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THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 2000

Peeper sketches released

Students off campus urged to file reports

ISA ROSATO
senior writer

The Harrisonburg Police Department released a composite sketch on Friday of the suspect allegedly involved in peeping and intruding incidents at off-campus student apartment complexes.

The most recent peeping incident occurred on Dec. 17 right before students left for winter break.

There were three peeping incidents reported off-campus early last year in Squire Hill, The Commons and at the 1200 block of Devon Lane, according to the Feb. 25, 1999 issue of *The Breeze*.

HPD Lt. Richard Sites said the last three victims provided similar descriptions of the intruder and these descriptions matched those from 1997, when the

intruding incidents began.

Off-Campus Life Coordinator Kathy Sarver said her office has posted this sketch at bus stops, on buses, in Taylor Down Under and in off-campus complex offices.

"We can get this guy if people will just focus on it and watch out for each other," she said. "Be aware of what's going on around you; report anything. Don't be embarrassed or worried."

The intruder, who has reportedly entered students' unlocked apartments to watch females while they sleep, is described as a white male, possibly in his



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Campus peeper is reportedly college-aged

ISA ROSATO
senior writer

Campus police have released a sketch this week of an individual who has allegedly watched female students as they showered in on-campus residence halls.

There were eight instances of peeping toms reported to campus police during the fall semester, according to police logs throughout the semester in *The Breeze*. In six of these cases, female students were in the shower.

The sketch by campus police is not related to the one done by the Harrisonburg Police Department. The individual in on-campus incidents is described as being at least 10 years younger than the alleged off-campus peeper, around col-

lege age.

At this point, JMU Police are conducting an open investigation concerning the on-campus peeper, Alan MacNutt, director of public safety, said.

"We are taking measures, but if I discuss those it would render them useless," he said. "We have notified people of the incidents and have developed a composite sketch and distributed it."

The composite sketch of the shower peeper describes him as a white male, college age, 5 feet 5 to 6 feet, blonde to light brown hair (possibly spiked).

He was last seen wearing jeans, a white T-shirt, a dark blue zippered sweatshirt and Converse-style athletic shoes.



COURTESY OF HPD

JMU prepares for MLK Day

Afternoon classes canceled in observance

JEN BONDS
senior writer

Several events are scheduled on campus Sunday and Monday to celebrate the achievements Martin Luther King Jr. made during his life, and for the first time JMU will cancel afternoon classes to officially observe Monday's national holiday.

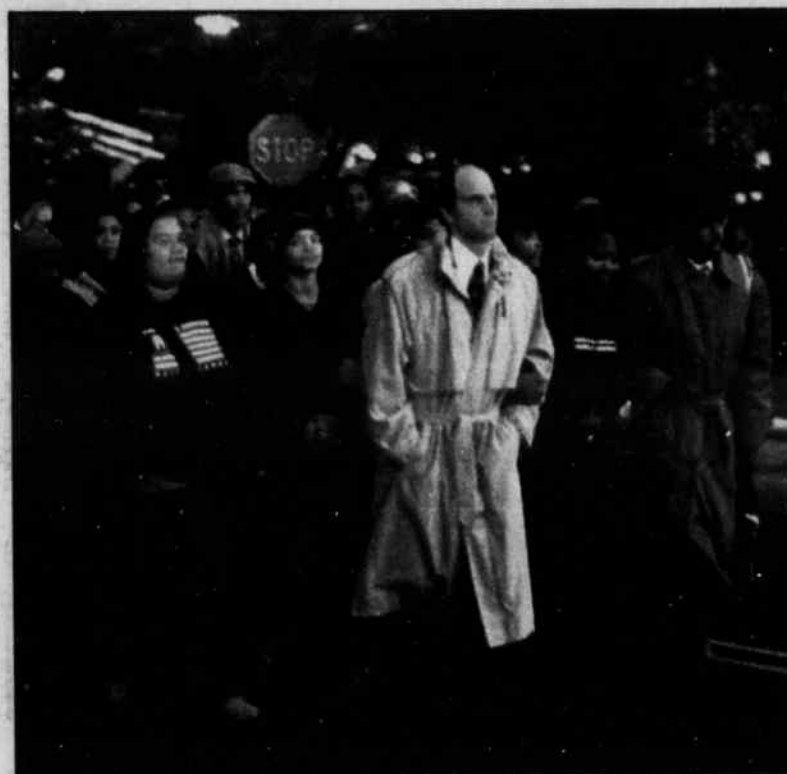
The university canceled classes after noon to allow maximum student and faculty participation in events organized by the Black Students Alliance, the Center for Multicultural/International

Student Services (CMISS), student volunteers from campus organizations and the Center for Leadership, Service and Transitions.

Sunday night Johnetta Cole, former president of Spelman College, will speak in Wilson Hall Auditorium at 7 p.m. to outline and honor the life and contributions of King to the civil rights movement.

"We are extremely excited to have Dr. Cole speak to the JMU community," Zebulun Davenport, director of CMISS, said. "She is a speaker of high caliber, and I encourage

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FILE PHOTO

JMU will begin to officially observe Martin Luther King Jr. Day by canceling afternoon classes so that students can attend activities.

SGA derides statement

TOM STEINFELDT
SGA reporter

The Student Government Association's first meeting of the year began with debate over an issue that will impact JMU for years to come — the JMU mission statement.

A majority of senators criticized JMU's proposed mission statement for its vague nature, failure to distinguish JMU and a lack of inclusiveness on the part of the group that drafted the statement.

The mission statement reads: "We are committed to preparing students to be enlightened and

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STYLE Flaming Toilets

■ Payload, a JMU punk band with a rather unusual concert experience, shares its past, present and future. Page 17

Bye Bye, Beerman

After guiding the volleyball team to the NAAs, Coach Chris Beerman, right, decided to leave JMU and take a position with the University of Pittsburgh. Page 29



Phanatics

More than 80,000 Phish fans spent New Year's Eve in the Everglades. The Phocus section has the inside scoop. Pages 24-25

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Rose at the Rose Garden

■ JMU President Linwood Rose visited the White House for a conference on information security Friday. Page 3

DUKE DAYS EVENTS CALENDAR

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13

- Fellowship Dinner, 5:30 p.m., 690 S. Mason St., sponsored by Wesley Foundation, call Ben at 434-3490

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14

- JMU Board of Visitors Meeting, 1 p.m., Board Room, Chandler Hall

SATURDAY, JANUARY 15

- Brass Bash, all day, Music Building, Anthony-Seeger Auditorium and Wilson Hall Auditorium, call x6036



SUNDAY, JANUARY 16

- Martin Luther King Celebration Program, 7 p.m., Wilson Hall Auditorium, Johnetta B. Cole, Presidential Distinguished Professor at Emory University, anthropologist and author, will speak, call x6636

MONDAY, JANUARY 17

- Martin Luther King Day, classes canceled beginning at 12:20 p.m., Peace March, noon, throughout campus; Speak Out, 1 p.m., Grafton-Stovall Theatre

To submit Duke Days, come down to *The Breeze* in the basement of Anthony-Seeger Hall or e-mail Brian at westlebr@jmu.edu. Deadline is Friday at 5 p.m. for Monday's paper and Tuesday at 5 p.m. for Thursday's paper. Information is run on a space available basis.

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POLICE LOG

MELISSA FORREST
police reporter

City police responded to a fight in progress involving a large number of people at Key West Bar and Grill on Dec. 27 at 1:44 a.m.

Assistance from campus police was requested to deal with the situation.

Following the clearing of the crowd at Key West the group moved to the Sheetz convenience store on South Main Street and again became involved in the continuing disturbance.

Assistance from campus police was requested a second time to deal with the situation.

The crowd reportedly dispersed and departed the area.

In other matters, campus police report the following:

Alcohol Poisoning

- A JMU student suffering from

alcohol poisoning was found by a responding officer on the second floor of Hillside Hall on Dec. 17 at 2:50 a.m.

The student refused transport but was eventually taken to Rockingham Memorial Hospital for treatment.

Underaged Consumption of Alcohol

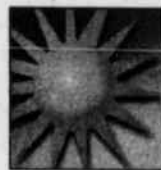
- A JMU student was judicially referred for underage consumption of alcohol on Dec. 16 at 12:15 a.m. near J-lot.
- A JMU student was judicially referred for underage consumption of alcohol on Dec. 17 at 2:50 a.m. in Hillside Hall.
- A JMU student was judicially referred for underage consumption of alcohol on Jan. 11 at 2:45 p.m. on Ikenberry Service Drive.

Public Consumption

- A JMU student was reportedly

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WEATHER



Today
 Windy, mostly sunny
 High 55, Low 25

		High	Low
Friday	Breezy	37	21
Saturday	Mostly sunny	50	31
Sunday	Partly sunny	54	29
Monday	Partly cloudy	51	30

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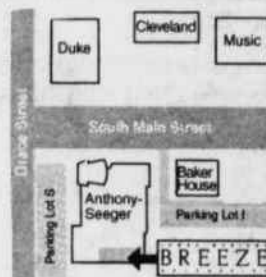
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"To the press alone, chequered as it is with abuses, the world is indebted for all the triumphs which have been gained by reason and humanity over error and oppression."

— James Madison

Nearly 600 students graduate in Dec.

JMU conferred 591 degrees at winter commencement Dec. 17, 1999 at the Convocation Center.

JMU President Linwood Rose presented 476 undergraduate degrees, 114 graduate degrees and one doctorate degree in psychology.

In Brief

JMU's only doctoral program.

Claude Allen, the Virginia secretary of health and human services, was the featured speaker.

Lifelong Learning classes announced

The JMU Lifelong Institute, targeted for students 55 and over, has announced its spring schedule. The non-credit special interest classes include Virginia history, money management and a study of Mennonites in the Shenandoah Valley.

The classes are in two sessions. The first is held Jan. 31 to March 3 and the second is March 1 to April 1.

An open house to learn about the institute and its courses is scheduled for Jan. 25 at 1 p.m. at the Cecil F. Gilkerson Community Activities Center, 305 S. Dogwood Drive, Harrisonburg. The guest speaker will be Nancy Merz, program manager for the Elderhostel Institute Network. The snow date is Jan. 27.

A complete description of the classes, times, days and costs is available from the Lifelong Learning Institute.

The institute has trips planned to Baltimore's Inner Harbor, Annapolis, Antietam Battlefield and Belle Grove mansion and St. Michael's Island.

For information or to register for classes, call the institute at x2923.

Student places in design contest

Senior graphic design major John Alspaugh's work is one of 39 pieces by student designers in the eighth annual HOW International Design Competition.

Alspaugh's work, "Drip Plumbing Works," is a merit winner in the contest sponsored by the graphic design magazine.

The selection will be featured in the April 2000 issue of HOW, along with 385 other entries chosen from submissions entered by designers throughout the world.

— from staff reports

Alternative fuel vehicles pave way for cleaner air

MATT McHUGH
contributing writer

Cars constantly emit harmful chemicals into the air, so JMU is taking an important step to make the air cleaner with alternative fuel vehicles.

JMU has 14 vehicles fueled by alternatives to gasoline. Seven are powered by electricity and the other seven use natural gas, said Phil Simmons, environmental operations manager for Facilities Management. Columbia Gas recently donated two of the natural gas vehicles.

Maintenance, housekeeping and dining staffs use the cars. The cars are mainly used on campus, although they are occasionally taken into town to run errands.

Electric vehicles are the most environmentally friendly because they don't emit any waste.

Natural gas is used in an internal combustion engine, just like gasoline, but the fuel burns more completely and cleaner, Simmons said. The complete burn reduces the amount of greenhouse gases and ozone precursors released into the atmosphere, which are both harmful to the atmosphere.

The alternative fuel vehicles

look almost identical to ordinary cars and trucks. In fact, most of the natural gas vehicles have dual fuel tanks so they can run on gasoline if necessary. Even the engines are virtually the same. A standard car or truck can be converted into a natural gas powered vehicle with about \$2,500 worth of work. New electric cars range from \$20,000 to \$25,000 (for a car comparable to one in the \$15,000 to \$20,000) and natural gas cars are about \$4,000 more than comparable standard cars. All major manufacturers offer natural gas models.

Simmons, along with James Winebrake, associate professor of integrated science and technology, directs the alternative fuel vehicle program at JMU. JMU got its first alternative fuel vehicles in 1996. The program is funded by the Virginia Department of Transportation, JMU facilities management and ISAT. JMU has also received donations from Virginia Power and Columbia Gas. This program is unusual for universities, Winebrake said. George Mason University and Old Dominion University are the only other schools in Virginia that have such programs.

Simmons said the primary benefits of alternative fuel vehi-



KATIE WILSON/photo editor

Alternative fuel vehicles are appearing more and more on campus, including this electric Geo Metro behind Anthony-Seeger Hall.

cles are environmental, but over time a move to natural gas and electric cars should bring maintenance costs down by lengthening the life of a vehicle by as much as five years.

"Natural gas is a cheaper fuel and electric cars have fewer moving parts," Simmons said.

Simmons said performances of alternative fuel cars are comparable to normal cars. They can go as fast as a standard vehicle and have a similar pickup and ride.

"The only disadvantage is on

the high [performance] end," he said.

A drag racer may notice a speed decrease, for instance, but the differences are not noticeable during everyday use.

However, electric cars need to recharge about every 50 miles. Many gas stations don't provide battery recharges. Electric vehicles also have a lower weight capacity, so they couldn't be used to haul heavy materials.

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Dr. Rose goes to Washington

JMU president attends White House conference on information security



COURTESY OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

JMU President Linwood Rose, left, and William Daley look on as White House Chief of Staff John Podesta speaks at the briefing.

KELLY HANNON &
BRIAN WESTLEY

news editor and asst. news editor

JMU's name was in the national limelight on Friday when JMU President Linwood Rose was invited to join President Clinton and Secretary of Commerce William Daley at the White House for the announcement of Clinton's information security initiative.

Rose was invited as a representative of higher education institutions that offer information security programs. JMU is the only school in the world that offers a master of science degree in computer science with a concentration in information security.

Before the announcement of the initiative, Rose briefly met Clinton.

"We didn't talk for long, just a little bit . . . but he did take the time to thank JMU for what he saw as leadership in the indus-

try," Rose said.

Rose said Clinton was unable to stay for the press briefing because he had to make an unscheduled trip to Shepardstown, W.Va., due to ongoing peace talks between the leaders of Syria and Israel.

Rose, Daley and White House Chief of Staff John Podesta conducted the press briefing. Both the briefing and the initiative announcement were broadcast on C-SPAN and CNN.

During the briefing, Rose said JMU's information security program was created with a recognized need for more information security professionals in mind.

"Our information systems, if not carefully protected, may be accessed by those whose intentions are much more serious than just mischief," Rose said at the White House news conference, explaining the importance of training individuals to prevent

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	MAMA MIA:	Pasta w/ Three Cheeses Pasta w/ Chicken & Peppers	Baked Rotini w/ Italian Sausage Pasta with Ham & Spinach	Baked Ravioli Tortellini w/ Roasted Garlic	Meat Balls w/ Sauce Pasta w/ Carbonara Sauce	Eggplant Parmesan Pasta w/ Red Clam Sauce	
	Exhibition Salad: Wrap: Soup:	Taco Salad Chicken Ranch Wrap Fiesta Vegetable Soup	Chef's Salad Southwestern Wrap Tangy Three Bean Soup	Chicken Caesar Salad Tuna Wrap French Onion Soup	Chicken Pasta Salad Club Wrap Italian Vegetable Soup	Spinach Salad Italian Wrap Tunisian Tomato Soup	
	SANDWICH CITY:	Turkey Burgers Breaded Zucchini	Grilled Chicken Breast Grilled Reuben	Veggie Burgers Grilled Cheese	Grilled Chicken Breast Potato Munchers	Turkey Burgers Tuna Melt	Grilled Cheese
	Turkey Cutlets Cream Sauce Tortellini Alfredo Potatoes au Gratin Carrots Onions Rings Spanikoita	Chicken Fajitas Sirloin Tips Egg Noodles Corn Sauteed Onions Sauteed Peppers <i>Chili Relleno Omelette</i>	<i>BAR AND GRILL</i> Buffalo Wings Potato Skins w/ toppings Broccoli Breaded Mushrooms Breaded Zucchini Onion Rings Poppers	Chicken Breast Strip Baked Ham Candied Sweet Potatoes Broccoli Lima Beans <i>Pasta Fagoli</i>	Chicken Shrimp Stir Fry Beef Stew Rice Green Beans Zucchini and Tomatoes Cheesecake Bar - Line3 <i>Curried Vegetable Stew</i>	Roast Pork with Gravy BBQ Chicken Mashed Potatoes Mixed Vegetables Carrots <i>Thai Green Beans with Tofu</i>	Meat Lasagna Chicken Patty Tomato Herb Sauce Egg Noodles Spinach Peas & Carrots <i>Vegetarian Jambalaya</i>
	MAMA MIA: Baked Penne Pasta with Ratatouille	Calzone Pasta w/ Roasted Mushrooms	Baked Manicotti Chicken Marsala	Chicken Parmesan Baked Pasta w/ Ratatouille	Baked Tortellini Pasta w/ Ham and Peas		Pasta w/ Shrimp Sauce Pasta w/ Green Beans
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Out with the old

Study will map building renovation plan

ANGELA HAIN
Staff writer

A major study of the older academic buildings began early this month and will result in a long-range master plan for renovations at JMU.

"This study will allow us to develop a plan for improvements to the historic campus buildings that house many of the traditional academic disciplines," said Douglas Brown, vice president for academic affairs.

Brown said many academic departments have had the same space in older buildings for several years. He said the impact of the study should result in better space for everyone.

"This study will provide a great opportunity for JMU to address the issue of developing a plan for providing appropriate space for all academic departments," Brown said.

The decision to begin a study of the academic buildings evolved out of a need that a number of administrators and faculty expressed over the years, said Fred Hilton, director of media relations.

"Some of the buildings date back to 1908," Hilton said. "While some work has been done to some academic buildings, this study will enable us to

look at everything on campus at once."

Two firms, Spillis Candela DMJM, a Washington D.C.-based architectural and engineering firm, and Paulien & Associates, a Denver educational planning consulting firm, were hired to conduct the study.

The two firms have extensive experience in working with space needs on college campuses, said Steve Knickrehm, assistant vice president for resource planning.

"The consultants will come in and look at our space needs, the potential for renovations, and how we can optimize our space and use it as it should be used," Hilton said.

The study will deal only with the academic buildings, focusing on the buildings in the Bluestone area of campus, Carrier Library, Godwin Hall, Zane Showker Hall and Anthony-Seeger Hall. No residence halls, dining facilities, administrative offices or athletic facilities will be included in the study.

None of the new academic buildings east of Interstate 81 will be included in the renovation studies; however, the new buildings will impact the moving of academic programs scheduled to go into those facilities.

"Each of the deans and acade-

mic departments will be interviewed in order to determine their priorities for the renovation," Brown said. "A schedule of renovations will be developed as part of the study and will be implemented over a series of years based on priorities established by the faculty and administration."

The study is not expected to be completed until fall 2000.

After the study is completed and JMU obtains a master plan for renovations, the university will begin to seek state and local funding to be able to make the suggested changes. No funding can be obtained without the specifics on what changes need to be done to the buildings.

"Having a detailed and fully developed master plan can be very helpful to the university in acquiring funding from the state for renovation projects," Knickrehm said.

The renovations will begin only after the necessary funding is obtained. The university will decide which buildings will take priority for the renovations.

"The study is an extremely positive event for the university and its programs," Brown said. "Many of our programs in the liberal arts, sciences and humanities will benefit significantly from this effort."

The Breeze is looking for an SGA reporter for the spring semester. This is a paid writing position. Applicants should be free on Tuesday nights from 5 p.m. until about 10 p.m. Interested? Call Gina, Kelly or Brian at x6699 to apply or for more information.

JAC card switchover hits some snags

RICHARD SAKSHAUG
Staff writer

About 500 JMU students were without their new JAC cards at the beginning of the new semester. For the past several days, these students have been visiting Card Services Center in Warren Hall and waiting in long lines to receive a new card.

All JMU students were supposed to receive their new JAC cards over winter break. The new cards feature a new design and individual PeopleSoft identification number in place of the social securi-

ty number, as reported in the Nov. 8 issue of *The Breeze*.

Betty Hinkle, director of Card Services, said one of the problems was with home mailing addresses. "There were many addresses that had not been changed by students and the mail system did not forward them," she said.

Another problem occurred with the JAC card pictures. The pictures that appeared on the old JAC cards are the same ones that appear on the new ones, yet some students' pictures were lost.

"Approximately 200 students' images

had been lost when we backed up to our network in the old imaging system," Hinkle said.

She said there were no problems with the actual computers or the systems that were running them. Students that had this problem had new pictures taken this week at the Card Services center.

Not all students had problems receiving their new cards. Most got their JAC cards over winter break through the mail. "Everybody I know has got their card," sophomore Tara Lineberry said. "I got mine on my second day home."

Hinkle said there have been no problems with new cards that were distributed and that all have worked properly for students.

Whereas some students preferred the old ones, others approve of the new cards. "They're not too bad," freshman Justin Forem said. "It's a change. There's more color."

Hinkle said that if any student has not yet received his or her card or if there are any problems with the card, the student should go to the Card Service Center located in Warren Hall on the third floor.

Welcome back
writers!

We're having our first meeting of the semester on Tuesday at 5 p.m. in the *Breeze* office. New writers are always welcome.



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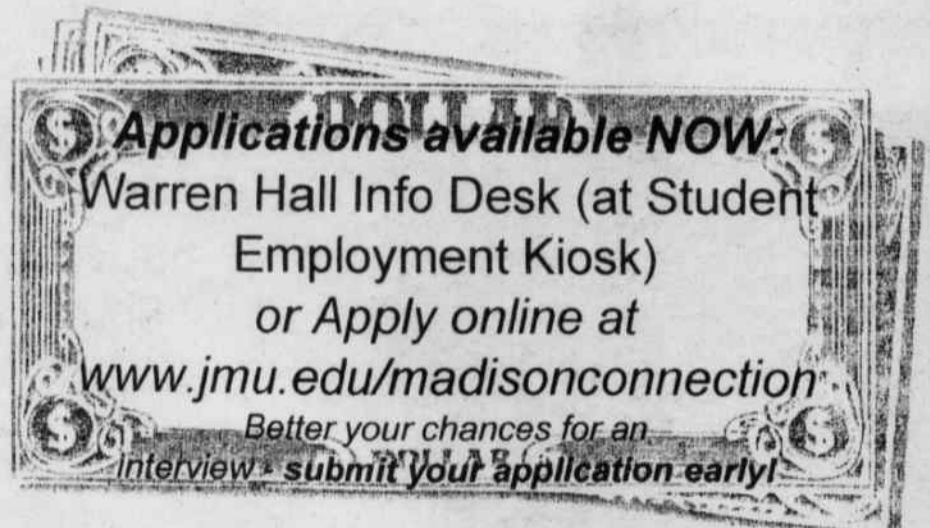
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Colleges

Supreme Court hears arguments about giving rape victim permission to sue attackers

In a case that could change the legal boundaries between state and federal government, the U.S. Supreme Court heard arguments Tuesday on whether a former Virginia Tech student should be allowed to sue in federal court two men who allegedly raped her.

The justices will decide whether Congress acted outside its authority when it approved the Violence Against Women Act in 1994, the federal law under which **Christy Brzonkala** is suing for damages.

Brzonkala's lawyers claim the law is needed because state justice systems fail to adequately protect women from rape, sexual assault and domestic violence. The law's supporters include the Clinton administration and most state attorneys general, who contend that victimization costs the U.S. economy billions of dollars each year.

Opponents counter that the federal government should not have unlimited power to regulate state matters such as crime.

Brzonkala became the first person to sue under the federal law in 1995 when she alleged two then-football players raped her in her dormitory room.

Rutgers student to become a town mayor

Officials of a small New Jersey town are prepared to swear in the youngest mayor in the state.

Harry Zikas, a 21-year-old Rutgers University student, beat two-term incumbent **Thomas Fey** in a June Democratic primary. Zikas then ran unopposed in the November mayoral election. He will be sworn into office later this month.

"The same people would run for council year after year," Zikas said. "I decided someone else should give it a try."

Zikas said his age plays no part in his new job as mayor of Alpha, N.J., a town of about 2,600.

"When we're in council chambers, age doesn't matter," he said. "We're in there to do what's best for the town."

—from wire reports

Nation

Marijuana linked to an increased risk of cancer

Current and past smokers of marijuana are at an increased risk of developing cancer of the head and neck, including tumors of the mouth, throat and larynx, a new study has found.

The study, the first to link marijuana with such cancers, suggests that the drug's popularity in recent decades could have serious long-term health consequences for some users. The generation of Americans who were teen-agers in the 1960s, when recreational use of marijuana became widespread, is reaching the age when many types of cancer start to become more common.

Marijuana smoke is higher in tar and carcinogens than tobacco smoke, and previous research has shown that marijuana smokers, like cigarette smokers, can develop precancerous changes in cells lining the respiratory tract. Researchers said they therefore were not surprised at the news that smoking marijuana predisposes users to head and neck cancers.

Researchers have estimated that 31 percent of Americans who were over 11 years old in 1992 have tried marijuana.

Zuo-Feng Zhang, a professor of epidemiology at the University of California at Los Angeles School of Public Health, is the principal author of the new study.

AOL stocks drop after merger with Time Warner

Shares of America Online Inc. fell more than 11 percent Tuesday, one day after the Internet pioneer announced a record \$183 billion deal to buy media conglomerate Time Warner Inc., depleting the value of the very currency AOL intends to use to leap from cyberspace into the real world.

AOL wants to be king of the media world. But analysts said the reaction of investors — AOL's shares have sunk about 14 percent since the deal was unveiled — demonstrates the dangers that lurk as a new breed of entrepreneurs attempts to build a bridge from the Internet world.

"Most people view Net companies as having an infinite horizon," said **Ned Riley**, chief investment strategist at State Street Global Advisors, which is one of the biggest owners of both AOL and Time Warner stock. "The new company is supposed to have a growth rate of 30 percent a year. That's great for a mundane media company but mediocre for an Internet company."

—from wire reports

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observed drinking beer from a large glass on Warsaw Street on Dec. 16 at 9:25 p.m.

Underaged Possession of Alcohol

- Chris J. DeRusha, 19, of Newton, Mass., was arrested and charged with underaged possession of alcohol on Dec. 16 at 12:15 a.m. near J-lot.

- Stephanie S. Reeves, 18, of Ballslake, N.Y., was arrested and charged with underage possession of alcohol on Dec. 17 at 2:50 a.m. in Hillside Hall.

- Thomas A. Mayer, 18, of St. James, N.Y., was arrested and charged with underage possession of alcohol on Jan. 11 at 2:45 a.m. on Ikenberry Service Drive.

Destruction of Public Property

- Unidentified individuals reportedly damaged a building designation sign, valued at \$500, on Dec. 16 at 11:14 a.m. at Zane Showker Hall on Bluestone Drive.

Destruction of Personal Property

- Unidentified individuals reportedly bent the frame and both wheels of a specialized Hard Rock mountain bike parked at CISAT A1 bike rack on Dec. 16 at 1 p.m.

Grand Larceny

- Unidentified individuals reportedly stole a Rosco brand model 1000 Fogger, serial # 0897a005c, JMU ID #084075, used for special effects for stage productions, from the Duke Hall sound room between Oct. 15 and Dec. 16.

The fogger was valued at \$518.

- Unidentified individuals reportedly removed an Intelos cellular phone from an undetermined campus location on Jan. 10 between 7 and 9 p.m.

The phone was valued at \$350.

Petty Larceny

- Unidentified individuals reportedly removed a JMU ID holder from an unattended table in Carrier Library on Dec. 11 between 6 and 7 p.m.

- Unidentified individuals reportedly removed a parking permit from a JMU employee's unlocked vehicle on Dec. 15 between 7:30 and 10:20 a.m. on Patterson

Street.

- Unidentified individuals reportedly stole a bookbag left unattended in Zane Showker Hall on Dec. 2 at 3:30 p.m.

The contents in the bag were valued at \$200.

Harassment

- Unidentified individuals reportedly sent harassing messages via e-mail on Dec. 13 in a residence hall.

Contraband Material

- A suspicious odor investigation in Hoffman Hall yielded contraband material, paraphernalia and alcohol on Jan. 10 at 11:25 p.m.

The case is still under investigation.

Disturbance

- Campus police officers responded to a disturbance call involving a non-student and a student on Dec. 15 at 5:08 p.m. in Chesapeake Hall.

Number of drunk in public charges since Aug. 28: 49

Number of parking tickets issued from Dec. 18 to Jan. 11: 487

Vehicles run on natural gas

VEHICLES, from page 3

Natural gas vehicles get the same gas mileage as standard cars.

Winebrake said "natural gas powered vehicles are actually safer than those fueled by gasoline" in an accident. In a standard car, gasoline is heavier than air, so if a fuel leak occurs in an accident, the gas will pool and possibly combust. Natural gas is lighter than air, therefore if a fuel leak occurs, the gas will disperse and not combust.

A group of ISAT seniors are working with alternative fuel issues for their senior project. Brian Cecil, Nathan Curtis and

Jack Hachmann are rebuilding a GMC electric vehicle. Jeremy Travis, Scott Abbott, Rawley Pieratt and Brennen Walsh are working on a study that will determine the feasibility of making JMU's fleet of vehicles to alternative fuels. JMU has about 280 vehicles, Winebrake said, and the study will look at how many can realistically be transformed.

The CISAT group will weigh the advantages and disadvantages and submit its recommendation to Winebrake. This report will help the university decide how much it should add to the program.

"I think this program is impor-

tant because it gives us a chance to conduct hands-on work addressing a very important problem — that of meeting society's future transportation needs in a sustainable fashion," Hachmann said. "Our work represents not just theories and imaginary problems. We have a real problem in front of us and we get to use science and our imagination to solve it."

A new natural gas refueling station at the Facilities Management building should be finished by mid-February. Currently, the cars are being refueled from a station on loan from Columbia Gas.

Rose discusses security issues

ROSE, from page 3

computer crimes. "Power generation, banking and finance, transportation, water supply and emergency services are all dependent upon information systems and are susceptible to disruption by hackers and criminals.

"Higher education is the key to providing more of these professionals," Rose said. "Universities have begun to address this work force need, but if we are to accelerate the numbers of competent professionals at the rate that is required, federal support for faculty development and student assistance is essential."

Daley said because the United States is the leader in the electronic world and depends on information technologies, the nation is

susceptible to computer threats.

The information security program was formed at JMU in 1997 when the university recognized there was a need for a program that would offer professional education in the field of information security, said Allan Berg, JMU's director of the information security program.

He said the response to the program has been strong, with students enrolled representing federal agencies such as the FBI, Department of Defense, the National Security Agency and 36 private companies.

Although the average age of students enrolled is in their 30s, anyone with an undergraduate degree is eligible to apply, Berg said.

The program is taught entirely

on the Internet and requires no physical time in the classroom. Every seven weeks students take an exam given at an individually arranged location. Students spend 18 months in the program and must take 30 credit hours.

The program currently enrolls 84 students, some whom are studying in other countries since the program is taught entirely online. In March of 1999, the National Security Agency designated JMU as a Center of Excellence in Information Assurance Education. The master's program will enroll 110 students in the program next year, Berg said.

Rose said he hopes to expand the program further if the university is able to obtain additional federal and state funding.



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Where were you for New Year's Eve? Did you take any pictures of your New Year's celebration? If you have any good pictures or have some funny stories to tell, we want to know. If you have photos, choose a few that best show the location and JMU students. Then mail them to us or bring them by our office. If you have any stories to tell that photos failed to capture, give us a call or stop by to discuss it.

Deadline: Friday, Jan. 28 by 5 pm

Put your name and phone number on all pictures and include the names of the people in the picture. Bring submissions to THE BLUESTONE, Anthony-Seeger Room 217 (inside WXJM) or mail them to MSC 3522.

Any Questions? Call x6541 or see our webpage for more details:

www.jmu.edu/thebluestone

Off-campus peeper sketch released

OFF-CAMPUS, from page 1

30s, of medium or heavy build, and between 5 feet 7 and 5 feet 10. In the sketch released by police, he is depicted as having a full beard and mustache.

After the three victims gave their descriptions of the intruder, a computer-aided sketch was drawn up and presented to the victims, Sites said. All three agreed that the image looked like the man they had seen.

"We feel that this [sketch] so

closely resembles the victim that it may force him to change his appearance," he said.

Sites said he thinks there is a good possibility that the suspect may alter his appearance in order to avoid being recognized. "So if someone looks like him one day . . . and looks different the next day it would be suspicious," he said.

But Sites hopes people will not shrug off someone's change in appearance from day to day as a

sign of innocence.

It is hard to categorize the suspect as middle class, upper class, a blue collar worker, business professional, etc., because this may limit a lot of good suspects in people's eyes, Sites said. Individuals who may resemble the suspect may not fit the profile description, causing people to disregard them as a possible suspect, he said.

With the release of this latest sketch, police are expecting to

come closer to finding the suspect.

"Currently we are following up on minor leads, but we are still asking for assistance. We really need the cooperation of the general public," Sites said.

With a clear composite sketch putting police closer to catching the culprit, some off-campus residents said they can rest a little easier.

"It's good to know that they have some kind of lead, that

maybe they are getting somewhere," senior Susan Lawler said. "Hopefully this will help them further. It's still scary though."

Junior Claire Hawkins said it makes her feel more comfortable knowing police are trying to do something about these incidents. After returning home from break to a burglarized apartment, she said she thought it was good to know the police are taking measures against these criminals.

MLK Day is official at JMU at long last

MLK, from page 1

everyone to attend her presentation. We are very fortunate to have her here."

Cole is a Presidential Distinguished Professor at Emory University in Atlanta and the author of the 1993 best-selling book, "Conversations: Straight Talk with America's Sister President."

JMU President Linwood Rose will also provide an official welcome and participate in a candle-lighting ceremony during the Sunday program.

Winners from the CMISS-sponsored essay contest themed "Marching Into the

New Millennium: What are Our Responsibilities?" will also be recognized. Entries to the contest were submitted by students from Harrisonburg public schools.

Scheduled events for Monday will start at 12:30 p.m. with a Peace March and Speak Out for members of the Harrisonburg and JMU communities. The events are opportunities to discuss and honor King's influences on society through peaceful resistance in the civil rights movement.

The march, which will begin at Zane Showker Hall, will be routed along Bluestone Drive to the Quad and then will

end at Grafton-Stovall Theatre.

Following the march, a Speak Out will be held at Grafton-Stovall to allow participants to voice recognition for King and his contributions.

A reception will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Warren Hall mail room lobby, where the "Eyes on the Prize" series, a documentary about the civil rights movement, will be showing.

The number of participants is expected to be between 900 and 1,000, which is indicative of prior attendance at King recognition programs, Davenport said.

One student praised JMU for officially

celebrating the holiday instead of just offering programs.

"I am glad that JMU decided to officially recognize MLK Day, in addition to offering events for students to attend," said junior Lamar Jones, who is planning to attend the march and speak out.

Junior Mona Khan also agrees with JMU's decision to officially observe the King holiday.

"Being a participant in the protest march at Dr. Rose's inauguration in October, I know that this holiday is important to many students here," she said.

Mission statement derided as 'vague' by SGA

MISSION, from page 1

educated citizens who will lead productive and meaningful lives." The mission statement the SGA debated does not match the mission statement proposed at a Nov. 9, 1999 meeting. Students, faculty and administration members attended the open meeting to discuss the statement, which then read:

"We are committed to preparing students to be enlightened and educated citizens who will lead productive and meaningful lives in an interdependent world. As a public university, James Madison University is innovative, responsive and accountable."

SGA President Austin Adams said Donna Burch, administrative assistant to JMU President Linwood Rose, e-mailed University Council members, of which Adams is a member, with the version of the statement the SGA debated. Rose and JMU division heads devised the statement.

Rose could not be reached to find out why an altered version of the mission statement was presented to University Council members and debated by SGA.

The mission statement is scheduled to be put to a vote at today's University Council meeting in Taylor Hall in room 302 at 4 p.m. Adams and SGA Vice President Heather Herman are on the University Council, along

with Rose, the vice presidents, the college and library deans, and faculty and student representatives.

Adams said a mission statement should be "a guiding light." A mission statement must encompass all the facets of what JMU represents, including students, faculty and administration, Adams said.

Discussion centered on where this mission statement leads JMU, if it leads the university anywhere at all.

Several members expressed concern over who and what the proposed mission statement actually represents. "I don't feel like it is all inclusive," Adams said. Arts and Letters Sen. Matt Conrad said, "It should say something, and I'm afraid this doesn't."

The phrases "educated and enlightened citizens" and "productive and meaningful lives" were pinpointed as being far too vague by several senators.

Senators suggested specific goals need to be stated to connect the statement with JMU. Some senators said the statement needs to reflect JMU's characteristics.

"Isn't the mission statement what distinguishes us from other Virginia universities?" Arts and Letters Sen. Mark Sullivan asked.

In a move to present its displeasure with the statement, SGA passed a motion of unanimous consent for the proposed

mission statement to be reviewed. Adams and Herman will present these views at today's meeting.

The other major item that sparked debate at this week's meeting was the question of whether to increase winter break from three to four weeks. The JMU calendar for 2000-2001 is also up for a vote at the University Council meeting. The only major planned change from this year's calendar will be a full day off on MLK Day.

A three-week winter break enables JMU to finish exams the first week of May, thus allowing students to get a head start in the job market over students at other universities. Arguments in favor of adding a week to winter break point out that the option to take community college courses could be possible with a four-week break, whereas there is not enough time with the current schedule. Senators also debated whether three weeks was enough time to get a job and earn money needed to make it through the spring semester. In support of a four-week break, the point was raised that jobs and internships are generally lined up in advance, thus finishing in the first week of May is not a great advantage.

In other matters:
• SGA is holding its annual book sale and book buyback. Selling takes place from 10 a.m.



ALEX VESSELS/photo editor

Heather Herman, above, and Austin Adams will go before University Council to share SGA grievances with proposed mission statement.

to 4 p.m. in Taylor 405 through this Friday, Jan. 17-19, students can buy books.

• The lone bill of the day passed quickly with a vote of unanimous consent. The bill allocated \$417 to the freshman, sophomore and junior class councils to purchase one banner for each class. These banners will not display the year of the class so that they can be reused.

The banners will be used to advertise events put on by the class councils and at the events themselves. In the past, makeshift paper banners and the like have had to suffice as means to promote various events.

The funds were allocated from the reserve account, which is specifically designed for such

expenditures.

• The Madison Grill is up and running for lunch and dinner. Reservations can be made by calling x7555.

• The Food Services Committee is making a pitch to have Flex accepted at off-campus locations. After sending letters to about 20 businesses, some have responded to SGA, and further efforts are being pursued.

• SGA also announced its sponsorship of a James Madison birthday feast on March 16. Madison would have been 249 this year.

The meal's success will help in the planning for his 250th birthday bonanza in 2001, which may include guests from Montpelier and beyond.

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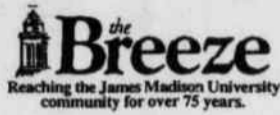
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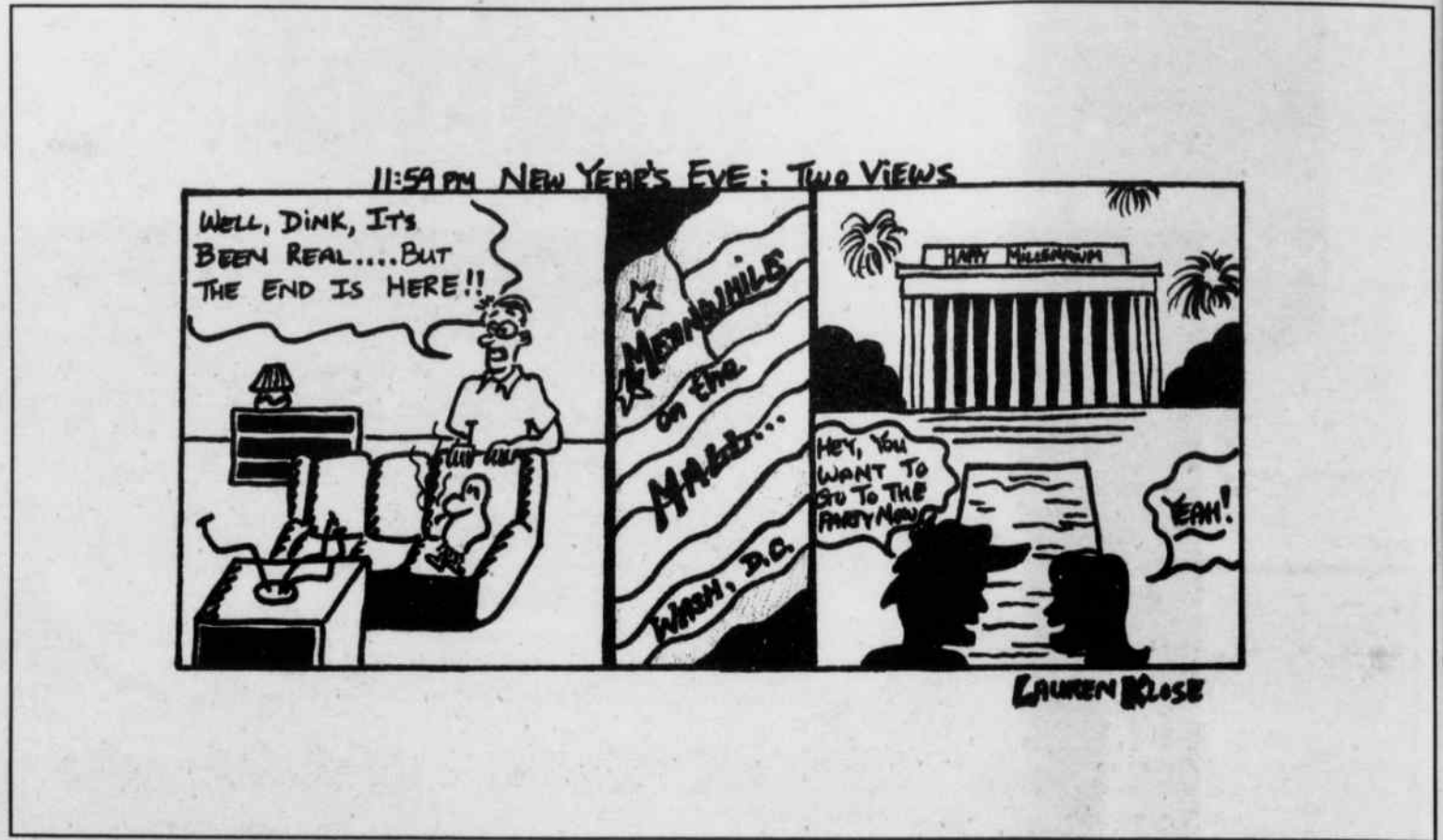
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Millennium bug is finally squished

During this past holiday season, Americans everywhere got themselves hyped up for the Y2K disaster: They bought generators, planned escape routes, made plans to be away from major cities on New Year's Eve, took some money out of the bank, bought extra canned food, water, batteries, flashlights, candles . . . for a disaster that never came.

For the past year, our e-mail, radio waves and television programs have been flooded with Y2K warning messages and forecasts of impending doom when the calendars made the fateful change from 1999 to 2000.

As the final tribute to the Y2K hype and letdown, those of us who never believed anything significant would happen would like to say one little thing: We told you so.

Under ordinary circumstances, we here at The Breeze refrain from such namecalling, but the extent of the media- and commercial-induced paranoia and fear was ridiculous and amusing. Most of all, though, we're just glad the

moment has passed so everyone now knows how foolish they were being. We didn't expect a massive terrorist attack, power failure or riotous looting at midnight on Dec. 31. We also had a feeling that Times Square wasn't going to go up in flames during a massive terrorist attack or that

"Those of us who never believed anything significant would happen would like to say one little thing: We told you so."

Seattle really needed to retreat into an enclave of self-defense by canceling events.

This is not to say that the threat of terrorist activity isn't a serious matter. It's just that in all likelihood, your average terrorist isn't going to pick the most obvious night of the year to attack.

Since most people were anticipating disaster and beefing up security, psychology would say the smart terrorist would wait for a less guarded situation.

It's a shame that some major cities bought into the threats and canceled their celebrations.

We know there were some disappointed people in Seattle when the whole New Year's hoopla was cancelled. And when several parties in Washington D.C. closed because of the Y2K threat, we can bet that the decision was hardly popular.

Fortunately, instead of dealing with a terrorist attack, most Americans are left to consume their numerous cases of bottled water and keep their unreturnable generators.

It's all over and done with now and we can breathe a sigh of relief and chuckle at the overhyped firecracker that fizzled. Thankfully, the so-called millennium bug hype is slowly fading away.

Although it is somewhat exciting to live near the beginning of a new century and millennium, we are sick to death of the marketing schemes, television slogans and other exploitations of the year 2000. The millennium doesn't happen until next year anyway.

Topic: What do you think was the best part of your winter break?

CAMPUS SPOTLIGHT
NIKKI REED/staff photographer



Derek Dwyer
junior, marketing

"Seeing the fam and hanging out with old friends from high school."



Laura Adams
junior, SMAD

"Recovering from New Year's Eve."



Chrystal Jones
junior, SMAD

"Counting down the new year with Mickey and the gang at Disney World."



Sam Rixey
senior, SMAD

"Watching dangerously large fireworks fly past my front door at the beginning of the new year."

OP/ED

New Year's resolutions: Who needs them?

Like I'm sure many of you did, I rang in 2000 drinking away most of what I could remember about the past year.

And I will concede that right around midnight I quit pouring champagne on myself and turned on the television to see if Times Square did indeed blow up, like I'm sure many of you also did.

What I didn't do is take into account what it means to try to drink away every memory you have of an entire year.

So naturally, my New Year's resolution the next morning was to find some sun glasses, a bottle of orange juice and some Advil. However, I soon realized that this resolution would not suffice, because resolutions are supposed to be more life altering and challenging than recovering from a hangover.

But when I started thinking about the concept of a New Year's resolution, I became very disillusioned. After all, New Year's resolutions are a lot like Will Smith albums; no one really needs one, but everyone has one.

When you make a New Year's resolution, you are really making a resolution to change some part of yourself. In essence, you're saying that there is something about yourself that is bad and requires correction. But how many

of us really want to do that, or have the self control or courage to do so?

If we had these skills in the first place, we probably never would have started doing the things we have so desperately resolved to change in the new year.

Take for instance my first resolution, which was to quit cussing.

When you think about it, I made a choice a long time ago to begin talking like a sailor on shore

leave, so what the @\$%& is the point in trying to quit now? I mean @#%&, cussing is about as addictive as heroin.

Speaking of addictions... that brings me to another resolution that people also make: to quit smoking in the new year. Again, same scenario.

Had they the self control never to start smoking in the first place, they would never have to live through a miserable January until they pick the habit up again for Valentine's Day.

But what frustrates me more is peo-

ple who make unattainable resolutions.

My roommate told me yesterday that his New Year's resolution is to manage his time better. He says that he often procrastinates and is then disappointed with the work he does in the last second.

I told him that this is just how he is wired and that's just the way it is. Some people excel at getting things

done ahead of time, others do better coming down the home-stretch.

He was just born to pull all-

nighters the same way I was born to see the glass as half empty.

Instead, he's going to drive himself nuts this year trying to be one step ahead of the pack, while I'll sit back, continue to see the world as a tragedy and play Sega all day.

Too many people spend too much time worrying that they are not perfect, all the while forgetting that they do not have to be and aren't supposed to be.

If human beings were perfect, there would be no need for organized religion

and then I couldn't be an atheist.

Instead of focusing on what is wrong with us, we should focus on the things about ourselves that make us good and unique.

Teddy Roosevelt once said something like "do what you can with what you've got when you've got it."

That's pretty good advice and something we should consider the next time we get all worked up about changing some aspect of our lives.

However, I realize that there will always be those people in the world who feel compelled to make a New Year's resolution.

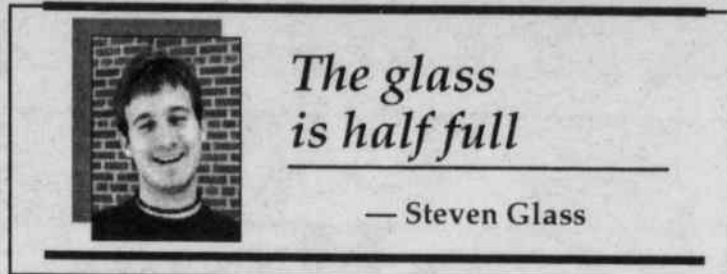
To those people I say good luck in trying to eat less, floss more, peep less and go to the gym more.

As for me, I realize the dangers of independent thought and decided I should have a resolution ready in case the thought police come around.

No, my New Year's resolution isn't to stop cussing.

My New Year's resolution is that when people tell me their resolution and ask mine, I will tell them the following: I've resolved to tell everyone to take their New Year's resolutions and blow them out their @\$%.

Steven Glass is a junior SMAD major.



DARTS & PATS



Darts & Pats are submitted anonymously and printed on a space-available basis. Submissions are based upon one person's opinion of a given situation, person or event and do not necessarily reflect the truth.

Dart...

A "you-better-watch-your-back" dart to the mouse in our apartment who ate our food and urinated all over our pantry while we were away from the 'Burg.

Sent in by some angry Foxhill dwellers who tried to be nice by using humane traps but are out for blood now.

Dart...

A "can't-more-than-two-cashiers-work-at-a-time?" dart to whomever decided that a couple people could efficiently handle hundreds of people paying tuition last weekend.

Sent in by a frustrated senior who had enough to do without standing in line for an hour.

Pat...

A "thanks-for-being-so-courteous" pat to the guy at the Harrisonburg post office who let me cut in line because I was running late for an important meeting.

Sent in by a thankful senior who appreciated your help when the line was moving so slowly and hopes to repay your kindness some day.

Dart...

A "what-the-heck-did-you-do-to-our-parking-lot?" dart to South View for destroying what used to be a nice area and covering the place with orange traffic cones.

Sent in by an annoyed student who wants to know what was wrong with the lot the way it was last semester and wishes you would rectify the situation.

Pat...

A "your-strength-and-determination-did-not-go-unnoticed" pat to my COB204 professor who taught a great class last semester.

Sent in by an impressed student who admires your efforts and teaching style.

Dart...

A "why-don't-you-learn-to-respect-others" dart to the student who yelled at my GENG235 professor when he couldn't get an override into the class.

Sent in by a disgusted sophomore who thinks that you need to learn that the world doesn't revolve around you and you should respect your professors.

Pat...

A "thanks-for-being-so-honest" pat to the employees at The Festival who found my wallet and returned it with all its contents intact.

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Flaming toilets, girls mix well

JMU punk band, Payload, records CD, changes line-up to begin new year

JOANIE CLARK
contributing writer

The poor guy never saw it coming.

It was at a University of Virginia car bashing party last year where a television set, thrown from the third floor of a building, caused this unsuspecting attendant to lose many teeth that painful day. Among shattering windows, ambulance rescues and flaming toilets, JMU's Payload, a punk band, provided the background music for the Sigma Pi function.

Guitar player junior Dave Krop couldn't have said it better, "What makes a show better than flaming toilets?"

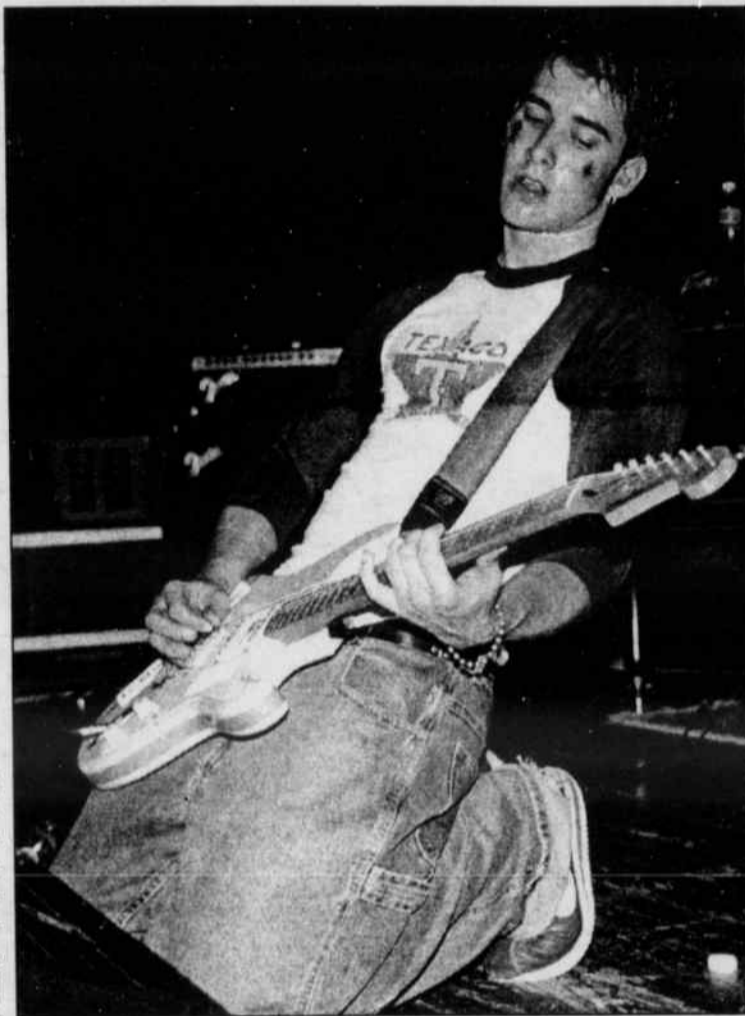
Payload began last year as a duet of junior Danny Iverson and his cousin Matt Chase, then a student at Harrisonburg High School. With Iverson playing guitar and singing and Chase on the drums, the band was only half the size it is today. "It was just kind of for fun at first," Iverson said. "Payload officially started when Eugene Jung joined in '98. We joined with him and saw his mad skills."

Sophomore Eugene Jung, a.k.a. "Elvis," a cello player since fifth grade, started playing bass for the band. A few months later in February the fourth member of the band was discovered. On the day that the three members had a show in New Market, Chase's mother called to say that Matt couldn't play that day due to sickness. "We really wanted to play the show," Iverson said, "so I called [sophomore] Matt Purdy up and he learned nine songs in one day and we wrote a new song and played it that night. Eugene learned it that night, too." Purdy eventually replaced Chase on the drums, while Chase temporarily continued singing with the band.

Junior Dave Krop joined during the second semester of last year. "Danny needed someone with fingers fast as lightning on the fret board and a voice like Barry White," Krop said, who's voice ironically lacks any resemblance to Barry White.

Although Payload is inspired by bands like NOFX and Weezer, lyrics are usually focused around God and girls. "Most of our music is about our relationships with God and our everyday struggles. As well as our struggles with the female species," said Iverson, who writes the majority of the lyrics. "Song writing is my passion. I've been writing lyrics since I was 8 years old," he said.

Although he writes most of the words, the entire band takes part in composing the music, which is generally the first step of each song. "Writing the music first helps the song flow better, it forces the lyrics to fit and forces you to be more creative," Iverson said.



Danny Iverson (at left), a guitarist for Payload, writes most of the group's lyrics.

Dave Krop and Eugene Jung (above) are in tune at a recent performance.

"It's just fun and that's all there is to it," Krop said of the hobby.

Krop said, "It's just so high energy, you spend all day working on academic pursuits, it's good to get it off your chest. It's just fun, that's all there is to it. High school parents trust that when [their kids] go to a Payload concert, there's going to be a wholesome show."

Jung said the reason he enjoys playing for Payload is "just knowing that God gave us all the ability to play, wanting to use this to the best of our abilities."

But their ability to play is a matter of opinion — an opinion that Betty Hergett (from D-hall) didn't share. It was her gong that sent Payload off the stage last year at the annual Gong Show. The band had just brought out their equipment, and Matt Chase was on the drums. But they were rejected before they even got to the chorus. "Anything that was more than two decibels got gonged," Iverson said, claiming that acoustics was the preferred type of music at the show.

Despite their disappointment at the show, Payload is pleased with where the band is heading. They toured Virginia last year and were playing at least one show every weekend. A CD is also on the horizon. The band

recorded an EP (extended play) CD with four songs at Soundstorm Studio in Staunton this month. "It should compete with 98 Degrees and Backstreet Boys," Krop said facetiously.

Jung said, "I'm really happy where I am in this band. It's kind of a separate ministry team. I love playing in front of people, I like to jump around." However, not everyone sees the band as a long-term commitment.

Purdy left to concentrate on the praise band for Campus Crusade for Christ. "Payload was the first time I got to play punk music and I found out that I don't like punk music. But it was a really great experience to play with all these guys," he said.

Purdy said he also feels creatively restricted by the music. "I feel like structurally it inhibits my ability to be creative with my talents. I like to write my own stuff. It's sort of one phased." He said that he feels their biggest fans, middle and high school students, aren't an effective ministry for him to share his faith with.

The band began the new year with its third drummer, sophomore Mike Phillips, as well as a newly recorded CD.

'RICHARD II'

WHAT: Shenandoah Shakespeare to perform Shakespeare's 'Richard II'
WHERE: Court Square Theater
WHEN: Tomorrow at 7:30 p.m.
ADMISSION: Earlybird tickets are available today for \$5.50 by calling 885-5588. Tickets at the door are \$7.50.

SAFFIRE — THE UPPITY BLUES WOMAN

WHAT: An acoustic blues group
WHERE: Court Square Theater
WHEN: Sunday at 7:30 p.m.
ADMISSION: Tickets are \$15 and are available at Town & Campus Records, Plan 9 Music or Calhoun's Restaurant.

Court Square welcomes 'Richard II,' Saffire

NELSON CRAGG
staff writer

Culture anyone? Don't fear, Shakespeare and an acoustic blues group are here.

Shenandoah Shakespeare will present "Richard II," at Court Square Theater tomorrow at 7:30 p.m. Saffire — The Uppity Blues Woman will play on Sunday at 7:30 p.m.

Shakespeare wrote "Richard II" as a history of the real Richard II, who ruled England from 1377-1400. It's the story of Richard and his ruthless

pursuit of the crown (his uncles also want to be King), and they all end up doing a lot of killing.

Reserve tickets are \$5.50 and can be purchased by calling 885-5588 today. Tickets can be purchased at the door for \$7.50. The show begins at 7:30 and doors open at 7 p.m.

If you're more of a music fan and in the mood for acoustic blues, catch Saffire — Uppity Blues Woman. Tickets are \$15 and sold in advance at Town & Campus Records Plan Nine or Calhoun's Restaurant. For more information call Jason Misterka at 433-7920.

Calling all artists

Tomorrow is the deadline for submissions for the Honors Program's journal of the creative arts.

All JMU undergraduates are invited to submit their poetry, short fiction, dramatic scripts, translations, music compositions, jazz charts, dance charts and photographs of theatre and dance performances.

This year marks *Fugue's* sixth publication, which will be published in April. Its title means a musical forum consisting of a single voice echoed by increasingly varied and fragmented voices, each with its own elaborations individually defined yet part of the whole.

Submissions are due to Hillcrest 107 by tomorrow. Students should attach their name, local address, phone number and e-mail address on a separate sheet of paper from their work.

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RYAN PUDLOSKI/staff artist

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compiled by CRYSTAL SMYTHE/staff writer

This week at the box office:

The little guy makes it big
'Stuart Little' tops the charts; thriller, football, three-hour flick follow closely behind

ANTHONY MARCHEGIANO
Staff writer

"Stuart Little" was big at the box office for the second weekend in a row, leading the competition again as it made \$11.5 million. The kiddie flick is an adaptation of the E.B. White novel of the same name and stars Michael J. Fox as the voice of Stuart.

The Sony release has made \$95.6 million in its four weeks in theaters and is easily on its way to breaking the \$100 million echelon.

"The Talented Mr. Ripley" landed in second place this week with \$9.8 million. The thriller's success at the box office has been helped by the critical praise it

has garnered over the past weeks. It was nominated for three Golden Globes: Best Picture, Best Director (Anthony Minghella) and Best Lead Actor in a Drama (Matt Damon). The suspenseful film has raked in \$54.6 million since its Christmas Day opening three weeks ago.

The three-hour running time isn't hurting the box office production of "The Green Mile," starring Tom Hanks. The prison supernatural drama made

\$9.7 million this weekend on 2,678 screens for a per screen average of \$3,622. "Mile" has made \$91.2 million its release five weeks ago and is headed to be only the ninth three-hour film in the last 25 years to pass \$100 million.

Oliver Stone's football collage, "Any Given Sunday," earned \$9 million bringing its three-week total to \$59.4 million.

Tim Allen and Sigourney Weaver's sci-fi comedy "Galaxy Quest"

made \$8.3 million on 2,450 screens for a modest \$3,388 per screen average.

"Magnolia" is still in limited release (only 1,034 screens), but still fared well at the box office bringing in \$6.6 million. The film has brought Tom Cruise a Golden Globe nomination for his supporting role.

There are no new films being released this weekend, but some are going into wider release. Denzel Washington's critically acclaimed "The Hurricane" is opening in more theaters as the Oscar buzz is beginning to surround it. Also, Winona Ryder's latest, "Girl, Interrupted" opens in more theaters.

Screen Increase

Look for more opportunities to see the following films as their showings increase locally...

- "The Hurricane"
- "Girl, Interrupted"
- "Magnolia"



KELLY ESTES/contributing artist & MICHELE JOHNSTON/graphics editor



Court Square Theater

Calendar of Events

January

- Fri. 14th Shenandoah Shakespeare Express - **Richard II**
- Sun 16th **Saffire** - The Uppity Blues Women 7:30pm \$15
- Fri 21-Sun 23rd **Movie TBA**
- Fri 28th Shenandoah Shakespeare Express - **Much Ado About Nothing**

February

- Sat 5th An evening with **Leo Kottke** 7:30pm \$18.50 acoustic guitar virtuoso sponsored by A Touch of the Earth
- Fri 11th - Sun 13th Movie **You've Got Mail**
- Mon Feb 14 Movie **Sleepless in Seattle** Valentine's Day Special
- Thur 17th Shenandoah Shakespeare Express - **Dr. Faustus**
- Sat 19th **The Blue Rags** 8pm \$8 speed bluegrass, ragtime, & country from North Carolina
- Sat 26th **Stephanie Nakasian & Hod O'Brien** 7:30pm \$15 complex jazz vocal & piano duo

March

- Fri 3rd- Sun 5th
- Fri 10th - Sun 11th **James Bond Month!** Movie 3 weeks of Bond!
- Fri 17th - Sat 18th 8pm \$8
- Sun 19th **Larry Keel Experience w/ Curtis Burch** modern bluegrass w/ founding member of the New Grass Revival
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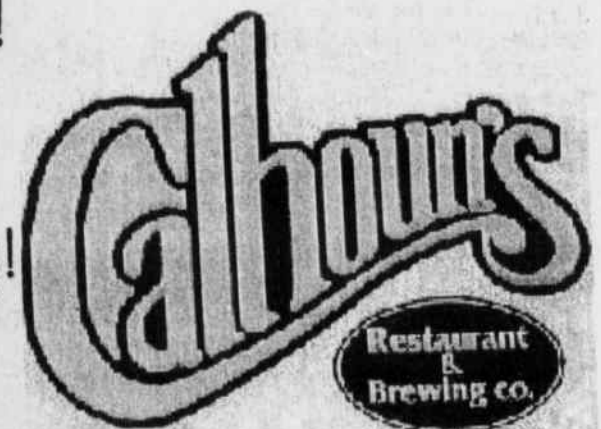
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*JMU students join 80,000
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STORY BY CONTRIBUTING WRITER MATT CARASELLA

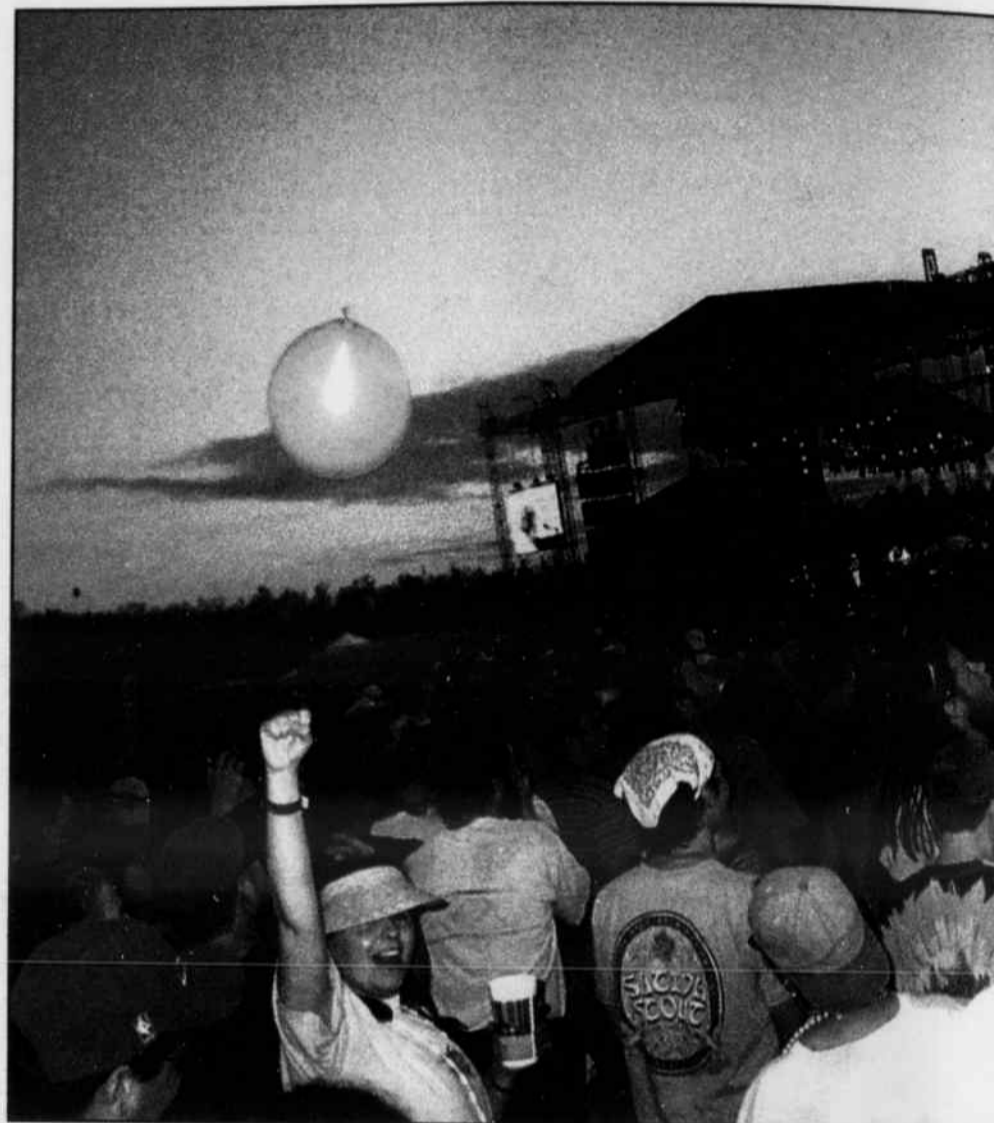
As Father Time turned the wheel of a new year, concerns of Y2K bounced around inside the heads of more than 80,000 Phish New Year's Eve 2000 concertgoers at the Big Cypress Seminole Indian

Reservation in the Florida Everglades.

More than 14 hours of standstill traffic, two carnival rides, 1,200 portable bathrooms, nearly 200 airborne glow sticks, two hot air balloons, 379 camping sections, one time capsule, and a \$10 massage therapy service were among the features at one of the largest New Year's Eve parties around.

For those who ventured across the globe to attend the musical festival, the event delivered as much excitement as anticipated and left those who experienced the event wondering what the hell had happened to them there.

Kip Sikora, who traveled 22 hours from Sewanee University in Texas, said, "The event was well organized ... it's great that



four dudes can bring all this together with everyone coming for the same thing."

The amount of music performed Dec. 30 - 31 equated to several concerts full of fresh performances by Trey Anastasio and his fellow bandmates Mike Gordon, Jon Fishman and Page McConnell.

Attracting a remarkable crowd of followers ranging anywhere from Montana to Berlin, Phish packed a punch with a four set build up to a New Year's Eve set that lasted from midnight until sunrise.

Just before the huge clock on stage struck midnight, Phish arrived in style on a large oversized hot-dog mobile and brought in the

New Year with a glorious display of fireworks and a drop of giant bouncy balls.

JMU freshman Adrianna Hancock said, "Phish's sets were full of energy and even though I was exhausted after the all-night jam, it made even the 14-hour traffic jam well worth it."

Mike Petrella of Toronto, Canada, said "It's amazing ... it hits your soul."

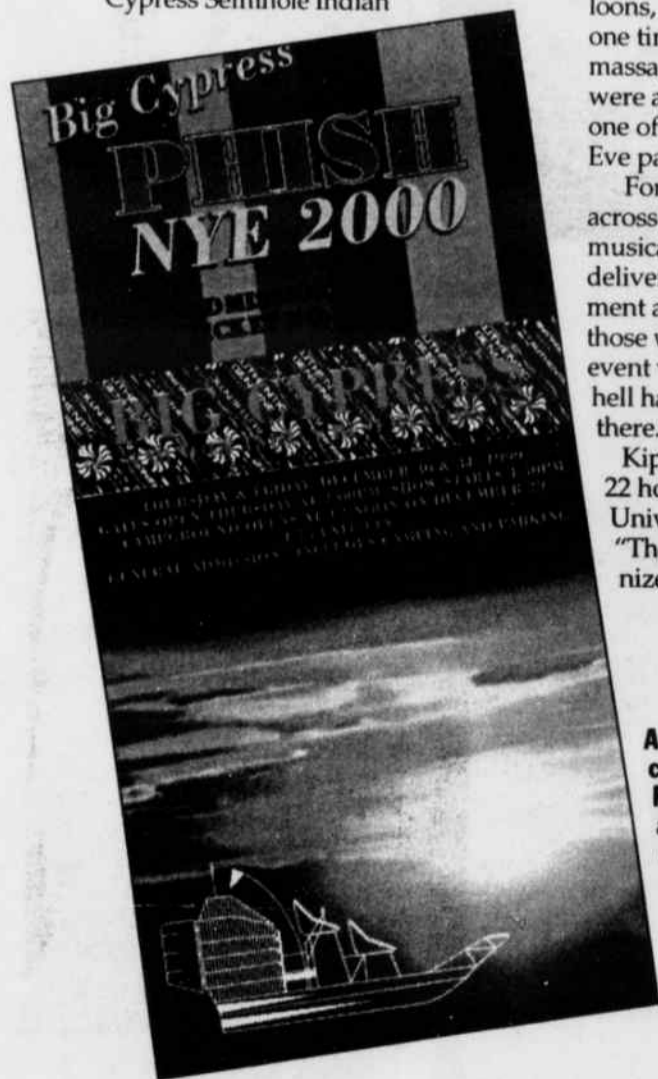
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Adrianna Hancock
freshman

with a \$100
of blackjac
a visit to T



A Big Cypress Ticket cost showgoers \$150. Fans camped out over a four-day visit to the concert site in Florida.

What Happened:

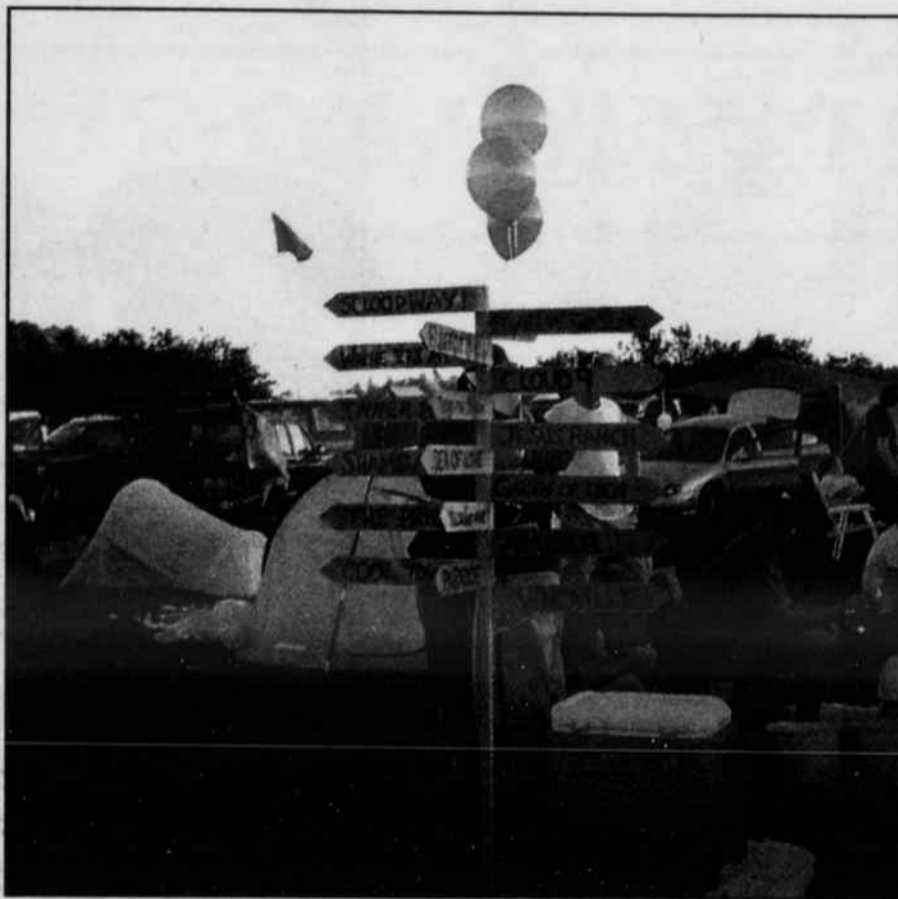
Phish, a band known for its Grateful Deadesque music and following, performed a New Year's Eve concert that attracted more than 80,000 fans.

Where:

Big Cypress Seminole Indian Reservation, Fla. Fans were warned to watch out for alligators, fire ants, snakes, spiders and wild boars while visiting the subtropical habitat of the Everglades.



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Clockwise from Left: Concertgoers cheer on Phish band members as they play into the morning of Jan. 1; Signs point to local attractions; crowds swarm vendors' tents; and Blue Ridge Community College junior Mike Palutke and friend Meghan Kerns dress festive for the occasion.

...ace not fighting." ...inside the reservation was definitely unique and the outcome of such an event was enough to blow the hinges off of any farmhouse door. A walk down an avenue or side street could have led to a run-in with an official keeper of concert "time" (one who synchronized fans' watches), to a soul shakedown party or to a poker table with a \$100 limit on a hand or even possibly The Love Tent.



If hunger growled, choice foods such as ragin' cajun fajitas, veggie wraps, fresh fruit kabobs, good ol' garlic grilled cheese, fiesta burritos, pasta and Will's famous wheat on a stick easily satisfied any taste. To wash down such delights, side street tent bars served electric smoothies, \$2 shots,

Bloody Marys and other American addictions.

For fans interested in shopping, plenty of vendors had creative displays of hand crafts, dream catchers, hemp necklaces, colorful glass art pieces and other unique items to explore.

Andy Horrigin, who traveled 20 hours from Toledo,

Ohio, said, "It's the biggest festival I've been to . . . I like the setup, everyone is in the same general area . . . like a city of Phishheads."

For the short memorable period that lasted through four nights, the experience of being in the celebration was enough to hook any Phish fan for life.

When:

Dec. 29 - Jan. 2. Phish performed three sets on Thursday afternoon, one set Friday afternoon, then took a break before resuming at midnight. The band played until sunrise.

Phish Facts:

The band got together in 1983, when bandmates Trey Anastasio, Mike Gordon, Jon Fishman and Page McConnell met as underclassmen at the University of Vermont.

- Some of their albums are *Rif*, *Lawn Boy*, *A Picture of Nectar* and *Junta* (2 CDs).

- Ben and Jerry's named one of its ice cream flavors in honor of the band in March 1997. (Flavor: Phish Food.)
- Phish is known for its "onstage antics (vacuum cleaners, chess games and gigantic hot dogs, to name a few)," according to *Rolling Stone's* Web site (rollingstone.tunes.com).





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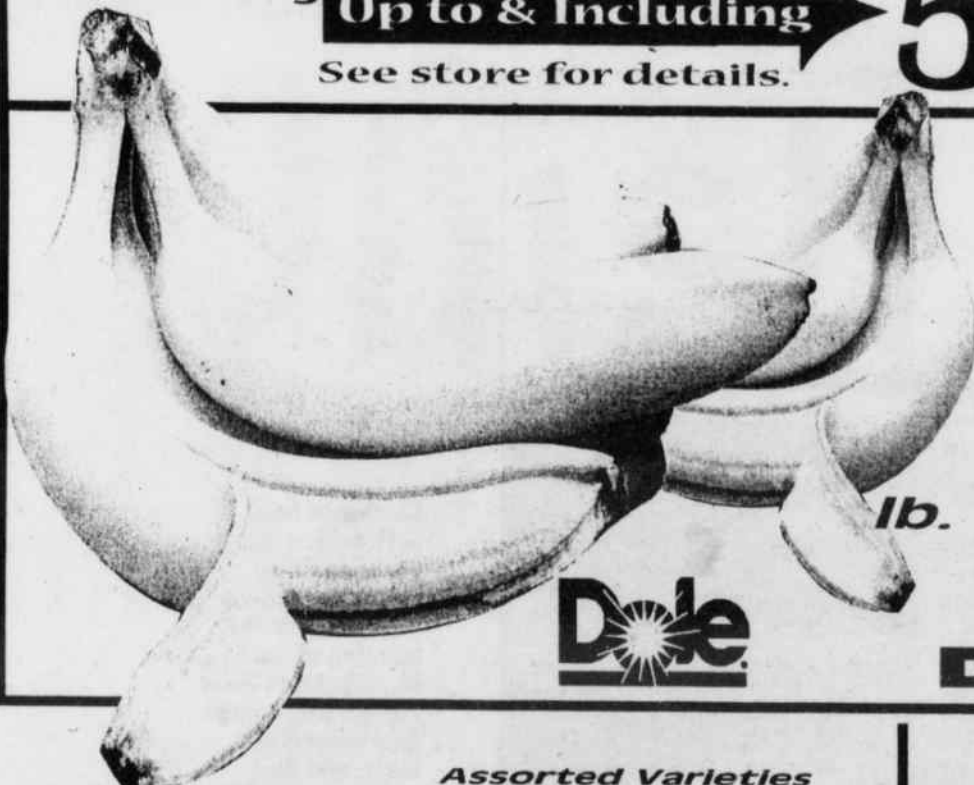
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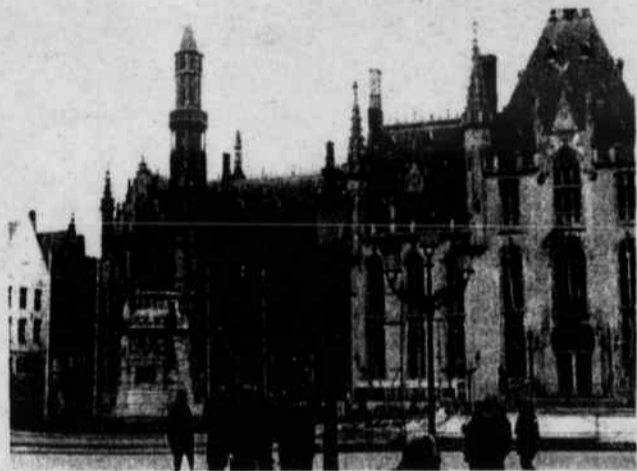
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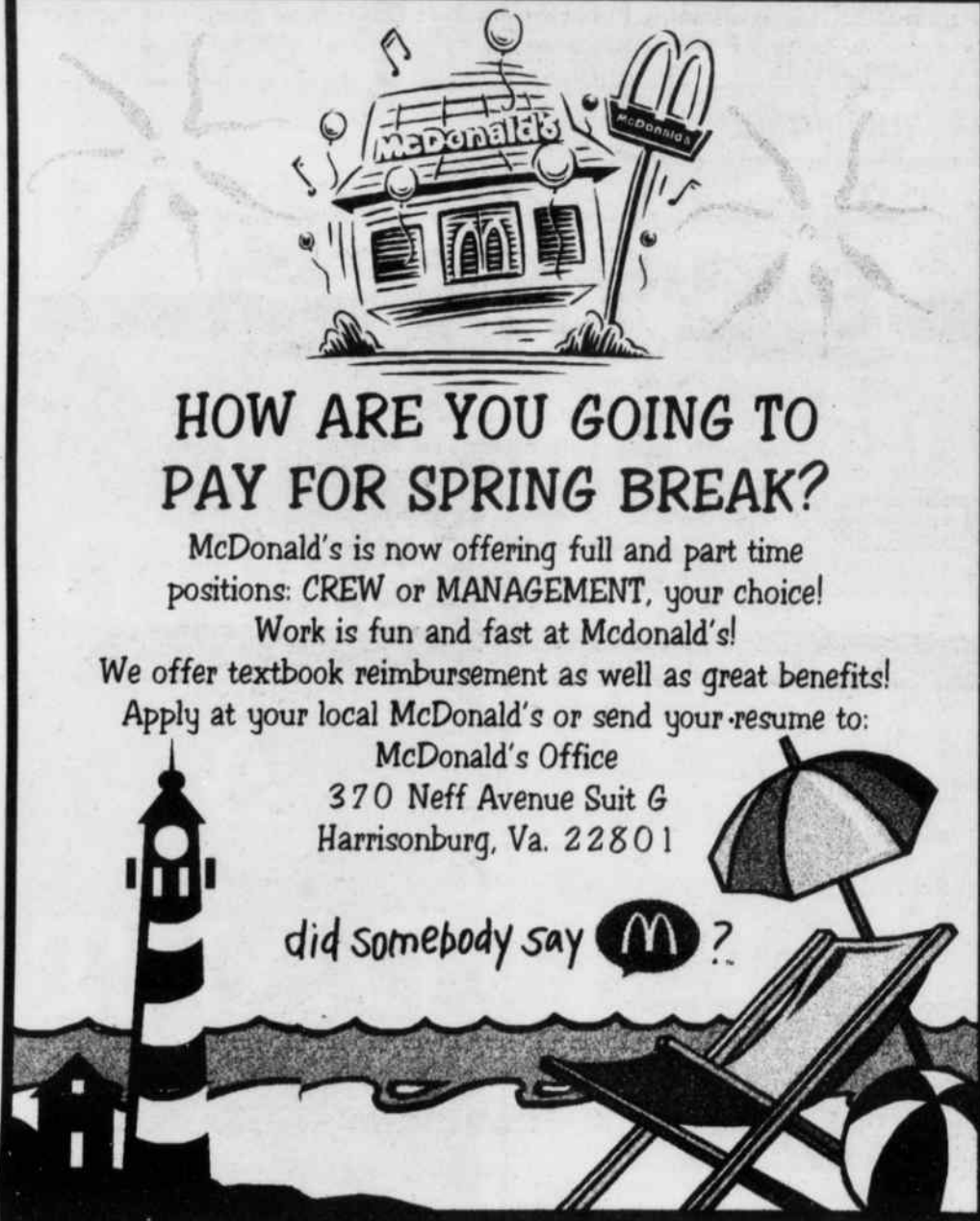
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SPORTS

JMU athletic program earns top 25 Sears Cup ranking

JEFF CRETZ
Staff writer

The JMU athletic program had something positive to usher in the new year.

The Sears Directors' Cup, a listing that ranks Division I athletic programs saw fit to place JMU in the nation's top 25 programs. JMU performed extremely well in the postseason in several sports.

Teams that scored points included the men's and women's cross country teams, field hockey, football, women's soccer and volleyball. All teams mentioned competed in NCAA postseason play.

The national leaders were the Stanford Cardinal with 385 points. In successive order, UCLA, Michigan, North Carolina and Penn State rounded out the top five. JMU finished 24th with 115 points.

Milla Sue Wisecarver, a member of Sports Media Relations, has seen remarkable changes in the athletic program over her 25 year career at JMU, but added, "JMU has always been a broad-based program. We have all usually had very successful athletic programs."

Wisecarver could not remem-

ber off the top of her head previous rankings on the Sears Cup, but noted, "In 1994, the men's soccer program made it to the quarterfinals of the NCAA championships while the women's field hockey team won the national championship. I suspect they were very high up in the rankings."

Wisecarver also went on to mention that JMU's fall season sports have always done quite well.

Brad Babcock, the executive associate athletic director was honored that JMU had been ranked in the top 25.

"It is a great thing for a I-AA school to break into the national rankings. It's a real honor for us to be in the company of the Stanfords, North Carolinas and Penn States," he said. "I think this really shows how our coaches have done a great job of spreading the resources to their players, and in turn winning games."

The field hockey team helped accumulate points for the fall season by gaining an at-large bid to the NCAA Tournament after narrowly losing in the CAA finals to Old Dominion.

Assistant field hockey coach Amy Fowler commented, "It's

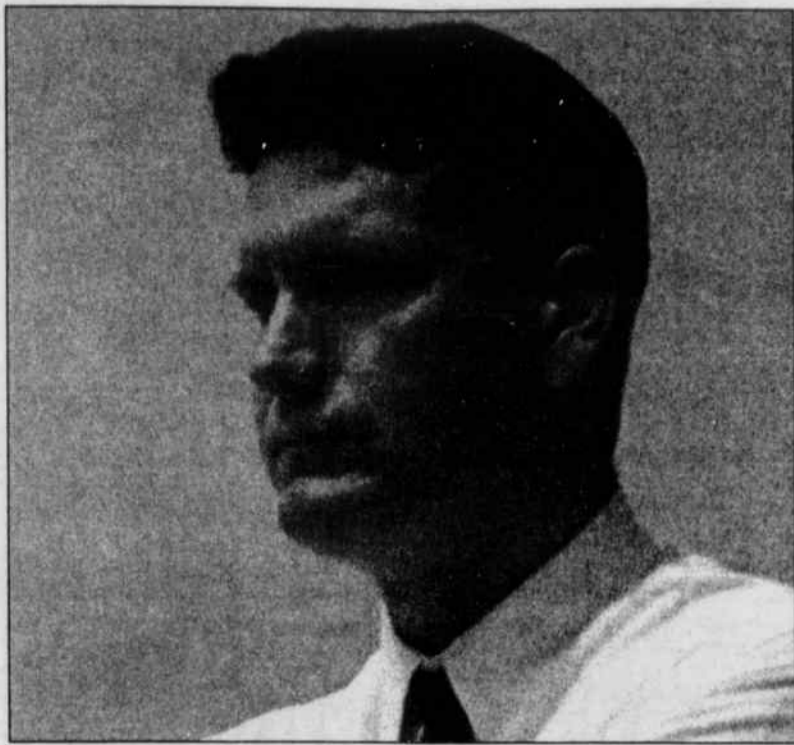
really great that JMU made the top 25." Referring to the past years of the program, Fowler added, "Head coach Christy Morgan has had many high points at the head of JMU field hockey. In her second year, she took the team to their first-ever NCAA tournament. In 1994, the team won the national championship under her guidance and returned to the final four again in 1995."

Fowler also added that the team is not a bunch of individual superstars, but a unit that works together to produce winning results. Fowler also praised JMU's other fall programs.

"A lot of the smaller sports did really well, which helped contribute to the ranking," she said.

While many of the successful teams in the fall campaign will lose valuable players to graduation, many coaches see a bright light in the future with incoming recruits. The field hockey team is anxious for three high school All-Americans to contribute in upcoming years.

Although the real numerical summary that judges a school's athletic program is not published until the end of the year, fans at JMU are confident the Dukes will give other top tier schools a run for their money.



PATRICK HORST/Staff photographer

JMU volleyball coach Chris Beerman recently stepped down as head coach of the Dukes. Beerman accepted an offer at Pitt.

Volleyball coach resigns position, takes job at Pitt

ANDREW TUFTS
Staff writer

After guiding the Dukes to their first NCAA tournament appearance, volleyball coach Chris Beerman stepped down to accept an offer from the University of Pittsburgh.

His decision to leave for a job as head coach of the University of Pittsburgh came as a surprise to everyone involved with the program.

"I was real shaken up," freshman Jessica Evers said. "It definitely came as a surprise to me. I'm sure for some of the girls it wasn't too big, but I teared up."

Senior Taryn Kirk said, "When I first heard [about him leaving], I was shocked, but pleasantly surprised. He totally turned this program around."

Beerman took over as the Dukes' coach in 1996 and he immediately established a Division I-caliber program. That year the Dukes finished 25-9, a remarkable turnaround from their 9-18 record the previous year.

The players were surprised about the timing considering the season the Dukes just concluded. He led the Dukes to their first CAA championship in 15 years, a win that also gave the Dukes an automatic bid to their first NCAA tournament.

"Going to the NCAAs opened his eyes to many new opportunities," senior Christina Gianino said. "I think he realized

that if he was at a school with an established reputation, he would have a better chance of going farther in the tournament."

Beerman leaves behind a reputation at JMU that is being built by the players in his first recruiting class.

Senior Lindsay Collingwood was named to the All-CAA First Team four years in a row, and this year was named the Player of the Year by both the Virginia Sports Information Directors and by the CAA.

Gianino and Kirk also have been All-CAA First Team honorees during their stay at JMU.

Their decision to attend JMU was influenced greatly by Beerman. Gianino transferred from the University of Buffalo before her junior season.

"I was looking for a different school," Gianino said. "He was looking for a setter so he looked at my tapes and got some advice from Taryn."

Kirk and Gianino played in a New York league together.

Beerman brought Evers to JMU the same way he did Gianino.

"He was going to train me as a setter this spring," Evers said. "I was really looking forward to working with him. He was one of the main reasons I came to JMU."

Although unspecified, his decision to leave was one of opportunity and advancement of his career.

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James Madison Fall SPORTS



A strong performance by JMU's fall athletic programs has given JMU a top-25 ranking in the Sear's Directors' Cup. Here's a breakdown of the fall teams' performance:



Team	Record	NCAA Appearance	Conference Championship
Volleyball	26-7	✓	✓
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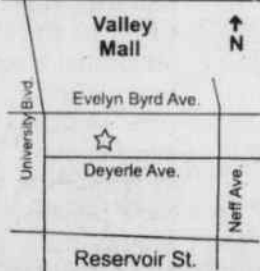
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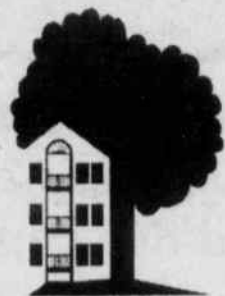
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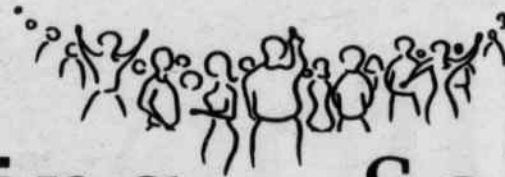
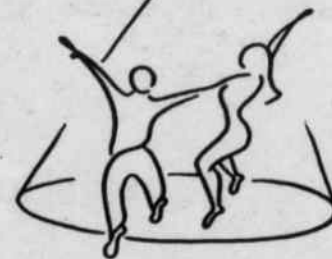
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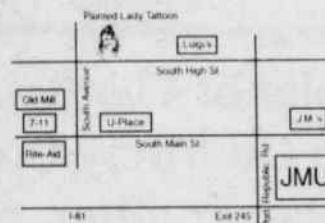
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JMU's Top 50 Athletes

JMU's Top 50 Athletes

ESPN had its top 50 athletes of the century. Sports Illustrated did something similar. To continue with this millennium trend, *The Breeze* has assembled a list of JMU's top 50 athletes of the past and present.

Our list of the top 50 is not in any particular order. We felt it would be unfair to rank these athletes for two reasons in particular. First, we did not have the fortune of seeing many of these athletes perform. Second, the wide variety of sports played by these athletes makes comparing statistics and performances nearly impossible, and probably unnecessary.

We've decided to begin the countdown with four of JMU's top basketball players, since we are in the midst of the 1999-2000 basketball season.

The countdown will continue each issue with players from each of JMU's varsity sports until we reach the athlete that many of JMU's athletic administrators and coaches said would be number one, if we were ranking the athletes in order, that is. That person will likely be unveiled sometime in April.

We've had a good time looking through the JMU media guides and researching the athletes of JMU's past.

We hope you enjoy reading the list and learning about the school's athletic history as much as we enjoyed doing the research.

Sydney Beasley



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Sydney Beasley, the JMU record holder for field goals made in a single season, was named the CAA Player of the Decade in 1995.

The only player in JMU women's basketball history to play professionally, Sydney Beasley, holds first and second place in points scored in a season (551 in 1987-88 and 545 in 1986-87).

She was also the only player in JMU basketball history to be invited to the U.S. Olympic Trials.

Beasley scored a total of 1,046 points during her JMU career as well as a four-year career total of 1,412 good for fourth on the JMU career scoring list.

Beasley also holds the school season record for field goals (234), field goal percentage (59.3) and the career record for field goal accuracy (55.2).

Beasley also led JMU in scoring average (17.6, 17.8) and rebounding average (7.5, 8.1) in 1986-87 and 1987-88.

Voted CAA Player of the Decade (1985-95), Beasley was also selected CAA Player of the Year, CAA Tournament Most Valuable Player and first team All-CAA in both her JMU seasons.

Beasley was also the only JMU player in history to be named to the Kodak All-District III team.

Other honors for Beasley include Division I Player of the Year in Virginia and first team all-state by the Virginia Sports Information Directors Association in 1988.

The Dukes were 54-8 with two conference championships and advanced to the NCAA "Sweet 16" once in Beasley's two seasons.

Linton Townes



Linton Townes

The most valuable player of JMU's most-successful team, the 1981-'82 team that reached the second round of the NCAA Tournament and finished 24-6, Linton Townes was the second-round selection (33rd overall) of the Portland Trail Blazers in the 1982 NBA Draft.

Townes finished his career with 1,380 points, 507 rebounds and 191 assists. Townes is seventh on the JMU career points list.

Townes is ranked third on the career field goals made list with 314 and ninth in field goal percentage at 55.7. Townes is also 10th on the career blocked shots list with 64.

Townes was inducted into the JMU sports hall of fame in 1998.

Sherman Dillard

The first 2,000-point scorer in the JMU program and a sixth-round draft pick of the Indiana Pacers in the 1978 NBA draft, Sherman Dillard is currently the head coach of the Dukes.

Dillard earned All-American honorable mention honors four times and Academic All-American honors three times.

Dillard was named the team's most valuable player in 1973-74 and 1974-75 as a freshman and sophomore. He was also named the offensive most valuable player in 1977-78 after missing the previous season with a foot injury.

Dillard currently ranks second on the career points list (2,065), first in career field goals made (882), second in career scoring average (20.7) and sixth in free throws made (301).

His career shooting mark of 52.1 percent and his 79.6 percent career free throw shooting mark is eighth in team history. Dillard played in 100 career games, first as a forward and later as a second guard, while at JMU.

JMU was 75-29 during Dillard's four seasons.

Following his collegiate days, Dillard embarked on a new career as a coach. He worked as an assistant at Maryland, California and Georgia Tech, before becoming the head coach at Indiana State in 1994.

He returned to JMU to assume the head coaching duties with the Dukes in 1997.

Dillard, a native of Bassett, Va., was elected to the JMU athletic hall of fame in 1989.



Sherman Dillard

Floretta Jackson

During her career with the Dukes, point guard Floretta Jackson helped guide the team to two CAA championships, two trips to the NCAA "Sweet 16" as well as a Top 20 ranking.

In 1986, Jackson led a team that compiled a 28-4 record, breaking the school record for wins in a season.

In 1987, Jackson continued to lead the Dukes as the team reached a program-high 12th in the AP Poll.

Jackson was co-captain of the 1985 U.S. Junior National Team that placed fifth in the FIBA World Championships and was co-captain of the silver medalist East Team at the 1985 U.S. Olympic Festival.

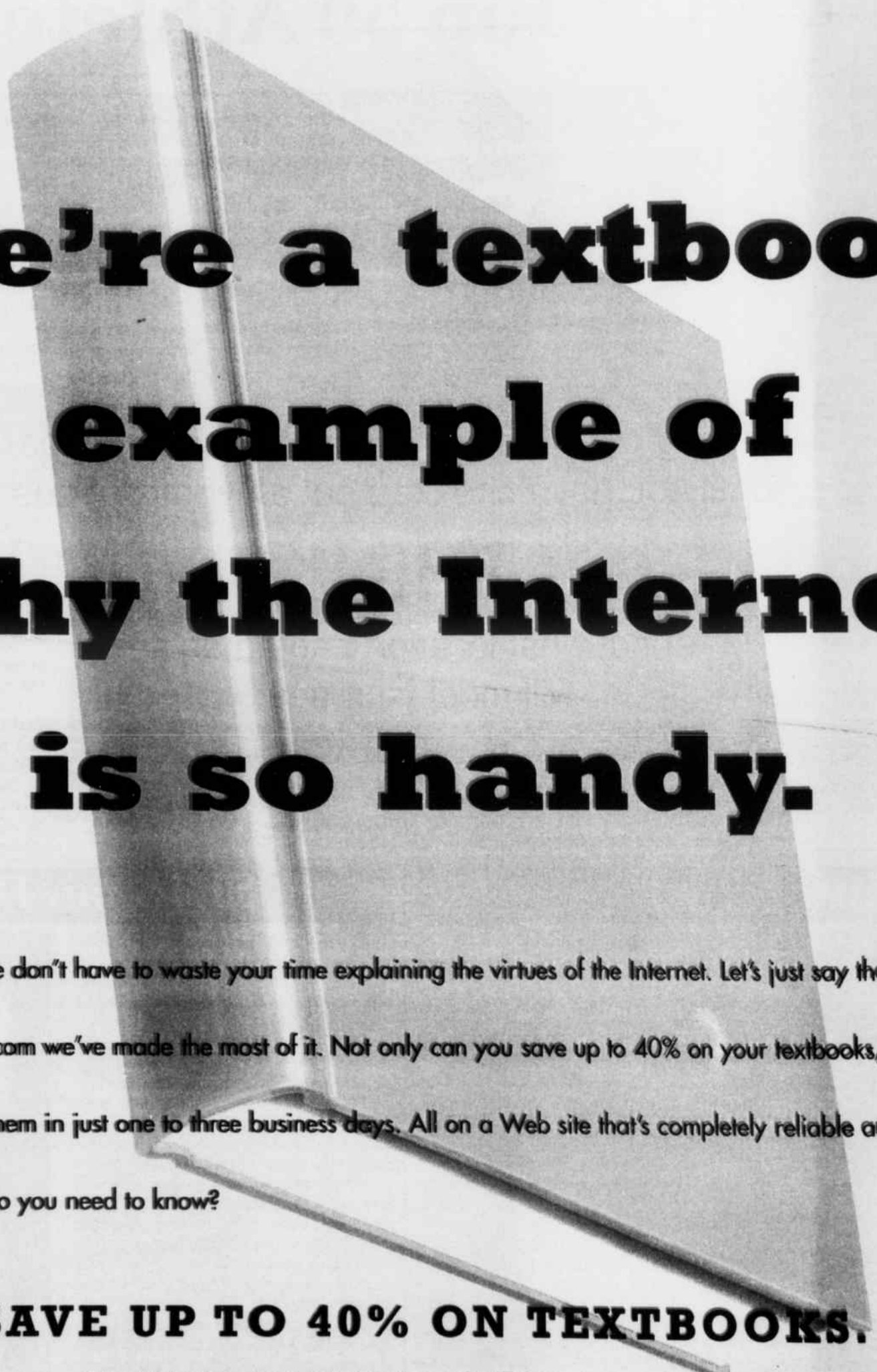
Jackson was a two-time CAA first team selection in 1986 and 1987. She was also named to the CAA's All-Decade Team (1985-95), was a member of the CAA All-Tournament team and was named to the CAA All-Defensive Team in 1987.

Jackson was twice named to the American Women's Sports Federation All-Mideast Region Team (1986, 1987).

Jackson holds the Dukes' career assist record with 560 as well as the single season assist record of 173. She also ranks second on the career steals list with 235.

Jackson was elected to the JMU athletic hall of fame in April of 1998.

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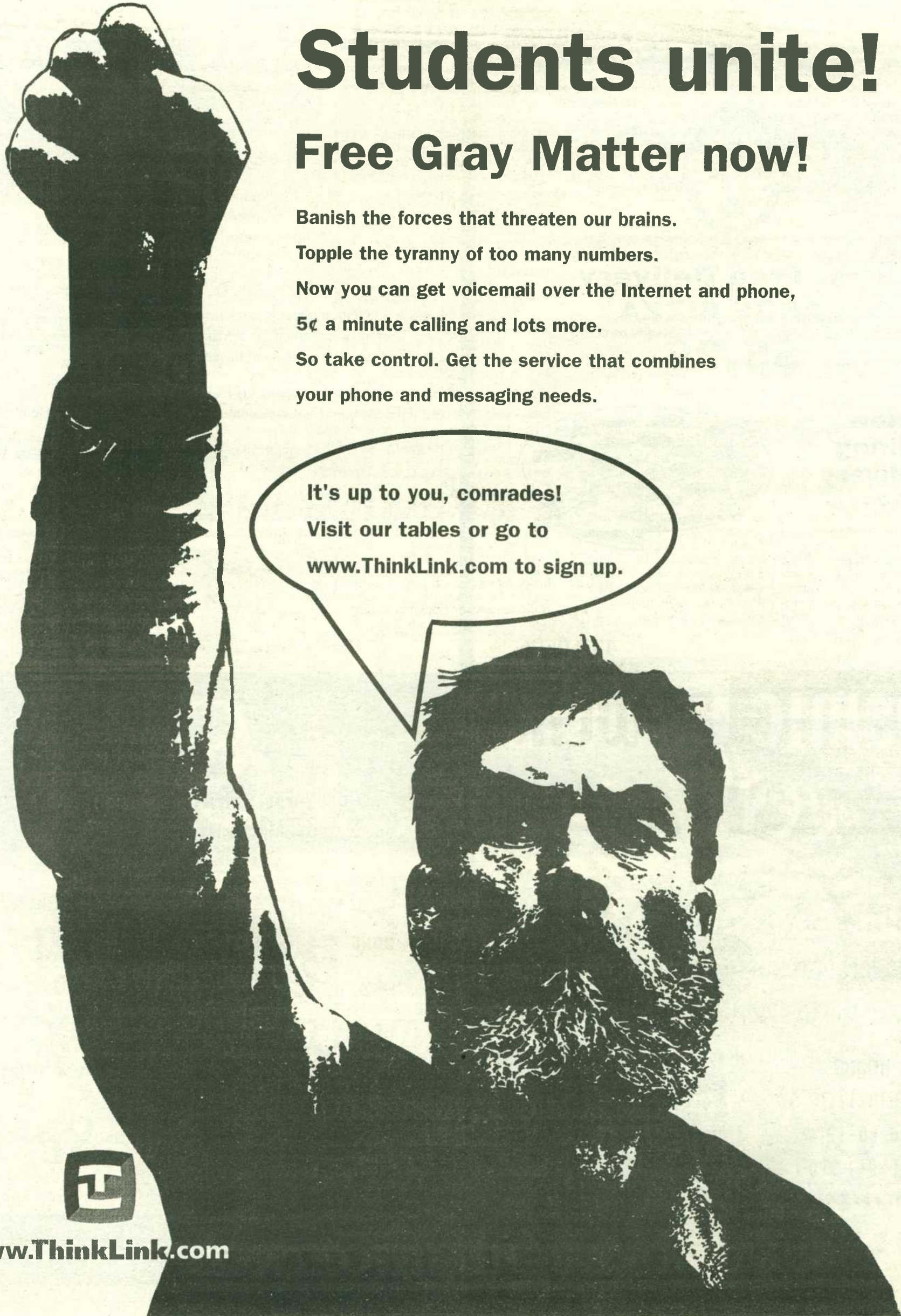
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SPORTS

FENCING

JMU posted an 11-16 record in dual matches against New York University and Johns Hopkins, and an 8-19 record against Rutgers at a tournament in North Carolina on Dec. 4.

Northwestern beat JMU 20-7, and the Tar Heels topped the Dukes 21-6. Penn State defeated JMU 23-4.

Junior **Kim Roberts** was the top epee fencer for JMU, posting a 10-8 record. In foil, sophomore **Tara Sadding** posted an 8-10 record. Sophomore **Allison Schwartz** finished with an 8-10 record in sabre.

MEN'S INDOOR TRACK AND FIELD

Freshman **Phil Acosta** earned a second-place showing in the 55-meter dash at the Navy Invitational on Dec. 11 in Annapolis, Md. Acosta ran the race in 6.51 seconds and missed qualifying for the IC4A Indoor Championships by 3/100ths of a second.

Freshman **Eric Braxton** placed fifth in the 400-meter dash in 50.56 seconds.

The Dukes' two-mile relay placed third among eight teams, clocking in a 7:55.34. The team included sophomore **Ian Scott**, freshman **John Fraser**, sophomore **Rob Montgomery** and sophomore **Matt Thomas**.

WOMEN'S INDOOR TRACK AND FIELD

Junior **Seun Augustus** set a school record as well as meeting the Eastern College Athletic Conference qualifying standard in winning the long jump at the Navy Lid-Lifter Invitational on Dec. 11.

Augustus jumped 19 feet, 3 1/2 inches to shatter her old school record of 19'3 1/4". Augustus also placed second in the triple jump with a leap of 38'0" and met the ECAC standard.

Sophomore **Michelle Smith** placed second in the 3,000 meter-run with a time of 9 minutes and 58.06 seconds. Senior **Bridget Quenzer** placed fifth in the 5,000-meter run with a time of 17:16.20. In the mile, junior **Sarah Burkett** was third with a time of 5:00.00. All three were ECAC qualifying times.

MEN'S GYMNASTICS

JMU finished seventh out of eight teams with a score of 183.80 at the West Point Gymnastics Open, held Jan. 7-8.

Sophomore **Nick Blanton** placed 13th in the all around at 48.950. Blanton scored an 8.650 on the still rings, good for a 13th place finish out of 51 competitors. Blanton had the highest scores in all but two events for JMU.

WOMEN'S SWIMMING

The Dukes won 11 of 14 and defeated the U.S. Naval Academy with a 192-108 on Saturday afternoon. The victory pushed the Dukes record to 6-2, their highest victory total since the 1994-95 team posted an 8-5 mark.

Junior **Meghan Fenn** won the 100-yard freestyle (54.83) as well as the 200-yard individual relay (2:11.01).

Junior **Samantha Smith** and sophomore **A.C. Cruickshanks** also won multiple events. Cruickshanks claimed the 200-yard freestyle (1:56.60), the 200 butterfly (2:09.04) and the 500 freestyle (5:08.33). Smith claimed the 200 breaststroke (2:25.98) as well as the 100 breaststroke (1:07.52).

TENNIS

The JMU men's tennis team is tied for 15th in the Region II NCAA Division I rankings released by the Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA). The Dukes are tied with the College of Charleston and Charleston Southern.

SOCCER

Sophomore defender **Levi Strayer** was named to the 1999 All-South Atlantic Region Soccer third team.

Joining Strayer with post season honors were senior forward **Aimee Grahe**, sophomore midfielder **Beth McNamara** and junior midfielder **Christy Yacono** of the women's team. Grahe and McNamara were named to the second team of the 1999 National Soccer Coaches Association of America. Yacono was named to the third team.

Beerman leaves JMU

BEERMAN, from page 29

"It is part of the job," Collingwood said. "When you get a better offer than the one you currently have you should take it. He was probably going to leave eventually, so it's not surprising after the season we had."

Beerman was quoted in a UPitt press release: "This is a tremendous opportunity for me and I look forward to beginning the process of developing a nationally successful program immediately."

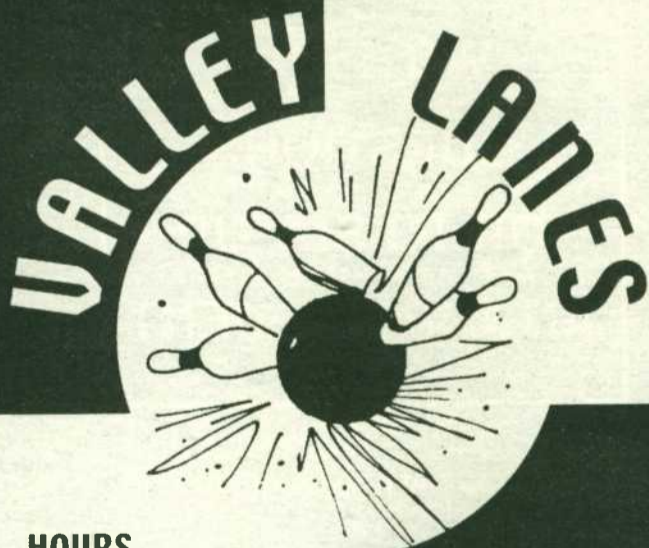
Assistant coach Anne Jackson and Athletic Director Jeff Bourne were both unavailable for comment.

Despite the loss of Beerman, the team is still confident in its chances next season.

"I liked him as a coach, but I'm confident we'll find another good coach," sophomore Danielle Heinbaugh said.

Evers added, "The upperclassmen will keep us together as a team and we'll get stronger because we'll bond through adversity."

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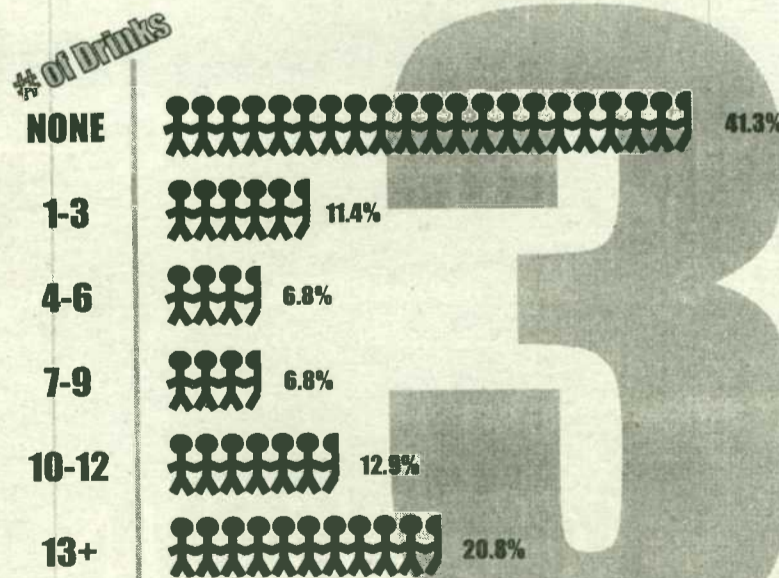
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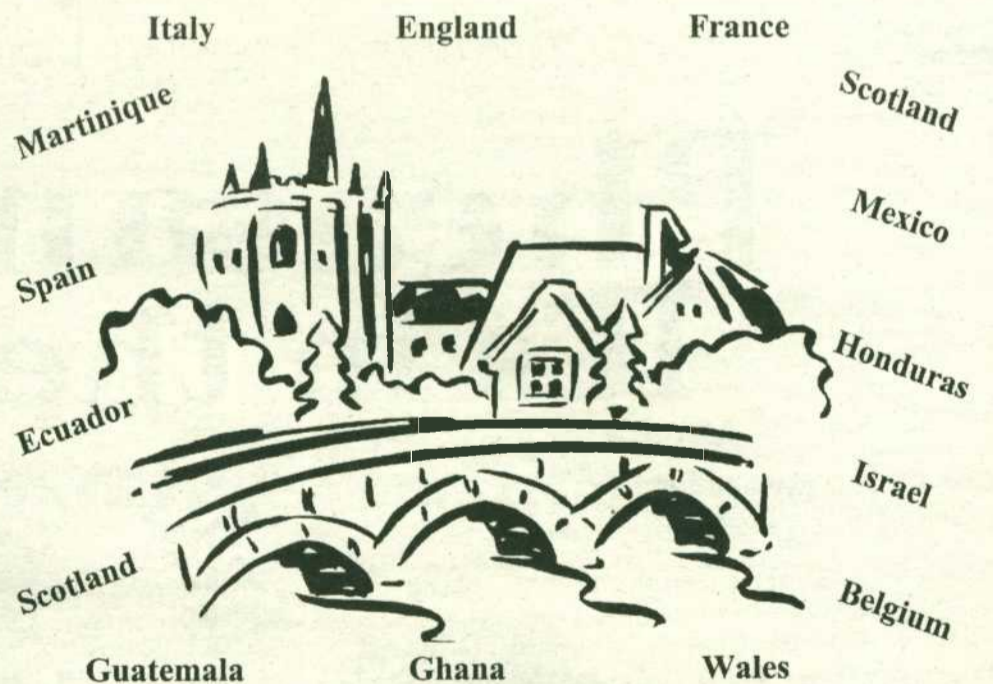
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Daily rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19)




Today is an 8 — Transformation is in the air. Is there something that you've always wanted to do? You know what it is. Do you have the courage to try it? How hard could it be?

Taurus (April 20-May 20)




Today is a 7 — You're under pressure. You might even have a headache. Just take care of the most important stuff and postpone the rest. You'll be up for a challenge or two in a couple of days.

Gemini (May 21-June 21)




Today is a 6 — Don't get in the middle of a fight that's none of your business. You may love the people, or maybe not, but it doesn't matter. Root for your team but stay out of the scramble.

Cancer (June 22-July 22)




Today is a 5 — It looks like there's a confrontation. It would be best for you if your partner does the talking. Pick the toughest person you know to represent you and stay out of the way for a while.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)




Today is an 8 — You're having a pretty good day, but you're in the minority. Some of the others are wrapped around the axle. Help them stay calm and tell them what to do next. They'll love you for it.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)




Today is a 7 — You're one of the few people who can relax today. You and your loved ones can hide away in your little nest and let the chaos rage on without you.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)




Today is a 5 — You may be slightly flustered. You're generally good at explaining things, but today you may get rattled. If you notice that feeling, let somebody else do the talking for you.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)




Today is a 7 — Something you learned recently will come in handy to clean up a mess. Things aren't stable. Be your steady, solid self and you'll help everybody else calm down, too.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)




Today is an 8 — From where you're standing, things look crystal clear. Since you're one of the chosen few who can see what's coming, you can lead the others out of confusion. No problem, right?

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)




Today is a 7 — Urgency is in the air. You need to get things done quickly, and you might not be sure how. A close relative or neighbor can help. Put your heads together and come up with a brilliant idea.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)



Today is a 7 — You're learning quickly and easily. You might feel like you don't have a choice. The deadline's looming, and a few miracles still need to be performed. Get busy!

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)



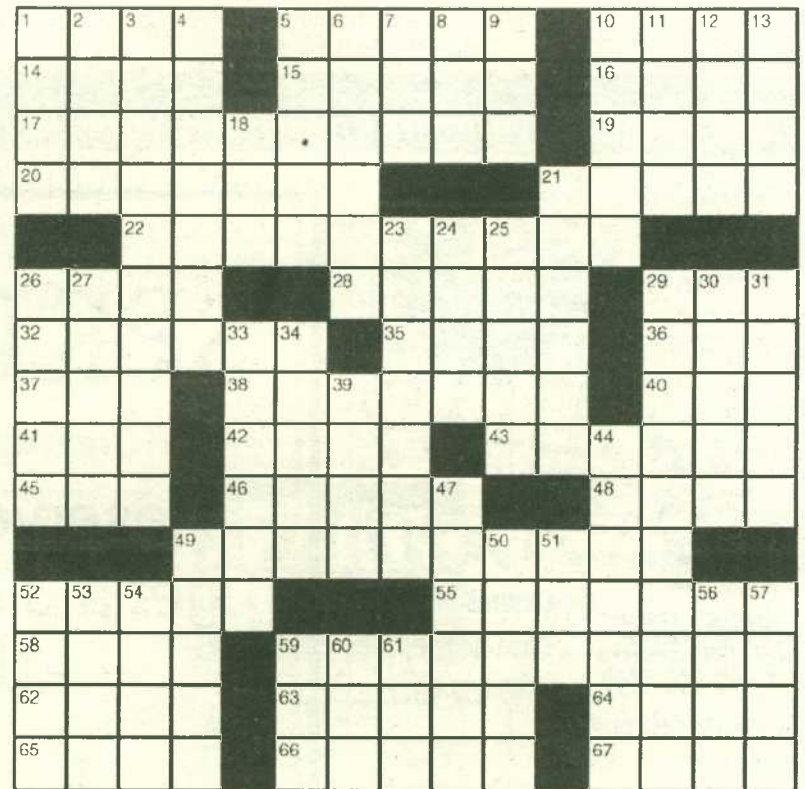
Today is an 8 — A battle's raging out there. Your money may be involved. You care deeply, but that's not enough. You'll have to think clearly, too. Instead of cutting costs, raise your income.

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Today's crossword brought to you by Court Square

- ACROSS**
- 1 Eschew food
 - 5 Say cheese!
 - 10 Phaser setting
 - 14 vera
 - 15 Commotions
 - 16 Shell rival
 - 17 Accomplished
 - 19 Crooner Jerry
 - 20 Quake
 - 21 Member of the RAF?
 - 22 Vacation condo user, perhaps
 - 26 Madeline of "Blazing Saddles"
 - 28 Put a burden on
 - 29 D. Letterman's network
 - 32 Second-largest continent
 - 35 Marceau, e.g.
 - 36 Actor Linden
 - 37 Bravo
 - 38 In dispute
 - 40 Columbus sch.
 - 41 Space in time
 - 42 Pre-Easter season
 - 43 Smiles smugly
 - 45 Seine, e.g.
 - 46 Entwined
 - 48 Flow freely
 - 49 Compassionate ones
 - 52 Roller coaster thrills
 - 55 Oil's partner?
 - 58 mater
 - 59 Singer's stock of songs, e.g.
 - 62 Letter opener?
 - 63 Knowing
 - 64 "Exodus" author
 - 65 Days of (yesteryear)
 - 66 Bombards
 - 67 Blind part



- 7 Maiden's last words?
- 8 Bud's Costello
- 9 Boston hrs.
- 10 Relish
- 11 Cafeteria carrier
- 12 USC rival
- 13 Holiday song
- 18 Big Blue computer?
- 21 Cash in
- 23 Pet rodent
- 24 Allies' opponents
- 25 Story-telling uncle
- 26 Actress Black
- 27 Burning
- 29 Rockette, e.g.
- 30 Lies in the sun
- 31 Partially melted snow
- 33 Maria of La Scala
- 34 Mr. T's outfit
- 39 Machu Picchu resident
- 44 Volcanic rock

- DOWN**
- 1 Bit of data
 - 2 Winglike
 - 3 Orator's malady
 - 4 Ends of the lines
 - 5 Engraved stone slab
 - 6 Unpretentious

Answers to last Thursday's puzzle:

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- type
- 47 Turn aside
- 49 Let live
- 50 Road rollers
- 51 Colonial insect
- 52 Gentlewoman
- 53 Low-cost spread
- 54 Actor Sharif
- 56 "Quando rapita in estasi," e.g.
- 57 Part of R&R
- 59 Music genre
- 60 Ram's mate
- 61 Buddy

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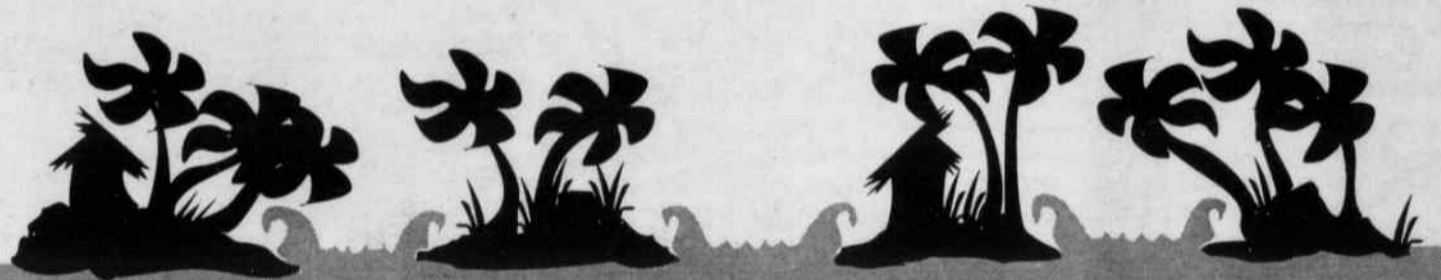
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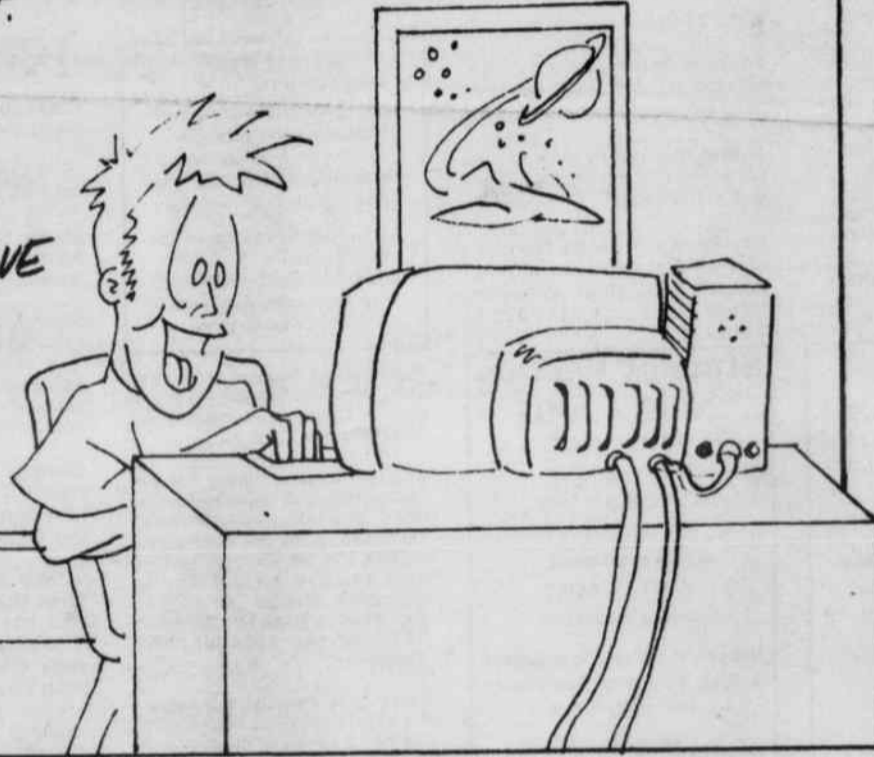
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