

WEATHER



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Stranger invades bedroom privacy

Suspect enters Old Town area homes seven times in 1997; most victims are JMU students, all female

by Julia Filz
senior writer

Residents of Mason Street are locking their doors more diligently these days as police search for a man suspected of entering women's homes during the night to watch them sleep.

The man has entered houses in Old Town Harrisonburg along Mason Street and Cantrell Avenue seven times in 1997, Harrisonburg Police Chief Don Harper said. The most recent incident was during the week of Sept. 20, but Harper did not have an exact date. Most of the victims are JMU students and all are women.

"Basically, [the suspect] comes into the room and

observes the person sleep," Harper said.

None of the incidents have led to assault, but the suspect does occasionally lift the bedcovers off his victims.

"If he has been confronted [by the victim], he apologizes and leaves," Harper said. "He has not touched anyone."

Police believe the suspect enters houses through unlocked doors or windows. If he is caught, he could be charged with unlawful entry or burglary if the police can prove cause. So far, the suspect has taken nothing from the houses.

Senior Amy Lester and sophomore Jen Rose live in a house on Mason Street the suspect entered in June at about 5:30 a.m., Rose said.

"We had some broken windows in our basement, windows without latches, and we think that's how he got in," Rose said. "He went upstairs first and jiggled all [the bedroom doors]."

When the suspect was unsuccessful in entering locked rooms upstairs, he moved to the lower level of the house.

"Amy and I live downstairs," Rose said. "Amy woke

in the middle of the night and forgot to lock her door when she went back to bed. He walked in, walked across her room and lifted the sheet. She woke up and screamed. He said, 'Oh my God, I'm sorry,' and ran out of the house."

According to Harper, the suspect is described as a white male in his mid 20s to 30s, 5'10," with short brown hair in a crew cut, weighing 180-190 lbs with a "bulge in the front [of his belly]." The suspect may be clean-shaven and is usually seen wearing a black shirt and black jeans.

Lester said she and her roommates think the suspect may have watched them for some time from either inside or outside the house. One of Lester's roommates went to bed at about 5:20 a.m. and the suspect came into Lester's room about 5:45 a.m.

"We don't know if he was watching [my roommate], but I felt like I was being watched [before going to bed]," Lester said. "I kept doing stupid things, like looking next to my desk."

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Rose talks with students about JMU fundraising

by Kelly Hannon
contributing writer

Pacing back and forth at the base of a Zane Showker lecture hall, JMU Acting President Linwood Rose opened his speech Wednesday evening with discussion of JMU President Ronald Carrier's fundraising mission.

Although Rose didn't provide concrete numbers for his audience of four business fraternities, he stressed the importance of increasing JMU's endowment for three primary reasons: buildings, faculty and general resources.

"Where we have not done a particularly good job... is fund raising and public support," Rose said. Rose's mission is to make JMU the best state university possible and to remain competitive with private institutions by becoming the best comprehensive university JMU can realistically be. In order for this to occur, JMU must possess and maintain resources that will add value to the student's education.

"I want you to look back at your degree 10 years from now and see value added to that degree," Rose said. "My sole mission is to add value to your education."

Rose explained the reasons behind the fundraising mission. He attributes a portion of the need to raise funds to a lack of support from the State Council of Higher Education. SCHEV evaluates and distributes funds for Virginia state universities.

As student enrollment at JMU increases, the need for more faculty members and facilities also increases. The problem lies within the distribution of funds, Rose said to the students.

For example, the new College of Integrated Science and Technology building that opened this fall reached completion a year-and-one-half behind schedule due to lack of funding.

Rose hopes to reverse the trend this year. He will appeal to the Virginia General Assembly to gain capital funds totaling \$30 million to construct another CISAT building twice the size of the current one. The current building measures 91,000 square feet.

"We can't grow anymore without sacrificing your education until the capital gain comes through," Rose said.

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MELISSA PALLADINO/senior photographer

Cars wait to make turns onto Port Republic at the Forest Hill Road and Port Republic Road intersection.

Plans for traffic light at Forest Hill Road on hold

by Mark Ross
contributing writer

The Virginia Department of Transportation has put plans to install a traffic light at the intersection of Port Republic Road and Forest Hill Road on hold, at least until the completion of the Neff Avenue extension. The extension will connect Neff Avenue to Port Republic near the entrance to South View apartments.

After completing a study of the Forest Hill intersection, located at Howard Johnson Inn, the Virginia Department of Transportation submitted its conclusions Aug. 21 in a letter to James Baker, Harrisonburg director of public works.

"It is our opinion that the decision to install the signal at this intersection should be delayed until after completion of the Neff Avenue extension which may

have a significant impact on the volume of traffic using this intersection," VDOT Engineer Kelly Downs said.

Dan Rublee, city engineer, said Harrisonburg has considered the Neff Avenue extension since 1991. The road will provide direct access to the Valley Mall area from Port Republic Road. The extension will cover about nine-

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Stranger

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Rose said she woke up when she heard Lester start screaming. They called Harrisonburg Police Department, who told them they were not the first victims of this type of incident.

"[HPD] did tell us he's never touched anyone, but that didn't make us feel better," Rose said. "He lifted the sheet. Maybe this guy's building up to something."

Harper said the suspect usually enters during the early morning hours, and most of the incidents are between midnight and daylight.

Rose said she and her room-

mates still think about the incident.

"We've all been really scared," Rose said. "Amy has this wind chime thing by her door, and my dad made us this cage to put over her window. We can't sleep without the porch light on at night."

Lester said, "I have a routine now. I lock my door and put wind chimes on it. I have bars on my window and I lock my window, no matter how hot it is. He completely stole my ability to feel safe in my room at night."

Lester said she has heard of people who moved after inci-

dents in their homes. She has not considered moving but has heard the suspect has entered some houses several times.

Lester thinks the steps she and her roommates have taken to secure their home at night have prevented the suspect from re-entering. In addition to keeping doors locked, her landlord has boarded up the basement windows.

At this point, Harper said Harrisonburg Police have no leads or ideas for the suspect's motive. While some people have called the suspect the "Sleeper Peeper" or the "Mason Street

Stalker," Harper said the police have not created a name for the individual.

"We're not calling him anything except a criminal," Harper said.

Lester said the suspect had a soft voice and a beard when he came to her home, but described him as "harmless looking. He looks like someone who would go to your church."

Harper said police are alerting residents along Mason Street and Cantrell Avenue to lock their doors and windows at night and are increasing police visibility around those areas.

Light

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tenths of a mile.

"[The Neff Avenue extension] is a result of the growth of the commercial areas on and around the backside area of Valley Mall," Rublee said.

The extension project will cost the city about \$2.4 million and is being funded with city municipal bonds sold last year. Perry Engineering is the contractor for the project, which may be complete by July 1998.

VDOT traffic engineers and the City of Harrisonburg evaluated the Forest Hill intersection following federal guidelines in Sept. 1996 to assess whether or not a traffic signal there would be a proper means of traffic control, according to the VDOT home page.

VDOT collected and evaluated several different sets of data, including directional movements, traffic volume and accident reports. Following an evaluation of this data and consideration of the Neff Avenue extension project, VDOT submitted its recom-

mendation to delay traffic signal installation at the intersection. VDOT will conduct a follow-up study after Neff Avenue is completed to re-evaluate the need for a stoplight at Forest Hill Road.

VDOT also took Safety into consideration, analyzing accident data Harrisonburg submitted to them. From Jan. 1, 1994 to Nov. 30, 1996, seven accidents occurred at the Forest Hill-Port Republic intersection, according to accident reports.

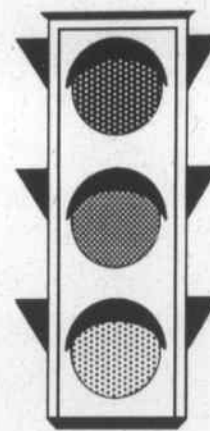
As a result, the VDOT recommendation said the data "does not indicate that there is a severe accident problem at this intersection."

Rublee also said due to the proximity of the intersection to an existing traffic signal at the I-81 ramp, the installation of another signal may "create more of a safety hazard."

Downs wrote in the VDOT letter to Baker, "[Installation of a stoplight] at Port Republic Road and Forest Hill Avenue will have a definite impact on the signal

operation and could lead to considerably longer delays for motorists using both intersections."

Both Rublee and VDOT said they think the extension will contribute to decreasing the volume of traffic using the Forest Hill Road-Port Republic Road intersection.



"People should take advantage of the road," Rublee said. "Our hope is it will relieve a lot

of the pressure on that intersection."

Some JMU students who use the intersection every day said the Neff Avenue extension won't help enough.

"It takes forever to make a left onto Port Republic [from Forest Hill Road]," Senior J.T. Mauk said.

Junior Mary Holmesly said, "[The extension] won't really help us. You can't see cars coming from the [direction of] JMU because of the long line of cars waiting to turn left onto Forest Hill."

Even though the Neff Avenue extension will make it easier to get to Valley Mall, Senior Beth Gull said mall traffic isn't the real problem at that intersection.

"It won't decrease the amount of traffic coming from [University Recreation Center] or [the College of Integrated Science and Technology]," she said. "There are people walking, bikes coming at you and cars coming from every direction."

Rose

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Additional goals that require more funding include improving existing resources on campus, such as initiating building renovations on Godwin and Harrison Halls and adding technology equipment

to 15 or 16 classrooms,

Rose said. Following his speech, Rose opened the floor to students' concerns and questions about the future of JMU.

One student asked Rose about the projected ideal size of JMU.

"We're scheduled to be at 15,000 [students] by 2001," Rose said. "We thought 15,000 was about the limit without making major modifications. . . . If you go

much larger than that, you have a problem just moving people."

Some buildings and structures on campus were not built for student populations larger than 15,000, and an increase over that

barrier would necessitate entirely new facilities, such as additional dining halls.

"What we're saying is that we can't be 18,000 or 20,000," Rose said. JMU's student body is about 13,800 this year.

Other students voiced concern about the housing situation on campus, pointing to the renting of the Howard Johnson's and Blue Ridge Hall as examples of an excessive population so far

away from campus.

"I'm not happy with the situation at HoJo," Rose said. "We are building right now an additional 850 beds on the CISAT campus."

Another issue raised during the evening is diversity at JMU. Rose said he wants to increase the level of diversity at JMU but explained the difficulty in achieving that.

"From an admissions perspective, it's something we've really looked at over the past few years," he said. "It's a real struggle to try and promote the notion of diversity. . . . We have an applicant pool that is more homogeneous than we would like to have."

Inevitably, the issue of JMU-Harrisonburg town relations emerged.

"There's a great deal of dependence upon each other" Rose said. Pointing out problems that

the University of Virginia has experienced with the community of Charlottesville, Rose said JMU's relationship with Harrisonburg is about as normal as to be expected.

Touching on the positive things JMU brings to Harrisonburg, Rose cited the community service students provide as well as the revenue students bring to Harrisonburg.

Students also brought up the parking issue and inquired about the proposed parking deck site behind Bridgeforth stadium.

"The parking problem is not a new problem, and it has gotten worse," Rose said. "Ultimately, the only answer is building a parking deck."

Junior Melissa Rubin said, "He's really trying to relate to the student body and not just the upper levels of the university."

JMU and friends celebrate CISAT building's opening with grand bash

Ceremony draws administrators, students, state officials to new campus attraction

by **Katheryn Lenker**
contributing writer

Brightly colored balloons and bagpipe music greeted visitors to the College of Integrated Science and Technology Friday afternoon.

The dedication ceremony featured six speakers, including JMU President Ronald Carrier and JMU Acting President Linwood Rose.

CISAT's new building is "the solitary gateway to the new millennium," Rose said. More buildings will soon join the new facilities when JMU attains funding from the State Council of Higher Education or the Virginia General Assembly.

The two-hour ceremony began with CISAT Provost Jackson Ramsey thanking those who contributed to the development and construction of the new building.

Over 100 people, including state senators and delegates, Harrisonburg city officials and various JMU administrators and committee members, attended the dedication.

Senior CISAT major Barbara Crowder addressed the crowd on behalf of CISAT students. "This building symbolizes the faith you have in integrated science and technology and the impact we can make on the world," she said.

Associate CISAT professor Geoffrey Egekwu spoke on behalf of CISAT faculty. He commented on the progression of the department, from CISAT's early days in seven trailers to the modular building where it now makes its home.

George Newstrom, corporate vice president of Electronic Data Systems and a member of CISAT's executive advisory committee, spoke about CISAT's impact on students' professional

utures. "Our job is to help students use computers more powerfully," Newstrom said. He went on to say his company lost \$6 million a day due to lack of computer information technicians, whose salaries begin at \$48,000 a year.

Carrier also spoke about the history of the program, mentioning the financial obstacles JMU overcame to build the facility and asked delegates in the audience to continue their support.

"This institution has been working hard for the last three to four years to enable our students to work better in [the future]," Carrier said.

Rose closed the ceremony with some brief remarks on the university's commitment to the future.

Carrier reassured the audience his plans for the school will be accomplished. Rose said the building is "designed for the stu-



KELLY DUKE/contributing photographer

(l-r) JMU Acting President Linwood Rose and President Ronald Carrier share CISAT facts with the audience at Friday's dedication.



KELLY DUKE/contributing photographer

Edith Carrier, wife of JMU President Ronald Carrier, laughs during a light moment at Friday's CISAT dedication ceremony. The 91,000-square-foot facility opened for classes earlier this fall.

dents of today for the needs of tomorrow."

A tour of the new facility and a reception followed the ceremony. CISAT is a three-floor brick and block construction fronted by a 90 ft. tower, according to a JMU Media Relations press release. The 91,000-square-foot building has 15 classrooms, 9 laboratories, a 160-person capacity auditorium, 60 and presentation rooms faculty offices.

The facility is the first building of the planned CISAT campus and will house CISAT and computer science classes. It has a 1,000-student capacity and state-

of-the-art labs and equipment.

One student attending the dedication was glad to hear of Newstrom's job shortage.

"When [Newstrom] is up there saying he's losing \$6 million a day [because he doesn't have enough employees], I'm like 'Give me a job!'" junior Shawn Silkensen said. "I'm here for a reason."

Another student simply appreciate the permanence of the new building.

"It's nice to go from a little trailer park to a place you can call home," senior Alana Takeuchi said.



by **Neal Crovo**
police reporter

Campus police report the following:

Vehicle Accident/ Injury

- A student motorist reportedly struck a motorcycle operated by a student at the intersection of Bluestone Drive and Chandler Service Drive at 2:50 p.m. Sept. 30.

Bicycle/Pedestrian Accident

- A student riding a bike westbound on the sidewalk south of the University Recreation

Center reportedly hit a student pedestrian and fell from the bike at 4:10 p.m. Oct. 2.

There were minor injuries.

Grand Larceny

- Unidentified individuals allegedly stole a maroon 21-speed Trek 970 men's mountain bike at UREC at 8:24 p.m. Sept. 30.

The bike is valued at \$900.

- Unidentified individuals allegedly stole a blue Specialized "Hardrock" mountain bike with yellow rock shocks from the chain fence of X-lot at 8:45 p.m. Oct. 2.

The bike is valued at \$700.

Petty Larceny

- Unidentified individuals allegedly stole a Bubble Jet 2000 personal printer from an office in Steele House at 9:42 a.m. Oct. 1.

Recovered Property

- A stop sign removed from the intersection of University Boulevard and Driver Drive and curve arrow sign from University Boulevard south of Blue Ridge Hall was found at Blue Ridge Hall at 12:58 a.m. Sept. 3.

Possession of an Operator's License Known not to be His Own

- Robert T. Peterson, 20, of Falls Church was arrested and charged with possession of an operator's license not belonging to him at Bluestone Drive near Mr. Chips at 1:20 a.m. Oct. 3.

Underage Consumption of Alcohol

- A student was judicially charged with underage consumption of alcohol on Godwin Hall patio at 12:45 a.m. Oct. 3.

- A student was judicially charged with underage consumption of alcohol at G-lot at 12:30 p.m. Oct. 3.

Property Damage

- Unidentified individuals allegedly drove over the newly graded area around the College of Integrated Science and Technology building and caused damage to the grass at 4:00 p.m. Oct. 1.

A construction worker reportedly observed other vehicles driving over dirt piles in a reckless manner.

- Unidentified individuals allegedly pulled up flowers by the sidewalk between Godwin Hall and Bridgeforth Stadium at 4:27 a.m. Oct. 3.

Number of drunk in public charges since June 4:
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TONIGHT

in Taylor 304 at 4:00 p.m.
Call Lisa or Andrew at 568-2825
for more information.

IN BRIEF



- 🐾 Volunteer meetings, sponsored by Women's Resource Center, Taylor Hall, rm. 200, 7 p.m. Details: Women's Resource Center, x3407.
- 🐾 Science Fiction/Fantasy Guild meeting, Taylor Hall, rm. 402, 7 p.m. Details: CC, 574-4704.
- 🐾 Students for Camp Heartland meeting, Taylor Hall, rm. 306, 7 p.m. Details: Celeste, 574-3418.
- 🐾 Bible study, presented by Catholic Campus Ministry, CCM House, 7 p.m. Details: Mimi, 433-8059.
- 🐾 National Broadcasting Society meeting, Anthony-Seeger Hall, rm. 10, 7:30 p.m.
- 🐾 Feminist conference planning, Taylor Hall, rm. 200, 8 p.m. Details: Ann, x3407.
- 🐾 Bluestone meeting, Anthony-Seeger Hall, rm. 217, 8:30 p.m. Details: Rachel, x6541.

TUESDAY 7

- 🐾 EQUAL meeting, Taylor Hall, rm. 402, 5 p.m.
- 🐾 ROAR meeting, Taylor Hall, rm. 200, 6 p.m.
- 🐾 AED Premedical Society meeting, Burruss Hall, rm. 31, 7 p.m.
- 🐾 C.A.R.E. meeting, Taylor Hall, rm. 304, 7 p.m.
- 🐾 Pre-law Society meeting, Moody Hall, rm. 101, 7 p.m.
- 🐾 National Broadcasting Society meeting, Anthony-Seeger Hall, rm. 10, 7:30 p.m.
- 🐾 College Republicans meeting, Taylor Hall, rm. 400, 7:30 p.m. Details: Dave, 432-1434.
- 🐾 Bible study, presented by Canterbury Episcopal Campus Ministry, Canterbury House, 7-8 p.m. Details: Martha, x5462.
- 🐾 Social Dance Evening, presented by the School of Theatre and Dance, Godwin Hall, rm. 356, 9-11 p.m.

WEDNESDAY 8

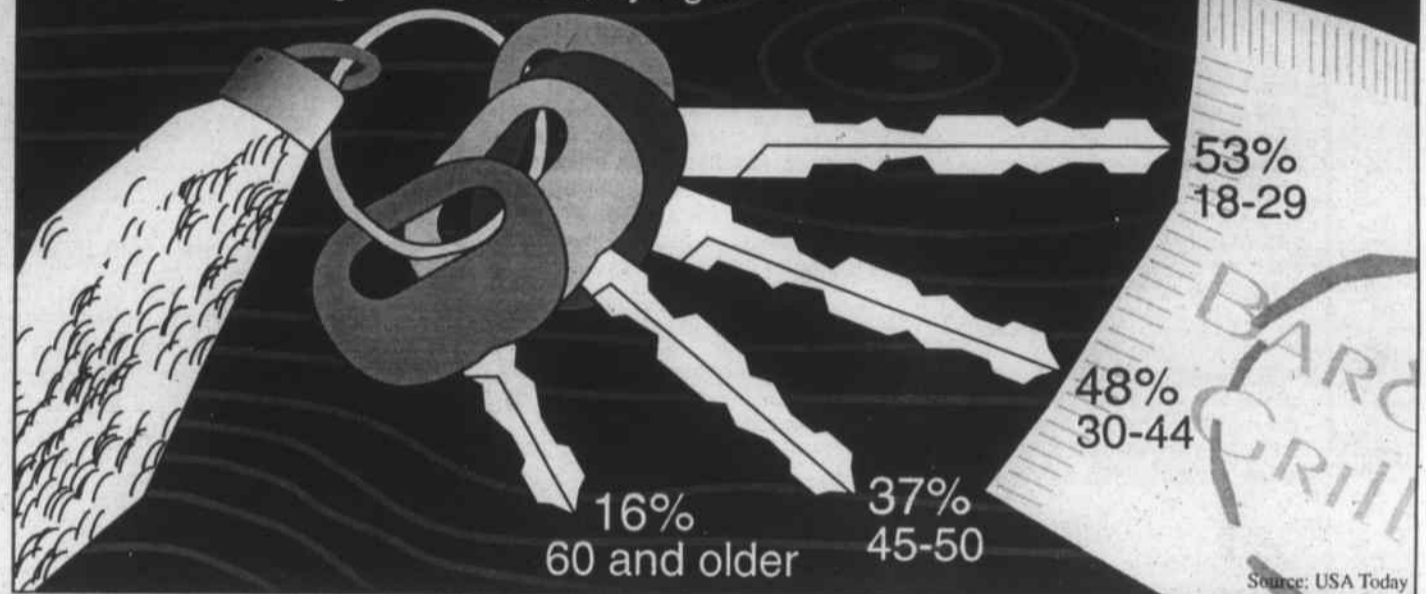
- 🐾 Mary Bolding presents "What to Do After You Find a Lump in Your Breast," Taylor Hall, rm. 200, 12-1 p.m.
- 🐾 Gemini Entertainment meeting, Taylor Hall, rm. 306, 8 p.m.
- 🐾 Phi Chi Theta executive council meeting, Zane Showker Hall, rm. 109, 5:30 p.m.
- 🐾 Phi Chi Theta pledge class meeting, Zane Showker Hall, rm. 8 p.m.
- 🐾 Evening prayer, sponsored by CCM, CCM House, 9:30 p.m. Details: Mimi, 433-8059.

THURSDAY 9

- 🐾 EARTH meeting, Taylor Hall, rm. 309, 5-6:30 p.m. Details: Liz, x7877.
- 🐾 Fellowship and praise, sponsored by Baptist Student Union, BSU Center, 5:30 p.m. Details: BSU Center, 434-6822
- 🐾 Anthropology Club meeting, Sheldon Hall, rm. 114, 6 p.m. Details: Megan, 574-4515.
- 🐾 Madison Mediators meeting, Anthony-Seeger lobby, 6 p.m. Details: Jessica, x7557.
- 🐾 Religious discussion, presented by Muslim Student Association, Taylor Hall, rm. 309, 8 p.m. Details: Shabana, 433-7923.
- 🐾 Prime Time, sponsored by Campus Crusade for Christ, Highlands Room, Warren Campus Center, 8 p.m.

Driving the drinkers

About 45 percent of men and 36 percent of women have been designated drivers, and 90 percent say it's a good way to curb drunk driving. Those who have been designated drivers, by age:



THOMAS SCALA/graphics editor



No horsing around: Australian mare to compete in line dancing contest

SYDNEY, Australia — Joe MacManamon thought someone was pulling his leg when he received an entry from a horse to take part in the next Australian Line Dancing Championships.

But after consulting with local and overseas experts and viewing a video of the horse named Chrissy bootscooting with her human family, MacManamon has given the green light for the horse to create line dance history.

Chrissy, a 9-year-old chestnut Australian Quarter Horse mare, will compete with family members in the duo, trio and small group sections of the sixth annual bootscooting championships in January, at Tamworth in northern New South Wales.

"The fact is that it does not stipulate in our rules that have been used for the last six years that an entrant has to be a human being," said MacManamon, who produces the championship.

He contacted line dancing experts around Australia, as well as in New Zealand, Ireland, Canada and the United States — all of whom had never come across such a dilemma.

"Sydney's Lance Pritchard perceived a problem with the number of feet and thought the horse would have to dance alone in the duo section," MacManamon said.

"Country Goss [magazine] contributor Gary Talbot felt the horse should be fully clothed. Perth's Dave Molkner felt that as humans do not enter events for horses... they ought not be seen as eligible for human events."

Other opinions included the need for the horse to wear boots and for the horse to only dance in the junior section because of its age.

—AP/newsfinder news service



Theta Chi pledge hospitalized after drinking binge; fraternity suspended

ATLANTA, Ga. — The University of Georgia chapter of Theta Chi has canceled all fraternity activities following a drinking binge that put a pledge in an Athens hospital. Authorities are investigating to see if the incident was caused by hazing.

Henri deLaunay, 18, of Lafayette, La., was in good condition at St. Mary's Hospital on Friday after being admitted to intensive care early Thursday morning.

"He's lucky to be alive," said University Police Department Assistant Chief Jimmy Williamson. Williamson would not immediately release deLaunay's blood alcohol level, but said it was at least twice Georgia's legal driving limit of 0.08 percent.

The pledge had been drinking at a Theta Chi function Wednesday night, then went to a bar with several other fraternity members, Williamson said.

The local fraternity president and the member in charge of Theta Chi's pledge program have both resigned their offices, said William Porter, the university's associate vice president for university affairs. He did not know the names of the fraternity members.

"Their leadership and their members and their alumni are taking this very seriously," Porter said.

He said the local chapter had voluntarily suspended their activities, and the national president of the fraternity placed the chapter on a 30-day suspension pending investigation of the incident.

"The chapter may not conduct any activities of any type other than meetings of members without prior permission," said Dave Westol, the national executive director of Theta Chi. The suspension prevents fraternity members from participating in any events.

—AP/newsfinder news service

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Mercy House back in business after August fire

by Lisa Rosato
contributing writer

It's been only two months since an Aug. 4 fire destroyed Mercy House Thrift Store, but as of Wednesday, Mercy House is back in business.

"Right now we are putting on our best smiles," said Chris Moore, store manager. "We are just so happy that we're back."

During Mercy House's grand opening celebration, spanning Wednesday to Saturday, the store had a record-breaking sales week. Moore did not know the store's total earnings.

The rebuilding process was not an easy one. Employees worked long hours making the new location on the intersection of 3rd St. and Chicago St. home. The first task was renting a new location large enough to house all its merchandise. While the new store is slightly smaller than the previous one located on Liberty Street, Mercy House still provides the same services for its customers by selling various donated goods, Moore said. In addition to clothing, Mercy House sells used appliances and furniture, some of which JMU students donated.

JMU overwhelmingly responded to Mercy House needs following the fire, Moore said. Many campus organizations sponsored clothing drives and fund-raisers to help the store get back on its feet.

Among those organizations were Catholic Campus Ministries, Wampler Hall staff and residents, Community Service-Learning and various fraternities



DESMOND WILSON/contributing photographer

A mannequin proclaims the opening of Mercy House Thrift Store. The store's new location is at the intersection of 3rd St. and Chicago St.

and sororities. Wampler sponsored a clothing drive, and CCM members volunteered their time at the store to sort and hang clothing. CCM also worked with CSL to collect Mercy House donations.

CSL sends about 10 volunteers per week to help out at the store. Jack Neal, service coordinator for hunger and housing, said, "[Our organization] helps Mercy House out with what they need. We also

work with other groups on campus who want to help out the store. We tell them what needs to be done if they want to lend a hand." After receiving all the donations, volunteers sort clothes, clean them and hang them up for sale, Moore said. The laundry requires a lot of manpower.

The store benefits from volunteer help and donations from area stores and citizens. JCPenney, Belk and Rocking R Hardware all donated retail store fixtures, such as hangers, shelves and clothing racks. JCPenney sent eight employees to the store on opening day to help get things ready for customers. "We were happy to help them [prepare to] open, but the house still needs more donations," said Debbie Graham, personnel supervisor for JCPenney.

Belk classifies its donations as community service. Jack Dickerson, store manager, said, "Belk is a community-based store. We [are focused] on giving back to the community."

Many area churches also donated clothing and other goods to the store. "We are all grateful for the ongoing support from the community and we always welcome volunteers," Moore said. The store currently has two full-time employees and two part-time employees.

Individual members from the Harrisonburg community gave support, too. Since the fire, donations have poured in at the collection spot outside Wal-Mart. Moore said the large turnout of customers is proof that everyone is happy Mercy House is back.

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New publication seeks to showcase area talents, provide public forum

by Jenny Stromann
 contributing writer

After two and one-half weeks of work, the first issue of the *Free Voice*, a literary publication, is slated to hit the stands in November.

Shaun Harvey, a former JMU student, and sophomores Jason Rosow and Greg Ward are collecting submissions of any type of literature: poetry, essays, opinions, cartoons and black and white photographs. They are also looking for volunteers to edit and organize.

"If you have something to say, here you go," Harvey said about his dream of a publication that is a forum for Harrisonburg residents and the JMU community to express ideas. "People need to hear what you have to say."

Harvey's inspiration for *Free Voice* are the social movements and collective gatherings of the 1950s and '60s, such as the Beat Generation and the Hippie movement. He then shared his idea with Rosow and Ward.

"So many people are so talented," Rosow said. "I just want to give them an opportunity to share."

Harvey, Rosow and Ward are funding the first publication out of their own pockets, with some help from donations. Although the first issue will have no advertisements, ads may be included in future issues.

Free Voice's founders have not decided on technical aspects such as funding or equipment for the publication but expect to have 500 copies of the first issue, which will contain 10 pages, Harvey said. "We'll find a way to do it," he said. "I look at what we've done in two and a half weeks and there's no reason why this won't happen."

Rosow agreed. "Faith, hope, enthusiasm, support," he said. "We have all four in abundance."

Free Voice will be free to the public. "We're not about making money; it's about ideas and sharing," Rosow said. The publication is a "literary diary of people's thoughts."

Harvey, Rosow, Ward and sophomore Andy Poliakoff hosted a benefit festival on Harvey's three-acre farm Sept. 27 to "build momentum" for *Free Voice* by obtaining submissions and getting the word out about the publication.

"How the festival went is how we want our publication to be," Harvey said.

Rosow said the benefit festival was "ten times better than a Phish concert" because of the large crowd and various performances.

Area businesses volunteered services for the benefit. LMH Trucking donated a 45-foot flatbed that acted as the stage. Lori Hensley, secretary treasurer of LMH Trucking, said, "Anytime we can help out [the community], we do."

The four organizers of the benefit festival each paid \$70 for equipment rentals, fliers and food. Local bands and anyone who wished to perform at the festival had the chance to play for a crowd of at least 300, Harvey said. In between acts, Harvey solicited literary donations from the crowd.

Mr. J's Bagels/Deli donated trash bags full of bagels. Raymi Poole, assistant manager at Mr. J's, said, "If people call ahead, we'll give what's leftover."

Fliers about the publication are available at Downtown Books, and The Little Grill has a *Free Voice* submission box.

Bob Schurtz, owner of Downtown Books, said *Free Voice* has had a good initial response because of word of mouth. "Any sort of print medium being promoted in the community, is a good idea," Schurtz said. There isn't a writers' group in Harrisonburg currently, he said.

Free Voice isn't out to compete against any current local publications, Rosow said. The group just wanted to put this publication together for the Harrisonburg area.

"JMU is a collective creative community. It's a good place to start," Harvey said. "If we get two issues out, we got two issues out. No one can take that away from us."

Oct. 15 is the submission deadline for the first *Free Voice*.

Anyone interested in contributing to *Free Voice*, can drop their submissions off at The Little Grill or send them to:

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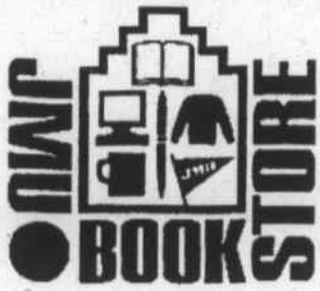
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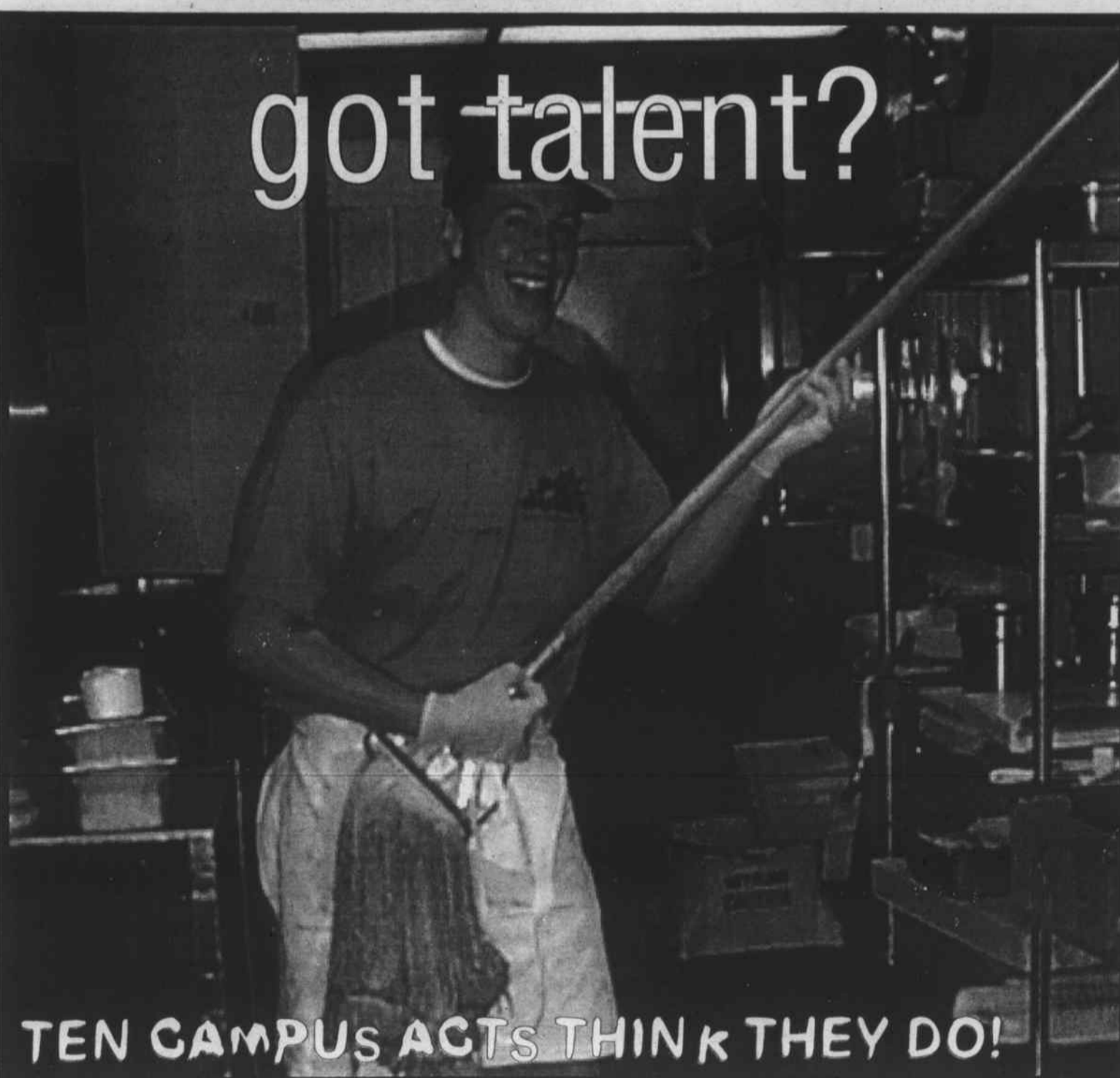
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EDITORIAL



Drinking and student responsibility

College students encounter environments with alcohol weekly, and students who drink irresponsibly are no strangers to JMU. But before becoming intoxicated, students must make the decision to exercise good judgment to ensure their safety.

Both the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Louisiana State University have dealt with alcohol-related deaths of students this semester. On Sept. 29, an 18-year-old MIT student died after being found unconscious and surrounded by empty liquor bottles and vomit in the basement of the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity house, according to the Oct. 2 issue of *The Breeze*.

Just four weeks before this incident, a 20-year-old LSU student died of acute alcohol poisoning, and three other students were hospitalized after police found a dozen people passed out on the floor of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity house, according to the Aug. 28 issue of *The Breeze*.

Did these students not understand the danger they were putting themselves into by drinking so much? Or didn't they care enough to protect themselves?

Students at JMU must realize that like these students, they are not immune from the effects of alcohol. Those who drink to excess put themselves in danger. Those who walk home alone after a night of drinking also put themselves at risk. Attackers and careless motorists do not discriminate between drunk and sober victims, but drunk

victims are obviously more vulnerable.

Both men and women must realize that just because they have acted dangerously in the past without getting hurt does not mean they will be as lucky in the future. The time to take responsibility is now. And the person to do it for is yourself.

Don't care about your personal safety? Then think of the risks with the law. While it is unfair that intoxicated students who choose to walk home instead of drive home are routinely confronted with drunk in public charges, we must accept that these laws will not change, and we must take measures to avoid such situations.

Are the police sending the message "you might as well drive because if you walk, we're going to bust you anyway?" Regardless, if students plan to drink, they have to exercise good decision-making to ensure their personal safety.

Alcohol Awareness Week begins Oct. 20 and gives students the opportunity to examine their behavior and obtain knowledge about the dangers of alcohol and alternatives to drinking.

Knowing when to stop drinking, not to drive intoxicated or not to walk home alone are signs of maturity. It is time for students, who desire to be treated as mature adults, to act like them and drink responsibly or face the consequences.

The house editorial reflects the opinion of the editorial board which consists of the editor, managing editor and the opinion editor.

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Letters to the editor should be no more than 500 words, columns should be no more than 800 words, and both will be published on a space available basis. They must be delivered to *The Breeze* by noon Tuesday or 5 p.m. Friday.

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A "thanks-for-wasting-my-time" dart to Market One for taking too long to make the wrong steak sub too many times.

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A "learn-to-be-considerate" dart to the group of obnoxious football players who seem to think the study rooms in the library are used for social hour.

Sent in by two students who use the library to get work done and think you need to respect that.

Pat...

A "better-late-than-never" pat to the Student Government Association for finally addressing student concern over the General Education issue.

Sent in by a student who is glad to see SGA tackling an issue that really matters.

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A "lack-of-professionalism" dart to the brothers of Delta Sigma Pi for presenting a speaker with a certificate of thanks with only their organization's name on it.

Sent in by the rest of the professional business fraternity council, who helped co-sponsor the speaker and deserved some of the credit.

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A "you're-great" pat to the cute teacher's assistant who makes my SCOM 121 class worthwhile.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

SGA addresses GenEd. program, should help raise student awareness, voice concern about new requirements

To the Editor:

It is refreshing to see the Student Government Association actually showing concern about JMU's new General Education program in passing a bill proposing to remodel the program. However, I'm frustrated they've taken so long to do so. Numerous students I've talked to have little idea of what the new GenEd. program entails, who created it and why it's bad for JMU.

Perhaps the administration is not properly informing the students of all of GenEd.'s shortfalls out of fear for the program's rejection. After all, only 18.6 percent of the faculty are supporting the new GenEd. courses, according to the Aug. 28 issue of *The Breeze*.



First of all, what are the new GenEd. standards and do they reflect our desire that JMU be the leader among public universities? For example, the program's basic premise is that if you study communication, you should have some kind of communication thread that runs through all of your courses.

In other words, forget U.S. history — forget Cicero and his warning that those who do not study history are doomed to repeat it. Literature? Sorry, studying some of our greatest literary classics is avoidable for some students under the new GenEd. program.

Since Latin was dropped last spring, it seems our administrators have little desire to see JMU continue to provide a well-rounded liberal arts education. It's hard to believe this dumbing down of our education requirements is going to propel JMU to become the top public university in the nation. Don't be surprised if our *U.S. News and World Report* rankings start taking a nosedive in the immediate future.

Surely our school cannot be a leader when a student can graduate from a school named after one of our founding fathers and not even know who Madison was or what he did for our nation.

Who created the new GenEd. standards? Supposedly, they were created with input from the faculty, student body and administration. One only has to witness the steep opposition from the Faculty Senate to realize their suggestions were rejected. In the College of Science and Mathematics, only four faculty members voted GenEd. as superior to the previous standards, according to the Aug. 28 issue of *The Breeze*.

No students, as far as I know, were ever given the opportunity to provide input on the new curriculum. The administration has yet to say who is the most responsible for the forced reduction in standards we call GenEd. Is it JMU President Ronald Carrier, or maybe Executive

Director of International Education Bethany Oberst?

I hope all students who care about the value of their JMU degrees will take a serious look at a GenEd. curriculum that has been virtually dictated to the faculty and student body by an administration that has provided little information on the program's nature or intent.

I encourage *The Breeze* to provide a voice for those in the faculty and student body who are so against a reduction in standards.

Unfortunately, given the way the administration has dealt with opposition in the past, the administration will probably ignore the students and SGA rather than admit they have erred. After all, they have already ignored the faculty. Let's hope SGA will fight for students' concerns.

Jason Redding
senior
management

Modern concepts of race based on myths; ethnic, cultural heritage is more important than labels

To the Editor:

Amidst a swarm of editorials dealing with police-student relations, I'd like to address another important issue on our campus and in the larger community.

Last month the American Anthropological Association issued a report requesting the federal government cease its practice of collecting statistics based on race, according to an article in the Sept. 19 issue of *The Chronicle of Higher Education*. Finally, a step in the right direction! Our country is so obsessed with race and how to classify different races that we don't stop to question the meaning or origins of this peculiar concept.

The concept of race we employ today is nothing short of myths predicated on beliefs such as Caucasians are descendants of people who lived in the Caucasus Mountains and boasted the world's most perfect skulls, the article stated. It seems incredibly silly for us to remain loyal to a classification system that stems from this kind of reasoning.

Ethnic and cultural heritage — not race — is what we should keep track of for the U.S. Census and other records. Race only clouds the issue and convinces people there are different types of people with differing biological compositions.

In reality, however, human is the only type of person — that's what we all are. I'm not arguing we should not acknowledge our differences; indeed, we are all different. But these differences have nothing to do with an individual's race.

A few months ago the Clinton Administration began an "Initiative on Race" and announced a campaign for racial reconciliation. Along with this there has been talk of a national apology for slavery or reparations for the descendants of slaves. It is true that these topics reflect real problems, but until we discard the concept of race itself, our country will not find real solutions.

Jay Meyer
senior
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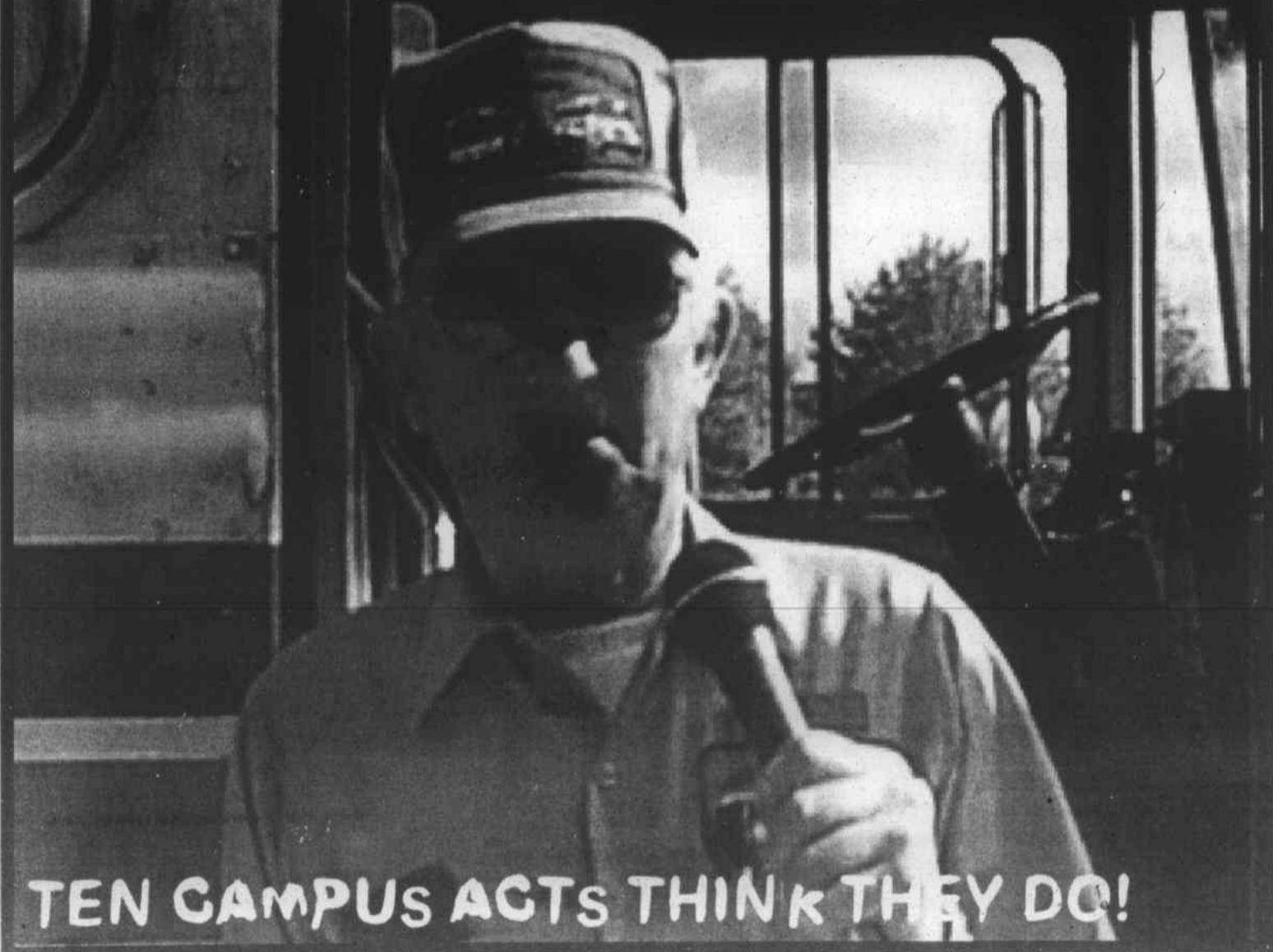
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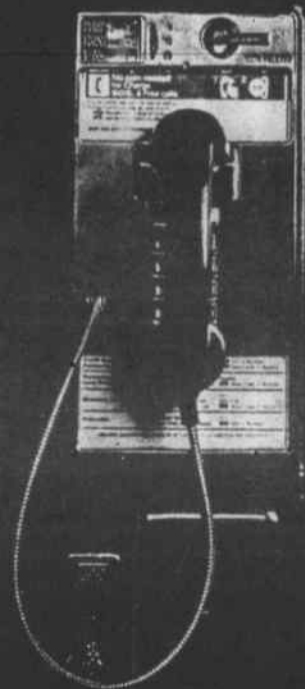
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Every summer, U.S. News and World Report and other publications pass judgment on what colleges are worth. But for a growing number of educators, the college-value rankings just don't add up.

By JULIAN WALKER and CHRIS KLIMEK

It's almost expected now. Every year for the past several years, JMU has garnered some seemingly prestigious awards or accolades ranking it nationally as an institution.

JMU's most recent achievements include a first-place ranking among public universities in the South for academic quality and a third-place ranking overall in the region for academic quality in *U.S. News & World Report*. *Money* magazine voted JMU 19th overall and sixth in the Mid-Atlantic region for best value for the education dollar. And *Yahoo! Internet Life* magazine ranked JMU 76th among one of "America's 100 Most Wired Colleges," evaluating campuses' internet access.

These achievements are music to administrators' ears, but what do they mean, exactly? How valid are these rankings? Who decides them, and on what criteria?

A story by Stephen Glass in the Oct. 16 issue of *Rolling Stone* reveals a growing distaste on the part of Higher Education for the *U.S. News* rankings. Since the magazine began publishing an annual college issue in 1983, Glass reports the college guide has become their hottest seller every year. With a circulation of over two mil-

lion, the annual college issue is now known as the Swimsuit Issue around the *U.S. News* office.

But admissions officers all over the country detest what they see as the overwhelming influence of the *U.S. News* rankings, and according to the *Rolling Stone* story, many of them now fiddle with or even lie outright in the data they supply *U.S. News*.

Boston University, for example, was caught including the math scores but not the lower verbal scores of its foreign students when calculating its average SAT scores for *U.S. News*.

While Al Sanoff, the *U.S. News* editor who supervises the rankings, claims the magazine is now taking steps to verify the numbers it receives, admissions officials still have little reason to be truthful beyond their own consciences.

As one anonymous admission official for an anonymous mid-Atlantic college asks Glass in the story, "Hell, what's the worst that can happen? They make me send them the right data?" The man justifies his statistical tinkering by saying the president of his college will fire him if the school drops in the rankings.

As further evidence, the story relates the sad tale of Reed College, a Portland,



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Ore., liberal-arts institution that is, by all other accounts, a first-rate small, private college. Because Reed President Steven Koblik in 1995 refused to cooperate with *U.S. News* by sending the data the magazine requested, *U.S. News*' editors punished Reed, ranking it near the bottom. Sanoff is quoted in the *Rolling Stone* article in a not-quite penitent frame of mind about the Reed debacle: "Let's just say we did not handle it the right way," he says.

According to Fred Hilton, director of media relations for JMU, there are many surveys that rank schools on a variety of categories.

"The rankings that are the most objec-

tive and have the most credence basically take into account various statistics including quality of students, which are based on standardized test scores and faculty," Hilton says.

The Sept. 1 issue of *U.S. News & World Report*, which ranks American institutes of higher learning and breaks them up into regional brackets, includes a two-page explanation of the tabulation process and the steps it encompasses.

Academic reputation counts for 25 percent of a college or university's *U.S. News* score. The only subjective part of the survey, a school's reputation score is based on a survey sent to the president, the provost and the dean of admissions at each institution (62 percent of those colleges and uni-

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MO' MONEY: A college or university's financial resources account for 10 percent of its *U.S. News* score. Within that category, educational spending makes up 80 percent of the rating, while other expenditures, such as the \$18.2 million UREC facility (above left) or the Bowman Lake fountain (right), count for 20 percent.

universities surveyed this year responded to the survey).

Retention makes up 20 percent of a school's score. The two components of this category are graduation rate and freshman retention rate. Faculty resources figures in at 20 percent of the total equation. This category includes class size, faculty salaries and degrees, student-to-faculty ratio and the percentage of faculty who are full-time. Student selectivity — based on test scores, class standings, acceptance rate and how many actually attend — accounts for 15 percent.

Ten percent of the score comes from a school's financial resources, split 80/20 between educational and other expenditures.

vey. It's the one I put the most faith in. But there are also many outstanding schools not listed in any of the rankings."

The *Yahoo! Internet Life* survey features some of the same categories as the *U.S. News*, such as retention rate and faculty resources, while adding a few of their own including library resources and advanced studies.

Hilton says JMU is proud to be mentioned in these surveys among the premier schools in the nation.

"JMU is mentioned so frequently, we must be doing something right," he says.

"However, we don't actively seek to be in the polls, we just try to develop the best for students and faculty."

Hilton says the ultimate determining factor in choosing a school is up to the individual.

"There is a tendency to place too much emphasis on surveys," Hilton says, "The best college for the student should be determined by the student, not by the ranking."

Esteemed educators agree. But with *Time*, *Newsweek*, *Money* and *Business Week* now publishing their own college guides, apparently the college-rankings game is a growth industry. Even worse, application

figures at almost all colleges and universities are increasingly corresponding to how well a school is ranked in a given year. According to *Glass' Rolling Stone* article, Yale expects its applicant pool to be about five percent smaller next year, thanks to its precipitous fall from No. 1 to No. 3, (behind the tied-in-first place Princeton and Harvard universities), in this year's *U.S. News* list.

But however inherently misguided the system may be, the *U.S. News* and other guides remain the only resources for high school seniors that put so much data in one place. Thus, the college rankings racket can only continue.

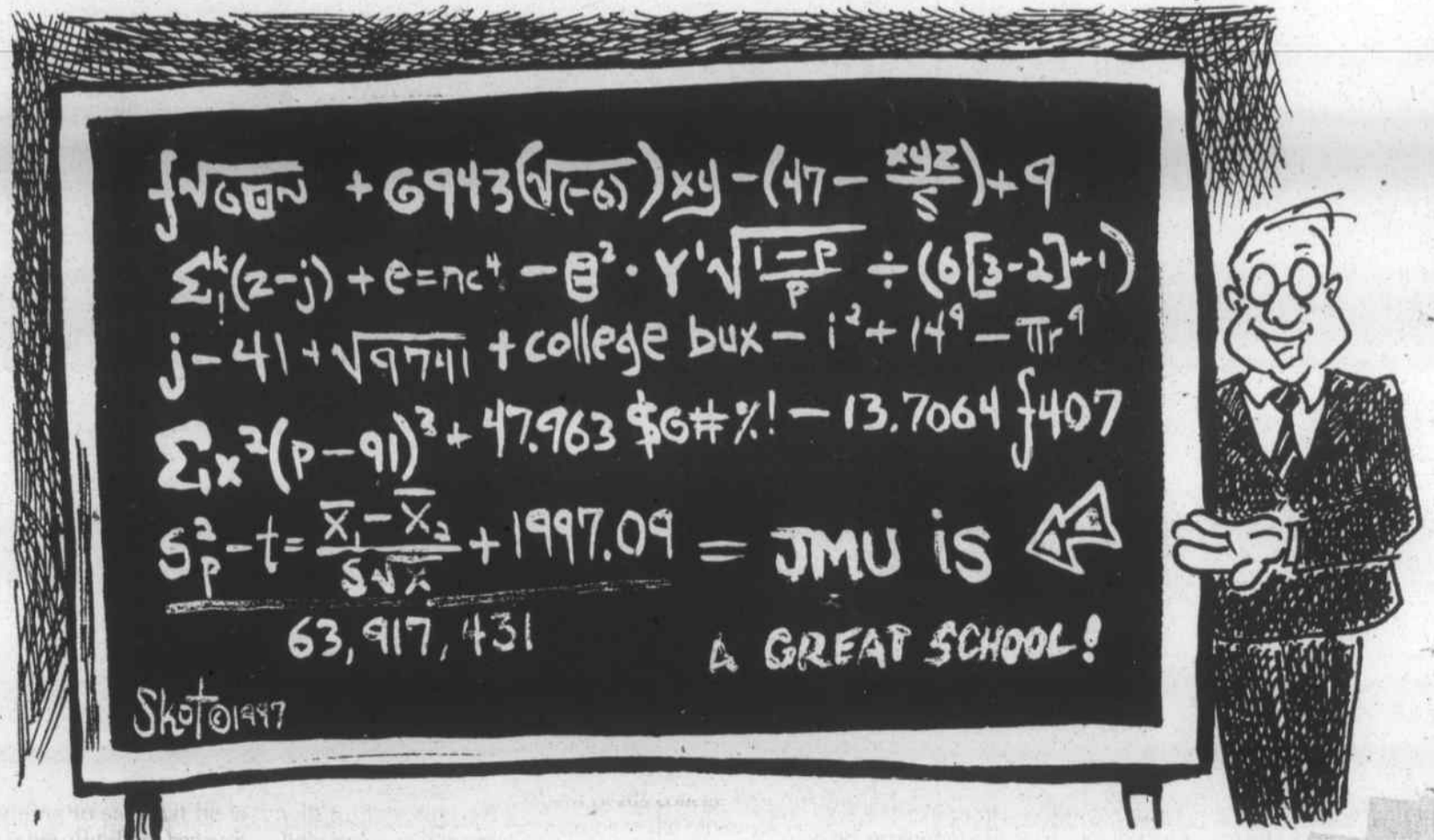
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Fred Hilton
JMU director of media relations

The final two categories, accounting for five percent each, are value added and alumni giving rate. Value added compares a school's predicted graduation rate with its actual rate and assigns a percentage-based score. Alumni giving rate measures the average percentage of undergraduate alumni who gave to their school in the two years prior to the survey.

Hilton is skeptical of some rankings and warns against putting too much stock in them.

"Frankly, there are a lot of rankings that are done and deserve criticism," he says. "*U.S. News & World Report* is the oldest and is clearly the one to check. They devote a lot of time working on the sur-



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STYLE

Artful Cillia brings laughs to Dodger

by Brian Minter
senior writer

"Jesus! You're the biggest noo-noo bird I've ever seen!" Steve Gilman said to Christian Perritt. Perritt, clad in a blue feather boa and clutching an imaginary pistol, threatened Gilman's wildlife preserve with the steely-eyed menace of a born killer.

REVIEW

Gilman and Perritt are veteran members of Cillia, a 13-year-old improvisational comedy group that performed Thursday night at The Artful Dodger, downtown Harrisonburg's hip, happenin' coffee shop. The scene ended with the horribly violent death of Gilman, who got right back up to a chorus of laughter and applause.

The show was supposed to start at 8 p.m. Every seat was taken by 7:30 p.m., and all the spaces in between were full by 7:45 p.m. By the time Cillia was ready to perform, people were being turned away at the door.

"It was definitely one of the biggest crowds we've had since I've been in the group," said Cillia member Rohit Setty. "It was great

having that many people turn out."

The 11-member group started off with a "slide show" of their summer vacation. By the time it ended, the entire audience was laughing. Not just tittering or chortling, but serious, full-blown, danger of pants-wetting laughter. This reporter was sitting with his friend, a senior ISAT major, and thus a rational, serious-minded person not prone to undignified behavior, and he was making all kinds of crazy noises and holding his chair with both hands.

Cillia did about 10 improv games. Audience members called out emotions ("Lust!"), locations ("A middle school dance!"), and various verbs and nouns ("Cheese log!"), and the members of Cillia incorporated them into different scenes based around scenarios such as a night school on the first day of class or a town meeting. Gunfire and violent death seemed to work their way into a majority of the scenes. Tragedy is funny, appar-

ently.

Unlike many improv groups, Gilman, the group leader, pointed out that Cillia uses no safety nets, so to speak. Everything is improvised on the spot, and if someone makes a mistake, then someone makes a mistake.



Cillia co-director Steve Gillman plays "Father Flannaghan."



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Cillia members Derek Leonidoff (upper left corner) Rohit Setty (center) and Meredith Bragg (hands held like a pistol) get wacky at the Artful Dodger Thursday night.

Some jokes fail, of course, and some mistakes happen, but with the audience being so close to the performers both physically and mentally, mistakes are forgotten as soon as the next line is spoken. This is thanks in part to the intimacy of the setting, but also due to the speed with which the scenes advance.

The members of Cillia (including three members who were making their debut performance) were pleased with the evening and surprised by the size of the crowd.

"It was great," said veteran member Perritt. "I don't think we could have asked for a better first show for our new people."

Perritt said Friday's show was the biggest crowd they have ever

drawn at the Artful Dodger. Although the coffee shop turned out to be too small for the crowd, Perritt said that the group liked performing there for the intimate atmosphere.

The only hint of trouble came early in the evening, when a camera crew from PBS flashed extremely bright lights on the audience and performers. The crew, who was making a documentary on improv groups, had set up lights and a camera in the crowded coffee shop to film the show. When the people in the crowd started to blink and squint, Gilman asked the crew to please turn the lights off. After this, the crew left.

"The people who matter most are the audience," Gilman

shrugged. "It would have been nice to have been filmed, but..."

Opening the show was the all-male student capella group The Madison Project. The 15-member group performed seven songs ranging from "Yesterday" to that awful "oh, what a night" song, including a bizarre, yet surprisingly pleasant version of "Lady In Red." The Madison Project was well-received, and they seemed to be in good spirits as they performed, joking with the crowd and plugging their next performance with a heart-warming combination of shamelessness and good humor.

Cillia performs regularly in JMU and Harrisonburg. Their next show is Oct. 15th at the Valley Playhouse at 107 East Water Street.

For those about to rock — we tutor you

Commentary by Chris Klimek
senior writer

Bless me, Father, for I have sinned, and my confession is this: I have never paid as much attention as I should to the local band scene. As a writer for *The Breeze* Style section, and therefore a culture steward to JMU, I can hardly justify my neglect of such a vital part of campus' artistic life.

But I think I've finally figured out what has led me to condemn scores of would-be rockers before I've heard them play a note. In a way, it's a problem of poor advertising, but more than that, it's a problem of identity. Simply put, if you want to rock, you need more than just and handful of iffy Pearl Jam covers and a bad haircut. You need a kick-ass name for your band.

Forget the music, already. Think about what really matters in the post-Beavis era.

Image? Drink a Sprite, pal; image is passé. That group Bush spent millions to make a video where a black-hooded SWAT team chases their singer through an abandoned tenement building (perhaps he had an open container of Bud Ice). Do you think this fatuous display convinced anyone of anything other than the group's continuing adolescence?

Well, you're probably right, but the point is, even if Bush didn't suck goat cheese, they would still be called Bush. A rose might smell as sweet by any other name, but no group with serious aspirations should underestimate the value of a cool coupling of words to silkscreen onto T-shirts.

The single-monosyllabic-word title may indeed be a virtual badge of vacuousness for bands. Witness Live, ponder the potential of a band called Pulp and ignore completely Prong, for God's sake. But the monosyllabic name is not the

most serious threat to coolness that '90s rock groups face. The real danger is in the cheeky, flippant band name; the sort of post-modern distancing-device which seems to suggest the group members believe the very act of rocking out is below them. These bands seem to think of rock as nothing more than a campy, post-modern nostalgia trip, like "Star Wars" lunch boxes or "The Brady Bunch." Pay attention, Superchunk, Puddleduck, Box Turtle and the Presidents of the United States of America. I'm talking to you.

So how then, you ask, does one go about selecting a name that is at once dignified and yet still dirty? There is no universal answer, Grasshopper, but by observing a few simple guidelines you can avoid having to stencil The Hapless Chumps on the front of your kick drum, or if you don't have one, your drummer's forehead.

Number One: Ambiguity helps.

Names like The Police, The Velvet Underground and The Who sow confusion among fans and radio programmers alike, and thus, are not easily forgotten.

Number Two: Drug references don't help. I've never heard a song by Junksick Morning, but the sheer nihilism of the name is enough to send anybody running out to buy a used copy of the last album by DJ Jazzy Jeff and the Fresh Prince.

Number Three, and this one is the most important: Be arrogant and grandiloquent. The name The Rolling Stones suggests a sweep and majesty that anybody who calls their group Hole or Elastica clearly doesn't aspire to reach.

Instinct is the key. A good rock band name, like good rock music, must engage your hips, your gut, your heart and your head — in roughly that order of importance. It's not just the music that separates The Monkees from The Sex Pistols.



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Dances of peace and faith

by Ann Keast
contributing writer

Tomorrow evening, music, pounding feet and laughter will fill Godwin Hall Room 356 as JMU's Folk Dance Ensemble and Interfaith Campus Ministries present an evening of dance and spirituality.

As a celebration of Religious Emphasis Week, the Folk Dance Ensemble performs and teaches a smorgasbord of dances from Germany, Russia, Africa, Israel, China and other countries.

"Hora Or," is one of the works featured. "The Hora is something that just springs up, like at the end of a celebration or the Olympics," said Earlynn Miller, professor of dance and director of the Folk Dance Ensemble.

"You look down [from a balcony], and they're all dancing the Hora," she said. "It came from Romania and when I think of Romania, I think of running and this is a running dance. It is so ingrained in Israeli culture because it's almost like it was their national dance."

The Social Dance Evening is part of "Religious Emphasis Week," which started yesterday and runs until Thursday. Event co-sponsors, ICM, designed the Social Dance Evening and other events this week

in the hope of helping students become more connected with their spirituality.

"We are hoping to show the JMU Community that religion goes far beyond the four walls of a church, synagogue or temple," said Rick Hill, Presbyterian Campus Minister and Coordinator for ICM. "Religion is an expression of our spirituality, a yearning for connection with

our creator and one another.

"Dance helps us get in touch with our inner being, but also reaches out to touch others' inner beings," he said. "Through folk dance, we create community. We create an energy that is lively and hopeful."

Katie Thomas, a long time member and the acting president of the Folk Dance Ensemble, encourages students to come for a simpler reason: "to get the chance to see and

learn dances from around the globe, to have a reason to procrastinate studying and just to have a good time," she said.

The Social Dance Evening is 9 to 11 p.m. Tuesday and is free and open to students and the Harrisonburg community. It is recommended that participants come in comfortable attire and athletic shoes. For more information, call x6511.

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SPORTS

Wildcats prove too much for the Dukes

Finneran's four touchdowns, Villanova's explosive offense flattens JMU, 49-17

by Steven M. Trout
sports editor

There's Montana and Rice, Marino and Clayton, and Bradshaw and Swann. As for quarterback/receiver connections, those three are the cream of the crop. Now, one more can be added: Villanova duo Chris Boden and Brian Finneran.

The two Wildcats almost single-handedly beat No. 23 JMU, hooking up for four touchdowns during Saturday's drubbing of the Dukes, 49-17.

"We got our ass kicked [on the defensive side of the ball]," JMU senior linebacker Marcus Ordonez said, "Hands down, you look at the scoreboard — you look at anything — we just got beat on."

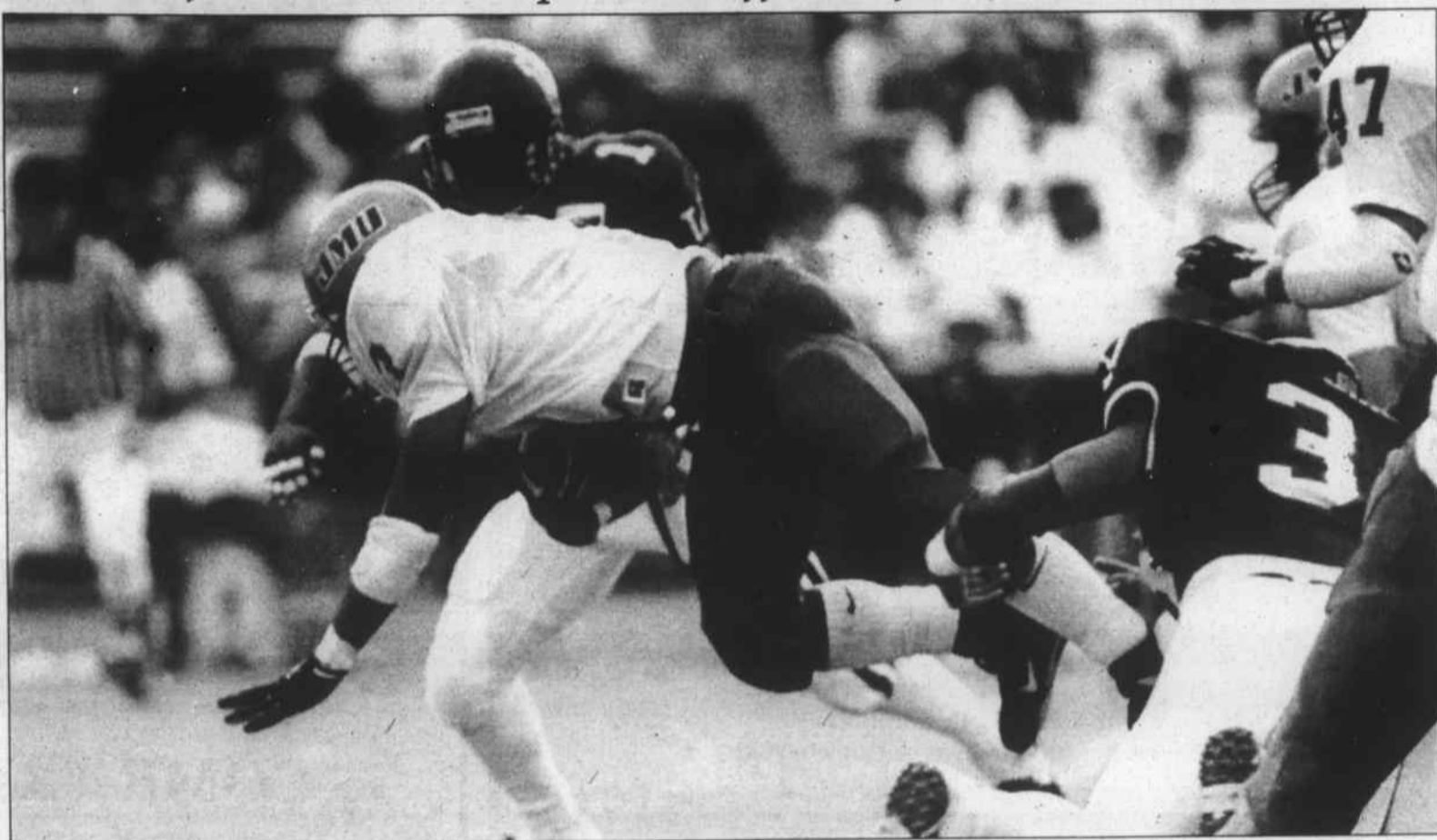
The fourth-ranked Wildcats racked up 464 yards of total offense and never quite let the Dukes into the game. Led by Boden's five-touchdown performance, Villanova seemed to pick apart the Dukes' secondary with ease.

JMU senior defensive end Jonathan Dean said, "The timing routes were killing us. [Boden's] a good quarterback. He had the timing down and [the receivers] were open."

Boden, especially, looked to senior All-American wide receiver Brian Finneran for the crucial plays.

Red-shirt junior safety Tony Booth said, "We came out, and we knew [Villanova's Finneran] was their 'go-to' guy. They had two other good receivers, but the smart thing to do is to try to eliminate them from going to their 'go-to' guy. Unfortunately, they do have other receivers and it showed today."

Finneran, a 6-foot-5 standout, ranked second in the Atlantic 10 (going into Saturday's game) averaging 113 yards per



STEVEN M. TROUT/senior photographer

Red-shirt freshman running back Delvin Joyce goes airborne during one of his 17 carries. Joyce rushed for 103 yards in the Dukes' 49-17 loss to Villanova University. JMU will travel to the College of William & Mary to face the Tribe Saturday at 1 p.m.

game. He caught eight passes Saturday, averaging 18 yards per reception despite finding himself double and triple-covered most of the day. His performance placed him in the Villanova record books as the university's leader in total receptions (192) and receiving yards (2,965).

JMU coach Alex Wood said, "I'm not worried about [Finneran] anymore because we don't have to play them anymore. We just tried to do the things that we do. Anyway, he's a good player, and he had a good day today."

Defensively, JMU was under attack from Boden's passes all day. Despite throwing considerable pressure on the Wildcat quarterback in the first quarter, Boden was still able to complete his throws. His 23-for-30 performance netted five touchdowns and one interception — his first pick of the 1997 season.

"We got to Boden a couple times pretty good," Wood said of the Dukes' defensive pressure. "We got after him more than anybody else has, that's for sure. It just wasn't quite good enough today."

Offensively, the Dukes put up respectable numbers, amassing 305 total yards and nearly splitting the

time of possession with the Wildcats. Red-shirt sophomore quarterback Greg Maddox went 13-for-32 for 156 yards and two touchdowns, but it was the squad's inability to capitalize that preempted the loss.

"We're young and we knew we were going to be hurting," Wood said. "We won three [games], and that was a good feeling, but it just wasn't our day today. We weren't able to punch it in."

At the game's onset, it looked as if the Dukes would go right at the Wildcats. After receiving the opening kickoff, JMU began its attack on the Villanova defense. On the second play from scrimmage, red-shirt freshman running back Delvin Joyce took an option toss from Maddox and galloped 62 yards down to the Villanova 20-yard line. Joyce, however, fumbled the ball and — symbolic of JMU's day — Villanova recovered, squelching the Dukes' scoring drive.

Joyce carried the ball 17 times for a total of 103 yards. It was the first time this season Joyce has surpassed the 100-yard mark.

Perhaps one of the other few bright spots of the day was the performance of senior punter/place-kicker Nelson Garner. Garner put the Dukes on the board for the first time with a booming 48-yard field goal.

He continued to amaze the away crowds with his towering punts. He averaged 48.7 yards per punt and in the second quarter booted a 62-yarder.

Garner and the Dukes must now move on. Saturday's loss was JMU's first in the Atlantic 10 and the first to a Division I-AA opponent.

"It was frustrating," Booth said. "We just played the fourth ranked team in the

country. They're an experience team, and they were good. But we have six more weeks to play, and we have to bounce back from it."

Wood said, "We have to go back and regroup and reassess how talented we actually are and try to take advantage of our talent as much as we can. We've got a long season. Our day will come. We'll be back."

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Nelson Garner

Six punts
Avg: 48.7 yds.
Longest punt: 62 yards
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Garner proved to be a bright spot in an otherwise forgettable game for the Dukes.

In the first quarter, he fired a career-best 48-yard field goal to put the JMU on the board for the first time.

But his most impressive performance came when he was punting.

He booted six punts for an average of 48.7 yards per punt. In the second quarter, Garner was deep in JMU territory and launched a 62-yard bomb, sticking the Wildcats with poor field position.

Garner, a senior, is second in the Atlantic 10 in punting average and is ranked among the top in the nation, as well.



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Senior defensive end Jonathan Dean wears the face of defeat along the sidelines of Saturday's loss.

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Field hockey continues its roll with 5-0 shutout

by Nick Langridge
contributing writer

The No. 6 JMU field hockey team raced past the No. 8 University of New Hampshire Wildcats in a 5-0 victory yesterday at Bridgeforth Stadium, improving the Dukes' record to 10-2.

It was the first time JMU has ever defeated New Hampshire after losing in two previous meetings. Coach Christy Morgan said, "We've had positive preparation in order to compete against the best. Today it felt good to pull it all together and get a top-10 victory."

A well-rounded offensive attack wore down the Wildcat defense with 29 shots on goal and five different players scoring. After 15 minutes of strong defense on both sides, JMU sophomore standout forward Julie Martinez began the scoring onslaught by slipping the ball past the Wildcat goalie to give JMU an early 1-0 lead. Martinez leads the team in scoring with 11 goals this season.

"As forwards, we use speed and constant movement to our advantage, while working to create plays off of each other," Martinez said about the Dukes' offense.

The second goal came on the successful execution off a penalty corner with for-

ward Dianne Cegielski assisting Katrina Hunter on the shot.

Second half action continued with JMU controlling the ball by anticipating New Hampshire's every move. Sweeper Kristen Manson said, "We focus on being alert and aware. That way we can stay one step ahead of our opponents."

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Kristen Manson
JMU field hockey sweeper

After two saves by Wildcat freshman goalie Amy Agulay, JMU's Julie Weiss drove one by Agulay to extend the lead to 3-0.

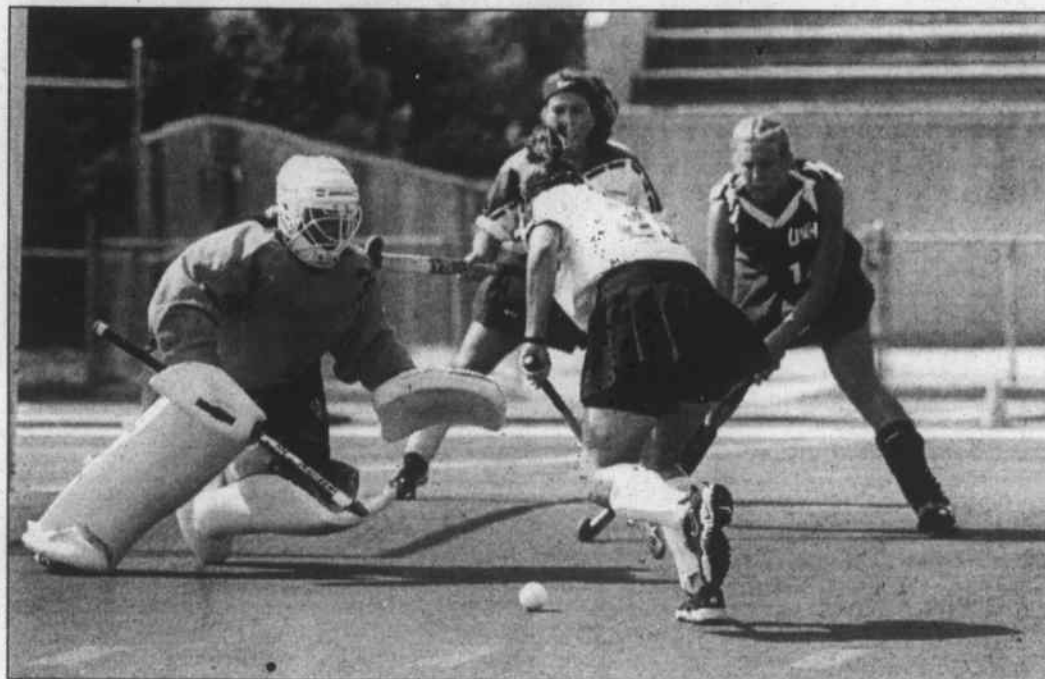
Then it was time for the freshmen Amanda Latz and Liz Sanders, to make their contributions.

Latz, a goalie, came off the bench to block two penalty corners and make an impressive penalty-stroke save midway through the second half.

After receiving a pass from junior captain Tara Nappi, Sanders found an opening in the top corner of the goal on a shot from the left corner and scored her third goal in the past two games.

The final goal came when Nappi shot through a crowd of defenders and scored with Sara Perilla recording the assist.

Senior goalie Tara Perilla and Latz combined for seven saves in the shutout. In the past two games, the Dukes have outscored their opponents 16-0.



DYLAN BOUCHERLE/staff photographer

Sophomore forward Julie Martinez spears through the New Hampshire defense during the Dukes' 5-0 victory. Martinez leads JMU in scoring with 11 goals in 1997.

Friday, JMU whipped St. Joseph's University, 11-0, giving the JMU goalies two consecutive shutout victories.

The key to the Dukes' success is in their quality of depth, conditioning and awareness on the field, according to junior Nicole Gaudette.

"We have a lot of depth while playing competitively. No matter who we sub in, our level of play remains the same," Gaudette said.

On the hot AstroTurf field it was evi-

dent the Dukes had superior conditioning as they outlasted the Wildcats.

Coach Morgan said, "Conditioning is something we can control. There is no excuse not to be fit."

With the success they have had thus far, the squad has its eyes set on a possible NCAA Championship.

Senior Holly Garriott, a member of the 1994 championship team, said "We focus on one game at a time. The ultimate goal being to become NCAA Champions."

Nelson Garners attention with record-breaking kicks

Senior punter/place-kicker attracts professional scouts with his powerful leg

by Jason McIntyre
contributing writer

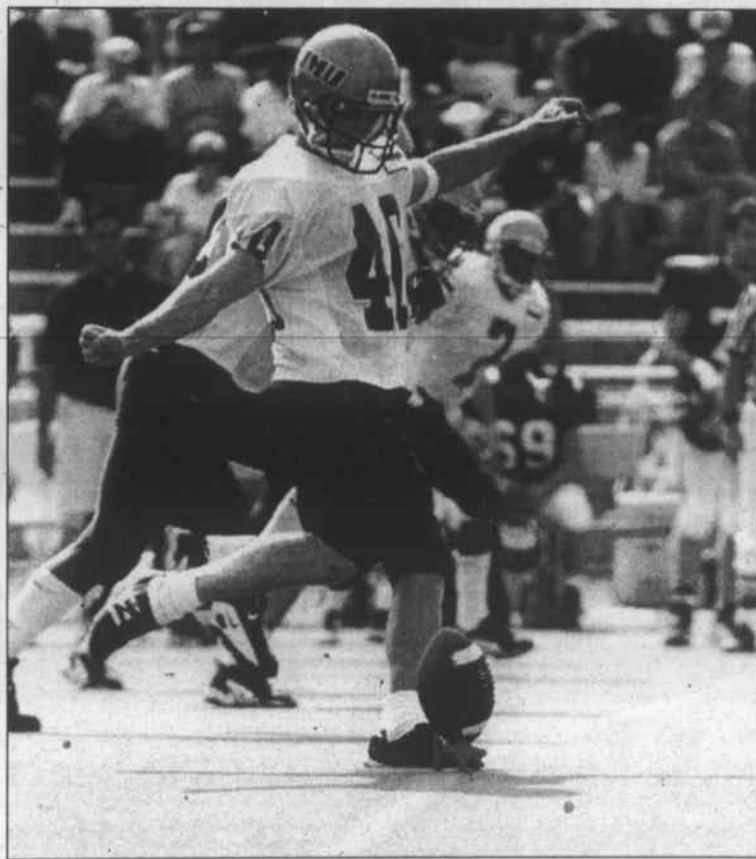
When most people think of football, they think of hard-hitting action or a superstar quarterback hitting his favorite receiver in the back of the end zone. Seldom, however, do they think of the player who appears only a handful of times during the game or sometimes never at all: the punter.

The punter is a crucial member of a squad's special teams. And for the JMU football team, the punter means a whole lot more.

"[Garner] really has done a lot for this team," JMU special teams coach Tom Everson said of the Dukes' standout punter Nelson Garner. "It is not often that you see the combination of his leg power and great hang time."

Field position is one of the many keys to winning a football game. And Garner has made it a habit of pinning opponents deep in their own territory. He has combined excellent hang time with unlimited range en route to averaging 44.7 yards per punt, which ranks him among the top 10 punters in the nation.

"He is just a great athlete," Everson said. "He is one of the hardest workers in practice and conditions himself great in the off season. I am willing to say that he is one of the fastest punters out there because I've seen him run a 4.6 [second] 40 [-yard



STEVEN M. TROUT/senior photographer

Garner kicks off in Saturday's game at Villanova University. He booted a career-best 48-yard field goal in the loss.

dash]. Garner, a senior, has doubled up his duties this year, taking over the place kicking responsibilities as well.

He said, "Kicking has been up and down this year. I've struggled a little bit and missed a few, but hopefully things will turn around. I'll just have to work a little more on it in practice."

Garner is six-for-10 on field goal

attempts, and eight-for-ten on extra points so far this season.

While Garner is relatively new to the kicking game, punting has been his forte since high school. In Burlington, N.C., Garner played varsity football for four years, and began punting full-time his junior year. He also played varsity soccer for four years, starting in the midfield.

"On my initial visit to JMU, I was talking to the soccer coach, and I was thinking of playing soccer here," Garner said. "But things didn't work out; I decided to play football."

The Dukes couldn't have been luckier. Garner was named to the third team all-conference as a punter in 1995 and the second

team all-conference in 1996.

This year, Garner's astounding numbers have attracted National Football League scouts to most games. He is netting 41.8 yards per punt, which means return yards for opponents have been hard to come by. Of his 26 punts, 12 times Garner has forced opponents to start inside their 20-yard line.

As of Saturday's game, Garner stood alone in second place in the Atlantic 10, averaging 44.1 yards per punt against conference opponents.

Against the University of Massachusetts in the third game of the season, Garner boomed a 63-yard punt and ended the game averaging 45.4 yards per kick.

Even more remarkable was Saturday's game at Villanova University. Garner booted six punts for an average of 48.7 yards per punt, including a 62-yard bomb in the second quarter.

Not surprisingly, Garner also became JMU's career punting leader with his 1997 performances.

"So far, my best college game would have to have been against Boston University in my sophomore year," Garner said. "I tied a stadium record with a 73-yard punt, and ran a fake punt for a first down. And we won the game late in the fourth quarter. It was a great game."

Garner's favorite NFL team is the Carolina Panthers. His favorite player — kicker John Kasey.

"You've got to be partial to the home team," Garner said.

As a sports management major, Garner would like to stay in the field of athletics as an athletic administrator upon graduation next winter. And you can never rule out the chance of playing in the NFL.

"It would be an honor to be given a try-out for a job in the NFL," Garner said.

As for the NFL, no one really knows. But right now, Garner is a Duke and putting up phenomenal numbers as he punts his way into the Dukes' record books.

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Men's Soccer



Mike Brizendine

The men's soccer team snapped a two-game losing streak Saturday when they defeated UNC Wilmington 2-0.

Junior forward Mike Brizendine added to his leading goal total by scoring the first JMU goal and assisting on the second.

The Dukes, ranked 15th in this week's NSCAA/Umbro poll, raised their record to 8-2. The Dukes are 2-1 in the CAA.

UNC Wilmington played JMU close in a scoreless first half until junior midfielder Kevin Knight touched a pass to Brizendine with 24 minutes left in the game.

Brizendine gathered the pass and slipped a shot in the left corner past Seahawk goal-keeper Adrian Powell.

With 12 minutes remaining in the game, Brizendine faked Powell and then delivered a perfect ball to freshman forward Ivar Sigurjonsson who added the insurance goal for the Dukes.

JMU outshot the Seahawks 11-6, as Dukes goal-keeper Bill DuRoss was forced to make two saves.

The Dukes return to action Wednesday at 4 p.m., when the host the University of West Virginia.



Kevin Knight

Men's Golf

Senior Bryan Jackson led the Dukes to the Virginia Division I Intercollegiate Golf Championship Sept. 30 at the Stoney Creek course at Wintergreen.

The win was the Dukes' second state championship in three years but was Jackson's first individual collegiate tournament victory.

Jackson shot a 149 to take the medalist honors, but the Dukes cruised to the team title. JMU shot an overall score of 605, 10 strokes better than runner-up Liberty University. Beside Jackson, four JMU golfers finished in the top 10, including Steve Ligi, who finished fifth.

Cross Country

The JMU women's cross country team, ranked No. 8 nationally, finished second out of 27 teams in the Paul Short Invitational in Bethlehem, Pa.

Keisha Banks finished first with the meet's best time of 19:06. Banks had the fastest time out of 185 competitors. Christina Tamraele finished 12th for JMU, while Carin Ward placed 15th.

The men's team also had a successful finish, placing third out of 31 teams. Only No. 20 Michigan State and No. 7 N. C. State placed higher than the Dukes. Bucky Lassiter finished ninth with a time of 28:26.

Volleyball

The Dukes gained sole possession of first place in the Colonial Athletic Association Friday night when they narrowly defeated The College of William & Mary, 14-16, 15-9, 17-15, 11-15, 15-11.

JMU followed that performance with a resounding 15-7, 15-13, 15-8 shut-out of Virginia Commonwealth University.

The Dukes have now won four straight matches. Over 300 fans witnessed the epic struggle between JMU and the Tribe, a contest which lasted two hours and 39 minutes.

Sophomore Lindsay Collingwood led the Dukes with 29 kills and 33 digs, while junior Kari Kopnick set up a match high 71 assists.

The Dukes remain undefeated (4-0) in the CAA after their three-set drubbing of the Rams.

JMU recorded 42 kills and 30 digs in the victory. Once again, Collingwood led with 18 kills, while Kopnick led the Dukes by setting up 26 assists.

Beth Tyson led the Dukes by recording 8 digs while owning a .462 attack percentage.

The Dukes continue their conference schedule with a spate of four straight CAA matches.

The Dukes host East Carolina Friday at 7 p.m. and then UNC Wilmington Saturday. JMU follows that with three straight road games, including a match-up with perennial power with George Mason University.

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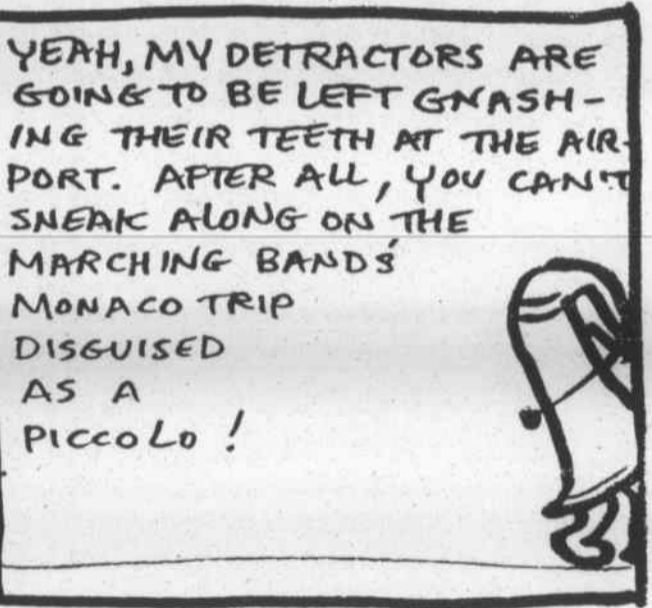
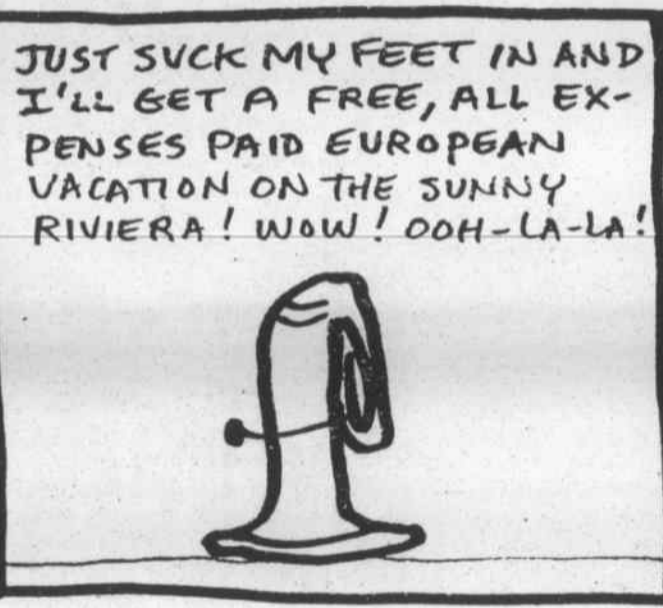
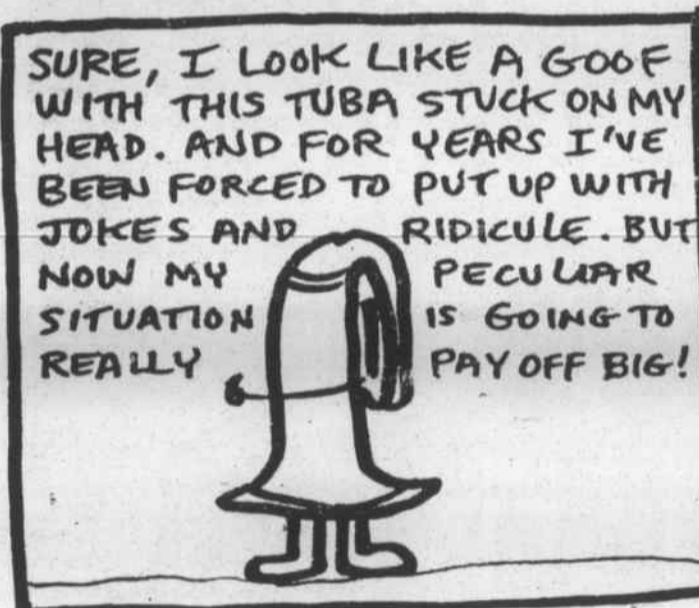
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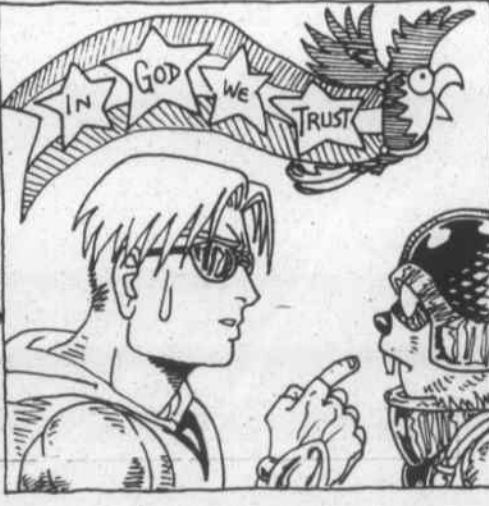
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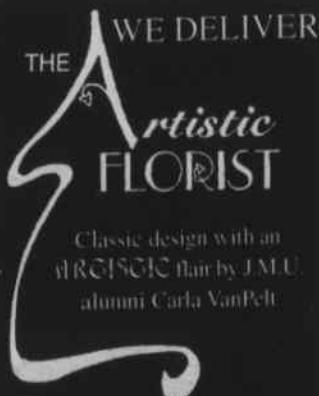
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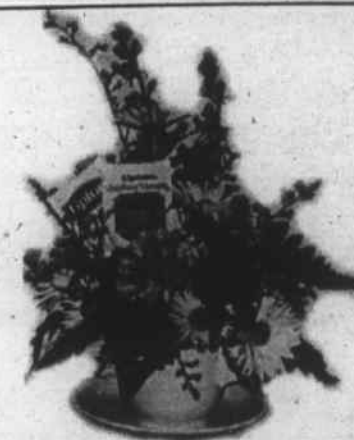
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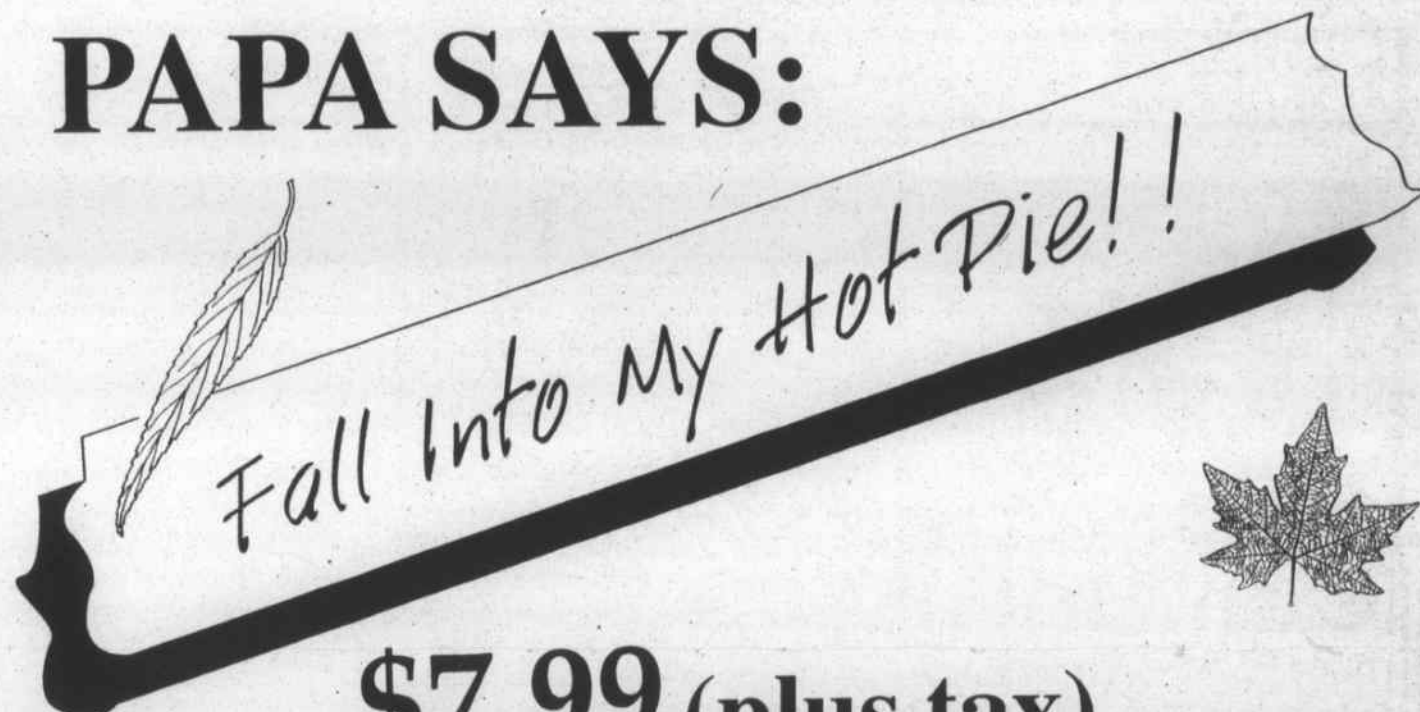
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