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Nation out until January

Sophomore guard violates athletic policy, suspended 15 games



LAUREN GORDON / THE BREEZE

Andre Nation averaged 9.3 points, 3.1 rebounds and 1.3 assists per game last season.

By **STEPHEN PROFFITT**
The Breeze

Andre Nation's warmups will remain "zipped" up after the sophomore guard was suspended Monday for a "violation of athletic department policy."

The suspension covers the first 15 games — half of the season.

"Andre's made a couple of bad decisions," coach Matt Brady said Wednesday in his office. "The impact of this is significant. I think he needs to recognize and understand when you make bad decisions it affects your teammates, and it casts a negative light on an entire basketball program."

Nation was going to be the team's leading returning scorer at 9.3 points per game.

Brady acknowledged that he didn't have a double digit-returning scorer, and Nation's absence would hinder the team's productivity.

As much or more can be said on the defensive side of the ball where Nation shined and will be dearly missed during his suspension.

It's not often that a freshman logs five blocked shots in his first NCAA tournament game, but that's exactly what Nation did against LIU-Brooklyn. He followed that up with a career high 24-point performance just two days later against top-ranked Indiana.

As a freshman he got charged with two technical fouls and wore his emotions on his sleeves. Many times, Brady or assistant coaches had to calm Nation down on the bench during a game. While this showed his inexperience, it's what made him so lethal defensively, Brady said.

Brady denied the situation being inevitable but recognized his maturity is not where it should be.

"I don't mind him being emotional on the court as long as it's contained," Brady said. "My larger concern is his desire to be a part of something larger than himself. You're representing a whole group of people and not playing impacts this group."

Nation created his own havoc on the defensive side of the ball. "Zip 'Em Up," as it was deemed late in the season, set a trend that spanned T-shirts to social media. He led the team in steals (52, 1.5/game) and blocked shots (47, 1.3/game) last season.

"We need to reconstruct our team," Brady said. "He's our leading returning scorer. [This] is not something we planned for the entire offseason we had."

The JMU Student-Athlete Handbook states that a player with a second positive drug test will "be suspended for 50% of the competitions during the championship season of their respective sports."

There is no confirmation that the suspension is based on this

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Former JMU student Phil Vassar brings his talent back with two performances for Family Weekend

GET your PHIL

By **LAUREN HUNT**
contributing writer

You can take the boy out of JMU, but you can't take JMU out of the boy. This is true for former JMU student-turned-country superstar Phil Vassar, who returns to Wilson Hall tonight and tomorrow to perform during Family Weekend.

Vassar came to JMU from Brookville High School in Lynchburg, Va. as a decathlete on a track scholarship. It was at JMU where he sunk his teeth into music and began taking as many music classes as he could fit into his schedule, despite being a business major.

"We always knew he was talented because we got concerts every day or when we were driving to practice or driving to meets. We'd be serenaded all the time," said Bill Walton, who was the assistant coach when Phil was student and is now the head coach for JMU track and field. "And after watching him perform in the Madisonians, we knew it was just a matter of him getting a break."

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BREEZE FILE PHOTO

Phil Vassar performs at the opening of the Forbes Center for the Performing Arts on Sept. 8, 2010. Vassar will perform tonight and tomorrow in Wilson Hall.

Brewing up crowds

Rose Library experiences influx of students with Starbucks



MARK OWEN / CONTRIBUTING PHOTOGRAPHER

A Starbucks was opened at the beginning of last semester in place of the Java City that once stood in Rose Library. The new shop has attracted many more students looking to get their favorite coffee on East Campus.

By **EMILY CATHERINE WOOD**
contributing writer

Caffeine: the average college student's best friend. The studious life is exhausting, and adrenaline only goes so far when it is divided between assignments and exams.

Due to popular demand, Starbucks recently replaced Java City in JMU's Rose Library.

Since its addition, Rose Library has experienced a massive influx of students, and students are draining their purses and wallets to get their caffeine fix. Tori Ulmer, a junior health sciences major and student assistant at Rose Library's circulation desk, said their daily average is up by about 400 students compared to last year.

"I believe [Starbucks] does draw in a crowd," Ulmer said. "For some reason it's way more packed than last year."

Rose Library Starbucks employees have been busy since its opening last semester. Ellen Sides, the Rose Library Starbucks location supervisor, said business is booming.

"We've exceeded the expectations of management this semester," Sides said. "I think

we're doing really well."

Chelzie Reeves, a junior social work major, has become a loyal Starbucks customer, always doing her research with a fresh hot beverage in hand.

"I feel like Starbucks is an incentive for using the library," Reeves said. "If you're dragging and need a boost to study or if you're at the library and need a snack, Starbucks is there."

Reeves thinks Starbucks has made Rose Library more student-friendly, a place to snag some caffeine and do much-needed work, and in her opinion, offering tastier choices than Java City. Reeves has classes on the Quad but prefers the environment of Rose Library over Carrier Library.

"I liked going to Starbucks when it was only in Carrier, but the long lines were such a pain so I didn't go very often," Reeves said. "I feel like having a second option speeds things up a lot, especially for students who have more classes on East Campus."

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Students question high-speed chase

Police pursuit left hectic scene on South Main

By **IJ CHAN**
The Breeze

A high-speed police chase that occurred last Tuesday is making some students question how safe they really are when they cross the street.

Last Tuesday at around 1:30 p.m., HPD responded to a call about a threat at the 300 block of South Main street, according to Sgt. J. Palaskey of HPD. The suspect vehicle was located, but evaded police and went the wrong way down the one-way street.

An HPD officer began pursuing a vehicle on South Main Street and hit a tree near the Forbes Center. One other car, an SUV was involved in the accident but sustained minor damage.

The southbound lanes of South Main Street between Grace Street and Bluestone Drive were closed for about three hours after the accident.

Molly Ramas, a graduate student in the writing, rhetoric and technical communication program, was driving

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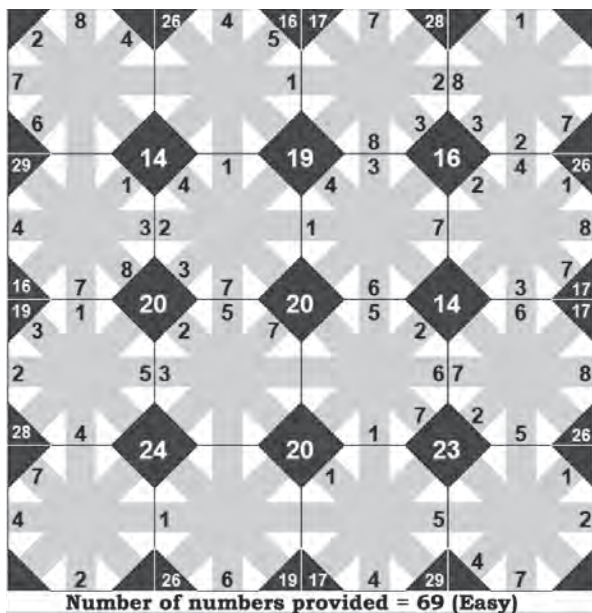
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press play



After his cross-country summer bike tour to fight pediatric cancer, **Navid Attayan** continued his awareness efforts with an event on the Festival lawn Tuesday. Watch at breezejmu.org/multimedia.

The OCTO puzzle



Number of numbers provided = 69 (Easy)

DOUG JOHNSON / OCTO-PUZZLE.COM

The goal of an OCTO puzzle is to place the numbers 1 to 8 in each of the octagons without repeating a number in any octagon, row, column or diagonal.

The number in each diamond is the sum of the four numbers around the diamond. Numbers around diamonds can repeat.

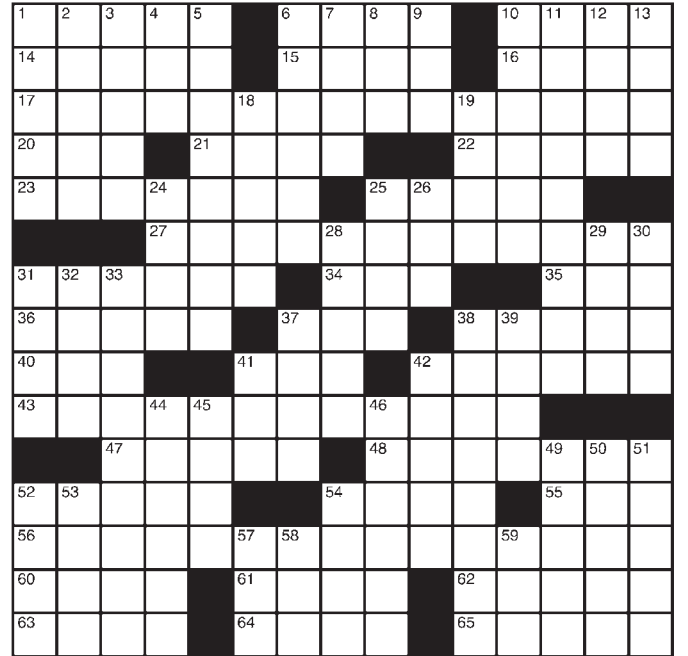
The numbers in the triangles at the ends of a diagonal are the sum of the numbers in that diagonal (7 + 8 + 6 + 3 + 2 + 5 = 31). Remember that numbers in the diagonals cannot repeat.

Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

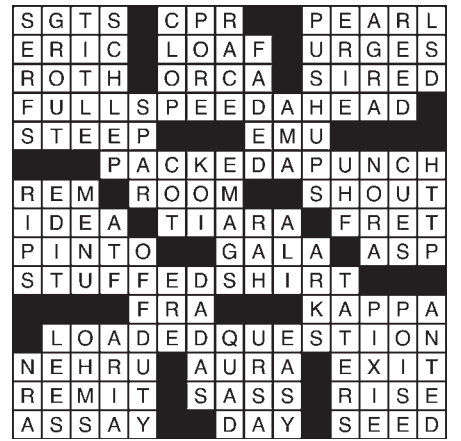
ACROSS

- 1 Like bars in noir films
- 6 Brouhaha
- 10 Workout woe
- 14 Salsa singer Cruz
- 15 BMW competitor
- 16 Invalidate
- 17 See 49-Down
- 20 Platte River settler
- 21 Spoil, with "on"
- 22 "Cagney & Lacey" Emmy winner
- 23 Scripture section
- 25 "I am just ___ boy, though my story's seldom told": "The Boxer"
- 27 See 49-Down
- 31 '60s-'70s "Fearsome Foursome" NFL team
- 34 Reported for the first time
- 35 Payable now
- 36 Is after
- 37 Oyster's spot
- 38 Peak in a Trevanian title
- 40 Capri crowd?
- 41 "The Birdcage" wrap
- 42 Emerges from the wings
- 43 See 49-Down
- 47 Cosmetician Elizabeth
- 48 Governor who opened the Erie Canal
- 52 Jazz pianist Ahmad ___
- 54 Moscow news acronym
- 55 Court
- 56 See 49-Down
- 60 1-Down holder
- 61 Exxon forerunner
- 62 Hosiery thread
- 63 Bottom of the sea?
- 64 Hardly a sophisticate
- 65 Really worry



By Pancho Harrison

Sunday's puzzle solved



- 2 Conductor Zubin
- 3 Spreads on the table
- 4 Flesh and blood
- 5 Sail supports
- 6 Get together
- 7 Rapper ___ Fiasco
- 8 Gator chaser?
- 9 Paparazzo's prize, briefly
- 10 Land of Arthurian legend
- 11 "Kubla Khan" poet
- 12 Pop radio fodder
- 13 "Grand" ice cream brand
- 18 Hindu mystics
- 19 Operatic prince
- 24 Mont. neighbor
- 25 Elderly
- 26 Claw holder
- 28 Massage
- 29 Plaintiff
- 30 Bierce defines it as "His"
- 31 WWII carriers
- 32 Gaseous: Pref.
- 33 Go over more carefully
- 37 Deck department supervisor, briefly
- 38 Surround
- 39 Santa Monica-to-Jacksonville hwy.
- 41 Scripps competition
- 42 Zhou ___
- 44 Retirees often do it
- 45 Between jobs
- 46 Represent officially
- 49 Diving rotation, and the clue for four puzzle answers
- 50 Alley Oop's girl
- 51 Large jazz combo
- 52 Prom king, often
- 53 Sunburn soother
- 54 In that case
- 57 Lee follower
- 58 Granada bear
- 59 ___ Maria: liqueur

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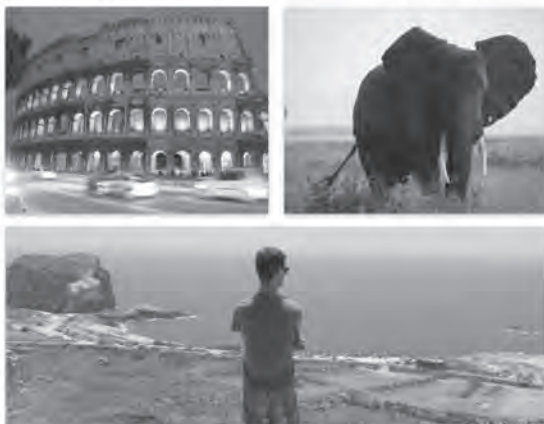
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Government failed to find middle ground amid shutdown

The government shut down Tuesday after Congress failed to find common ground on how to fund the federal government, according to *The Washington Post*.

Workers for the government, if essential, will still work, with or without pay.

Sectors that continue to function in a shutdown include, but aren't limited to, national security, public safety or programs regarding law, such as Social Security.

A bill passed Monday night allows active-service military members to still be paid.

West Coast group challenges Va. same-sex marriage ban

Virginia's ban on same-sex marriage has been challenged by an L.A. gay rights group, according to the *Richmond Times-Dispatch*.

Theodore B. Olson and David Boies, who opposed Proposition 8 in California, were hired as attorneys for the case against Virginia.

The Virginia ban may become the next high-court case to test same-sex marriage, especially because the different views the justices in Supreme Court hold.

Potential threat plan to local high school intercepted

A 17-year-old accused of planning a threat against a high school is in custody at a juvenile detention center, according to the *Richmond Times-Dispatch*.

Police arrested the male Friday after having received information about the potential threat.

The threat was planned to occur in spring at Stonewall Jackson High School in Quicksburg.

He is a student at the school and is charged with one count of committing, conspiring and aiding and abetting acts of terrorism.

Lawsuit concerning Va. candidate may prove voters are at fault

A federal lawsuit has been filed against Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli, Gov. Bob McDonnell and the state elections board, according to Staunton's *The News Leader*.

It claims around 57,000 registered voters are at risk of being purged from voter rolls because of records that they may be registered in multiple states.

A copy of the lawsuit was obtained by The Associated Press, but was not listed on the court's electronic dock. The Democratic Party of Virginia says the list has many errors and thousands could be removed.

Claims made in the lawsuit include that the database created by Republicans has a goal of suppressing the number of votes in communities that often vote Democratic.

Some Virginia counties have already decided not to purge registered voters, according to the lawsuit.

Second case of tuberculosis discovered at VCU

There are now two reported cases of tuberculosis on VCU's campus.

According to NBC, anyone who was in contact with the positively tested individuals could be at risk, potentially 300 plus people.

While the university stresses that the threat to the community is low, they have encouraged students to get tested.

Individuals who contract tuberculosis may not know because they may not get sick or show any symptoms.

The university is still looking into each of the cases.

Tesla Motors plans new home in Va.

Tesla Motors confirmed that it will open its first dealership in Virginia, according to *The Virginian-Pilot*.

The location of the dealership is currently undecided, however, the agreement between the Virginia Automobile Dealers Association and Tesla is said to allow an establishment in Northern Virginia. Tesla already showcases cars at Tysons Corner Galleria Mall in Fairfax but can't sell them.

Crowd for a cure

Students take to Festival lawn in support of raising awareness for pediatric cancer



DANIELLE EPIFANIO / CONTRIBUTING PHOTOGRAPHER

More than 150 people gathered on the Festival lawn on Tuesday afternoon to raise awareness. Pediatric cancer is the leading cause of death for children in the United States. A number of organizations, including ProJeKt 3000 and Phi Alpha Delta helped organize the event.

By MARK OVERSTREET
The Breeze

Over this past summer, fifth-year senior biology major Navid Attayan worked with a team of researchers to try to cure Haley, a 5-year-old girl with neuroblastoma. In the process, the team managed to give her an extra year of life.

After his internship, Attayan became determined to help find a cure for pediatric cancer and set out on a cross-country journey to raise money.

He rode his bike from Harrisonburg to San Diego, Calif., a 3,000-mile trip, in eight weeks. He raised over \$12,000 for children like Haley.

"These kids don't have the option to give up," Attayan said. "When I was biking out in the desert in the Midwest, there were plenty of times when I wanted to give up and go home. But then I thought about those kids, and I kept going."

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Navid Attayan
fifth-year senior
biology major

On Tuesday more than 150 people crowded the Festival lawn from 4-6 p.m. to support Attayan's cause. Senior biological anthropology and justice studies double major

Chelsea Wilkins organized the event, which raised awareness to the issue.

"For this event, we put all of our eggs in one basket," Wilkins said. "We didn't want to put on a fundraiser. We just wanted to get as many people out here as we could."

Attayan's ultimate goal is to spread awareness about pediatric cancer. According to Attayan, research in the area is underfunded, and out of the limelight. Wilkins found out about Attayan's message over the summer and immediately started planning Tuesday's event.

Wilkins said the more people they can inform about pediatric cancer, the better. "Even if it's only 50 people, we are in a good spot, and hopefully people walking to class or out of their dorms will wonder what we are doing and hopefully come and find out," Wilkins said.

"How many of you know what awareness month it was in September?" Attayan asked the crowd.

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Campus organization spurs voting movement

Dukes Vote pushes students to the polls for the Virginia gubernatorial election

By BRITTANY MARUCA
AND ALANA SCHARLOP
The Breeze

Some students are now pushing to get their fellow Dukes to the polls.

Dukes Vote, a nonpartisan campus organization that started last year under SGA, wants students to go out and vote. It encourages any and all groups to help in their goal: increase political awareness and voter registration on campus regardless of political stance.

A partner of Dukes Vote, a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization, Turbo Vote, tries to make every single vote count.

The organization offers easy access and personalization through voting/absentee ballot registration and polling place/voting day reminders through their website, jmu.turbovote.org. Groups such as the Graduate Student Association, Madison Independence, faculty members.

Senior social work major Delaney Garrett is working with Dukes Vote for a class project.

"If we don't care about the government, why would they pay attention to us?" Garrett said.

Garrett, along with seniors Isaac Trice, Jordan Wray and Katie Rogers, was required to do a project designed to help others, and voting became their focus.

Trice said he's been recruiting, training and coordinating Dukes Vote volunteers. So far, he said he's seen increasing enthusiasm for their cause. He added involvement in Dukes Vote grows everyday, and that they've been working with other organizations such as the Graduate Student Association and the Student Government Association to get more people involved.

Trice added that being involved with Dukes Vote has become much more to him than a class project. Since he thinks politics influences



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every aspect of their lives, Trice said it's vital for students to get to the polls.

"I think we all have our own stories on why we want to be involved in politics, and those stories need to be shared," he said. "Politics affects every aspect of our lives."

Trice also mentioned that students tend to pay more attention to bigger elections such as presidential elections and disregard smaller ones such

as congressional and governmental elections.

"There's so much fallout of for congressional elections and governmental elections," Trice said. "Students are realizing that a lot of the issues that they're concerned about aren't dealt with on the presidential level, but at lower levels."

Dukes Vote Administrative Coordinator Emily Blake, a

communication and advocacy graduate student, helped the organization get started for the current election.

"The group wants to support partisan and nonpartisan opportunities ... it is a meeting place for organizations all over to come together and educate," Blake said.

Blake helped to coordinate a group of four senior social work majors — Garrett, Trice, Jordan Wray and Katie Rogers, who now head Dukes Vote.

Dukes Vote has many events planned, including organizing a debate between the College Democrats and College Republicans for the end of October.

Brian Jacobs, a senior political science and history major, has also promoted registration through his RA monthly program in Wampler Hall.

Jacobs explained that exercising our right to vote is important and will have a direct impact in students' lives.

"There is a lot of anxiety [among students] about what they will do after college; do I get a job? do I go to graduate school ... oh wait that's too expensive," Jacobs said.

Another plan for students to get involved is a competition. The competition, promoted by the Turbo Vote website, involves colleges and universities all across Virginia. The school to register the most students leaves the losing rivals to wear the school colors of the victor.

The movement has already taken off with the JMU voter registration and absentee ballot drive that was held last Wednesday. Dukes Vote volunteers checked the hands of newly and previously registered voters with purple and black markers.

Students interested in registering should go to jmu.turbovote.org

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from front

near campus at the time of the incident. Ramas remembers that there was heavy traffic due to the blocked off roads. She feels that the high-speed chase put students in a direct line of danger.

"They stress safety so much on South Main ... so everything that street has gone through to try and keep people safe — the fact that they would go 60 mph down the street is just insane to me," she said.

Ramas said she doesn't think the circumstances of the situation called for such intense action.

"My first reaction was, 'Who is this guy, what did he do? Did he murder someone?'" she said. "But then I heard that he was just evading police — it just seems completely unnecessary."

In addition, Ramas said over the years, she's seen JMU's campus change in order to enforce pedestrian safety, such as the installment of the gates and the median on South

"I'm just really glad they didn't hurt anyone. [That area] is just so heavily populated with students, that they should really be more careful. Especially when they enforce the speed limit so heavily there — it's only 25 [mph]."

Molly Ramas

graduate student in writing, rhetoric and technical communication

Main Street.

"I'm just really glad they didn't hurt anyone," Ramas said. "[That area] is just so heavily populated with students, that they should really be more careful. Especially when they enforce the speed limit so heavily there — it's only 25 [mph]."

But Palaskey said police didn't disregard student and community safety in this situation. HPD officers, he added, have to follow safety rules and regulations when they're faced with situations that might involve a car chase, but there are certain situational factors that might affect the decision to pursue a vehicle.

In this incident, Palaskey mentioned that the chase didn't start in an area with heavy pedestrian traffic.

"I support JMU and its mission statement — it's a great place for education and we'll do everything we need to facilitate safe community for that," he said. "We didn't disregard student safety in any situation."

The accident, Palaskey added, is still under investigation with the

HPD's Accident Reconstruction Team.

Shortly after the accident, Charles Richard Rose, 45, of Mount Crawford, Va., was taken into custody by the Rockingham County Sheriff's Office in the 1400 block of South Main Street.

No injuries were reported from the accident.

Police have charged Rose with eluding the police. The Rockingham County Sheriff's Office also charged him with driving with a suspended license and driving under the influence.

HPD's Accident Reconstruction Team is currently investigating the circumstances around the crash, including the reason for the original pursuit. HPD is asking anyone who witnessed the accident or the situation leading up to it to contact them at 540-434-4436.

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and students interested in getting involved with Dukes Vote can attend their weekly meeting on Wednesdays at 12:30 p.m. in the Strategic Leadership Building on 1077 South Main Street.

Upcoming Dukes Vote events include a registration event Saturday, Oct. 5 when volunteers will register students while tailgating before the family weekend football game. Trice said Dukes Vote will be holding their own tailgate in the baseball field parking from 10 a.m. to noon. Volunteers will also be walking around and spreading the word to other tailgaters.

The voting registration deadline is Tuesday, Oct. 15 with the general election following on Tuesday, Nov. 5.

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FESTIVAL | September was national pediatric cancer awareness month



MATT SCHMACHTENBERG / THE BREEZE

Students participate in an egg-and-spoon race. This was one of many games and activities that occurred during the "Flood the Festival Lawn" to raise awareness of pediatric cancer and the lack of funding in labs for research initiatives and cures.

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None of them raised their hands. "September is pediatric cancer awareness month. Now how many of you know what awareness month it is in October?"

The unanimous consensus was breast cancer awareness month.

"I'm not saying that things like breast cancer, or any other disease for that matter, is unimportant," he said. "I'm saying that they should all be equally important."

Because of the team's research, Haley's life was extended an entire year.

"Working with Haley the whole summer really changed my life for the better," Attayan said. "So I decided that I wanted to raise awareness for the fact that funding for our lab was insignificant compared to some of the other cancer labs in the building."

Attayan trained eight months for a cross-country bike ride, stopping in cities along the way and giving talks to anyone who would listen. His small group of Facebook followers slowly transformed into a country-wide and worldwide support group more than 12,000 people.

"I had no idea it would become what it is now," Attayan said. "There are people in Africa who have told me that I inspired them to take a stand in their country about something they are passionate about."

"We had to find a way to get as many people as we could," Wilkins said. "So we aren't charging any money or

calling it a fundraiser, we are just out here making noise for those kids who don't have a strong enough voice to make noise themselves."

Attayan said that on his cross-country bike ride, he stopped at various children's hospitals in cities all across the country and made contacts with the sick children.

All of the pictures taken at the event were sent to them to show them that they were supporting their struggle.

Attayan left the crowd with a challenge.

"There's no such thing as too small or too big," he said. "Get out there and make a difference. Even one person can make a difference."

Senior biology major Kevin Libuit said that even though pediatric cancer isn't his personal passion, he still wanted to show his support for what his friend Attayan had done.

"He raised over \$12,000 on his bike trip, and he gave 100 percent of that money to pediatric cancer research," Libuit said. "Movements have to start somewhere, and he has sparked a flame that will hopefully inspire the masses."

After Attayan addressed the crowd, the crowd joined him and Wilkins in a silent vigil and lap around the Festival lawn, in remembrance of those that have lost the fight against cancer and in hope for those who are currently fighting.

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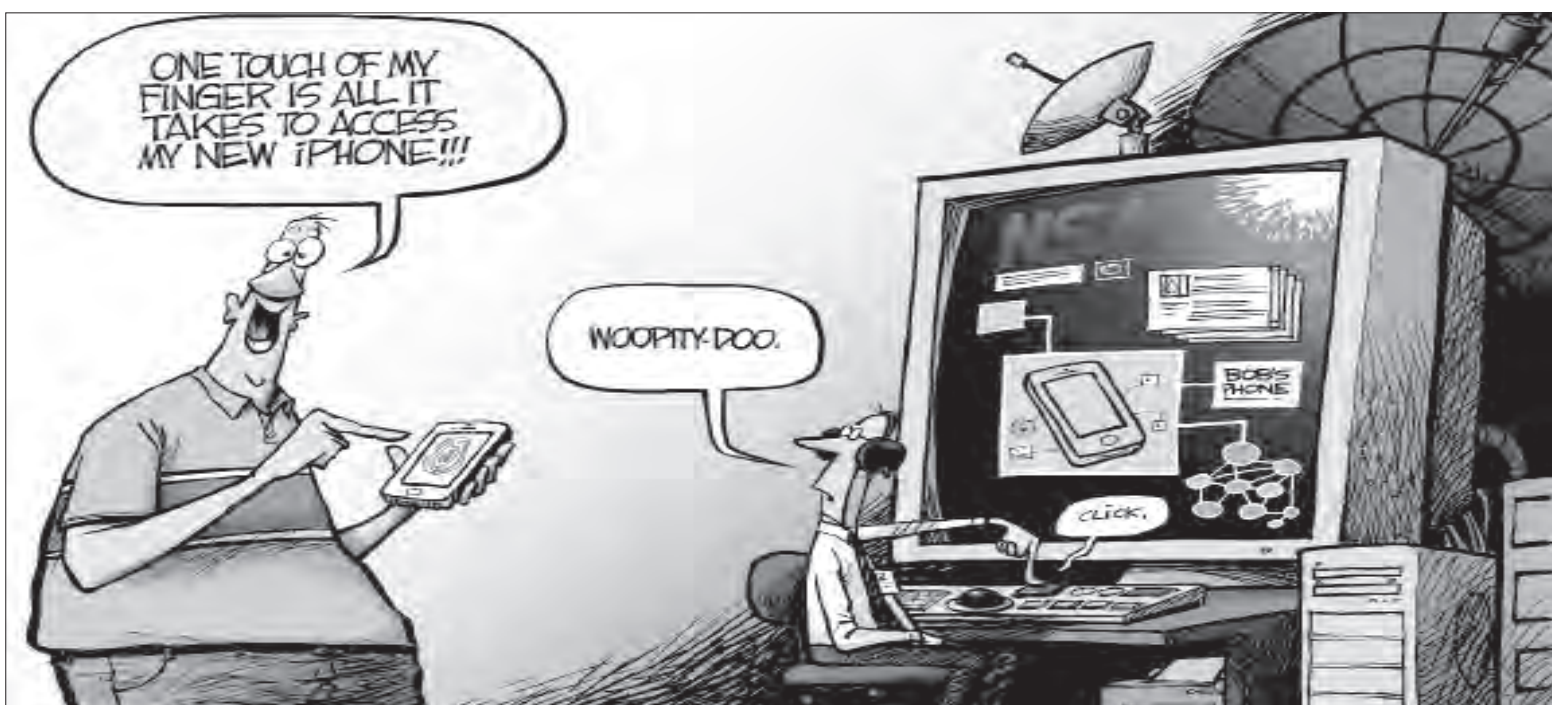


"Since 2010, the National Security Agency has been exploiting its huge collections of [online] data to create sophisticated graphs of some Americans' social connections that can identify their

associates, their locations at certain times, their traveling companions and other personal information," according to *The New York Times*. People are outraged about it, but I don't understand why.

I shouldn't need to point this out, but nothing on the Internet is private. If the government isn't hacking our social media and emails, Facebook is thumbing through all of our "likes" and recent history to see what they can sell to advertisers. Companies monitor what sites their employees visit during the day. They can also see any emails you send from your computer. I mean, we're practically throwing personal information at big name companies. Apple could take over the world with all of the dirt they have on us, and it's probably developing an app for that as we speak. iPhones are a treasure trove of personal information. They have location services that can track exactly where you are at all times and a handy bag of apps that we pour our emails, credit card info, appointments, birthdays, anniversaries and god-knows-what-else into. We'll happily fork over our info for Tim Cook, but as soon as the government gets involved we throw our hands over our papers and tell the teacher.

The NSA isn't doing this for



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entertainment. They don't care about unflattering pictures or angry statuses about the line at Starbucks, and they're not going to use anything they find to publicly embarrass people. They aren't JMU Makeouts. If they're looking through Facebook, emails, Twitter, what-have-you, it's to protect us and other people.

"All of NSA's work has a foreign intelligence purpose," a spokeswoman told *The Times*. "Our activities are centered on counterterrorism, counterproliferation and cybersecurity." Yet everyone wants to accuse them of spying on us for no good reason.

According to CNN Money, sales for

George Orwell's "1984" spiked after Edward Snowden released top-secret information on the NSA's surveillance techniques. People are claiming the government is entering dangerous territory. But, if anything, it isn't the government that's pushing us toward a dystopia so much as ourselves.

Comparing the American government to the one portrayed in "1984," is the pot calling the kettle black, especially since we are dangerously close to the public described in "1984." We've shortened our words into unintelligent slang like "LOL" and "perf." We've simplified everything into "likes." Arguments, jokes and general

information have been blocked into 140-character blurbs because our attention spans are too short to handle anything else. We are "1984," and we've marched quite happily into that dystopian future.

If we're going to be outraged about the government's similarity to Orwell's predictions, we should probably do a little self-assessment. I think we'll find the only thing he got wrong about the future of communication in Western society was that he was about two decades off.

And honestly, the NSA is the least of our worries. At least we know there's one part of the government that's actually doing its job. Gold star, NSA.

Four for you.

There are so many bigger problems with the government. Number one being that it's shut down. Number two being that it's shut down because Congress has the collective decision ability of a 4 year old. So forget about the NSA. Our personal information is safer in its hands than it is with half of the other websites, companies and general people who have access to it. Give it a break.

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A **"creamy-and-dreamy"** pat to all of the people who showed their support for our WXJM radio show on Monday.

From GoGoSabo & Julian Ali.

A **"thanks-for-not-asking"** dart to my roommate for eating all of my food.

From a senior who really wanted that Captain Crunch.

A **"thanks-for-giving-me-the-best-30-minutes-of-my-day"** pat to the Nap Nook for giving me a quiet and comfy place to rest.

From a stressed-out senior who really looks forward to a daily refresher.

An **"it-makes-no-cents-not-to"** pat to the kind man in line at Walmart who gave me 44 cents without thinking twice about it.

From a broke college student who was short a few and whose faith you restored.

An **"are-you-kidding-me?"** dart to my GenEd science professor for refusing to have a review day for the test and then making it all word problems without multiple choice.

From all of the seniors who avoided this class for three years for reasons like this.

A **"sending-happy-thoughts-your-way"** pat to the actor playing "Peter Pan" at Forbes Center for the Performing Arts this week.

From a woman who saw you

talking to a bunch of little kids in character and thought it was the most adorable thing.

An **"I-am-going-to-die-here"** dart to the South Main crosswalk for taking 80 years to change to the walk sign.

From a student who understands now why people make a run for it.

An **"if-you-can-take-a-break-why-can't-I?"** dart to the American government.

From a student who wishes she could throw a tantrum too.

A **"that's-just-ratchet"** dart to the JMU Makeouts Twitter account for getting really out of hand.

From a junior who is now terrified every time a flash goes off at a party.

A **"pumpkin-mania"** pat to my roommates for the excessive amount of pumpkin treats in our house.

From a student who appreciates all of the orange this time of year.

A **"put-the-phone-down"** dart to the young woman texting and moving at the speed of a sloth while crossing Cantrell.

From a driver who started off the day feeling frustrated and annoyed.

An **"I-didn't-realize-how-much-this-sucks"** dart to

being sick.

From an exhausted student who is trying to push through her school, organizations and 20-hour work weeks.

An **"I'm-blown-away-by-your-talent"** pat to the members of Maddy Night Live.

From a bombshell who had a blast at the table read and can't wait to spend the rest of the year working with all of you.

An **"it's-already-a-law"** dart to the government for throwing a fit and shutting down.

From a student who thinks you should watch *Schoolhouse Rock's* video on how a bill becomes a law.

A **"kindness-is-more-attractive-than-looks"** pat to the guy who stopped what he was doing to help a professor pick up the hundred-something tests he dropped in Anthony-Seeger Hall the other day.

From a student who couldn't help the smile on her face.

A **"you-don't-even-go-here"** dart to the people who started a fight outside of my apartment.

From a disturbed and sleep-deprived resident.

A **"we're-not-turned-on"** dart to the ass--- who mooned us from their window when we were outside talking in our car.

From someone who was just trying to have a nice chat and didn't need to see all of that.

COREY TIERNEY | contributing columnist

JMU Makeouts, get out

Posting inappropriate pictures takes it a step too far

Among the high ratings, door holding and student-to-teacher ratio lies the dark underbelly of JMU culture: Its Twitter-verse.

While I could go on for pages about how each of these unofficial JMU-affiliated accounts consists of cyber bullying and uneducated complaints, there is one in particular that has provoked a recent scandal. JMU Makeouts was completely shut down by the social media platform itself.

Essentially this process operated through JMU students taking photos of peers "getting intimate" at parties and other social functions. They would then tweet said picture to the account runner, who would retweet it to thousands of followers.

The controversy, however, came from these photos getting evermore risqué with each passing weekend. So much in fact that it escalated to what most would consider full-fledged pornography. After only a couple days of these provocative tweets, its account status was suspended and all content was lost. After giving it the old college try, JMU Makeouts is rumored to be making a comeback and attempting to resurface.

As someone who loves this school and everything it stands for, I can't help but wonder why this process even exists. If two people are having a good time at a party and decide to be affectionate, that is their business. Go nuts. The concern lies in why someone who is a complete stranger to this couple would feel the need to not only take a picture, but also tweet it on his or her personal account.

I recognize that these people are in public, but blasting their image to all of JMU seems like a

tremendous invasion of privacy. If a candid picture of you is tweeted, you cannot delete it. It spreads like wildfire and becomes unstoppable. Not to mention that if the subject of the photo isn't on the site, he or she may be completely unaware that hundreds of people have seen it.

I recognize that these people are in public, but blasting their image to all of JMU seems like a tremendous invasion of privacy. If a candid picture of yourself is tweeted, you cannot delete it.

To go even further, why would you want a photo of unfamiliar peers engaging in public sexual acts associated with your Twitter account? I am going to spare everyone the "your future employers will see this" speech, because that is not always true, but each tweet is still a personal representation.

My last point is a simple, "Who cares?" Why is it entertaining to see strangers drunkenly making out in public? Better yet, is this really something you want associated with a school that is handing you a degree? Regardless of my personal taste, I just urge others to have a good time themselves rather than snapping photos of others doing so.

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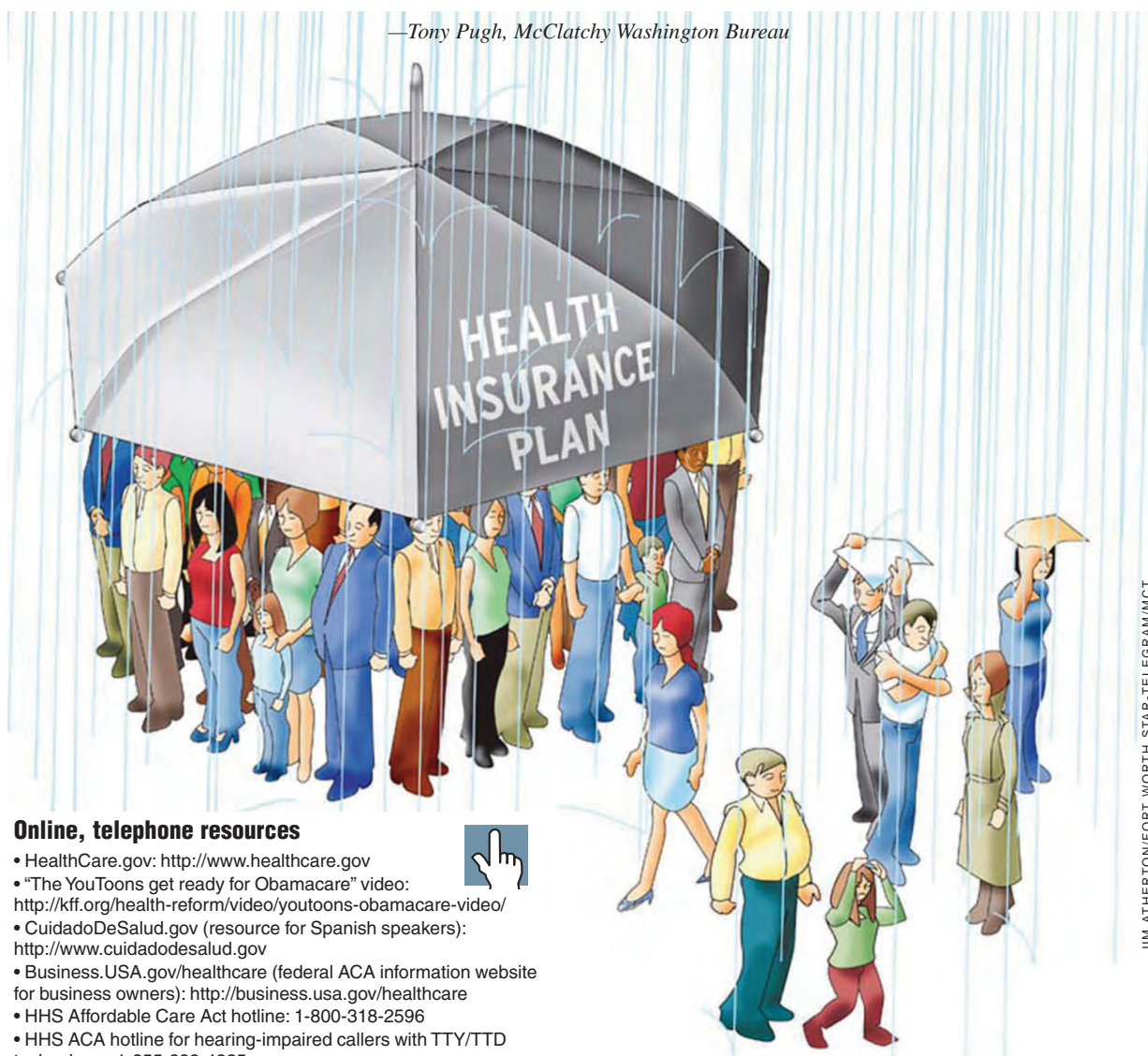
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Affordable Care Act explained

Compiled by MCT wire service

On Oct. 1, Americans could begin enrolling for health coverage on the new state insurance marketplaces. The Affordable Care Act becomes fully operational three months from now in 2014. That's when most people must have health insurance or face a fine for noncompliance. Most of the 260 million Americans with job-based, individual or government coverage probably have nothing to worry about. Students can also stay under their parent's coverage until they are 26. But if you're unsure — or among the nearly 49 million uninsured Americans — we've prepared a guide to bring you up to speed.

—Tony Pugh, McClatchy Washington Bureau



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INDIVIDUAL MANDATE

Beginning in 2014, the Affordable Care Act requires most individuals and their dependents to have health insurance or pay a penalty. Although a key factor in reducing the number of uninsured Americans, the mandate is the most unpopular part of the law. But it's necessary to make the law's insurance market reforms work properly. The ACA bars insurers in the individual and small-group markets from denying coverage to people with pre-existing health problems, charging higher premiums based on their health and placing annual and lifetime limits on covered benefits.

Without the individual mandate, these new consumer protections would cause sharper premium hikes because they would encourage older, sicker people to get coverage, while healthy people would wait until they get sick to buy insurance. The mandate is designed to discourage this behavior and promote a mix of healthy and less-healthy people to enroll for coverage.

That diversity of new enrollees is designed to help keep premium costs in check.

Do I have to buy coverage?

No if ...
... you have insurance through

- Your employer
- Medicaid or CHIP (Children's Health Insurance Program)
- Tricare or veteran's health program
- Medicare
- Private insurance you bought that's at least the bronze coverage level
- A grandfathered plan from before ACA was enacted

No if ...
... you're a member of one of the following exempt groups

- Part of religious group opposed to accepting health insurance benefits
- An undocumented immigrant
- In prison
- Part of an Indian tribe
- Too poor to file a tax return (\$10,000 single, \$20,000 family)
- Paying more than 8 percent of income for health insurance, minus employer contribution or tax credits

Penalties for the uninsured

	2014	2015	2016
Adult	\$95.00	\$125.00	\$195.00
Child	47.50	162.50	347.50
Family*	285.00	975.00	2,085.00

Penalties will increase yearly by cost-of-living adjustment after 2016

*Family penalty is whatever is greater: \$285 or 1 percent of family income for 2014; \$975 or 2 percent, 2015; \$2,085 or 2.5 percent, 2016

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MEDICAID EXPANSION

Hoping to reduce the ranks of nearly 49 million uninsured Americans, the Affordable Care Act allows states to expand the number of people eligible for Medicaid, the state/federal health insurance program for the poor and disabled. This so-called "Medicaid Expansion" will extend coverage in 2014 to an estimated 8 million nonelderly adults who earn up to 138 percent of the federal poverty level. That's about \$15,900 for an individual in 2013 or nearly \$32,500 for a family of four. The federal government has pledged to pay all medical costs for the newly eligible Medicaid enrollees in 2014, 2015 and 2016 and no less than 90 percent of their costs there-

Online, telephone resources

- HealthCare.gov: <http://www.healthcare.gov>
- "The YouToons get ready for Obamacare" video: <http://kff.org/health-reform/video/youtoons-obamacare-video/>
- CuidadoDeSalud.gov (resource for Spanish speakers): <http://www.cuidadodesalud.gov>
- Business.U.S.A.gov/healthcare (federal ACA information website for business owners): <http://business.usa.gov/healthcare>
- HHS Affordable Care Act hotline: 1-800-318-2596
- HHS ACA hotline for hearing-impaired callers with TTY/TTD technology: 1-855-889-4325

after. The June 2012 Supreme Court decision allows states to decide whether to participate in the Medicaid expansion. As of July 1, 23 states and the District of Columbia are moving forward with expansion, 21 states are not and six others are still debating the issue, according to the nonpartisan Kaiser Family Foundation, which studies health care issues.

INSURANCE MARKETPLACES

As part of broad changes to the way health insurance is bought and sold, the Affordable Care Act creates new online health insurance marketplaces where individual and small-group coverage can be purchased from qualified health plans. Each state will have a marketplace that will launch in October with open enrollment for coverage in 2014.

An estimated 7 million people will purchase insurance on the marketplaces between October and March 2014, according to the Congressional Budget Office.

The marketplaces will either be federally operated, state-run or administered jointly.

Marketplace plans will be divided into four categories based on the portion of medical expenses they cover: Bronze plans cover 60 percent; silver plans cover 70 percent; gold plans cover 80 percent and platinum plans cover 90 percent. Plan members pay the remaining portion.

The marketplaces will also offer "catastrophic coverage" for people under age 30 and those age 30 and over with low incomes who can't get affordable insurance or who have a hardship exemption from the individual mandate. Catastrophic plans protect against high medical costs from accidents or a major illness.

Small employers and their workers will also be able to purchase coverage through the marketplaces, using the Small Business Health Options Program, or SHOP. Some small employers with less than 25 workers will be eligible for a tax credit worth up to 50 percent of their premium contribution.

In states with federally-operated marketplaces, employers can only offer worker coverage through one SHOP plan in 2014, but multiple plans in 2015 and thereafter.

Help for the uninsured

In states that participate, more people will be covered by Medicaid, the state/federal health insurance for the poor and disabled

Policy by state

- Expanding
- Not expanding
- Debate ongoing

The annual income cutoff for Medicaid will rise to:

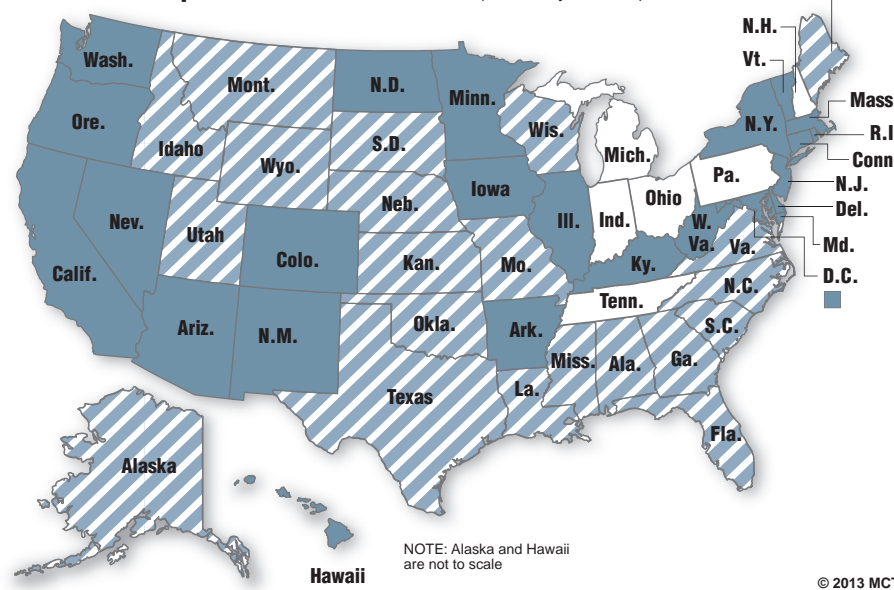
Individual \$15,900
Family (4) \$32,500

About 138 percent of the federal poverty level**

**Federal poverty level in 2013: individual, \$11,490; family (4), \$23,550

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Medicaid Expansion Where the states stand (as of July 1, 2013)



NOTE: Alaska and Hawaii are not to scale

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Essential health benefits

All insurance plans, both in and out of the marketplaces, must cover these 10 "essential health" benefits



- Ambulatory patient services
- Emergency services
- Hospitalization
- Maternity and newborn care
- Mental health services
- Prescription drugs
- Rehabilitation services
- Laboratory services
- Preventive and wellness care
- Pediatric services

Insurance industry reforms

Rules designed to make new policies more generous, affordable and transparent

Accessibility Guarantees access to individual coverage regardless of current or past health problems

Value of coverage Each plan must cover at least 60 percent of costs

Out-of-pocket limits Insurers must limit annual out-of-pocket costs such as co-pays, deductibles

Rating requirements Limits amount older plan members may be charged, no annual benefit-spending limits, rates can't vary based on gender, occupation or claims history

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families earning roughly between about \$23,550 and \$94,200 annually.

The amount of the tax credit is based on the price of the "benchmark plan," which is the second-lowest cost "silver" plan in your area.

INSURANCE MARKET CHANGES

The health care law engineers a complete makeover of individual and small group coverage next year through a series of changes designed to make newly issued policies more generous, accessible, affordable and transparent.

The individual, or "non-group," market has long been problematic for consumers. It's known for high customer dissatisfaction and turnover, high coverage denial rates, lean benefits and premiums subject to frequent increases.

The new rules guarantee access to individual and small-group coverage regardless of current or past health problems.

They also require each plan to cover at least 60 percent of medical costs, and limit annual out-of-pocket costs, like co-payments and deductibles. The new consumer protections also limit the amount that older plan members may be charged; outlaw annual benefit-spending limits; and no longer allow insurers to vary rates based on gender, occupation or medical claims history.

The law requires all individual and small-group health plans in 2014 to cover a list of "essential health benefits," including substance abuse services, pediatric dental and vision care, mental health treatment and others often excluded from current policies.

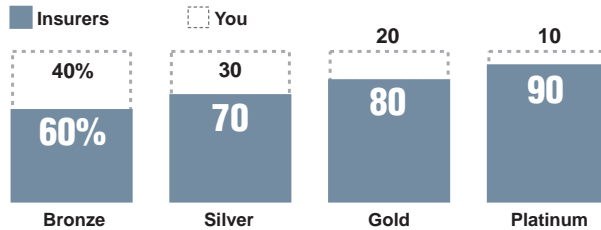
Just 15.4 million people purchase individual coverage, according to the Kaiser Family Foundation. But that number is expected to increase substantially next year, when premium tax credits become available to help people buy individual coverage through the new online insurance marketplaces in October. About 24.5 million people have small-group coverage through companies with 50 or fewer employees, according to federal estimates.

Insurance marketplace coverage

Who will use marketplaces? People purchasing individual and small-group coverage

How the coverage levels vary

Percent of health care costs covered by:



Catastrophic plans typically have lower premiums than a comprehensive plan, but individuals are usually responsible for initial health costs — often up to \$6,000 — before coverage kicks in. Tax credits cannot be used to purchase catastrophic coverage.

Source: Kaiser Family Foundation
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TAX CREDITS

Nearly 26 million low- and moderate-income people will be eligible for tax credits to help pay for coverage on the new marketplaces, according to Families USA, a nonpartisan patient advocacy group. The tax credits are structured to protect people from spending more than a set portion of their income on coverage. The amount of the tax credit depends on the applicant's income and the cost of coverage. The tax credits could range from a few hundred dollars to more than \$10,000. Low-

income people will get larger tax credits than those with higher incomes. The amount of the tax credit is revealed after submitting an online application through the marketplace. The money is sent directly to the applicant's insurance company to be applied to the premiums.

Individuals and families who earn between 100 percent to 400 percent of the federal poverty level will be eligible for the tax credits. In 2013, that would be individuals who earn roughly \$11,500 to \$46,000 annually, or four-person

Bringing the farm to you

Local vendors and farmers share their wares at film-and-food festival downtown



JULIAN PAUL / THE BREEZE

By HALEY MCDERMOTT
contributing writer

This Friday, Harrisonburg Downtown Renaissance will host the final night of its Downtown Film Series with Farm-to-Table Night. This event, held at the Turner Pavilion from 8 to 10 p.m., will include a fun, food-themed film night, with the addition of food served from local vendors and an array of items from local merchants.

"The Downtown Film Series is focused on bringing the community together to enjoy local entertainment and films," Nicole Martorana, promotions manager for Harrisonburg Downtown Renaissance, said.

Each event comprising the film series has a different theme.

"I was looking for a community event that would highlight the arts, culinary scene and local businesses," Martorana said.

The theme for this particular night of the series was created and inspired by the variety of different foods Harrisonburg has to offer.

"The Harrisonburg community has an incredibly diverse local food scene that is very focused on farm-to-table initiatives," Martorana said. "The Downtown Film Series seemed like the perfect way to highlight this."

This diversity will be represented throughout the night. Local food vendors will include Blue Nile, Grilled Cheese Mania and Strite's Donuts — all bringing favorites from their very different menus.

Grilled Cheese Mania, which has only been in the Harrisonburg area for a year, specializes in gourmet grilled cheeses and

sandwiches. Friday, it will be featuring some of their popular sandwiches that have become fan favorites over their soon-to-be year of existence, including the Triple Lindy, the Classic Johnny and the Mama Mania. The business has catered to a few events recently and are excited to take on this one as well.

"This event looks like it's going to have a lot of vendors and people involved," Kathleen Mania-Casey, owner of Grilled Cheese Mania, said. "We are definitely looking forward to being a part of it."

In addition to the food vendors, the pre-film entertainment of the night will include

"The Harrisonburg community has an incredibly diverse local food scene that is very focused on farm-to-table initiatives."

Nicole Martorana
Harrisonburg Downtown Renaissance

food tastings and demos from local farmers market vendors and chefs, selections from local merchants — including The Lady Jane, Larkin Arts and The Polished Lady — and many organizations and sponsors involved in the event, including the Friendly City Food Co-op, Harrisonburg Farmers Market and JMU's Cooking at Madison Club.

After this, the film portion of the night will begin. They will be airing a selection of short local

food films, which will include local food projects, organizations, farms and restaurants.

"The film series seemed like a great idea to get people more excited about eating locally and provide education about sustainable initiatives," Martorana said.

They hope that Farm-to-Table Night can spread this message in a fun way.

Students think that this event provides an opportunity to learn more about Harrisonburg.

"Most of us [students] stick to campus so this will allow us to branch out," Olivia Miller, a sophomore health sciences major who plans on attending on Friday said. "I feel like JMU students have a bad reputation with the Harrisonburg community so integrating into the community and having respect for it will be beneficial to both of us."

Overall, organizers of the event have been thrilled by the involvement of local residents, students, organizations and businesses that have supported the series and continue to look forward to this tomorrow's event.

Harrisonburg Downtown Renaissance hopes that this final night of the inaugural season of the Downtown Film Series will be a successful and fun night for all. With diverse meals from local vendors, merchants with a variety of items to consider and some short food-themed films, this event aims to reach a wide range of people.

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LifeSTYLE

By MARY KATE WHITE
The Breeze

JMU students express themselves through various styles of clothing. LifeStyle hopes to capture the unique people and looks that make our school such a beautiful place. Here's to you — the stylistas of JMU.

Zinnia Cantrell, 20
sophomore graphic design major

"I try to do, like, kind of 'upbeat punk,' I guess. I like to wear a lot of black and white, but I also like colors. I've tried to get more color in my wardrobe, but it's just so easy to just wear black and white all the time."



Glasses: For Eyes
Shirt: Walmart
Shorts: "They were Levis, I cut them off."
Shoes: Nikes, online
Shoe Wings: World of Mirth

Troy Gamboa, 18
freshman engineering major

"Well I don't really buy things retail, I usually just try to buy stuff on sale. Everything I'm wearing is at least 20 percent off. And I've been skating for a while, so skate definitely influences my style of clothes. I just wear whatever looks sweet."



Hat: The Berrics
Glasses: LensCrafters
Shirt: PacSun
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Senior shindig

Amy Proietti-Fox, a sophomore nursing major, dances with Dottie Randozzo at the eighth annual Senior Prom in the Festival Ballroom. Senior citizens from 14 retirement communities throughout Virginia danced as the JMU intergenerational jazz ensemble played classic jazz hits from singers like Ella Fitzgerald and Billie Holiday. The jazz ensemble is made up of students, professors and seniors who are invited to participate in the event. This year's prom was safari-themed, though past years' themes included Mardi Gras, Halloween and a luau.

The event was hosted by the Nursing Students Association and was funded by donations from Rockingham Memorial Hospital, Roberts Medical Center and the Student Government Association. Food was also provided by JMU Dining Services.

Farewell 'Breaking Bad'

AMC's hit drama wraps up leaving audience satisfied



COURTESY OF MCT CAMPUS

The cast of "Breaking Bad" poses backstage after the 65th Annual Primetime Emmy Awards, where the series earned two Emmy Awards: one for Outstanding Drama Series and one for Anna Gunn for Outstanding Supporting Actress in a Drama Series.

By SCOTT JOHNSON
The Breeze

Last Sunday, AMC's critically acclaimed series "Breaking Bad" ended with a peak viewership of 10.3 million viewers, tripling the number of last season's finale. The finale's reception was overwhelmingly positive, as nearly every fan of the show has talked about the series' five-year run paying off with a complete and emotionally-powerful ending. It will join the ranks of other incredible television shows such as "The Wire," "The Shield" and "The Sopranos."

Isn't it odd that all of these programs have a theme of crime and morally questionable characters? The biggest concern I hear with fans of the show is how much you can sympathize with Walter White despite every terrible and selfish decision he's made. Is it because the story of a chemistry-teacher-turned-meth kingpin is so compelling? Does that say something about the viewers or just the quality of the show itself?

There is a psychological reason why we can still watch the atrocities in this show and sympathize with the characters. It actually relates to the craftsmanship of the show. In an interview with NPR, Joseph Magliano, a psychologist from Northern Illinois University, said, "We're able to recognize a large variety of emotions from subtle facial expressions."

The way that "Breaking Bad" portrays intense feelings with strong camera work and tells the story through actions more than dialogue makes it such a strong show. Magliano goes on to credit Bryan Cranston's acting as the reason we feel for his character so much. "He is a master at controlling his facial expressions and showing a complexity of emotions."

The characters all have reasons why we can support them or at least understand why they are in their situation. You care for Jesse Pinkman because he had the potential to not be involved in drugs. You care for DEA Agent Hank Schrader, as his investment into the "Heisenberg" case causes so much tension at his job and at home. You can even understand true villains like Gustavo Fring for their backstory and strangely compelling demeanors.

It speaks volumes that everything from the acting, direction, writing, cinematography and editing has created a show of such high caliber. Even though "Breaking Bad" didn't win as many Emmys as expected this year, it did win two notable awards the show has never earned before: Best Supporting Actress in a Drama (Anna Gunn as Skylar White) and Best Drama Series.

In an interview with Vulture, Breaking Bad creator Vince Gilligan said, "I think Netflix kept us on the air. Not only are we standing up here [with the Emmy], I don't think

our show would have even lasted beyond season two ... It's a new era in television, and we've been very fortunate to reap the benefits."

"Breaking Bad" likely earned enough success by being partnered with AMC's other critically praised show, "Mad Men."

What's ironic is how the show's success correlates to "Dexter," a show that set the mold for having a unique, villainous protagonist. As strong as the show started, it began floundering around 2010 when "Dexter" changed executive producers. The series ended a week before "Breaking Bad" did, and the fan reaction has been so negative that it could harm the legacy of the series as a whole. Many people were unsettled that the writers treated Dexter as a hero and did not punish him for his crimes. "Breaking Bad" always took the time to explore the consequences of every character.

"Breaking Bad" has made for an incredible television show for being so stylized, smart and detailed. It is a show that rewards the viewer for being invested and taking the time to analyze the deeper meanings in the show's symbolism and plotting. Thank you Gilligan, for giving us a program that has set the bar for what a crime drama needs to be.

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VASSAR | 'Just love what you do ... it's that simple.'



COURTESY OF GREG DUVAL

Phil Vassar (right) and friend Greg Duvall eat dinner together at JMU in 1982.

from front

Vassar left JMU early for Nashville in 1985 to pursue a music career. "It was in Phil's best interest for what he wanted to do. He was a business major with a music industry concentration ... and we can get selfish with wanting people to stay around, but it was in his best interest," Walton said.

His success certainly was not overnight. He began with playing in small clubs and bars in Nashville before being signed to his first record label, Arista Nashville, in 1999. His self-titled debut album was released in 2000 and his debut single "Carlene" peaked at No. 5 on the Billboard country music charts.

Vassar made his break by writing for numerous country stars, including Tim McGraw, Kenny Chesney and Alan Jackson.

Even though Vassar has topped the charts, released eight albums and won numerous awards, including ASCAP Songwriter of the Year twice and Billboard Country Songwriter of the Year, Vassar has never forgotten his love for JMU.

"It's a great place — and I tell you — you'll always love it and enjoy coming back," Vassar said. "I just can't wait. I'm so excited to get back up there."

Vassar performed a concert at the opening of the Forbes Center for the Performing Arts in 2010 and will return for two shows during Family Weekend.

"I love it. I love the energy," Vassar said. "Playing at colleges is exciting anyway but playing at your own college is really exciting. To see all of you guys in the middle of it brings back a lot of memories. It's really, really cool."

Vassar's work ethic is evident in his songwriting.

"I like to sit down with a blank sheet of paper and by the end of the day, having something on it," Vassar said. "Everybody goes, 'What makes a good song?' I think what it is, is just that it makes somebody feel emotional. Whether it makes them want to go drink a beer or go be with their girlfriend or whatever. I think if it evokes some sort of emotion, that means you did a good job."

After breaking into the country music scene in Nashville in the early 2000s, Vassar spent the next couple of years bouncing between labels before creating his own, Rodeowave Entertainment, where he continues to write and record his own music.

"It's just a little more liberating for me. I don't care about selling 10 million records, I just want to own my own content and just enjoy what I do," Vassar said.

Just like his love for JMU, Vassar's love for his hometown still runs strong. He holds two annual concerts and an annual golf tournament in his hometown and donates all of the proceeds to the Miller Home, a shelter that cares for girls aged 4 to 21 while providing a family-like atmosphere in Lynchburg.

"He really takes it on as a mission. It's not just something that fills his calendar; it really is something he's connected to and he wants to make a positive difference here," Stacy Garrett, director of the Miller Home, said. "He calls and checks on the girls, he tries to come and visit them when he's in the area, and it really is something he strives to make a difference with."

Vassar strives to make a difference wherever he goes, and will hold a free master class in the Wilson Hall Auditorium for students on Friday, October 4th from 1:30-2:45 p.m. Tickets for his shows start at \$35 and are still available through the Forbes Center website, at the box office, or by phone.

"JMU is such a great place to start," Vassar said. He stresses that students should love whatever it is they do and strive to be the best at it.

"There's so many things to do out there in the world, whether it's music, finance — or maybe you build cabinets, I don't know what you do. Just love what you do and try to be the best at it," Vassar said. "It's that simple."

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Francona still kicking

Former Red Sox manager seeing success in Cleveland

In Tito we trust. It's a philosophy that the Cleveland Indians adopted from day one as Terry Francona yet again bent the bill of a fresh cap and filled his mouth with chew, assuming managerial roles for the organization. Besides, who wouldn't trust a man who's 8-0 in the World Series?

On Sept. 29, 2011, the Red Sox, under Francona, capped off their 7-20 September collapse, missing the postseason for the second straight year. Francona had lost



all control of the clubhouse. His laid back coaching style couldn't sustain with a bunch of egotistical-

ly driven players who no longer cared to win as a unit.

Just two days later, Francona and the Red Sox parted ways. Then came the infamous 'chicken & beer' saga that pinned the historical collapse on the clubhouse presence of alcohol, video games and chicken whose saturated fat figuratively ate away at the team chemistry that dreaded September.

Francona tried to put all of that in the past and went to work for ESPN as an analyst. Bobby Valentine left the network for the Red Sox managerial position. Ironically, ESPN and the Red Sox made a trade. Valentine went on to lead a 93-loss team that burned the retina upon sight. He was immediately fired following the regular season.

Francona served as a scapegoat for the Sox. The front office needed someone to blame outside of themselves. A man who in eight years brought two World Series titles to a town that previously hadn't seen one since 1918 had been excommunicated indefinitely.

Francona's time at ESPN was mundane at best. Every game he called, you could sense the agony in his voice that he wasn't out there making decisions, coaching a team. When asked one time during a telecast what he missed most, Francona replied with chewing tobacco.

Needless to say, I was ecstatic when the Indians announced his hire this past offseason. All Sox fans were now pulling for his success even for a team in the same league.

Although the term gets used rather loosely now, Tito is a true "baseball guy." Someone who wakes up every morning and just breathes it.

In just one year in Cleveland, Francona has done exactly what he did in Boston: quietly managing a team back into postseason shape. He's restoring the '95-'99 Tribe glory years back into Progressive Field.

He battled attendance woes and a non-Boston-like lineup for most of the season, but was able to crank out 92 regular season wins, the most for Cleveland since '07: the last time they made it to the postseason under Eric Wedge.

Nick Swisher, who was acquired in the offseason, said he has never had more fun as a player until this season. This guy spent five years with the none other than the Yankees, winning a world title in '09.

So how exactly did Francona fare this September, you ask? Oh, his Indians went 21-6, finishing the season on a 10-game winning streak that bolted them into the top wild card spot in the American League and into the postseason.

Baseball has always been about tradition. Some things are just meant to happen. It was meant for the Pirates to win Tuesday night. On top of that, it was meant for Francona to return to baseball. It's good for his health and it's better for the health of the game. Earlier this week, when a reporter inquired how the Indians succeeded in September, Francona responded, "we stayed away from beer and chicken."

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FOOTBALL (3-2)

Finding the 'killer instinct'

Matthews hopes team can get better at finishing games



LAUREN GORDON / THE BREEZE

TOP Redshirt senior linebacker Stephon Robertson leads JMU with 61 tackles and was named CAA Defensive Player of the Week twice in a row. **BOTTOM** Sophomore quarterback Michael Birdsong was 19-35 for 292 yards, two touchdowns and one interception in Saturday's loss at Delaware.

By **CONNOR DREW**
The Breeze

Finish the job. Go hard for four quarters. Play until the final whistle.

These sports clichés are used in locker rooms across the country. But for JMU, the second halves of games have created some problems this season. Since the remainder of the season will be played against conference opponents, that spells trouble.

"We've got to be able to develop more of a killer instinct with our football team," said head coach Mickey Matthews. "We didn't have that killer instinct to knock [the University of Delaware] out. That's concerning."

The Dukes (3-2, 0-1) are coming off a 29-22 loss to the Blue Hens (4-1, 1-0) after leading 19-7 at halftime. Because of the loss, JMU fell seven spots in the NCAA Coaches Poll, from 14th to 21st.

The loss brought back bad memories for Coach Matthews of the loss against the University of Akron earlier this season, where sloppy play in the second half also led to a disappointing defeat.

"We had a chance to knock Akron out," Matthews said, "[Delaware and Akron] are the best two teams we've played. Arguably, we outplayed them in better areas ... when you see blood in the water, you've got to go."

With University at Albany (1-4, 0-1), which is in its first season as a member of the Colonial Athletic Association, coming into town this Saturday, the Dukes are hoping to continue to find their offensive style, which has become largely predicated on the running game led by redshirt senior running back Dae'Quan Scott.

The Dukes have seemed to rely on the run more each week. Despite the apparent change in philosophy, the coaching staff and players alike believe that balance is the key to success for the offense.

"It's going to be 50/50," Scott said about the balance of running and passing plays. "Coach told us that if he had a choice and could ask God before the game to make any game plan that it would be 50/50. So it will be 50/50 on Saturday."

Balanced offense or not, Scott looks to have a field day against an Albany defense that allowed 224 rushing yards and seven rushing touchdowns in a 66-10 loss against Old Dominion University last weekend. Scott currently ranks seventh in the FCS with 644 rushing yards and is on pace for 1,545 this season, which would top his career

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PLAYERS TO WATCH

The kicking unit – The blocked punt by Delaware that led to a touchdown still has coach Matthews steaming. Many of the punts by JMU have gone for under 40 yards with many going out of bounds, including the opening kickoff to the Delaware game. And when redshirt sophomore kicker Connor Arnone finally got off a kick of over 60 yards, it was called back due to a false start. Field position is critical and the punting unit needs to do a better job of putting the defense in a better position to stop the opposing offense.

CLUB SWIMMING

Completely submerged

Club swimming stays active with social events outside the pool

By **GAVIN HOLDGREIWE**
The Breeze

Swimming may be a primarily individual sport, but the JMU club swimming executive board has a strong desire to build a sense of family this year.

Senior communication studies and justice studies double major Katherine Leeds, the team's vice president, has planned events to begin their team building this semester.

"I had a freshman come up to me after and said that after the cookout and everything, she and her friend had talked about it and decided club swimming was the best decision they had made so far at JMU," Leeds said.

From practicing, to eating, to working together, the team is always active socially.

"If you're ever at E-Hall you can find just a group of us there pretty much every night," Leeds said.

Senior math major Katie O'Brien, the club president, cites improved relations between new and old members as a key to their family environment. In her four years, the team has started a sharks and minnows program, similar to the bigs and littles that Greek organizations use.

"When I've talked to people on other clubs, or even friends on a club team at another school, even they say, 'You guys seem so close. You seem like you are such good friends,'" Leeds said. "For my friend to have noticed that, just seeing us one time at a meet, I think we do have a lot more sense of community and closeness than a lot of other teams, which I'm thankful for."

The team does several service and fundraising projects to build community, such as helping with UPB's Late Night Breakfast, working football



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Club swimming begins its season with a meet at the University of Maryland on Oct. 20. Away from practice and competition, the team does several social events from cookouts to working concessions at football games.

concessions, volunteering at Sunnyside Retirement Community and participating in Relay for Life.

But some of the best connections are made through swim meets.

"We go to a meet as a team and sometimes we'll stay at a hotel," Lars Kroner, a senior health sciences major, said. "That's where a lot of the bonding happens because you're stuck in the car with somebody or everybody's in the hotel room. Sometimes it's with people you don't know, but it's kind of a good way to meet people."

Club swimming is preparing for its first meet on Oct. 20 at the University of Maryland. They're also

preparing to host their own swim meet in Godwin Hall in the spring. O'Brien said they usually get seven to 10 teams from Virginia, North Carolina, Maryland and sometimes Pennsylvania to come to their annual meet.

"The team won three meets last season. "As a team we do really well," Leeds said. "There's a lot of meets we get first for boys and girls — first or second. We've won meets as a whole quite a few times."

In preparation for competition, the team

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FOOTBALL | Face 1-4 Albany Sat



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The offensive line allowed four sacks for a total loss of 22 yards in Saturday's 29-22 loss at Delaware.

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high of 1,304.

With all of this success running the ball early in the season, CAA opponents have certainly been drawing up game plans designed to shut down Scott and force JMU to rely solely on the passing game, similar to what Delaware tried this past weekend. This intense focus on the run is worrisome, but Matthews thinks that Scott and the offensive line can hold their own against opposing defenses.

"[Offensive line coach Curt Newsome] is the best coach in America," Matthews said. "His guys are going to respond [to the pressure]. They're going to play better for the rest of the season. They're good players. They're not the reason that we

lost that game."

Scott may be the most watched player on the offensive side of the ball this season, but on the defensive side, red-shirt senior linebacker Stephon Robertson is receiving his own accolades.

He was named the CAA Defensive Player of the Week for the second week in a row and is coming off a career high in tackles (16), tackles for a loss (4.5) and an interception against Delaware. Robertson stands as a frontrunner for the Buck Buchanan award, given to the most outstanding defensive player in the FCS.

Even with all of the hype and all of the attention thrown onto him on and off the field, Robertson says that he's simply cherishing his senior year playing the game that he loves.

"I'm just having fun and I'm just appreciative of the game right now," Robertson said. "The reason that I'm playing so well right now is because my defensive line is playing really, really well. I feel like there's more of a togetherness with this defense and we're all just close ... it's helping me play a lot better."

The Great Danes will be the first day game for JMU, with a 1 p.m. start at Bridgeforth Stadium where JMU hopes to continue their undefeated home record. It will be close to a sell-out crowd with families coming to town for Family Weekend; student tickets are already almost gone.

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FRANCONA | Indians are back



COURTESY OF MCT CAMPUS

Terry Francona has the Cleveland Indians in the playoffs after his firing from the Red Sox in 2011.

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Because when you take your team to the postseason in your first year there, you're allowed a verbal buffer zone.

Earlier this year in his return to Fenway Park, Francona got yet another standing ovation by Sox fans, just like he's gotten so many times prior. This time, however he received it from the visitors dugout. It's not a Cinderella

story by any means, but it's one to note. Boston loves Tito and always will, but he's Cleveland's now, and I am hopeful that it stays that way for a long time.

People say that Wednesday's wild card game in Cleveland was the best thing to happen to the city since LeBron James. Let's revisit how we got there, Clevelanders. The best thing to happen to your city since King James

was employing Terry Francona in October of 2012 to manage your Indians.

Sometime this offseason, Tito's going to invite the Indians over to his house for some chicken and Playstation, maybe even some beer for good times sake.

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Dukes take first

Golf shoots 851 to win tournament in Williamsburg



COURTESY OF JMU ATHLETICS

Junior Trey Smith was one of four Dukes in the top seven at the Joe Agee Invitational Tuesday.

The men's golf team finished one shot ahead of Towson University to win the 2013 Joe Agee Invitational, held Sept. 30 - Oct. 1 at the Williamsburg Country Club.

JMU finished the 54-hole tournament with a 1-under 851 after posting a 1-under 283 in the final round to hold on to its lead. Individually, four Dukes finished in the top seven, headed by junior Jon Weiss.

Weiss came away with a 2-under 211 to come in fourth place. Right behind him in a tie for fifth, freshman Ryan Cole and junior Trey Smith both finished with an even-par 213.

In a tie for seventh, freshman Poom Pattaropong came in with a 1-over 214.

Next up for the Dukes is the Donald Ross Intercollegiate at Mimosa Hills Country Club in Morganton, N.C. on Oct. 14-15.

-staff report

SWIMMING | 'People make it great'

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practices every weekday at UREC and each practice is led by an executive member.

"Each of the exec members usually gets a day of the week, so I'm Mondays," Kroner said. "At first it was kind of intimidating... Planning a practice is like 'What do I do?' I'm telling everybody to do something ... It's definitely intimidating at first leading everybody but everybody usually listens to you. It's great to get suggestions from people too."

The pool is packed at the first practice with new and old members. UREC gives the team four

lanes to practice in, which often leads to overcrowding. More than a dozen people can be in one lane at any time, but there are benefits to having so many people.

There are 120 people on the team's active roster.

"A big thing is because we don't have tryouts, we kind of get all kinds of people," Kroner said. "I think that's really cool because I know some [club] teams have cutoffs and our team is very big. So you have this huge group that, sometimes is overwhelming too because there are so many people to get to know. But at the same time, I think that

helps because you have so many people to be friends with."

Leeds, O'Brien and Kroner have all been on the team since freshman year and have formed lasting relationships with teammates.

"The people here are my family away from my family at home," Leeds said. "They've become some of my best friends here. I like sticking with the swimming and swimming competitively still, but the people are really what make it great."

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NATION | 'Can't run from impact'

from front

violation, but the punishment could fit the crime. Coach Brady doesn't want people to make assumptions.

"I wouldn't want anyone drawing any conclusions from that," he said. "But what I will say is that he's immature and he's made some mistakes that aren't helpful."

The handbook also states that said athlete may not travel with the team and "may not participate in any game day activities" but "may still practice and attend strength/conditioning sessions with the team."

Brady said that Nation may

practice with the team during the suspension, but he currently isn't partaking in practice.

In the meantime, Brady and the staff need to fill a hole in their roster.

"So we are actively looking at one walk-on," Brady said. "I'm not ready at this time to say who it is, but we may keep one guy."

He said a decision is likely to be made by the end of the week. The walk-on would practice with the team for the entire season and presumably wouldn't directly fill Nation's void. Instead he would serve as roster depth. Redshirt junior Christian Pierce is the team's only current walk-on.

Nation is eligible to return to the team on Jan. 7 when the team faces Colonial Athletic Association newcomer the College of Charleston for the first time on the road. With a road-heavy non-conference schedule, Nation will only miss three home games, including an exhibition.

Until his return, Brady is hopeful Nation can learn from his mistakes, but can't deny the resounding impact this brings to his staff.

"He can't run from the impact that this has had," he said.

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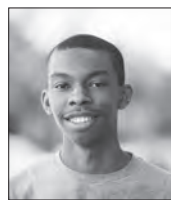


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High hopes for UREC team-building course

A new high-ropes course has been on the books for UREC for many years, and after a few late summer delays, one has finally opened. This newest addition to University Park is the largest of its kind with 10 high elements, can accommodate groups of up to 200 and can take eight hours to fully complete.

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Purple and gold times **two**

JMU student welcomes her Albany family to Harrisonburg for Family Weekend rivalry



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By **LAUREN HUNT**
contributing writer

Bridgeforth Stadium will be filled with purple and gold on Family Weekend, but not all of it will be from JMU students and their families. Fans of JMU's competition, the University of Albany, will also be decked out in purple and gold to support their school.

"I was born in Albany, but I'm rooting for JMU because it's my school," Sierra Stevens, a sophomore communication sciences and disorders major, said.

Sierra's father, John Stevens, attended the University of Albany and graduated in 1993. He plans on attending the game this weekend.

"He's actually excited to come here and watch it. He thinks it will be good fun," Sierra said. "Family rivalries are the best."

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ALBANY | This 'house divided' won't be as divided as expected

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John finds it ironic that JMU will be facing Albany on Family Weekend.

"There's a little bit of symbolism," John said. "I didn't know this when Sierra had accepted to go to school there, it dawned on me that the colors are the same. We're purple and gold ... [JMU's] colors. And the mascots are both dogs. We're the Albany Great Danes."

John played football in high school and had gone to college to play football, but once at Albany he decided not to join the team.

"It wasn't a big time program at the time, so I kind of lost interest in college football."

Albany has since turned its program around, even becoming the Northeast Conference champions in 2012, which seems promising for a good game this Saturday. The school joined the Colonial Athletic Association this year, opening the door for the purple-and-gold showdown.

It was a toss up as to whether John would stay true to his alma mater or his daughter.

"I really have no say," Patty Stevens, Sierra's

mom, said. "But I'll be rooting for JMU."

It all came down to the verdict from John, but he surprised everyone by saying that he will be wearing purple and gold for JMU, despite being an alumnus of Albany. It turns out this house divided won't be as divided as expected.

Although the Stevens will be rooting for the Dukes, John says he cannot help but be a little nostalgic about seeing Albany play again.

"Even though I didn't think much of Albany football back in the day or the years to follow, you get more nostalgic as you get older," John said. "As the years went by I got more into SUNY Albany sports. I became a fan of theirs on Facebook and I'm able to follow their standings and root for them even though I'm not there."

Outside of football, John and Patty's decision to support the Dukes over the Danes becomes even more surprising considering their history with the area and the school.

"I think it's hard not to become nostalgic when I think of Albany because that's where we lived when we first got married and that's



COURTESY OF SIERRA STEVENS

Sierra Stevens and her father, John, show off their JMU pride together, despite John's ties to Albany.

where our first two children were born, including our oldest who is now at JMU," John said. "So when I think of Albany and my start of my family it's hard not to think of SUNY Albany. That's what took me there."

Whether or not it's for JMU or Albany,

there's no doubt the stadium will be filled with purple and gold on Family Weekend as the Dukes take on the Great Danes Saturday.

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Ladder Golf

Equipment: two ladders and six bolas (two balls connected by a string).



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This game is played with two players or two teams of players. The two ladders must be set behind the toss line, 15 feet from each ladder. Each player takes turns tossing each of their three bolas toward the ladder with the intent of wrapping bolas around the rungs. The number of bolas on each rung at the end of the game are counted to find the score. The bottom rung is worth one point, the middle is two points and the top is worth three points. Players can earn an extra point if all three bolas land on the same rung or are hung from all three rungs in one round. Bolas knocked off during play cannot be counted, so knocking off an opposing player's bolas is a key defensive move. The first player to receive 21 points is the winner.

Tip: Distracting your opponent is not only allowed but encouraged, so use all your hootin' and hollerin' to prevent other players from focusing on their toss.

Cornhole

Equipment needed: two cornhole platforms (raised wooden boards with a hole in the far end) and two sets of four bean bags.

Two players (or two teams of two players) face each other while standing next to a cornhole platform. The platforms should be placed about 24 to 30 feet from each other and the bottom of each platform is considered the foul line. Each player takes turns tossing bean bags underhand toward the opposite platform without stepping over the foul line. If player tosses the bean bag and it lands inside the platform's hole (a move known as corn bag in-the-hole), the player is awarded three points. If the tossed bean bag lands and rests on any part of the platform (corn bag in-the-count), the player is awarded one point. Any bean bag that touches the ground before landing in the hole or on the platform is out-of-the-count and is considered a foul. At the end of each inning (or after each player has thrown all four bags), each player's points are added up and the opposing teams' points are subtracted from each other.



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Tip: Don't be afraid of the slide: A toss with a smooth arc is important, but leaving room for your bag to slide across the platform is essential to success.

Jenga



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Equipment needed: a giant Jenga set or 54 wooden blocks cut to the same size from 2x4 pieces of lumber.

Lay three blocks on the ground so their sides are touching and they are parallel to each other. Lay three more blocks in the same fashion on top of the first three, but turned the opposite way at a right angle. Continue this alternating pattern until all the blocks have been laid on top of each other in sets of threes to create a tower of criss-crossed blocks. Each player takes a turn carefully removing a wooden block with only one hand while avoiding the disruption of any surrounding blocks. After removing it, the same player places that block on top of the tower. Seem easy enough? Once enough blocks have been moved, the tower will become increasingly unsteady. Don't be the person who removes the block that causes the tower to fall because the last person to successfully remove and replace a block without causing the tower to crumble is the winner.

Tip: Look which way the tower is leaning once you remove your block and stack it on top of the tower on the opposite side to make the tower stable for your next turn.

21+

Stump

Equipment needed: a flat log stump, as many nails as there are players, a hammer and an alcoholic beverage.



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Place the log stump on a stand or on the ground and lightly hammer one nail per player into the top of the stump. Players should stand in a circle around the stump in front of their nails. Each takes a turn throwing the hammer in a full 360-degree rotation and, after catching the hammer only after it has made a full circle in the air, the player attempts to hit another player's nail on the head in a fluid motion without hesitation. If the player hits an opposing player's nail, the opposing player must drink from an alcoholic beverage for a specified amount of time. If a player drops the hammer while twirling it, he or she must take a sip. When a player's nail head is hit and any part goes beneath the surface of the stump, that player is eliminated. The last player whose nail head is still above the stump's surface is the winner.

Tip: If you see sparks when a hammer hits a nail, yell "Spaaks!" This tradition is most likely derived from the game's New England origins.

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JMU hopes to set the tone of Family Weekend with a beautiful university



JMU dyes Newman Lake four to five times a year to manage algae growth. The dye is responsible for the lake's change in color.

By **ERIC GRAVES**
The Breeze

It's no surprise that Family Weekend is one of the busiest weekends at JMU, and the university does a lot to prepare for the visitors.

Steve Smith, associate vice president of the Office of Constituent Relations said that the quality of Family Weekend events improve each year. The office of constituent relations is responsible for organizing the majority of Family Weekend.

"We're very concerned with rolling out the purple carpet," Smith said. "We've done these events for many, many years. We try to add something new and take away things that maybe aren't working the way we want them to."

Smith also said that there is a lot of programming that goes into preparing for the events and making JMU look as nice as possible.

"[Facilities Management] are people who really pour their hearts and souls into JMU," Smith said. "I used to tell my parents that they planted this nice shrubbery during the [Family Weekend] and then took them up after they left. That's not the case anymore."

Smith has been working at JMU since 1973. According to Smith, Facilities Management takes care of the plants on campus year round.

Christine Farmer, a senior psychology major, thinks JMU might be trying too hard.

"Parents come up here whether it's [Family Weekend] or not," Farmer said.

She explained that the way parents see the campus is the way it is year round and all they need is touch-ups to make it perfect.

Farmer said she has noticed cleaner mowing lines and nicer looking flags along the Quad. She also thinks that JMU has cleaned up and looks nicer than it did her freshman year.

According to Bill Wyatt, associate director of communications and deputy university spokesperson, the lake is dyed by Facilities Management around four to five times a year. The dye acts as an algae suppressant in the water.

All JMU staff plays a part in getting campus ready for students and their families.

Angela Ritchie, marketing manager for JMU Dining Services, said that Family Weekend requires a full staff to cater to all the visitors on campus.

"A lot of planning goes into making sure everyone has a wonderful experience during Family Weekend," Ritchie said. "In addition to all of our regular weekend services, we offer several special events for our students and their families to enjoy."

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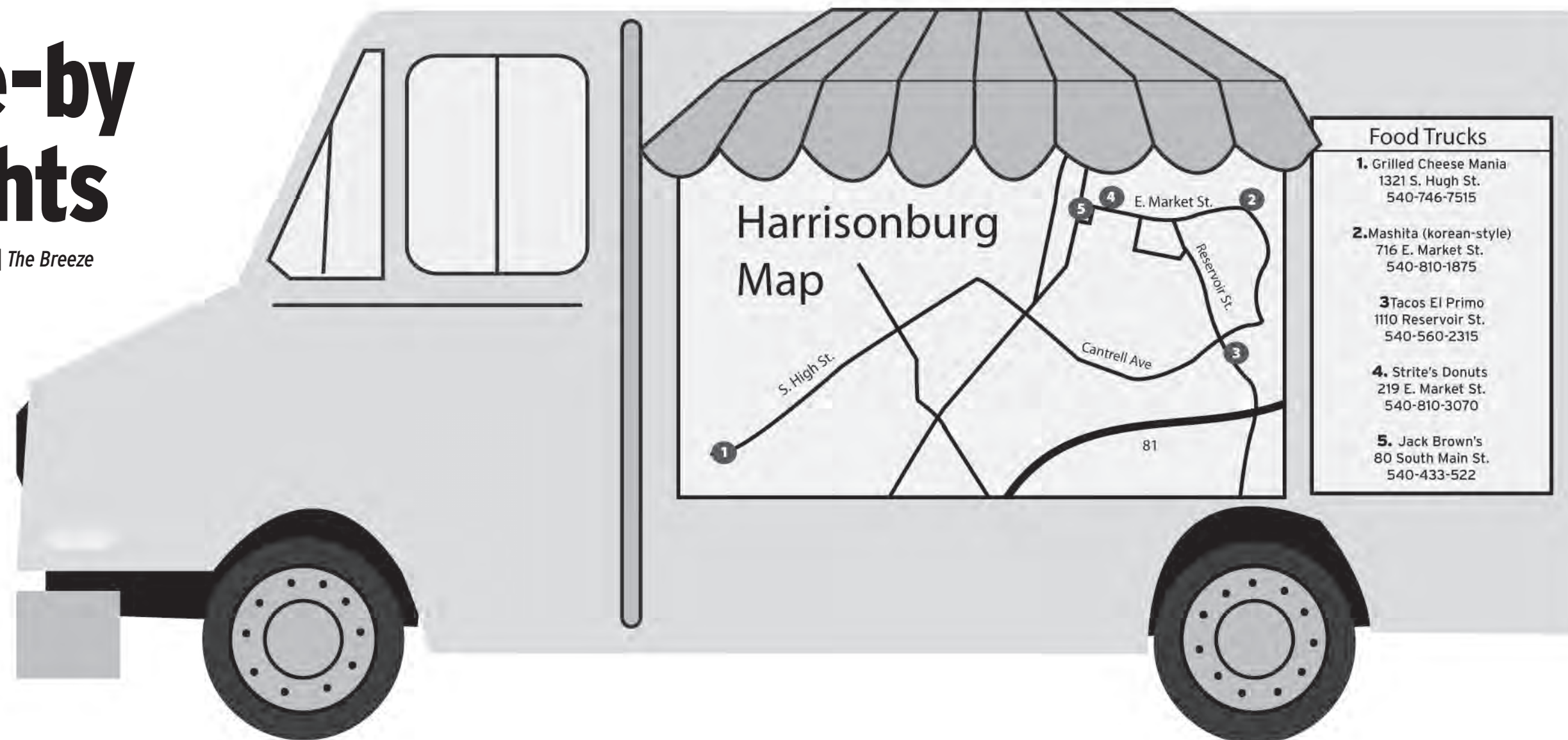
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Drive-by delights

By Hayley Thompson | *The Breeze*



Skip the wait at the restaurant and try one of Harrisonburg's staple food trucks. These quick dining options don't offer call-ahead seating, but they offer delicious fare served outside in the beautiful Valley weather.

Grilled Cheese Mania *Best Meal*

Easily Harrisonburg's most acclaimed food truck, Grilled Cheese Mania is as close to mom's rainy day special as it gets. That is, if mom made you grilled cheese with mozzarella, pesto, tomatoes and sriracha sauce on a perfectly toasted torta roll. Grilled cheese may be a simple concept, but the mother and daughter duo behind Grilled Cheese Mania take it to a new, gourmet level.

This truck has something for everyone in the family, too. The Casey Snowcap, a roast beef and mozzarella cheese on a garlic butter baguette creation, is perfect for dad. For the youngsters, the Classic Johnny is made on white country bread with butter and their choice of cheeses. There's a cheddar, colby and monterey jack sandwich on sourdough bread with baby spinach and bacon crumbles that

pairs perfectly with the fresh-squeezed limeade, available, literally, by the bucket. It only comes in a 32-ounce size, which sounds like enough to share but I promise you, it's not. It was so delicious I finished it before my sandwich and almost ordered another.

In addition to the expected grilled-cheese fare, these women serve mac and cheese so popular it often sells out, vegetarian chili and tomato soup. The tomato soup is even available as a shot — I mean, this is a college town.

For the love of cheese and a menu that appeals to all appetites, Grilled Cheese Mania is the best quick stop in the 'Burg for Family Weekend. Visit grilledcheesemaniac.com to see the full menu.

Mashita *Best Snacks*

Mashita, which means "delicious" in Korean, is a newcomer to the Harrisonburg food-truck scene, but in the three weeks that they have been open, they've already made a name for themselves. New to the 'burg, Mashita has a Korean barbecue-inspired menu, but with a fresh, definitively American twist. They offer two entrees: ho-pang and ssam. Ho-pang is a bun stuffed with specialty meats and sauces. Ssam is like a lettuce wrap, but it's all served family style for customers to make themselves. Diners have the choice of slow-braised pork or chicken, or beef bulgogi, a thin-sliced sweet and savory beef. Mashita also carries three sauces, sweet soy, spicy gochujang and sweet and spicy Mashita sauce.

The seasoned bean sprouts were a great side with my pork and chicken ho-pang, but for the

more adventurous, Mashita also offers their quick-pickle kimchi. If neither of those suit you, they also have plain steamed white rice.

Personally, I thought that Mashita was a great change of pace and very, very delicious. What killed me was the price tag. It cost me eight dollars for two small ho-pang buns and the bean sprouts. I also ordered one of the desserts, which were steamed versions of mini cinnamon rolls, and those were another two dollars. I would definitely suggest Mashita, but maybe just as a snack; the portions are small and a full meal may break the bank.

However, because the owners' focus is on fresh ingredients, Mashita has enough of an American influence that it is a safe stop for families, even with little kids. A good portion of the menu is gluten-free, too. Visit eatmashita.com for more info and to see the full menu.

Strite's Donuts *Guilty Pleasure*

This truck is mobile and unlike the others mentioned here, only visits Harrisonburg a few times a week. Parents, if you are lucky enough to be in town today, head to the old Liberty gas station downtown to get yourselves some fresh made Mennonite doughnuts. Available in three flavors, glazed, cinnamon sugar and jelly-filled, the doughnuts are made on the spot, and the demand is so high, that even on a

Tacos El Primo *Best Street Food*

This mecca of Harrisonburg food trucks was not only one of the first, but really started the trend with JMU students. When I was a freshman three years ago, it was not uncommon to walk from Shenandoah Hall down Reservoir to get one of these spicy, slightly mushy, \$5 burritos.

I have to say upfront, Tacos El Primo is not for the weak of stomach. The meats range from shredded chicken to spicy Mexican chorizo, and the

Jack Brown's *All-American Crowd Pleaser*

These Kobe beef quarter pound burgers are hands down the greatest in the 'Burg. These masterpieces are topped with thirteen unique combinations of dips, other meats, peppers and even pasta. Yes, a pasta-topped burger. Fridays, JB's — as it is informally known by locals — serves up what they have coined The Greg Brady, a burger topped with creamy mac and cheese and Martin's barbecue-flavored chips. There are certain types of burgers customers can get any day of the week, and some that are only available on certain days, like The Greg Brady. Luckily for Family Weekend travelers, Saturday is the best day of the week at JB's: freestyle day. Each Saturday is a new creation, so there's no telling what the JB staff will be serving up next. Jack Brown's other claim to fame is their extensive beer list. With new ones on tap every day

cold Valley morning, the beautiful fluffy pastries are sold and gone before they even cool down.

What sets these doughnuts apart is in the batter. Light and fluffy like any good doughnuts, Strite's are substantial to the point that they are also dense and taste like butter. Light, fluffy and dense don't sound like they would fit together, but that's what makes these doughnuts so amazing. My suggestion is to get one of each kind and experience them all for yourself.

radishes, salsa verde and optional jalapeno peppers on top make this stop the hottest in Harrisonburg. Everything at Tacos El Primo is made fresh and authentic by a sweet old lady; you can literally taste the love she puts into every burrito.

If it weren't for the stomach pains that come with eating this street food goodness, I'd have it at least twice a week. It's that delicious. If you stop anywhere this weekend, this would be my recommendation, just don't eat it right before the long drive back home.

and hundreds always available by the bottle, ranging from local craft brews like Starr Hill to Xingu, a Brazilian black beer, JB's is a beer lover's paradise.

The address listed here is for the Jack Brown's bar location in downtown Harrisonburg. The truck is actually up toward Massanutten in Elkton, about 15 minutes from campus. They say the journey is half the fun, and that's definitely true in this case, as the drive to the base of Massanutten where the truck is located is beautiful, as is the atmosphere at the truck. But if you're not up for the drive, I suggest calling ahead to the downtown location and ordering take-out. Jack Brown's is usually packed to the brim even without the influx of families, so grabbing food to-go will equal much more enjoyable family time. Visit jackbrownsjoint.com for the full menu and beer listing, or check out their Facebook for special events and photos.

Essential tailgating playlist

By Wayne Epps Jr. and Hayley Thompson | *The Breeze*



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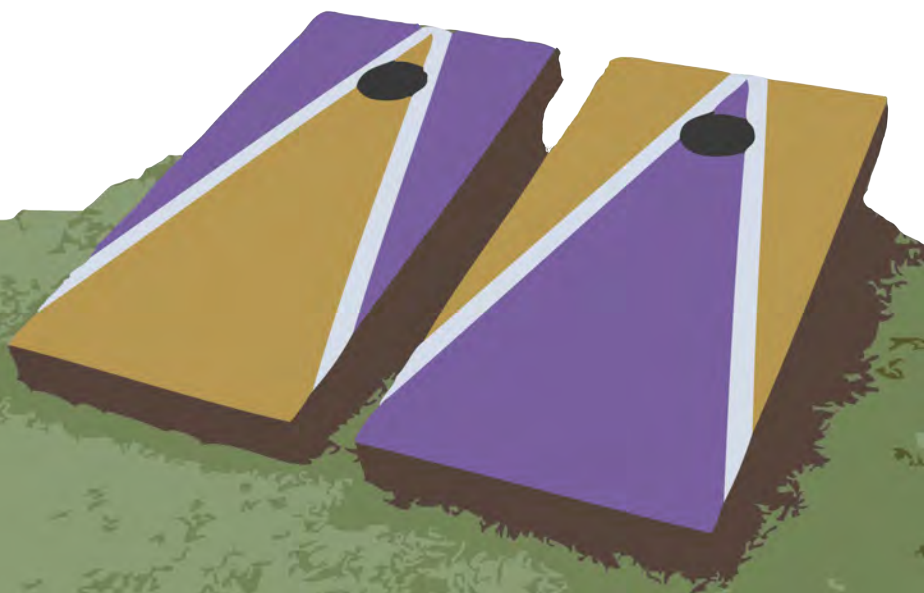
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Tackling the Valley

Six things you and your family can do when football doesn't cut it

By Jessica Williams | *The Breeze*

This may come as a shock, but I've heard through the grapevine that some people don't like football – and sometimes even the most dedicated of fans arrive too late to get tickets. So, what can you do on Family Weekend when the game is out of the question? Believe it or not, the Harrisonburg area has a lot of hidden gems.

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1 Explore the Harrisonburg Farmers Market and the downtown shops. While it's smaller than some markets, the farmers market boasts the best barbecue chicken in town, as well as a collection of interesting stands to look through. It's open Tuesdays and Saturdays from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.



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2 Get the cookie skillet from the restaurant formerly known as "Ham's." O'Neill's Grill on University Blvd. is famous for its amazing appetizers and specialty dessert: the cookie skillet. Why waste your time at Bridgeforth when you can indulge in a frying pan full of hot cookie dough and vanilla ice cream while watching the game on TV?

3 Try local wines at CrossKeys Vineyards. The tasting room is open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, but for those who don't like wine (or aren't old enough to try it), the land itself is an attraction, and there are \$5 tours that show how the wine is made.



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4 Visit Gap View Ranch and Kennel, also known as the "puppy farm," and spend the day with a few dozen adorable golden retriever pups. It's impossible not to feel good with such happy puppies begging to play with you – the only drawback is that you're bound to want to leave with one of them. The farm is open from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. every day but asks that you call ahead and make an appointment.

5 Take a hike. Not out of town, but up a mountain. There are a number of great hiking trails less than an hour away. A good family one is the High Knob trail, in the George Washington National Forest, which is relatively short (three miles out and back) with a rewarding pay off and 360-degree view of the surrounding mountains. Plus, connecting with nature can serve as a great bonding experience and a calming getaway.

6 Make pottery with your family. It might seem lame at first, but "You Made It!" in downtown Harrisonburg provides a fun environment for an hour or two of creativity. For around \$20 each, you can glaze your own coffee mug, plate or even a ceramic animal, and have it baked in a kiln. Paints range from neon colors to neutrals to glow-in-the-dark, which means the experience is bound to produce some interesting works of art.

And, if none of those options sound appealing, you can always turn to an old favorite and see a movie at the Regal Cinemas. No matter what you choose, you're bound to have a great weekend with your family. Enjoy the fall weather and the mountain views. Harrisonburg never disappoints.



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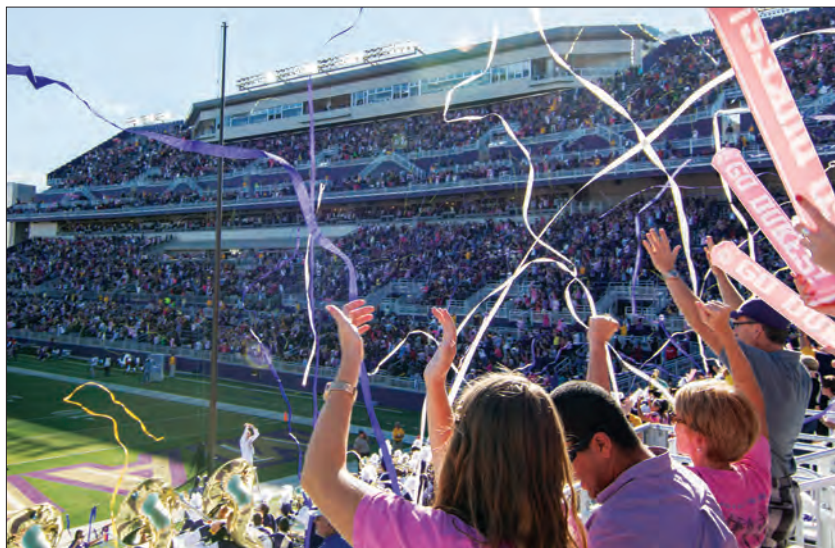
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JMU preserves the streamer tradition that originated from throwing toilet paper



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JMU families get to experience old and new traditions every year during Family Weekend.

By **ALANA SCHARLOP AND IJ CHAN**
The Breeze

The JMU tradition of throwing streamers during football games has a history dating back more than 30 years.

Kelly Zuber, of Blacksburg, is a Class of '81 alumna who remembers that the tradition started at basketball games. Students would buy rolls of toilet paper from Mr. Chips and toss them into the air whenever JMU scored a basket. Zuber said the university soon put a stop to the tradition due to the mess it created.

"We were probably misbehaving badly," Zuber said. "We were playing at Godwin at the time, so it was very, very tight. That sort of became a tradition that JMU wasn't very proud of, but usually when the first basket went in, that's when the toilet paper started to fly."

Now Zuber and her family are season ticket holders who tailgate before almost every

home football game and have embraced the modified tradition: throwing purple and gold streamers.

"I think it's a unique kind of thing that JMU does," Zuber said. "It's a fun thing now and with the space we have it doesn't cause any issues."

Zuber said that she enjoys having both old and new traditions at JMU.

"Even though JMU has grown a lot, it still has the small school atmosphere it did when I was there," she said. "JMU's always been very friendly. Even though it was half the size it is now, I still see the same camaraderie among the students."

Her son, Alex, a drum major in the Marching Royal Dukes, continues to keep the spirit that his mother experienced alive at every game.

"To see purple and gold rain down from the stadium when we score a touchdown,

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it's awesome ... an unparalleled experience," Alex said.

He explained that the loyalty of Dukes Dog fans is something that sets JMU aside from the other schools we play.

"When we beat Tech ... even in the rain people were throwing their streamers proudly," Alex said. "It is defeating to the other team."

Being on the field during a game is a perspective only a few have the opportunity to experience and Alex believes that the tradition of streamer-throwing is one of the things that makes JMU, JMU.

"It's JMU, it's something that we do," said Alex, "It isn't a hand-full of dedicated fans who throw them, it's everybody ... all the way from the old fans who have been there since 1972 to the little kids who are dressed up like cheerleaders because that's what mommy told them to do, I mean they're throwing streamers too."

Jessica Garrecht, a junior health sciences major, was fortunate enough to throw streamers at her first JMU football game back in 2011.

"It allows the stadium to get more involved rather than just cheering," said Garrecht.

She explained that tradition is an important element in our school's culture and that losing that would upset students and alumni alike. Garrecht agrees that the streamers are part of that core tradition and hopes to come back to the raining yellow and purple streamers even after she graduates.

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The tradition of throwing streamers at football games actually started more than 30 years ago at basketball games. Students tossed toilet paper into the air every time JMU made a basket.

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All in the family

Football bonds run deeper than most

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Cousins A.J. Scott and Dae'Quan Scott and brothers Peter Rose and Anthony Rose have grown up playing together and are now teammates at JMU.

The Scott Cousins

When JMU is on offense, redshirt senior running back Dae'Quan Scott can thank his cousin for some of the open lanes allowing him to rush for more than 100 yards in the first four games of this season.

Redshirt junior offensive lineman A.J. Scott is Dae'Quan's first cousin and a piece of that offensive line allowing him to rush for 128.8 yards per game this season. But the starting duo's background of playing together goes back over 10 years, starting with 'Midget' division little league football in their hometown of Staunton.

"We've been playing together since we were 7 years old," A.J. said. "Both of our fathers have been on the sidelines ... And it's just good that we're prospering."

A.J. and Dae'Quan are cousins on their father's side. Dae'Quan is one year older

than A.J. and the two are more like brothers than cousins.

"It's not even like a cousin relationship," A.J. said. "I'm over his house every day when we're in Staunton and vice versa. Love him to death: That's my brother."

A.J.'s father, Stacey Scott, echoes those sentiments.

"Probably during high school, A.J. stayed at my brother's house more than he stayed at my house and his mother's house," Stacey said.

Dae'Quan started playing football at age 8 and A.J. followed right behind him. The cousins have roots in the sport that go back to their fathers, who both played football through high school. Both of their fathers coached them in little league as well.

James Scott, Dae'Quan's father, has coached for 20 years and still coaches the "Peewee" division in Staunton.

"[Dae'Quan] was born into football due to the fact that I coached," James said. "When he was little, he used to go to practice with me when I was coaching it before he was even able to play."

Because James is a coach, Dae'Quan got a jump on his offseason conditioning. James would put him through workouts almost year round. Others would sometimes criticize that, but James believes that is where Dae'Quan's work ethic was born.

"People used to think that I was too hard on him," James said. "But Dae'Quan, since he was a little kid, we'd be out there on the football field practicing, running hills, running sprints in the hottest part of the day."

Dae'Quan was always smaller than a lot of the other kids he played against growing up, but he picked up the game quickly. On the flip side, A.J. was bigger but it took him a little longer to get acclimated.

>> Cousins: A.J. Scott & Dae'Quan Scott
>> Brothers: Peter Rose & Anthony Rose

"A.J. started off as this really big kid over top of a lot of other kids, but he wasn't really aggressive," James said. "A.J. kind of struggled with being aggressive until he got a little older up in the Senior league."

Regardless, both players got the opportunity to play college football out of Robert E. Lee High School in Staunton. Dae'Quan went to JMU, but A.J. went to Marshall University a year later — separating the two for the first time.

"It was hard at first, because he had committed to JMU first and he had ended up coming here, so all my family was pushing me to come here first," A.J. said. "[I] chose Marshall because I thought that would just be the best fit for me at the time."

After one year at Marshall, A.J. decided that Marshall wasn't for him and decided to transfer. He redshirted his one season at the school and made the move to JMU.

"[I] Decided to come here and JMU had a good program, my cousin was here on top of that," A.J. said. "So it was just best feeling for me and him, best thing for me and my family ending up here with Dae'Quan."

His first season at JMU, in 2011, A.J. started all nine games he played in, but was out with injury for part of the season. Last season, A.J. only played in four games because of injury. This year, A.J. has started all but one game — blocking for Dae'Quan.

"We definitely have chemistry. I can definitely sense when he's trying to tell me something without words," A.J. said. "Like say when I'm pulling around, I'm blocking for him. He'll just say, 'keep going,' and I know what he means by that. That means basically just like skip that defender and just keep running."

Games are a get-together for the Scotts. Football runs in the family.

"It's great. Both our families, we come down here, they have a big tailgate," A.J. said. "They get here in the morning, don't leave until night. We just have a big family tree. All our family members chose the football road."

When the whistles blow and Dae'Quan and A.J. line up in the same offense, it's a breathtaking experience for their families.

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FOOTBALL | Three Rose brothers played at JMU

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"I can't even explain the feeling to watch my son and to watch my nephew out there on the football field at the collegiate level, playing football together," James said. "In my mind, I'm thinking they're really being productive out there and making a name for themselves. For my wife and I, it's unbelievable."

The Rose Brothers

For the Rose family from Amherst, Va., purple and gold might really run through their veins.

Three brothers: 2012 graduate and former safety Jon, redshirt senior safety Peter and redshirt junior wide receiver Anthony have come through the JMU football program. It all started with Jon and defensive coordinator Kyle Gillenwater.

"Kyle Gillenwater was the first one to come out, he [recruited] our area," said Mary Rose, the boys' mother. "And when he came and was recruiting Jonathan, he kept

saying, 'We could come back for both of your other sons if they keep playing like they were playing.'"

And they did — Peter and then Anthony followed in Jon's steps to play at JMU.

"It was definitely a lot of talk with my brother about how it was here. How the atmosphere was as far as like with the fans, school-wise and with the coaches," Peter said. "I was pretty close with Coach Gillenwater, he visited me a lot after recruiting my brother. And then basically we talked to my younger brother the same and told him this is the place to be. And that's how we all ended up here."

Jon is one year older than Peter and Peter is two years older than Anthony. Each of the brothers started playing little league football at an early age.

"We always pushed each other. It was always, my older brother, he was the best coming up through Pop Warner," Peter said. "And then it was Anthony, and then me. And then

once we got into middle school and high school, we kind of blended in."

In high school, the three brothers won a state championship together at Amherst High School in Amherst, Va. in 2006. Peter and Anthony won another one in 2007.

"My favorite memory would have to be winning our state championship together my junior year. All of us were on the team," Peter said. "All of us contributed a lot, whether on offense or defense. Just watching our whole town just go crazy out there in Liberty University stadium when we won the state championship against Louisa."

Because of the fact that the Rose brothers are so close in age and all grew up playing together, they are, by default, very competitive with each other.

"Everything to whose the strongest, to whose the fastest, to who can run the hardest, to who can tackle the best — all those things," Peter said. "We're competitive about everything that we do, it makes us

all better."

Football games were a way for the Rose family to get together when Jon, Peter and Anthony were growing up and that's continued through their time at JMU.

"My family is big supporters. When they used to play when they were little, my family followed them — my sisters and brothers and uncles and aunts. A lot came to the games, and they never really went to football games before."

And for the Rose brothers, family is what it's all about.

"My mom and dad, they raised a tight household, we're all so close. They come and visit every home game that they can, every away game that they are able to make it to," Peter said. "They come without a hesitation, like we know they're going to be at every game that they're able to be at. And just to be able to perform out here for me parents is what I do it for."

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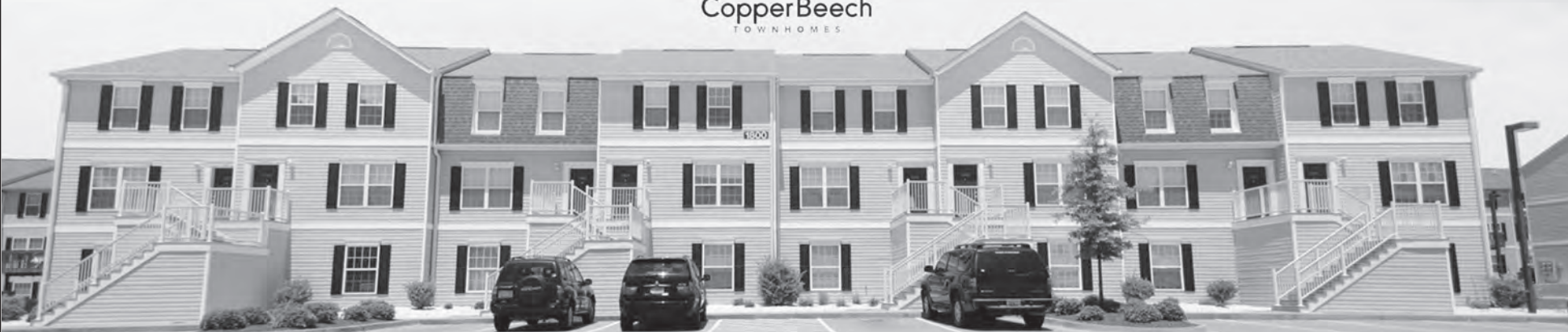
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