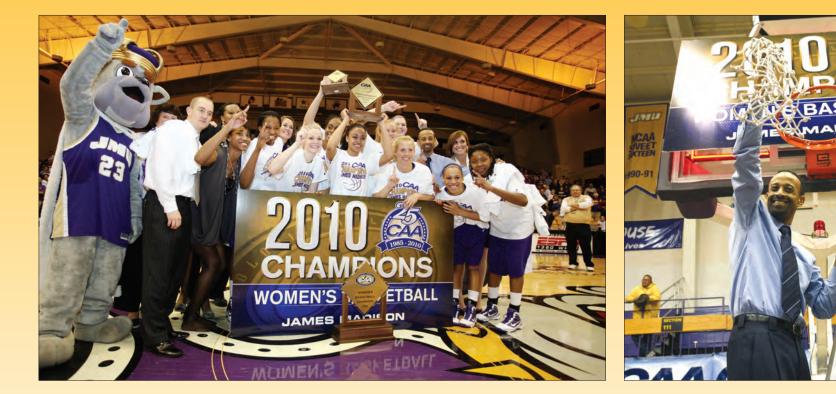




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SUNDAY: WATCH THE WOMEN'S TEAM PLAY IN THE NCAA TOURNAMENT ON ESPN AT 2:30 P.M.



20 YEARS AFTER THEIR LAST TITLE, DUKES CROWNED



ABOVE LEFT The Dukes celebrate as they regain the title for the first time in 20 years. ABOVE RIGHT Coach Kenny Brooks holds the net cut by each team member. **ABOVE** Freshman guard Tarik Hislop storms up court. Hislop scored 11 points in the title game.

CHAMPIONS

AFTER CONQUERING THE CAA, JMU MOVES AHEAD TO NCAA TOURNAMENT

By WES SHAW

The Breeze

A wave of excitement roared through the Convocation Center on Monday night when the words "James Madison" finally appeared on ESPN's telecast of the Women's NCAA Tournament Selection Show. While a No. 9 seed and favorable geographic location were enough to satisfy those in attendance for JMU's selection-show viewing party, attention immediately shifted to Madison's potential second-round opponent: Big East and national powerhouse UConn.

The Dukes' primary focus is on its first opponent, No. 8 seed Temple, heading into this weekend. The prospect of facing the nation's No. 1 team and owners of an NCAA record 72-game winning streak, however, is hard for Kenny Brooks' team to overlook.

"We have to actually get to play UConn," JMU point guard Dawn Evans said. "They're named the best team in the country, so to know that we could have that opportunity is even more motivation to beat Temple."

Before Madison can get a chance at the Juskies, who are in search of their third



consecutive national title, it will first have to get past the Owls, the runner-up in the Atlantic-10. Temple received an at-large bid into the tournament after dropping an overtime thriller to Xavier in their conference championship game on March 8.

Temple earns an invitation to the Big Dance for the seventh consecutive season, but it has not advanced past the first round since 2007. JMU's last appearance in the NCAA Tournament came that same year, when, as a nine seed, it lost to Pittsburgh in the first round in the "Steel City."

After learning of his team's first-round opponent Monday night, Brooks said he did not know much about Temple, but that he is familiar with many of its players, having recruited some to play in Harrisonburg.

The Owls are led by the duo of point guard LaKeisha Eaddy and forward Kristen

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JMU vs. Temple

Category leaders from JMU (•) and Temple (•).

POINTS	Dawn Evans (24.8 per game)	•
	Kristen McCarthy (15.2)	•
ASSISTS	Dawn Evans (4.7 per game)	•
	LaKeisha Eaddy (3.6)	
REBOUNDS	Sarah Williams (6.6 per game)	•
	Jasmine Stone (8.8)	

Tickets and Bus Trips

JMU Athletics has reserved a block of tickets and is sponsoring bus travel for fans and students. Game tickets in the JMU seating block are \$15 each and bus-trip packages (with game ticket) are \$35 for Duke Club members and \$45 for non-Duke Club members. Priority orders from Duke Club members must be received by Thursday at noon

GAY RIGHTS

McDonnell Overrides Cuccinelli On College Nondiscrimination

By RYAN F. PLATT The Breeze

A letter sent to Virginia public universities by newly appointed Attorney Gen. Ken Cuccinelli sparked controversy among politicians and citizens alike across the Commonwealth, and especially for students over spring break.

The letter, issued March 4, explained Virginia universities that have provided protection for homosexual employees and students from discrimination in the by-laws are, technically, not allowed to do so without authorization from the Virginia General Assembly.

Madison Equality president Leina'ala Robinson, a junior sociology major, spoke strongly against the letter because she felt it was based on little logic.

"Essentially it sounds like what he's doing is saying that universities don't have a right to put gender identification in both employment and admission, because it's where state funding goes

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BREAK-INS

Burglars Hit Several Homes On Devon Lane During Break

By JOHN SUTTER The Breeze

A recent string of burglaries and a home invasion struck the 1300 block of Devon Lane.

From March 1 to March 12, four homes were broken into on the block of townhomes located between Port Republic Road and Squire Hill Apartments. Two homes were broken into the week before spring break and two homes were broken into during spring break.

Arrest made for another recent burglary, PAGE 5

"I don't feel safe living here," senior Rachelle McCracken said. "I can't wait to leave this street next year."

McCracken, an interdisciplinary liberal studies major, said two men attempted to break into her house on the night of March 2. She said she and her roommates locked themselves in their rooms and called the police after they heard noises.

"Our [back] door was locked, and they

easily kicked it in," McCracken said. Nothing was reported stolen from

McCracken's apartment.

Two days later on the night of March 4, police said two suspects, a black male and a white male forced their way into another townhome on the 1300 block. The suspects held one victim at gunpoint and forced him into a

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Coming Soon Online

Last week, 39 groups traveled to various locations, including St. Andrew, Jamaica, for Alternative Spring Break. See some of their stories at breezejmu.org

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MESSAGE FROM THE EDITORIAL BOARD

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THE EDITORIAL BOARD of a publication can become institutionalized and opinions often grow stale. In order to gain a fresh outlook and better gauge thoughts and concerns of those on campus, we would like to extend an invitation to all students, faculty and staff to apply for a new guest position on the editorial board. The position would require meetings with the board twice weekly for one month to discuss topics and choose the board's stance on issues important to the JMU community. Each month we will select a new member.

To apply, give us your thoughts in no more than 250 words regarding what you think is currently the most important issue at JMU. Send submissions to breezeopinion@gmail.com by Thursday, March 25 for consideration.

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White out, Brown out JMU coach Matt Brady releases two players from the men's basketball team.

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POLICE LOG

Larceny

- On March 3, a JMU student reported theft of a \$4,000 composite art piece from the Tri Sigma House lobby.
- On March 4, a JMU student reported theft of a \$2,100 MacBook Pro from an unsecured Maple House dorm room.
- On March 4, a JMU student reported theft of two unattended rings, valued at \$550, from a Burruss Hall restroom.
 On March 3, a JMU
- student reported theft of a \$300 iPod Touch from an unsecured McGraw-Long Hall dorm room.
- On March 5, a JMU student

reported theft of a laptop computer and an Xbox 360 from an unsecured Eagle Hall dorm room.

- On March 7, a JMU visitor reported theft of an unattended wallet and cell phone from Festival.
- On March 11, a JMU visitor reported theft of an unattended wallet from Mauck Stadium.
- On March 4, a JMU student reported unauthorized charges made to a credit card in Shorts Hall.
- On March 2, a JMU student reported unauthorized offcampus use of a JACard.

Property Damage —

On March 2, a JMU student

reported malicious discharge of a fire extinguisher and destruction of an exit sign in Weaver Hall, resulting in \$50 damage.

 On March 4, a JMU police cadet reported graffiti on a Memorial Hall entrance door.

Marijuana

On Tuesday, police arrested two JMU students, who also received judicial referrals, for alleged marijuana possession in Garber Hall.

Other

On Tuesday, a JMU student received three judicial referrals for trespassing, violence to persons and a weapon violation.

ROM BLOOMBERG NEWS AND THE WASHINGTON POST

Body Scanners May Not Have Caught Bomber

WASHINGTON — President Obama's push to deploy body-imaging scanners at airports worldwide will cost U.S. taxpayers roughly \$3 billion over eight years, congressional investigators report, but it is unclear that the controversial devices would have caught an alleged al-Qaida terrorist who tried to blow up a Detroit-bound jetliner with explosives hidden in his underwear.

The administration has cited the Christmas day attack by Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab in pushing to double its planned deployment, to 1,800 scanners, at U.S. airports by 2014, and to encourage foreign governments to use the same new technologies at airports that send flights to the United States.

The benefits and limitations of the machines will be discussed Wednesday afternoon at a hearing before the House Homeland Security Committee.

"In the never-ending race to protect our country, we have to stay one step ahead of a nimble adversary. That's what these steps are designed to do," Obama said Jan. 8 in announcing increased aviation security and screening measures.

The machines create images outlining the unclothed human body by bouncing X-rays or radio waves off skin or concealed objects. However, security experts say the "advanced imaging technology" has limits: "Backscatter" rays can be obscured by body parts, might not readily detect thin items seen "edge-on" or objects hidden inside the body, and require a human operator to decide whether to conduct additional questioning or a physical search.

"While officials said (the scanners) performed as well as physical pat downs in operational tests, it remains unclear whether the AIT would have detected the weapon used in the December 2009 incident," the Government Accountability Office, Congress's audit arm, said in testimony prepared for the hearing. Facebook, started in 2004, has lured users by adding games and making it easier to check messages, notifications and friend requests. To compete, Google added a social-networking feature called Buzz to its Gmail e-mail service last month, allowing users to share photos, comments and clips from its YouTube video site. The company is considering building a version that works outside of Gmail.

Obama Chooses Kansas To Win Tournament

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama is taking the low-risk route to the Final Four in the National Collegiate Athletic Association's basketball tournament and predicts Kansas will defeat Kentucky for the championship.

The president, who also filled out picks for the women's basketball tournament this year, unveiled his choices for cable sports network ESPN. He went with two top-seeded teams making it to Indianapolis for the April 3 and 5 semifinal and final games. The tournament begins Thursday.

Obama chose the University of Kansas to beat Kansas State University in one semifinal and the University of Kentucky to defeat Villanova University in the other. All four teams are first- or second-seeded teams in their respective regions of the tournament. For the women's draw he picked Connecticut, Stanford and Notre Dame to make it to the Final Four.

He called Kansas a "balanced team," praising the play of senior guard Sherron Collins. "I always like teams who have experience in the backcourt," he said on ESPN.

His championship game amounts to a coaching rematch between Kansas's Bill Self against Kentucky's John Calipari, who lost to Kansas in the 2008 title game when he was the coach of Memphis. Mississippi and Louisiana every March. The Center for

Social Justice at Georgetown sent 194 students on 13 alternative spring break trips last week, "and that's just my department," said Ray Shiu, program director for student leadership and spe-

cial programs.

One group journeyed to New Orleans to help in the continuing effort to rebuild. Another headed to El Paso to explore the border community. A third went to Immokalee, Fla., to study migrant labor.

Students contribute \$100 or \$200 toward travel and lodging. Costs are subsidized through tuition and activity fees. The program is so popular that, this year, 60 students were turned away.

"We've had some students say this is the best part of their Georgetown experience," Shiu said. "Hopefully, it's a starting point for students to take what they've learned and incorporate it into their lives."

Howard University has one of the largest alternative break programs in the Washington region, with 400 students scattered in five U.S. cities this week. Students are working to reduce gun violence in Chicago, teach reading in Detroit and aid a public defender in New Orleans.

"We're trying to take it to another level," said Paula Whetsel-Ribeau, a Howard volunteer and wife of university President Sidney Ribeau. Howard students partner with local universities at their destination cities to "see if we can create models of success that transcend our week there."

Although students in many alternative break rograms pay a modest sum. Howard students pay nothing. They travel on funds raised in a 12-hour radiothon called A Helping Hand, and they pinch pennies. "Students take sleeping bags and pillows," Whetsel-Ribeau said, and sleep in churches and gymnasiums. "There's nothing glamorous about this trip. It's really life-changing, though, what they see, what they learn." The College of William and Mary sent 160 students on alternative breaks last week, to 11 domestic and four international destinations: Cuje, Nicaragua, El Progreso, Honduras, Ho, Ghana, and Zacatecoluca, El Salvador. 'This is really a great unifier," said Mallory Johnson, 22, a senior from Burke, Va., who helped plan and run the trips. "We have kids that have never gone on break before. We have athletes. We have kids involved in Greek life." In her sophomore year, Johnson removed mold from houses and cleared trails in post-hurricane Biloxi, Miss. Last year, she led a group to Petersburg, Va., to tutor schoolchildren and volunteer in an HIV clinic. This year, one group is distributing medication in Ghana.

immediately return a call seeking comment. The FBI also is investigating.

The heist is unlikely to hurt Lilly financially, said Les Funtleyder, an analyst with Miller Tabak & Co. in New York.

GlaxoSmithKline reported a warehouse breakin last August, saying two lots of Advair Diskus medication were stolen from a distribution facility near Richmond, Va. The London-based company said at the time that the stolen medicine could pose a health risk because it had been removed from the "legitimate supply chain."

A message left today in Glaxo's press office wasn't immediately returned.

"We always encourage our customers to purchase their products from a reputable retailer," Lilly's Sagebiel said. "This certainly illustrates that there's a black marketplace out there for such products."

Sagebiel said the company's focus is on the investigation and trying to recover the stolen products.

"We don't know what the next steps would be" if the stolen drugs are recovered, he said.

Zyprexa, Lilly's top-selling medicine, took in \$4.92 billion in 2009 sales. Cymbalta, the company's second-biggest seller, brought in \$3.08 billion.

"Maybe this is something we need to pay attention to," said Funtleyder. "It's an interesting commentary on the price of drugs that suddenly it's worth going into a warehouse and stealing them as opposed to diamonds or money."

Abdulmutallab allegedly concealed 80 grams of explosive powder in a pouch sewn into his underwear.

GAO official Steve Lord is expected to tell the committee that investigators are still reviewing TSA operational tests conducted at the end of last year.

"While GAO recognizes that TSA is attempting to address a vulnerability exposed by the December 2009 attempted attack, a cost-benefit analysis is important as it would help inform TSA's judgment about the optimal deployment strategy for the AITs, and how best to address this vulnerability," the prepared testimony states.

The audit agency said TSA estimates each unit costs about \$170,000, meaning it would cost about \$300 million to buy 1,800 units, enough to cover about 60 percent of screening checkpoint lanes at the highest-priority commercial airports. Each scanner requires three people to operate. Based on the administration's request for \$219 million to hire 3,550 TSA staffers next year alone, GAO estimates it will cost \$2.4 billion overall to staff the machines over eight years.

A TSA spokeswoman said the agency has already conducted a cost analysis and determined that scanners are better than existing alternatives, including metal detectors and machines that check swabs of people's hands or belongings for traces of explosives. As such, TSA said, the machines increase the odds that security officials can detect anomalies in a fraction of the time and inconvenience as pat-down searches.

"While there is no silver-bullet technology, AIT is very effective at detecting metallic and nonmetallic threats on passengers, including explosives," TSA said in a statement. "It's one part of our multi-layered strategy to minimize risk, deter future attacks and protect the traveling public."

"There is, of course, no foolproof solution," Obama said in January, saying only that the new scanners might have stopped Abdulmutallab.

Facebook Becomes Most Visited Web Site

NEW YORK — Facebook, the world's largest social-networking site, surpassed Google's search engine in weekly hits to become the most visited Web site in the U.S. for the first time, according to research firm Hitwise.

Facebook.com accounted for 7.07 percent of visits in the week ended March 13, topping Google.com's 7.03 percent, New York-based Hitwise said in a March 15 blog post. Facebook almost tripled its visits from a year earlier, compared with 9 percent growth at Google, the most popular search engine. "Once again, Self wins," Obama said. "That's the game right there."

The president, an avid basketball fan, correctly picked North Carolina as champion last year. This year, he said he hoped to select more winners in the first and second rounds.

A graduate of Columbia University and Harvard law school, Obama stayed loyal to the Ivy League and picked Cornell University, a No. 12 seed, to squeeze past Temple, a No. 5, in the first round of play.

"I like Cornell, which gave Kansas a run for its money," he said, referring to a narrow Cornell loss earlier in the season. "I think they have a terrific team."

Still, he has the University of Wisconsin defeating Cornell, the Ivy League champion, in the second round.

He picked No. 14 Murray State to upset No. 4 Vanderbilt. He also has No. 13 Sienna, from Loudonville, N.Y., and winners of the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference, beating No. 4 Purdue.

Alternative Break Options Draw Interest

WASHINGTON — Some of Jonathan Sitko's classmates at Catholic University spent spring break on cruises or on the beach. He spent his in Maryville, Tenn., building houses for the poor.

"Alternative spring breaks" are diverting a growing number of college students from a week of sloth and excess in Florida to study post-election violence in Kenya, help public defenders in New Orleans or teach English in the Dominican Republic.

"You can always just go on a beach and drink beer and whatnot," said Sitko, 21, a junior from Bethlehem, Pa. "I wanted to experience a different sort of living than what I'm accustomed to."

Sitko had seldom traveled farther south than the Virginia suburbs. His trip to Tennessee with Habitat for Humanity last week as part of a 14-person Catholic University group exposed him to "a different kind of atmosphere," he said: slower-paced, yet parallel in some ways to that of his childhood home. He spoke by cellphone at the end of a day spent installing siding.

"We met the future owner," Sitko said. The owner and students worked together.

Some college officials say alternative spring breaks originated at Vanderbilt University in 1987, as a student-led initiative to invest meaning into the week. The name might have started there, but the concept appears to be older. Georgetown University began sending groups of students on spring community-service missions to Appalachia in 1973. Hurricane Katrina, five years ago, breathed new life and fresh urgency into the programs; many colleges now send buses to "They say that college is the time of narcissism," she said. But students who spend a few days helping the disadvantaged "see something that really transcends the individual."

Multimillion-Dollar Drugs Stolen in Heist

NEW YORK — Eli Lilly & Co. said drugs valued at \$75 million were stolen early March 14 as thieves cut a hole in the roof of a Connecticut warehouse, rappelled in and disabled the security system.

The drugs may have included top-sellers Zyprexa, an antipsychotic, and Cymbalta, for depression, which were among medicines stored at the Enfield facility, Ed Sagebiel, a spokesman for the Indianapolis-based company, said Tuesday, citing the local police department. He declined to say precisely which medicines were taken because of the police investigation.

The drugs were "a mix from our portfolio," Sagebiel said. Among the products stored in the warehouse were cancer and neuroscience medicines, he said. Lilly hasn't determined what financial impact the heist will have, and customers won't see a shortage of the therapies, Sagebiel said.

"Based on appearances, it was a very sophisticated, well- planned criminal act," Sagebiel said. The theft may have coincided with heavy rain and winds last weekend, he said. "It certainly paints a dramatic picture. The dark of night, you've got a Nor'easter coming up the coastline. You picture criminals dressed in full black."

The Enfield Police Department didn't

Woods' Return to Golf In Time for the Masters

LOS ANGELES — Tiger Woods' return to golf for the Masters Tournament in April may attract record viewership to the CBS telecast, according to a media analyst.

"It's the gossip factor," Shari Ann Brill, an independent media analyst in New York, said Tuesday. "He has become so controversial and interesting, people will watch even if it's the first time they've watched golf in their lives."

Woods, the biggest earner in sports, said in December he would take an indefinite break from golf after admitting to infidelity. His return at the Masters in Augusta, Ga., starting April 8 will give added exposure to sponsors AT&T, IBM and Exxon Mobil, the only advertisers allowed by the Augusta National Golf Club.

Leslie Anne Wade, a spokeswoman for CBS Sports in New York, declined to comment. The Masters is the first of golf's four major tournaments each year.

Woods' 1997 victory at the Masters attracted a record 15.8 million viewers to the tournament, according to Nielsen Co. data going back to 1971. His victory in 2001 ranked as second mostwatched with 15 million.

When an injury sidelined Woods from the sport during 2007- 2008 tournaments, the television audience for golf shrunk 47 percent, according to Nielsen data.

"This is the best thing that could happen for the TV networks, the advertisers and for the PGA," Brill said.

SPN has broadcast rights for pre-coverage and the first two days of the tournament. It plans to air live play from 4 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. New York time on April 8 and 9.

Woods' return "will surely be one of the biggest stories the sporting world has seen," John Wildhack, ESPN's executive vice president of programming and acquisitions, said in an e- mailed statement.

Nike, which produces a line of Tiger Woods golf gear and apparel, has stood by the golfer, and is looking forward to his return next month, said Beth Gast, a spokesman for the Beaverton, Ore.based company.

"We're looking forward to seeing Tiger back on the golf course," said David Tinson, a spokesman for Electronic Arts Inc., the Redwood City, Calif.based publisher of the "Tiger Woods PGA Tour" video-game series. "All eyes will be on Augusta in a few weeks."



IN BRIEF

JMU

Taking Care of Business

BusinessWeek magazine ranked JMU's College of Business the 13th best public business program in the nation. As the 41st overall program, JMU's ranking was determined from compiling survey responses from current students and alumni, as well as accounting starting salaries for the program's graduates.

ROCKINGHAM

Delegate to Work Under Governor

Rockingham County Del. Matt Lohr (R-Broadway) announced Tuesday he would leave his position in order to serve as commissioner of the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. Lohr, a farmerturned-politician, will serve directly under Gov. Bob McDonnell.

TOKYO

Honda and Recall Fiasco

Honda announced Tuesday it would recall 412,000 vehicles released in the United States including the 2007-2008 Odyssey and Element models. The recall is due in part to a brake-system flaw making the brake pedal feel "too soft," as complained by several drivers. This is the second recall Honda has made since February, when the Tokyo-based automaker recalled more than 430,000 vehicles to repair air bags deploying too forcefully.

EDUCATION

Speakers To Share Value of Teaching

By AARON KOEPPER The Breeze

The 7th Annual Teachers of the Promise Institute will be held Friday and Saturday in the Health and Human Services building and will focus on workshops for attending student teachers. The keynote speech is in Memorial Hall with workshops in HHS.

The event will begin with a speech 'Wayside Teaching in a Place Called School" on Friday by former Outstanding Young Educator and Georgia's Outstanding Principal Frank Charles Winstead.

Winstead has spoken at five of the seven Teachers of Promise Conferences at JMU. He also been on committees to evaluate schools in Honduras and Guatemala, and served as a keynote speaker at conferences in Asia and Europe. He wrote a book called "Be a Teacher: You Can Make A Difference." Winstead's section is called "Wayside Teaching:In a Place Called School", which is the interaction teachers and principals have with a student in the hallways, after school or in extracurricular activities.

TECHNOLOGY



PHOTO ILLUSTRATION BY JAKE THIEWES / THE BREE

iPhones and iPod Touches offer applications to make learning interactive. Some are free while others cost up to \$50.

Education Apps Gaining Popularity

Bv KALEIGH SOMERS contributing writer

Sophomore Seth Ensign, a chemistry major, is a big fan of educational applications, especially for calculus, chemistry and physics. He uses Math-Ref, MultiConvert and Chemical most often

"Chemical is the best", Ensign said. "It does a bunch of chem stuff from finding mono- and poly-isotopic molecular masses to letting me skip the math with making solutions."

More college students have started using educational apps - short for applications - on their cell phones to make the learning process more interactive and efficient, according to Russell Schaffer, a senior communications manager at Kaplan Test Prep and Admissions.

Some students, who plan to take exams such as the Medical College Admission Test, either currently own an app-friendly device or plan to purchase one in the next year according to results from a study Kaplan conducted.

Last year, Apple made \$1 billion in

app sales, according to the research firm Gartner. The company is expected to increase sales by 62 percent this year.

Freshman Megan Chandler hopes to get into JMU's nursing program and has been using an anatomy app, Human Body Encyclopedia 3D Anatomy, to help make studying more interactive.

'I like that companies like Apple are finding ways to incorporate educational programs into products that appeal to customers."

Reagan Beasley freshman

"The graphics aren't nearly as detailed as I need, but the descriptions are good," Chandler said. Her textbook offered a more costly application, but she chose this cheaper option to save money.

Last month, Kaplan released a series of phone applications geared toward MCAT and the United States Medical Licensing Examination test preparation.

The company prides itself on its "long history of offering test preparation in many formats," Schaffer said. In 2007, Kaplan began offering SAT download programs built for the video iPod, marking itself as "the first test prep company to offer applications through the iTunes store," according to Schaffer.

Emily Correa, a junior media arts and design major, loves the personalization most applications offer.

"I have a Spanish tutor app and subscribe to two language collections through iTunes U," Correa said. "The educational resources on iTunes are too good not to take advantage of."

As the Apple campus representative at JMU, Correa is well versed in the new technology. She explained iTunes U is a free database where professors can upload content,

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FINANCE No Credit for Sale on JMU Campus

By AMANDA CASKEY The Breeze

the nation's 15 largest universities companies, which is great because and found that more than half of JMU isn't selling my personal inforthem had arrangements with credit mation," sophomore Maggie Moran card companies to sell student information in order for companies to use it to contact students.

said. "I know my sister has, but she doesn't go to JMU, which makes me think that other schools have no problem with making profits off of students getting hassled by credit card companies. The increased transparency about the disclosure of agreements between schools and credit card companies was established by Murphy's Bill, the Student Credit Card Transparency Act of 2009, which was included in the Credit Card Accountability Responsibility and Disclosure Act (Credit CARD Act). Students now have the ability to request the terms of a university's business and marketing agreements with credit card companies. Schools

U.S. CENSUS

Forms Arrive in Mailboxes This Week

City Residents and Students Should Return Forms by April 1

By MATT SUTHERLAND The Breeze

Residents across the country, including students, should have noticed some extra post in their mailboxes. The 2010 Census forms were distributed early this week via mail.

April 1 is considered Census Day, a reference-date for Americans to send their completed census forms to the U.S. Census Bureau. Anyone holding residence in America, including green card and visa holders, will need to fill out the census.

Tammie McGee, a Virginia media specialist for the U.S. Census Bureau, said students should not have their parents fill out their form, and will need to complete it according to where they spend most of their residency April 1.

"Students will be counted for in their dorms if they live on campus," McGee said. "Generally the forms are distributed to your resident adviser. If you live off campus, then you should receive the form in the mail."

Freshman Kenzie Fisher was confused about what her parents should do for the census.

"I feel like they should have made it easier to know that we need to fill it out ourselves," Fisher said. "I thought my parents would fill out my own information, but I guess that's not right."

Every 10 years the census accounts for multiple government processes, including the allocation of Congressional seats and electoral votes for each state.

'I thought my parents would fill out my own information, but I guess that's not right."

Kenzie Fisher freshman

In addition, the census also deternines the necessarv amount of government funding per state. The federal government distributes \$400 billion domestically according to the population count of each state. A single census form is mailed to each residence. For example, if there are three roommates living in one apartment together, then each roommate will be accounted for in a single form. While it is a federal obligation to complete the census form, many people do not realize it. A March 15 Rasmussen Reports poll states that only 13 percent of Americans understand it is illegal not to answer all the questions in the census form. The federal government may fine people up to \$100 for not answering census

"When all is said and done," Winstead wrote, "what is said informally and casually said may have more impact on a person's behavior than what is said formally in instructing a class or conducting a faculty meeting."

Phil Bigler, director of the James Madison Center for Liberty and Learning, has been organizing the conference at JMU since it began in 2004.

Bigler first met Winstead during one of Winstead's speeches at McLean High School in 1991.

"Frank changed my life. He was totally inspirational. He validated why we were in this profession," Bigler said. "My goal [with the Institute] is to get Frank in front of as many people as possible."

Bigler will be one of 35 teachers who will mentor approximately 200 attending "teachers of promise," the student teachers from universities around Virginia. On Saturday, the mentors will give speeches, teach workshops and reinforce the values of teaching and emphasize the abilities of teachers their students' lives.

"We help them understand the importance of teaching, help validate their career choice, that they really will be making a difference," Bigler said. "We're going to make sure they understand the challenges they face from the transition of the academic world to the classroom."

The mentors range from special education teachers to principals, and all have received various honors. Catherine Webb, the 2010 Virginia Teacher of Year, and Stephanie Doyle, 2009 Teacher of the Year, will both be attending.

Several others have been named Milken Educators, an award given to secondary school and elementary school teachers for career achievements.

This year's conference will also see its 1,000th student attend after seven years. \$1,000 was donated by the Milken Family Foundation and will be presented to a student at the gala dinner on Friday.

Winstead's speech Friday afternoon is from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Memorial Hall and is open to the public.

Universities nationwide are feeling pressure from legislators and students to reveal arrangements they have with credit card companies to sell student information in order to gain revenue.

According to a press release from Democrat Congressman Patrick Murphy (D-PA), schools receive multi-million dollar payments in exchange for selling students' personal information to credit card companies. Companies in turn use this information to contact students.

In 2007, according to the press release, 127 universities joined with banks to issue ID cards to students that act as debit cards, a 144 percent increase since 2002.

Also, in 2008, USA Today surveyed

"I honestly haven't received anything in the mail from credit card companies, which is great because JMU isn't selling my personal information "

Maggie Moran sophomore

"I honestly haven't received anything in the mail from credit card

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things that maybe their individual

voice can't bring attention to by

about SGA? Right now I'm on

the steering committee, which is

new as of our retreat in January,

so any changes we thought were

needed we're helping to fix right

happy, but one thing that we're

working on is commitment, so

we can increase our visibility on

campus, so people know who we

are, and so we can go out and

support the students more.

What would you say to

the SGA? I think that SGA

someone who badmouths

sometimes gets a bad rep, but

we really are here to help the

us, so they don't know how to

I feel like sometimes we only

get shown our flaws and not

students. Sometimes they don't

necessarily know how to approach

come in with their concerns. And

now. So right now I'm really

What would you change

themselves.

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SGA

Conference Inspires Senators To Use New Media

By AMANDA HERMAN The Breeze

Five SGA members slipped on their cowboy boots and headed south to Texas A&M University the week before spring break for an annual conference on student government associations.

The members attended various workshops and heard from motivational speakers like Blake Mycoskie, the founder of TOMS shoes. Mycoskie will also give the JMU commencement speech in May.

"It was an awesome opportunity to see how other schools do SGA and to get bits and pieces of ideas of what other schools do," director of membership development Caitlin Natale said.

JMU's SGA was invited to present a session on their new membership program during Tuesday's meeting. Natale talked to interested participants about the program she directs and how the SGA welcomes new members to the program.

According to speaker of the senate Andrew Elgert, the conferees formulated internal and external goals the SGA could accomplish.

'Every SGA has problems," Elgert said. "JMU's SGA isn't plagued with problems. We have our fair share, but I think we can do a lot and get a lot done."

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MEET THE SENATOR



Jessica Morris

freshman

Hometown: Jamesville, NY

Why did you join SGA? I was really involved with SGA in high school, and I thought it would be a fun thing to do here. I really like to represent the student body and deal with that sort of stuff. Plus, I thought it'd be a good way to meet new people.

What's your favorite part about SGA? My favorite part is that we get to listen to the demands of so many students

necessarily the good things that we do.

What accomplishment from SGA are you most proud of this year? I'm really proud of

the downtown bus, that a route was able to be made for that, and that we were able to launch it. I'm proud that we have created an alternative for students who don't want to drink on weekends.

Why did you choose JMU?

I saw JMU at a college fair, and since my mom is from Virginia, she said, 'I think you should check it out.' I came down and visited and fell in love with it. I thought, 'I had to go there,' and I had that feeling, and I definitely made the right choice.

What's one thing you're not too crazy about at JMU?

The hardest thing is getting across campus in 15 minutes and making sure I can get on a bus. My only other complaint is that there's no air conditioning in my building [Wayland] which they're taking care of after I move out.

JMU football or basketball?

More basketball. Being from Syracuse I grew up on basketball, and I've gone to more of the basketball games - granted, there are more - but I've been excited about basketball.

and listen to the things that really matter to them. We take action on



JMU Celebrates Birth of James Madison

Senior communications major Amanda Slade writes on a large notepad for Write Out Wednesday, an SGA outreach project to get students' opinions about the university.

Wednesday's celebration of Madion Week included a Birthday Party on the Commons, where Dining Services employees served cupcakes to celebrate James Madison's birthday, who was born March 16, 1751. Other celebrations include a "Duke Dog and You Photo Event" on the Quad on Thursday. Madison Week's festivities culminate in Friday's MadisonFest, where a capella groups and student bands will play on the Festival Lawn and several clubs will set up various games and activities. James Madison Week T-shirts will be on sale throughout the week and the proceeds will go to Madison for Keeps.

CARDS | No Companies Asked JMU for Info

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are also required to post them on their Web site or make them available upon request in a timely manner.

However, students at JMU don't have to deal with this issue.

Director of University Unions, Dave Barnes said JMU has never had a credit card company ask to be allowed access to student information and market to students on campus.

"For us to just bring in a credit card company that has no affiliation with anyone, students can find that in

another way, and I feel more comfortable with letting them do that research and make that choice on their own rather than us trying to endorse it," Barnes said.

According to Barnes, vendors that come on campus are regulated by strict solicitation laws and must be approved by Business Services.

"If we are going to endorse a group that comes on campus, we have to know more about what they do and the practices that go along with that, and we are not in that business," Barnes said. "It's a sense of protection.

Business Services has a list of approved vendors that are allowed to work with student organizations. Barnes said that University Unions does not allow credit card companies on campus, because students can gain access to card offers in other ways.

The only credit card company associated with JMU does not affect current students. Instead, the JMU Alumni Association WorldPoints card from Bank of America supports alumni while letting cardholders earn points for travel, merchandise and more.

APPS | Not All Programs Are Free

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such as lectures or study material for students to download.

According to Correa, apps allow students to stay organized by using interactive tools and offering textbook information. She believes they're easy to use because of their personalization options, such as multi-colored highlighting.

"You could get an app to help you learn a language, study with flashcards, pass a test or even record a lecture." Cor-



SGA | Last of Student Org. Funds Given Out for Year

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Treasurer Andrew Reese was interested in utilizing the Texas A&M capital campaign project allowing graduates to buy engraved bricks on campus.

"You have some sort of school-wide fundraiser to create an endowment for organizations on campus," Reese said. "For \$125 or \$250, depending on the size of the brick, you put a brick down when you graduate and leave behind your legacy."

On an internally focused project, Elgert discovered ways to implement new communication techniques utilizing online and new media from other universities.

"They have really up-to-date Web sites," Elgert said. "In one school, the president and vice president host a weekly radio show."

Elgert learned that other schools have parts of JMU's SGA as well.

"Our structure is very similar to what the most effective SGAs had. Especially for schools similar in size to JMU,"

Elgert said.

Natale, who focused on leadership development, thought the conference's biggest benefit was learning more about being a part of a team.

"Merna Johnson talked not only about working with a large group of people but also accomplishing things you could never do without the team around you," Natale said.

Johnson is a consultant for organization and staff development for student affairs at Texas A&M.

"There's no perfect SGA out there," said Brock Wallace, vice president of student affairs. "There's always room for change."

Also on Tuesday

The Intervarsity Christian Fellowship was given \$2,791.44 in contingency funds. This money covers the registration fees for three members who went on mission trips to the Domincan Republic and Costa Rica over break. This is the end of the contingency funds.

CENSUS Residents Should Be Alert For Scams

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questions, and up to \$500 for providing false information to the Census Bureau. In addition, May 1 is when census takers will knock on people's doors that did not fill out the form correctly and ask the questions in person.

Freshman Meredith Wood was unaware the repercussions for not filling out the census were so severe.

'I didn't know you had to [complete the census], but I'm definitely going to," Wood said. "I wish I knew it was mandatory, like they should have informed us better about it being required."

The U.S. Census Bureau and Harrisonburg Police Department are also warning people of possible "census scams" that would involve unauthorized people posing as census takers. Although McGee said these are practically nonexistent in the Harrisonburg area, these scams can result in forms of identity theft.

To avoid this, the Census Bureau's Web site advises residents to ask for an identification badge and contact information the verify the person's validity. Census takers will never ask for social security, credit card or bank account numbers.

"We're hoping that all Virginians can fill at the forms as quickly and correctly as possible," McGee said. "Of course, if they're not able to, a Census taker will probably have to come to their home, and that might not be as easy."

In their advertising campaign, the bureau has said the forms will only take about 10 minutes to complete. Although this is true for a single person living alone, McGee said the form would probably take an extra five minutes for each additional person per household.

Concerns About 'No Child' in Rural Schools

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - Senate Republicans raised questions Wednesday about whether President Obama's plan to turn around struggling schools would fly in rural America. One Democrat said she worried that many states would be shortchanged of federal funding they need to improve teaching. But for the most part, Education Secretary Arne Duncan drew a positive reception from key lawmakers as he began pitching the administration's blueprint to rewrite the No Child Left Behind law. The central goal, he said, is to replace what is now a pass-fail accountability system with one that rewards academic growth and intervenes aggressively when schools fail. "This is a set of goals that should invite broad bipartisan agreement," Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, chairman of the Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee, told Duncan. Sen. Lamar Alexander, R-Tenn., a former education secretary, held up the 41-page proposal to revise the 2002 law. "This is a helpful blueprint," Alexander said. "We asked you for it, and we'll now take it from here. It's a good beginning for a complex area."

American Federation of Teachers, with 1.4 million members, and the National Education Association, with 3.2 million, have both criticized the plan. "It's still based on narrow, door-die, high-stakes tests, where some kids win and some kids lose." Dennis Van Roekel, the NEA president, said in an interview. Teachers, he said, are "tired of the test taking, test preparation, practice tests. They want those tests gone. And they're tired of their profession being attacked."

rea said.

Reagan Beasley, a freshman health science major, also finds the apps appealing.

"I think that technology has come a far way and I like that companies like Apple are finding ways to incorporate educational programs into products that appeal to customers," Beasley said.

While freshman Dominic Wright does not take advantage of these applications, he agrees he would give them a try if they were compatible with his phone

"My phone is an intricate part of my life and is the main source of contact that I have both on campus and abroad," Wright said. "I use it more than most people, so the apps would definitely be an added bonus.

Not all students are jumping at the opportunity because many don't own phones or devices that are conducive to using applications.

"I don't have a phone with app capability. I find that I don't need it, and I like a more rugged, simpler phone,"

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In the past few years, smart phones have become integral in some students' lives. Some mobile carriers, including AT&T and Sprint Nextel, are now hoping to create common standards to prevent monopolies on who creates apps.

said Kevin McLean, an undeclared freshman

Like McLean, freshman Miranda Stein doesn't use applications because they cost money to download. While some apps are free, others are as much as \$40 or \$50.

That is why some mobile carriers,

including Verizon, AT&T and Sprint Nextel, are forming an alliance called the Wholesale Applications Community, according to an article in The New York Times. These carriers hope to create common standards so people with different carriers can use apps made by any of these companies.

Teachers unions disagree. The

Duncan praised teachers for "doing the hard work every day helping our children learn." He said the plan would raise funding for teacher development from \$350 million, to \$3.9 billion.

Duncan replied that the plan would allow rural schools to be transformed in ways that would work in sparsely populated regions.

Sen. Patty Murray, D-Wash., said she had "serious concerns" about a proposal to shift emphasis toward competitive grants for teacher quality programs. She said formulas were the best way to ensure money is spread evenly, and she criticized the notion that there would winners and losers for important federal aid programs.

Duncan replied: "Honestly, what we don't want to do is fund the status quo."



BURGLARY | Neighbor Now Locks Bedroom Door at Night

from front

closet, according to police. The suspects stole cash, a television, a PlayStation game system, a digital camera, an iPod and basketball jerseys, according to the Harrisonburg Police Department.

JMU police issued a timely notice the next afternoon.

According to HPD spokeswoman Mary-Hope Vass, police are looking for any connections between the March 2 and 4 incidents and are actively investigating the two incidents. Vass said investigators canvassed the neighborhood the next day looking for evidence.

"Anytime an incident like this happens, we have an evidence technician who responds," Vass said.

Vass said police don't know if there is any reasoning among the recent crimes on Devon Lane,

but said this year's number of burglaries - six - decreased from last year's spring break. Twenty burglaries were reported throughout the city between March 6 and 15, 2009. During winter break (Dec. 12, 2009, to Jan. 7, 2010) 15 burglaries were reported city-wide. One was in the 1100 block of Devon Lane.

"Often it's a crime of opportunity," Vass said. "They're looking for the quick grab with an easy way in and an easy way out without being seen."

Bill Riner, landlord of some of the townhomes on Devon Lane, including McCracken's, said he does not plan to install security systems or add additional security measures to the homes. Riner said his properties are safe, and the expense of a security system would force him to raise rents and absorb additional costs.

"I feel like they're very secure,"

Riner said of his townhomes. "I don't know what more we can do since the break-ins are so random."

Riner has installed deadbolts on all the exterior doors and locks on interior bedroom doors.

"If someone wants in a place, they're going to get in, whether its through a window or door," Riner said. "We can only do so much."

Katie Love, a sophomore communications major who lives on the 1300 block, said the recent crime spree makes her reconsider her living situation.

"It does make me nervous, because I'm going to be living here by myself during Maymester," Love said.

Love said she hid her TV, locked her doors and closed the blinds before she left for break. "I think that people shouldn't

be surprised when these things

happen," Love said. "It's a matter of people being smart about the way they leave their house."

Sophomore international affairs major Nadia Williams, who also lives on the 1300 block, said after the night of the March 4 home invasion she and her roommates became aware of the chance of an additional robbery.

"It's scary," Williams said. "It could happen to anyone. You can't just live in a constant state of fear."

Williams said they locked their windows and doors over break and hid valuable objects like their TV. Williams also said she now locks the door to her bedroom at night.

Police are still actively investigating the other two burglaries, in addition to the March 2 and 4 incidents.

Arrest Made for Burglarv

Police arrested a Harrisonburg man Monday for recent burglaries from the 2400 block of Bayberry Lane in Cooper Beech

Michael Tarpeh, 20, was in the 1900 block of Sunchase Drive on March 9; police found him exiting a vehicle with several televisions sticking out of his trunk. Police said they found bottles of liquor, TVs, a digital camera, a purse, gloves, hat and other pieces of clothing. Police said Tarpeh was borrowing the vehicle and none of the items belonged to the owner.

Tarpeh is charged with two counts of burglary, eight counts of receiving stolen property, three counts of grand larceny, five counts of petty larceny and escape without force.

Police said the incident is still under investigation, and they plan to look into whether Tarpeh was involved in any other burglaries.

Anyone with information should call Crime Solvers, an anonymous tipline, at 540-574-5050. Callers could receive up to a \$1,000 award.

Breeze Up For Journalism Awards

The Breeze is up for several awards for the Society of Professional Journalists, which honors the best collegiate journalism in newspapers and television broadcasts.

The twice-weekly student-run newspaper is a finalist to be named the Best All-Around Non-Daily Student Newspaper. The region includes Delaware, Virginia, North Carolina and Washington, D.C.

Three columnists are also finalists to receive Mark of Excellence Awards.

Senior Tim Chapman, the paper's editor-in-chief, is nominated for his sports columns

Senior Whitten Maher, the paper's design editor, and 2009 graduate Jason Yaworske are up for awards in the general column writing category

Lauren Hagey, another 2009 graduate, is also nominated for her editorial cartoons.

Winners will be announced at an SPJ spring conference on March 27 in College Park, Md.

– staff reports

CUCCINELLI Facebook Groups Organized Students

from front

and obviously it's a public school,' Robinson said.

Through Executive Directive No. 1, a statement in response to questions over Cuccinelli's letter, Gov. McDonnell attempted to clarify the state's position. He said both the Virginia Human Rights Act and the Equal Protection Clause of the U.S. Constitution are designed to protect "certain enumerated classes of persons" from discrimination, including a person's sexual orientation.

McDonnell's stance has changed since a previous executive order released in February that mentions protection for veterans, but left out any particular mention of protection for homosexuals.

Cuccinelli wrote an Op-Ed in the March 13 Richmond Times-Dispatch in order to clarify his statement. Cuccinelli explained he was pointing out the fact that having such policies was against Virginia law, but that he was in no way in favor of any type of discrimination.

JMU President Linwood Rose supported McDonnell's declaration, sending out a mass e-mail to the JMU community March 11. 'I am gratified that the governor has taken the steps necessary to validate

"I understand the situation with sexuality and gender identity and how people feel personally, but when it comes to flat out discrimination, I don't see how their argument makes any sense. It's just ridiculous."

Leina'ala Robinson Madison Equality President

the University's previous policy position that prohibited discrimination in our employment practices," Rose said

in the e-mail.

According to the e-mail from Rose, the policies regarding protection for homosexual employees at JMU will remain the same.

Senior Jasmine Fo, a philosophy and religion major, feels the antidiscrimination policy deserved to remain intact, despite any political

"When employees are let go, they should be done so because of their merit, not because of their sexual orientation, or their skin color or anything like," Fo said. "It's about doing their job that they were appointed to

Students from many Virginia universities immediately reacted last week to oppose Cuccinelli's letter.

Senior SGA president Candace Avalos rallied support against changing the status quo of protection for homosexuals. According to Avalos, other action by the SGA has been delayed due to spring break.

'I ... have a really close relationship with a lot of other student body presidents in Virginia so they e-mailed me too to give me a heads up on what other schools are doing to respond to

the issue," Avalos said in an e-mail. "I noticed the trend of Facebook groups titled ' says "NO" to Ken Cuccinelli's Discriminatory Letter' and I felt inclined to make one for IMU since I already knew a lot of JMU students felt passionate about this issue."

JMU's group has obtained more than 1,600 confirmed members. Other public universities in Virginia have created similar groups against Cuccinelli's letter. The Facebook groups at William & Mary, Virginia Tech, University of Virginia and Virginia Commonwealth University have more than 2,200 members.

Robinson, of Madison Equality, stressed the value of college being a place where students are free to discover themselves and how important it was for those things be kept intact.

"It is taxes being paid into the system, and it is a nonprofit organization," Robinson said. "I understand the situation with sexuality and gender identity and how people feel personally, but when it comes to flat out discrimination, I don't see how their argument makes any sense. It's just ridiculous.

Prescription Abuse Worsens

The Washington Post

Donna George was a grandmother living in a gated community in Fredericksburg, Va., when she sold prescription drugs out of her kitchen while babysitting for her three grandchildren. Witnesses at George's trial said she repeatedly sold them Percocet, methadone and oxycodone. Her grandchildren, 3, 5 and an infant, were watching television less than 20 feet away. "I have kids of my own, so it kind of made me real nervous," testified one witness, Patrick Barber. 'But she acted like nothing was even going on." George's conviction in January for drug distribution was part of a federal crackdown that is the largest investigation of prescription drug abuse in U.S. history. Since 2002, the U.S. attorney's office in Alexandria, Va., has convicted 170 people of selling, prescribing or ingesting painkillers, with 10 more scheduled to plead guilty in coming weeks.

up Dilaudid outside an emergency room. Another defendant burned down her flower shop to get insurance proceeds for pills.

Yet for all the effort, prescription drug abuse continues to worsen in Northern Virginia and throughout the Washington region as demand for painkillers rises among teenagers and others, according to federal and local investigators. 'We're seeing remarkable increases in Percocets sold on the street, a tremendous increase in Vicodin. Oxy is off the charts," said Loudoun County Sheriff's Deputy Cuno Andersen, a member of the Cotton Candy task force. The investigation has been criticized by patient advocates, who say Cotton Candy targets doctors prescribing legal drugs to people in chronic pain. Some question whether the eight-year probe which has involved more than 50 prosecutors and employs 15 to 20 full-time FBI and Drug Enforcement Administration agents and Northern Virginia police officers is worth the time. "It's an enormous waste of government resources," said Ronald Libby, a University of North Florida political science professor and author of "The

You always believed you would be

a mom... just not so soon

Criminalization of Medicine: America's War on Doctors." He argued that law enforcement "can't make a case for any kind of prescription drug epidemic."

Prosecutors strongly defend their work, saying they reacted to a growing problem and have taken millions of illicit pills off Northern Virginia streets, raising the black market price of the most powerful 80-milligram OxyContin pill from \$40 a decade ago to \$65 to \$75 today. But officials cannot point to any evidence that prescription drugs are a bigger problem here than elsewhere. Still, Northern Virginia has become the epicenter of the national crackdown on narcotic painkillers because it has an especially aggressive prosecutor's office. Among the most relentless in that office is Gene Rossi, a 21-year veteran who has overseen Cotton Candy through five U.S. attorneys. We're not aware of any prescription drugs investigation in other districts that begins to approach this level of scope and effort," said U.S. Attorney Neil MacBride. "We believe we've made a dent in the problem in this area. The word is out in the medical community."

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The investigation, dubbed Operation Cotton Candy, has snared seven doctors, 11 nurses and a county prosecutor. One doctor pleaded guilty to demanding sex for drugs; a nurse shot

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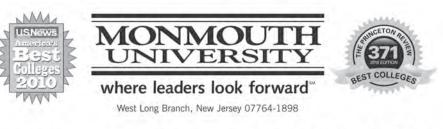
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EDITORIAL

March MADison

SHOW SOME PRIDE, JMU. On Sunday our women's basketball team will square off in the first round of the NCAA tournament against Temple University.

The Dukes, led by superstar Dawn Evans, won the Colonial Athletic Association championship last Sunday 67-53 over conference powerhouse Old Dominion. Coach Kenny Brooks' team earned the championship win in front of more than 3,300 fans at the Convocation Center.

Sunday they will play the Temple Owls at ODU, in Norfolk, with a shot at the two-time defending national champs Connecticut. UConn has won 72 straight games over the past three seasons, and some have dubbed them as the "most sure thing in sports." If the Dukes win on Sunday, they will go on to play the Huskies next Tuesday.

The women need as much support as they can get to beat Temple. The semester may be winding down and classes may be getting tight, but a trip to Norfolk would be extremely worthwhile.

If you haven't closely followed the Dukes this year, they have provided a product that all of JMU should be proud of. Junior guard Dawn Evans is a top-five scorer in the country and she is doing it with an ailing kidney, which may require a transplant this summer. Evans puts her body on the line every time she takes the floor and her teammates are a mirror image.

March means madness and if the Dukes topple the Owls, who knows? Maybe Evans and company can play David to UConn's Goliath. See page 13 for more coverage on women's basketball. See front for viewing and ticket information.

CAA Women's Champs



TONY SPADACCIA | the real story

U.S. is Resembling Greece's Economic Decline

Greece is Evidence of the Welfare State's Slow Demise.

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While President Obama travels across America to promote his plan to transform health care into a nationwide entitlement, tens of thousands of Greek citizens riot in the Athens streets. They are protesting spending



of the Earth, the press might as well cover them together, because they are both part of the same story. The only difference between the two is the timeline — America is on the verge of adding to its collection of entitlement programs while the Greek economy has already been broken by them. Driven by lavish spending on social programs and public employees, Greece's overall national debt has grown to a frightening 113 percent of its GDP. This burgeoning debt has led many of the lenders the Greek government relied on to worry that the small nation won't be able to finance almost \$23 billion worth of government bonds maturing in April and May. If these lenders were to walk away, Greece would almost certainly default on the rest of its future obligations. Such a scenario would pose significant problems for other European Union nations. It would undermine investors' confidence in the ability of other struggling European countries, like Spain, Portugal and Italy, to pay their debts, creating a domino effect that could threaten the very existence of the euro.

If the EU decides to rescue Greece from default, then Germans will likely finance it. Historically one of the world's great economic powers, Germany has the largest economy in the EU which, in a sense, makes it a victim of its own success as it is the only European nation capable of providing enough money to finance the Greek debt. But a German rescue is by no means guaranteed. Germany has a high national debt of its own, and the idea of a Greek bailout is tremendously unpopular among German citizens.

But Greece is only the beginning; a quick look at the fiscal health of all EU countries reveals an entire continent unraveling due to the massive debts

Piece by piece in developed countries around the world, we are witnessing the slow demise of the welfare state as it crumbles beneath its own weight. around to pay for it all. In fact, Europe's problem is magnified because its population is not only aging — it's shrinking. Experts believe Europe will lose an estimated 30 million working-aged people by 2050, which would significantly reduce its share of the world's economy and leave fewer workers to pay for the retirement benefits of more retirees.

What is happening in Europe today is a warning to America that blind devotion to the welfare state inevitably leads to financial peril. If our elected officials refuse to live up to their obligation to be responsible stewards of taxpayers' money, then our country will share Europe's fate. The United States is not immune from financial collapse. It's already happening right now in California.

With a budget deficit of more than \$20 billion, California is bankrupt, and much like Greece, social welfare programs and public employee unions are to blame. Although California represents 12 percent of the total U.S. population, it holds 32 percent of all welfare cases. Only 22 percent of welfare recipients in California who are able to work are actually working, revealing a broken system that is failing residents by incentivizing a culture of government dependency.

In 2008, a state commission valued California's unfunded pension liability at \$63.5 billion. Over the last 10 years, pension costs for public employees in California have increased about 2,000 percent, while state revenues increased 24 percent, and more than 15,000 government retirees statewide receive pensions exceeding \$100,000 a year.

Piece by piece in developed countries around the world, we are witnessing the slow demise of the welfare state as it crumbles beneath its own weight. Today it is Greece, tomorrow it will be Spain, then Portugal, Italy, Ireland and Japan. For our sake, we must demand that Congress stop the deficit spending and rein in the unsustainable entitlements because America's youth will ultimately bear its burdens.

incurred by the unrestrained growth of the European welfare state. After years of pouring money into social programs and public employee benefit packages, Europe is finding that a steadily decreasing number of private-sector workers are

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DARTS PATS

A **"those-aren't-optional"** dart to the girl who decided not to wear a bra to class.

From a fellow feminist who believes bra burning is not the answer.

A **"JMU-1,-you-0**" pat to the JMU employee who played "The Lion King" soundtrack from the Commons speakers, forcing Brother Micah to stop preaching.

From a girl who would rather hear "Hakuna Matata."

An **"always,-l-want-to-be-withyou-and-make-believe-with-you"** pat to the "Robot Unicorn Attack" game on AdultSwim.com for helping me get through this tough week.

From a hopelessly addicted junior.

A **"this-isn't-U.Va."** dart to the girl wearing the pearl necklace with her running shoes.

From a senior who leaves her Stepford paraphernalia at home during her workout. A **"what-a-nice-guy"** pat to the guy who helped the visiting elementary school girl pick up her fries after dropping them on the ground and carried her tray to the cashier.

From the girl at the salad line who thinks you're going to be a good dad one day.

A "your-language-is-offensive"

dart to the guy standing outside at 3 a.m. yelling random obscenities at the top of his lungs.

From a slightly amused Ron Burgundy.

A **"quit-clownin'-around"** dart to the frat boy in Top Dog who called my boyfriend a "retard" because he was wearing clown makeup for an acting class assignment.

From a loving girlfriend who believes calling people offensive names in this world should stop.

A **"why-so-serious?"** dart to real life. *From silly little me.* A **"do-you-want-some-cheesewith-that-whine?"** dart to all the haters of the new e-mail system. *From a gal embracing the change.*

A **"thanks-for-the-compliment"** dart to Hugo Chavez, who called me a "blonde Condoleezza Rice."

From Hillary Clinton, who knows all free Americans look the same to the man who put the "dic" in dictator.

A **"SB2010!-Get-drunk!"** dart to all the wasted spring breakers who wasted their break by getting wasted. From a totally sober Alternative Break participant who knows the \$13.95 you spent on a case of Natural Light could have really helped someone do more than slur their words.

A **"thanks-for-coming-out-ofhibernation"** pat to the sun for putting everyone in a good mood. *From a Quad lover who has missed your rays of happiness.*

A **"what-did-they-ever-do-toyou?"** dart to the boys throwing rocks at ducks near Eagle Hall. *From an animal lover who didn't appreciate what she saw on the first day back of classes.* A **"shawty-fine,-breff-stank-Dothe-heizman-on-dat-ho"** dart to the girl on the bus whose breath smelled like an old lady fart passing through an onion.

From a sophomore who thinks shawty should moooove to the left so I can breathe again.

A **"some-people-are-trying-tostudy"** dart to the Panhellenic Council that insisted on having its 50-person meeting in the hallway of ISAT.

From a fellow sorority member who is trying to study and would enjoy some peace and quiet.

A **"great-hair"** pat to the cute bright red headed boy I bumped into in D-Hall.

From a fellow redhead who wouldn't mind another D-Hall night with you.

A **"you-make-me-feel-so-fine-lcan't-control-my-brain"** pat to the barista at Greenberry's singing along to Weezer.

From a Weezer fan who appreciated your free spirit while he worked on an assignment during spring break.

A **"wahhhhh"** dart to Snooki for being unfashionably late.

From a girl who could have been studying.

A "you've-got-me-all-wrapped-

up" pat to the guy behind the Market One sandwich station who knows the true method behind wrapping the perfect wrap.

From a girl who appreciates your skills.

An "l-know-what-you've-beensearching-for" dart to every

hormonal college student. From Google, who knows when you turn "moderate" safe search to "off."

A **"come-faster"** dart to my 21st birthday.

From a girl who got too used to going to bars over spring break and is now back to reality.

A **"marry-me-already"** pat to the man who knows he wants to. *From your future wifey.*

A **"my-life-is-average"** pat to the creepy old man in the library singing to me at the computers late Monday night for making my dreams of being serenaded complete.

From a girl who got what she wanted... sort of.

An **"I'm-lovin'-it"** pat to American food for being so delicious.

From a Spring Breaker who will never forget where she came from.

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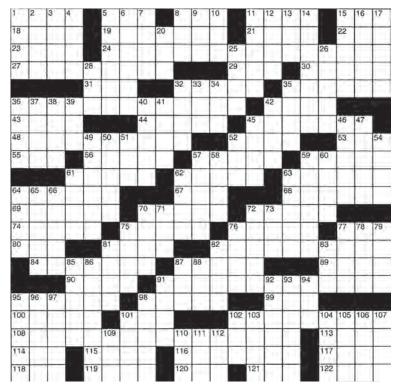
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The Count Makes the Difference

Students Should Fill Out Census Form to Bring More Accurate Funding to Harrisonburg and JMU.

Have you ever wondered what would happen if you called 911 and nobody answered? Or if a blizzard hit and no plows came to clear the roads? The census is the way our government decides how billions of dollars in funding is allocated for such public services.

Throughout this week, Census 2010 forms will land in off campus mailboxes — one for each apartment. For on-campus residents you will be contacted by your Resident Advisers after April 1st to fill out the form. For the purposes of the census, JMU students should be counted as Harrisonburg residents. Your primary impact on public services is greatest here and being counted as a citizen of Harrisonburg is vital to future city funding.

The census is by no means an exhilarating topic, but is by far the most important tool that the government uses to make informed decisions. Written into Article 1, Section 2 of our Constitution, the census is America's largest peacetime operation. Counting a nation of more 300 million people is no easy (or inexpensive) task. Such effort is put into the counting campaign, because it determines everything from how money is apportioned for education and public services to how electoral districts are drawn.

Although the process of filling out a form may be somewhat confusing or unimportant, it is a vital task we must take part in to ensure we are properly represented. Our concern is that we, as students, are systemically

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underrepresented in the count, because our lifestyle lends itself to many complexities - multiple addresses, jobs here and there, different registrations or parents in different places.

As well, given that Harrisonburg is a college town, the total population could be underestimated drastically. An inaccurate count will lead to Harrisonburg missing out on hundreds of thousands of dollars in funding.

When the count is off, it not only hurts Harrisonburg, but it hurts the university as well. The majority of us live in apartment complexes throughout the city. To get to campus, we rely on the infrastructure: the roads, lights and other services of the city. In our complexes we depend on city services. An off count deprives the city of the funding it needs to keep the infrastructure at pace with the growing student population.

The Census Bureau has begun to send out the 10-question form to thousands of addresses throughout the city. These will not be addressed to specific

individuals, but if it comes in your mailbox you have a civic duty to fill it out and send it back. Do not simply toss it on top of the odds and ends pile of mail. It will take less than 10 minutes to fill out and is vitally important, especially in our economic situation.

When you encounter this questionnaire, know that this is not necessarily related to where you vote or where your parents live. The purpose of the census is to count everyone in a given area at a certain point in time so needs can be addressed accurately.

Funding will become an increasingly important issue over the next few years as state budget cuts continue and the cost of tuition rises. Making sure Harrisonburg has an accurate count is one of the few ways we can try to lessen the impact of the financial fallout. As student body President Candace Avalos recently advocated, we as students need to act when we are faced with potential financial concerns.

As the Student Government Census Coordinators, we invite you to help us in raising awareness of the census and welcome your questions.

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Protesting Will Help Bring Immigrants 'Out of the Shadows'

On Sunday, tens of thousands of Americans who supported Barack Obama's presidential campaign in 2008 will gather on the Mall to protest the president's lack of action on a cause to which he had committed himself throughout the campaign: immigration reform.

As a candidate, Obama spoke eloquently of the need to bring the estimated 11 million immigrants here without documentation "out of the shadows." As president, he stepped up the number of deportations to an all-time high: 298,401 in fiscal 2009, a 13 percent increase over the last year of George W. Bush's presidency. But reforming our ridiculous immigration laws so that the millions of immigrants here illegally could have a path to legalization was deferred, like so many administration commitments, until health-care reform was enacted.

So immigrants and Latinos held their tongues, despite the especially among the young," says Angelica Salas, who heads the Coalition for Humane Immigration Reform of Los Angeles. "They see their parents snatched away, they have to put their lives on hold." (There are an estimated 4 million U.S.-born American-citizen children of undocumented parents.)

And so, the immigrant leaders called a march on Washington that, as Gutierrez says, "is primarily directed at President Obama and his administration." In that sense, the march comes straight out of the A. Philip Randolph playbook. Randolph, the president of the old Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, called the first March on Washington in 1941 to pressure Franklin Roosevelt to issue an executive order desegregating defense factories. When Roosevelt issued the order, Randolph agreed to call off the march. But he called for such a march again in 1948 to pressure Harry Truman to desegregate the armed forces and when Truman issued that order, Randolph again called off the march. The third such march he called — in the summer of 1963, to demand the passage of civil rights legislation - famously and gloriously took place. The civil rights leaders who have called this march don't doubt that if Obama could enact immigration reform by executive order, he would. In his meeting with them last week, the president affirmed his commitment to the cause. Whether it will become his legislative priority is another question: Congress is waiting to see what Obama does, even as Obama says he needs to see some GOP willingness to enact reform (and this is certainly a cause that some leading Republicans, most notably John McCain, have supported in the past).

None of the immigrant advocates says that this is an easy issue. Historically, immigration reform has been enacted during times of prosperity, not recession. But no path to legalization has been staked out since 1986 a long time for millions of people to live in the shadows. 'There's always an excuse," says Salas. "First it was terrorism, now it's the recession.'

For his part, Gutierrez has made clear that his vote for health-care reform may depend on the president's willingness to push immigration reform this year. "This is not easy," he says. "My office is covered with pictures of the president with me. We worked hard for his election. My wife adores him."

But like other key groups within the Democratic base (such as labor) that saw their signature issued deferred and now fear that the ability to enact progressive legislation will end in November. the Latino leadership feels it can wait no longer. "I'm very hopeful" that the president will agree to push for legislation, says Gutierrez. "The ball is in his court." And if the president doesn't agree? "We will go into the field," says Gutierrez, "like the civil rights movement and the suffragists did." "We will escalate," says Gustavo Torres of Casa de Maryland, "to civil disobedience." A further contingency plan confronts Obama with a more palpable threat. "The Latino community will stay home in the elections of 2010 and 2012," says Torres. You can argue that that wouldn't be in Latinos' self-interest - but absent immigration reform, that case is getting harder and harder to make.

March Madness Affects Academics

With the recent hysteria about kids missing school because of snow, it seems appropriate to look at the effect March Madness has on academics at the 65 colleges invited to the basketball tournament and others where students are equally obsessed.

A nationwide independent poll funded and conducted by me strongly suggests that during the three-week NCAA championship tournament, many classes will be canceled, the minds of many students will wander and very little in the way of schoolwork will get done on numerous campuses over the next few weeks.

You don't have to take my word for it. Here's part of an article in The Observer, an independent newspaper serving Notre Dame and St. Mary's, written by Andy Ziccarelli:

"Since we are in college, I think that it is pretty safe to say that St. Patrick's Day is one of the best days, if not the best day, of the year. What if, however, I could tell you that it gets even better? God has granted us the perfect two-

day follow up to the best party day of the year, and it comes in the form of even more energy, adrenaline and excitement than St. Patty's Day. This event will cause people to skip class for the rest of the week, and for the dedicated students who will actually attend class, their attention will be likely be consumed by it. (As a warning to any professors: if anyone has their laptops open in class on Thursday and Friday, they aren't taking notes. They aren't even paying attention to you at all). Many, including myself, would say that these next two days are the best of the entire year. Yes, March Madness has finally arrived."

Then there is Scott Minto, program director for San Diego State University's Sports Business MBA program. He's already canceled classes for the first day of the tournament, in which SDSU is seeded 11th in the Midwest Region.

He knows nobody wants to show up, he said, and he thinks that's just fine, because he

doesn't want to teach, either.

A first-round win, he said, would boost morale at the school--part of the California university system that has been battered by state budget cuts- as well as provide a financial boost.

It's well known that the threeweek NCAA tournament is big business, providing revenue to the NCAA, which in turn shares it with the schools involved. In fact, the NCAA has a \$6 billion deal over 11 years with CBS to broadcast the games, which provide free publicity for all of the colleges and universities.

Those event effects have been studied extensively. But nobody (besides me) has researched how much academic work does or doesn't get done during the tournament, Minto said.

What does that say to you about the importance of athletics in higher education?

Valerie Strauss, The Washington Post

Adding Education to Health Bill Unfair?

increase in deportations that wreaked havoc in their communities, in hopes that Year Two of the Obama presidency would be better. They waited until Obama's State of the Union address, in which the president devoted one sentence — "one paltry sentence," in the words of Rep. Luis Gutierrez, the Chicago Democrat who is the leading advocate for America's immigrants in the House — to the issue.

At which point, Latino America exploded. The Spanishlanguage press rang with cries of betrayal. Leaders pointed out that 2 million more Latinos voted in 2008 than in 2004, and that they had given 67 percent of their vote to Obama. Without the Latino surge, they argued, Obama would not have carried Colorado, Nevada, Florida and other swing states.

"There's huge discontent,

Harold Meyerson, The Washington Post

If all goes according to plan, Democrats in Congress will attempt to pass two major, long-sought reforms at once in the coming weeks — of health care and student loans - using the controversial reconciliation maneuver in the Senate. Some have characterized the move to add education to the health bill as a sneaky attempt to ram through one more "government takeover." That's unfair.

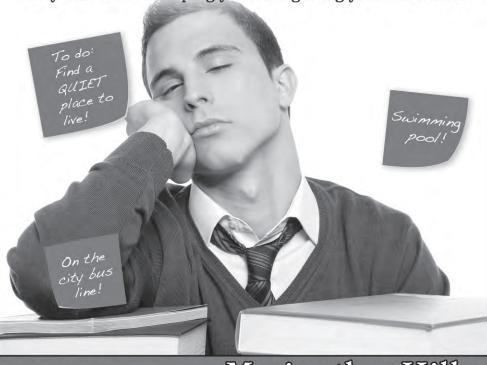
First, it's no government takeover. Opponents would make it appear as though Democrats want bureaucrats to destroy a functioning private market for federally backed student loans. In fact, the only reason any private company is in the business of originating such loans is because of government support, and propping up that artificial market is expensive. In the end, it's a better deal for taxpayers to have the government lend money directly to students. Private lenders, who want to preserve some role for themselves in the loan origination business, counter that they provide better services to students. But the government plans to farm out loan servicing to them through a process of competitive contracting.

Second, reconciliation, which removes the filibuster as an option and allows legislation to pass with a simple majority, has been on the record as an option for student loan reform for months. Since there can be only one reconciliation bill per budget year, the Democrats' move to add the education measure to health-care reconciliation should be no surprise. If there is a proposal tailor-made for reconciliation - a procedure originally intended to help Congress rationalize the budget it is this plan to end a wasteful program of subsidies for private lenders

What the Democrats should restrain, however, is their desire to spend all the projected savings immediately. President Barack Obama and his congressional allies want to pump up the laudable Federal Pell Grant Program, which helps poor students pay for college; they would make part of the annual spending for the program mandatory, rather than subject to an annual decision by Congress, and provide for automatic increases for inflation. Given the country's fiscal difficulties, that's unwise.

Editorial Board, The Washington Post

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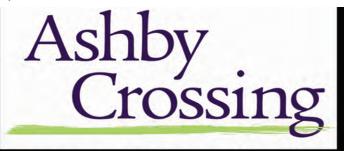
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PHOTOS BY SETH BINSTED / THE BREEZE ART WORK BY DALYA LUTTWAK



Artist Dalya Luttwak started producing installation pieces based on the roots of plants in 2007.

By ARIEL BOJEUN contributing writer

Walking into the simple, industrial gallery one finds explorative steel tracing the roots of living plants, creating an intriguing and underground world. Widely acclaimed Israeli-American sculptor Dalya Luttwak hits JMU's art scene with her new installation featured in Duke Hall titled "Roots: The Hidden Half in Black and White."

Seven magnified roots, labeled by their English and Latin names, are mounted, hung and placed throughout the space.

"When I walked into here, it becomes a subterranean cavern," said Jason Anderson, a first-year graduate student and photography major.

Laura Katzman, art curator and associate art history professor, was first intrigued by Luttwak's "Hidden" exhibition featured in the fall of 2008. At the American University Museum the roots were colored in a more organic array of browns.

"When I first encountered her work, it occupied a cavernous, cold garden," Katzman said. "They [the roots] looked like they were coming back to haunt the cavernous space."

The organic elements of the roots, dug from the ground by Luttwak herself, are contrasted by the harsh, "synthetic" black and white coloring which mimics the industrial feel of the gallery. Although similar to the "Hidden" exhibition, Luttwak noted that much of it is new. Luttwak described that she "fit each piece to a particular site, measured hundreds of times to do this one curve," making this exhibition "site specific."

Despite this new coloring, the onion root features clumping of brown which imitate the image of dirt. This is unusual for the installation considering its divergence from its previous organic feel, but Luttwak explained, "I wanted not to have [the dirt-like clumps], but then I thought in my previous show I had a lot of it, so I wanted to leave one reminder that it

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Speaker Looks to Mobilize Youth

By TORIE FOSTER The Breeze

Almost 30,000 children have been abducted in northern Uganda over the past 24 years to forcibly serve in Africa's longest war. Efforts to end the violence caused by Ugandan dictator Joseph Kony have come predominantly from students and young activists, most notably

coverage of "The Rescue," and the violence in Uganda.

Fiercely determined to get Oprah Winfrey's recognition, Warne led the last group waiting nearly a week in Chicago. When the 500 protestors literally surrounded Harpo Studio, Winfrey gave them a live spot on her show.

'They stood up for something bigthan themselves," said Johannes leader. "And that is exactly what we are asking you to do."

Though the Chicago group faced many failures as they attempted to get Winfrey's attention, they refused to give up.

What got us all rescued and on 'Oprah' was the community we created," Warne said.

This struck a chord with senior IC member Diana Gates. "I was so people standing in solidarity with each other for a cause halfway around the world," she said.

Warne, who has spoken to several colleges, called the screening one of the best she has attended.

As a result of these and other efforts, the Northern Uganda Recoverv Act, which aims to ensure peace in the country, passed through the Senate three days ago, and is now in the House. IC hopes it will make its way to President Obama's desk. "This is the closest we've ever come in the past seven years," Warne said. Warne has hope that Obama's symbolism of change and possibility will motivate people to get involved with the cause. "He's new, young, different and came from a normal background," she said. "He's an example of how change is possible for everyone." But Gates disagrees, "It has so little to do with people in our government and so much to do with the young generation that wants to cause a change," she said.

ALBUM REVIEW

Gorillaz's 'Plastic Beach' Lacks Standout Single

with the organization Invisible Children

Natalie Warne, 19, IC's tour representative for the East Coast, spoke after Tuesday's screening of the documentary "Together We are Free." She revealed how IC has rallied support to help prevent Kony's actions, but also highlighted the potential power of the youth.

'We are the leaders of tomorrow," Warne said. "We pave the way for our children."

The documentary detailed an international event last April called "The Rescue." Young activists congregated in 100 cities worldwide and camped outside for days in order to be "rescued." This included getting a significant media source, such as CNN, and a public figure involved at the location. The goal was to gain

Oberma, the East Coast tour team inspired by seeing so many young

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RYAN FREELAND / CONTRIBUTING PHOTOGRAPHER

Natalie Warne, 19, was featured on the Oprah Show after she led a weeklong "rescue" in her hometown Chicago. She spoke Tuesday in the Health and Human Services Building.

IC, though, recognizes that their work is not complete.

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Evelyn Byrd Fills Void Left By 80 One Records

By NICK SLOANE The Breeze

With the demise of the student-run record label 80 One Records, a distant memory in the minds of most students, a new label is in town. Named after a local street, Evelyn Byrd Records was formed from the ashes of 80 One.

Senior Mike Lehman, publicist for the label, explained its genesis.

"We had 80 One Records as a student-run label, and then UPB decided to absorb it and make it a production and promotion branch, so there was a gap for a student-run label," Lehman said.

Joe Taylor, a music industry professor and faculty advisor for the label, recounted a similar story from his point of view

"80 One decided not be a record label anymore, and that didn't really make a whole lot of sense to me, so I talked to some of the students about keeping the record label idea alive, and we decided to bring it under the music industry concentration here in the music department," Taylor said. "I just kind of inherited it.'

Lehman said the overall goal of the project is "to give student bands and

artists at JMU a means of recording their music and distributing it." And though its only just coming out of its infant stages, the media arts and design major's enthusiasm for the music industry association's new brainchild fuels his optimism and vice versa.

Because Evelyn Byrd is just getting off the ground, no artists are on the roster, but Lehman isn't worried.

We have a few potential people [to be signed] ... a lot of the people on the core council within the label have bands, so they want to do stuff," Lehman said. "But we don't just wanna be kind of a club recording our own stuff. We're working on getting (outside) acts as well."

Lehman said they are looking for are mostly JMU or all JMU student bands, but since it's so early game for them, it's really to say at this point.

Evelyn Byrd plans to kick things into full gear in the fall.

"I think that's the target," Taylor said. "I know some people are graduating and that's the problem with studentrun labels is students graduate. So new people have to come in ... pretty much

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NATE CARDEN / THE BREEZE

Say Aloha!

"Aloha, Say the Pretty Girls" is a play by Naomi lizuka, which details the difficulties of finding love in today's society. LEFT Peter played by freshman Alex Tower, Wendy played by sophomore Amanda Newby and Richard played by freshman Brian Hahn.

By JEFF WADE The Breeze

If Damon Albarn is going use his Gorillaz project to release an environmentally focused concept album, then he should be taken to task for refusing to recycle. Recycle ideas that is.

"Plastic Beach," the third album by Gorillaz once again finds the virtual band funneling a new set of songs that sound like pop music from some kind of dystopian sci-fi wilderness. It bounces between genres, using both speed and finesse. While that may be expected from a Gorillaz release, it has never been executed as well as "Plastic Beach."

The band's latest

bucks tradition in notable ways. The band's self-titled debut and their commercial smash follow up "Demon Days" both suffered from the same problem. Namely, they each contained a world-conquering single, "Clint Eastwood" and "Feel Good Inc.," leaving the rest of the album to be filled with ideas and sketches of songs that vary wildly

in quality. "Plastic Beach" has the opposite problem, it is a cohesive and consistent song collection lacking the one huge singular moment expected from a Gorillaz album. Even if "Plastic

It is a cohesive and consistent song collection lacking the one huge singular moment expected from a Gorillaz album.

Gorillaz Plastic Beach ★★★☆ Released March 3

Beach" bucks the tradition by not having a clear single, it still meets certain expectations of what makes a Gorillaz album by containing a whole slew of guest stars.

There's the alternative rock godfathers: frontman Lou Reed of The Velvet Underground and The Fall's Mark E. Smith lending the whole project a sense of cred. Britpop contemporary Gruff Rhyes of Super Furry Animals makes an appearance. Mos Def and a returning De La Soul fill the album's guest rapper quota, while Swedish group Little Dragon fill the electronica one.

This cross-sampling of genres and talent is used to great effect. It creates a mash-up of inspired feeling that echoes throughout much of the disc, such as De La Soul rapping over Gruff Rhyes chorus on "Superfast Jellyfish," or the inspired pairing of Mos Def and soul legend Bobby Womack on the lead single "Stylo."

The numerous guest stars are a great asset and utilized well, but their prominence may make listeners wonder which zoo the Gorillaz are locked

MOVIE REVIEW 'Remember Me' Easily Forgettable

BV ELYSE KRACHMAN contributing writer

The audience demographic in Robert Pattinson's latest movie "Remember Me" was apparent from the audible excitement present during the "Eclipse" preview that ran before the film.

"Twilight" fans came out in surprisingly small numbers to support Pattinson, as the movie earned only \$8.3 million its opening weekend, compared to the \$62 million earned by "Alice in Wonderland."

Playing Tyler Hawkins, Pattinson was joined in this endeavor by the likes of a frightening Chris Cooper (as Sgt. Neil Craig), a sweet Emilie de Ravin (as Ally Craig), a woefully random Pierce Brosman (as Tyler's father, Charles Hawkins), an adorable Ruby Jerins (as Tyler's little sister, Caroline) and humorous Tate Ellington (as Tyler's best friend, Aidan).

"Remember Me" tells the story of a tortured, suffering young man, who has a problem with authority and is mistreated by a police officer for standing up for himself. When Aidan discovers that the police officer has a daughter, he encourages Tyler to woo and then dump her as revenge on the police officer. How these two things are

related is not entirely obvious. Tyler falls in love with Ally, the sergeant's daughter, and they quickly become inseparable. So where's the conflict?

When the time came for the two lovers to part, one felt nothing more than a slight twinge of regret.

Remember Me

 $\bigstar\bigstar \bigstar \And \bigstar$ 'PG-13' Starring Robert Pattinson, Emilie de Ravin, Chris Cooper, Pierce Brosnan

Ally doesn't know that her father gave Tyler a black eye, but the real problems are the family issues facing both Ally and Tyler. Tyler must cope with a distant father and his brother's suicide while Ally must deal with an abusive, masochistic father. The main problem with the film is that these family issues overshadow what was made out to be the film's big conflict: the fact that Tyler lies to Ally about his black eye.

Other problems with the film were lackluster chemistry between de Ravin and Pattinson (there was no heat between them) and a lack of warmth; it was not compelling enough to make the viewer care for the characters. When the time came for the two lovers to part, one felt nothing more than a slight twinge of regret.

Furthermore, the acting leaves something to be desired. While Pattinson struggles to free himself of his vampire stereotype, he barely breaks the shackles. The other actors also falter in their portrayal of characters who don't seem real enough, like Brosman's larger than life New York businessman, or Cooper's stereotypical violent policeman. De Ravin also had trouble creating a realistic performance; her character also seemed like a standard New York kid with good fashion sense. The only standout cast member was Jerins, who played her role with innocence and humor.

While perhaps pleasing on paper, "Remember Me" is a mediocre film which doesn't have much to offer in the way of plot or acting. It fails have heart, and because of this, the movie will leave the viewer feeling like they have just witnessed something utterly forgettable.

Film Festival Recognizes Hidden Gems in Asian Culture

By JEFF HARRIS contributing writer

On Tuesday, JMU hosted the first movie of the Harrisonburg Asian Film Festival. Arranged by a coalition of administration, faculty and students, the free-of-charge festival centers around food and cuisine in Asia, a topic of a recent Asian Studies symposium.

The three movies headlining the festival are China's "Eat, Drink, Man, Woman," Korea's "Sympathy for Lady Vengeance," and Vietnam's "The Scent of Green Papaya."

Despite the lack of name recognition they may have with the average JMU student, the films have garnered multiple international awards and nominations including an Academy Award nomination for Best Foreign Film for "Eat, Drink, Man, Woman" and the Camera d'Or Prize, which was given to "The Scent of Green Papaya" for being the best film at the 1993 Cannes Film Festival.

The film festival isn't limited to JMU's confines. The festival not only takes place at JMU's Grafton-Stovall Theatre, but also at Harrisonburg's Court Square Theater. The event also aims to unite the growing number of cultures in the Harrisonburg and Shenandoah Valley communities. This happens primarily through spreading the word to businesses. Volunteers placed posters on multiple storefronts and organizations like WMRA, the valley public radio station, and the Daily News-Record, the Harrisonburg newspaper.

"One of the ideas behind the festival is that there are a lot of people in Harrisonburg area with a great interest in Asian culture," said Abigail Schweber, a professor of JMU's history department and the chief organizer of the event. "The hope was to have an annual event that would share their interest in Asian culture. By having these things be free, hopefully we could expand the degree of culture in Asia."

Other organizers who greatly contributed to the event include Megan Tracy from the anthropology department, Suraj Jacobs from justice studies and senior Erik Bowen.

The event organizers hope to broaden the horizons of those who attend as well as foster interest in the cultures they may discover. They also hope that viewers enjoy themselves.

"I want them to have fun," Schweber said. "This is the kind of cultural experience that should be a fun one. While they have fun, get a greater awareness of cultural awareness, of

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up in. It seems a bit odd

that only four tracks on the

record do not feature some

sort of guest star. Especially

when those tracks tend to be

the best songs on the record

such as the slow building

"Rhinestone Eyes" and the

twinkling "On Melancholy

first record that Albarn

has served as producer, it

style. And at 16 tracks, most

sometimes lacks a clear

and singular sound or

of divergent genres and

As "Plastic Beach" is the

Asian culture in particular. And maybe even spark an interest in Asia and world culture."

In addition to faculty, students who have become involved in the festival have similar hopes for its success.

"I'm hoping to get more of a sense of our Asian culture," said freshman Andrew Aldaya, a volunteer for the festival. "ASN and the other organizations are [helping] teach what our cultures are all about."

Tuesday's first set of showings, "Eat, Drink, Man, Woman and Sympathy for Lady Vengeance," received positive reactions from the students.

"I thought it was a pretty interesting movie," junior Tim Dean said. "It was different. It had a different aspect of living. And it shows you a lot of culture.

The event resumes on Friday, March 30 with the 7:30 p.m. showing of "The Scent of Green Papaya" and a 10 p.m. showing of "Sympathy for Lady Vengeance" and concludes on Saturday with a 7:30 pm showing of "Eat, Drink, Man, Woman." The success of this film festival will determine if the committee continues in the future. As for possible themes, the committee will let the students have somewhat of a say in the matter. "We welcome suggestions from anyone with ideas," Schweber said.

INVISIBLE Group Fights Atrocities in Africa

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Though Kony's Lord's Resistance Army has mostly left Uganda, it has spread to other African countries in the past three years, and thousands of children are still in need of rescuing. Warne worries that many people are still unaware of Kony's persistent crimes.

"I realize it's so far from over," Warne said. "It's going to end when we all make an individual change and are a part of this."

IC emphasizes the abilities of the current generation, and Warne's young age certainly underlines this. "Students don't know it's possible to be a part of this," she said. "But change wasn't about waiting for the Dr. Kings to step up or the Robert Kennedys to come. It was about me."

The Ugandan children's "voices are silent," said freshman IC member Elise Benusa. "It is our responsibility to be their voice. These kids are invisible and we need to make them visible." A main factor in this movement is also the use of social networks like Facebook, Twitter and MySpace. "We're all so connected through technology," said freshman IC member Sarah Ryland. "Young people everywhere can spread the word."

Though IC's main goal is to end the war, Warne also explained that atrocities such as this do not only occur in Africa, but around the world.

"This is not just an African issue; it is a human rights issue," Benusa said.

Warne also stressed the need to bridge the gap between Africa and the United States.

"My job is to tell my story," Warne said. "I just want to be a fire-starter and ignite passion. I want to motivate people to change."

The organization sells T-shirts entirely made from Ugandan cotton and bracelets also made by Ugandans, which helps create sustainable jobs there. One can also become a TRI donor, by contributing \$3 a week to sup-

time.

While Evelyn Byrd has the potential to be a positive force for the JMU music community, one of the questions any label must ask is: How effective can it be in an age when worldwide giants, like Radiohead and Nine Inch Nails, and even local acts, like March to the Arctic and Casey Cavanaugh, are producing without the help of a label?

an artist-minded approach.

"We're really just trying to help them [the artist] with distribution and publicity," Lehman said. "We have multiple departments, like I'm head of publicity, we have A&R (Artists & Repertoire), we have distribution, and we got about 10 people fulfilling different roles and that gives more of a team effort than just one band or their manager can do, because we all have different ties." Taylor explained the label's artist-friendly nature. "They own their own material, they retain their copyrights so when they graduate they won't have

to be stuck to something they did as a student," he said.

Web presence is an important aspect of the music industry today — something the 11 students at Evelyn Byrd know. And even though the label's in its beginning stages, a MySpace page and a Web site are already under construction.

The prospect of free streaming and free artist downloads is a product of the Web presence, and both concepts are things Evelyn Byrd is considering.

"I think what we wanna do for downloads is have a compilation CD of our artists, and we would definitely do free streaming on the Web site, but as far as free downloads, that would be at the discretion of the band," said Lehman.

Taylor sees the label as a learning experience for his

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styles, there is a legitimate argument that fat could be trimmed. Albarn should not be taken to task for having too many ideas though. After all, when the two surviving members of The Clash are willing to work together again specifically for you, who are you to say no?

"Plastic Beach" makes a lot of great strides, and feels much more essential than any prior Gorillaz release. To echo the environmental concerns from the album, one can only hope that this creative upswing is sustainable.

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belongs to the ground." Luttwak's inspiration is the

natural."

Her exhibition is accompanied by a poem by Chilean writer, Pablo Neruda, titled

LABEL Plans Made To Sign First Band in Fall

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right now it's one week at a

Evelyn Byrd answers this with

port IC's mission.

Though Warne feels much progress has been made, she and fellow IC members are committed to making a permanent global impact by halting future worldwide violence.

"Now is the time to step up," Warne said. "We may as well start where we are."

students.

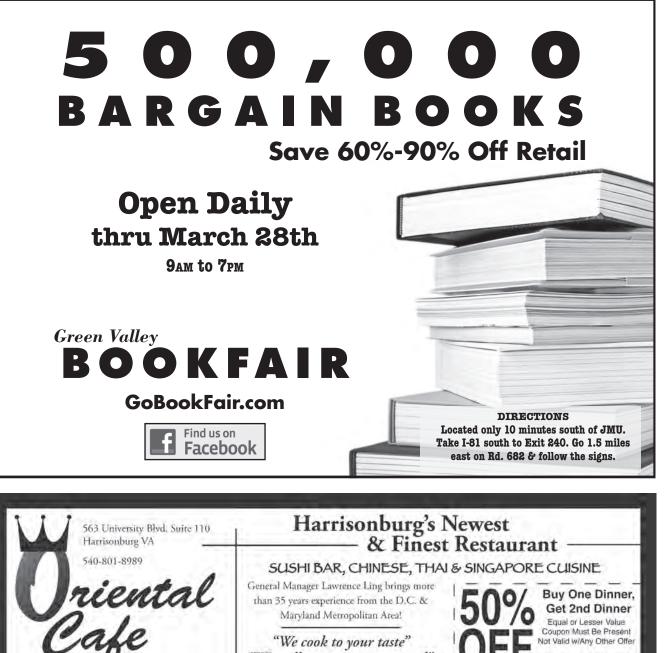
"We're not here to become a professional record label. This is a university, so the idea here is to give everybody the experience they need to work at a label or in the artist's case to record for a label," he said. "So they get that experience and that's what it's all about. We're not building an empire."

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subject of the root — "very forgiving, like what you find in the ground because any extra weld or bend could be

"Tell me, is the Rose Naked?" to further Luttwak's explanation: "Why do trees conceal the splendor of their roots?"





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GAMES WEEK

SOFTBALL Fordham @ JMU Friday, 2 p.m.

The Rams received votes this week in the USA Today / NFCA Top 25 poll for the third consecutive week.

Winthrop @ JMU Friday, 4:30 p.m.

The Eagles' Cari Woolridge has been named the Big South Pitcher of the Week for the second straight time.

BASEBALL

Towson @ JMU Friday, 6:30 p.m. Friday's game is the first of a 3-game

conference series. The second and third game will be Saturday (6:30 p.m.) and Sunday (2 p.m.).

MEN'S TENNIS

Binghamton @ JMU Saturday, 12 p.m. The Bearcats have a record of 11-1 this season. Longwood @ JMU Sunday, 1 p.m. The Dukes lost 4-3 last season to the Lancers.

WOMEN'S TENNIS

Georgetown @ JMU Saturday, 1:30 p.m. The Hoyas lost to the Dukes last season 5-2. Longwood @ JMU

Sunday, 1:30 p.m. JMU freshman Michelle Nguyen defeated Lancer Allie Shulman at the JMU Invitiational in September.

LACROSSE

Loyola @ JMU Saturday, 1 p.m. JMU senior Kim Griffin received CAA Player of the Week for the week ending March 14.

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report results to Ethan Sherman at jmusccvicepresident@gmail.com every Monday; results are printed Thursdays

BASEBALL Slow Start to Season

By WES SHAW The Breeze

Prior to the season's start, conference coaches voted JMU the favorite to win the Colonial Athletic Association title. However, Madison has failed to perform at the level expected, sitting at 5-8 entering last night's contest against national No. 1 U.Va. (Game results can be found on breeze.jmu.org).

While JMU's win-loss mark is slightly misleading due to a relatively strong early-season schedule, which included losses to No. 12 Coastal Carolina and No. 6 University of California Irvine, much of its current struggles can be attributed to the inconsistency of its pitching staff.

The Dukes have twice surrendered 20-plus run games to opponents this season — one in a 22-19 loss to North Florida on Friday and the other in a 29-8 beating courtesy of Illinois State on Sunday. The Redbirds set a record for runs scored by a JMU opponent on a day when Madison's ace, Turner Phelps, was on the hill.

Despite JMU's pitching woes throughout the season's opening weeks, during which the Dukes' posted a team ERA of 9.08, reliever Kevin Munson has shined out of the bullpen, and junior Kyle Hoffman has provided some consistency in an otherwise unreliable starting staff.

Munson, the projected CAA Pitcher of the Year by Collegiate Baseball and projected top-round pick in this June's MLB Draft, has surrendered just one earned run and six hits in 11 innings. The junior has struck out 17 of the 38 total batters he has faced.

Senior Jason Kuhn provided the Dukes with a pleasant and much needed surprise Tuesday against Liberty, going seven strong and allowing just one earned. It was just the second start of his career and by far the longest outing he's had in a JMU uniform.

"Honestly, I never would have expected to do that," Kuhn said following the 13-2 victory over Liberty. "I wanted to come out and just give a couple good innings. This is a really nice feeling."

The Dukes hope to build off that momentum, as they have five additional home games after last night's contest with UVa.

"I think baseball is a confidence game," JMU coach Spanky McFarland said Tuesday. "And after getting pounded Sunday, I think it was good today. It was good that we pitched well, it was good that we played defense well, it was good that we hit well."

The Dukes takes on Towson in a three-game conference series Friday, Saturday and Sunday. They continue their home stand playing Maryland on Tuesday and VMI on Wednesday.



DAVID CASTERLINE / THE BREEZE JMU Takes on No. 1 U.Va.

The Dukes matched up against national No. 1 U.Va last night. Mike Barber of the Daily News-Record tweeted an estimated 1,800 in attendance in the stadium with 500 more in the outfield. Junior Alex Valadja, pictured above, started and pitched five innings, giving up two runs and four hits. JMU was down 3-2 at the top of the seventh at press time. Look for how the game finished at breezejmu.org.

MEN'S BASKETBALL Two Dukes Released

By MIKE DEMSKY The Breeze

After a disappointing end to its season, the men's basketball team's roster was shaken up Tuesday. The Dukes, who completed their 13-20 record with a loss to William & Mary on Saturday in the Colonial Athletic Association conference tournament, released guard Darren White and forward Alvin Brown from their scholarships, relieving them of all team-related obligations.

True freshman White, who was a major player in the Dukes' campaign, was unable to mesh with the overall philosophy presented by the Dukes' staff.

'I don't know why or what happened or what went wrong during the season," White said. "There was a time when my playing time went down and I don't know why. I can't put my finger on what I did." The All-CAA Rookie Team performer averaged 8.8 points and four rebounds-per-game, ranking him third on the team in both categories, while starting 20 of the team's 32 games. 'Darren White is an extraordinary, elite level athlete," head coach Matt Brady said in April after White signed. "He'll probably, from day one, be our program's best athlete. White started losing playing time early February, and ended the season averaging 27.2 minutes-per-game. In the team's last endeavor, he played just 19. Redshirt freshman Brown was a minimal contributor for the Dukes, appearing in 12 games and playing a total of 52 minutes. Brown could not be reached for comment. The decision, finalized by Brady, was the result of a standard review completed by the men's basketball program at the conclusion of the season. After the review, both the program and the players felt it was necessary to go their separate ways. We agreed they were better off playing basketball at another school," Brady said, "and that's something that they clearly understand and it is a mutual decision.

(commentary) TIM CHAPMAN veah... I said it

Tribe Gives Free Lesson

This column originally ran at breezejmu.org March 7.

In one word Pierre Curtis summed up the season as "inconsistent."

The senior guard is absolutely right. The most disheartening thing for Curtis



and classmate Matt Parker is that the inconsistency was not only in the X's and O's. It was inconsistency in heart that plagued an already injuryriddled team; it

also had little to do with the seniors. The Dukes' season is over after they blew a 14-point second-half lead in the quarterfinals of the Colonial Athletic Association tournament. William & Mary hit seven second-half triples in its 70-65 win.

If one word could sum up the Tribe's season, it is heart, or fight, or effort or any number of synonyms that this JMU team never harnessed.

Let this be a lesson to the young JMU team that gave coach Matt Brady fits all season because of its inability to show heart

"Things have got to be different for us," Brady said. "We didn't always play hard this year, and I was frustrated with this group all year long. I just said that to our team."

The sad part is that Brady even has to mention effort to scholarship athletes. It is unlikely that W&M coach Tony Shaver ever has to get on his guys about playing hard.

"The same terms I've used to describe these guys all year long are tough-mind-ed, resilient," Shaver said. "They just



NATE CARDEN / FILE PHOTO

Freshman Darren White, once regarded as the Dukes' future star by coach Matt Brady, was released Tuesday after a season review. White plans to transfer, but doesn't know where as of now.

"We wish them all the luck in the world and will give them our full cooperation when they decide where they want to go next."

Both players plan on transferring from JMU at the end of the spring semester. Their releases leave the Dukes with five returning scholarship players eligible for next season's team.

Brady Assures Better Results

By MIKE KAPLAN The Breeze

Following its season-ending 70-65 loss to William & Mary in the quarterfinal round of the Colonial Athletic Association Tournament, the JMU men's basketball team finds itself with some serious improvements to make going into next season.

The team's lackluster performance this season, particularly in conference play, has led to growing skepticism concerning their potential for success. Despite the uncertainty, Matt Brady remains confident in the talented, yet unproven team he plans on fielding next season.

"We won't be like this next year," Brady said. "... It will not happen again on my watch. I promise the JMU community this won't happen again."

JMU finished an underwhelming 12-19 in the regular season, marred by a ruinous 4-14 record against CAA opponents. JMU was winless (0-9) in conference road games.

"Things have got to be different," Brady said

after the Dukes' loss to W&M. "We didn't always play hard this year; I was frustrated with our group all year long."

"As a basketball coach, all you want your team to do is improve, have steady improvement, and this group didn't show steady improvement."

The concept of "steady improvement" was a season-long struggle for Madison, along with rebounding, turnovers, perimeter shooting, staying healthy, leadership, hustle, consistency and flying hot dogs.

The Dukes suffered arguably its biggest loss of the year before the season even began. In a closed scrimmage against Hampton University, sophomore Devon Moore, the team's starting point guard, went down with a season-ending knee injury. Coming off a freshman year in which he averaged 10.7 points, 3.7 rebounds and 2.9 assists per game — good for a CAA All-Rookie team selection - Moore figured to be the force that would drive the Dukes' offensive attack.

Just days after losing Moore, the injury bug bit again. Sophomore forward Andrey Semenov,

also a starter, was shut down for the season with a lingering lower-back injury. Semenov's replacement, senior forward Dazzmond Thornton, was soon after ruled academically ineligible for the second semester after failing a class.

Saddled with a depleted roster, Brady had no choice but to thrust unseasoned freshmen into prominent roles. Freshman guard Darren White showed flashes of his tremendous potential enough to earn him a CAA All-Rookie team nod - which is now rather insignificant given White has formally announced he intends to transfer after being released from the program.

Freshman forward Trevon Flores was also forced into a contributing role following the losses of Thornton and Semenov. Flores started 24 games on the year, averaging 17.8 minutes a game. His averages of 3.8 points and three rebounds a game were good for eighth and sixth on the team respectively.

Brady's youngsters ultimately proved to be,



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McCarthy. McCarthy, a sophomore, finished fourth in the A-10 in scoring this season with 15.2 points-per-game while also adding 6.1 rebounds. Eaddy, Temple's senior captain, averaged 8.7 points and 3.6 assists-per-game this year.

Last year, in her first year as Temple's point guard, Eaddy led the A-10 with 165 assists - good enough for second on Temple's all-time single season assist list.

"They're a lot like us, they have a very quick guard, a little bit more balanced," Brooks said of the Owls. "But I don't know a whole lot yet. We're gonna watch a lot of film as soon as we get it. In such a short time you really gotta make sure that you're ready, and that's what we'll do.

"To be rewarded with a nine seed and to be able to play against a team that we feel like we can match up well against, we're very excited."

While a match-up with Temple presents Madison with a realistic opportunity to advance to the second round of the NCAA Tournament for the first time in 20 years, Brooks seemed most pleased by the fact that his team will be sent to Norfolk and the Old Dominion University campus for its opening-round games.

After winning the Colonial Athletic Association title 67-53 over ODU Sunday afternoon in Harrisonburg, JMU's eighthyear coach said he would prefer his team be scheduled somewhere within driving distance of Harrisonburg for its first and second round games. Norfolk and Pittsburgh were at the top of his list, each city giving fans an opportunity to attend JMU's first NCAA Tournament game in three years

of advantage," said Brooks, who will lead his team into its fifth consecutive postseason appearance this weekend, the previous four being in the WNIT tournament. "To only have to travel three and a half to four hours to a venue that you've been to this year and had some success in is a tremendous advantage.

ask for the giant, like UConn, if you win, but we were definitely rewarded by them sending us to Norfolk."

The Dukes like the advantage of playing at a familiar arena this weekend as well. JMU has defeated ODU on its home court, the Ted Constant Convocation Center, in each of the last two seasons.

Tip-off with Temple is 2:30 p.m. Sunday. If JMU advances, the second-round game is 7 p.m. Tuesday.

"You're looking for any kind

"You don't always wanna



The JMU women's basketball team cheers as its first-round opponent, Temple, is announced. The public was given the opportunity to join the team and coach Kenny Brooks for the Selection Show on Monday night at the Convocation Center. An estimated 150 to 200 people attended.

MEN'S NCAA BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT Obama Picks Kansas

Kentucky vs. Kansas in NCAA Final: 'That's the Game Right There'

The Washington Post

President Barack Obama is taking the low-risk route to the Final Four in the National Collegiate Athletic Association'sbasketball tournament and predicts Kansas will defeat Kentucky for the championship.

The president, who also filled out picks for the women's basketball tournament, unveiled his choices for cable sports network ESPN. He went with two top-seeded teams making it to Indianapolis for the April 3 and 5 semifinal and final games. The tournament begins Thursday.

Obama chose the University of Kansas to beat Kansas State University in one semifinal and the University of Kentucky to defeat Villanova University in the other. All four teams are firstor second-seeded teams in their respective regions of the tournament. For the women's draw he picked Connecticut, Stanford and Notre Dame to make it to the Final Four. He called Kansas a "balanced team," praising the play of senior guard Sherron Collins. "I always like teams who have experience in the backcourt," he said on ESPN.

His championship game amounts to a coaching rematch between Kansas's Bill Self against Kentucky's John Calipari, who lost to Kansas in the 2008 title game when he was the coach of Memphis.

"Once again, Self wins," Obama said. "That's the game right there."

The president, an avid basketball fan, correctly picked North Carolina as champion last year. This year, he said he hoped to select more winners in the first and second rounds.

A graduate of Columbia University and Harvard law school, Obama stayed loyal to the Ivy League and picked Cornell University, a No. 12 seed, to squeeze past Temple, a No. 5, in the first round of play

think they have a terrific team." Still, he has the University of Wisconsin defeating Cornell, the Ivy League champion, in the second round. He picked No. 14 Murray State to upset No. 4 Vanderbilt. He also has No. 13 Sienna, from Loudonville, N.Y., and winners of the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference, beating No. 4 Purdue.

The first fan has escaped the White House twice this season to take in some area college hoops, first to watch brotherin-law Craig Robinson coach Oregon State University to a 64-57 victory over George Washington University on Nov. 28.

Then, on a snowy January Saturday, he had a courtside seat for then-seventh-ranked Georgetown University's victory over then-No. 8 Duke University.

He has Duke, the alma mater of his personal aide Reggie Love, going to the elite eight, before

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"I like Cornell, which gave

Kansas a run for its money," he said, referring to a narrow Cornell loss earlier in the season. "I

falling to Villanova.

"I finally break away from Reggie," he said. "I just think Nova's guards are too quick."



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SWIM & DIVE **Divers Wrap Up Season**

JMU Only Team at NCAA Zone Meet to Send Four Representatives

By COLLEEN HAYES The Breeze

JMU closed out the dive season at the NCAA Zone A Championships on Saturday at the Rutgers University Athletic Center placing two divers in the top 13.

"I was definitely pleased with how I did," junior Jessie Everett said of her ninth-place finish in the three-meter event. "I know I showed a lot of improvement; I feel like a completely different diver."

The Zone A Championships, comprised of 24 schools, began with 45 divers and was narrowed down to the top 18 who participated in the finals. Those who finish in the top five move on to the NCAA national tournament. Accompanying Everett in the finals was sophomore Nicole Jotso who finished 13th in the three-meter and 14th in the one-meter.

Jotso was 14th through the preliminaries with a mark of 245.90 and added a score of 251.30 in the finals for a 12-dive score of 497.20. Everett finished ninth in the three-meter with a 12-dive score of 527.95. She stood 12th through the preliminary round.

Scoring is dive meets are calculated by using a range from one to ten, in half-point

increments. The score of each dive is calculated by first adding the total awards of three judges. This is known as the raw score. The raw score is then multiplied by the degree of difficulty of the dive and you have the total diver's score.

Freshman Kimberly Helfrich and sophomore Chelsea Savage joined Everett and Jotso at the meet. The foursome was something no other team could claim.

"I know only two divers made it last year, and this year all four of us made it," Helfrich said. "No other team had that many; JMU is definitely becoming more of a threat."

Savage placed 30th overall with a preliminary score of 204.25 while Helfrich placed 17th in the one-meter Friday. She cites Everett as one of her inspirations.

"Jessie had such a great season, and she is a gymnast like me, so it is really cool to see her succeed," Helfrich said.

Looking forward to next season, the Dukes plan to increase levels of difficulty.

"I think we need to work on consistency and getting some harder dives than the ones we already have," Everett said. "If we do that, I think we have a good shot at the national championships."



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CHAPMAN Team Needs to Play Full 40 Minutes

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don't quit."

With a team lacking the athleticism of almost every team in the conference, Shaver has his three-seed Tribe at 21-9 and just two wins from its first-ever NCAA berth. They never hang their heads - not when they went down 14 and not when they were without answer for JMU junior Denzel Bowles. William & Mary doesn't lose its fight. IMU does.

The Dukes lost it in two embarrassing 20-point blowouts at the Convo against ODU and Hofstra. They lost it in a 21-point rout at Drexel. They lost it other times when opponents simply made runs. On [March 6], they lost it when David Schneider nailed a deep 3-pointer to beat the shot clock and cut the Dukes' lead to 52-50 with more than five minutes remaining. Five minutes!

Their body language changed at that point and they stopped feeding Bowles down low. They stopped moving off the ball, and they started to hang their heads.

This was not the team that played hard for 40 minutes [the day before] to beat Drexel by 15 to advance. After his most complete game of the season [the day before], Bowles disappeared in the second half. The Tribe trapped and doubled him, and he stopped demanding the touches. With two starters — Devon Moore and Andrey Semenov hurt all year, the Dukes needed Bowles to be the go-to guy.

He did lead the league in scoring and was second in rebounding, but the statistics are misleading. Bowles failed to play hard on both ends of the court for the entirety of games. He described his season as great. A great season is not marked by having to constantly be called out by your coach for being lazy. Great seasons have an aspect of leadership. Bowles, an All-CAA second-team selection, failed to lead.

Julius Wells, the team's second-best scoring threat and a third-team selection, also failed to lead. By having little to no presence on defense, Wells did not lead by example. During the Hofstra blowout in Harrisonburg, Wells and Bowles walked back on defense, heads hanging on the same possession.

The freshmen cannot use the upperclassmen as an excuse. If Darren White wants to mature to his incredible potential, he needs to stop pouting about playing time and touches.

'This was a frustrating group for a lot of reasons," Brady said. "As a basketball coach, all you want your team to do is improve, have steady improvement. This group didn't have steady improvement... We've got to push more buttons with this group next year."

Brady cannot do it for them. This team needs to want it more than others. They need to stop being selfish and mimic W&M players, who play for each other.

The return of Moore and Semenov is a start. The tandem plays hard and exhibits leadership. They are as vocal as anyone who actually suited up this year.

On paper, JMU is near the top of the league next season. But rankings mean squat. W&M was picked to finish 10th this season, and they finished third. Why? They outfight "better" teams. They play for 40 minutes.

Since this article was written, Darren White has been released from the team.

MEN'S Basketball Loses Four Players

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as he put it after a late-season home loss to Drexel, "not yet ready for the bright lights of the CAA."

While a lack of depth hindered Madison, the Dukes were not without sufficient star power.

Junior forward Denzel Bowles, a Texas A&M transfer, was an unstoppable force in the paint.

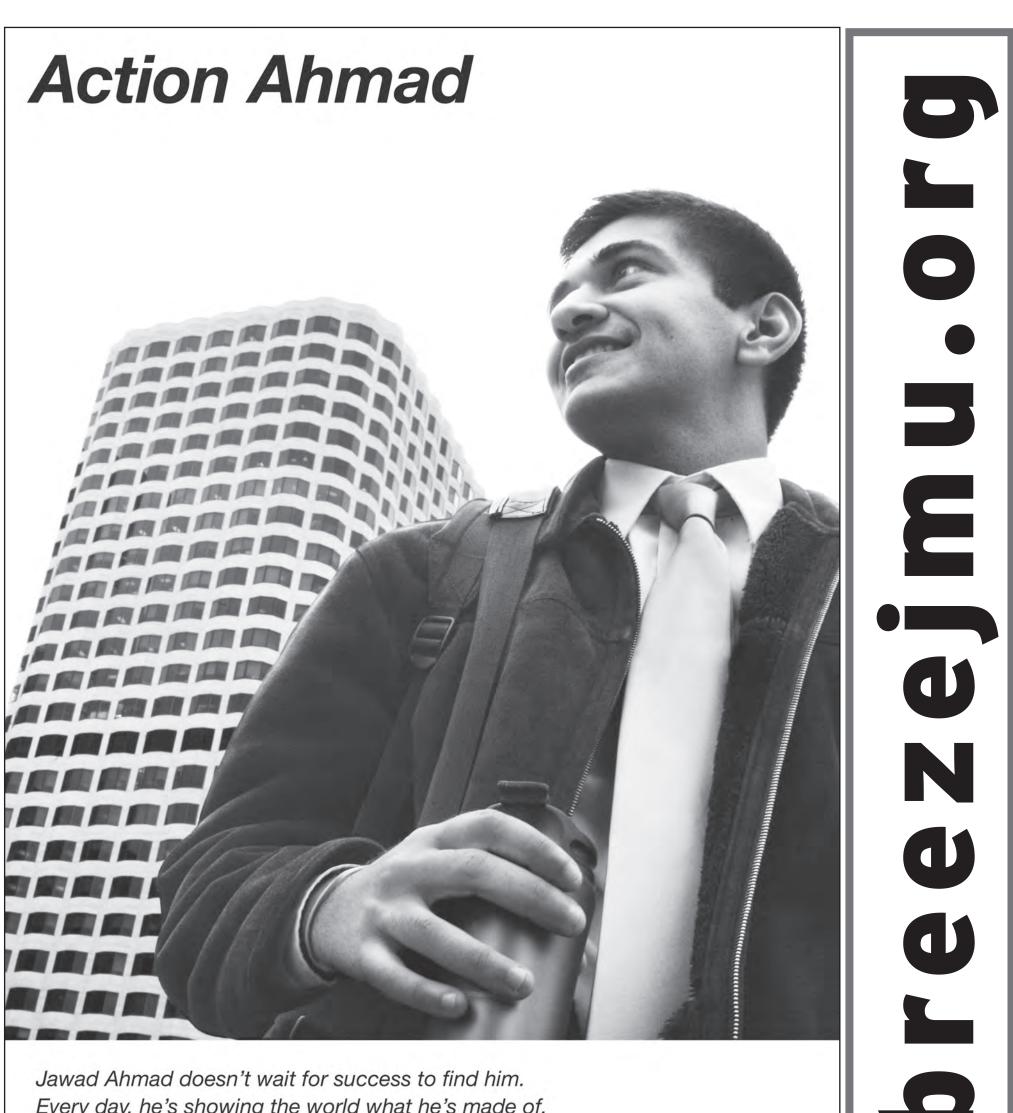
Bowles, an All-CAA second team selection, led the conference in scoring (20.8 ppg), rebounding (9.2 rpg), field goal percentage (59.4) and doubledoubles (12).

Julius Wells followed his stellar rookie season - which earned him CAA Rookie of the Year honors - with an impressive second-year effort.

The sophomore swingman finished fourth in the league in scoring (16.3 ppg) and second in 3-point field goals made (91) en route to CAA All-Third team recognition.

Along with Thornton, JMU will lose seniors Pierre Curtis and Matt Parker to graduation. Curtis finishes as JMU's career leader in assists (463), steals (175) and games played (124). They will also move forward without White and redshirt freshman Alvin Brown, who will also transfer.

With two of the league's best players in Bowles and Wells, augmented by a young supporting cast that will include Moore and Semenov, Dukes fans have plenty of reasons to be excited about next year. Recruits will begin signing letters of intent April 14th.



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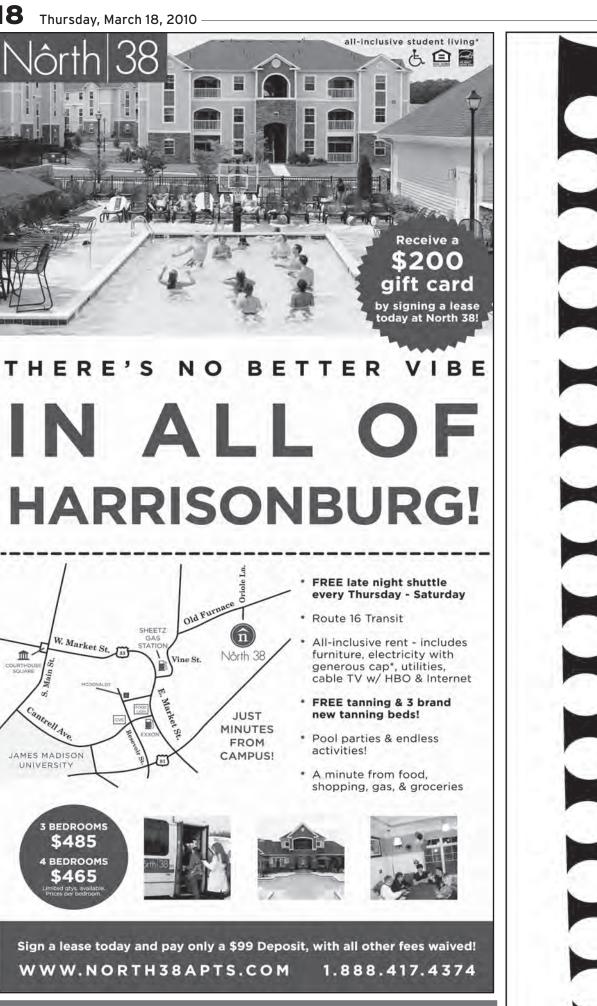


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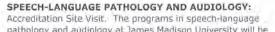
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