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Registration problems worsen, students say

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Some students believe registration for Spring 1991 has been more difficult than ever before, and some deans and department heads say those difficulties stem from budget cuts.

"I registered [Nov. 9], and I couldn't get into many classes because they were full," said senior management major Kristen Pinckard. "I did get hours, but I didn't get my choices. If I can't get into certain classes, I can't graduate on time."

Dr. Philip Emmert, head of the Human Communication Department, said, "We are significantly down in terms of the number of sections we can offer because of budget cuts, especially in the liberal studies area, such as public speaking, small group

communication and interpersonal communication. Also, we have five fewer part-time teachers than in the past."

The department is offering 27 liberal studies sections for Spring 1991, compared with 37 last spring.

But Dr. David Zimmerman, associate vice president for academic affairs, has overseen registration for two years and said registration this year isn't significantly worse than last year. "But we do have fewer resources with which to hire part-time faculty," he said.

As of Tuesday evening, 7,526 out of an eligible 9,699 undergraduates had registered, he said. And about 4 percent fewer sections are being offered for Spring 1991, as opposed to last spring.

"But that is not a significant difference," Zimmerman said. "There

are usually fewer courses offered in the spring as opposed to the fall anyway."

Students' stories

Sophomore Gary Austin, a marketing major, said he could only schedule 10 hours when he registered Monday.

"And six of those hours I didn't need," he said. "I'm trying to get my liberal studies classes out of the way because I can't get into marketing classes, but a lot of [liberal studies] classes aren't being offered this semester.

"There are no overrides available for anything," he said.

Junior Kristin Brenner, an international business major, said she couldn't get into Finance 346 and Management 311, two courses required

for her major.

"I can probably get an override for one, but for the other I have to wait until the end of November," she said. "In the past, I've always gotten the schedule I wanted. This is the first time I haven't been able to get what I need."

Senior Tim Fee said he couldn't get into his choice physical education class of golf.

"I've been here for four years, I at least deserve to get my one choice elective my senior year," he said.

In some popular classes, hundreds of students wanted to enroll but couldn't get in.

Robert Holmes, dean of the College of Business, said, "We have already gotten 1,100 requests to enroll in IDS

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Gambling an addictive, destructive habit for some

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staff writers

"I kept digging myself a bigger and bigger hole," said JMU senior Darren Lynch. "I had to get out before it was too much."

Gambling started out as a casual high school pastime and became more of a habit in college for Lynch, who typically bet "20 to 40 bucks" on football games each weekend during his freshman and sophomore years, he said.



"I bet quite a lot," said Lynch, who no longer gambles. "I bet with friends and through a friend who took bets and was kind of a bookie."

"I won occasionally over the course of a year, but ended up losing more than I won," he said.

During his first year in college, Lynch estimates he lost between \$200 and \$300.

"I kept kind of a running tab," he said.

An estimated 5 to 13 percent of JMU students — or 600 to 1,500 individuals — gamble.

"It's something that's all over this campus," said

Mike, a JMU sophomore who began gambling last year and asked to remain anonymous.

And psychologists say they are driven by compulsions larger than the desire to make money.

Why gamble?

"With each person, it's an individual hook," said Harrisonburg psychotherapist Barbara Atkins. "For some it's a thrill, it's power and greed. And others do it for the danger, the risks, and more and more wins."

Gamblers usually don't admit a problem exists until it affects their social or family life or economic well-being, she said.

"They're enjoying themselves to a certain point and only when things start to fall apart do they realize the problem.

"They start borrowing from Peter to pay Paul, and it has a kind of snowball effect," Atkins said. "They might hold the beast at bay for a while and start gambling when they would have never before."

According to John Rosencrance's "Gambling Without Guilt," gamblers habitually take chances and their games always supersede other interests. The gambler is full of optimism and does not learn from defeat.

Mike said, "When I lose, I try to make it back by going double or nothing."

And gamblers never stop when they're on a winning

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Who's playing the odds?

Men gamble more than women

Whites gamble more than blacks

The young (18-24) gamble much more than people over 65

Gambling rises sharply with income

Gambling likewise rises with education

Catholics, Jews and liberal Protestants are the most likely religious groups to gamble, whereas Baptists, atheists and fundamentalist Protestants are the least

People from East Europe and Italian backgrounds have the highest rate of gambling among ethnic groups, whereas those from Spanish speaking backgrounds have the lowest

Participation is greater in the suburbs than in the city and least in small towns and rural areas

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students wanted to enroll but couldn't get in.

Robert Holmes, dean of the College of Business, said, "We have already gotten 1,100 requests to enroll in IDS 104 that we cannot meet. There is a definite limit on the number of students we can enroll in that class because of the need for computers."

And Experimental Psychology and Psychology of the Young Adult are two pyschology classes that students have had trouble getting, said Dr. James Couch, head of the Department of Psychology.

A printout from the Record's Office Friday, Nov. 9, when mainly juniors and seniors were registering, showed that 468 students had unsuccessfully requested those two courses, he said.

Budget woes

Students who can't find classes to take are feeling the effects of state budget cuts, deans and department heads say.

"It's a sad thing because students have always had difficulties getting into [human communication] classes," Emmert said. "We had just begun to catch up with the backlog, but now with the budget cuts we are behind again.

"We've lost an awful lot of flexibility in terms of being able to manage course offerings," Emmert said. "The funds simply aren't there."

Because of the cuts, JMU can't hire more faculty and that's causing a crunch in the fast-growing Department of Psychology.

We have had a dramatic increase in the number of majors over the years," Couch said. "And students are having more problems registering [for psychology classes] this semester because of that increase."

Couch said more students major in psychology than in any other single major at JMU. In 1980, there were 327 undergraduate psychology majors compared to the 691-plus majors now, he said.

And the number of full-time faculty has only increased from 24 in 1984 to 27 now, he said. "That's about two-and-a-half times an increase in undergraduate psychology majors with only three faculty increases."

There also are 167 graduate psychology students, he said. "We offer the only post-master's degree training at JMU, so our graduate students are here longer than most others."

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Lottery is popular form of legal gambling in Virginia

Virginia's lottery, introduced in September 1988 with instant scratch-and-win games, is a popular form of legalized gambling.

"It's the American Dream," said JMU sophomore Patrick Hester. "It's a way to get rich quick."

According to Paula Otto, public information director for the Virginia Lottery, estimates show between 65 and 70 percent of adult Virginians have played a lottery game at least once.

Virginia and out-of-state players have allowed the state to collect \$1.136 billion dollars in lottery revenues as of Nov. 6, Otto said. About half that figure, or \$565 million, was paid out to winners, she said.

The Virginia Lottery exceeded the \$1 trillion sales mark Aug. 25, according to information released by the Virginia Lottery.

Instant lottery sales had earned the state \$727 million as of Nov. 6, and Pick 3, introduced in May 1989 had grossed \$265 million, Otto said.

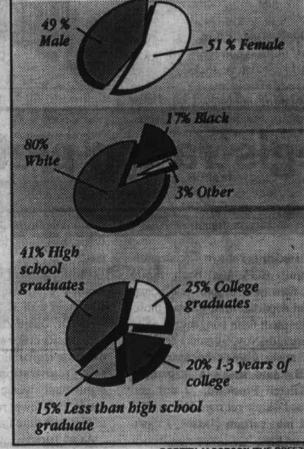
Lotto, the six-number weekly drawing game introduced in January, has grossed \$144 million. A second weekly drawing began Oct. 31.

Otto said 30 to 40 percent of weekly lottery sales are comprised of instant games and 60 to 70 percent are generated by Pick 3 and Lotto.

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Lottery player description

Lottery players come from all walks of life. Fourteen percent of people age 18 to 24 play the lottery. Other statistics include:



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"Most people go crazy when they win and try to push their luck," Mike said. "I'm just the opposite. When I win I'm more conservative."

A sort of "pleasurable [but] painful tension" also is experienced during the game and the gambler eventually risks too much, Rosencrance

Gambling "adds more excitement to a Sunday afternoon," Mike said. "It makes watching the game much more exciting."

Rosencrance also described a four-step process gamblers typically go through when coping with

Gamblers may skip a day or week of

gambling to gain perspective of the situation,

- decrease the amount of money waged,
- rationalize losses,
- · and go for the short-term rewards of betting small amounts rather than putting all their money on the table.

Sports gambling

An outlet for many gamblers' desire to win is sports betting, perhaps the most popular form of gambling. Sports gambling consists of horse racing, bets based on football, basketball, baseball and boxing statistics and odds, and casual weekend

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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." Madison

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Corrections

- PUSH Awareness Week will be held next semester, not this week as was reported in the Nov. 8 issue of The Breeze.
- · A petition sent to JMU President Ronald Carrier to reinstate the mushroom in front of D-hall included 2,000 signatures, not 200 as was reported in the Nov. 8 issue of
- The Campus Safety Panel Discussion and Teleconference will be held Monday, Nov. 19 at 5 p.m. in Grafton-Stovall, not today as was repor ed in the Nov. 12 issue of The Breeze.

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News

Colleges scramble for applicants

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business editor

The number of Virginia's high school graduates is dropping temporarily - and that's making colleges scramble for applicants until the number of grads rise again in the next century.

The number of high school graduates has declined 4.7 percent since 1988 to 56,000 now. Nationally, that number has declined about 6 percent since

But in 2005, the number of Virginia's high school grads will shoot to 80,000.

"For the next few years, we're going to see more competition for the top students in Virginia and surrounding states because of the decrease in the number of high school graduates," said Alan Cerveny, JMU's director of admissions.

In 1990, there are 1,912 first-time

increased from 23.2 percent last fall to 29.7 percent this year.

The College of William and Mary experienced a 17-percent drop in the number of applications from admission from Fall 1989 to Fall 1990.

"William & Mary had experienced a lot of growth in applications over the last few years and that can't last forever," said Jean Scott, dean of undergraduate admissions at W & M.

"It was by and large a national phenomenon, which doesn't mean it happened at every college," Scott said. But "many of the most selective colleges and universities in the country did have that experience."

For the Fall 1990 freshman class, W & M accepted students who "would have been wait-listed in 1989," Scott said. "It was not a matter of taking students we didn't want to take, but of being able to take people who in past years might not have been admitted -

1st-time freshman at four-year public institutions in Virginia

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School	Fall 1989	Fall 1990		
College of William and Mary	1,266	10 m 10 m		
George Mason University	1,924	1,814		
Old Dominion University	1,755	1,592		
University of Virginia	2,574	2,568		
Virginia Commonwealth University	1,728	1,616		
Virginia Tech	4,264	4,259		
Christopher Newport College	539	504		
Clinch Valley College	242	307		
James Madison University	1,923	1,912		
Longwood College	692	600		
Mary Washington College	668	749		
Norfolk State University	1,657	1,463		
Radford University	1,976	1,617		
Virginia Military Institute	361	383		
Virginia State University	1,184	983		

Number of first-time freshmen enrolled in Fall 1990 was not available from the College of William and Mary.

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"We're going to see more competition for the top students in Virginia . . . because of the decrease in the number of high school graduates." **Alan Cerveny**

Director of Admissions

freshmen at JMU - down slightly from 1,923 last year and from 2,034 in

However, the percentage of new freshmen at JMU from out of state just because of numbers."

Scott predicted the number of applications this year will be similar to last year. Colleges will have to adjust to the shrinking applicant pool

in the next few years and then prepare for an onslaught of applicants in the late '90s, she said.

The University of Richmond experienced a smaller decrease than W & M in prospective freshman applicants, dropping 10 percent in Fall 1990 compared to Fall 1989.

"Our applications went down from 1989 to 1990," said Pamela Spence, associate director of admissions at the University of Richmond. UR administrators thought the school's yield, or the number of people they accepted who would accept UR, would

drop.

"To cover our buns, we over-admitted," Spence said. "What happened is the yield didn't drop and we opened up [1990] with a larger freshman class than we should have."

"Each year has its own cycle and its own personality," Spence added. "You will find that because of the demographics, the applications will go down. Colleges are going to be panicking and the student is going to be more in the driver's seat than ever

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SGA to inspect registration problems

SGA reporter

The Student Government Association may conduct a survey on registration problems, Cleveland Hall senator Claire Barrett announced at the SGA meeting

The surveys probably will be distributed the week after Thanksgiving, Barrett said. The Curriculum and Instructions Committee will announce more information on the survey at next week's SGA

Also at the meeting, a member of the Buildings and Grounds Committee announced that Christmas Tree on the Quad will take place Dec. 6 at 8 p.m. This year, in a change from past years, the tree will be lit from dusk until dawn through Jan. 2.

The Buildings and Grounds Committee also is

working on a handicapped access bill for the library, which include a change to the library doors to make them easier for handicapped persons to use.

Gifford Hall senator Bob Hope requested the committee to consider a bill to place peep holes in doors in residence halls. Last year a similar bill was proposed but was killed because it would cost \$10 per door.

Also at the meeting:

· JMU's Interhall Council is considering ice machines and bike locks for each residence hall, an IHC representative said. Each bike lock could be rented for about \$20 a semester.

Also, IHC will sponsor 75 underprivileged children during the Christmas season. A Wish Tree will be placed in each residence hall the week after

Thanksgiving under which students can place gifts that the children have asked for.

· Adopt-a-Lake will meet for the first time Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. to help clean up Newman Lake. Any people who are interested in helping should meet at the bridge in front of Greek Row.

· The Legislative Action Committee announced they have already received more than 30 letters as part of their campaign to have students write letters to state senators and representatives against cuts in state funding. SGA senators are encouraged to tell more of their constituents about the program.

 The Students Services Committee is researching a bill to change fall break to the entire week of Thanksgiving, combining fall break and the current Thanksgivingbreak. The committee will discuss the bill with administrators before the SGA votes on it.

Policelog

Dave Fields

police reporter

Campus police reported the following:

Breach of Peace

Two non-student juveniles were charged with breach of the peace and were served with trespass notices following a confrontation with the Chandler Hall hall director at 8:47 p.m. Nov. 10.

The two non-students were skateboarding on the plaza in front of Chandler Hall when the incident occurred.

Hazardous Situation

A motorcycle parked at the entrance to Sheldon Hall was observed leaking fuel at 4:15 a.m. Nov. 12.

The Harrisonburg Fire Department was called to the scene to contain the spilled fuel, and the motorcycle was moved.

Falsification of Information

A student was charged judicially with providing false information to police at 9:23 a.m. Nov. 9. The charges stemmed from the incorrect registration of the student's vehicle as a commuter vehicle.

Police say the student parked in the commuter parking lot, handicapped spaces and fire lanes, accumulating 24 parking tickets before being charged.

The vehicle was towed to the student's place of business and the student's commuter decal was confiscated.

Grand Larceny

An Alpine brand car stereo apparently was stolen from a vehicle parked in Z-lot sometime between 7

p.m. Nov. 6 and 8 p.m. Nov. 8. The stereo is valued at \$300.

A Bridestone brand "City Limits" model 18speed mountain bike and a Kryptonite brand "Off Gear" model bike lock apparently were stolen from the basement of the Sigma Pi fraternity house sometime between 10 p.m. and midnight Nov. 7. The items are valued at \$300.

 A Sears brand SR2000 model VCR apparently was stolen from a suite in Weaver Hall sometime between 2 a.m. and 5 p.m. Nov. 10. The VCR is valued at \$250.

Petty Larceny

A JMU student's clothes apparently were stolen from a laundry room in Weaver Hall sometime between 12:30 and 1:30 a.m. Nov. 11. The clothes are valued at \$75.

A wallet containing \$5 in cash was stolen from a coat in the Sigma Nu fraternity house sometime between 11 p.m. Nov. 10 and 9:30 a.m. Nov. 11.

A touchtone phone was stolen from the fourthfloor Wilson Hall office of the Geography and Geology departments sometime between 5 p.m. Nov. 7 and noon Nov. 8. The phone is valued at \$40.

A blue duffle bag containing a pair of gold wire frame prescription glasses and a JMU sweatshirt apparently was stolen from the corridor outside of the weight room in Godwin Hall sometime between 3:15 and 3:50 p.m. Nov. 9. The items are valued at \$198

 A vanity license plate, "LORI-JMU," apparently was stolen from a vehicle parked in X-lot sometime between 3 p.m. Nov. 7 and 3:30 p.m. Nov. 11.

Destruction of Public ,Private Property

· A bike rack with a bike locked to it was thrown

into Newman Lake near the Greek Row Bridge at 4:15 a.m. Nov. 12. The bike and rack were discovered by an officer on patrol in the Greek Row area.

Destruction of Personal Property

A poster on the door of a resident adviser's room in Gifford Hall was defaced at 10:33 p.m. Nov. 10.

Lost or Stolen Property
- An Olympus model OM10 35-mm camera with a 50-mm lens and auto winder, an Osawa model 28-mm wide angle lens, an Olympus model OM2 Flash, and an 8"x12"x12" brown vinyl camera bag were either lost or stolen from a room in Anthony-Seeger Hall sometime between 10:40 a.m. Nov. 6 and 9 a.m. Nov. 7. The items are valued at \$495.

 A textbook was either lost or stolen from Carrier Library sometime between 8 p.m. Nov. 4 and 8 a.m. Nov. 6.

The textbook, "Financial Management" by Brigham and Gapenski, is valued at \$49.

A brown wallet, an ID, a key chain and some assorted credit cards were either lost or stolen from PC Dukes sometime between 12:30 and 6 p.m. Nov. 12.

Capias Arrest

 Student Daniel A. Horne, 21, of Alexandria, was arrested by campus police at 11:19 a.m. Nov. 9 on a bench warrant issued by the Harrisonburg District Court for failure to pay a fine and court costs. He will

be released upon payment to the magistrate.

A capias arrest takes place when police serve an outstanding bench warrant.

Number of drunk in public charges since Aug. 25:





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Arab leaders suggest summit:

Arab leaders mulled over the idea of an Arab summit as a last-ditch peace effort Monday. But few think such a meeting, proposed by Morocco's King Hassan II, could be soon.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said he would attend a summit if consulted on timing and agenda. He insisted that Israel's occupation of Palestinian lands must be considered.



President's support drops:

The United States is less pleased than before with President Bush's handling of the Mideast crisis. A USA Today survey of 615 people shows presidential support has dropped: 52 percent approve of the way Bush is handling the situation — far below the 82 percent he received in August.

Top priority to 51 percent is saving the U.S. hostages in Iraq and Kuwait.

Talks held in Beirut:

Christian hard-liners held talks with their Syrian foes for the first time in five years, boosting hopes of lasting peace in Beirut and an end to 15 years of civil war in Lebanon.

In south Lebanon, rival Shiite Muslem forces evacuated 14 wounded people from battleground villages after the lifting of blockades under a peace accord reached last week.

Egypt will not attack:

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak declared Monday that his troops would not attack Iraq - even if the United States and other forces do. Mubarak said Egypt's troops would enter Kuwait only for peacekeeping duty.

Experts see safety concern:

As peak holiday travel season approaches, experts say a rise in the risk of runway accidents may be creating a new safety concern for fliers.

Predicted for 1990: About 240 close calls on airport runways, up 8 percent from 1989 - but still lower than 1987, a record year.

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The JMU Aerobics Club exercises on the commons in the November chill.

Newsfile

English Dept. Spring '91 schedule change:

Due to the death of Dr. David Hallman earlier this month, the following English classes will take on new staff for the Spring semester of 1991. They include: English 231-0001 by Michael Benigni; Eng 231-0004 by William Reid; Eng 335-0001 by Susan Facknitz; and Eng 102-0014 by Robert Sherwood.

For more information, contact Louise White of the English department.

JMU to honor Wampler:

JMU will honor Charles Wampler Jr., chairman of the board of WLR Foods Inc., during its 16th annual Government Day program Saturday, Nov.

Wampler will receive JMU's Commonwealth Award at a brunch in Chandler Hall prior to the 1:30 p.m. football game with Appalachian State University.

Physics seminar:

JMU's Department of Physics is presenting a seminar by Dr. Henry Spall titled "Paleomagnetism - The Geologic History of the Earth's Magnetism" Friday, Nov. 16, at 3 p.m. in Miller Hall Room

Refreshments will follow.

Self-Defense Workshop:

A self-defense workshop will be held Thursday, Nov. 15, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Highlands Room of the Warren Campus Center.

The workshop is sponsored by JMU NOW.

Black Student Retention Conference:

The eighth annual Black Student Retention Conference, sponsored by the State council of Higher Education, will be held Thursday and Friday, Nov. 29 and Nov. 30, at the Richmond Raddison Hotel.

The two-day workshop is open to all interested educators and students and will focus on the partnership between public schools, businesses and colleges.

Registration will begin at 8 a.m. Nov. 29. For more information, contact Dr. Cora Salszberg at 225-4783.

Academic Excellence Program for students:

Video World announced an "Academic Excellence" program to reward students from kindergarden to college.

Any student who earns an "A" or "E" in a grading period receives a free rental coupon on any G or PG

Also, Video World will be holding its second annual "Literacy in America" book collection campaign now through Dec. 15.

Each person who donates two or more books will receive a "2 for 1" Video World rental coupon .

The Breeze Newsfile is offered when space permits to publicize information on job opportunities and campus and area activities. To have information reviewed for publication, call 568-6127 or send information to the news editor, clo The Breeze, Anthony-Seeger Hall, JMU, Harrisonburg, Va., 22807.

Gambling

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According to Rosencrance, sports bettors begin the day by checking point spreads between teams and placing bets. The point spread is the difference between scores at the end of a game. The games are played and whether gamblers win or lose, they use the results to prepare for the next bet.

Nevada is the only state where all forms of gambling are legal, including sports gambling. Virginia allows licensed betting only, and all forms of gambling are illegal in Hawaii, Mississippi and Utah.

Gambling rising nationally

Research shows gambling is a national problem on the rise.

According to Mary Ubinas, public policy chairwoman for the National Center on Compulsive Gambling in New York City, "the research would say it's going up."

In the last three years, surveys in New Jersey, Maryland, California, Maine and Iowa have suggested the large scope of the problem, Ubinas said.

From this "handful of states," research shows that "2 to 3 percent of the adult population are compulsive gamblers," she said.

The figures vary from state to state. In Iowa, for example, a February 1989 study showed 1.7 percent of the state's adults were classified as compulsive gamblers.

"In New Jersey that number was double," she said.

Separate research of New Jersey college students showed an even larger

gambling population.

According to a three-year study of students at Stockton State College in New Jersey, about 6 percent were classified as "at risk" compulsive gamblers. Surveys conducted by Dr. Michael Frank in 1986, 1988 and 1989 also showed that an average of 70 percent gambled within the past year.

Frank said that while gambling is not a problem for the "vast majority of people," some get carried away.

"Someone who gambles too often with too much money and can't afford it" has a problem, he said.

Frank said the 6 percent compulsive gambling figure for campus is "alarmingly high [and] likely represents the proportion in the larger population."

Ubinas said, "Compulsive gambling is no different than drinking. It may take five to 10 years" for the casual gambler to realize a problem exists.

In his sophomore year, Lynch realized the problem and saw it was time to quit before it became uncontrollable.

"I decided I didn't want to throw money away," he said. "It's not a very productive thing to do."

But Mike isn't thinking about quitting anytime soon.

"I've been on the plus side this year," he said.

"There have been a couple times when I got killed and thought about [quitting]," he said. "And I think if I went down a lot of money I would. But I keep it under control, and it's just a fun thing to do."

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Lottery.

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A survey of 1,000 Virginia adults, conducted by the Virginia Lottery in August, revealed 72 percent approved of the lottery — an almost 20 percent increase over the 57 percent who voted in favor of the lottery in November 1987. But the lottery still has some people upset.

According to the survey, 34 percent

said they had not yet purchased a ticket and grounds for not playing varied. Of the 34 percent, 36 percent said they are not interested, 32 percent object to lotteries on the basis of moral or religious beliefs and 31 percent believe it is a waste of money.

> Kiran Krishnamurthy and Paulene Pakidis

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Class sizes also have been increased to try to accommodate the growing demand.

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"Last year, the annual department report stated the student/faculty ratio to be 31 to 1 at the 200 level, 32 to 1 at the 300 level, 25 to 1 at the 400 level, and 62 to 1 at the 100 liberal studies level," Couch said. "Our concern is whether or not we will be able to expand in order to meet needs of the growing number of [psychology] majors. The situation could become much worse."

An ongoing problem

But some administrators say this semester's registration problems are not any worse than in the past.

Dr. Robert Scott, acting vice president for academic affairs, said, "There has always been a problem with

students getting into the classes they want to get into

— such as political science, communication, English

— and the reason is a combination of things."

One reason is the lack of availability of the number of sections to take care of students' needs, he said.

"And that is impacted by the availability of professors to teach on a part-time basis, and the tightening of resources to hire faculty," Scott said. "Also, students are gravitating toward certain majors in increasing numbers." Registration problems are not a new phenomenon, he said. "Students have always had to take courses other than their first choice, and there have always been periods when courses were tight — this is not unusual.

"With the budget cuts, we have had difficulty in getting resources to hire additional part-time faculty," Scott said. "Having less money impacts everything, whether directly or indirectly.

"We are in daily contact with how classes are filling up, and we are working with the department heads and the deans in an ongoing process of looking at registration," he said. "There is not way for an institution to realistically meet all the students' needs, but we can try to meet their needs with the resources we do have."

Zimmerman said, "We do look at enrollment statistics and consider students' needs," he said. "We normally wait until the beginning of the semester and make seniors our first priority; we want to make sure they graduate on time.

"I'm not aware of any seniors to graduate in May who couldn't get a course they absolutely need," Zimmerman said. "They may not get their first choice, but they will get what will fulfill their requirement."

Enrollment

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"There are going to be a lot of colleges going to their wait-lists in June, July and August," because schools need to fill the admissions slots, Spence said.

The fact that high school seniors are applying to seven or eight colleges — instead of the traditional two or three — combined with the decreasing numbers of students available has made

college recruiting much more difficult, she said.

Virginia Tech's admissions policy is to accept more than two times the students they expect to enroll, in order to ensure an adequate number of freshman students attend, according to Stephanie Clark, Tech's information officer for admissions.

"Students are shopping around more," she said. "It's not uncommon for families to spend their summer vacations shopping for schools. There are fewer students out there. Schools which might not have accepted some students five years ago, might accept them today."

Washington and Lee University experienced a 5-percent drop in the number of applications for fall 1990 admission from fall 1989.

Applications were less in 1990 for "two reasons — the changing demographics of students and the changing patterns of students," said Ken Ruscio, W & L dean of freshmen.

"High school students are submitting less and less applications."

The schools don't agree on the reasons behind the applicant drop-off from 1989 to 1990, but they do agree that more difficulties lie ahead in recruitment of entering freshmen.

However they know that help — in the form of more applicants — will slowly be on the way as we enter the year 2000.

"I wouldn't call it a rosy future but a stable one," Ruscio said.





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There is a killer in our country. This killer accounts for 400,000 deaths a year. This killer has accomplices. One of them may even be

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Approximately one third of all smokers die from smoke-related diseases. Smoking is the number one killer of Americans who die from preventable deaths. Yet people continue to smoke.

Why do people continue to smoke when they realize it can kill them?

One of the main reasons people continue to smoke is the addictive nature of cigarettes. According to former Surgeon General C. Everett Koop, the nicotine in cigarettes is more addictive than cocaine or heroin.

It takes the average person five attempts at stopping before he or she actually can break the habit.

This addiction keeps pregnant women smoking even though they know it puts the health of their baby at risk.

Why do 3,000 new teenage smokers start each day when the negative health aspects are known to them?

Smoking weakens a smoker's immune system. It can result in numerous types of cancer ranging from lung cancer to brain

Most young smokers do it for social reasons. If there's one place where peer pressure still has an overwhelming influence, it's smoking. Although the percentage of smokers in the general population has decreased over the past years, the number of female smokers has increased.

Many smokers believe their habit won't kill them. Those two thirds of smokers who do not die from smoke-related deaths shorten their lives because of smoking. Smoking a pack a day cuts, on the average, six years off a smokers life, and smoking two packs a day shortens the smoker's life by eight.

Life is a precious commodity.

Today is the Great American Smokeout. If you smoke, let today be the first step you take away from the killer threatening your life as well as the lives of others.



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A new breed of Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving is a time pause BUUURRP. Excuse me. Thanksgiving is a time when we pause to remember the courageous sacrifices of numerous turkeys,

pounds less per American.



AT WIT'S END

Dave Barry

has been handed down through generations of famous European chefs, is: MAKE SURE YOUR DOG CANNOT GET YOUR TURKEY OUT OF YOUR GARBAGE. We

and their ancestral foreturkeys before them, without failed to follow this tip, and our large main dog, Earwhich the American nation would weigh about 15 nest, found the turkey and ate the whole thing, then capped off her elegant dining experience by taking maybe 10 steps and throwing up the entire turkey in the living room.

"Whoa!" is the thought that at this point formed inside her brain, which is the same model found in broccoli. "Am I ever going to get in trouble for THIS!" So she started walking the way dogs do when they're guilty of something, wherein they hunch way down on the floor and creep along on their stomachs, snakelike, using just their toenails for traction. This caused our small emergency backup dog, Zippy, to become confused and think maybe HE had done something wrong, so when I walked into the living room, there was a semi-digested turkey carcass being slowly orbited by what appeared to be two hairy, whimpering snakes.

Dogs would make totally incompetent criminals. If you could somehow get a group of dogs to understand the concept of Kennedy assassination, they would all immediately confess to it. Whereas you'll never see a cat display any kind of guilty behavior, despite the fact that several cats were seen in Dallas on the grassy knoll area, not that I want to start ru-

Speaking of thawing and dogs and the warm glow we all feel at Thanksgiving, it seems appropriate here to bring up the matter of the 1,000 frozen radioactive federal dogs in California. I am not making these dogs up. Several alert readers sent me an editorial

You probably have your own turkey recipe, but you have not had turkey until you taste it the way I make it. People will take just one bite of my turkey and exclaim, "Aren't you supposed to remove this plastic bag containing turkey organs before you put it in the oven?" Not me, pal. Those organs are SCARY. I'm not putting my hand inside a dark turkey orifice with them until I'm sure they are DEAD. So I recommend cooking the tar out of the turkey, then firing a couple of machine-gun bursts into it just in case. We call this "Turkey Miami Style."

The wing also is important. For best results, you should start thawing your turkey about three weeks ago, because your modern supermarket turkey is frozen to the hardness of state-capitol floors. In fact, thanks to genetic engineering, many modern turkeys are actually GROWN FROZEN. Yes. They start out as frozen embryos, and they are genetically engineered so they have no head or feathers; they also have cooking instructions right on their skin. You go to a modern turkey farm and all you see are these rock-nard BREASTS running around, bouncing off each other like bowling balls. They have a publicaddress system that does their gobbling for them.

So my advice is to let your turkey thaw out thoroughly and then cook it. Or throw it into the garbage. We had to do this once with a turkey that had thawed out a little TOO much and smelled like a pair of postgame rugby shorts. An important cuisine tip, which

Barry_

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about them that appeared in *The Fresno Bee* (Motto: "Fresno's Most Comically Named Newspaper"). It seems that in 1958 the federal government, which as you know is always looking for expensive new ways to appear ridiculous, began an experiment wherein 1,000 beagles were regularly injected with radiation to see what happens when you inject beagles regularly with radiation. The last beagle died in 1986, and all of their bodies, which are radioactive, are being kept in frozen storage near Davis, Calif., along with — this is still true — 34,000 gallons of radioactive beagle waste.

So far this project has cost \$65 million, not including disposal, which is expected to cost a lot more, although nobody has figured out how to accomplish it yet. My suggestion would be to simply Federal Express everything to Iraq ("Large cold package for Mr. Hussein!"). But I'm sure the experts will think of something better. That's why we have experts — so the rest of us can just sit around, digesting our turkeys and being thankful.

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Editorial cartoons and columns welcome. Please place in Dave Noon's box and include your name and phone number.

Letters to the Editor

Vax 'guessing games' make JMU's registration process frustrating

To the editor:

I recently went through one of the most discouraging processes on campus, formally called registration. Like many students, I tried to prepare for registration in advance by checking the Vax system. In theory the Vax program is a brilliant idea; however, many students were discouraged when they attempted to utilize this service. At first, the Vax system appeared to be working. However, I soon discovered that it was not being properly updated. As my assigned registration time approached, I continued checking the system. Many of the classes I had been told were closed at registration were open according to the Vax. Even after I registered, I rechecked and saw many open sections of classes that I knew were full. About the only thing being updated was the new time at the bottom of the screen.

I don't see how the university can update only a few classes and have enough guts to mislead the students by telling them that closed sections are still available. There is no excuse for this. Registration is frustrating enough without having to play guessing games with the Vax. Either employ this system and update it at least once a day, or don't bother at all. Maybe JMU could try a little harder to have the Vax system working for next semester!

Lori Firestone sophomore undeclared

Members of Alpha Phi and Alpha Phi Alpha combine to feed hungry

To the editor:

The sisters of Alpha Phi (pronounced phee) and the brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha both organized a

Thanksgiving Day food drive, unknown to each other. Upon realizing this, we combined our efforts to collect as much food and money as possible to feed Harrisonburg's needy on Thanksgiving Day. The drive is officially called "JMU Feed the Hungry Food Drive."

If you feel this is a worthwhile cause, and would like to support it, please consider the following dates:

Thursday Nov. 15 — A table will be set up at the commons to collect monetary donations from individuals and organizations. We would like to ask all interested parties to bring their donations at this time.

Saturday Nov. 17 — Every interested person from JMU will meet in J-lot at 9:30 a.m. to go door-to-door throughout Harrisonburg. Bring your car! At the door, we are saying, "Please donate a quarter and a can to help us feed Harrisonburg's needy this Thanksgiving."

Sunday Nov. 18 — Public Enemy concert. Food will be also be collected at the entrances at the Convocation Center. (Notices were sent out on each ticket.)

One more note, while both food and monetary donations are needed, we expect to be more in need of the monetary donations. This donation can be given at the commons Thursday, Nov. 15, as previously stated. The money will go towards buying turkeys for the 25 families we will feed. All extra food will be donated to the local food bank.

Elisabeth Diffenbach Alpha Phi William Whitaker Alpha Phi Alpha

Letters Policy

Deadlines for all letters will be noon Mondays and Fridays. Please limit responses to 250 words or less. The Breeze reserves the right to edit all letters for clarity and space.

'Just say no' to our ineffective war on drugs

The Drug War is a lie. It is invalid, ineffective, impotent and unconstitutional. Its perpetrators have turned a seemingly noble cause into a pointless exercise in waste, fueled by hypercivic zeal and self-righteousness. Not even the government's own statistics suggest that progress is being made. But still our lawmakers conclude that the only possible solution to our domestic Vietnam is more money, more weapons and more power.

It is time to say "no more."

The Drug War is worse than a lie, though. It's a symptom of a flaw in logic that demands we tackle our problems with firepower. A mentality in this nation would have us believe the best thing to do for a crack addict is jail him for life. This mentality has us trapped. It has been screwing us for years. It killed hundreds of thousands in Vietnam and four innocent students at Kent State, and it's responsible for victims caught in the crossfire of the drug market it creates.

A fundamental change in approach is needed. Americans must learn to "just say no" to a policy that only escalates the violence it seeks to stop.

In unveiling the 1990 drug plan, President Bush said, "To win the [drug] war... will take a national strategy — one that reaches into every school, every workplace, involving every family." Yet 70 percent of that plan goes to law enforcement and new prisons needed to house the growing number of inmates, up 90 percent since the Drug War was escalated in 1981. In that same period, annual budget allowance for this insanity rose from \$1 billion to \$8 billion.

And the real victims are the people of our inner cities. Bush and company are waging a war not on drugs, but (in effect) on the lower class. It is the

GUEST COLUMNIST

-Roy Smallwood

people of Southeast D.C. who are suffering the most. They know the "war" won't save their kids from drugs — it merely increases the violence and ignores the true social causes at the heart of the problem.

Many say legalization implies moral acceptance, yet tobacco is legal and is still denounced by the government for its health risks. But drug legalization would entail many complications, and such a move might not succeed. Drugs such as cocaine and heroin will threaten our society whether legal or not. Even in its idiocy and ineffectiveness, the DEA at least can claim benevolence in trying to rid our society of such evils. But I cannot tolerate the application of these same methods to fight a drug that is no killer.

If we are not ready to give up the war on drugs, why not experiment by decriminalizing marijuana? Pot's estimated 30 million users are not the ones lurking around the street corner, strung-out and trigger-happy. They are mostly law-abiding citizens with normal lives. The majority of the pot they smoke comes from our own country. And hemp, the plant which produces it, holds incredible economic and environmental potential for this nation.

In his Oct. 11 letter to The Breeze, H. Richard Travis argued against legalization by saying we should focus on bettering ourselves and our environment. I couldn't agree more, but hemp and marijuana aren't incompatible with such goals. Hemp and its seeds have a myriad of commercial applications. The stem is used for rope and clothing and is an alternative to wood pulp for paper, thus reducing deforestation.

Kentucky gubernatorial candidate Gatewood Galbraith is running on a platform of economic boost through hemp legalization, which would help troubled farmers in the region. Galbraith drives an automobile powered by 22-percent hemp seed oil. Without government research, he replaced more than one fifth of his fuel with a non-Greenhouse gas alternative. Is this something unworthy of research?

The lack of availability of information and research into hemp and marijuana is the result of yet another facet of the Drug War. The government has painted a black and white picture concerning the "D" word. The Orwellian doctrine goes something like this:

All drugs are evil. All drugs are the same. We will protect you from them. Users will be prosecuted. Dissenting opinions will not be heard.

Well, all drugs are not the same. With tax revenue from legal marijuana and a redirected philosophy toward fighting addictive drugs, perhaps we could find a partial solution to the scourge of cocaine and heroin — a solution focusing on education and treatment rather than machine guns and jail cells.

For information on commercial uses of hemp, contact the Business Alliance for Commerce in Hemp, P.O. Box 700193, Los Angeles, CA, 90071, or Galbraith for Governor at 1-800-866-HEMP.

Roy Smallwood is a junior communication major.

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Business



Melrose is located about seven miles north of JMU. It was built in 1859 and has been in the Melrose and Yancey families since then. For the last five years it has ben a source of numerous parties involving many JMU organizations. Groups have been drawn to Melrose because of its unique atmosphere and proximity to JMU.

Melrose Caverns still offers parties to JMU

Derek Carbonneau

Despite campus rumors to the contrary, Melrose will continue to be available for rent to JMU organizations.

For the past five years, the Yancey family has been renting out the grand house, a historical structure located at Melrose Caverns, about seven miles north of JMU in Rockingham County.

"We'd like to squash any rumors — we want you to come," said Elizabeth Yancey, owner of Melrose farms who runs the property along with her son Jim.

> Concerns over the liability of renters seemed to be at the heart of the circulating rumors. According to Jen Schafer, social chairperson for Tri Sig sorority, Blue Ridge Community College students were crashing JMU parties and driving home drunk, so

Melrose would begin cracking down on its party

But Yancey said nothing has changed with their policy and no problems are expected.

When you rent from us, you have to assume the liability for your guests, most of the sororities and fraternities have a liability policy from its national organization," Yancey said. "I always ask for a certificate of insurance because when you sign the agreement to rent from us you assume all responsibility.

"That's probably where some of [these rumors] came from, because of those organizations that don't have coverage from their national office. I always ask them what they want to do about insurance."

Yancey said there have been no major problems with students from JMU and is pleased that the university buses people to and from the parties.

Like most other party houses, Melrose must have a deposit on the house before it is rented out. If the house is in the same condition at the end of the evening, the deposit will be returned, said Yancey.

JMU students familiar with Melrose agree it is a fun and safe place to have a party.

"Melrose gives you a scene off campus that is very different from anything on campus to party at and socialize," said Jeff Peaper, the Sigma Nu activities chairperson. "It is a very unique setting. Bus transportation is provided in case anyone of age wants to drink. There are no worries about people driving."

The property has been in the hands of the Melrose family since it was granted to them by the King of England. The house itself was built in 1859 and the caverns and property also were used as a camp site during the civil war.

Melrose is one of the Yancey family's six farms.

Lifes

Notes to the

ith a quarter million troops currently in the Middle East and another 120,000 troops recently deployed, The Breeze wanted to let the soldiers know they have the support of people on America's college campuses. These notes were collected by the Lifestyles section, with help from Beth Pease in JMU's accounting and records department, over the period of about a month. Copies of today's Lifestyles section will be sent to the Middle East. We offer our best wishes and thanks to all the Americans in the Persian Gulf and wish them a safe and prompt return home. If you're interested in sending letters on your own, mail them to:

> OPERATION DESERT SHIELD APO NEW YORK 09848-0006

1st Lt. Jim Ward-

I miss you and can't wait until you come home. Everyone sends best wishes. Love, Kris Gibson

Hi Deborah S .-

I miss you lots! Hope everything is fine over there. Write me and come home soon! Love you, Judy

Thank you all for being over there. Keep your spirits up, and know that we are all thinking of you and praying for you. Be safe and come home soon. Laura

Hi guys-

Take care and come home soon. God Bless. Heather

We wish you were here! The art students at JMU hope to hear from you soon. Please write! Laurel Sisson, Box 5087, JMU, Harrisonburg, Va. 22807

Hi troops! The sisters of $AX\Omega$ here at JMU wish you all the best of luck and a safe, quick return! Come home soon!

Please write to Mark V. Moreci, 801 Village Ln., Harrisonburg, Va. 22801. I would like to share news from the United States and be a friend back home to anyone in need.

This is Tommy Ellis at 275 Old South High St., Harrisonburg, Va. 22801. I would like to exchange current events with a needy person. Good luck.

Good luck. We hope you come home safely. Have a nice holiday. Margie

Hope you come home safely and soon. Jimmy Allen, if you read this, please write. Anyone else who would like to write, too, address letters to Kellie Knight, P.O. Box 514, JMU, Harrisonburg, Va. 22807.

Hi! Karen Hill here. I'm at P.O. Box 2108, JMU, Harrisonburg, Va. 22807. Our sorority, ZTA, is writing to you to see how you're doing. Hope you enjoy our letters. Come home soon!

Anyone who would like some local news, please write to Pat Ryan, P.O. Box 5856, JMU, Harrisonburg, Va. 22807. Good luck.

Just wanted to let everyone over there know you are not forgotten. We are thinking of you and praying for you. Hang in there!

Take it real easy out there. We will keep a cold one on tap when you get back!

My heartfelt thanks to all of you "special people" who have given up your "day to day" freedom so that many others can keep theirs. You are remembered and appreciated. Evelyn Lantz

Wish you all the best over there. Just take care of yourselves. Jane

A special thanks to all of you for defending our freedom. I am thinking of you each day and awaiting your safe return. Claudia Clark

To all Americans in the Middle East—

Both of our fathers fought to protect this country and we appreciate your sacrifices and courage to carry on the tradition of service to your country. You are appreciated and missed. Lynne and Fred

Tony-

I won't spend an entire week of Jimmy Buffet Time with you. However, my house has a staircase. And who needs leading men anyway? Lauren Kerr

Happy Turkey Day. We're thinking of you, and we hope you all come home soon. Love, the girls in Logan Hall.

Dear friends-

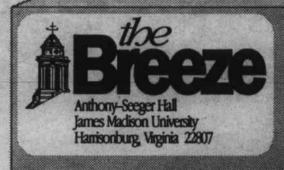
Hope you return soon. You are in our thoughts and prayers daily.

Hang tough and God Bless You. Doug

James S. Davis Jr.—

Big brother,

We are praying for you continuously. We love you very much. No matter what obstacles come your way, remember God is on our side. "What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?" (Romans 8:31). Keep the faith and God will bring you all home safely. Your sister, Sharon Davis



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We really appreciate your efforts. Our prayers will be with you through the holidays and always. We hope you will be home with your families and loved ones soon. Steffie, John and Hank

Hi folks-

How are the tans? I hear it's "nice and sunny" all the time over there. We really do appreciate you.

In an age of apathy and lack of respect for authority, the real heroes are those who unswervingly do their duty. Persevere, and do not be weary in well-doing. We are with you in spirit. To 2LTs Richard Springett, Ri Hughey and Eric Arnold— JMU ROTC salutes your effort you represent us. The Duke B

To graduates of JMU ROTC— We wear yellow ribbons in y down days until your safe return Duke Battalion

To George and Mike— Wish you were here to keep us both. Hope you'll be home soon

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Middle East

To my friends that are in the Gulf and to my friends who are about to go to the Gulf-

Hope to see you home for Christmas. We're all behind you. Give 'em hell. Semper Fi. John

Colonel R.W. Hansen, H & S Co., IMEF Comptroller, APO, New York-

Colonel Dad-

Keep your head down and watch out for those towel-headed camel jockeys. We're all behind you. R U . . . On On. I miss ya', pop. Ooh-Rah! Love, Alwood

To Major Joseph C. Bartow, III; 24th Infantry Division; 24th Armor Division; APO 09315, N.Y.-All of your friends in the Department of Political Science at JMU are thinking about you and the neat vacation that you are enjoying in the desert. We hear that it is just like Palm Springs, is that right? Take care of yourself, and we look forward to hearing about your experiences when you return. The public administration program is not the same without you. Very best wishes from PUAD faculty.

Thank you for what you're doing. You will be in our thoughts and prayers especially over the holidays. Keep safe. Becky

Our thoughts and prayers are with each one of you. May it not be long until you're safely back in the States. Gwen, Mona and Bobbie

To those involved in the Middle

We wish you strength and safety on your mission and a quick return home. Sigma Nu Fraternity

To all Americans in the Middle

Have a good holiday and know that you all are in our thoughts and prayers. Thanks for your dedication to our nation! Love, the Baptist Student Union

We hope you can take care of this mess as quickly as possible and get back home where you belong. Love, Vicky

Rick and John-

Guess you guys didn't get much of a vacation. How's the earring? I still think it's disgusting! Come home soon, you guys, we have to do the Georgetown thing again! Take care, we're thinking about you! Love, Eileen

PFC Martin Thorsted, 513th MI BDE 174th, APO New York-I'm thinking about you. Keep your chin up. Hope you get home in time for the holidays. Love, Karen

Dear fellow Americans We respect and admire your courage in this crisis in the Gulf, and thank you for your willingness to serve.

Thanks to all of you for your sacrifices and your protection of our freedom and the American way. We are praying that everyone will be safe and will come home soon. Judy Marcum

To our dedicated men and women in service—

We have three brothers also in service that may be joining you soon. I and my family truly appreciate your efforts on our behalf and we fully support you. Elizabeth and Wayne Oxford

"Special Greetings" to each of you along with a wish for good luck! Kay Bowman

If thanks came in colors — you'd get a whole rainbow today. Vicki Hudson

I hope that you all know that you are in our thoughts and prayers every day. Keep your spirits up. We love you! Please write if you have time. Elizabeth Pendleton, JMU, P.O. Box 3364, Harrisonburg, Va. 22807.

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Hope this note finds everyone doing well. Everyone here appreciates the fact that you're making such sacrifices. If you would like to have a pen pal, send a note to Sandra Thomasson, P.O. Box 5293, JMU, Harrisonburg, Va. 22807

All the heat and deprivation you have to suffer is helping keep my 7-year-old son in a safe country. It IS appreciated. Cookie Ulanski

All of you are in my thoughts and prayers. I hope you are able to come home soon. Good luck. Linda

Thanks for being there. Hope all works out well, and you can come home soon, safe and sound. We appreciate your efforts. Jill

I greatly respect and appreciate your contributions. I pray that you all may return home soon. Sue (1LT USAR)

Sorry you are going to be abroad for the holidays. We appreciate the efforts you are putting forth to benefit us all. Nancy

God bless each of you and the efforts you are putting forth for our country. Thanks, and I hope each of you returns safely soon. Jake

We appreciate all you're doing. A special "hello" to the 101st ABN, 326th Eng BN, 887 Eng Co. Take care of yourselves. Beth V. Pease

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tt, Richard DuBreuil, Tony

efforts! We're proud that ke Battalion

in your honor, and count

return. Toujours Pret! The

ep us warm. We miss you soon. Heather and Dawn

To PFC Vining (18th Airborne Corps)-Although it's late - Happy 20th! You deserved a break that day but, "get down for 20!"

To Mike and George-

What you want is what you get once you stop playing in the sun and visit us. Dawn and Heather

A very warm and heartfelt thanks for protecting our country. You are constantly on my mind and in my prayers. Mary Williams

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Messages

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To John Jones-

Everybody at church was happy to hear from you. Hope you'll be home soon. Martha Moyers

To Steven Davis-

Hey little brother. All of us send our love and hope to see ya real soon. You're going to be an uncle. Love, Cathy Hendricks

You have the toughest job in the world. Protecting the greatest country on Earth and its Allies makes you the most important and respected group of people we could possibly know. You are thought of every day. You are prayed for every day. You are Americans.

Unjust aggression, if not stopped, can soon spread, creating a world of human oppression. What you do now is for all who cannot yet stand alone for future mankind. You are our messengers telling the world we do

Thanks for being there for us. I pray that your time will be a safe and short

Thanks for your efforts for our country. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Please be careful, all of you. We need you at home, so be strong, and hopefully this crisis will end soon. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Clint Wyrick-317th EMS Fuel Cell Deploy-

We all miss you and love you. Roger, Pat, Lisa and Vicky

Hope you all will be home for the holidays. If not, our thoughts will be with you.

To Neil Vining-

Hang in there! We hope you will be home soon. P. Fulk

Tony-

All the best to you and your friends. Keep the Saddam at bay. Owusu-Ansah, JMU History

Patrick Borders-

Hey cousin! I thought in our family I would be the first one to make it to the Middle East. I love you a lot. Nicole

Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Bonnie Swank Powell

We support your efforts for our country in the Persian Gulf. Linda Lineweaver

Thanks for your courage and commitment. We are praying for your safe return. Laura Lee Niswander

You have our thoughts, our support and our prayers. Ann Robinson

Thank you for your dedication to service. I hope you can all come home soon. Ali Gauch

I wish you didn't have to be there at all. But I thank you for your service to the United States, and I hope you will come home soon! Audi Barlow

Scott King is a 1974 graduate of JMU, and is currently a sixth grade teacher at Parkside Middle School in Manassas, Va. During a recent visit to Harrisonburg, he saw the notice in The Breeze about this special section. The following messages were sent by the students in his class. The address at which the students may be reached is:

Parkside Middle School 8602 Mathis Ave. Manassas, Va. 22111

I would like to know whether you have any kids, a wife or a husband? What do you do in the day and nighttime? Thanks for being there. Felicia McMahan

Dear Brian-

Hi, how are you? I'm fine. Thanks for writing back to me. Do you have a wife? If you do, how many kids do. you have? My mom is 27 years old, and I'm her only kid. My mom and dad are divorced. My dad lives in North Carolina with my step-mom, Sheila. Well I better go now. Bye. Cheryl Dutton

Dear any service member-

I am 12 years old. I have brown hair and green eyes. I also have a sister. Are you married? Do you have any children? You have my support DUDE. Johnny Carter

Dear any service member-

How is everything doing over there? Is the food any good over there? I hope you will be back by Thanksgiving or Christmas. I hope you're back soon. Matt Lutjen

Dear any service member-

I am a sixth grader and my name is Robert Miller. How

are you in the desert? I heard you play golf in the sand. I Dear any service memberhope you're back before Christmas so you can have a good time with your family and friends. Robert Miller

Dear soldier-

Hi. My name is Travis. I have been studying the Middle East. I am hoping that you will be back for Christmas. Can I send you anything? P.S. Please send me a letter.

Dear any service member-

Hi! I am a sixth grader. I hope you will be back before Thanksgiving. How is it over there? I know it is HOT down there. I've got to go - BYE! Russell Robinson

Dear any service member-

How are you? I am fine. Is it hot over there? Please write back to me. Keep up the spirit! Devon Relaford

Thanks for the letter you wrote me. I gave my friend your name and all the other things. We're all thinking of you. Shawn Hess

Dear John-

Thanks for returning my letter. Many kids haven't got their letters back yet. What do you do all the time? Do the people in Saudi Arabia treat you well? Adam Biser

Dear any soldier—

I am a sixth grader. I am 11 years old. My name is Jarrett Galeano. Is there any food that you can't eat? Hope you can come home for Christmas and have a good time with your family.

Dear Milton-

How are you doing? I hope you can come home soon. Do you enjoy the food that they give you? Ryan Watson

How are you doing over there? Over here we're really hoping and praying that you'll come home soon. I'm glad brave people like you are over there lighting for our country. Thank you. Melissa Adams

Dear soldier-

My name is Angela, and I am really glad that you are out in Saudi Arabia to protect us. At least some people care. Hope you get back soon. Angela Suflita

Dear any service member-

Hi! I've been writing you for about six days now. When will you write me back? I've been waiting for a letter. I hope you write back. I hope you return home safely. Sherry Moore

Dear any service member-

Thank you for leaving all your families for us. I hope you come home soon - maybe before Christmas. Monica Ferguson

Dear any service member-

Hi. How is it going? It is fine over here. We are all supporting you. I hope you come home before the holidays. Well. I've got to go. JC Brown

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Dear Jayson— the and revenue the transplant to t Hi! I just wanted to write you to show you how much we care about you. Is it getting any cooler? It is cool over here in the morning. Got to go. Jason Oakes

Dear soldier-

How are you doing? I have some questions for you like do you have any pets? And I also want to know if you have a wife? Sorry so many questions, but I would like to be a soldier. Thanks for your time. Forker

Our thanks to you for serving our wonderful country. God Bless you! Joanne Ehlers

All of you are in our thoughts and prayers. We are looking forward to your safe return home. Suzanne

Hang tough! Your influence is felt and your efforts are appreciated.

You guys are greatly appreciated. Hang in there! You're doing a great job. You are telling the world "America Cares.'

Keep up the good work. It's hard, but it's a job that needs doing. Thank you.

Good luck to all of you. Elaine

Thinking of you all. Take care. Diane

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Lead from the front! Our best wishes go out to you. JMU ROTC

To troops in the Gulf-

JMU wishes everyone a Happy Thanksgiving! We sincerely hope that complete Thanksgiving meals don't come in MRE packages. *!@#! JMU ROTC

To the 82nd who supported ROTC at Today is election day. Because people have made sacrifices at high person risk such as the people involved in Operation Desert Shield, we have this privilege. Words cannot express the deep debt of gratitude deserved.

> Hang in there! We are all behind you and hoping you will all come home safe and sound very soon. Nan

'Joy & Pain': Rappers discuss their past

Tom Spiess

business editor

Pump, pump, pump it up.

Rob Base and DJ E-Z Rock, along with Public Enemy and MC Tab, will grace the Convo stage Sunday night in a concert sponsored by the University Program Board.

Base and E-Z Rock, both 23, have had a long history together. They met in fifth grade while attending PS 197 in Harlem and formed an alliance that has lasted since.

Their decision to get into the hip-hop scene came by deduction.

"Where we came from, a lot of other rappers are from the area, like Doug E Fresh and Biz Markie," E-Z Rock said.

"We didn't have a choice except to play basketball or baseball or become rappers," he said. "We weren't too good at basketball or baseball so we just became rappers."

They did not have much success at first. In 1983, Base and E-Z Rock—then known as Rob G and DJ Skip C—entered a rapping competition at the Lincoln Center in New York, where Base learned success doesn't always come easily or quickly.

"I lost," Base said. "I knew I wasn't that good, and I had to get better."

Practicing in their homes for long stretches of time, Base and E-Z Rock perfected their style. Base, who writes most of his own rhymes, and E-Z Rock tried to find good harmonies together.

Their first real shows together were YMCA jams and block parties.

"Back in the Y, we used to rock on the tops of desks," Base said. "The crowd was real rough, even rougher than the Apollo crowd. If you weren't good, they'd boo you off in five minutes."

He added they were never the recipient of that kind of rejection — and were constantly looking for a record deal.

"We used to do the YMCA for three months straight," E-Z Rock said.

After graduating from Junior Richmond High School in Manhatten a few years later, they signed on with their present manager, William Hamilton.

Base and E-Z Rock released their first single "DJ Interview" and soon followed it up with the minor hit "Make It Hot."

In the spring of 1988, they released their first album, "It Takes Two," on Profile Records. Neither Base nor E-Z Rock expected the album to go platinum or for the cover track to become the number-one selling 12-inch single of 1988.

"It was a big shock, a real big shock," Base said. "I thought it would take a little longer, but it jumped off rather quickly."

E-Z Rock added, "We were very surprised, you know."

"It Takes Two" took a long time to make because Base and E-Z Rock could not agree on the right background E-Z said the duo sees themselves as positive rappers. While others in the business cuss in their rhymes, that's something he and Base have decided to avoid.

"We're not like Slick Rick," E-Z said. "That's not us. When you curse, you can't get radio play with that. We try to keep our music into dance so that people will have a good time."

While the pair does not use profanity, they understand why others do.

People started buying the album more and more. All it took was the media to stir things up," E-Z Rock said.

Base and E-Z Rock both list Doug E Fresh as their biggest influence, citing that he encouraged them to do better.

The curent trend for rappers is to incorporate, or "sample," former hits by other artists into their songs.

Base has no problems with sampling, saying it improves the overall quality of the music.

On their latest album "The Incredible Base," Base and E-Z included three songs that sample previous hits: "Ain't Nothing Like The Real Thing," "War" and "Dope Mix" — a medley of their own previous hits.

The idea for "War" was presented to them by Harrison.

"It's about rappers battling and people saying stuff about rappers," E-Z Rock said. "We all should be peaceful, We're all in it together."

"MC Hammer is the greatest. What he's done for rap by taking other people's songs and making them better has taken rap to new heights. (People) should leave him alone. You can't knock him. Right now, he's the greatest," E-Z Rock said.

"The Incredible Base" features Base more than E-Z Rock because of some personal problems E-Z Rock was going through at the time of the recording. The decision to put Base solely on the cover was made by the duo after consulting with each other.

However, Base and E-Z Rock definitely are a tandem.

They have just completed a song titled "I Wanna Rock," to be featured on the upcoming "Rocky V" soundtrack, due out in December. The pair also is currently working on a yet-to-be-named album to be finished soon.

While working on their album, the duo has been keeping in practice with their stage show by doing spot gigs across the country.

Base said their stage show is "real hype. It's like a lot of dancing and good for all to come and check out."

About the only thing they don't agree on is what football teams to follow. Base said he used to like the Jets — when they were winning — and E-Z Rock is a die-hard Giants fan.

Tickets are still available for the Public Enemy concert Sunday night at 8 p.m. at the Convocation Center. Tickets are \$10 with a Student ID and \$17.50 for the general public and on the day of the show.



COURTESY OF PROFILE RECORDS

Rob Base will perform Sunday at 8 p.m. In the Convocation Center.
music, or scratches. "Well. Luke and 2 Live

"We were at my house one day," E-Z Rock said, "and I wanted to do the beat named 'Set It Off' by Lynn Collins, and he wanted to use a beat called 'Thinks' from James Brown. That was the 'woo, yeah.' We mixed both records

together."

"Joy and Pain," the second song released on the album, was something the duo had thought about for a while, but, "we just put it together and did it," E-Z said.

together and 'It Takes Two' came

Another Profile artist, Rhonda Parish, sang back-up for the song. "Well, Luke and 2 Live Crew, they're just doing what they have to do to make money," E-Z Rock said. "All of a sudden people are just coming down on them. It's a bunch of bull.

"Luke's been doing it for a long time now, and all of a sudden he's making a whole lot of money and people are just trying to get a piece of it."

E-Z Rock believes when the Florida officials brought the censorship of Luke and 2 Live Crew to the forefront, it created a much greater demand for the

"When [the officials] brought it up, that made the album go even more.

Fine Arts Series features dance performance

Donna Ragsdale

staff writer

Blending jazz, ballet and modern dance, the Joseph Holmes Chicago Dance Theatre will perform Friday night in Wilson Hall.

The Dance Theatre is the three-time nominee for the National Association for Campus Activities' Performing Artist of the Year Award.

Celebrating its 16th year as a dance company, the group will perform in Mexico and Israel as well as Europe this season.

Kate Trammell, assistant professor of dance, said the company's style of dancing is very energetic.

"As always we're looking forward to having a professional group on campus," Trammell said.

Priscilla Smith, box office manager for the Fine Arts Series, said, "The Joseph Holmes Chicago Dance Theatre reflects the accomplishment of the Fine Arts Series in bringing quality fine arts events to the Shenandoah Valley."

The Company has been nationally recognized for its "Chance-To-Dance" program that has introduced more than 30,000 youths to dance.

Randy Duncan, artistic director for the dance company, will conduct the master classes Thursday at 10:50 a.m. and 8 p.m. in Godwin Hall.

Master classes are short lessons given to students by professionals in their field.

Linda Holman, business manager for the Department of Theater and Dance, said the master classes will be a worthwhile experience for students.

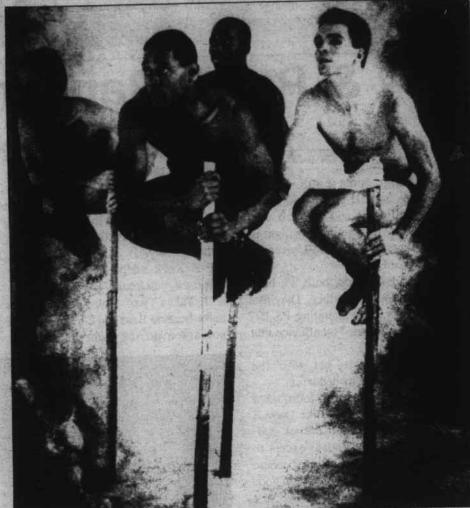
"Anytime students can study with different styles it is a benefit to their education," Holman said.

Duncan also dances in the 12-member group and has received the Chicago Dance Coalition's Ruth Page Award twice for "Outstanding Choreographer of the Year."

Duncan has held his position as artistic director since 1986, following the death of the Company's founder, Joseph Holmes.

Patrick Mullaney, another dancer in the company, also has received a Ruth Page Award. He was recognized as "Outstanding Dancer of the Year."

Joseph Homes Chicago Dance Theatre will perform at 8 p.m., Friday in Wilson Hall auditorium. Tickets are \$10 for the general public or \$6 for students with JMU ID. For more information concerning tickets or the master classes, call the Fine Arts Series box office at 568-7000.



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'Godspell' director seeks to individualize the Gospel

Wendy Warren

news editor

The star of the Experimental Theatre's production of "Godspell" is Jesus in blue jeans.

"The play has a very personal message," said director Jennifer Dunbar. "When it was done in the '70s, it had a very peace, love and no war message."

But Dunbar said she isn't demanding people go out and study the Bible.

"Godspell" is a retelling of the Gospel according to Matthew, detailing the story of Jesus through the

Last Supper, temptation and crucifixion. But all the actors - even Benjamin McClusky who portrays Jesus — are called by their own names and wear their own clothes in the play.

In other words, this production presents a very individual message about religion.

"I wanted to use the actors as people, not as characters," Dunbar said.

"The attitude of people now is totally different from the attitude of people then," she said. "The actors just had to be themselves and build on that."

The experimental version of "Godspell" is a little more elaborate than other productions of the play -

Dunbar added dance to the play's lengthy score.

This play's set is big, filled with many levels and blue, black and gray colors, but the traditional set for "Godspell" consists of a simple wagon and basic lighting, Dunbar said.

"I've always wanted to do a musical - a song and dance production," she said. "And I'm graduating, so I wanted my last production to be something everyone knew."

"Godspell" runs today through Saturday in Theatre II. Show times are 8 p.m. today and Friday, 2 and 9 p.m. Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$3. The box office opens one hour before each show.

Moviewatch

THURSDAY

Grafton-Stovall Theatre

• Star Wars (PG) — 7, 9:30

Valley Mall Loews Theatres

- Memphis Belle (PG-13) 1:45, 4, 7, 9:20
- Pacific Heights (R) 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30,
- Postcards from the Edge (R) 1:30, 4:30, 7:10,
- Sibling Rivalry (PG-13) 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30,

Loews Theatres

- Ghost (PG-13) 7, 9:25
- Mr. Destiny (PG-13) 7:15, 9:30
- Graveyard Shift (R) 7:45, 9:40

FRIDAY

Grafton-Stovall Theatre

- Bird on a Wire (PG-13) 7, 9:30
- Midnight Movie: Stripes (R)

Valley Mall Loews Theatres

- Rocky V (PG-13) 3:05, 5:10, 7:30, 9:45
- Jacob's Ladder (R) 1:45, 4:30, 7:20, 9:50
- Rescuers Down Under (G) 2:30, 4:50, 7, 9:10
- Home Alone (PG) 1:15, 3:15, 5:15, 7:15,

Loews Theatres

- Sibling Rivalry (PG-13) 7:45, 9:45
- Child's Play II (R) 7:30, 9:30
- Ghost (PG-13) 7, 9:25

SATURDAY

Grafton-Stovall Theatre

• Bird on a Wire (PG-13) — 7, 9:30

Valley Mall Loews Theatres

- Rocky V (PG-13) 3:05, 5:10, 7:30, 9:45
- Jacob's Ladder (R) 1:45, 4:30, 7:20, 9:50
- Rescuers Down Under (G) 12:20, 2:30, 4:50, 7,
- Home Alone (PG) 1:15, 3:15, 5:15, 7:15,

Loews Theatres

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- Child's Play II (R) 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30
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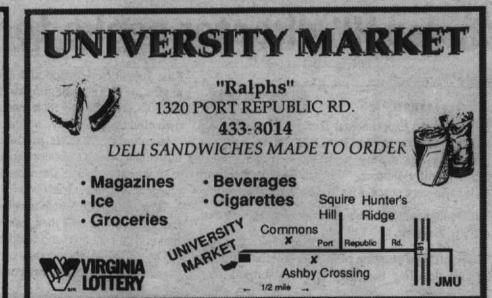
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Sports

Winning season at stake against Mountaineers

Two 5-5 teams will clash Saturday afternoon at Bridgeforth Stadium when Appalachian State visits JMU in hopes of spoiling the Dukes' bid for a winning season and claiming one of their

JMU's game with the Mountaineers completes not only its schedule but also a five-week stretch where the Dukes have faced their toughest opponents of the season.

The Dukes have gone 1-3 during that period, losing to ranked I-AA opponents Youngstown State, Georgia Southern and William and Mary and upsetting I-A Navy in Annapolis.

Last week the Dukes racked up 333 yards on the ground against ninth-ranked W & M, but mistakes at critical moments in the game helped the Tribe to a 31-21 win.

Appalachian State, which plays in I-AA's Southern Conference, completed its league schedule last week by beating Virginia Military Institute 17-0.

The Keydets got just 130 total yards while their defense gave up big plays. ASU's six-foot, 190-pound sophomore running back J. K. Reaves scored a 1-yard touchdown in the second quarter. In the fourth quarter, signal-caller D.J. Campbell hit wide receiver Anthony Smith on a 77-yard scoring strike, and Jay Millson nailed a 21-yard field goal. ASU amassed 247 yards of offense.

Three of the Mountaineers' losses have come at the hands of ACC schools. ASU has dropped games to Wake Forest, 23-12; Clemson, 48-0; and North Carolina State, 56-0. But ASU still has an outside shot at the I-AA playoffs by winning

Appalachian State will roll into Harrisonburg for its fourth consecutive road game. The Mounties are 2-1 in that stretch, topping Tennessee-Chattanooga and VMI and being buried 50-0 by Marshall.

Last season, Campbell ran for three touchdowns in a 23-14 win over JMU in Boone, N.C. The Dukes scored on their first and last possessions of the first half and led 14-7 but then fumbled away chances for an upset.

JMU has yet to beat the Mountaineers under head coach Joe Purzycki, losing five straight. Overall, the Dukes trail the series 7-2.



CHRIS TYREE/THE BREEZE JMU's Tom Green against William and Mary.

Basketball to host Czech squad

The men's basketball team will play its last preseason exhibition Saturday when the Dukes square off against Club Sparta of Czechoslovakia.

The Czech squad currently is on an 11-game tour of the United States, including a total of eight games in the CAA. Club Sparta has beaten American, North Carolina Wilmington and South Carolina. Richmond, East Carolina, William and Mary and the Citadel have defeated the Czechs.

The game begins at 7:30 p.m. at the Convocation Center, and JMU students will be admitted with their student IDs.

The Dukes open up their regular season Saturday, Nov. 24, against Marist College. Tip-off is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. at the Convo. JMU's first away game will be Wednesday, Nov. 28, in Blacksburg against the Hokies.

Dean named CAA player of week

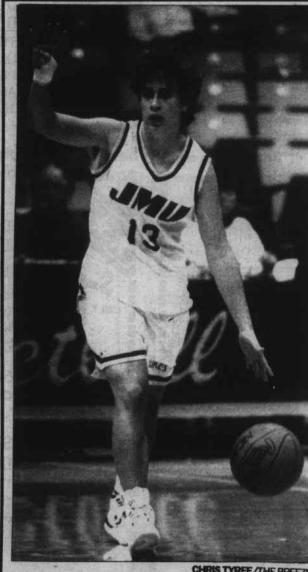
JMU junior Elizabeth Dean was named the Colonial Athletic Association volleyball Player of the Week for the week ending Nov. 11.

Dean, a graduate of Abingdon High School, had a .464 hitting percentage, 13 blocks and 13 digs in the Dukes' wins over the Hoakies and the Ramblin' Reck last week.

The 5'10" middle hitter leads the Dukes in hitting percentage [.209] and block average [1.3] this season.

JMU completed the regular season with a 15-16

The Dukes travel to Wilmington, N.C., for the start of the Colonial Athletic Association Championships Friday, Nov. 16.



CHRIS TYREE/THE BREEZE

Junior playmaker Emily

McCracken sets the JMU offense Monday night at the Convocation Center against the Finnish national team. JMU won the exhibition game 72-61 behind senior forward Vicki Harris' 25 points and seven rebounds. Senior guard Paula Schuler added 12 points.

The Dukes, who open regular-season play Friday, Nov. 23 at the Nebraska Invitational in Lincoln, Neb., return all five starters from a 17-13 team that finished runner-up to Richmond in last year's CAA championships. **Head coach Shelia Moorman's** squad has been picked by most preseason publications to return to the top of the CAA where they reigned as champions for four straight years before last.

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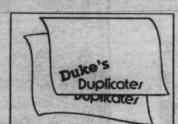
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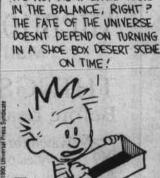








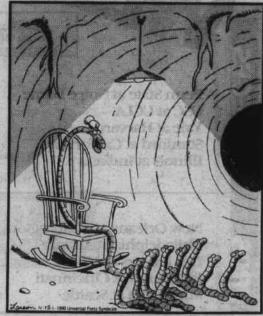




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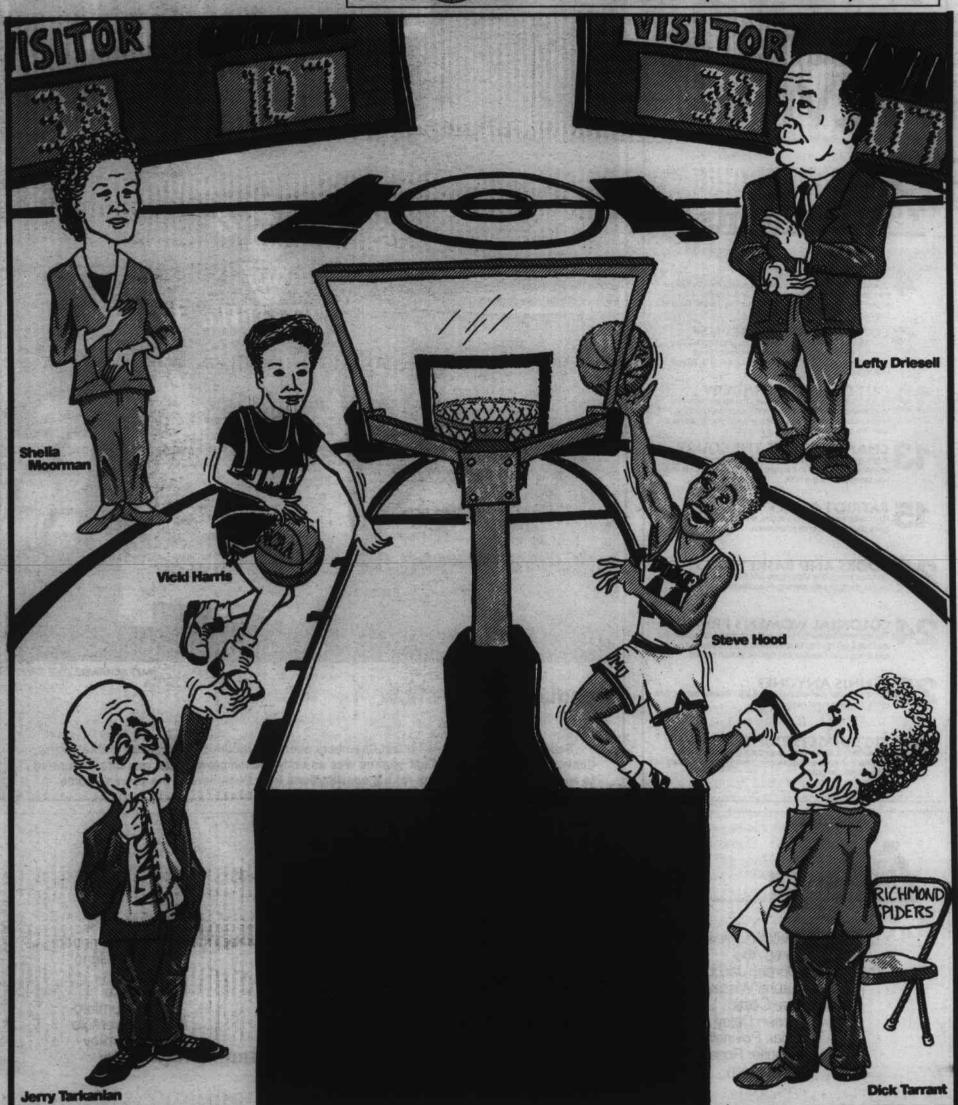
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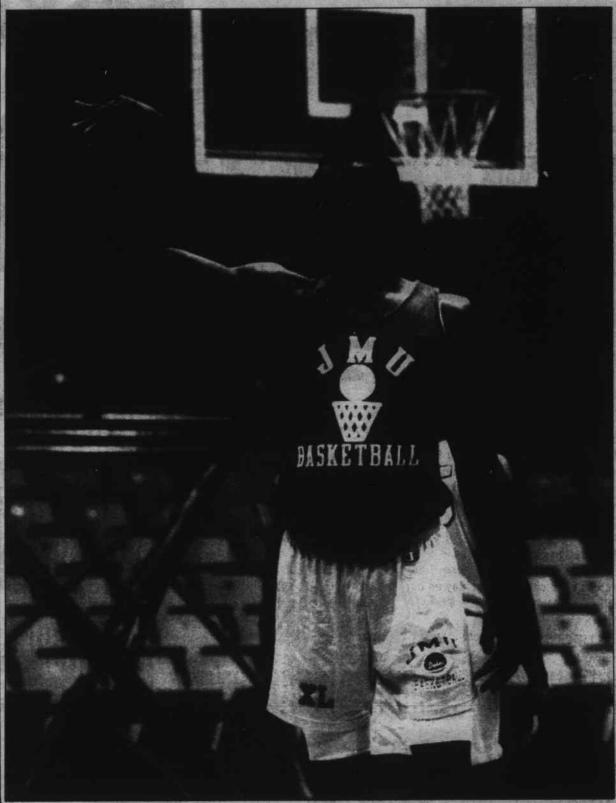


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Conducting the show

Sophomore center/forward Jeff Chambers seems to be directing practice traffic on the Convocation Center floor. Last year he was an early season starter, but was later relegated to an off-the-bench role. Look for big contributions from Chambers in the years to come.



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Driesell still pondering starting five

Eddie Grav

staff writer

The JMU men's basketball team has known for quite some time that they will begin the season Saturday, Nov. 24. What remains in doubt however, is the starting five that will take the floor that night.

"We've got about 10 players right now who are doing well," assistant coach Chuck Driesell said. "There's no way I could say the starting five right now."

Returning to the Dukes this season are seven seniors — Kenny Brooks, Barry Brown, Billy Coles, Jon Fedor, Alex Clevinger, Steve Hood and Fess Irvin — in addition to junior Troy Bostic and sophomore Jeff Chambers.

Also back is Alan Dorsey, a player head coach Charles "Lefty" Driesell dismissed from last year's squad along with Doug Lowrey because "they weren't talented enough to play on our ball club," Driesell told *The Breeze* a year ago.

Junior guard Jackie Moore is another

blast from the past. Moore was recruited by former JMU coach John Thurston and after working out with the team in 1988-89, left the team for personal reasons. Last season, Moore lit up the junior varsity team, averaging over 25 points per game.

Newcomers Chancellor Nichols and Clayton Ritter will add further depth. Rounding out the roster are Big East transfers Michael Venson — formerly Michael Tate from Georgetown — and Bryan Edwards from Boston College. Venson and Edwards will be eligible next year after sitting out according to the NCAA transfer rule.

The starting five could be all transfers. Hood transferred from Maryland, Irvin from Louisiana State and Coles from Chowan Junior College. Add Nichols from Mississippi State and Fedor from Palm Beach Community College. If that were the case, none of the Dukes' starters would be from the pre-Driesell era.

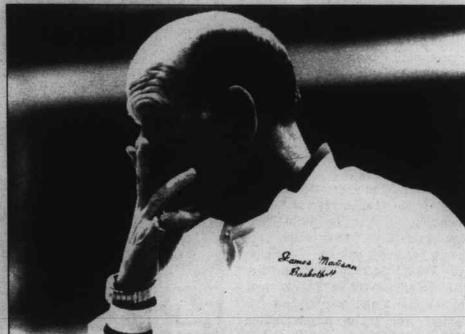
"I don't think we would have won 20 games without some of those guys last year," assistant coach Julius Smith said. "Including Chancellor, the same transfers that helped us last year will help us this year."

The Dukes will be led by several of last season's starters — Hood, Irvin and Coles — all of whom stood out in the Colonial Athletic Association.

Hood, who was named CAA Player of the Year, led the league in scoring with 682 points, 22 points per game, in his first season at JMU.

Irvin, last year's team leader in assists at 3.8 per game, earned first-team All-League, All-CAA Tournament, and All-CAA Academic honors. Coles was the Dukes' leading

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Above, head coach Lefty Driesell ponders his next move. At left, assistant coach Bart Bellairs drills senior guard Fess Irvin.

The Dukes enter the 1990-91 season as the favored team in the Colonial. They rely on a core of experienced players and a transfer to better their second-place tournament finish last season to Richmond.

The season opens Nov. 24 against Marist at the Convo Center. The Dukes schedule includes preseason top-twenty teams UNLV and Oklahoma. Florida and East Tennessee State will make trips to the Convo and JMU will head to Utah to meet Brigham Young.

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Transfers

Changing the way the CAA plays the game

Dave Perry

staff writer

The Colonial Athletic Association is hoping to redefine some of the negative connotations associated with the word "transfer." In the new CAA lingo, transfers are equated with instant success and quick turnarounds.

Lefty Driesell's success at rejuvenating a mediocre program with big-time transfers, has inspired basketball coaches throughout the conference to follow suit. Transfers are making a big impact, both on and off the court. Of the approximately 120 players in the CAA, 18 are transfers.

JMU has the most transfers of any team in the league with seven — including 6-7 senior guard Steve Hood, last years's CAA Player of the Year and a Maryland transfer; 6-1 senior guard Fess Irvin, from Louisiana State; 6-8 forward Chancellor Nichols, from Mississippi State; 6-8 forward Jon Fedor, from Palm Beach Junior College; and 6-8 forward Billy Coles, from Chowan Junior College.

Two other players have signed on with the Dukes but must sit out this season: forward Michael Venson from Georgetown and guard Bryan Edwards from Boston College.

Hood, Irvin and Coles earned spots on Street and Smith's preseason all-CAA team. And it's likely that Nichols — named CAA newcomer of the year by The Sporting News — and Fedor will round out the JMU starting five.

Conference foes George Mason and Richmond will both have two transfers this season, while American, East Carolina and UNC-Wilmington will each have one.

The Spiders landed two prizes from the Big East: Chris Fleming of Connecticut and Milton Bell from Georgetown.

The Patriots hooked a bluechip recruit in Byron Tucker from N.C. State. Tucker is in his first full year of eligibility. He and Mitch Madden, a transfer from West Carolina will make Mason one of the strongest CAA teams in the paint.

Guard Donald Grant left Old Dominion for the Eagles as did Juco



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Junior college tranfer Billy Coles puts up a shot in practice.

transfer Byron Hawkins. Notre Dame refugee center Kenneth Adkins found a new home in the paint at UNC-W.

What makes the CAA such a popular place for talented yet homeless

athletes? In JMU's case, the "opportunity to play right away and to play for a coach like Lefty Driesell" attracts transfers, according to JMU men's assistant basketball coach Chuck

Driesell.

"He's got a lot of knowledge and a lot of experience that he can share with them," Driesell said.

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From head coach Lefty Driesell's perspective a transfer is much easier to work with than a raw high school recruit. A junior collegy or major university transfer has a much higher maturity level than the average high school senior. Driesell will have eight scholarships to hand out after this season. Few may go to prep players.

CAA Commissioner Tom Yeager believes the recruiting process helps draw former CAA recruits back into the fold.

"I think one of the reasons why we're seeing transfers with very good athletic ability is that we're getting very close to the kids in the recruiting process," Yeager said. "Their decisions maybe came down to a CAA school and another institution, and when [the other program] doesn't work out they look back toward us as a place to transfer. If we were number three or four on their list, we'd never hear from them again."

But what's the big deal? So what if the CAA plays a lot of transfers?

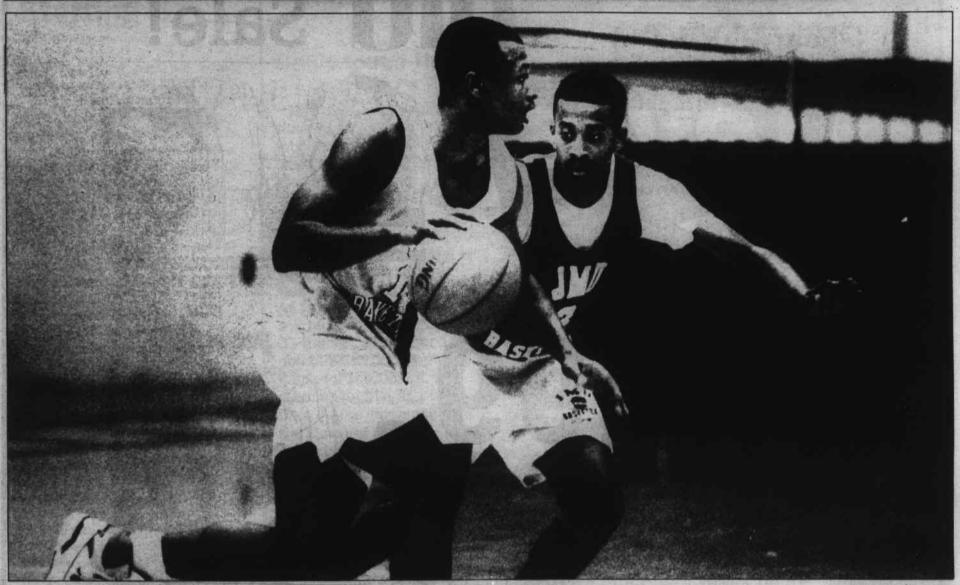
"I think that a lot of times transfers can get a bad rap as malcontents at other places," Yeager said. "But you'll have a kid like Fess Irvin come in, a [CAA All-Academic Team] selection who doesn't have anything negative associated with his transfer at all. If the league were becoming a catch-all for bad actors, then . . . the institutions themselves would start addressing the question."

Driesell said that while academic standards are the priority of the admissions office, JMU doesn't "try to recruit bad students. We want our kids to graduate. That's our number one priority. If they can't do that, then we're not going to recruit them."

Another consideration is that teams around the Colonial now have to compete with JMU's recruiting tactics. Navy, which cannot recruit, no doubt took that into consideration when it decided to leave for the Patriot League.

Driesell added that recruiting transfers
"is not a very active process. It's just
something that comes up."

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JMU senior Kenny Brooks guards against Boston College transfer Bryan Edwards during preseason practice.

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Point guard Kenny Brooks

After roller-coaster ride, Brooks set to end career on upswing

Greg Abel

preview editor

By his own admission, senior point guard Kenny Brooks has learned in his JMU career not to take anything for granted.

He has played for three coaches. He has been a reserve, a starter and then a reserve again. He has learned, by and by, that the game he loved in high school is not the same one he has played in college.

Brooks would not say he hasn't enjoyed being a part of the JMU basketball program, but he does admit that he had to make a series of adjustments on how he looks at the game.

Brooks played his high school ball down the road in Waynesboro. When he was brought into the JMU program as a freshman, the Dukes had won 20 games the previous year and were expected to challenge again for the conference title. His first adjustment was accepting defeat.

The 1987-88 Dukes stumbled through a 10-18 season under John Thurston and eventually Tom McCorry. Brooks averaged about nine minutes a game while backing up Ben Gordon at the point. He

played in every game and started one, averaging about two points a game.

"It was really frustrating because that was my first losing season ever in basketball," Brooks said. "It took a lot of getting used to, plus the fact that I wasn't playing a lot, I felt like I couldn't do much about it."

The following summer, however, marked the beginning of a period of adjustment that dwarfed his freshman experiences. Brooks found out that his next coach was going to be Lefty Driesell.

"My first reaction when I even heard about it was I didn't believe it, I didn't think that he would come here," Brooks said. "When it all came into place and they did announce it, I guess it took me a while to realize that he was really here.

"When it really hit me was the first time that I met him, and he had a meeting with us all . . . then everybody came with the questions, and I realized he was our coach."

A wave of attention suddenly hit Brooks and a team that had just gone 10-18 and returned a group

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rebounder, 7.2 per game, and second leading scorer for the '89-90 season.

"Last year we had people that never played together before and didn't know my system," Lefty Driesell said. "This year we have a lot of people who have played together . . . so we should be a better ball club."

Driesell's son Chuck, in his third year as a JMU assistant, agreed.

"We are at an advantage because we've played together for a year," he said. "The guys know each other's style of play, and I think that will be a big help for us.

"[But] we've only got three guards," he said. "If somebody gets hurt or something, then we don't really have a lot of guards. I think that is our biggest weakness."

Aside from that however, the Dukes have a very strong bench. Brooks was the Dukes' top backcourt reserve a year ago, playing in 30 of 31 games. Brown took over at center for the final 18 games, and Fedor played in every game, starting in 13 of the Dukes' last 15 games and averaging 5.3 points and 23.5 minutes in those starts.

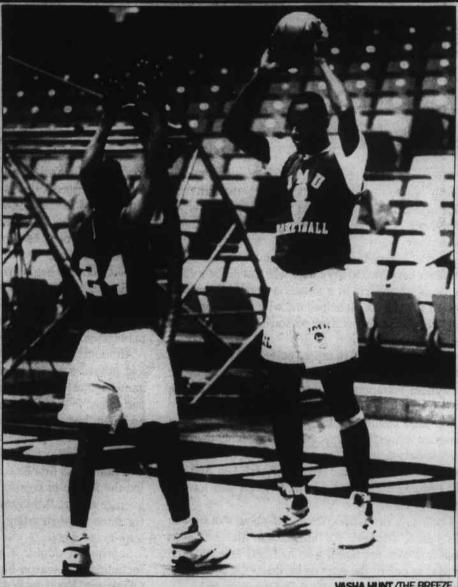
"We've got a good nucleus of young men who can come in and help at any time," Chuck Driesell said.

Can't touch this!

JMU's 6-foot-8 senior forward Billy Coles looks to inbound over 5-foot-7 freshman walk-on Channing McGuffin in practice at the **Convocation Center earlier** this week.

Coles is in his second year at JMU after transfering last year from Chowan Junior College in North Carolina. At JMU last year, Coles started in all of the Dukes' 31 games, averaging 11.7 points and 7.2 rebounds per game for the Dukes. His rebounding average was tops on the team and fifth in the Colonial Athletic Association.

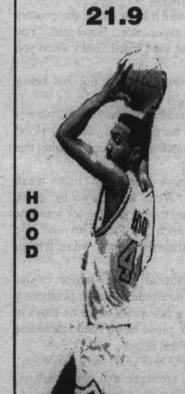
Coles should recieve some help on the boards this year from Mississippi State transfer center/forward Chancellor Nichols.



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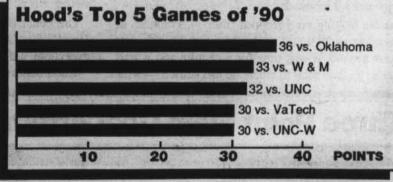
Dukes' Top 5 Returning Scorers

By Points Per Game



The men's basketball team averaged 75.9 points per contest last season. Steve Hood, Billy Coles and Fess Irvin combined for an average of 45 points per game. Hood led the team in scoring for 26 of 31 games. On five occasions he eclipsed the 30-point mark (see graphic).







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On the mark

Hood prepares for an encore performance

Stephanie Swaim

staff writer

Five years ago Steve Hood never imagined he'd be going to school in Harrisonburg. But after a disappointing two-year stint at the University of Maryland, he found himself at JMU. And he couldn't be happier.

"It was a very big deal, but I think the best thing that ever happened to my career was leaving Maryland and putting myself in a situation that I am here at JMU," Hood said. "It helped me with my exposure, it helped everything, even my personality. It just helped in all aspects."

Recruited out of high school basketball powerhouse DeMatha in by Lefty Driesell, then the coach of the Maryland Terrapins, Hood had dreams of a dazzling college career wearing the red and white.

But after committing to Maryland, Hood entered a program struggling to recover from events that had almost devastated it. The sudden death of Maryland superstar and first-round NBA draft pick Len Bias and the ensuing stepping down of Driesell had left the team in shambles.

Hood says he doesn't like to talk about that time in his career because it's all behind him but cites conflicts with the coach who replaced Driesell, Bob Wade, as one of the reasons he made the decision to transfer.

"I loved the school and the area, being from Maryland, it was just a thing with personality conflicts with the coach," Hood said. "That's the whole situation, but that's kinda behind me now so I don't like to get into it too much."

Despite the fact that his situation at Maryland may not have been an ideal one, Hood made the most of his two seasons at the ACC school, starting in 26 of the Terps' games as a freshman and averaging 14.2 points and 3.9 rebounds.

But his playing time dropped from 34.5 minutes as a freshman to 20.9 as a sophomore and Hood began to look around. It was time for a change and where better to go than back to where he had started — with

Driesell. The coach first attracted him to the area, he said, but other factors soon contributed to his fondness for the school

"I think basically at first it was just Coach Driesell," Hood said. "Once I got here it's the school — I just love it. The atmosphere, the people around here — everyone's been real receptive to me — and I just love the area."

Hood looks to begin his senior season well-adjusted to his role as a Duke and is almost everyone's favorite to repeat as CAA player of the year, a personal goal of his. His name is mentioned by every preseason publication as the dominant player in the CAA.

Although he has been bothered by a thigh injury and missed some practice time and the scrimmage game against Athletes in Action, he was able to participate in a scrimmage Wednesday and says he's no longer bothered by the injury.

The preseason press isn't unearned. The 6-foot-7 Hood was an all-conference choice at guard last season as a junior, his first on the court in the CAA. He also led the league in scoring with a 22 points-per-game average and set JMU game, season and career records for three-point shooting, hitting 48.2 percent of his long-range shots.

Scoring in double figures in 30 of 31 games, including his season-high 36-point effort against Oklahoma, Hood racked up 682 points last season, the most ever for a JMU player in a single season.

Hood's goals for the upcoming season are two-sided. If the team does well, like he hopes it will, it also will help him achieve his personal goals.

"First of all, my goal is for the team to do well—first to win the CAA tournament and then going far in the NCAA tournament," Hood said. "Personally, [I want] to be CAA player of the year again, to be drafted in the first-round of the NBA draft.

The better the team does the better it is for me," Hood said. "And, as long as God-willing, I think everything will be there for me."

Hood believes his goals for the team will become a

Shooting Guards

Rank	Name	Class	School
91	Todd Day	Jr.	Arkansas
2.	Steve Smith	Sr.	Michigan State
3.	Rodney Monroe	Sr.	North Carolina State
4.	Anthony Peeler	Jr.	Missouri
8.	Steve Hood	Sr.	James Madison
6.	Anderson Hunt	Jr.	UNLV
7.	Mark Macon	Sr.	Temple
8.	Jason Matthews	Sr.	Pittsburgh
9.	Harold Miner	So.	Southern California
10.	Kevin Lynch	Sr.	Minnesota
11.	Radenko Dobras	Jr.	South Florida
12.	Terry Dehere	So.	Seton Hall
13.	Jean Derouillere	Sr.	Kansas State
14.	Greg Bell	Sr.	Tennessee
15.	Terrell Lowery	Jr.	Loyola Marymount
16.	Stevie Wise	Sr.	Colorado
17.	Andy Kennedy	Sr.	Alabama-Birmingham
18.	Jim McCoy	Jr.	Massachusetts
19.	Eric Murdock	Sr.	Providence
20.	Alphonso Ford	So.	Mississippi Valley St.
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reality because of the experience the Dukes have returning.

"Compared to last year's team, I think this team is a lot better and a lot more experienced," Hood said. "Guys kind of understand their roles better, and I think that's going to make us a better team."

As part of a CAA all-star team, Hood spent 10 days last summer playing against teams in six different cities in Yugoslavia. In his first experience out of the country, Hood was the leading scorer for the all-star team that played six games. The experience was interesting, Hood said, but he seems to prefer playing in the states.

"That was the first time I'd been out of the country and that was a different experience," Hood said. "You really learn to appreciate the United States when you go abroad.

"I had a good team with the guys but just being there and the conditions, it was difficult."

The all-star team consisted of many of the players who he'll be facing on the court this year, but Hood said the friendships he made won't affect anything that happens on the court.

"Just the fact that I know them doesn't really mean anything," Hood said. "When we step on the court, I'm playing for JMU, and they're playing for someone else. They're just as much my foe as anyone else would be. But then after the game, we're friends again.

Although Hood, a political science major, enjoys different kinds of law, he would prefer to postpone a career in that field for a few years while he plays in the NBA. He'll be out to prove he's a viable candidate for the draft in his play this season.

"Just talking to people last year, most feedback I got was just getting stronger and that's what I concentrated on this summer," Hood said. "Now it's just up to being consistent and doing what it takes for the team."

Three Point Field Goal Attempt Percentage

Player, School	FG	FGA	Pct.
M. luzzolino, St. Francis (Pa.) L. Mayberry, Arkansas K. Jennings, E. Tenn. State S. Scott, Central Michigan R. Monroe, N.C. State A. Hunter, Davidson S. Hood, James Madison T. Bennett, WisGreen Bay M. Geer, E. Tenn. State M. Reiner, Brooklyn	79 65 63 56 84 41 68 68 81 75	153 129 127 115 174 85 141 141 169 158	51.6 50.4 49.6 48.7 48.3 48.2 48.2 47.9 47.5
FG= Fieldgoal FGA= Fieldgoals attempted Pct.= Percentage			

BASKETBALL PREVIEW

Mason will hang tough with Tucker, Dykes

John R. Craig & Matt Wasniewski

staff writers

With the Colonial Athletic Association ranked as the 15th toughest in the nation, The Breeze now takes a look at the teams and key figures shaping the league. Below are the teams with its overall record and finish in the CAA last year. The predicted order of finish: JMU, GMU, Richmond, UNC-Wilmington, American, East Carolina, William & Mary and Navy.

George Mason Patriots [20-12 overall; 10-4, 2nd in CAA]

The only team with any hope of matching up with the Dukes in the paint is the Fairfax-based Patriots. Clogging things up in the middle will be 6-7, 230-pound senior Robert Dykes.

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Dykes, 26, a dental technician in the Navy before entering Mason averaged 17.1 points and 8.5 rebounds for third-year coach Ernie Nestor. Also up front is 6-10 junior phenom Byron Tucker, who became eligible halfway through the 1989-90 campaign. It remains to be seen if the lanky Tucker will discover a consistent work ethic. The scouting report reads "loads of talent, questionable motivation."

If the George Mason hopes to get its third consecutive 20-win season, point guard Mike Hargett and shooting guard Jamel Perkins will have to shoulder a considerable portion of the offense to balance out an attack built on a tough inside game.

Richmond Spiders [22-10; 10-4, 2nd tie]

Richmond continues to be a thorn in Lefty's side, despite the pummeling the Dukes dispatched them early one winter morning on national TV.

But for the first time in four years, the Spiders will have to contend without their star point guard Ken Atkinson, last year's CAA tournament Most Valuable Player.

Also graduated from last year's team are the smooth moves of forward Scott Stapleton, worth about 11 points per game for head coach Dick Tarrant's squad.

The only returning starters will be 6-5 senior forward Terry Connolly and guard Curtis Blair. The Spiders' best weapon might be sophomore Kenny Wood, who has decent size and an excellent rebounding game. Charles Barkley of the CAA?

After an early tussle with Georgia Tech, Richmond could meet JMU three times — twice in CAA play and once in the Richmond Times-Dispatch Invitational over the holidays.

Several years ago, the Spiders had pizza delivered to their bench in the Convo near the end of an extended OT win. With this year's untested lineup, the pizza man might offer coach Tarrant a 15-minute special delivery.

UNC-Wilmington Seahawks [8-20; 3-11, 7th]

Expect big things from first-year head coach Kevin Eastman, who replaced Bob McPherson. Eastman, 34, played college hoops at Richmond and moved on to athletic director and head coach at NAIA Belmont Abby College. Last year he was an assistant at Tulsa.

Eastman's first task will be to deal with the tempermental shiny star Major Wiggins. Senior guard Brannon Lancaster leads four returning starters who should help the Hawks soar to the top ranks of the Colonial.

Lancaster is a 6-1 point guard who averages 11 points per game. Lancaster will be given the green light from behind the three-point stripe after a 79-for-174 trifecta performance a year ago.

Beefy junior Matt Fish, 6-10, 225 pounds, will be planted in the lane to obstruct the opposition.

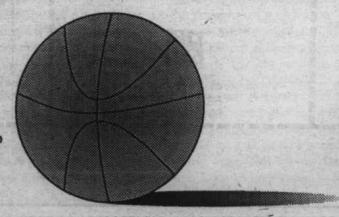
Look for the Seahawks sole recruit Drew Phillips to contend for CAA Rookie of the Year. The Cardinal Gibbons alumnus averaged 19 points and dished out seven assists per game.

American Eagles [20-9; 10-4, 2nd tie]

The burden of carrying the Eagles will be placed firmly on Brock Wortman's shoulders. Dead-eye Wortman lived in three-point land last year. But with bruisers Ron Draper and Daryl Holmes gone—a tandem that combined for 30 points and 20 rebounds per contest — he may have to take more shots from inside the key. The 6-2 Wortman will get much of the ball attention as he and Brian Gilgeous attempt to balance an unbalanced threat.

Gone from the AU sidelines is Ed Tapscott, a basketball coach with a law degree, who left to start a career in sports management. Replacing him is 32-year-old Chris Knoche, who was an Eagles' assistant for eight years. Junior college transfer Byron Hawkins, 6-9, should give the red, white and blue some stability.

Over the past three seasons, AU has been virtually unbeatable at home in Bender Arena. The Eagles are 30-3 in that stretch, including 12-0 in 1989-90.



East Carolina Pirates [13-8; 6-8, 5th]

Pirates head coach Mike Steele is going to need big-time stats from his big number rookies. The recruiting mettle of Steele will be tested as the third-year coach meshes three 20-plus point high school standouts.

With a lineup of four returning starters, including senior forward Tim Brown, 10 points and 6 boards per game, the Pirates hope not to walk the plank. Last year's, All-Rookie choices lke Copeland and Steve Richardson should take on more scoring responsibility. Copeland, a 6-8 sophomore, had nine points per game, while the 6-3 guard Richardson will bomb-away as he did with 55 treys last year.

William & Mary Tribe [6-22; 2-12, 8th]

It's back to the books for the Tribe, who beat only ECU and UNC-W in the CAA last year. Back in March, coach Chuck Swenson marveled at Steve Hood's effectiveness against his ball club in the first round of the conference tournament. Swenson will now have to pull a few tricks of his own.

1990 CAA Rookie of the Year Thomas Roberts hope the sophomore jinx doesn't cut into his 14 points per game average. He and 6-8 junior Scott Smith, 15 ppg, will be one of the better tandems.

By replacing Duke for Hampden-Sydney, a sure "L" will be avoided in the early part of W&M's schedule. Swenson, in the fourth and last year of his contract, has a 21-64 overall mark. But to get better, the Tribe need to work hard on defense. They finished 89-90 last in field goal defense, 48.7 percent, and allowed 78.1 points per game.

In all likeli-Hood, the Tribe will be back on the reservation in early March.

Navy Midshipmen [5-23; 4-10, 6th]

Most preseason publications have picked the Middies to finish dead-last and *The Breeze* agrees. As Navy pulls up anchor on the CAA and defects to the Patriot League, all Coach Pete Herrmann hopes for is a win over Army.

Senior forward Eddie Reddick, 6-6, will be commanding officer of a Navy squad that burst out to a 3-1 early conference record, including a dramatic 57-46 win at Richmond. Look for 6-1 guard Erik Harris and 6-8 center Sam Cook to play supporting roles.

Overall, there are nine freshmen and sophomores on the roster, including Chuck Robinson, a 6-5 sophomore forward and brother of San Antonio Spur David Robinson.

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Lucky 7

Dukes cash in on transfers for early return

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staff writer

Getting transfers is a lot like playing the lottery — sometimes you win, sometimes you don't. But it's almost always fun to play.

JMU's men's basketball coach Lefty Driesell spent a lot of time playing the transfer game in the off season and came up with three new faces for his team.

Freshman Clayton Ritter will be able to contribute immediately after completing a year at Fork Union prep school. The freshman forward started every game for a Fork Union team that finished 32-1 last year. As senior at Kempsville High School in Virginia Beach, Ritter averaged 23 points and nine rebounds a game.

But JMU fans will have to wait a year to see the other two new players on the court. Because of NCAA transfer rules that require a player to sit out a year after transferring, Bryan Edwards and Michael Venson [formerly Michael Tate] will watch this season from the sidelines.

Edwards, a 6-foot-2 junior, comes to JMU from Boston College, where he started 25 of 29 games last year, averaging 8.9 points per game.

As a senior at Cohassett High School in Boston, Edwards averaged 35 points, 11 reboubds and 5 assists on his Division III state championship team. USA Today named him Masachusetts player of the year.

Venson is a heralded transfer from Georgetown, where he was a part-time starter and averaged about three points a game.

One scholarship became available last year when senior Claude Ferdinand graduated. Two more opened up when William Davis made his plans to transfer to the University of New Orleans official and Todd Dunnings chose to leave the team.

The threesome joins five other current players who were transfers including Steve Hood (Maryland), Fes Irvin (Louisiana State Univeristy), Billy Coles (Chowan Junior College), Jon Fedor (Florida State) and Chancellor Nichols (Mississippi State). Only five other players on JMU's current roster are from the pre-Driesel era.

Driesell's philosophy of recruiting transfers seems to be working. With the impact of the addition of Irvin, Coles, Fedor and Hood last season, JMU improved its record to 20-11 after posting a 16-14 record the year before.

"I don't think we would have won 20 games without some of those guys last year," assistant coach Julius Smith said. "Including Chancellor, the same transfers that helped us last year will help us this year."

One player who has been with the program for three years is senior Kenny Brooks. He said the team has adjusted to the influx of new faces.

"I don't think bad about [the transfers] because it definitely has given the program better players," Brooks said. "That's just Driesell's way of doing it, putting together a really good team really fast."

Hood, who transferred into the program two years ago, said being a transfer is positive for both the individual player and the team.

"Freshmen haven't played on that top-level competition yet, but when you bring in transfers, they've already played in that level of competition and know what goes on, what they really need to work on to be effective in that competition," he said.

"Also, sitting out that year gives them the chance to work on what they need to even more," Hood said.

Four top-40 foes highlight JMU schedule

Matt Wasniewski

preview editor

Lefty Driesell is out to find the toughest schedule around — and he'll go anywhere to do it.

Last year, JMU had, by some estimates, the fourth toughest schedule in college basketball—including six of their first 10 games on the road against opponents like North Carolina, Florida and Oklahoma.

This year they've added East Tennessee State, Brigham Young and UNLV to a schedule consisting of such top-40 contenders as the Gators, Sooners and South Alabama.

Defending national champs the Running Rebels of UNLV tops the preseason polls, Oklahoma is ranked 15th by the Associated Press, ETSU is ranked 31st and BYU 39th.

According to Colonial Athletic Association commissioner Tom Yeager, JMU came close to adding an ESPN televised game with New Mexico State in Las Cruces, N.M., on a Monday night in January. But the logistics of traveling across the

country for a late-night game weren't worth the exposure.

"The drawbacks were too great for the positives," he said.

Does that mean another Midnight Madness is out of the question?

"We looked very hard at the Midnight Madness and thought that on a one and done situation it was worth a try, and I think people would do it again," Yeager said. "Playing on a Friday night a couple of hours later is a different thing than hauling yourself across country in the middle of the school week and still playing late."

Based on last year's 20-ll record and the emergence of such talents as Steve Hood, Fess Irvin, Billy Coles and Chancellor Nichols, the Dukes are ranked 33rd by the AP — above Notre Dame and Clemson.

Driesell doesn't mind the attention, but insists the pollsters are, at best, guestimators.

"If they know then everybody would be making a lot of money. So I don't put any credence in it."

The NCAA tournament is 28 regular season games and a full CAA

tournament too far into the future for Driesell to be concerned with.

"We're just going to play basketball and have a good ball club and win as many games as we can," Driesell said. "And let all the NCAA stuff take care of itself.

"I think it's good for our program that they've got us ranked high," he said. "One poll's got us ranked 26 and another 36 — or whatever — but they help sell season tickets best. And I want to sell all the season tickets this year."

Driesell concedes the preseason honors are only on paper. "It doesn't win any basketball games for you."

In 1989-90 the Dukes played the part of road warriors with 13 away games during the regular season—the majority of which came in the top part of the schedule. This year the number of early away games has dropped, but the caliber of the competition has improved.

Last year, the exhausted Dukes sputtered, coming into January to begin the CAA schedule. JMU then rambled on a 12-game win streak.

This year, JMU is on the road from Dec. 15 until Jan. 2 — a total

of six games, including the Richmond Times-Dispatch Invitational Dec. 28 and 29 where they will face VCU in the first game. Richmond will take on Virginia Tech in the tournament's other bracket with the winners and losers meeting each other in round two

"I think you normally improve [with] the better competition you play," Driesell said. "So we've got to play Virginia Tech on the road, we've got to play BYU on the road and we go to play UNLV on the road.

"So we've got a tough schedule, but that's good. I like that and I think it's a challenge to our players."

Driesell's philosophy is that running over weak opponents by 20 or 30 points won't help find the leaks in the defense and holes in the offense. The first part of the season will be a tune-up for Colonial action.

"After we play that schedule we'll know where our weaknesses are," Driesell said. "We'll know who's weak defensively . . . and what offenses are working best."

BASKETBALL

Young Driesell assists to make name for himself



PHOTO COURTESY OF JMU SPORTS INFO Assistant coach Chuck Driesell is trying to escape his father's

Maurice Jones

staff writer

Since he was a child, he has been overshadowed by a father who has spent his life in the public arena. For his entire life he has had to listen to the whispering and take the looks of cynicism often flashed his way.

But after 28 years Chuck Driesell is finally getting an opportunity to show people that he is, indeed, more than just Lefty's son.

Driesell joined his father at Maryland after graduating from high school and discovered that changing his critics' attitude toward him would be very

Playing for his father "was tough at first," Driesell said. "The biggest thing I wanted to do was to prove to people that I could play. There are always skeptics out there. And in high school people said 'that's Lefty's son, I wonder if he can play?' And I went out and proved myself. But dealing with that pressure was the most difficult part."

Driesell played in 58 games at Maryland and scored the final four points in his father's 500th career win.

He graduated in 1985 with a degree in marketing but like many new graduates, Driesell had trouble finding a job that satisfied him. But unlike many of those new grads, Driesell received a lucky break and was offered the head coaching position at the Naval Academy Prep School.

Although he had been raised by one of the nation's most successful college basketball coaches, coaching had never really crossed his mind before the offer.

"I was around basketball all my life . . . I saw what my father had experienced through it, both the good times and the bad times, but had no interest in getting into it," Driesell said. "To be honest it was the only job I had coming out of college that I thought I would enjoy.

"I was going to get into some sort of sales, and I was interviewing and wasn't really fired up about it, and then the opportunity to coach at the Naval

Academy Prep School came about and. to be my own man and to do the things I saw my dad do."

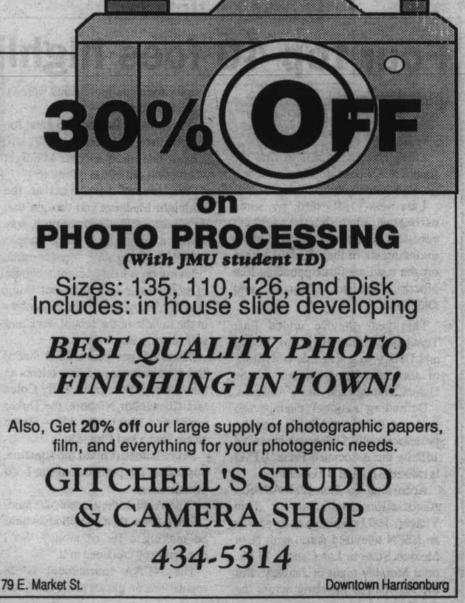
Driesell got his chance to be his own man, because he was without an assistant coach and was given just three years to show his worth. He did the most with what he had, and by the end of his third year he had racked up a 40-29 record.

The team set a record for wins and also beat the U.S. Naval Academy Plebe team for the first time ever. Driesell faced many new challenges in his first coaching experience but the most important lesson he brought away from it was something every good coach must learn - the art of motivation.

"There were days when you would have great practices and it wasn't because of my practice plans or that my drills were fun or different from anyone else's, it's because the kids were pumped up and going hard,"

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BASKETBALL PREVIEW

Different style of play attracts Nichols to JMU

Eddie Gray

staff writer

JMU got lucky.

Out of all the schools vying for 6-foot-8, 240-pound junior Chancellor Nichols, the Dukes were the only team able to make Nichols a permanent part of their roster for the 1990-91 basketball season.

Virginia Commonwealth, Oklahoma, Tulane, Iowa and defending NCAA champ UNLV all showed an interest in Nichols, a center/forward transfer from Mississippi State. He played in 51 games for his old team and was their second leading rebounder [5.1 per game] and fourth leading scorer as a sophomore. He also led the team in blocked shots as a freshman with 30, amassing a total of 52 in his

The road to JMU for Nichols began at Forest Hill High School in Jackson, Miss., where he was the state's top rebounder and scorer during his senior year. Nichols also was named a Converse All-American and was an honorable mention McDonald's All-American as a senior. He attended Mississippi State from 1987 until last season, when he transferred to JMU.

"I had a good talk with Dr. Carrier,"
Nichols said. "We had a lot in
common. It was the first time I
actually sat down and had a
conversation with a president."

"They said JMU was nestled in the Shenandoah Valley," he said. "I never knew what that was until I came up here."

"I definitely want to play professional basketball. My ultimate dream would be to play on the Philadelphia '76ers with Rick Mahom and [Charles] Barkley."

Chancellor Nichols

JMU men's basketball player

two seasons with the Bulldogs.

"I am enjoying myself very much at JMU," said Nichols, a political science major. "I'd have to say I like the people up here the most."

But will Nichols contribute to JMU as much as he did while with his other team?

"Chancellor is getting better every day, which is encouraging," assistant coach Chuck Driesell said. "If he stays healthy and keeps working hard, he'll be a big asset to us."

According to Driesell, Nichols came to JMU for "the opportunity to come into a different style of play" and to "play for a great coach" such as Charles "Lefty" Driesell, now in his third season at JMU.

"He [Nichols] should certainly help us a lot but we've got to play together as a team," the elder Driesell said.

"This is a team game, and I don't think any one guy makes a team," Driesell said. "We'll just have to wait and see." Nichols said that one of his foremost reasons for coming to JMU was assistant coach Julius Smith.

"We got along well together," Nichols said. "That probably belped me make my final decision."

Smith said, "Chancellor has his whole future in front of him. He can be a big time player."

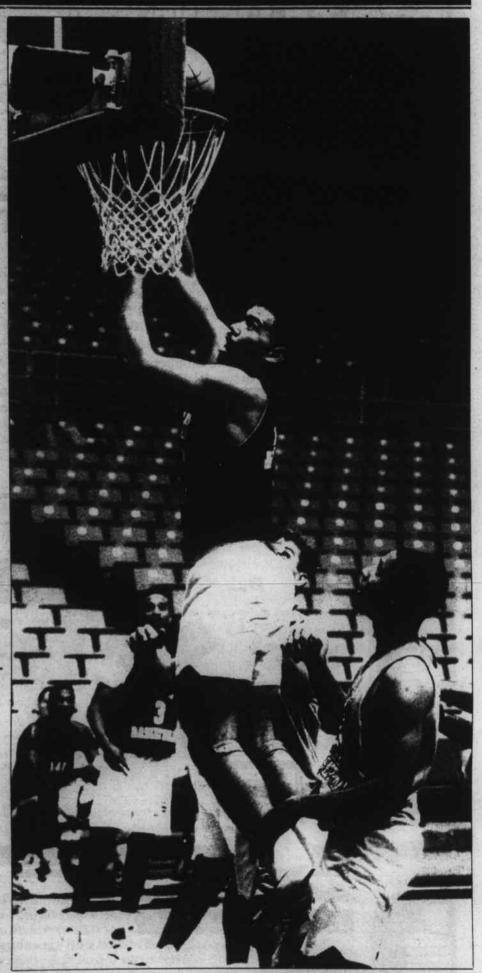
Smith, in his second year at JMU, was an assistant coach at Mississippi State for three seasons and helped the Bulldogs sign Nichols.

"He's a strong human being that can run and jump and put the ball on the floor. I think his strongest point is his strength and athletic ability," Smith

"Chancellor just needs to keep working and keep getting better," he said

And what comes after JMU? Nichols cites the NBA as a long-term goal.

"I definitely want to play professional basketball," he said. "My



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Chancellor Nichols takes to the court this season after transferring from Mississippi State.

ultimate dream would be to play on the Philadelphia '76ers with Rick Mahorn and [Charles] Barkley."

Smith thinks Nichols just may

"Chancellor has the ability," Smith said. "It's just like some guys who want to go to law school become lawyers. The NBA is a realistic goal for him."



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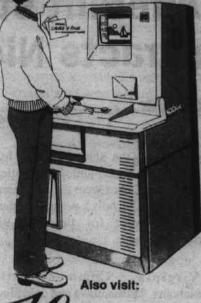
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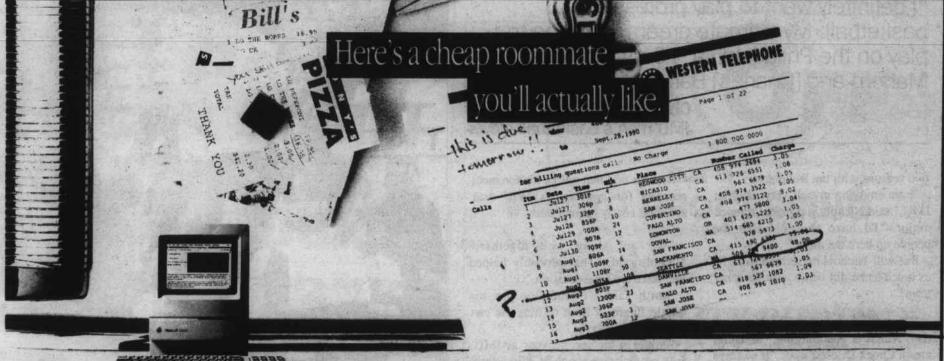
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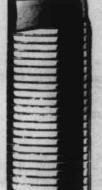


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Patriot League takes a bold step toward reform

In an era where TV dollars are being tossed around like jumpers at Loyola Marymount, Division I college basketball has become more complicated than ever. This year, a record eight teams have been sanctioned for rules violations by the NCAA, including defending champions UNLV. And among all this mess springs up the Patriot League.



COMMENTARY

Greg Abel

The league, which will go through its inaugural season this year, was founded with an Ivy League philosophy of academics first, athletics second. There are no scholarships. Financial aid is based solely on need. The league has seven schools, eight when Navy joins next year. These schools have left established conference affiliations to band together to stress the student half of student-athlete.

While that may be not be any way to get on national television, it is a positive step toward reforming college basketball. It is refreshing to know that some university presidents out there are interested enough in maintaining the academic integrity of their institutions to ignore the lure of the big bucks that top-20 college hoops can offer.

Those who argue that these teams probably weren't good enough to get to the NCAAs anyway and just wanted to get some positive PR for their schools should think again.

Fordham and Holy Cross, who enter via the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference, were both 20-win NIT clubs a year ago. The remaining members of the conference; Army, Bucknell, Colgate, Lafayette, Lehigh and next year, Navy, are no UNLVs - but then again, they don't want

Navy's defection to the academic-minded Patriot League provides an opportunity for JMU, as members of the conference Navy decided to leave, to step back and take a look at the direction of its athletic programs; men's basketball specifically.

Three years ago when JMU's athletic department and administration offered the men's basketball head coaching position to Lefty Driesell, they did more than just hire a basketball coach. In giving Driesell the position, JMU made a commitment to big-time college basketball.

Lefty did not wait around and rebuild the Dukes' from bottom up. He brought in transfers - lots of them. JMU's probable starting lineup this year may be all transfers. Of the 13 active players on scholarship, seven are transfers. Of the remaining six, five were there before Driesell arrived.

His housecleaning has not come without

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CAA: More than just hoops

John R Craig

staff writer

It might not get as much attention as the Atlantic Coast Conference or Big East, but the Colonial Athletic Association is making waves of its own.

"The interest in the league is at an all-time high," CAA Commissioner Tom Yeager said. "A lot of the rivalries that we work very hard to try to develop have done just that. I think college basketball and college athletics in general thrives on the emotion of it all and the rivalries."

Yeager admits that basketball is the conference's big drawing card but not the only sport to choose from. In the CAA, men and women also compete in cross country, swimming and diving, tennis, and track and field. Men's sports also include baseball, golf and soccer; women also compete in volleyball.

Yeager said there's "no question" the success of men's basketball is paramount.

"We've been real lucky with some of the stuff that's happened to us," Yeager said. "The David Robinson years, Richmond's great run and the interest JMU's put back into the program. And we've had a lot of great athletes.

"I think it goes back to the commitment that's being made on each individual campus," he said. "If the James Madisons of the world weren't making that kind of commitment in financial aid, facilities, coaching and recruiting budgets, none of these things

Looking at the CAA map, there are four teams in Virginia - JMU, George Mason, Richmond and William & Mary - plus the out-of-state quartet consisting of American, East Carolina, North Carolina-Wilmington and Navy. They make real good

This is the final season for the Naval Academy in the CAA. The Midshipmen will move to the Patriot League next year, a league that has financial aid-based-on-need, no straight athletic scholarships. Navy Athletic Director Jack Lengyel said the Patriot addressed the one major issue his school was concerned with.

"Army took its women's basketball from Division II to Division I," Lengyel said. "We had to make an extremely difficult decision. We looked at moving to independent [status] then to the Patriot League. It's more equitable for us to avoid the erosion of Army-Navy competition in women's sports."

Navy will be replaced by Old Dominion University next year. Yeager said that addition will create even more natural rivalries in Virginia.

"We've solidified and improved the basketball ithin the conference." Yeager said of the Monarchs. "I hate to see [Navy] go because they've been very good members and played a large part in conference history. At the same time, I think we're very excited about the prospect Old Dominion brings."

CAA President Jack Kvancz said conference schools will place more emphasis on programs other than men's hoops with ODU's defection from the Sun Belt Conference. ODU's women's programs consistently department. As director of that department in 1984, he has seen the good and bad of college athletics.

Recent sanctions against the Illinois, Missouri and Maryland basketball programs show the NCAA is enforcing the rules, Yeager said.

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Tom Yeager CAA Commissioner

"That kind of deterrent is necessary," Yeager said. "One of the things that attracted me to the Colonial back then was the fact that I thought this group of schools had things in the proper perspective and that winning at the expense of institutional integrity would not surface. I feel very comfortable with that

"We're recruiting kids that are a better caliber of athlete than we've had in the past and that progress has been made. Generally we've got a good reputation as a league of doing things in a first class manner and things are in the right perspective."

Top NCAA Division I Conferences*

18. West Coast

20. Ohio Valley

22. by League

25. Southern

28. Northeast

23. Patriot League

24. Mid-Continent

26. Trans America

27. Mid-Eastern Athletic

21. Big Sky

19. Metro Atlantic

- 1. Atlantic Coast
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* According to The Sporting News

Unit Rankings: Backcourts

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Preseason AP Top 40

Final 1989-90 Records

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25. St. John's (24-10)
26. Kansas (30-5)
27. New Mexico (20-14)
28. North Carolina State (18-12)
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38. New Mexico St. (26-5)
39. Brigham Young (21-9)
40. Notre Dame (16-13)

Bold indicates JMU opponent



Dukes







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Preseason Women's Top 40

Source: 1990 NCAA Basketball Preview magazine

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Emily McCracken plays defense against UVa.

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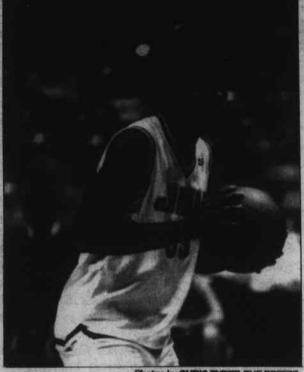
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Brandy Cruthird returns this year after being named CAA rookie of the year last season. Below, Crystal Navarro prepares to enter the game.

Experience and depth are key to reclaiming Colonial crown

Lynne Outland

staff writer

This year the women's basketball team appears to have it all.

With all five starters and a total of six seniors returning, JMU has loads of experience. They also have fresh blood — evident in the two freshmen who have joined the squad, both of whom nine-year head coach Shelia Moorman expects to contribute immediately. And there are no injuries to contend with.

They also have an air of relaxed confidence about them. The pressure on the team last year to win their fifth consecutive Colonial Athletic Association championship is gone. The Dukes lost the CAA tournament last year to Richmond, ending their streak—but by no means diminishing their enthusiasm.

"Last year's team had a lot more pressure on them

than this year's team," Moorman said. "This year's team is just confident, anxious, eager and ready to go."

Returning starters include seniors 6-foot forward Vicki Harris, who was a first-team all-conference selection last year; Paula Schuler, a 5-10 senior guard who was a second-team all-conference choice; Nickie Hardison, a 5-7 guard; and 5-10 forward Jeanine Michealson, who replaced an injured Hardison in the final six games of the season last year.

Returning starting juniors who also won conference honors last year are 5-10 forward Brandy Cruthird [Colonial Rookie of the Year] and Emily McCracken, a 5-6 point guard who was named to the CAA All-Tournament team.

Also part of the magic senior pack this year is 5-6 backup point guard Kerri Gilmore and 5-11 forward Elizabeth Lokie.

Other returning players include junior center Chrystal Navarro, sophomore center Michelle Gurile and Elnora Jones, a junior forward.

"It feels good to be in the position to have a veteran team," Moorman said, "Compared to a year ago when we had a lot of question marks.

"At least right now we're healthy and have the opportunity to put a veteran team on the court from day one."

The Dukes were plagued by injuries and a general lack of experience last year, but this year everything looks to be smooth sailing.

Joining the ranks of the veterans are newcomers freshmen Gail Shelley, a 5-6 guard, and 6-2 center Andrea Woodson.

Also making her playing debut for the Dukes is 5-10 red-shirt junior forward Vanessa Stone. Stone, forced to sit out last year with a back injury, had some health problems unrelated to her back already this year but was practicing with the team last Friday.

The Dukes are led by tri-captains Gilmore, Harris and Schuler. While all three are excellent players, there is no stand out player — no superstar.

"The more balanced you are, the better," Gilmore said. "It's harder for other teams to defend."

Harris echoed Gilmore's sentiments.

"I think it will end up better," she said. "It may be that Paula's on that night, or maybe Jeanine's on fire, or Nickie's driving around everybody.

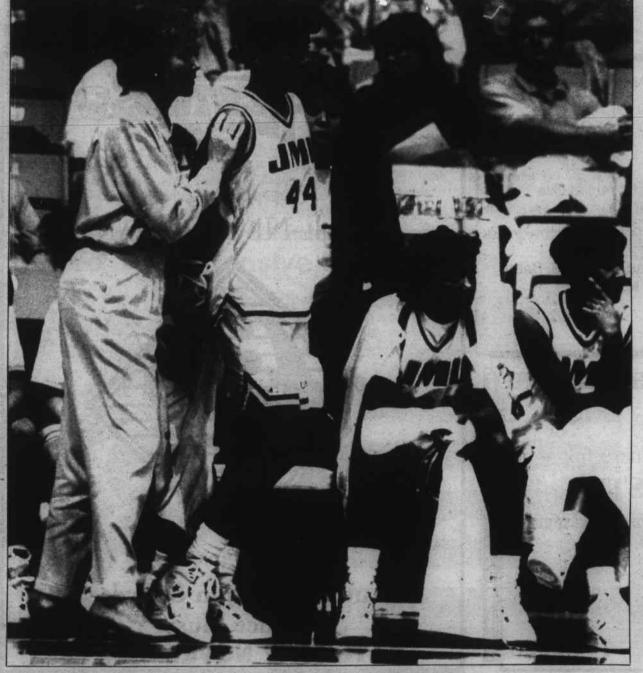
"[The other team] is not going to be able to go into the game knowing they're going to have to stop just one person," she said.

Both Harris and Schuler may be hard to stop — they're out to make their final season unforgettable.

"I'm excited — it being my senior year," Schuler said.

"This is my last chance, and it's going to be what I remember for the rest of my life."

The tandem also have similar personal goals for the season. They both want the team to win the CAA



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Cagers keep books, basketballs in focus

Lynne Outland

staff writer

Among the bad rap student-athletes receive as a whole these days, it is heartening to know that there are basketball players who excel not only on the court, but off it too, in majors such as biology, marketing, psychology and communication.

Three JMU women and one man were named to the Colonial Athletic Association Basketball All-Academic team based solely on their grade point averages — Vicki Harris, Emily McCracken, Paula Schuler and Fess Irvin.

Not only do these players star in the classroom as well as on the court, they seem to take all their achievements as a matter of course. They know what they have to do and they do it. There are no excuses, no special athletic privileges — just a lot of hard work and long hours.

Harris, a senior communication major, has a 3.3 GPA. Not only does she takes public relations classes, but a lot of business classes as well. She sets a time table for herself to make sure everything gets done.

"I feel like I have a daily schedule," Harris said.

"And if things don't get done in that schedule there is no other time that you can make it up. So you therefore organize everything you need to do, and then you go and you get it done."

Irvin, a marketing major with a 3.25 GPA, looks at basketball and school as two separate responsibilities.

"You have to be really responsible because it's like having two jobs," Irvin said. "You have to set time for studying, and you have to have time to go out and perform."

The time commitment is a big one. The players estimate they spend 30 to 35 hours a week on basketball, not including time for away games. The athletes try and study on the road but admit it's not always easy.

"People can say what they want," Irvin said. "It's tough to study on a plane or a bus even though I really try to."

Schuler, a psychology major with a minor in criminal justice and a 3.1 GPA, also mentioned mandatory study hours while on the road. Almost every minute of the player's free time goes into studying.

"I study a lot on the weekends," Schuler said.

When the athletes get that occasional day off from practice, it is usually not spent loafing around, and is appreciated "more than you will ever know," according to McCracken.

"It's even nicer to get a weekend day off," McCracken said, "That's when it's really special."

McCracken, a junior majoring in biology with a 3.8 GPA, is interested in marine biology and wants to work with dolphins.

The pressure is intense when basketball and school collide, and an athlete has a big game and a big test on the same day.

"The stress of one naturally relates to the stress of the other," Harris said. "But you have to separate the

"The coach always says, when you come in this building you leave whatever is bothering you outside," Harris said. "That's the attitude you have to take"

Irvin also believes he can't focus on both at the same time. Yet he has to keep both athletics and his schoolwork in perspective.

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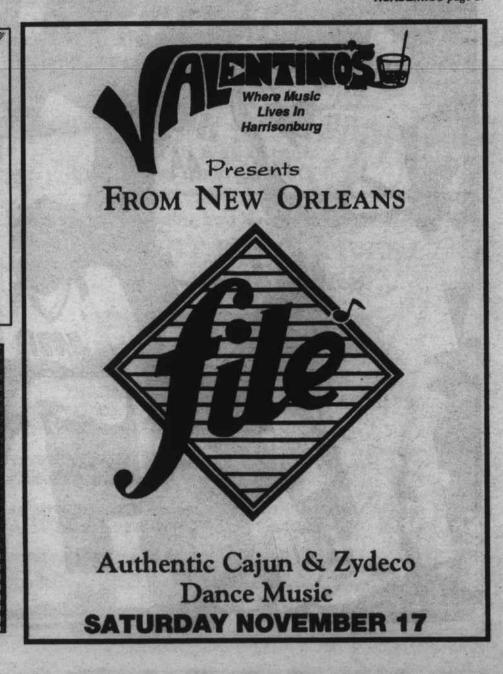
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Driesell

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Driesell said. "So it was a challenge to try and get them to motivate themselves everyday in practice."

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Because the Naval Prep job is only offered for three years, Driesell was once again looking for a job. But this time his eye was firmly planted on coaching.

"I was applying for different jobs, grad assistants, part-time jobs and full-time jobs at schools across the country, and I guess you can call it timing, Coach got the job here and he wanted me to come and be his assistant. What a great opportunity for me at my age [25]. It was everything I wanted so I took it," Driesell said.

Once again the whispering started and the talk of "Lefty's son" began to make its way around, but Driesell ignored the whispers and decided to let his record stand for itself.

"I was used to that from college and from high school, and I knew what my capabilities were and I knew what I wanted and so I had no hesitation at all," he said.

So to JMU he came, ready to help his father coach another team into respectability and hopefully the NCAA top-20. But still, there was the dilemma of coaching with his father. How would it work out? As in life, they've had their coaching mix of ups and downs.

"It's tough because he gives me a lot of responsibilities, a lot more than probably a normal assistant coach, so he expects a lot from me," Driesell admitted. "But it's good that he gives me those responsibilities because I know that if want another coaching job, I know I'm prepared. I know that there is nothing another coach can give me that I couldn't do." Driesell's responsibilities have changed during his three years here at JMU.

He is active in all facets of coaching, but he considers recruiting his "top priority." He thinks of recruiting as a sort of Jekyll-and-Hyde situation.

"There are good points and bad points to everything. But the thing I like least is being on the road," Driesell explained. "I don't like being away from the guys and when I'm on the road 10 or 11 days and they're still working, getting better and I come back and feel like an outsider sometimes and it takes me away from my wife, so there are some personal reasons, too.

"But I also like recruiting because I like working with young people and try to help them make up their mind, and I like getting to know them and developing a personal relationship with them," Driesell said.

His concern for young people is one of the driving forces behind Chuck Driesell. "If I wasn't coaching I would definitely be a school teacher. I would rather do that than anything in business," Driesell said.

The years of trying to establish his own name, first as a player and then as a coach, have paid off well for Driesell. Because now, he has found his way out of the shadows of his father, to stand beside him as they attempt to lead JMU basketball to national prominence.

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tournament this year, and they both want to reach a career high of 1,000 points scored.

The Dukes look like they have a chance to fulfill Harris' and Schuler's team goal. JMU is in a prime position to win the CAA tournament this year, without the pressure of being last year's champs on them.

"We're excited about [the tournament]," Moorman said, "but I don't look on it as pressure in any way.

"After last year we have a little bit more of the underdog role in the conference, so at least people view us more on an even keel. They don't have us way up here where if we don't win it's a big upset," she said.

But the tournament will be a big deal in Harrisonburg this year. It will be held in the Convocation Center March 7 to 9, with the championship game televised on Home Team Sports.

The Dukes are hoping to capitalize on the home court advantage and are hoping for strong fan support, even though the tournament falls on spring break.

"To have that home court advantage . . . it's great," Moorman said.

The Dukes also are hosting the Nielsen Classic the weekend of Nov. 30. The Dukes will play host to the University of Maine, UNC-Charlotte and Vermont—all quality teams.

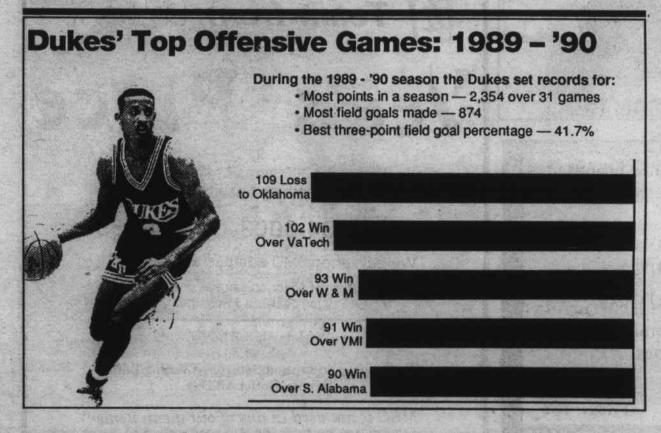
"We would like to start this year as our first annual

JMU-Nielsen classic with the idea that we're going to build on it and try to make it one of the best invitational tournaments in the country," Moorman said.

The Dukes will travel to California over the Christmas holidays to play at Cal-State Northridge, a first-year division I team and UCLA, a consistent NCAA-caliber team.

With a hectic season and a busy schedule in front of her, Moorman seems relaxed and content. She has a team this year that has tremendous potential — but more importantly, a team she really enjoys coaching.

"This team is the best group of people I've ever worked with," Moorman said. "I've never had a group I enjoyed coaching more."



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Brooks

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of inexperienced players. Driesell had a track record of building winners in a short period of time and had every intention of doing the same at JMU.

He did not disappoint. Nationally-acclaimed transfers Steve Hood and Fess Irvin were lured to Harrisonburg. Driesell brought in late-signing freshman William Davis, who eventually would become conference freshman of the year. And Driesell was just getting started.

Driesell's influence forced Brooks to take a hard look at basketball in a different light.

"One of the biggest adjustments I had to make coming from high school to college," Brooks said, "is that in high school it was for fun and in college it's a business. I do like it though, because it gives you more exposure and incentive to go out and play really hard."

On the court under Driesell in his sophomore year, Brooks started showing the potential JMU coaches had hoped for when they recruited him. He played with a great deal of confidence and showed an unexpected scoring touch. Brooks hit double figures in 16 of 30 games including a career-high 23 against BYU-Hawaii early in the season.

After scoring 13 in a win over Radford and 20, including the game-winning jumper with three

seconds left, against Virginia Commonwealth, Brooks was named Colonial Player of the Week in late December of '88. He ended the season averaging 11.1 points and just under four assists per game for a team that finished 16-14 and surprised a lot of people.

All the while though, Irvin loomed on the sidelines.

"During that year I really didn't think about [Irvin] much," Brooks said. "I played with him in practice, and I knew I could play with him. I just wondered how the coach was going to play us together or how he was going to split up the time."

As it turned out, the time was not split much at all. Irvin took over the job at point last season and Brooks' minutes per game dropped from 33 as a sophomore to only eight as a junior. The beginning of last season, Brooks admits, was the low point of his career.

"I had hoped it wasn't going to be like that,"
Brooks said. "I don't know if I deserved to play a lot
more, but I know I wanted to play a lot more. It
took a lot to accept my role, and it made me mature
a lot.

"Maybe it was good because I have a whole new outlook on the game. If I go in for two or three minutes now I'm going to make sure that it's a good two or three minutes, and I just won't go out there and take playing for granted."

The dismissal of teammates Alan Dorsey and Doug Lowrey was another issue that Brooks had to deal with early last season.

"It did have a personal effect on a lot of the players because we were really good friends with those guys, and we didn't like to see them hurt like they were," he said. "But we had to put it all behind us because we had a whole season left. We just came together as a team. Coach's decision was his decision, and we just had to live with it, we had to go on."

With the absence of perimeter players Davis, Claude Ferdinand and Todd Dunnings from last year's squad, Brooks will likely assume a role of much greater significance on this year's team. With expectations higher than ever before, Brooks can think of no better way to end his roller-coaster ride of a career at JMU with a few wins in the NCAA tournament.

"We can win a few games in the NCAAs," he said. "I think that's a very realistic goal if we can put it together and come together as a team, because we have loads and loads of talent.

"I just want to go out and help the team in any way that I can and hopefully it will be in a bigger way this year."

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Dukes thrive under recruiter's keen eye

Maurice Jones

staff writer

When Shelia Moorman became head coach of the JMU women's basketball team eight years ago, she searched for an assistant coach who could recruit the players who would help make JMU a nationally ranked program.

She found exactly what she was looking for in Andrea "Andy" Morrison.

Although Morrison is involved in every aspect of the coaching process at JMU, she has excelled in the area of recruiting, and Moorman has built an immense amount of trust in her assistant.

"It's a huge advantage to have Andy on my staff because she knows the kind of players I like," Moorman said. "She could go out and recruit for me and have me not see the athlete, and I would be confident in her judgment."

Morrison realizes the importance of her task. According to her, "Recruiting, at this level, is the bottom line. If you don't recruit and

have quality players in your program, you'll never be successful at the Division I level that we're at."

Another key reason for Morrison's success as a recruiter is her people person persona, her love of getting to know new people.

"I like meeting people and traveling and getting to know players and their families. I really enjoy that responsibility," Morrison said.

Moorman agreed that Morrison's personality is a positive when trying to convince a high-schooler to play at

'Andy is an out-going, enthusiastic kind of individual, who is comfortable talking with high school coaches and the people involved with the recruitment of an athlete," Moorman said. "And I think young people respond to Andy very well."

When she isn't bouncing from one part of the country to another, Morrison is busy working with the players in an effort to return the Dukes to the top of the CAA.

"Coach Moorman provides a great opportunity for her staff because she includes us in everything," Morrison said. "I'll tell you, nine years ago I did everything. I planned the pregame meals, I did all the scouting and recruiting, and I even did the laundry some, too.

"And now the responsibilities have been delegated throughout, so that's a great help to me because it let's me concentrate on recruiting, but I'm still involved in everything."

Although she enjoys recruiting, the job does have its down side. At times it can be lonely, exhausting and monotonous. But in the end, all the negatives are all wiped out when Morrison actually gets a chance to sit down with potential recruits.

"The recruiting process takes a lot out of you, and it's a never-ending process. You don't sign kids and stop. Because if you ever let up you're in trouble," Morrison said. "Recruiting is difficult but it's funny because every time the point comes where I'm at

their doorstep, and I see their face, it just clicks and you lose every bit of anxiety you may have had, because every visit is something new."

Another problem Morrison faces as a recruiter is overbearing parents. She notices that some parents go too far when trying to protect their children, often dominating recruiting sessions.

"Parents tend to be very earnest in their questions and that's a positive thing, but there are times when they try to make decisions for their youngsters," Morrison said. "And if the athlete tends to be quiet, they tend to be dwarfed in that home visit. Some times you could be there three hours and the athlete will have said five

Although Morrison enjoys what she's doing, she advises anyone interested in coaching to be first make sure they are committed to the game and the people involved in the game.

"If your determined that money is the very most important thing in your life than you better look for something else to do," Morrison said. "But the pleasures I get from coaching are hard to describe to somebody. The older you get the more you realize that the people are the most important thing. Not position, not money, not notoriety. People are most important."

Morrison arrived at JMU after an eight-year coaching career at St. John's High School in South Carolina and a two-year stint in the NAIA. Her team at St. John's won the AAA conference championship in 1980, and she was named coach of the year.

From there she moved on to head coach at South Carolina-Spartanburg, before coming to Harrisonburg to get to work with Moorman on rebuilding a team that failed to post a winning record in its three previous seasons.

JMU's sixth consecutive winning season last year, its top-40 ranking this season and its success in signing all of this year's recruits are all obvious prove of Morrison's success. However, success for Morrison is not only based on wins and loses.

"I want people to think of us as winners and as a group that has a definite goal and who went after it in a fair and honest fashion to achieve that



BASKETBALL PREVIEW

Spiders and Patriots will contend for title

John R. Craig & Matt Wasniewski

staff writers

After a four-year reign as Colonial Athletic
Association chaps, JMU was upended last year by
Richmond. The Dukes return their entire squad and
should contend for the top spot once again and head
back the NCAA tournament. Below is a look at the
teams and key figures shaping the CAA, with each
school's overall record and last season's league finish.
The predicted order of finish: JMU, Richmond, East
Carolina, George Mason, UNC-Wilmington,
American, William & Mary.

Richmond Spiders [25-5 overall; 11-1, 1st in CAA]

The Spiders had every CAA team caught in their web last year, rolling in the regular season and nipping JMU 47-46 in the CAA tournament. It was the school's best effort ever.

An even bigger task will be replacing point guard Pam Bryant, a two-time CAA Player of the Year who graduated. Bryant averaged 17.3 points per game and shot 46.8 percent from the floor.

Veterans Amy Mallon, 11.2 ppg, Julie Jones, 11.8 ppg, and Ginny Norton, 9.3 ppg, will make up Coach Stephanie Gaitley's core.

Richmond was best in the conference in three pointers with 40.4 percent, and free throws with 76.4 percent, while allowing just 54 points per game. Over the past four years, the Spiders have a 34-4 home record. Richmond should contend for the top spot in the CAA, but the Spiders are not hosting the season-ending tournament — JMU is.

East Carolina Pirates [18-10; 8-4, 3rd]

It will be another tough inside game for the ECU squad. The Pirates beat JMU at the Convocation Center last year as Sarah Gray and Tonya Hargrove controlled the boards.

Gray and Hargrove were third and fifth, respectively, in CAA scoring last year. Gray's 17.1 points and 9.1 rebounds per game (2nd in CAA) make her a force to be reckoned with. Hargrove, a CAA first-team selection, will give other conference schools problems in the paint.

ECU led the conference in scoring with 72.3 ppg and head coach Pat Pierson has a nucleus of six juniors and five seniors to make her team tough again.

George Mason Patriots [13-6; 6-6, 4th]

All five starters return for the 1990 campaign, including Jerolyn Weathersby, a 6-1 senior forward. Weathersby and 5-9 guard Antoinette Battle were CAA second-teamers last year and anchor a team with nine freshmen and sophomores.

Battle was fourth in the CAA in scoring with 15.5 points per game, and Weathersby was close behind at seventh, with 15 ppg. In the Patriots final 22 games, sophomore Laura Teter threw in 10 points a game and grabbed 5.5 boards. Teter was a 1990 CAA All-Rookie choice.

Head coach Jim Lewis is back for his sixth year at GMU and after finishing .500 in the CAA, his team should be more balanced.

UNC-Wilmington Seahawks [10-16; 2-10, 7th]

First-year coach Sherri Tynes will make her debut with a squad that consists of 10 returning letterwinners and all five starters from last year's seventh-place squad.

First-team All-CAA selection and the league's top scorer Tressa Reese (20.1 ppg.]. The senior scoring machine hit 52 percent of her shots from the field and 78 percent of her shots from the charity stripe last

In addition, junior guard Cindy Makowski will return to the point, where she led the CAA in assists [166 in 26 games] and in steals [72] during the 1989-90 campaign.

With 6-3 sophomore Alexia Moffitt and seniors Jennifer Bennett and Kelly Kincaid on the front line, the Seahawks will be strongest around the glass.

American Eagles [9-19; 3-9, 6th]

Three starters are gone from a mediocre American team. But junior guard Felicia Young, who averaged 14.4 points per game last year, won't let the Eagles get their wings clipped if she can help it.

14.4 points per game last year, won't let the Eagles get their wings clipped if she can help it.

Joining Young, who bombed in 29 three pointers, is Alicia Morgan, a 10-point and 3.3-rebounds per game producer. Morgan hit almost 47 percent of her field goal attempts, minth in the CAA a year ago.

Second-year coach Jeff Thatcher also will need juniors Kris Josefoski and Julie Ruhlin to hit the

Second-year coach Jeff Thatcher also will need juniors Kris Josefoski and Julie Ruhlin to hit the bucket as much as they hit the books last year. Both players were CAA All-Academic team members. Josefoski, a forward, led AU in blocks for the second consecutive year last season.

William and Mary Tribe [12-15; 4-8, 5th]

Senior center Tiffany Stone leads a returning group of four starters. The 6-2 Stone, a second team all-conference choice in each of the past two years, averaged 11.5 points per game and led the CAA in rebounding, taking 11 rebounds a game.

Senior guard Angie Evans, 12.6 ppg, and junior forward Tiffany Williamson, 12.1 ppg, also return to a team that was last in the CAA in scoring with 60.5 ppg. On the other side of the ball, the Tribe defense was best in the league, holding opponents to 39.3 percent shooting and third in scoring defense, giving up just 62.4 ppg.

One other bright light for head coach Pat Megel is sophomore forward Becky Dayvault. A CAA All-Rookie choice, Dayvault was sixth in the league in rebounding, 7.4 rpg but will need to pick up her scoring from 6.4 ppg.

Women's CAA News and Notes

- With 76 treys, Richmond guard Julie Jones led the league.
- According to NCAA Basketball Preview, JMU is ranked 40th in the preseaon poll.
- Two JMU players are within shooting range of 1,000 points for their careers. Vicki Harris needs just 142 points while Paula Schuler is eyeing 214 for the magic grand.

1989-90 HONORS

Coach of the Year: Stephanie Gaitley U of Richmond

Player of the Year: Pam Bryant U of Richmond

Rookie of the Year: Brandy Cruthird

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1989-90 Top Point Scorers in CAA

Player	G	Avg.
1. Tressa Reese, UNCW	26	20.1
2. Pam Bryant, UR	30	17.3
3. Sarah Gray, ECU	28	17.1
4. Antoinette Battle, GMU	29	15.5
5. Tonya Hargrove, ECU	27	15.2
6. Vicki Harris, JMU	30	15.1
7. Jerolyn Weathersby, GMU	29	15.0
8. Felicia Young, AU	28	14.4
9. Angie Evans, W&M	27	12.6
10 Paula Schuler, IMII	30	12.5

Harris causing a racket in the Colonial

Stephanie Swaim

staff writer

Vicki Harris doesn't get to play tennis much these days. Between the time she devotes as a senior leader on JMU's women's basketball team and trying to maintain her status on the conference's all-academic team, she doesn't find much free time to pick up a racket.

An All-America and state scholastic tennis champion in singles and doubles her sophomore and senior years at Waynesboro High School, Harris was an avid tennis player and at one time planned to play the sport in college.

But Harris had the gift, or curse, of versatility. Her basketball high school career also garnered attention and included such honors as making the Converse All-America team as a senior and playing in the 1987 Virginia High School League All-Star game.

Harris says she didn't decide what sport she would continue to play competitively until her senior year. Turning her back on her first love, tennis, she "really came in blind" to the JMU basketball program.

"At the beginning, I wanted to go to school to play tennis, but coming from a small area (Waynesboro), it limited my chances," she said.

"I wasn't interested in basketball at all until my senior year. I really just played during the season and then picked right back up with tennis, which I was playing three-quarters of the year," she said. The 6-foot forward says she has few regrets about her decision.

Since she first donned a JMU jersey four years ago, Harris has made JMU's all-time lists in three categories — career scoring [12th], career field goal percentage [fourth] and career free throw percentage [third]. Last year, she

made the CAA first team, all-state first team, all-tournament team and led JMU in scoring, field goal percentage and blocked shots.

Ironically, Harris says she decided to play basketball after determining what she would be happiest doing after college graduation. To keep her love for the sport of tennis intact, Harris says she decided not to continue to play competitively.

"Tennis is such an up and down sport, and it's so individual," Harris said. "I think playing tennis in college would have had a negative effect or me. I like the fact that basketball is a team sport, you have other people to play with so the pressure isn't all on you.

"One of the reasons I didn't play tennis in college was because I knew I wouldn't be able to continue to play socially after college," she said. "I knew if I played basketball competitively for four years, I'd be done with it. Tennis is such a great social thing and I knew I wanted to pick it back up and be able to do it socially."

Harris, a senior, was named tri-captain for this year's team after averaging 15.1 points and 7.2 rebounds per game last season. She will be looked to this year to provide those same kind of statistics while serving a greater leadership role, something head coach Shelia Moorman has said was lacking from the team a year ago.

"We're in a position to have a veteran team, unlike a year ago when we had a lot of question marks in terms of who could really do what, who would be ready to perform in addition to the injuries," Moorman said. "At least right now — knock on wood — we're healthy and have an opportunity to put a veteran team on the court."

Harris will serve as captain along with fellow seniors, Paula Schuler and Kerri Gilmore. Their differences complement each other, according to Harris.

"I think all three captains lead in different ways," she said. "I see myself as a vocal leader, the same way Kerri is. We try to get people up by communicating with them. Paula leads more by example. We all have our own jobs as captains depending on what we do well."

Last year's team had no seniors and struggled to find leadership among its ranks. Harris said that this year the team won't have to look as hard to find someone willing to fill the leadership roles.

"The fact that we're seniors has prepared us for that," she said. "You learn your role as you come through the program and as a senior you know that [leadership] role is yours. As juniors, we weren't ready for that role yet."

Harris has strong ideas about what she wants the team to accomplish this season — another CAA title and an NCAA berth. On a personal level, she hopes to be able to use her senior season to break 1,000 points for her career. Through three seasons, she has scored 858 points.

Harris came into a JMU program that was in the midst of dominating the Colonial Athletic Association and played on teams that won the CAA title both her freshman and sophomore years. Last year's team, which had no seniors on its roster, finished second in the CAA tournament. Graduation losses hurt the Dukes, but this year there are players who can fill the void, she said.

"As a freshman, we were really good and I didn't get to play very much because there were already people in their roles. But we got to know what success was," Harris said. "When it came to my junior year, we had graduated so many people who were used to that kind of success. We knew what it was but just couldn't bring it all together.

"It's usually the seniors who know what [winning] is supposed to feel like. It's back this year."

But besides her on-court performance, Harris says one thing she takes a great deal of pride in is her academic record. The communication major is a Dean's list student with a 3.3 GPA and says she concentrates on splitting her time between schoolwork and basketball. Her busy schedule has taught her a few lessons, she said.

"I have to look at it as basketball and studying are the two most important things for me right now," Harris said. "Everything else has to come second. You learn you don't waste time, you don't procrastinate."

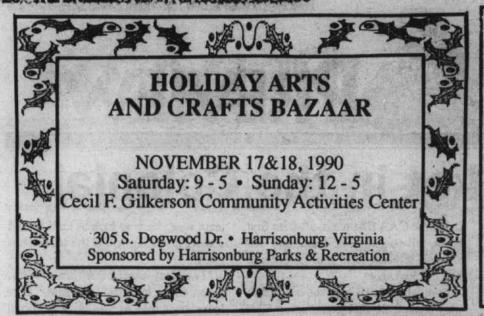
Harris says she won't waste anytime picking up a racket after her final season as a JMU basketball player is over. After putting tennis on a back burner for four years, she's looking forward to hitting the court once again.

Tennis, anyone?



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Vicki Harris, a senior, is a tri-captain for the women's team.





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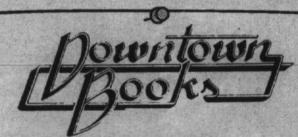
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results. Driesell guided a young, non-Lefty-recruited team (besides William Davis) to a 16-14 finish in his first year.

Driesell's '89-90 team, featuring transfers Steve Hood, Fess Irvin and Billy Coles, won 20 games, the regular-season CAA championship and garnered up a bid to the National Invitational Tournament.

This year's squad is the best Lefty has been able to put on the court yet. Mixed in with every main ingredient

from last year's team is Chancellor Nicholls. Nicholls, a 6-8, 240-pound rock of a power forward from Mississippi State, has been dunking in preseason like no one in the Colonial since a man by the name of Robinson.

Looking at the program from a standpoint of wins and losses and the potential for success in the very near future, JMU has gotten what they wanted from Lefty Driesell.

What the JMU community also must examine, however, is they also have gotten what aquiring Lefty was just as sure to bring. Controversy.

The Lefthander has a hard time staying out of the spotlight, and it usually doesn't shine favorably on him. Last year's mess with the botched dismissal of Alan Dorsey and Doug Lowrey serves as a fine example; not even to mention the sexual harrassment charges brought up by his former secretary Claudia Gray.

What JMU must ask itself is, "At what price do we want a winner?"

It is very exciting and great for school spirit to have a top-notch basketball program. If Driesell can get through this season without a gaffe, JMU may have found a nice marriage between diplomas and dunks.

The teams of the Patriot League have resolved that they don't need national recognition to be proud of their university and athletic teams. JMU took a long time to establish itself as a ranked institution in academic standing. But it may be taking the short cut to being ranked in big-time college basketball.

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"It's kind of hard to balance both of them [basketball and school] but when you can, that's when you do well," he

Irvin firmly believes in focusing on his education and believes that all athletes should try and do the same.

"As far as the athlete, they have to

keep their focus, and their main one should be education," Irvin said.

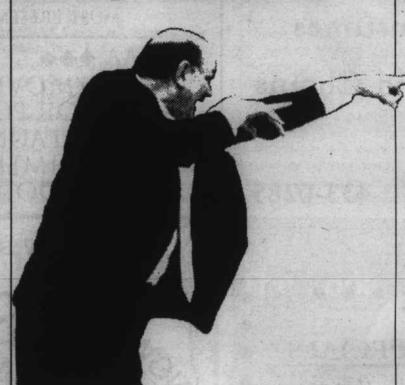
"Coach Driesell really pushes academics," Irvin said. "People might say Lefty just wants to win, but he really cares about the athlete's academic performance."

Women's head coach Sheila

Moorman also pushes academics for her athletes, starting when they are

"We emphasize academics a great deal in the recruitment process and we're proud of JMU as an academic institution and the programs it offers," Moorman said.

Lefty Driesel



By Wins

_	nk.	Coach, School	vviiis
		Dean Smith, North Carolina	688
	2.	Jerry Tarkanian, UNLV	571
	3.	Don Haskins, Texas-El Paso	563
	. 4.	Lefty Driesell, James Madison	560
-	5.	Lou Henson, Illinois	554
		Norm Stewart, Missouri	552
		Gene Bartow, Alabama-Birmingham	535
		Bob Knight, Indiana	530
		Glenn Wilkes, Stetson	512
		Tom Young, Old Dominion	510

■ By Percentage

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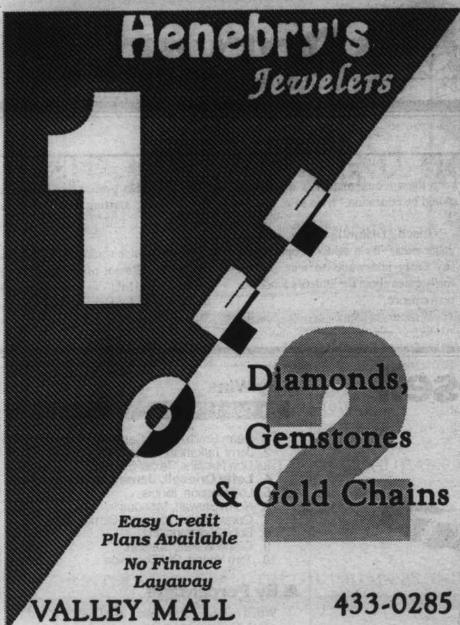
■ Playoff Records

Record for active coach with at least 25 games in the NCAA Division I Tournament

Driesell ranks 13th with a .556 winning percentage with 15 wins and 12 losses

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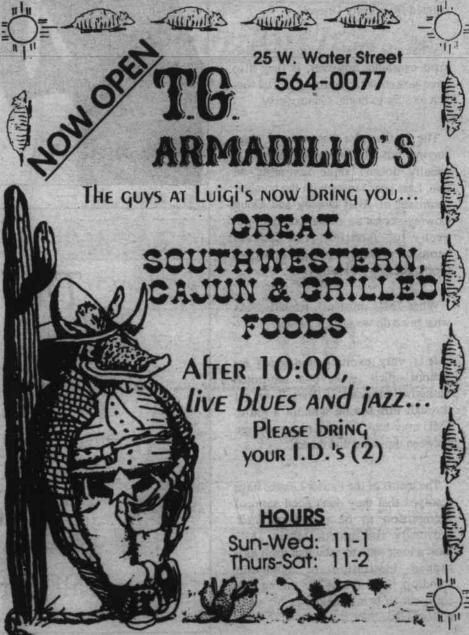
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BASKETBALL PREVIEW

NCAA budget ax falls on big money hoops

John R. Craig

staff writer

Last season, the JMU men's basketball team was five points away from collecting over \$250,000.

The Dukes' 77-72 loss to Richmond in the Colonial Athletic Association finals was the difference and the Spiders headed to the NCAA basketball tournament, only to get their heads handed to them by the Duke Blue Devils.

Welcome to big time, big money college basketball.

Said JMU men's basketball coach Charles "Lefty" Driesell on ABC's PrimeTime Live on March 15: "I didn't say anything to my players about it. But I knew in the back of my mind, saying, 'Hey, I'd like to have that money. Then I could ask Dr. Carrier for a little more money or something for some more uniforms or something.' So I definitely think that

the money should be split up evenly.

And I've advocated that for years."

CBS Sports signed a lucrative \$1 billion contract with the NCAA to televise the tournament and a variety of other championship events. It's a commitment the network will pay to the NCAA over the next seven years. On Oct, 22, the NCAA unveiled a distribution report for the contract to prevent players from shooting what NCAA Executive Director Dick Schultz calls "\$300,000 free throws."

While the plan must be approved by the NCAA Executive Committee when it meets Dec. 3, the idea is to make each game worth about \$40,000 to the school with added monetary incentives if the conference is well represented in the tournament.

Since its creation in 1985, the CAA has had just one team represented in the tournament each year — the conference winner. Up until this year, the conference operating budget

received 20 percent of the first round share, the participating school got 80 percent. As teams would advance, the participating school would receive 51 percent and the remaining seven schools would each get approximately a seven percent revenue.

The NCAA's new plan "is going to cause everybody to revamp their revenue sharing proposals and we'll be working on that in the next couple months," CAA Commissioner Tom Yeager said from his office in Richmond.

As Yeager describes it, one team in the first round of the tournament would represent one unit. Units equal about \$43,000. Over the six years of existence, the CAA has 13 units which factors out to \$560,000. From the CAA, only Navy, Richmond and George Mason have been to the NCAA tournament over that stretch.

"The idea of a James Madison going in and being the representative and coming away with X number of dollars [is] going to cause us, cause everyone — all the conferences — to look at their formula because it's a completely new system."

Driesell said his program is "breaking even." This season, JMU's men's basketball team has a budget of \$281,505 with trips planned for Provo, Utah, Mobile, Alabama, and Las Vegas, Nevada, in addition to the conference schedule.

"Whatever they give me, that's what I work with," Driesell said.

Men's basketball, funded is 13.4 percent of JMU's \$2.1 million operating budget, is being singled out by many as the only possibility of generating substantial revenue at JMU.

"Men's basketball, in terms of winning the conference and going to the NCAAs and going as far as they can, [is it]," JMU women's basketball

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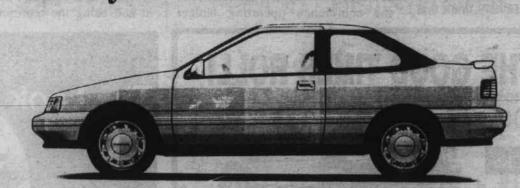
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coach Shelia Moorman said. "There's no doubt about it. Because of the CBS TV package, it is the best hope on this campus and that's pretty much a fact."

But Driesell said his job is not to financially support other JMU athletics.

"My job is just to have a class program, recruit kids that graduate and try to win as many games as I can," Driesell said. "That's all I worry about."

In addition to all 15 player scholarships for the men's team, a

student manager also is on full scholarship. The money for that scholarship came from the athletic administrative budget.

Women's basketball has \$95,175 to work with this year, including expenses for trips to Nebraska and California for several games each. That's 4.5 percent of JMU's athletic operating budget.

"[JMU's] still a baby compared to a lot of big schools with traditional successful athletic programs," Moorman said.

As for other CAA schools, William

and Mary men's basketball has an operating budget of \$129,800, 7 percent of an overall athletic operating budget of \$1,832,464. The Tribe's women's program has a budget of \$43,200, 2.3 percent of the budget.

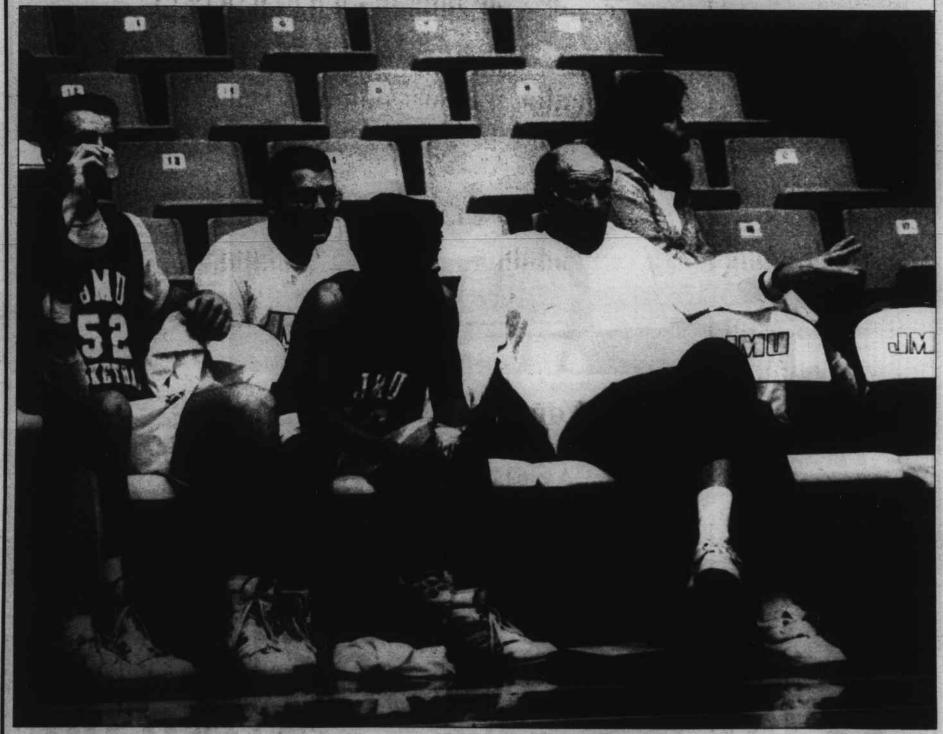
At George Mason, men's basketball receives \$175,000, 14.7 percent, from an athletic operating budget of \$1,188,230, said Athletic Director Jack Kvancz. Women's basketball has a base operational budget of \$92,000 plus an additional amount in event funding at the Patriot Center, GMU's home court. That number can range.

from \$7,500 to \$10,000.

ECU's numbers include scholarship and salary costs. The current overall athletic budget is \$5.9 million at the Greenville, N.C., school. Of that, men's basketball receives \$550,000 and women's gets \$350,000. School officials wouldn't compute the operational budget minus salaries and scholarships.

North Carolina-Wilmington did not return Breeze phone calls.

American, Richmond and Navy are privately funded institutions and would not disclose budget information.



Laying Back

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Head coach Lefty Driesell, pictured here with freshman walk-on Channing McGuffin, takes a relaxed attitude during practice. But his team will likely keep fans on the edge of their seats this season as JMU challenges for the CAA title and an automatic bid to the NCAAs.

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Nov. 24	Marist	Home
Nov. 28	Virginia Tech	Blacksburg, Va.
Dec. 5	Florida	Home
Dec. 8	East Tennessee State	Home
Dec. 15	Mount St. Mary's	Emmitsburg, Md.
Dec. 19	Brigham Young	Provo, Utah
Dec. 22	South Alabama	Mobile, Ala.
	Richmond Times-Dispal	ich
THE RESERVE	Invitational	Richmond, Va.
Dec. 28	JMU vs. Virginia Comm	nonwealth
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Dec. 29	RT-DIT Consolation G	
	RT-DIT Championship	
Jan. 2	Nevada-Las Vegas	Las Vegas, Nev.
Jan. 5	Oklahoma	Landover, Md.
Jan. 9	Richmond	Home
Jan 12	East Carolina	Greenville, N.C.
Jan. 14	UNC Wilmington	Wilmington, N.C.
Jan. 19	American	Home
Jan. 23	Naw	Annapolis, Md.
Jan. 26	George Mason	Home
Jan. 28	William and Mary	Home
Jan. 30	Old Dominion	Home
Feb. 2	William and Mary	Williamsburg, Va.
	Richmond	Richmond, Va
Feb. 6	East Carolina	Home
Feb. 9		Home
Feb. 11	UNC Wilmington	Washington, D.C.
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