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Ugly mugs

Junior Jonathan Bernstein votes for the Ugliest Person on Campus Wednesday. Junior Cathy Pinkham (left) and sophomore Laura Solomon coordinate the voting.

Value of death penalty debated after execution

by Shauna Miller staff writer

The recent execution of a death-row inmate in Virginia has prompted a statewide debate over the effectiveness and humanity of taking a life for a life.

On Sept. 15 Willie Leroy Jones was executed at Greensville Correctional Center on a capital murder charge.

Jones, who was convicted for the 1983 killing of an elderly Charles City couple, became the 16th person to be executed in Virginia since the death penalty was reinstated. Virginia ranks fourth in the nation for the number of executions since the death penalty was reinstated in the state in 1976, according to the Virginia Coalition on Jails and Prisons.

Virginia State Sen. Ed Robb attended Jones' execution to research a planned bill that will include premeditated murder as a charge that can be

punished by death.

"I found that (Jones' execution) was very clinically and professionally done," he said. "It confirmed my [position] that it's the right thing to do to protect society."

Robb said that passing this bill will reduce the number of violent crimes. He said the idea for this bill came from similar laws in other states.

"California and other states now have capital punishment laws," Robb said. "Those laws have been ruled on by the U.S. Supreme Court.

"I'm not advocating mandatory death at all, but the juries should be able to decide," Robb said.

But Program Director for the Virginia Coalition on Jails and Prisons Mollie Cupp said that the the death penalty isn't a deterrent to murder.

"Virginia is increasing its use of the death penalty because we feel like we are solving the problem —

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JMU, Valley work to pass bond issue

by Kate McFadden

news editor

Civic, business and local education leaders met at Blue Ridge Community College yesterday to promote the upcoming bond referendum that could give JMU \$34 million for building projects.

If approved by Virginia voters Nov. 3, bond money will provide \$472 million for state colleges and universities, \$45 million for mental health facilities and \$95 million for state parks and recreation.

The Shenandoah Valley would get over \$49 million, including money for JMU's projects, renovations to the Frontier Museum of Virginia, and improvements at Western State Hospital.

The general obligation bond issue is a plan of debt financing in which Virginia borrows money at low interest rates to finance building projects. Taxpayers would pay the money back gradually.

Local businessman Zane Showker, chairman of the Central Shenandoah Valley for Progress Committee, said, "We're working to spread the word about the bond issues," he said to a crowd of about 50

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Sneakers and Shakespeare

Shenandoah Shakespeare Express goes on the road and abroad/12

Athletes do it on their own

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Women's soccer falls to Maryland

The women's soccer team dropped its record to 6-2-1 with a loss Tuesday to Maryland/19

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"Half a dozen meetings like this are taking place across the state—the intensification of interest and promotion of the bonds begins now."

If passed, the education bond issue would provide funding for a renovation of Carrier Library, renovations of Harrison Hall, a physical plant building, an electrical upgrade and the first building for the College of Integrated Science and Technology.

JMU President Ronald Carrier called the group to action, saying that financing the future of Virginia's children and businesses was as easy as checking "yes" on the November ballot.

"There is no question, if we don't pass this bond issue we're going to have some severe problems meeting the enrollment increases we expect to see by the year 2000," he said.

According to the 1990 U.S. Census, Virginia is the fifth fastest growing state in the country.

Carrier said the bond money would also help the state's economy.

"The bonds will jump start the economy. It will create jobs immediately," he said.

He said there are over 20,000 construction workers in Virginia who need jobs and that \$22 million in a projected state revenue increase will provide for even more jobs.

Fred Hilton, director of

communications for the JMU president's office, said, "None of these bond issues would create adverse effects for voters," he said.

According to Showker, if the bonds are passed they will not incur additional taxes, nor affect Virginia's Triple-A bond rating. The 1965 education bond issue in Virginia was paid off in 1985 and the 1978 bonds are expected to be paid off by 1997.

Showker said the last thing Virginia voters want is tax increases, and that alone is a good reason to support the bond referendum.

"There's no money left in Richmond and we don't want new taxes," he said. "The lottery money that had been originally allocated for education is being used to keep the state running. The bond issue is the practical way to go."

Carrier said that the bond issue is the first set of changes due for JMU and that the university is continuing to look for ways to fund curriculum development and increase faculty salaries.

The meeting yesterday was a kickoff of efforts across the state to promote the bond referendum before voters go to the polls.

Carrier said, "All we are saying with this bond issue is get us into a position where we have more opportunities than we have in the last few years of budget cuts to reflect our commitment to and our excitement about higher education, our mental institutions and our parks."



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Play time

Junior Spencer Burton (right) and junior Bill Turenne play Ultimate Frisbee Wednesday on the Quad.

Penalty.

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but we are not."

Other Virginians agree. From Nov. 5 - 7, Virginians against the death penalty will stage a protest march from Richmond to Washington D.C., according to Cupp.

JMU is divided over the issue

Dr. Timothy Carter, a JMU sociology professor who teaches criminology, agreed that the death penalty doesn't stop violent crime.

"If you perceive the purpose to be deterrence rather than retribution, there is very little empirical evidence to support that the death penalty has any deterrent affect," he said. Senior political science and sociology major Lauri Grooms said, "I don't think it is effective in preventing people from committing serious crimes."

Junior finance major Gregg Cash said that although he hopes life imprisonment will take the place of the death penalty, he doesn't think the death penalty will ever be abolished.

"I really don't see a purpose for the death penalty," he said. "I think it will always be around because there will always be people who will want someone to be executed for killing someone in their community."

Jennifer White, co-coordinator of JMU's chapter of the human rights group Amnesty International, sees public anxiety as a roadblock to that

punishment

"People okay the death penalty out of fear — not out of a belief in rehabilitation," she said.

"The international community really looks down on the United States," White said. "They wonder why the government says it's wrong to kill people but punishes others by killing them."

Marion Doss, an associate professor of political science, said sanctioning an irreversible punishment shouldn't be taken lightly.

"It's a complex issue," she said. "A person has to put it in the context of related issues such as war, euthanasia and abortion. When can the state or society make this kind of decision, and under what rules?"



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Campus

Class hears life of former street person

by Sharon LaRowe contributing writer

For a few freshman seminar students, homelessness had a face Tuesday when their professor brought in a special guest speaker to talk about her life on the streets.

To increase his students' understanding of the reality and pain of homelessness, Dr. Henry Myers, a history professor, brought in a friend of his who was once homeless, introduced simply as Peggy.

For two and a half years Peggy slept on the streets of Washington, D.C., and Frederick, Md. with strangers, in abandoned cars or anywhere else she could find. And even though she left that life a year ago, her 20-year-old-daughter is following in her footsteps, living and 'working the streets' in much the same way Peggy once did.

"People can go through normal lives," she said.
"Half my life has been kinda normal. Half my life [has] not."

Peggy was straightforward about her homeless experience. She lost her home about three years ago when she landed in jail because of a cocaine addiction.

"I didn't have a pair of underwear when I got out of jail," Peggy said.

Her life is filled with stories of drug addiction, prostitution and intense anger over the nonchalant attitude people have for the homeless.

"I remember being sick for . . . four days," she said. "I had a really high fever. It was sweltering hot outside and I got on the sidewalk where it was cool with a blanket. I was freezing and burning up and running water off of me and I laid there for four days in that same spot — and you know not one person came by and asked me was I okay — not one



VAHSHA HUNT/THE BREEZE

Peggy, a former homeless person, speaks to a freshmen class about her experiences.

person.

The guest speaker encouraged the class to go out to the "bad" sections of Harrisonburg, where the homeless live, and see for themselves what really goes on there.

"It's exciting. It's glamorous. It's deadly," Peggy said. "I should have been dead three or four times."

But she said she isn't living in the past and is trying to get on with her life.

"Hey, I'm not ashamed of what happened to me," she said. "I wouldn't trade what I experienced for anything. It's made me a better person."

Freshman English major Misty Watrous summed up the class' response to the guest speaker.

"I was glad that she was very candid about her story," Watrous said. "I could relate to her. I could look into her eyes and see that she had been through a lot of pain, and human experience is worth more than a book any day."

Peggy's life has taken a turn for the better, she said. Now away from the streets, she works as a barn manager at an area horse farm, breaking and training horses. But Peggy says she would never try to forget what she's gone through.

"You don't have no friends on the streets . . . Those damn people would cut their mother's throat for a hit or a dollar," she said.

Peggy wants other people to experience this harsh reality and is working with Myers on a book about her life.

She said the book will be based on her life, but will not be written as an autobiography. "If I wrote this book and called it an autobiography, I'd be dead next year. I know too much."

'Respect Week' speakers educate on rape legalities

by Kristen Purka contributing writer

From those who enforce the law to those who are protected by it, rape and its legal aspects were explained Tuesday night as a part of "It's a Matter of Respect" week.

Deputy Commonwealth's Attorney Christine Turner and Campus Police Officer Lee Shifflett discussed the legal aspects of rape with about 20 students Tuesday in the Warren Campus Center.

The week-long activities, sponsored by Zeta Tau Alpha and Citizens Against Sexual Assault, are aimed at creating campus-wide rape awareness, according to Pam Williams, service chairwoman for ZTA.

"The legal definition of rape, basically and generally, is nonconsensual sex with force," Turner

Virginia sentences are the same for date rape and stranger rape.

Christine Turner
Deputy Commonwealth
Attorney

said during Tuesday night's discussion. Shifflett then explained the procedures followed when campus police receive a call from a victim of rape.

Police first determine if immediate medical care is needed. Usually a female officer is sent to the victim to tend to any physical or emotional needs and to obtain further information before the victim is sent the the hospital.

"We ask exactly what happened," Shifflett said, and then police examine the crime scene to check for evidence.

Turner said when a victim is raped by an acquaintance it is classified as date rape. Stranger rape, or when the victim does not know the attacker, is less common on college campuses, she said.

Virginia sentences are the same for

date rape and stranger rape. But according to Turner, date rape is harder to prove in court than stranger rape.

"In Virginia, when someone is charged with a felony, which is what rape is, after they are arrested, they are entitled to a preliminary hearing... and at a preliminary hearing, the Commonwealth, the prosecution, has to put on enough evidence to convince the judge that it should go to the grand jury," she said.

"The penalty, if one is convicted of rape in the state of Virginia, is five years to life in the state penitentiary," Turner said.

She said sex offenders usually serve only a fifth or sixth of their sentences.



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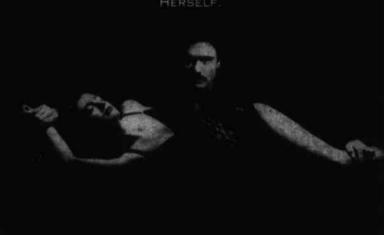
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by Jonathan Rhudy police reporter

Campus police reported the following:

Personal Abuse

 A reportedly intoxicated student was judicially charged with being abusive to cadets in the rear of the Sigma Nu fraternity house at 3 a.m.

The student reportedly left the scene prior to the police's arrival.

Trespassing Notice

A trespassing notice was served by Harrisonburg Police to a non-student, who reportedly trespassed in Shorts Hall at 5:05 p.m. Sept. 24.

The non-student reportedly demanded money from a student on an overdrawn check made out to J.M.'s Pub and Deli.

Suspicious Person

 A male reportedly was seen in the areas between Hillside and Wine-Price halls at 1:50 p.m. Sept. 25.

The suspect was described as an older white male wearing a hooded overcoat army-green

Police searched the area but did

not find the man.

Grand Larceny

A tote bag containing a pair of black wired-rimmed prescription glasses in a blue case and other personal items was reported stolen from the stacks in Carrier Library between 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sept.

The white bag with "Clark's Bookstore" printed on the side was reportedly left unattended.

The bag and personal items are valued at \$200.

Bookbags were reported stolen from unsecured lockers in the Music Building between 3 p.m. and 4:15 p.m. Sept. 28.

The bags reportedly contained credit cards, text books and other personal items.

Petty Larceny

· A validation sticker from a Florida license plate was reported stolen from a vehicle on Duke Drive East

Grand Larceny/Petty Larceny/

 Non-student Michael S. Garey, 20, of Swoope, was arrested and charged with grand larceny, petty larceny and trespassing at 2:34 a.m.

Garey allegedly is responsible for breaking into vehicles on campus and stealing car stereos and other material

Destruction Public Property/DIP

 Student James K. Helms, 19, of Media, Pa., was arrested and charged with destruction of public property and being drunk in public in front of the Alpha Kappa Lambda fraternity house at 2:37 a.m. Sept. 26.

Helms reportedly tore a radio antenna off the trunk lid of a police car. Then he reportedly fled on foot and fell causing facial injuries. The Harrisonburg Rescue Squad was requested for treatment.

Later Helms was released into police custody.

Destruction of Public Property

 A JMU light pole on Port Republic Road, south of the WVPT-TV station, was reported knocked down at 7:45 a.m. Sept. 26.

An unknown person reportedly kicked the B section entrance doors in Hanson Hall at 9:35 a.m. Sept. 26.

The glass broke in one of the

An unknown person reportedly

threw an object at a window of the building and grounds barn between 3 p.m. and 4:15 p.m. Sept. 28.

Destruction of Personal Property

 An unknown person reportedly broke the screen in a video game at the Sigma. Pi fraternity house between 11:45 p.m. Sept. 28 and 1 a.m. Sept. 29.

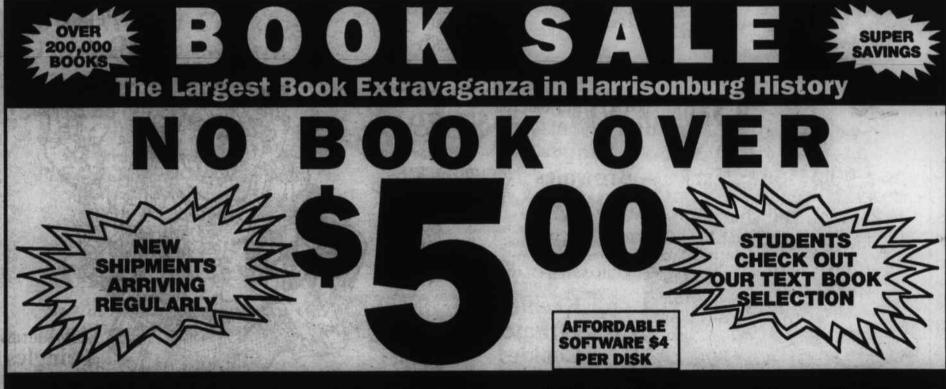
DUI

- · Student William C. Reynolds, 20, of Midlothian, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol on South Main Street in front of campus at 4:05 a.m. Sept. 26.
- . Student Robert J. Cates II, 18, of Oakton, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol on South Main Street near Madison Drive at 1:15 a.m. Sept. 27.

Possession of Fake ID/DIP

 Student David Mangum, 19, of Durham, N.C., was arrested and charged with possession of a fake driver's license and being drunk in public on Greek Row at 2:30 a.m. Sept. 27.

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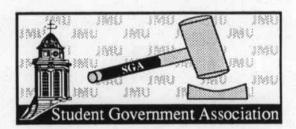
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SGA supports bond issue

by Brent Saunders SGA reporter

Tuesday's Student Government Association meeting emphasized student support for the general obligation bond issue, which could bring nearly \$34



million to JMU building projects.

University Librarian Dennis Robison urged the members of SGA to vote 'yes' on the bond referendum that will be part of the ballot Nov. 3.

"In particular to JMU, [approval of the bond issue] is very critical for you and for future students," he said.

The bond issue is a plan of debt financing in which the state borrows money at low interest rates for various projects and pays the money back gradually.

If approved by Virginia voters, bond money will go to higher education, parks and recreation, and mental health facilities.

The funds for higher education will be designated for capital projects, which means all funding will go toward large projects such as construction and repovation.

Almost \$34 million would be allocated to JMU if

the bond is passed, including \$13 million for the new College of Integrated Science and Technology, \$7.9 million for a physical plant building, \$7.7 million for electrical improvements, \$4.1 million for the expansion of Carrier Library and \$1.1 million for renovations to Harrison Hall.

The SGA Senate voted unanimously to support the bond referendum.

"It's a good message for the students to be sending to the state legislators that we care about higher education," SGA President Danny Cruce said.

Also at the meeting:

- SGA Administrative Vice President Scott Surovell discussed two workshops he attended at the United States Student Association conference. The workshops highlighted programs at the University of Wisconsin that give students the primary responsibility for the formulation and review of policies that affect student life.
- Commuter senator Allan Grimsley was voted chairperson pro-tem

The new faculty adviser for the SGA, Steve Schwab, was introduced.

- Legislative Vice President Nelly Nguyen said she will be meeting with Suzanne Straub, assistant vice president of administrative services, to discuss problems with parking.
- Treasurer Mark Wunder said the last day to pick up checks from the SGA book sale will be Monday, Oct. 4. Checks may be picked up at Wine-Price, room 101, 1-4 p.m. on Monday only.
- Homecoming Committee Chair Maggie Brock announced that SGA will be co-sponsoring a tailgating event with the University Program Board

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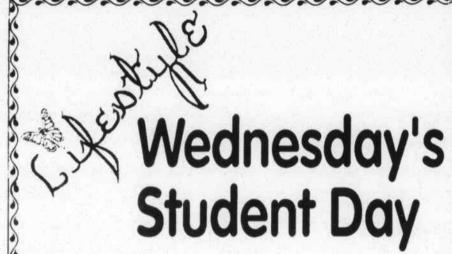
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Coalition sues Virginia over educational financing

RICHMOND (AP) — A judge said he will rule within 30 days on the state's request that he throw out a lawsuit challenging Virginia's method of financing public education.

Paul J. Forch, a senior assistant attorney general, told Richmond Circuit Judge Melvin R. Hughes Jr. that the Virginia Constitution does not require equal funding for all public school districts.

A coalition of seven poor, mostly rural school districts is suing the state. They claim their students are denied an equal educational opportunity because of disparities in education funding.

The state provides some money for public schools, but most of it comes from local real estate taxes. Richer localities, therefore, are able to provide more money for education than poorer ones.

Forch told Hughes the state constitution only guarantees all students a free, quality education. He said the state complies by ensuring that all public school districts meet the educational "standards of quality" set by the General Assembly.

He said allowing localities to exceed state-set minimum standards, according to their ability to pay, is "a longstanding and jealously guarded" policy.

"You're going to have variations in educational experiences," Forch said. "It's unavoidable."

Andrew Miller, an attorney for the poorer school districts, said the current funding method violates a constitutional requirement that the state provide an effective education system.

He said the system can be effective only if opportunities for all children are as equal as possible.

"Unless the General Assembly provides substantially increased funding for the poor districts, the rights of students there will be impaired," he said.

N.Y. clinic tries to avoid controversial 'gag order'

SCHENECTADY, N.Y. (AP) — State officials say they have a way for clinics to continue talking to patients about abortion and keep their federal funding, despite a regulation that prohibits clinics from doing so.

The controversial regulation, or "gag order," forbids counselors at federally funded clinics from advising women about abortion. It also forbids clinic doctors from giving abortion referrals, except when the decision is based on medical

The new plan requires clinics to separate services by funding sources and make explicitly clear that abortion counseling is paid for through state funds and other services through federal funds.

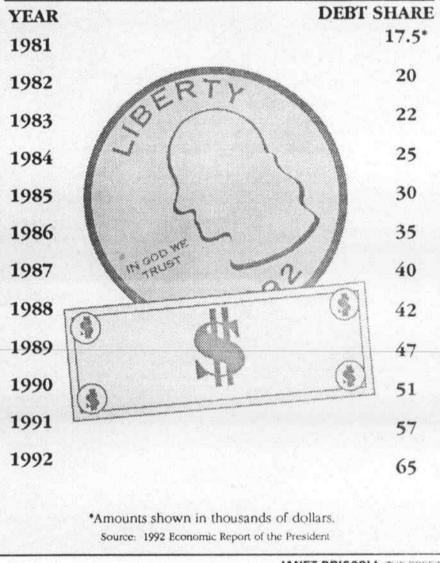
"Our existing rules and regulations require, and we strongly believe, that pregnant women should be offered full, comprehensive counseling and services, and they will be," Health Commissioner Dr. Mark Chassin said Tuesday.

WORLD 3 WATCH

Personal Burden:

Share of the National Debt for Every Family of Four

The national debt has quadrupled since 1980, and is now \$4 trillion. The share for a family of four is currently \$65,000. Listed below are past shares of the national debt for a family of four.



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Russian troops fire on Afghan border

MOSCOW (AP) — Russian troops battled militants in the Central Asian republic of Tajikistan and fired over the Afghan border on Tuesday, sinking deeper into a fratricidal conflict that reportedly has killed thousands.

Two soldiers were wounded, according to Russian news reports from Tajikistan, an impoverished republic that has been consumed by tribal and territorial warfare since its ex-Communist leader was ousted last month.

The fighting threatened to make Tajikistan itself—once a staging ground for the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan—a swamp for Russian soldiers, who have been ordered to guard Russian residents and seal the border with Afghanistan.

About 800 fresh Russian soldiers arrived in Tajikistan on Tuesday to reinforce the 201st Motorized Rifle Division, the ITAR-Tass news agency reported.

The reinforcements could bring Russian troop strength to as many as 10,000 men, according to Western estimates.

Although a spokesman insisted the force was only defensive, its growing presence could inflame anti-Russian feelings in the republic, which is more than 80 percent ethnic Tajik or Uzbek.

A virtual civil war erupted in Tajikistan after democratic and Islamic groups gradually ousted Rakhman Nabiyev, an old-style Communist leader, over the summer. Farmers in the southern Kulyab and Kurgan-Tyube regions rebelled against the new leaders, in a conflict that has its roots mainly in tribal and territorial confrontations pitting northern forces against south troops.

The chief of the embattled Kurgan-Tyube region condemned the Russian intervention and said it would worsen the violence, which he claimed had left 5,000 people dead in the last four months, a figure that could not be confirmed.

On Tuesday, Russian border guards at a frontier bridge over the Pyandzh River came under fire from the Afghan side when they tried to block an incursion, Russian officials told ITAR-Tass and the Interfax news agency.



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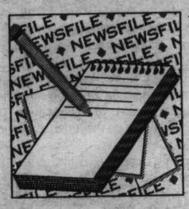
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Send entries to: Photo Mail Art '92, New Image Gallery, art department, JMU, Harrisonburg, Va., 22807. For more information, contact Corinne McMullan, gallery director or call x6485 or x6216.



Mass communication department holds career day:

Recent graduates from JMU's mass communication department will describe their jobs and offer advice to students in Anthony-Seeger Hall auditorium from 10 a.m. - noon on Oct. 2.

An individual resume and counseling workshop will be held in Anthony-Seeger Hall, room 12 from 2 - 3:30 p.m.

Sexual Assault Center seeks volunteers:

The 33-hour fall volunteer training program to provide direct victim services and community education programs begins Oct. 6.

Topics covered will include crisis intervention, sex offenders and risk reduction issues. For more information, call 885-RAPE.

Habitat for Humanity to hold organizational meeting:

The JMU chapter of Habitat for Humanity invites everyone with an interest in providing affordable housing to low income families to attend the Oct. 6 meeting at 6 p.m. in the Warren Campus Center, Tidewater Room.

Nigerian print exhibition to be held:

Sawhill Gallery located in Duke Hall will host "Beyond Nsukka Hills: Prints from Nigeria," from Oct. 1 - 4. The display will include a wide range of printmaking techniques.

Photography exhibit features southwest scenes:

New Image Gallery at Zirkle House will hold "Damaged Petroglyph Portfolio: Photographs by Susan Mildenhauer" from Oct. 1 - 3.

The exhibit features color photographs of rock carvings, which have been altered by humans or nature.

America's national parks and forests

Approximately 30 percent of the land in the United States (2.2 billion acres) is government owned. This land is mostly comprised of national parks and national forests. In Virginia, the two national forests, George Washington and Thomas Jefferson, amount to about 1.689 million acres.





Calendar of events



Thursday

EARTH meeting at 5 - 6:30 p.m.,
 Burruss Hall, room 39.

• Arts and Science Symposium "The Human Dimension: Technology and Man at the Point of Contact" at 7:30 p.m. in Grafton-Stovall Theatre.

 "Autumn Skies" in Wells Planetarium, Miller Hall 7 and 8 p.m.

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• Women's Soccer, JMU vs. Washington State, 4 p.m.

Comedian Rita Rudner at 7:30 p.m.,
 Wilson Hall Auditorium.

• JMU Block Show, 9 p.m. at the Convocation Center, tickets sold at the

 Homecoming Dance in Godwin Hall, immediately following the Block Show.

Saturday

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- · Homecoming football game, JMU vs. Northeastern, 1 p.m., Bridgeforth Stadium.
- · Men's Soccer, JMU vs. George Mason, noon, X-lot field.
- · Men's Rugby Club, JMU vs. Virginia Tech, noon, Convocation Field.
- · Godwin Field Festival, 10 a.m. 1 p.m.

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(Above) Lady Macbeth played by Marnie Penning comforts her husband played by Darren Setlow during the Shenandoah Shakespeare Express performance in Duke Hall last week.

(Top Center) From left to right, Lauren Kerr, Jennifer Rayfield and Kara McLane play the three witches in 'Macbeth.'

(Bottom Center) Banquo's ghost which was conjured up by the witches warns Macbeth with his reflection.

(Top Right) Steve Barney, as Balthazar, comes in with hand raised at the height of the confusion to calm the frenzied spirits of the twins in 'A Comedy of Errors.'

(Bottom Right) From left to right, Antipholus of Ephesus played by Setlow discusses a bill for a necklace with Angelo played by Mark McKeel in 'Comedy'.

It's all in the shoes . . .

Theatre gro

They had a little mid-summer night's magic.

"It's gotta be the shoes," Terry Flynn, Shenandoah Shakespeare Express' general manager, said. "That's where the magic comes from."

Dressed in black Bugle Boy pants and Converse high-tops, he said the non-traditional performance of Shenandoah Shakespeare Express contributed to its success.

"Each day it's stepping out into some undiscovered territory and if you're lucky, you'll at least find water, if not gold," he said. "And so far we've been pretty lucky."

But luck doesn't fully account for how the troupe packed houses in Scotland, London and Washington, D.C. this summer.

Sneakers and Shakespeare

English professor and SSE director Ralph Cohen said Shenandoah Shakespeare Express makes an effort to break the mold of conventional plays that utilize special lighting, props and costumes.

"We're distilling it to the basic elements that Shakespeare used in theatrical conventions," member Darren Setlow said. "We've been called innovative, but if we are, it's only in that we're going back to the original."

A small troupe of 11 actors, SSE sets out to perform Shakespeare as the bard himself intended. Each performance lasts two hours without intermission.

"It's like a carnival — a fun thing to go to," Setlow said.

All SSE actors play multiple roles. In

"Macbeth," for example, 11 have a total of 35 parts. They thrust stage, surrounded by au three sides, because the troupe e audience participation.

In "Comedy of Errors," two members are given water a directed to shoot twin servants of Ephesus and Dromio of Sy when either impersonates



Shwarzenegger or W.C. Fields.

"We involve the audience in by speaking to them and touch and making fun of them," Setlow

All the world's a stage

The company's summer highlighted by appearances at a Museum, the International Fring and the Folger Shakespeare Libra

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reconstruction of the Globe Theatre that burned down in 1613. SSE is an official affiliate of the museum.

The troupe also performed in Edinburgh, Scotland, as one of 500 companies in the International Fringe as 30 of the other 9,000 plays.

Festival. SSE performed two shows each day, and some members watched as many Jim Warren, SSE's co-director,

The head of the English department of the University of Glasgow arrived with two reviewers at the final performance, which Cohen said was the "sharpest, clearest, most passionate it had ever

"really magical, a fantastic experience."

the summer, SSE had little money left for

advertising, and most audiences heard of

University of Edinburgh, it was all the

will perform in Russia.

more dramatic.

"The people in that space knew it," he said. "They didn't want to leave, the theater was jammed with people who simply didn't want to leave that space."

Cohen had doubts about performing in Europe. "How are people gonna buy Americans doing Shakespeare" he asked himself. "The answer is - they loved it."

In fact, several audience members told him the American accents made the dialogue easier to understand.

"What they don't realize is it's not the accents, it's the clarity of our speech,"

For Cohen, performing in the Folger Shakespeare Library in Washington, D.C. was a high point.

He was amazed to be "standing in the Folger where [he'd] been going to watch professional Shakespeare for 25 years and seeing our company pack the place, people standing in the crowd with their eyes all aglow."

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to London to Museum, a

describes playing the Fringe Festival as "a dream come true for anyone in theater."

While in Scotland, SSE members made friends with a Russian theatre group with whom they shared a performing space for

On the night of the Russians' last performance, the two groups had a dinner party at the garden house where SSE was

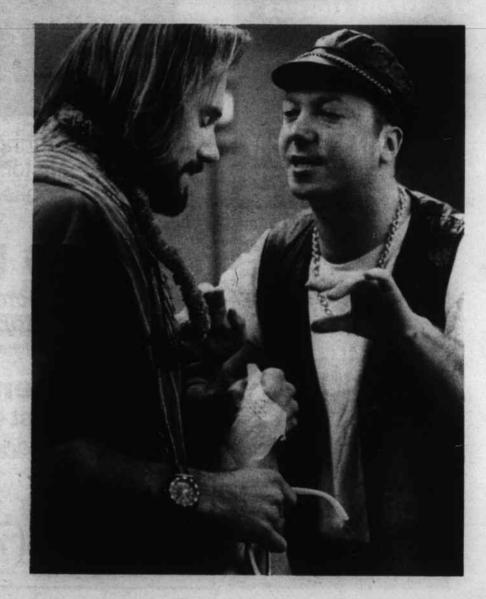
Cohen said the night proved to be

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Focus On Ath

Mind set a must for martial arts

by Jennifer Overman staff writer

Kicking and punching is an art form.

And to martial arts athletes like sophomore Mike Lee, it is a philosophy too.

As a management major, Lee does most of his

training through the JMU Martial Arts Club, which he has been a part of for the past three years. His training, though, began in childhood.

In junior high school, Lee attended a Korean church to learn about his heritage, and during that time he took a martial arts course, he said. As he grew older, he grew out of it and began to play sports such as football and lacrosse.

"I played lacrosse here at Madison, but it's too unorganized and I decided to move onto something that I'd always really liked, which was the martial arts," he said.

Lee trains formally twice a week through the Martial Arts Club and daily at home. He also does aerobics to increase his endurance, he said.

Lee sets up challenges for himself each day to see how much higher he can kick or punch, he said. But he doesn't always meet those goals.

"If I'm having a bad day . . . Mike Lee spars with club members. does as much in the club as I'll just stop, but I'll usually try to go as far as I can because I need to improve my endurance and speed as much as possible," he said.

Within the club there are many competitions between schools, but Lee only participated in one during his freshman year. He said he won second place in the sparring category but decided to improve himself before competing again.

"You've got to be at your best, better than people

around you, which is why I'm trying to improve myself on my own before I go into a contest. I don't want to go in and look like a fool."

Martial arts is an art form, a sport, and a philosophy, Lee said.

"This is one of those sports that helps build character and gets people off the street. Everyone I

> know in martial arts is really a good person -I've never met like an evil martial arts person. They're all so calm.'

> The time he spends and the tough regime he keeps aren't sacrifices to him.

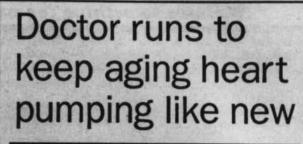
> "I look at it as an investment in myself. I believe all this helps me budget my time better all around . . . if I didn't do anything I'd just sit around watching TV all day, get lazy, and I wouldn't have any kind of determination at all."

> The Martial Arts Club is popular on campus, Lee thinks. He said there are about 25 people in the beginner level, 10-15 in the intermediate level, and about 8 in the advanced

Currently martial arts is not available as a credit MIKE HEFFNER/THE BREEZE course, but Lee said that he

he does in a three credit class, he said.

"In karate we do so much more research, so many more physical things, which is more important for you than, say, learning how to ski, I think. You learn how to pure: correctly, how to keep yourself physically fit, learn how to defend yourself in a serious situation . . . if at Radford they can minor in it than they can at least make it a gym credit course



by Ed Gray contributing writer

There's a 71-year-old who can run rings around most people half his age, and he credits the sport for

Dr. Oliver Kepler, who served as a special consultant in the health center early this semester, preaches good health and practices it as well.

"The reason I run is because I seem to be kind of driven to it," Kepler said. "It makes me think and feel better.'

Kepler's addiction to running has been lifelong.

"When I was a kid I ran everywhere," Kepler said. "I had to run. I just had restless legs."

Diet also plays an important part in Kepler's

Fish and chicken are staples of his diet. He avoids red meat and any kind of fat, especially since he suffered a heart attack in 1987.

"It happened while I was running," Kepler said, "and I was in the hospital within the week."

Doctors used the relatively new technique of angioplasty on Kepler.

The technique involves the insertion of a balloonlike device into a blocked artery. The balloon swells, unclogging the artery and enabling blood to flow again.

He was back running two weeks later.

Kepler said that his overall fitness has added years to his life.

"If I had not been running, exerting my heart, when I had the heart attack, I never would have felt the pain," he said. "I knew something was wrong and got something done about it."

Kepler now lives in Albuquerque, N.M.

He placed second out of 25 runners in the 5-K run at the local qualifications for the Senior Olympics in Albuquerque this year, but was unable

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Self-made man lifts himself to top of bodybuilding competitions



Junior Bert Stiff will compete again this summer.

by MJ Carscallen assistant focus on editor

Nothing can stop one student determined to become JMU's version of Mr. Universe - not even his small frame.

Standing 5 feet, 6 inches and weighing about 145 pounds, junior health science major Bertram Stiff, said, "It hasn't worked against me yet, but the typical bodybuilder doesn't have a small

"It's a one body sport," Stiff said, who will be representing JMU next summer at the collegiate level in the 1993 National Bodybuilding Championships in Durham, N.C.

"You can only control your body. You can

hope [the other competitors] don't show up in good shape, but the odds of that aren't good."

Stiff, who turned 20 this month, said that while he has good body symmetry and definition, he has to work extra hard to gain muscle mass.

"A lot of guys have big frames and carry a lot of body fat naturally," he said, adding that he has a natural body fat level of eight percent and diets down to four percent for competitions.

"They can put on more mass quicker," Stiff said, "but I gotta work like crazy to put on mass."

When Stiff first came to JMU, bodybuilding was the furthest thing from his mind.

As a freshman, Stiff hoped to play football as

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Applicants must be graduating in December 1992, May 1993 or August 1993 and have already earned at least ninety credit hours with at least a 3.0 cumulative grade point average.

Applications must be returned to Alumnae Hall, room 106 by 5:00 PM, Friday, October 2,1992.

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Theatre

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Peggy O'Brien, head of education for the Folger Shakespeare Library said, "The SSE plays Shakespeare with vast amounts of talent in beautifully clear productions vibrating with an energy that immediately involves the audience."

Seasonal changes

SSE began its fall season last weekend with five new actors. One consequence of being such a quickly growing company is the need for organization. SSE also has hired a new general manager and reorganized the company.

"The best thing about the company is we do everything," said Steve Barney, a former member who has returned this fall. "Aside from acting, we're booking shows, arranging costumes, props, transportation, directing — everybody participates. That's what makes it different from a main stage production where the actors just act — it's a more organic whole."

This fall, the group will perform "Comedy of Errors," "Macbeth" and "Merchant of Venice" in high schools, colleges and community theaters in Richmond, Vermont, Connecticut and New York. Then the group will go to Louisiana to begin working its way back up the East coast. If plans work out, SSE will travel to Russia in December.

COME TO ARTS MEETINGS MONDAY AT 7 P.M.

Bodybuilding ____

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a walk-on - so he set out against the odds.

"Hitting the weights and doing total body [workouts] was a result of a little voice inside saying 'go ahead you can do it," Suff said.

But putting on size just didn't seem to do the job, so Stiff directed his interests toward another sport.

"I started reading a lot about overall fitness," he said. "I watched a few ESPN bodybuilding shows and asked friends about their [bodybuilding] programs.

"It was a combination of all those things, and some trial and error on my own [that helped me] develop my own program," Stiff said. Since then he's become his own trainer and nutritionist.

And this summer he started training other bodybuilders in Norfolk. "Through training others, I learned how to train myself better," he said.

Stiff's daily workouts and dedication began to pay off when he competed for the first time last April in the Virginia Grand Prix bodybuilding competition in Virginia Beach. He placed first in the teenage division and qualified for next summer's national collegiate championships.

He returned to the stage on Aug. 1 to compete in the Adonis Classic, where he placed third in the men's open and qualified for the 1992 USA Bodybuilding Championship.

He also cleaned up at the 1992 Virginia Cup Show two weeks earlier where he won the teenage division.

"I love competing — that's what it really is," Stiff said, "whether I have a team or not."

Running.

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to attend the state qualifiers because of a family illness.

Although his workouts have become less intense over the years, Kepler still manages to run as often as possible.

"I have slowed down some as I've gotten older," Kepler said. But added, "I'll go as long as I can go and after that I'll walk."

Kepler was born in Syracuse, N.Y., and was forced to run on his own during high school because few schools had track teams in that day.

He graduated from medical school at the University of Syracuse in 1949.

Kepler came to JMU this fall to fill a temporary position in an effort to support clinical services. His tenure lasted until last Saturday when he returned to Albuquerque.

Kepler said everyone should be exercising.

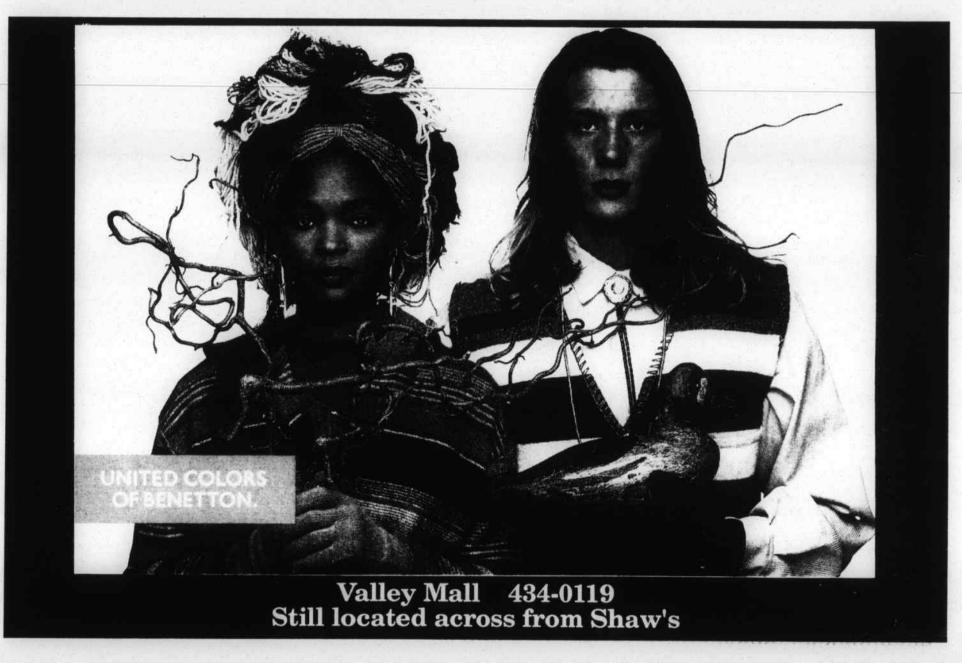
"The big four aerobic exercises are walking, running, biking, and swimming," he said.

"Pumping iron isn't going to get it. You need that cardiovascular workout.

"Walking is great exercise, but you've got to put some pizzazz into it," Kepler said. "You can't just saunter. You need to do an 11-17 minute mile."

It is important, according to Kepler, for anyone who wants to exercise not to try to do too much too fast.

"There is nothing magical about it," he said. "Our minds are inseparable from our bodies. It's a package deal. If you don't work all the package, you're just not going to be efficient."



Opinion



Revealing Perot's surprise

d Rollins, Ross Perot's former campaign chairman, likened it to a political circus. Numerous political analysts described it as an embarrassing example of pandering.

Ross Perot called it the greatest example of American townhall politics at work.

These descriptions all relate to the meeting between leaders of the Democratic and Republican parties and the state coordinators for the Perot election committee. The leaders tried to persuade the Perot backers that their respective parties will solve the problems facing America. After these meetings Perot said that his volunteers, rather than he himself. would decide whether to endorse Bush or Clinton or to put Perot back in the race.

Rollins was right. These meetings were a circus. Ringmaster Perot orchestrated the perfect publicity stunt for a man poised to reenter the election - Jack Kemp, a member of Bush's cabinet, and Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, the majority whip, came to Perot, who has never officially announced his candidacy, to discuss the issues.

The political analysts also were correct. This was a disgusting case of pandering. Bush and Clinton were not interested in talking policy with Perot they were interested in courting the votes of Perot supporters. The major party candidates realize that because Perot once had control over a large group of disenchanted voters, his endorsement could be

But the one person who was mistaken was Perot

himself. This was not a wonderful example of grassroots politics. It was simply another example of contrived, back-room shenanigans.

Perot, despite his claims otherwise, is no stranger to back-room politics.

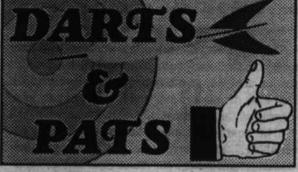
After he announced that he would not run for president nearly 10 weeks ago, he told his state coordinators to keep up the campaigning. In fact, since July Perot has spent \$7 million to sustain his campaign, including paying "volunteers" to collect enough signatures to put his name on the ballot in all 50 states. Also during this time, the Perot organization filmed over 30 campaign commercials to be run on all the major networks.

These are all pretty curious activities for a man who had declared himself out of the running.

But perhaps the most curious statement was made by Perot in a meeting with his state coordinators. One of the coordinators, who has since left the Perot organization, recently revealed that when Perot came under fire for quitting the race, he had a curious response, something to the effect of "if some of you think I am a quitter, wait until the October surprise."

Perot has promised to reveal today his volunteers' decision on whether he should formally enter the presidential race or not. Check your calendars, folks. Today is the first of October.

The house editorial is written by a member of the editorial board and does not necessarily reflect the opinion of the individual staff members.



Dart...

A dishonorable dart to The Breeze for publishing the men's water polo scores, and not any other club sport. For your information, the men's and women's rugby teams have a tradition of excellence. Both have been state champions two times in the past three years. So far this year, the men lost to George Mason (21-7) and defeated Longwood (35-11). The women defeated Longwood (73-0) and William & Mary

Sent in by the men's and women's rugby

Pat...

A great big hugging pat to all the workers at D-Hall for all the hard work they do. The meals are excellent, the workers are cheerful and helpful, and students should be more appreciative of the hard work and good service with which they are provided! Sent in anonymously.

Dart...

A dart to whoever is responsible for maintaining the desks in the lecture halls.

Three-fourths of the desks in Miller 101 are shaky or broken! They're a major inconvenience if you have a to design to take inconvenience if you happen to desire to take notes (unless you enjoy writing on your lap.) Sent in anonymousty.

Pat...

A humongous pat to P.C. Dukes for the larger take-out bags. Now students can actually take out the salads, pizza slices, chicken sandwiches, cheesesteak subs, and anything else that did not fit into the smaller bags quite so conveniently!

Sent in by a busy sophomore who has to eat on the run often.

Dart...

A pissed-off dart to the computer lab assistants who think that their time "at work" is their homework time, and cop an attitude any time someone asks them a question about (silly us) — computers! Go figure! Sent in anonymously.

Pat...

A respectful pat to Zeta Tau Alpha for sponsoring speakers from the JMU Department of Public Safety and from the Commonwealth Attorney's office on the legal aspects of sexual assault cases....





Letters to the editor should be no more than 350 words, columns no more than 550 words, and will be published on a space available basis. They must be delivered to The Breeze by noon Tuesday or 5 p.m. Friday. The Breeze reserves the right to edit for clarity and space.

The opinions in this section do not necessarily reflect the opinion of the newspaper, this staff, or James Madison University.

Scoring punch will keep JMU in the hunt

Look out, Division I-AA football, here come the JMU Dukes.

Does that sound too optimistic? I don't think so. Not after having witnessed one of the most lethal displays of offensive football ever last Saturday at Youngstown State.

My prediction: If JMU's defense comes around - and it is not likely they could average giving up any more points a game than they already have (38) - then JMU will be the team to beat come time for postseason play.

SPORTS COMMENTARY

- Ian Record

This prediction is rather bold, since after the Richmond debacle it looked like the Dukes would have a mediocre season at best. It was not until after I saw what is arguably the biggest win in TMU history did I realize just how special a year JMU football could have.

Both the Dukes' running and passing games were virtually unstoppable against the defending champion Penguins as they racked up 52 points and 518 yards.

For a moment there Saturday I felt like I was watching the San Diego Chargers teams of the early 1980's. Except instead of Dan Fouts throwing to Wes Chandler, it was senior quarterback Eriq Williams passing to junior receiver David McLeod. And instead of Chuck Muncie tearing through the opposing defense, it was senior tailback Kenny Sims.

The Dukes' offense has averaged over 43 points in their last three games, encouraging when you consider two of those games were against current top 20 teams. JMU has only two games against top 20 teams remaining on their

The keys to the offense's success will be the Big Three — Sims, Williams and McLeod — all of whom are rewriting JMU's record books.

Williams is sure to hold virtually every passing and total yardage record by the time he graduates. Sims is on pace to set JMU's singleeason rushing mark (1,285 yards), a mark he almost broke last season. And last week McLeod tied NFL standout Gary Clark for most yards in a game — 185.

Any of the members of the Big Three can literally own a football game, as all three did against Youngstown.

"We are blessed with a great quarterback, tailback and receiver," JMU head coach Rip

FOOTBALL page 20



CINDY DICK/THE BREEZE

Three JMU players are denied around the Maryland goal Tuesday in the Dukes' 1-0 loss.

omen's soccer falters against Maryland, 1-0

by Ben Davidson contributing writer

The JMU women's soccer team just couldn't get on track Tuesday as they fell to the upset-minded University of Maryland Terrapins 1-0 at the JMU soccer field.

Unable to find their rhythm, the Dukes lacked their customary crisp passing, allowing the Terrapins to dominate the play at midfield. Maryland came out aggressively, forcing the JMU defense to send the ball back to its goalkeeper many times rather than up the field.

"To Maryland's credit, they played a solid game defensively," said JMU head coach Dave Lombardo. "We weren't able to accomplish the things offensively that we are used to."

Both teams failed to mount many serious scoring threats early in the game. A solid scoring chance did develop for the Dukes in the first half, as sophomore forward Jamie Dykes sent a hard liner wide to the right of the Maryland goal.

The Terrapins struck gold at 30:54 of the first half, scoring the only goal of the game. Maryland's leading scorer Kelly Amonte notched her eighth goal of the season, threading a 15-yard blast just out of the reach of JMU sophomore goalkeeper Jen Donaldson and into the back of the net.

Missed opportunities plagued the Dukes throughout the entire game. JMU was able to spread the Terrapin defense and push the ball into the corner on several occasions but never managed to finish off the plays.

They scored on their one chance, and we had two

or three which we just couldn't capitalize on," Lombardo said. "Against a team like Maryland, you have to take advantage of the chances you get."

The Dukes outshot the Terrapins 15-10. Cailin Mullins had six saves for Maryland, while Donaldson and sophomore Cheryl Carr combined for five JMU saves.

The second half brought more of the same for the Dukes, as they again found the Maryland defense impenetrable.

Less than a minute into the half, junior forward Kerri O'Connell collided with Mullins, injuring the Terrapin goalkeeper and forcing her to leave the

But the Dukes still couldn't slip one past Maryland backup goalkeeper Emily Blagg.

JMU increased its intensity level when Mullins returned later in the half, but the Terrapins effectively squelched the rally.

Playing to protect its lead, Maryland repeatedly sent the ball deep into JMU territory, forcing the frustrated Dukes to chase it and not allowing them to attack offensively.

JMU entered the game ranked 19th in the country. But the Dukes' record fell to 6-2-1 and the Terrapins' record increased to 5-4-0.

"If anything, (the ranking) should have spurred us on," Lombardo said. "We had a good week with two wins before this."

The Dukes have a busy weekend ahead of them. They continue their five-game homestand by hosting Washington State at 4:00 p.m. Friday, and Monmouth at noon Sunday. MINIOTON DECEMBER OF THE PARTY OF THE PARTY

Dukes fall to Cavaliers, drop to 7-7

by Rob Kaiser staff writer

Taking advantage of rally point scoring, the University of Virginia women's volleyball team grabbed control in the final game and downed JMU 3-2 on Tuesday evening.

In rally point scoring, which is only used in the fifth game, all rules are the same except points are awarded on every play, even side outs. Virginia defeated the Dukes 15-10, 10-15, 11-15, 15-11, 15-9.

"Who jumps out on top (is) who stays there in rally scoring," JMU head coach Mary Harrington said. "You don't see many exceptions to

With the score tied at four in the final game, the Cavaliers ran off five unanswered points.

"UVa took it from us," Harrington said. "Once a team jumps out to a lead all they have to do is side you out to win the match because they are going to score every time they side out."

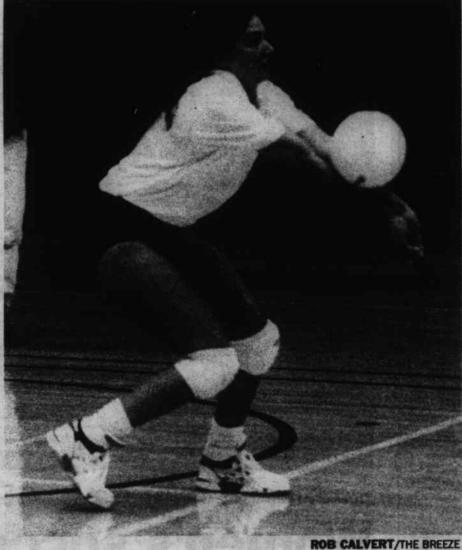
With this loss, the Dukes' record slipped to 7-7. The Cavaliers are 9-5.

JMU dropped the first game but leaped out to an 11-1 lead in the second game with strong defensive

"I thought defensively we played the best game we've ever played," Harrington said. "I asked them to get up defensively another notch and they

JMU eventually took the second game, after weathering a Cavalier

In the next game, the teams traded the lead several times before the Dukes took over. Freshman Debbi



ROB CALVERT/THE BREEZE

Senior Patti Bucaria bumps the ball in Tuesday's loss to Virginia.

Prince, who had 15 kills, put JMU up 2-1 with a rocket spike from the outside to end the third game.

Prince, along with freshman Susan Martin, was also a force at the net defensively. Harrington said she "flipflopped" the rotation so Price and Martin could play beside each other in the front row.

"When they do something as forceful as blocking the ball for a point, they get really excited," Harrington said. "They love to do that

Martin said, "We can communicate really well at the net."

are listed as 6-foot and 5-foot-11, respectively, are not at the net, however, the Dukes are at a

disadvantage.

In the fourth game, UVa cashed in on their height advantage, especially over 5-foot-7 junior setter Amber Jaunrubenis.

They can hit right over top of Amber," Harrington said. "It hurts us. They've got a tall front line against our short line."

By winning the fourth game, the Cavaliers forced a fifth game, which as the game announcer said, would be decided by rally point scoring.

As Virginia began to build a lead, the Dukes' passing game went

"Our passing broke down and it's really crucial in the fifth game because once a team has the momentum then they just keep on going and rolling over the other team," said Jaunrubenis, who had 50 assists.

"I think we tensed up a little bit," Prince said. "We wanted to win really bad and we knew we had to be

JMU did eventually fold, but after the game Harrington told her team they had nothing to hang their heads

"I hate to lose, but I think we were successful tonight," she said. "They played as hard as they could. That was something we did not do last week and I was really upset about that loss

"I thought tonight was a turning point . . . (If) we can continue to stay on that level of play, we're going to be fine the rest of the season."

Football

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As Eriq Williams said following the game, "Bigtime players make big-time plays in big games. I take that as a personal challenge.

And this is a big-time offense.

In the press box during the game, I struck up a conversation with a freelance writer who said he has covered I-AA football for more than 10 years. He was rather taken by JMU's offense.

"Williams is the best quarterback I have ever seen in my covering of I-AA," he said. "And Sims is definite pro material."

With these two players in their final seasons at JMU, this is the time for the Dukes to get it done. And fans, you have only four more chances to watch a truly exciting team play in Bridgeforth Stadium.

While JMU failed to crack the NCAA Division I-AA top 20 after the victory at Youngstown, they will have more chances in the future, with big games upcoming against Georgia Southern, William & Mary, and Central Florida.

If the defense's performance improves even marginally, then the Dukes could ride their highpowered offense to a berth in the national

Sports Briefs

McSorley's last minute goal beats Towson 1-0

JMU freshman forward Patrick McSorely scored the only goal of the game with less than a minute remaining to lift the 8th-ranked men's soccer team to a win over host Towson State.

The Dukes' record now stands at 8-1. Towson fell to 4-4.

McSorely now leads the team wih eight goals on the season, Junior Bob Johnston assisted on the goal and has a team-high four for the year.

Senior Joe O'Carroll recorded his fourth shutout in goal for the Dukes.

Men's and women's rugby win

The men's and women's rugby teams were both in action last weekend, as the men's team defeated Longwood 32-12 while the women's 'A' and 'B' teams beat William & Mary.

Katy Jackson had two goals, and Mindy Cash, Cara Maloney and Sandra Maddox each had a goal for the 'A' team in its 29-0 victory.

REC REPORT

- · The men's and women's rugby teams will play their first home games of the season on Saturday, Oct. 3. The men's team will take on Virginia Tech at noon on the Convo Field. The women's team will face Old Dominion at 1
- · On Sunday, Oct. 4, the men's rugby team will play former JMU rugby players in an alumni game. The game and a barbecue is set for 1 p.m. at the Convo Field.
- · On Tuesday, Oct. 6, an intramural volleyball officials' clinic will be held at 4:30 p.m. in Godwin, room 338.
- · The intramural volleyball sign-up meeting will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 7 at 5:30 p.m. Godwin, room 344.
- · All students with a JAC card get free admission to Skatetown USA on Thursday Oct. 8. Skate rentals are \$1.

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What a difference two weeks can make! Just 14 days ago Joe found himself buried in last place and maligned unmercifully by people he barely knew. But today, thanks to a two-week total of 16-5, Joe's smiling face sits in position numero uno (only because "K" comes before "M" in the alphabet) and is in a deadlock with Steve "read 'em their rights" Miranda. Ian and Drew (please note their positions in the panel) both went with Youngstown State last week — O ye of little faith. Mucho boo-hoos for Guru Drew who finds himself frequently frustrated week after week but swears he's ready to break out any day now. But still, a mere four games separate the football minds of JMU and the coveted cup is still anybody's for the taking. Ralph Sampson finished the week at a medicore 5-5. This week, the panel welcomes JMU alumnus and D.C. sports anchor Steve Buckhantz. Now we'll really see how good these predictors are when they're up against the best.

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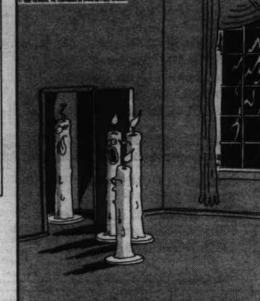
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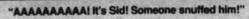








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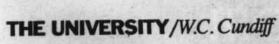


















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Alpha Kappa Psi welcomes the Delta piedge class – Carla Alkens, Kelly Perkins, Steven Bluhm, Sarah Pratt, Scott Cross, Amy Scruggs, Eric Grinnell, Tanya Einarson, Grey Grinnell & Tyler Swift

Congratulations on receiving bids! It's going to be a great semester!

I don't recall - Thanks AXP for the Reagan Bash. AXT

Dear $A\Phi\Omega$ – I can't believe you all don't love me any more! Oh, woe is me! Sad to be, Schoka.

Full Stop! Homecoming Jam at Jokers! Saturday the 3rd.

Bon Anniversaire! Je t'aime Stu, Farah.

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Alystra - Hey chiquital Your ΑΧΩ alpha Sis loves youl Ginjer

TIKO - We had a heaven of a time going to their with you! ZTA can't wait to do it again!

Congratulations to the Mu Pledge Class of Phi Chi Theta - Christine Lewis, Burghard Kaske, Andrew Klapmust, Dave Wilson, Donna Christensen, Bill Beasley, Mike Shaffer, Lori Gollayan, Brian Senatore, Laurie-Ann French, Lori Page, Nicole Obitz, Deanna Olech, Matt Newquist, Wesley Dangerlield, John Sobieray, Jennifer Hyde, Lynne Campbell, Christoff Kneip, Sandy Thompson, Vernon Talley.

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MCOM Career Day is tomorrow. Hear six alumni describe how they got to where they are today. 10-noon in A-S 25. Resume critiques 2-3:30pm in A-S12.

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PI Sigma Epellon welcomes its new prospective members – Geoff Alexander, Cheryl Burnett, Kathy Cardile, Christine Chang, Lisa Dutty, Anne-Marie DeRose, Matt Ekstrom, Bill Fettig, Heather Gustin, Neda Irannejad, Denise Long, Jody Melvin, Kirsta Rouch, Jeremy Shorts, Chrissie Smith, Suzanne Smith, Frank Sparacino, Mary Kay Trible, Susan Toewe. Congratulations!

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XΦ - Thanks for making a big mark on our new sisteral Love, AΦ.

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Michelle Howard - You are a terrific Alpha Sisl Love, Susan.

Full Stop! Homecoming Jam at Joker's Saturday the 3rd!

ZTA welcomes back Caroline, Sue, Angle, Claudine, Beth, Susan, Kim & Katherine. We missed you!

Full Stop! Homecoming Jam at Joker's Saturday the 3rd Happy Homecoming Tinky. Love, Sahib.

CSC Meeting at 5 pm in the Valley Room (WCC) on Oct. 5 (Mon.). Commuter Senators, please attend.

AKΩ - Yes I know the Greek alphabet! Thanks for your effort & sweetness this weekend. You're the best! Love, Meredith.

Sociology Club meeting today, 5 pm, Jackson 103. Committees forming!

Scottes Sports Cafe Open Stage every Thurs. night at 9 pm. Also \$.50 pizzas. 829 E. Market St. 564-2930.

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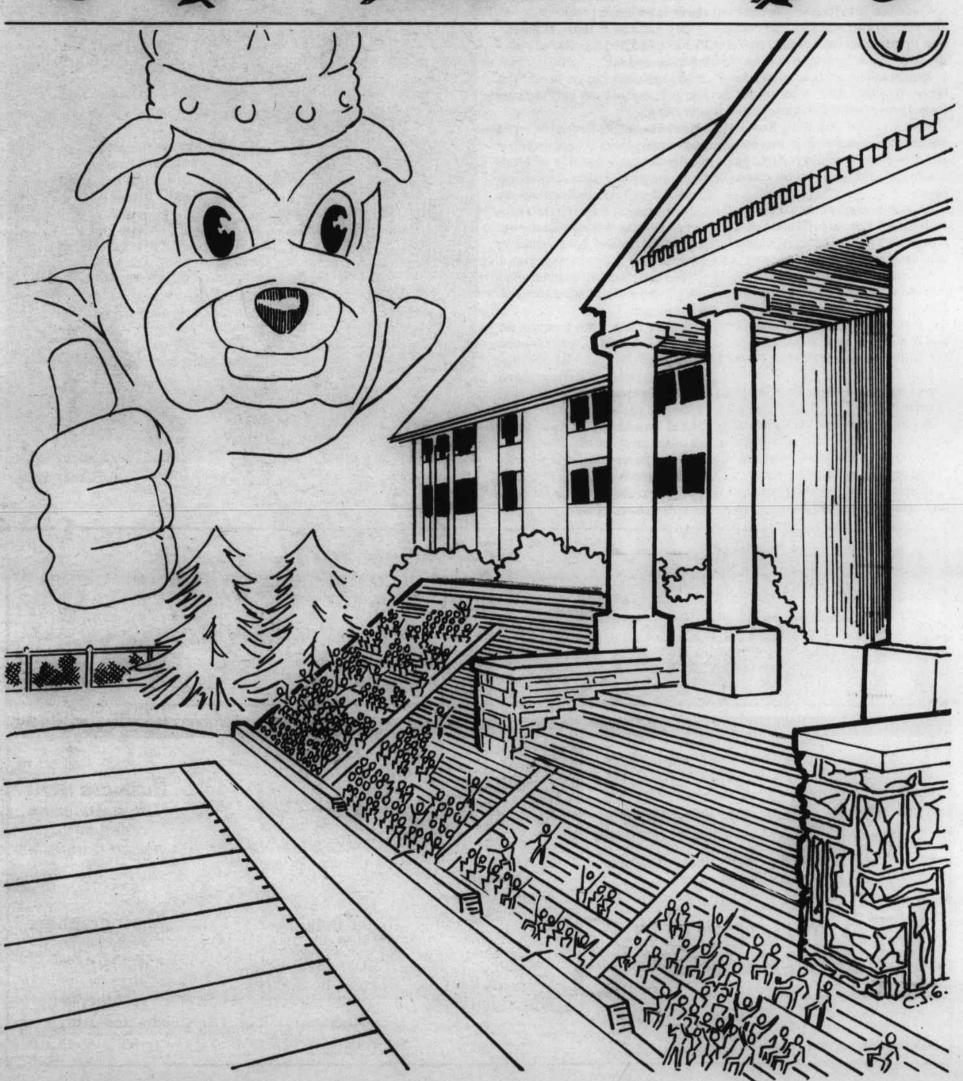
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Rudner adds comedy to weekend activities

by Gayle Cohen senior writer

Comedian Rita Rudner's favorite joke is always her next joke. "Because then I prove I can write another one," she said.

Rudner will be telling her next joke Friday in Wilson Hall as part of the Homecoming weekend events.

Now a veteran performer, Rudner got her start performing in bars and clubs in New York City. And she admits she's not sure how her career began.

"I was a dancer, then I was a comedian," she said. "That's it. I always say I'm like Shirley MacLaine but I have pictures."

Since then Rudner has worked all over the world. She starred in her own comedy variety series in England and has performed in Scotland, Canada and Australia as well. Her credits in the United States include regular appearances on HBO, "The Tonight Show" and "Late Night With David Letterman."

But Rudner prefers a live audience, and she said she loves a college crowd. "I just talk to them," she said. "I hate performing for TV."

Despite her commercial success and winning the 1990 American Comedy Award as Best Female Stand-Up, Rudner insists her comedy ends with her performances. At home, she claims to be the quiet one.

"My husband is funny at home," Rudner said. "[He] says I'm unique but he married me."

So what's she like on stage? "I'm just as funny as I can be!" she says with a laugh.

In December, Rudner can be found on the big screen — starring in a movie she wrote with her husband, Martin Bergman. Rudner describes the movie, "Peter's Friends," as a comedy about friends at a New Year's Eve Party. It is the couple's first joint production, but they have another in the works.

"We just finished a screenplay today," she said during an interview Wednesday.

"I think I like writing movies the best," she said, "but I love performing."

Rudner lists Jack Benny and Woody Allen among her influences.

She also has a book out now titled "Naked Beneath My Clothes," which is a collection of comedic essays.

Rita Rudner will be performing Friday night at 7:30 p.m. in Wilson Hall. Tickets are \$5 with a JAC card and \$10 without.



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Dukes face 'much-improved' Northeastern Must put last weekend's Youngstown State victory behind them

by lan Record senior writer

The Dukes will be looking to ride the wave of last weekend's emotional victory against Youngstown State when they tackle a much-improved Northeastern squad Saturday in JMU's homecoming game.

It is a game in which JMU head coach Rip Scherer says the Dukes "can't afford a letdown."

"I hope the Youngstown win has sunk in and left," he said. "I told the team we had to approach it as if we have seven one-week seasons left."

Coming on the heels of one of the biggest wins in JMU history, against the defending champion Penguins, the Dukes face their second run-and-shoot team of the season. Hofstra was the first.

This is the first year Northeastern has employed the run-and-shoot, and so far it has been successful. They have tallied impressive wins against Maine and Connecticut to compile a 2-1 record.

"They will run the ball much better than Hofstra

did. They are a much more balanced run-and-shoot," Scherer said.

Despite JMU's offense racking up 52 points against Youngstown, Scherer doesn't expect another shootout.

"I don't think it will be a high-scoring affair," Scherer said, "but I never do."

Northeastern is led by senior quarterback Ralph Barone, who last year set single-season passing marks for the Huskies. He passed for 1,899 yards and 18 touchdowns.

Other Huskie players to watch include senior receiver Branden Tsetsilas and junior receiver Jeremy Gobeil, who combined for 52 grabs and 848 yards last season.

But the Dukes, who gave up 49 points against Youngstown, still have glaring problems defensively. This was the third time in four games that they have allowed that many points.

"We simply have to stop giving up that many points and big plays," said junior outside linebacker Dion Foxx. "We have to come together and play hard and get it into our hearts and minds that we will play like we have before."

Scherer said, "The defense has to put a couple of good games together where our guys start to build some confidence. They have to stop thinking so much and just execute."

Foxx said it's hard to figure out exactly what's wrong defensively.

"It's hard to pinpoint," Foxx said. "We had a lot of missed assignments against Youngstown. We do know we need a strong pass rush against Northeastern to help our secondary out."

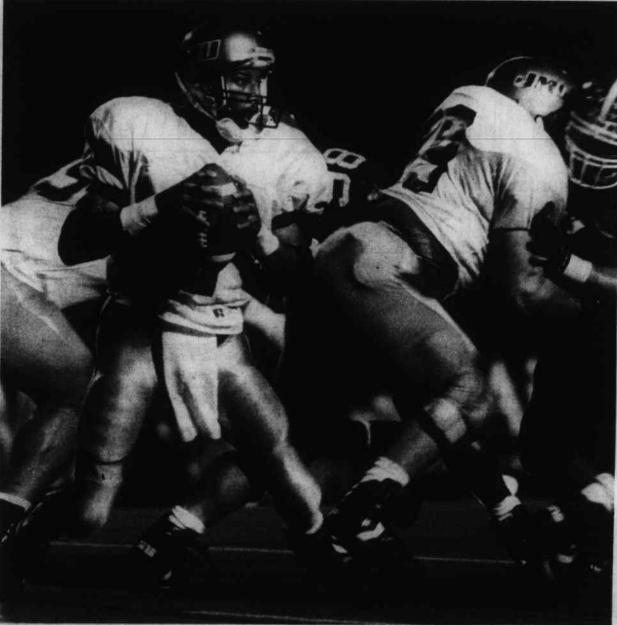
Although JMU's victory at Youngstown brightened its chances in the playoff picture, the Dukes know a tough road lies ahead.

"The win feels good but we still have a long way to go," said junior receiver David McLeod, who tied Gary Clark's receiving record with 185 yards last weekend. "We are not getting big-headed because we beat Youngstown. We are taking it one step at a time."

Foxx said, "That win is gone now, and we are keeping it in perspective. If you don't, they will pull the rug out from under you."

JMU defeated the Huskies rather easily last year, winning 27-10 at home. But Scherer said Northeastern is not in awe of the Dukes, even coming into Bridgeforth Stadium.

"They will fight for 60 minutes and not let up.
They are coming down here with something to prove
— but so do we," Scherer said. "We just have to line
up and play."



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Senior quarterback Eriq Williams drops back to pass last Saturday night against Youngstown State. Williams was 12-16 for 302 yards and three touchdowns in the Dukes' 52-49 victory.



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Homecoming from another perspective

For some pathetic reason, humans have an innate preoccupation with homecomings. As we mature, our experiences gradually convince us that the outside world is thoroughly unpleasant and that most of the people we meet turn out to be profoundly bland and mediocre, if not ill-tempered and bloodthirsty. So in order to achieve a kind of psychic equilibrium, we also have to believe that "home," whether that be the place we go to sponge off our parents or the school we once attended, is invariably more hospitable.

Someone more Freudian than I might say that we all have a subconscious desire to return to the womb—our first real home—but that hollow rituals are the best we can manage. I'm not so sure about that theory myself, but it seems we all tend to create a sort of sacred mystique about the places we have once been. Holy pilgrimages, for instance, organize around a faith that a community of believers owns a collective, if not superior, heritage that must be seen and venerated. Students have a vague version of this called "school spirit," and alumni—like pilgrims—pay homage to their mythical golden past by returning "home" for a weekend each autumn.

Some of our journeys in life are more soberminded than others, but most homecomings merely offer a chance for people to act vulgar somewhere



BAD PENNY

-David Noon

other than in their own homes. Medieval kings, after all, were fond of the Crusades because they could twaddle off to Jerusalem — their religious homeland — drink and loot and murder with a bunch of other men, pillage someone else's property and then twaddle back to Europe to get ready for the next jaunt a few years later.

Perhaps the most famous homecoming in Western civilization, though, crops up in Homer's Odyssey, when Odysseus returns to Penelope after 20 years and proceeds to kill and ravage everyone and everything. JMU's homecoming, by comparison, typically combines the punch-and-run vandalism of the Crusades with the pitched chaos of the Odyssey.

Alumni, you see, are generally a pitiable lot. They're older, lazier and frequently more stupid than they were as students. They've been demoralized by marriage and children, humiliated by years of kissing other people's asses and bludgeoned by the

realization that every day brings another missed opportunity to do something worthwhile. Bruce Springsteen has written a great deal of very bad songs about people like these. But because they once spent a handful of unchallenging semesters taking classes at JMU, our graduates feel the need to return to campus every year like a pack of rutting salmon and parade their mediocrity in front of those of us who will soon follow in their exhausted footsteps.

When we examine it in that light, homecoming seems to be an exercise in massive group therapy. The intent is to gather as many people as possible in one place and convince them that no matter how mediocre they've become, someone else — someone in a one-mile radius, in fact — has graduated and become even more of an underachiever.

And so I find it difficult to scorn our alumni, no matter how barbaric they may act this weekend. Instead, it seems rather sad that they glut themselves with better beer than they drank as students, run off to Village bathrooms to have sex with people they'll never see again and haunt the campus like lost souls, feverishly reliving what were probably the last truly carefree years of their lives before they have to crawl back into their cars and go home.

David Noon is a senior English and history major.

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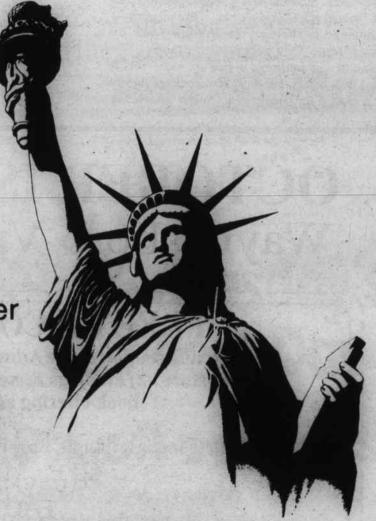
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Students step to the beat

by Matt Warner staff writer

It's a cross between tap dancing, marching, gymnastics and hyper-spastic drill team acrobatics. It's filled with a dizzying array of hand slaps, foot stomps, back-hand springs, jumping and chanting.

And some who have witnessed the art of step dancing say it's the craziest thing you can do on two feet — or rather, on two feet, two hands, on your head with your body flipping around in the air.

For step-master Will Harris of Phi Beta Sigma fraternity, stepping has dominated his life for the past month, left him with aches where he didn't know he had muscles, and given him nightmares.

"You think about things all the time in your head," Harris said at a practice at Bridgeforth Stadium.

"What could go wrong: people not screaming at the right time, falling off the stage.

"I had a dream about it last night where Aaron [Williams] flew-off into the audience," Harris said.

JMU's four black service fraternities and four sororities will perform their 15-minute routines live at the Convocation Center tonight at 8 p.m.

Because of the time crunch brought on by this

year's early block show, many of the performers have practiced two or three hours every day to get ready, said step-mistress Tanja Norris of Zeta Phi Beta.

"This year it's really hectic," she said. "Last year we had two months, and I'm really disgusted with the fact that we only have a month to prepare.

"Two of us have walking pneumonia and we're aggravating it by jumping around," Norris said. "Last year we had two people on crutches. But I will step anytime, anywhere, anyplace."

The Office of Multicultural Student Services has given \$200 to each group to help the dancers purchase costumes and props, Norris said.

The winning fraternity and sorority will each receive a trophy, said Byron Bullock, assistant to the associate vice president for student affairs.

And \$100 will be donated to a charity of each winner's choice. The show's proceeds will go to the Black Greek Caucus for student scholarships.

Each group will be scored on originality, enthusiasm, creativity, difficulty, precision and synchronization.

The scoring panel will consist of selected members of the Harrisonburg and JMU community.

The tradition of stepping can be traced to West



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Will Harris has been dreaming about the step show performance.

Africa, where young males danced as part of a riteof-passage.

"It represents African tribal dance and the breaking of the bonds and chains of slavery," Ramon Sutherland of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity said.

The first step shows on college campuses began in the 1960s during the civil rights movement.

Stepping has been at JMU since the black Greek organizations began here in the 1970s, but it has only been a competition for the last five, Bullock said.

"The thing that makes it special is the amount of effort and creativity the groups place in the show," Bullock, who is an Alpha Phi Alpha member.

"It's almost like taking marching in effect and recreating the wheel," he said.

In the past, some step shows around the country have drawn criticism due to occurrences of "cracking," which is the use of suggestive hand gestures and obscene remarks to purposefully show disrespect to other Greeks.

"We deter from cracking during competition," Sutherland said.

"We focus on what we do and not really anyone else. If you make it personal, you got a problem."

In preparation for tonight's show, many of the step-masters and mistresses have trekked to other college's step shows and spent hours watching video tapes.

"I watched some tapes from Howard and St. Augustine," Norris said, "and I sit there in class writing intros and figuring out outfits.

"The more excited about it you are, the more you think about it," she said.

Aaron Williams of Phi Beta Sigma said the long, grueling hours of practice "are kind of tiring sometimes. You wake-up in the morning and it's like, 'aw shit, another two hours of this crap.'

"But I love it," he said. "I wanna win bad."

Tickets for Friday's show are \$7 at the door and \$5 in advance through the Office of Multicultural Student Services. The next JMU step show will be during Black Freshmen Weekend in March.



Senior Will Harris (left) and senior Chris Sherman step for Phi Beta Sigma.



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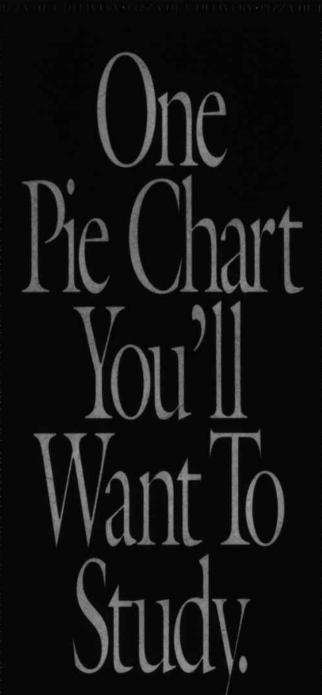
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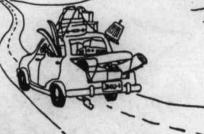


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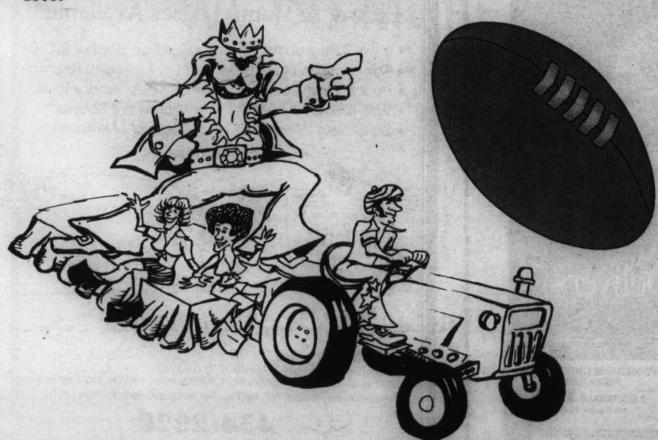


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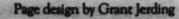
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Mr. Madison shares limelight this year

contributing writer

The halftime announcement of this year's Ms. Madison will be a little longer than it's been in the past - she won't be the only receiving a moment in the limelight.

This year the Outstanding Student Award committee has decided to honor a Mr. Madison also.

The position of Mr. Madison, an honor reserved for the best all-around male JMU student, is being reinstated after some 20 years.

The revival of the Mr. Madison tradition came about this year in response to student inquiries.

"A lot of people asked why there wasn't one, and we tried to get away from just the homecoming queen," said senior Karen Jones, chairwoman of the Mr. and Ms. Madison Outstanding Student Award committee.

The finalists for the title of Mr. Madison were chosen from a field of 42 nominees - each nominated by a student organization. The final selections were made by a small panel of student leaders, administrators and faculty members led by Jones.

The five finalists, all seniors, are Michael Spencer, from the business fraternity Delta Sigma Pi;

MR. MADISON page 17



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Mr. Madison finalists are (from left) Danny Cruce, Mike Spencer, Dave Holloway, John Mitchell and Michael Pfautz.



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Ms. Madison promotes different image

by Shauna Miller staff writer

There's more to Ms. Madison than just a wave and a pretty smile.

Class assignments, club activities and volunteer efforts constantly steer her across campus and out into the Harrisonburg community.

This year, five women have the chance to fill 1991-92 Ms. Madison Pat Southall's shoes. Their personalities, leadership abilities and communication skills have got them on the right foot.

Student organizations made 42 nominations for the Mr. and Ms. Madison Outstanding Student Award. The award committee narrowed the count down to five for each award.

The five finalists, all seniors, are Jennifer Weede, nominated by Alpha Sigma Tau; Amy Taylor, by the Mortar Board Honor Society; Melanie Byrd, by the Student Government Association; Becki Shuford, by the ski racing team; and Erica Freihage, by Alpha Chi Omega.

For the first time in JMU's Homecoming history, the winners will be announced during the Parents' Weekend football game.

Karen Jones, chairwoman of the Mr. and Ms. MS. MADISON page 17



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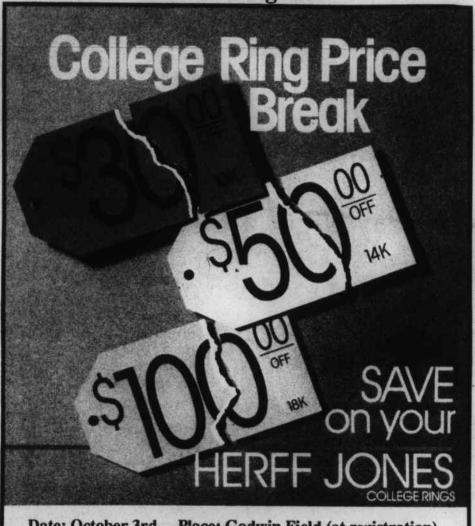
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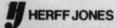


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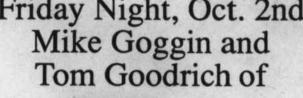
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John Mitchell, from the social fraternity Kappa Alpha Psi; Danny Cruce, president of the SGA; Michael Pfautz, from the social fraternity Sigma Pi; and Dave Holloway, from Mortar Board, a senior honor society.

"Basically it's the same thing as Ms. Madison but it's changed a lot this year," Jones said. "We've gone from the Ms. Madison pageant where it was looked at as a Homecoming queen contest to more of an outstanding student award."

The winner, along with the winner of the Ms. Madison contest, will be announced at the Parents' Weekend football game Oct. 10.

Because Homecoming is so early this year, it's hard to squeeze everything into homecoming weekend," Jones said. It will also help them get "away from the homecoming king and queen image."

The nominating committee hopes the award will carry some community service and school representation responsibilities.

"We'd really like to see both of them used as more of an ambassador role," Jones said, "where they can go around to different organizations . . where they can really share with people and represent the school."

And the finalists said they view being nominated for the Mr. Madison award as a personal honor.

"I would hope to try to make it more of a functional position, to give it more of a direction and not let it be just a picture in the yearbook," finalist Danny Cruce said. "It would be good to use it as a tie between the school and the community."

Finalist Michael Pfautz said, "I'm honored. I'm proud to be representing my fraternity, and that would probably be the main reason I want to win.

"I would like to represent the university in the best light possible,"

Students can vote for Mr. Madison on the commons Oct. 5 - 9. Posters with a picture of each finalist along with basic information, including GPA and extra-curricular activities, will be displayed there that week.

Ms. Madison

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Madison Outstanding Student committee, hopes this will erase the Homecoming queen stigma.

'We've changed the announcement of the winners to Parents' Weekend," she said.

"Parents are a much more captive audience for this kind of thing, and it also helps with drawing attention away from the image of Homecoming queen."

The addition of "Outstanding Student Award" to the titles is also meant to clarify the practice.

"We're really trying to give these people credit for what they do at JMU instead of [making it] a popularity contest," Jones said.

"We're now trying to expand the program so that the students take on an ambassador role," she added.

The candidates for the Ms. Madison Outstanding Student Award are ready to take on the new responsibilities of the position.

"The more opportunities you have to do things, the more you learn,"

Weede said. "I volunteer my time, and I meet a lot of great people," she said.

Shuford said, "You can be involved with one thing and many different things can stem from it," she said. "I enjoy everything I do on campus."

By undertaking a number of activities, the finalists are able to communicate with a variety of people.

"I like having the opportunity to identify with so many different groups on campus," Byrd said. "Plus, I really enjoy what I do."

"I keep doing it because I love this school," Freihage said. "I don't mind working on something challenging because faculty, staff and students are so supportive and fun to work with."

Although time constraints are a concern with such an active schedule, most finalists are able to keep up.

"As an athlete, I am forced to manage time accordingly," Taylor

"I was motivated to perform well in running and that motivated me to excel in other areas."

Voting for Ms. Madison will be held Oct. 5 - 9 on the commons.



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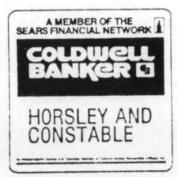


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