about other's perspectives in

majoring in Theater and English, but from the State Council for Higher Education in Virginia, a planning committee of students and faculty was created and applications for participants were circulated through R.A.'s. Participants were chosen, a get aquainted dinner was held, and then everyone attended the retreat. A decision was made afterword to try the

The participants will leave on Satwork, and television. Some may have urday morning, traveling in college their attitudes about race and culture. seen him in "Broken Chain" with vans. The retreat takes place at Hat Pierce Brosnen, "Assault at West Creek Lodge, a retreat center located understanding, and from understand-

ties will be based around chipping away at those invisible barriers that seem to divide races.

First on the agenda is the ropes course, a trust and team building obstacle course. The outdoor, woodland setting lends to quick friendships. And after depending on one another to achieve a common goal, the group is ready to get to work on stereotypes.

Plenty of time is set aside for discussions. Reading about cultural problems is encouraged. Two articles by Shelby and Clod Steele were assigned at the last retreat. Though brothers, the two articles present two very different perspectives on separatism and diversity. Aside from providing an educational discussion, the assignment was a reminder that there is a wealth of resources on the subject.

The next day, a question session provides everyone the opportunity to ask taboo questions that may not come up in other situations. Saunders was eager to point out that the discussions are "expanding this year to identify ideas to bring back to Longwood which would promote a positive [racial] climate."

In the printed agenda, there is an answer to the important question: why are we having this retreat? "We feel that it is important to provide students with opportunities to explore We believe that from awareness comes

The woman behind the voice

By Monique Fournier

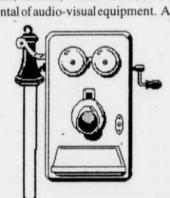
You get home. You check your voice mail. There is one new message. You push "p" to play it. And you hear the familiar voice of Rose Hurley announcing the events and happenings of Longwood College. You know the voice; everyone knows the voice. But who is Hurley?

Hurley is originally from Woodstown, New Jersey, and has worked in the Telecommunications Office for five years.

The official job title, "Customer Service Manager", doesn't do her justice. Not only does she deal with customers, but with day to day operations, processing the registration hold flags for late payments, and the activation and deactivation of authorization codes.

Right now the Telecommunications Office is in high gear, implementing a customer service help desk.

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problem falling under these categories can be dealt with by calling this

"About 75-80% of problems can be solved right then and there," Hurley pointed out.

On top of all that, this help desk will have the same weekday hours as the computer labs, and will be run primarily by students.

When asked about her favorite part of the job, Hurley said that she "likes the personal aspect[of]working with the students and faculty'

Hurley also mentioned a few drawbacks to the job. "When I just can't lift that hold flag for someone, no matter how much I want to help them."

Hurley doesn't seem to realize what a household name she is here on cam-

pus. "I only hope I'm not obtrusive," she says.

But even if you get tired of yet another message from Hurley, you "should pay attention," because you never know when something important might be following the first bit information that you're not interested

And yes, she personally does those messages herself. Except once or twice, when she was sick and the secretary had to do it for her.

One more thing, Hurley leaves a message by around six A.M. if Longwood will be closed, but she lets the information number know, too. So if you're really desperate to know if school's canceled, and you haven't heard from Hurley yet, dial 2000.

Sibling program soars

By Michele Weeks

There are a lot of successful programs here at Longwood, one of which is the Big Sibling Program. It began here in 1992, and was then called Lancer Buddies. In 1993 it was renamed the Big Sibling Program. This project was modeled after a similar program at UVA called Madison

The program is run out of the Give Office, and its coordinator is Betty Randa. There are currently 41 students involved in the Big Sibling Program. Students who become Big Siblings are committed for a year to the

Randa stated that, "The Big Siblings are really making a difference, and I'm proud of the students who have volunteered, because they take it seriously and really commit them-

Big Siblings are considered individuals their little siblings can look up to. They are positive role models who provide friendship for children who are at an impressionable age. Big Siblings do a wide variety of activities with their little siblings. From eating lunch with them at school to reading a book with them at the library, Big Siblings are involved in their child's life. Some Big Siblings have cars, and this enalbles them to take their little siblings out to McDonald's, the movies, or bowling at the Student Union. All of the Big Siblings and little siblings got together before Christmas and held a Christmas party here at Longwood. The kids did such things as decorate ornaments, and the party was a success all the way around.

The children who are matched with Longwood students attend Prince Edward County Elementary School. The teachers and guidance counselors identify which children could benefit from the program. According to guidance counselor Sylvia Meadows, "Some of the reasons a child may be in the program are he or she may be from a single parent household, a parent may have requested that their child be placed in the program, or the sudent may just benefit from the one on one interaction."

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Lynda Halliday-Myers wears more than one hat for the Longwood College Theater Department

Spotlight: Lynda Halliday-Myers

Few people know the brave soul who voluntarily chooses to run the Box Office. Lynda Halliday-Myers, a theatre major with a concentration in management, juggles far more responsibilities than the position of box office manager

In many ways Myers can be considered a jack of all trades. In addition to managing the box office she designs sets, coordinates matinees for both high schools and elementary schools around the area, and works as a park ranger

Having travelled both the United States, as well as two countries abroad, Myers brings her artistic knowledge to Longwood and puts it to work for the theatre

Myers, now a student at Longwood, began her college career at the University of Guam where she was originally a dancer and choreographer. There she delved into the designing and painting aspects of theatre. Through these experiences she discovered her interests were behind the scenes rather than on the stage.

This appears to have been a correct choice as Dr. Pat Lockwood of Longwood College feels that Lynda is "very versatile; a good technician as well as an incredible painter."

Between the years of 1984 and

During this time, Myers acted as a theatre specialist for The Department of Defense.

After her husband retired from the military, the family moved to Wisconsin, where Myers ran a dinner theatre and assumed the role of artistic director. After only four years, the family moved again to Virginia, to

escape the harsh Wisconsin winters. Myers is a member of Longwood Players and supervises the publicity for this group. Twenty-five percent of the money from the sale of play bills to local businesses is placed in theatre scholarship funds.

She also supervises and trains those Longwood Players who are interested in ushering or learning the business side of theatre. This provides her with the opportunity to do what she loves most- working with and teaching stuudents. The energy and ideas of the students around her contribute to Myers' ability to think young.

While both the Series of Performing Arts and Longwood Players are funded by student activity fees, the Longwood Children's Theatre is selfsupported. Myers is the artistic director for this organization, but the theatre students produce and direct these

The Children's Theatre tours with 1987 Myerslived with her family on a its shows to schools anywhere from 3

Japanese air force base in Okinawa. to 4 hours away to bring these perfor- fresh input from her peers. Myers mances to children who are unable to feels that this job is no more hectic come to Farmville. It is quickly be- than any other job and the high prescoming a sister support organization sure atmosphere oddly enough lends for the Romanian Children's Theatre stability to an otherwise unstable job. with the help of Myers and Pam Arkin.

together this program to raise money time with her two daughters. Amanda in hopes of putting an end to the star- Myers, age 11, is an honor student at vation and suffering of their nation. Prince Edward County Middle School. 100% of the proceeds from the up- Tiffany Myers, age 14, wants to folcoming March production of "Winnie low in her mother's footsteps. Tif-The Pooh" will be donated to this fany is an honor student at Prince children's theatre.

When Myers is not busy printing season tickets, painting and designing have not gone unnoticed. Peers and sets, supervising and coordinating she co-workers alike appreciate the imis working as an historical park ranger pact this jacqueline of all trades has at Appomattox National Historical State Park. She is employed here 5 months out of the year full-time and is on call during the winter months.

While at Longwood, she works 5 months part-time. When asked what knowledgable; an asset.' her hobbies are Myers quickly responded, "Theatre!" While to some it may seem enviable having a hobby as a career, for Myers it has its negative

Since Myers is such a service-oriented person, she is constantly "trying to figure out new ways to streamline the systems and make them more effi-

This entails asking for advice and

At home, away from her demand-The Romanian people have put ing schedule, Myers enjoys spending Edward County High School.

Myers' contributions to Longwood made on their lives.

"Lynda is a pleasure to work with," adds Cecilia Culler, Secretary of the Department of Speech and Theatre. "She'll do anything for anyone and full-time 7 months out of the year and she is extremely helpful and

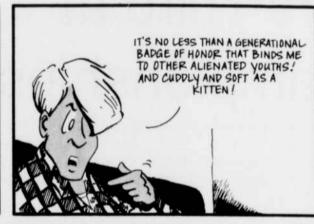


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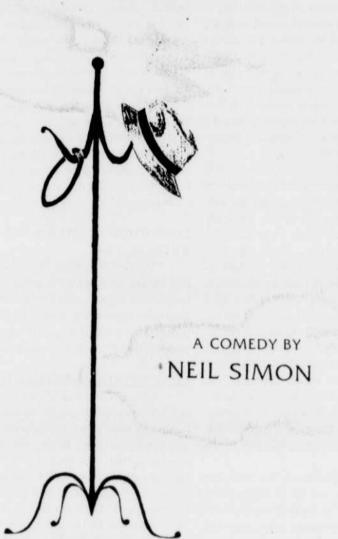
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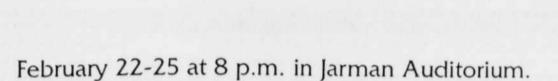


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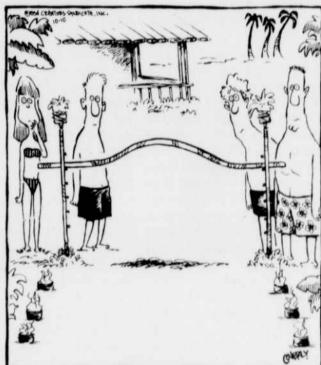
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SPORTS

LC Wrestlers Third at Virginia Championships

By Greg Prouty

FARMVILLE, Longwood's wrestling team traveled to Lexington, Va. Sunday for the annual Virginia College Division Championships and claimed third place among the six schools participating. Coach Steve Nelson's Lancers totaled 73 points to finish behind Champion The Apprentice School from Newport News (97.5 points) and Norfolk State (74.5 points). The host, Washington & Lee was fourth (36.5), Gallaudet (D.C.) fifth (9 points) and Hampden-Sydney was sixth with 4.5 points.

The Lancers were led by senior Mark Helberg and sophomore Karl Eberly, who claimed individual titles was 3-0, including a 7-6 double-over-finals. time victory in the championship over The Apprentice School's Mike Drier. Drier was the defending state champ Shawn Carr and freshman Chad Juhl. at 190. Helberg also picked up a first- Carr lost by pin in the semi-finals at round pin against Gallaudet and a heavyweight where there were only semi-final 9-6 decision over NSU's three wrestlers, while Juhl was 1-1 at Marcus Johnson. It was Helberg's 118 where he pinned W & L's Allen second State Championship in his ca- West in the consolation. Also parreer at LC.

commented Nelson. "His match with man Jamie Foley. Chung was 0-1 at Drier was a great match, very excit- 134 and had to drop out before the ing, and he just dominated Johnson consolation due to sickness, while who had beaten him twice before.

"Karl had a good afternoon also in winning his state title."

Eberly received a bye into the finals where he decisioned Apprentice's Jeff Wright 10-1.

Also wrestling for LC and finishing second were junior Bobby Holliday, along with freshmen Allen Dubsky, Will Leland and Jeff Slutsky. Holliday lost by pin in the finals at 126 as there were only two wrestlers at that weight class. Dubsky was 2-1 at 167, falling to NSU's Charles Daniels by pin in the championship. Daniels is a returning national qualifier. Leland fell by a 19-4 match termination to and Juhl at 10-6. Apprentice's Joe Loch and Slutsky was 1-1 at 142 as he fell 11-1 to qualify a wrestler to the NCAA Diviat 190 and 177, respectively. Helberg Apprentice's Jamie Devanny in the

Finishing third were sophomore ticipating for LC and placing fourth "Mark wrestled very, very well," were junior Stuart Chung and fresh-Foley was 0-2 at 150.

Against Davidson, LC fell 24-22 in an upset by the hosts. LC had defeated DC earlier this season by a score of 36-6 in Lancer Hall Jan. 12. Winning for the Lancers were Juhl (118), Holliday (126), Slutsky (142), Eberly (177) and Helberg (190). Falling were Foley (150), Leland (158), Dubsky (167) and Carr (heavyweight).

With the NCAA Division II Southeast Regionals scheduled for this Sunday, Feb. 19, at Pembroke State University, top records for the Lancers belong to Helberg with an outstanding 21-7 record, followed by got a bye into the 158 finals where he Chung's 16-9 mark, Eberly at 15-13

> Longwood will be trying to sion II National Wrestling Championships for the eighth consecutive year this weekend at PSU. Helberg is probably the best bet as the senior qualified two years ago at 177. Helberg is 15-3 this semester, including 12-1 in his last 13 matches as the veteran has positioned himself to be the number one or two seed in the region, according to Nelson.

> Coach Nelson also announced that senior Bryan Hartley has had his season and career ended due to tissue damage to his liver suffered in a match Jan. 28 in Lancer Hall during the an-

Longwood College Winter Player of the Week (Since Jan. 1, 1995)

Jan. 1-8 Joe Jones, Eddie Shelburne Men's Basketball Jan. 8-15

Nikki Hall Women's Basketball Jan. 15-22 Mark Helberg

Jan. 22-29 J.B. Neill, Matt Watkins Men's Basketball

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Feb. 5-12 Mark Helberg Wrestling

nual Lancer Duals. Hartley is expected to make a full recovery with six to eight weeks of complete rest. The injury is common in contact sports according to Nelson.

Prior to wrestling in Lexington, Longwood wrestled two matches Saturday in Davidson, N.C. against NCAA Division I's The Citadel and Davidson. LC upset The Citadel for the first time in school history, winning 29-20. Match victories went to Juhl (118), Holliday (126), Chung (134), Slutsky (142), Eberly (177) and Helberg (heavyweight). Losing were Foley (150), Leland (158) and Dubsky

Helberg-Longwood's Player of the Week

By Greg Prouty

FARMVILLE, Va. - Longwood senior wrestler Mark Helberg, who claimed a State Championship at 190 Sunday at the annual Virginia College Division Championships, has been selected Longwood College Player of the Week for the period Feb. 5-12. Player of the Week is chosen by the Longwood Sports Information Office.

Helberg was 3-0, including a 7-6 double-overtime victory in the championship over The Apprentice School's Mike Drier. Drier was the defending state champ at 190. Helberg also picked up a first-round pin against Gallaudet's Josh Lavine in :54 and a semi-final 9-6 decision over NSU's Marcus Johnson. It was Helberg's second State Championship in his career at LC as he won a title at 177 two years ago.

"Mark wrestled very, very well," commented Coach Steve Nelson. "His match with Drier was a great match, very exciting, and he just dominated Johnson who had beaten him twice before. He just had a sensational weekend."

On Saturday at a triangular match at Davidson (N.C.) along with The Citadel, Helberg picked up two more wins. He pinned his opponent from NCAA Division I The Citadel in

Lancers back to



Mark Helberg

pin against D-I Davidson at 190. Helberg, 21-7 overall this season, has now won 12 of his last 13 matches and is 15-3 this semester.

"Mark has positioned himself to be a number one or two seed for the regionals," added Nelson. "He has a great chance to qualify for the Nation-

Helberg, an NCAA Division II National Qualifier in 1993 at 177, is now 63-36 in his career to rank seventh in career wins at LC. A mathematics major at Longwood, Helberg is the son of James and Lynn Helberg of Dumfries. He is a '91 graduate of 4:59 at heavyweight, then got a :48 Osbourn Park High School.

Lancer men upset by Rankings (Records through Feb. Queens College 89-64

By Hoke Currie

Just 17 days ago the Longwood men's basketball team was 15-4, ranked third in the South Atlantic Region and apparently headed for its second straight trip to the NCAA Division II Tournament.

In the wake of a surprising 89-64 loss at Queens College Wednesday night, the Lancers find themselves with a 17-7 record overall and a 2-3 mark over the past five games. The Lancer express to the NCAA Playoffs has been side-tracked onto a spur line. Rated fifth in the region this week, Longwood needs to win its final three games to get back on track.

The Lancers host Newberry Saturday at 2:00, visit Pembroke State Monday night for a 7:30 contest and wind up the regular season at home next Saturday (Feb.25) at 3:00 against the District of Columbia. Wins in those three games would give the Lancers a 20-7 record.

Wednesday's loss to Queens, a team Longwood had beaten 74-67 Feb. 4 in Lancer Hall, left Lancer head coach Ron Carr and his team searching for answers. The Royals, 15-8 with four games left now have a legitimate chance to make the playoffs.

Queens rolled to a 10-0 lead at the start, fought back after the Lancers scored 12 straight points of their own, and assumed a 35-28 edge at the half. The Royals came out hot at the start of the second half and strengthened their lead, pulling away at the end.

Taking Longwood out of its offense, Queens held the visitors to 37.5 percent shooting for the night (24-64). Lancer scoring leader Joe Jones was limited to seven points, ending a 17-game streak in which Jones had reached double figures. Often double

and triple-teamed, the 6-8 junior made just 3-12 shots from the floor. He pulled off seven rebounds.

Working in side for numerous layups and short jumpers, the Royals canned 33 of 53 shots for 62.3 percent shooting. Queens senior point guard Donay Fullwood sliced through the · 3rd CIAA Lancer defense to score 13 points and hand out 12 assists. The 6-2 cager 3rd continually drove inside and either 6. passed off or scored himself. He had just one turnover for the night.

Queens' trio of Yogi Leo (15 7th points), DeWayne Ansley (12 points) and Leonard Shinhoster (10 points) dominated the inside. Leo was the game's top rebounder with 11 and teamed up with Ansley for seven blocked shots.

Queens other starter at the guard position, 6-3 sophomore Chick Wittman put on a shooting clinic. He was 8 of 10 from the floor, 2 of 2 from three-point range, and 8 of 8 form the line, scoring 26 points in a near-perfect exhibition.

J.B. Neill led Longwood with 12 points, while Matt Watkins and Eddie Shelburne had 11 points each. Benji Webb came off the bench to help Longwood recover from its early 10-0 deficit, but he was sidelined by an ankle injury and was unable to play in the second half.

Webb's absence hurt Longwood's comeback hopes. Without the 6-6 junior, the Lancers were unable to match-up with queens' athletic front line players in the second half. Benji ended up playing just 11 minutes. He had 4 points and 3 rebounds.

Queens' victory ended a streak of five straight-losses to Longwood. The Royals also beat Wofford, another solid Division II ball club, 95-79 Saturday at Ovens Athletic Center.



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Johnson C. Smith 18-6 contest Monday night, equaling a LONGWOOD 17-6 during a 104-46 romp over Columbia Independent

Lenoir-Rhyne 6th SAC-8 Fayetteville State

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scored the game's first eight points in less than two minutes and the outcome was never in doubt. The Lady Lancers led 8-2 at the 17:39 mark, 23-2 at the 13:19 mark, 37-10 at the 6:23 mark and 50-12 at the 2:41 mark en route to a 54-16 halftime advantage. All 13 members of the team played during the first 20 minutes as the LC bench scored 24 of the 54 points. Junior Charity Owens and sophomore Nikki Hall, both starters, each scored eight points, while freshmen Nee Ragland and Christine Roberts each

By Greg Prouty

ball at the college.

FARMVILLE, Va. - The

Longwood College women's basket-

ball team won its third consecutive

Lancer Hall women's record for points

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Shirley Duncan's squad increased its

new record for seasonal wins to 18.

The Lady Lancers are now 18-5 as

they continue their finest season in the

74-year history of women's basket-

Against Columbia Union, LC

The second half was much the same as LC led 63-16 at the 17:06 mark, 81-22 at the 10:09 mark, 96-39 at the 2:50 mark and when freshman Shannon Lovelace scored her fourth field goal with: 11 remaining, the Lady Lancers led 104-44. A last-second basket from the visitors provided for the final margin of 104-46. The 104 points tied a previous mark established three times, the most recent against Barton Nov. 19, 1993.

contributed seven points. Ragland

has been LC's first player off the

bench during the second half of the

Coach Duncan was able to give everyone on her squad at least 7:57 of playing time, and nobody played more than 22:47. Six players scored in double-figures, led by Hall and senior Kirsten Hillgaard with 12 points each. Ragland, along with seniors Cassie Ensley and Sara Philbrick, each contributed 11 points, while freshman Valerie Firth added 10 points. Ragland

also grabbed 13 rebounds, while Hillgaard and Philbrick each snared 10 boards as all three Lady Lancers had double-doubles in points and rebounds. Roberts added nine points and five assists, while Lovelace and Owens each scored eight points. It was Lovelace's career-high and Owens also grabbed eight rebounds. Hall added seven assists and five steals to her efforts, and Ensley added seven assists as well along with three treys to give her 200 three-point field goals in her career at LC. Sophomore Shawna Donivan (Glen Allen) also had seven assists, a new career-high for her as well.

LONGWOOD WOMEN'S BAS-KETBALL 2-2-2

"We tried to focus on our execution and cutting down on turnovers," commented Duncan afterwards. "It gave us an opportunity to get a lot of people in the game with quality minutes which will help us as crunch time is upon us."

LONGWOOD 69 - WOFFORD 57

Against Wofford (S.C.) last Saturday, LC jumped out quickly by taking an early 6-0 lead on a three-pointer and free throw from Ensley and a hoop from Hall. The visitors fought back, though, and took a 10-6 lead at the 14:49 mark. A bucket from Hillgaard with 10:09 on the clock made the score 14-14 before an 8-1 run gave LC control and a 22-15 advantage with 7:40 left until the intermission. With Ensley, Hall and Hillgaard combining for 25 first-half points, LC led 34-27 at halftime.

LC led 44-40 with 12:40 to play before utilizing a 16-4 run to take a commanding 60-44 advantage with 6:14 remaining. Ragland sparked the outburst with seven points, while Ensley nailed two treys and Hall added a two-point basket as well. The Lady Terriers could get no closer than eight down the stretch as Hall made three of four free throws during the final 2:07. Ensley's layup with: 17 left provided for the final margin of 69-57.

Ensley finished with 17 points,

including four treys, along with five assists, five rebounds and two steals. Hall added her consistent 13 points. six assists, six rebounds and two steals, while Hillgaard had a strong game off the bench with 12 points, nine rebounds, three blocks and two assists. Ragland added 11 points, 10 rebounds, two blocks and two assists, and sophomore Claudia Blauvelt (Farmville) contributed 11 points, six rebounds and two blocks.

"It was a good win for us," said Duncan. "I thought we controlled the contest from the beginning and played like we wanted to win.'

LONGWOOD 99 - VIRGINIA STATE 73

Last Thursday in Lancer Hall, LC again started quickly with an early 5-0 lead on a basket from Hall and another trey from Ensley. A 13-0 LC run midway through the first half broke the contest open as the Lady Lancers ran out to a 49-36 lead at the intermission en route to the easy 99-73 triumph. Ensley tied her own school record with seven treys as she scored a game-high 27 points. It's the third time this season that Ensley has connected for seven treys in a game.

Hillgaard added 14 points and 10 rebounds, Hall 13 points, Ragland and Roberts 12 points each, and Philbrick had 11 points. Philbrick and Ragland each grabbed 10 rebounds as well, another double-double for the trio of Hillgaard, Philbrick and Ragland. Roberts contributed eight assists in the victory.

"We expected a hotly-contested, tight game against VSU," explained Duncan. "But we came out and gained control early and really maintained our focus."

In an earlier meeting with VSU in Petersburg, Va., LC escaped with a 67-61 victory.

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