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Transfer student dies in I-64 accident

A JMU transfer student died in a car accident while traveling to JMU Friday.
Kevin Ahlstrand, 19, of Virginia Beach, died when the car he was in veered off Interstate 64 near the Providence Forge exit and crashed into a tree in the median. Both he and the driver, Maria Diaz, 19, were wearing seatbelts. Both died at the scene.
Ahlstrand was a transfer student from Christopher Newport University in Newport News. He would have started his sophomore year at JMU. Ahlstrand was planning a career in international relations.
Diaz, a close friend of Ahlstrand, was returning to the University of Virginia to start her sophomore year.
— compiled from staff reports

JMU, local police seek results from team-up

Teaming Up: Police Partners

- Mutual aid agreement teams up JMU and Harrisonburg police in efforts to patrol a wider off-campus area
- Joining the bandwagon: Many Virginia schools have mutual aid agreements, including Old Dominion University, Virginia Commonwealth University and the University of Virginia
- Heavier police presence to be around Harrisonburg for next 4-5 weekends

BY KYRA PAPAFIL
contributing writer

Harrisonburg and JMU Police teamed up this weekend as part of their mutual aid agreement in order to better patrol Harrisonburg during the busy first weekend back.
Harrisonburg Police Captain Malcolm Wilfong said he thought it was a positive arrangement. "I saw a lot of cooperation from the students both Friday and Saturday nights. There were far fewer students with open alcohol containers," he said.
Wilfong said the team-up of police forces helped the efforts. "I think that we're going to have a great presence as far as an enforcement and preventative role now," he said.

JMU Chief of Police Lee Shifflett also said he felt the increased presence was beneficial. "By us going out and meeting with the residents of Forest Hills, I definitely didn't see the amount of alcohol that we saw last year," he said. "Discretion was used by the residents and our presence deterred some of the problems."
Wilfong said, "We basically spent a lot of time in the Village Lane area this past weekend because of problems last year," Wilfong said. "Now we will filter out into the other areas to have that presence radiating."
In previous years, JMU and HPD had mutual aid agreements for activities such as

Parents' Weekend and Homecoming, and over winter and spring breaks when there

are larger numbers of people in Harrisonburg, HPD Chief D.G. Harper told *The Breeze* in March.

“... we will filter out into the other areas to have that presence radiating.”

— Malcolm Wilfong
Captain, Harrisonburg Police

Starting last year, the JMU police and the HPD made a special agreement whereby officers from both forces would work together. The agreement involves one JMU and one HPD officer patrolling in each car, according to Wilfong.

"The team-up will allow police to better patrol housing primarily on Port Republic Road, Village Lane, Lois Lane apartments, Sunchase and the whole gamut out in that area," Wilfong said.

The teams of officers will not limit their patrols to the weekends. "It is every day, but

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Class of 2002 ready for class challenge

Seniors are gearing up for a team-oriented Class of 2002 fund-raising campaign.
The Senior Class Challenge (SCC) Steering Committee is searching for increased senior participation in the challenge to sponsor events and raise funds for the yet to be decided class gift.
The committee plans to form teams of four to six people, consisting of groups of friends, members of an organization, fraternity or sorority, club, as well as others. The teams will aim to raise funds for the SCC.
The committee is accepting volunteers, class gift and senior event ideas. Visit www.jmu.edu/seniorchallenge for more information.
— compiled from staff reports

Three's a crowd

Freshmen deal with triple rooms while others live large, spacious in new Rockingham Hall

BY JEFF NACA
contributing writer

Upon receiving their residency letters this summer, a large number of freshmen learned they would be living in a temporary triple dorm.
This semester, 3,267 freshmen entered JMU, creating an overflow in living arrangements.
"The freshman class was larger than we anticipated. We try to get an estimate of who will leave the first week and try to fill 100 percent of the dorms," said Jim McConnell, senior director of resident life. "We were probably estimating about 3,230 freshmen."

The Office of Residence Life (ORL) was forced to arrange 98 rooms of triples, 29 male and 69 female, in the Village to accommodate the class of 2005, according to ORL.
According to McConnell, every spring ORL uses statistics from the past year to estimate the number of freshmen that will attend the university. Accordingly, ORL sets aside a certain number of dorms for them.
The remaining dorms are saved for returning upperclassmen and transfer students.
The triples are spread throughout the Village, with one triple per suite in order to give those living

in a triple the lounge as extra space for studying and other necessities.
"When I first found out that I was placed in a triple, I was surprised. I really didn't think about it. I was just relieved to find out who my roommates were," freshman Chrystal Pope said.
"At first I didn't mind, it was like meeting an extra friend. Now though, it's a little stressful and it's going to be a hassle to move," freshman David Reichbaum said.
The triples are regular Village dorm rooms with

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New kids in the hall

BY LYNETTE DIAZ
staff writer

This semester marks the opening of the former Howard Johnson Inn as Rockingham Hall, an upperclassmen dorm located on Port Republic Road.
Renovated and redecorated into a residence hall this past summer, the new hall houses approximately 70 upperclass students in predominantly single-person rooms with 13' by 18' dimensions.
JMU has housed students in the Howard Johnson Inn since 1980, but this is the first year that they have modified rooms with a specific set-up for students.
The room and board for Rockingham is \$400 more per semester than the room and board for on-campus residences.
Senior Director of Residence Life, Jim McConnell, told *The Breeze* in April that he had suggested the building be turned into a residence hall because the number of students wanting to return to campus had risen. He said the hall would be temporary and eventually become a parking lot when I-81 expands.
Rockingham residents have mixed opinions about living in the new dorm.
"I think it's a pretty good level of independence,"

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MEGHAN MURPHY/art director

Rockingham Hall, a new residence hall on Port Republic Road is a renovated version of the Howard Johnson Inn that students have occupied since 1980.

Arboretum to expand with land purchase

The JMU Foundation purchased two lots on University Boulevard in July. The lots are adjacent to the the Edith Carrier Arboretum, according to Tom Schaefer, vice president of the JMU Foundation. The property will be used to expand the arboretum.
"There's a master plan that incorporates that property in the arboretum," Schaefer said. "The master plan is subject to change, but those lots will be incorporated in it."
The cost of the purchase will be covered by donations to the JMU Foundation, Schaefer said. The Foundation does not release information about the cost of purchases, Schaefer said.
— compiled from staff reports

An apple for the teacher

SMAD professor John Woody earns national Apple award

BY DAVID CLEMENTSON
staff writer

It seemed to be an ordinary fishing trip in beautiful Chincoteague, Virginia, but this fisherman accidentally took his cell phone along.
Before he knew it, John Woody, associate professor in the School of Media Arts and Design, was having "the best of both worlds."
He was simultaneously catching a lot of huge trout and, over the phone, interviewing with Apple computer executives for the Apple Distinguished Educator Award.
On August 18, Apple presented Woody with the achievement award in the Digital Media field. "Apple handed out 15 national awards in this year in various fields in higher education."
This award is one of at least 10 national achievement awards received by Woody in the last 10 years.
Woody became one of five

national recipients of the ADE award in the Creative Design category. Other recipients include teachers from the University of Notre Dame and Michigan State University.

“... I'm glad to see Apple give him some recognition that he's due.”

— George Johnson
SMAD department head

model effective administrative leadership and teacher professionalism.
"It's a real honor," Woody said. "It's just wonderful. More importantly, I'm just so proud of my students. While I've been actively teaching them, my students have won 35 national awards including two regional student Emmys and awards from the National Broadcasting Association."
George Johnson, head of the SMAD department, said, "I feel that he's done an exceptionally good job for us. And I'm glad to see Apple give him some recognition that he's due."
Another prerequisite for winning the ADE award, according to the Web site, is that recipients "are committed to engage, motivate, and inspire young minds."
"Professor Woody has become the standard by which I now compare all teachers," said junior Jason Garber, a SMAD

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MEGHAN MURPHY/art director

Associate SMAD professor, John Woody was honored with the Apple Distinguished Educator Award in August, one of 15 that Apple awards across the nation.

Thursday, August 30, 2001
DUKE DAYS EVENTS CALENDAR

THURSDAY, AUGUST 30

• Baptist Student Union large group praise and worship, 5:30 p.m., Baptist Student Center on the corner of Cantrell Avenue and Main Street, contact Archie at 434-6822.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 31

• Baptist Student Union New Testament Greek Bible Study, 8 to 8:45 a.m., Market One, Greek study of John 1, contact Archie at 434-6822.

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POLICE LOG

By JAMES DAVID
assistant news editor

Police observed suspicious activity while riding down Harrison Street. A JMU student reportedly poured liquid on the ground and stood beside a burning fire. The area reportedly smelled heavily of gasoline. The subject reportedly had intentions of burning property. Hazmat was reportedly dispatched to dispose of the materials. The report was filed Aug. 27 at 1:31 a.m.

In other matters, campus police report the following:

Marijuana

• James B. Eckert, 19, of Blue Bell, Pa., was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana Aug. 24 at 10 p.m. in White Hall. There was allegedly a strong odor when police approached. The subject allegedly had a glass pipe with residue in possession.

Grand Larceny

• A JMU student reported a futon and swivel chair were taken from storage on Greek Row sometime between May 4 and Aug. 25.

Petty Larceny

• A VCR was removed from the basement of the Delta Delta Delta house sometime between Aug. 5 at 5 p.m. and Aug. 22 at 1 p.m.

• A hard drive and floppy disk were reported-missing from a storage area in Greek Row. The computer was reportedly placed in storage for the summer. The report was filed Aug. 24 at 11:37 p.m.

• A JMU student reported a missing JAC Card. The incident occurred sometime Aug. 24 between 9 and 10 a.m.

• A JMU student reported the larceny of a wallet containing a JAC Card, ATM card and cash. The incident occurred in White Hall sometime between Aug. 25 at 11 p.m. and Aug. 26 at 4 p.m.

Driving Under the Influence

• Non-student Ryan G. Clark, 21, of Staunton, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence. The subject allegedly drove the wrong way on South Main Street, near the intersection of Gratten Street, almost hitting a police cruiser Aug. 25 at 1:51 a.m.

Underage Possession of Alcohol

• Kelly C. Ensall, 18, of Fairfax, was arrested

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WEATHER



Today
 Sunny
 High 85 Low 66

		High	Low
Friday	Mostly cloudy	83	65
Saturday	Isolated storms	81	60
Sunday	Isolated storms	80	58
Monday	Mostly cloudy	79	60

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Wednesday, August 29, 2001

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	close: 3,051.26		close: 878.63
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	close: 1,842.96		close: 1,152.82

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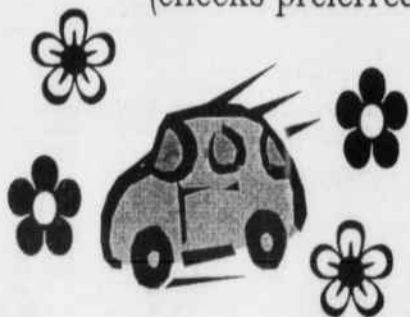
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Job market still open

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The survey interviews of more than 750 small businesses nationwide were conducted in April and May.

Although economic markets have deteriorated in the past three months, an NFIB spokesman said the results are consistent with what the organization has been hearing from its members more recently.

For some businesses, recruiting workers remains a near-constant task, said Bern Bonifant, vice president of Natural Lawns Inc., a residential lawn-care company based in a Washington suburb that

employs 45 people. The pay scale there starts at \$9.10 an hour and rises with experience, he said, and includes health benefits for those who earn state certification.

He said he's always on the lookout for workers who speak and read English well enough to pass state tests that permit them to use pesticides and who understand math well enough to calculate the amount of chemicals to put on a lawn.

Of a dozen workers Bonifant has hired recently, only two were already fully qualified. After several weeks of training, when outdoor temperatures hit

95 degrees for several days in a row, three of the others quit.

"It only takes two weeks of heat and people say, 'I want to be a bank teller,'" Bonifant said. Some employers told the survey researchers that the softening market means they're able to be more "more selective" in hiring than they were last year.

Almost half said they boosted their required skill level. About one-third said they had higher standards for "personal conduct and attitude."

More than 90 percent of those surveyed reported little or no worker turnover.

Woody creates student projects

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major. "I have never before met someone with as much passion for his profession as Professor Woody. His devotion to passing down his knowledge and craft to the next generation is unparalleled."

Many of his former students are currently in top entertainment and production jobs. "Students have gotten wonderful jobs, [in] post-production facilities like Henninger," Woody said. Henninger Interactive Media is a DVD production and editing facility. "Between 14 and 17 SMAD students work [at Henninger]," Woody said. "From a media standpoint, JMU is the most represented school in the Washington (D.C.) market. We have more students working for post-production houses than any other school."

One former Woody student, Chereyle Carson, is now the senior producer for Fox News in Los Angeles. Woody said that she won national awards while she was a JMU student.

Another JMU alumnus and "Woody-ite," Traci Neale, is now the co-anchor for the 10 p.m. news on Washington, D.C. Fox affiliate WTTG.

Chris Kreyms, who studied under Woody, became the editor of the cartoon "Beavis and Butt-head" while working for MTV, before working as a freelance independent editor.

Garber said, "He is without a doubt the most inspiring and passionate teacher I have ever had the honor of learning from."

Robert Jennings, the higher education account manager for Apple Computers, nominated Woody for the award. "John is one of the best there is, particularly in his field," he said. "I've seen some of the work his kids (SMAD students) have done, and it's pretty phenomenal. We look at John Woody as one of the best in his field in the country."

Woody said he believes that several factors gave him the advantage in receiving the national recognition. First, he acknowledged having "the best students in the world to work with." Second, Woody claimed having an advantage with technology. "Other schools are try-

ing to emulate what we do," he said. "When you use the best tools, you're almost assured success because it's so easy to use."

Woody claimed that the other faculty and staff in the SMAD department deserve credit as well. "I can't take credit for everything my students have done, because there are so many other faculty in the School of Media Arts," Woody said. "[SMAD] has the most outstanding faculty."

Undeniably, Woody's work on three huge projects has given him an edge over other nominees for national recognition. In April 1999, along with one other SMAD class, Woody created the nationally recognized video "One Day, One University," which captured a day in the life of JMU, according to Woody. He says that the project "was the greatest experience for me as a teacher because of complexity of the production."

"We raised over \$15,000 on the sale of the tapes, and used it to launch the School of Media Arts and Design Scholarship Fund," he said.

Since "One Day," Woody has furthered that scholarship fund with two other projects. Last spring, using over 14 cameras and 64 audio-recorded tracks, Woody and his students created an 18-minute documentary on a live Pat McGee Band concert at Wilson Hall. That documentary was first released to the public on Woody's most recent project, "Beyond JMU: The DVD." It was released Friday.

"It's the first DVD on campus produced by students," Woody said. With a \$500 grant from Apple, and other financial help from Henninger and Technicolor, the DVD required very little expenses to make, Woody said. According to the packaging, "the DVD includes 12 video packages highlighting what JMU students can do 'beyond JMU' such as skydiving, snowboarding, taking part in an alternative spring break and dining."

Woody said, "All funds [from sales of the DVD] go to the SMAD Scholarship fund." So far, the fund has \$20,000 and needs another \$5,000 to get official endowment, he said. "It's been the longest three years of getting

this scholarship funded. The greatest joy that I have is that we've been able to raise \$20,000 for our scholarship fund."

In addition to being sold in the campus bookstore and at local Crutchfield stores, the Pat McGee Band is selling the DVDs at concerts and on their Web page. Woody said he predicts that "Beyond JMU: the DVD" will be a national award winner and estimates that it has already sold several hundred copies.

Woody bragged about the technological advancement his students and department have in the media arts field. "We've got such a jump," he said. "We've always been a little bit ahead."

Garber said, "At a time where he could simply step back and teach what he already knows, Professor Woody shows his true character by staying at the forefront of his craft."

Woody graduated from JMU in 1977 with a BS in Communication Arts. He then taught here from 1977 to 1979. After receiving a Masters Degree from Syracuse University and being one of the first people hired to work for The Learning Channel, where he worked as the manager of program development and a producer, Woody returned to JMU in 1985 and has been teaching here ever since.

The challenge of the changing technology field drives Woody to push the envelope with his projects and studies. "I've gotta have a challenge to work on," Woody said. But Woody denied having any specific projects in the works currently. "I don't have a major project set up for more students for next spring," Woody said. "I've already got some ideas. I really am trying to take a break."

But whether or not Woody takes a break from creating another impressive project and spends more time catching trout in Chincoteague, he has his priorities straight, with teaching being his primary pleasure.

"I'm always approachable," Woody said. "If someone needs help, I have a hard time saying 'No.' I do not like to see students not succeed," Woody said. "I've never had a problem with students wanting to succeed."

Abortion plays role at U.N.

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Boucher's remarks came after the State Department said the United States might not send high-level representatives to the three-day session in New York because the draft declaration contains the phrase "reproductive health services," which is understood by diplomats to include abortion.

In talking points provided two months ago to U.S. diplomats, the State Department said a high-level team would not attend the special session unless

the United States won changes in the wording of the final statement to "endorse only language that is clear and unambiguous on the issue of abortion."

U.S. diplomats in some foreign posts were instructed to tell their host governments that the United States had considerable interest in the special session and would like to "participate at a high level."

According to the talking points, they were told to deliver the message: "Such participation will not be possible, howev-

er, if language that could be construed to support abortion remains in the outcome document. Therefore, the U.S. requests that your delegation in New York support the United States in removing and rephrasing this language."

The administration's warning that it might downgrade its representation to the session came at the same time the United States has been weighing whether to boycott another U.N. event, the conference on racism opening Friday in South Africa.

Controversy continues to stem

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Stem cells taken from very young embryos offer great potential, researchers say, because they can be turned into different tissues.

That, in theory, will allow researchers to replace dopamine-secreting neurons in the brains of Parkinson's patients and insulin-producing pancreatic beta cells in diabetics.

As a juvenile diabetic, Arianna looks forward to when she doesn't have to test her blood six times a day or give herself three shots of insulin. Maybe stem cell research will allow her to eat ice cream with friends, attend overnight sum-

mer camp and fall asleep without worrying about her blood sugar level.

"I don't even remember what it's like to not test my blood sugar and take shots," said Arianna, who lives in Los Angeles and was diagnosed with diabetes at age 6. "Every day, I'm hoping for a cure. It's something that I'm always thinking about."

Cifarelli refers to Alzheimer's as the "devil's disease" because it has eluded researchers for so long. She isn't following the stem cell debate because she says it's of no use.

"The way we get through this every day is to say, 'Forget

about the past. The present is important. And we don't speak about the future,'" said Cifarelli, who lives in the Los Angeles suburb of San Marino. "We just live in the present and take one day at a time. You don't have time to do anything else."

Her husband, Nicholas, was diagnosed as having the disease more than five years ago, and he has lost most of his faculties. Before the disease, he was an internist and chairman of the bioethics committee at San Gabriel Valley Medical Center. Two medicines briefly stopped the progression of his disease, but neither work anymore.

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New residence hall not quite the norm

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senior Paul Kamberis said. "And you can't beat the space. The parking lot is right outside the door. It was definitely worth the extra money."

Sophomore Lindy Zaicko said, "We opted to share a room so that we didn't have to pay the extra \$400 a semester. This way we're just being charged regular room and board."

Zaicko's roommate, sophomore Lindsey Buck, said, "It's very spacious here. The room is a lot bigger than most on campus."

"The only big drawback is transportation. I would suggest that if someone lives here they should have a car because the bus system doesn't work for us," she said.

"It's kind of isolated out here," Buck said. "People don't really talk to each other like they would in the regular dorms or in an apartment complex."

"Living here is also kind of like living in the ISAT dorms — you're away from everything," she said.

Junior Tianna Love had opposite reactions. "I don't really feel isolated here at all," she said. "A lot of my friends are here, and it's nice to still have a single, spacious room because I can concentrate better."

"The only complaint that I have is the bus schedule. It only comes around here at three minutes after every hour," Love said. "I have an eight o'clock class, so I would never make it on time."

Other residents had stronger opinions about their residence hall choice. "This place is hell," senior Tamika Nottingham said. "I don't understand what we get for \$400 more a semester. I mean, it's good to be by yourself, but it's better to take the risk and try to get a single room on campus. We don't even have a regular RA (resident advisor). He's a facilities manager, and all he does is take work orders."

"There are no vacuum cleaners or other supplies for residents to use like the regular dorms," Nottingham said. "They didn't prepare us for the things we had to bring. Also, there are only three washers and dryers for the people out here and lots of maintenance issues within the rooms."

"I don't really feel safe living out here," Nottingham said. "The back doors are pretty secure, but the front locks are just chains and a push-in lock."

Representatives from ORL were unavailable for comment.

Triple rooms force freshmen to bunk

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two bunked beds and a loft. The room also includes three dressers and two closets.

"It gets cramped, but it's not too bad. The most that they (ORL) said we would have a triple would be like two months," said freshman Ben Ellis, one of Reichbaum's roommates.

McConnel said ORL's goal is to move out all of the triples by the midterm.

In order to do so, ORL is calling the students who did not show up for check in to confirm whether or not they are coming. Once confirmed, arrangements can be made to move a student out of the triple, according to McConnel.

ORL plans to move students out of triples evenly from one dorm to the next so that one dorm does not have a disproportionate number of triples, McConnel said.

He said freshmen may stay in the triple if they wish. "People are choosier after they have moved in and a lot will turn down the

offer to move out," McConnel said.

If students choose not to move at the time, they are placed back on the list and asked again when another vacancy opens up.

After the second vacancy is turned down, it is up to the students to contact ORL and let them know when they are ready to move out.

Students can stay in the triple for as long as they want, according to McConnel.

The large number of returning upperclassmen living on campus added to the dorms' overcrowding, McConnel said.

Not all triples are temporary. In Wayland and Gifford, there are rooms that were made to accommodate three people. In these halls, upperclassmen can choose to live with three people.

"The only problem is that the rooms are a little crowded, the bathrooms and suites aren't so crowded. It's not that big of a deal," Pope said.

POLICE LOG, from page 2

- and charged with underage possession of alcohol in Wilson Hall Aug. 26 at 12:30 a.m.
- Adam C. Bryant, 19, of Winsor and Jeffrey T. Scott, 19, of Rescue, were arrested and charged with underage possession of alcohol at the intersection of Port Republic Road and Devon Lane Aug. 26 at 11:30 p.m.
 - Gregory L. Landrum, 18, of Alexandria, was arrested and charged with underage possession of alcohol in P-lot Aug. 26 at 3:03 a.m.
 - Mathew A. Ramsey, 18, of Amherst, was arrested and charged with underage possession of alcohol at Keezel Hall Aug. 26 at 3:22 a.m.
- Dangerous Practices**
- A JMU student was judicially referred for dangerous practices for reportedly throwing a beer can at a subject while traveling in a vehicle. The vehicle was stopped at the parking deck and charges were made Aug. 26 at 8:30 p.m.
- Fire**
- A fire was reported in a trash dumpster near Rockingham Hall. The Harrisonburg Fire Department reportedly responded and extinguished the fire. The report was filed Aug. 26 at 11:38.
- Property Damage**
- A JMU employee reported the hasp and lock of a Rockingham Hall office door had been broken. The incident occurred sometime between Aug. 20 at 5 p.m. and Aug. 23 at 3:30 p.m. There were reportedly no items missing from the room.
 - A JMU employee reported a 2-foot-long scratch on the driver-side door of a vehicle. The incident occurred sometime Aug. 24 between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. while the vehicle was parked in E-lot.
 - A Telecom box in Anthony-Seeger Hall was spray painted with bright red graffiti. The incident occurred on Aug. 27.
- Found Property**
- A JMU employee turned in a found check in the Convocation Center Aug. 27 at 12:21 a.m. The incident is under investigation.
- Number of tickets issued between Aug. 22 and Aug. 27: 252
Number of drunk in public charges since Aug. 25: 4

Community, JMU efforts in action

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our main efforts are on the weekends," Shifflett said.

"This is the third or fourth year that HPD has evoked mutual aid," Wilfong said. "It used to be just during Homecoming and Parents' Weekend, but for the last few years we've evoked it when the students have returned as well."

Wilfong said, "We've found that after four to five weeks, everyone's a little more adjusted and we plan for a heavier presence to have more voluntary compliance with the laws."

Many other large schools in

the state have also forged mutual aid agreements with their hometown police departments. "ODU (Old Dominion University), VCU (Virginia Commonwealth University) and UVA (University of Virginia) all have mutual aid agreement compacts with the police in their hometowns," Shifflett said.

Shifflett said the police hope that working together will

"open the lines of communication from the students to the police."

Some JMU students said they didn't like the idea of JMU Police patrolling off campus.

"I think that JMU Police should stick to JMU grounds," junior Billy Bogard said. "I think with all the problems JMU Police get

are more trivial than those of the HPD and there is different training involved [for Harrisonburg Police] that JMU Police might not be able to handle off campus."

Sophomore Brian McGinty said, "I think, by the JMU Police and HPD working together, it will only further increase tension between police and students because I believe the police presence makes students more [likely] to react to the police negatively. This is a college town and it just needs to be treated as such. This is not the inner-city."

... police presence makes students more affable to react to police negatively.

— Brian McGinty sophomore



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Student takes University of Washington to court

BY RAY RIVERA
Knight-Ridder Newspapers

A University of Washington student is suing to stop the university from passing its power bills on to students.

The lawsuit and a request for a preliminary injunction were filed in King County Superior Court just hours after the UW's Board of Regents approved a \$3-per-credit emergency energy surcharge — a fee some students say amounts to a second round of tuition increases. Superior Court Judge Carlos Velategui granted a temporary restraining order to stop the university from taking further action.

The fee comes to about \$135 a year for average full-time students, more than half the 6.7 percent tuition increase approved by the regents last month. UW-Tacoma and UW-Bothell students will pay a \$1-per-credit surcharge.

Jasmin Weaver, a senior philosophy major and former stu-

dent-body president, filed the legal actions, saying utility bills are part of tuition.

"We think the university is doing something clearly illegal, and we've tried to talk to them in meetings, and it's been no use," Weaver said. "This is a last resort for the students."

Weaver added that the students are wary of the surcharge becoming a precedent for other fees.

UW officials say the lawsuit was no surprise.

"It's not unexpected that someone would try to do that," said Harlan Patterson, UW vice provost of budget and planning. "We're confident we can respond to it."

Under Washington law, the Legislature has tuition- and fee-setting authority, placing a cap on the amount of tuition institutions can charge. The law, however, gives university governing boards the power to impose special fees, such as chemistry labo-

ratory fees, as long as the fees are not applied to all students.

The energy fee would apply only to students whose coursework calls for a classroom or a lab — about 85 percent of the university's 35,000 students.

But the lawsuit contends the surcharge — applying to such a broad swath of students for such a general purpose as energy usage — looks more like an operating fee, another name for tuition.

The UW believes it's on solid legal ground, though it has not received an opinion — neither formal nor informal — from the state Attorney General's Office.

Patterson said the administration didn't feel it was necessary to obtain an opinion.

"We're quite comfortable that we do have the authority," he said.

Student leaders were clearly opposed to the fee but until the lawsuit had put up little resistance. That's because the vote

took place in the middle of summer when most students are home, they said.

"It seems sneaky to do this right at the end of the summer quarter," said David Nixon, president of the

Graduate and Professional Student Senate.

Norm Arkans, associate vice president of university relations, said the timing was unfortunate but unavoidable. The university had a small window to work with between the time

the Legislature finalized its operating budget in late June and the time fall tuition bills go out in October.

"Ideally we wouldn't be doing it in the summer, but the circumstances were such that we had no choice," Arkans said.

Regent William H. Gates confirmed that the regents had discussed the legal risks of the fee during a closed session yesterday. After the private session, the regents reopened the special public meeting and approved the measure with little debate.

The regents' main concerns were ensuring that the fee be temporary. The regents will re-examine the fee in February.

"Nothing is without risk," Gates said. "We know that it's very difficult to be flat-out definitive about the meaning of a statute."

The fees were spurred by soaring energy costs in the past year that were left unaccounted for by the Legislature. Even as

energy costs have begun to subside, the UW is facing a \$20 million bill in 2002, up from \$11 million in fiscal 2001, which ended in July. The costs are largely responsible for the UW's \$13.6 million budget deficit for 2002. The energy fee is expected to cut the deficit by \$4.5 million.

The energy crunch has hit all of the state's public colleges and universities, but so far, no other are considering passing the costs on to their students.

"We're all getting hit the same way," said Karen Morse, president of Western Washington University. "Energy costs are taking dollars away from other programs, but at this point, we're going to have to absorb those costs. We just aren't going to put that onus on our students."

Energy costs are expected to increase \$4 million to \$5 million systemwide, he said, but so far the colleges are cutting cost elsewhere.

“We think the university is doing something clearly illegal ...”

— Jasmin Weaver
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OPINION

CHALLENGE REMINDER

Topic of the week:
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"... it wasn't the Forest
Hills I remembered two
years ago."
JEFF CRETZ
junior

see story below



HOUSE EDITORIAL

All sides see first weekend as success

Like sheep in a field, people will follow the flock. Whether it be over the river and through the woods to off-campus parties or to the Convocation Center carnival, everyone is simply looking for fun the first weekend before the rush of classes starts. When no one knows where to go or what to do to find that good time, environment is everything. Last year's riotous beginnings came as a direct result of our wandering nature each first weekend back to school and our predictable nature as followers. Tarnishing JMU's efforts at improved community relations and pegging students as "bad apples," the Forest Hills riot proved that when put in the necessary conditions, apples -- good or bad -- will brown. When faced with tamer bike cops instead of hostile forces

out in riot gear, the environment this year was friendlier on all sides. Deterred by increased police presence last weekend and possibly disappointment over the quieter party scene this year, many opted for an alternative environment. Lured by free games, food, prizes and a concert featuring the popular Pat McGee Band, the Community Coalition's "New Year Event" turned out to be just what many were seeking -- a good time. Likely an expensive venture, the JMU-sponsored carnival and concert seemed well worth the cost. Attracting somewhere around 2,000 students, the previously criticized and speculated about event actually worked. Some students followed right along and stayed on campus. Combine this success

with the somewhat calmer party scene and the administration plus Student Government Association plus police equation equals an improved community image of our students and far less media coverage to soil the ever-precious JMU image. The conclusion here is split though. On one hand, these successfully combined efforts lead us to applaud those who have brainstormed and bettered a bad situation. On the other, it is a sad state of affairs when it takes school-sponsored activities, much like school dances of our former high school lives, to keep us out of trouble. And while we all love free stuff, this 'free' event had to be funded locally. We, with our "bad apples" spawn reasons for the university to try and

keep us on campus instead of terrorizing the community as many would claim. But is that really it? The true verdict of who is at fault for last year's incidents will never be reached. The administration and community will blame the students, the students will blame the police and JMU will apologize and increase its babysitting tendencies. As it in all, most seemed satisfied with the weekend's results and had a good time. The organizations involved succeeded and Harrisonburg and JMU police teamed up to prevent any foreseen trouble at Forest Hills and elsewhere. Bottom line, they create the environment, students play along, everything is fine. Why didn't we think of this sooner?



JEFF CRETZ LAND OF THE JUNGLE

Forest Hills heritage lost

From what I am told, JMU is not what one would call a school of traditions. I guess it takes longer than 93 years to begin setting time-withstanding rituals. But one of JMU's now nationally known traditions is the Forest Hills block party that attracts thousands the Friday before classes begin for the fall term. After last year's debacle in which inexperienced Harrisonburg riot police showed up and turned a peaceful gathering of friendly students into an all-out war that included burning trash dumpsters, multiple arrests and tear gas, many students regarded this year's Forest Hills party as an event to be looked upon with some skepticism. Many, especially those who are under 21, tried to avoid Forest Hills altogether, but many found that hard to do as there is a certain feeling of togetherness between those who do show up at Forest Hills. If there is one night of the year where everybody is everybody else's friend, it is certainly the night of the Forest Hills block party.

I heard that Linwood Rose would make an appearance. I decided that I had to go and witness the festivities first hand. I arrived at about 10 p.m., and there were people, but it wasn't the Forest Hills I remembered two years ago. Had the administration kept the freshmen too busy to show? Were too many upperclassmen that were not yet 21 too scared to show? Or was it just too early? I hoped it was the latter. The insides of several houses were full. Cops were on bikes, cops were on foot, cops were in cars and the dogs were sniffing for drugs. They were prepared for whatever was going to happen. Many students were involved in cordial conversations with the police. Some students even offered the officers drinks. I guess after last year's mayhem, students and members of the Harrisonburg Police Department wanted to foster a sort of elevated respect for each other. The cops were hoping that students wouldn't give them a reason to arrest them, and the students hoped that the police did not use their presence to scare students from having a good time. One of my buddies and I were stopped by a police officer. He approached us, all we had in our hands were lit cigars. The officer asked, "Are you gentlemen 21?" My friend responded, "We're just smoking cigars." He asked again, "Are you 21? I saw you drop your beers." I responded, "Sir, we are just out here having a good time smoking our cigars." He said again, "I saw you two with beers trying to hide them from me. I don't want any trouble. I'm going to ask you one more time, are you 21?" We finally said, "No." We were afraid the cuffs were coming out, but the policeman just said, "Gentlemen, I don't want to see you drinking any more beer tonight. I want you to have a good time." He shook our hands, and our respect for the HPD increased a notch. see PARTY, page 8

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

SGA president addresses university

To administration, faculty, and fellow students:
On behalf of the James Madison University Student Government Association, it is my privilege to welcome all of you back for the 2001-2002 school year. The SGA is already hard at work on many of the issues we feel will better the lives of students and our JMU community as a whole. In my June report to the Board of Visitors, I outlined some of those issues and goals. They include campus safety, sexual assault prevention and awareness, community relations, better student services, a better and more consistent relationship with every club and organization on campus, and improving the internal workings of student government so as to better address the needs of students. There is much to do, but I am optimistic about our progress thus far. The most important thing to me, as your president, is preserving the promise of being "All Together One," the resounding anthem of our university. The promise of "All Together One" is that every single student voice, no

matter how obscure, will be heard in due course and considered valuable. "All Together One" also speaks to how this campus should ultimately make you feel -- that you are part of something larger than yourself, not just a campus, but a community of students whose goals and dreams are all fundamentally similar to your own. In the end, there are limits to what student government can do, but there is no limit to what students can do. Our goals will not be met by the end of the first semester, or by the end of the year, or perhaps even by the end of our careers here at JMU, but let us begin. In the spirit of "All Together One," all things are possible. Thank you, and have a wonderful year.
Dave Mills
Student Body President

years are probably the most important years of your life. You will meet many interesting people and make many good friends. This is a time to discover yourself, your world and the universe you live in. When I was in college my dad often said to me, "Life is good, but it is much better if you think, accept your challenges and always do your best." Those words were true then, and they are true now. As students, you should demand that your professors make you think, give you challenges and help you to become the best you can be. You should demand that the faculty be in charge of the academics at JMU. I have never heard former students say my college years were too challenging. On the other hand, many former students say they wish their professors had challenged them more. Don't let yourself be one of the latter students. Change and diversity are the spice of life. Many of the prejudices that people have are because they are ignorant to change and diversity. The classroom should be a place to learn about change and diversity. However, at JMU there are also lots of opportunities outside the classroom to learn about change and diversity. Be sure to experi-

ence them. James Madison believed that knowledge was a source of freedom. James Madison believed in intellectual challenge. He wanted public institutions where students would learn and be intellectually challenged. It is important for both faculty and students at JMU to keep James Madison's dream alive. Being a student at JMU puts you in one of God's beautiful places. While you are here, learn to live with the Shenandoah Valley, not off it. Help preserve the beauty of the valley. Work with the community to develop alternative ways of transportation that are not harmful to the environment. As a student you can help JMU become a model university. Although there are many factors that make a university what it is, academics are always the most important. Work with your faculty to help make JMU's academics first class. Once again, this requires you to think, accept your challenges and be the best you can be. You won't regret this.
Jim Sochacki
Associate Professor of Mathematics

Professor challenges students' expectations

To the Editor:
This academic year at JMU marks the 250th Anniversary of James Madison's birth and the first fall semester of the new millenium. Your college

Party gets new face

PARTY, from page 7

While Forest Hills was not what it was in years past, the tradition was continued. Freshmen, at least for the most part, decided to forgo the concert aimed at deterring them from showing up to the Hills. They wanted to be a part of a tradition that many of us previously have been involved in. Although my "guess-timation" abilities are not too great, I would say over a thousand people were at Forest Hills sometime on Friday.

To my knowledge, nothing was lit on fire, nothing was fired out a gun, and no nerve-disturbing chemical was released into the atmosphere. So in that respect, Forest Hills was a success. Yet I think students were too concerned about where the nearest cop was to truly enjoy themselves at the Hills.

But at the minimum, I think that we all have learned something. Maybe the students of JMU and the HPD can work and co-exist in an environment that breeds a sense of mutual respect. No one wants another riot. Cops don't like to write tickets and throw students in jail. Students don't like to be given tickets and thrown in jail. And in that respect, something was accomplished.

Jeff Cretz is a junior SMAD major who has learned to be a little more careful the parties he attends.

Darts & Pats

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

E-mail darts and pats to breeze@hotmail.com

Pat...

A "you-are-the-nicest-guys-ever" pat to the Harrisonburg firefighters who helped us to open our front door when a key broke off in it while they were making rounds.

Sent in by the Fox Hills girls who are extremely glad you saw that we needed help and assisted us.

Dart...

A "PICK-UP-YOUR-TRASH" dart to ALL of the new students on campus!

From two seniors who don't want to see their beautiful campus turn into your bedroom and shouldn't have to remind you that Mommy and Daddy are no longer around.

Pat...

An "I-couldn't-get-along-without-you" pat to my incredible roommates and the helpful Health Center who have helped me with my broken wrist. Thanks guys, it means so much to me.

Sent in by a junior who's learned the hard way not to sumo wrestle out of his weight class.

Dart...

A "who-raised-you?" dart to the creep who punched my female roommate in the jaw and ran off last Saturday night.

Sent in by a furious friend who wishes she knew your name.

Pat...

A "thanks-for-volunteering-your-time-off" pat to my roommate, a Computing Helpdesk worker who fixed my computer on his time off.

From a senior who hopes you didn't mind sacrificing your favorite television show for his internet access.

Dart...

A "couldn't-you-have-spent-that-money-on-free-printing-instead-of-new-computers" dart to the ISAT department for being one of the many computer labs on campus that now charges per sheet.

Sent in by an angry senior who wishes he could print free papers off the old computers.



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Topic: What is the best Harrisonburg eatery and why?



Josh Burton
junior, geology

"Dave's Taverna Express. It's open 'til three."



Brittany Price
senior, health science

"Spanky's. Fun drinks, great walls, and I am all about the Dr. Watson."



Bethany Gillan
senior, music industry

"Calhoun's. Sweet potato fries and Tuesday night jazz."



Antigone Ambrose
senior, anthropology, political science

"Little Grill, 'cause people are super nice and the Greek Alyce rocks my world."



John Cheski
senior, art

"Bar-B-Q Ranch. The atmosphere. It's all atmosphere."



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

Aries (March 21-April 19)

Today is an 8 — You've thought about it long enough. It's finally time to act. Not impetuously, as you may have done in the past. Carefully calculated and well-rehearsed — that's how you'll proceed. Go!

Taurus (April 20-May 20)

Today is a 5 — You plan ahead carefully so that you're always prepared. Too bad everybody else doesn't. The good news is, you're needed. The bad news is, you may have to put out a brush fire you didn't start.

Gemini (May 21-June 21)

Today is a 7 — Don't push too hard too soon. You're more likely to get past the resistance if you simply wait a while. Your opinion is gaining popularity. Be cool.

Cancer (June 22-July 22)

Today is a 5 — After an initial snag, things should go according to routine. If you do the job, you'll get the money. Meanwhile, if you're doing what you always do, you'll be invisible. You'll enjoy that.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)

Today is a 7 — Although you can't afford everything you want, that doesn't slow you down for long. Get serious about plans to do something you've never done before — preferably something in a foreign language.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Today is a 5 — A controversial domestic situation can be resolved. Maybe not today, but what would life be like without these little differences of opinion?

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)

Today is a 7 — You do well in a partnership with a strong, decisive person. You're good at presenting options, and you like the other person to make the decision. There is one option you slightly favor, however.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)

Today is a 5 — Your friends will be glad to help if you get overloaded. Don't hesitate to ask. You can make sure everything gets done on time and under budget. Do that, but not alone.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Today is a 7 — Don't hold a grudge. Forgive, forget and move on. You don't have time for minor irritations, or even major ones. You're a lover, not a fighter. This will be a good night to demonstrate that.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Today is a 6 — You may be feeling kind of slow, but that shouldn't be a problem. A project you start now should work out fine, after a few last-minute details have been handled. Don't rush things.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

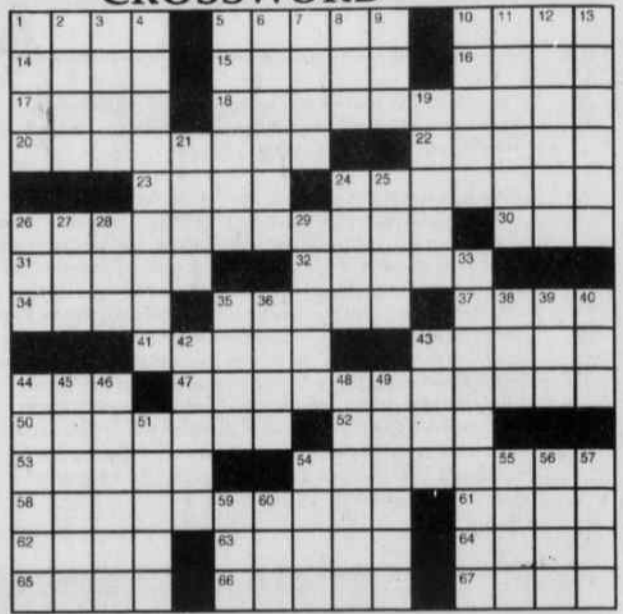
Today is an 8 — You're cruising along, then ... whap! Your attention is snagged by a new idea. Love? Adventure? A new red sofa for the living room? Allow yourself to be yanked out of your rut.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

Today is a 5 — There's more money to be made, and there may not be much more work involved. Or, the work could be fun. Don't take a past rejection as an answer.

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- Elegantly stylish
 - God of Islam
 - Rug type
 - Man of courage
 - Finnish bath
 - Soft-drink flavor
 - Caspian feeder
 - Chinese appetizer
 - Ethnic slaughter
 - Surpass
 - Inoperative, to NASA
 - Refrain from
 - College in Sioux City
 - Anil or woad
 - Ferry of Roxy Music
 - Upright
 - Not up yet
 - Writer Terkel
 - Clarinet's cousin
 - Astronomer Hubble
 - Sugary
 - Racetrack stop
 - Flung weapon
 - Sea poly
 - Called up
 - Drawn lot
 - Source of Astor's fortune
 - Deflects
 - Taj Mahal site
 - Pretty soon
 - Years (for)
 - Sandra and Ruby
 - Evening in Bologna
 - Winter precipitation
 - Mary Baker or Nelson
- DOWN**
- Steam engine's noise
 - Roll-call response
 - Khomeini's country
 - Portico
 - Select for duty
 - Toady
 - Angler's decoy
 - Solo of "Star Wars"
 - Use elbow grease
 - Uttered a raucous cry
 - Dawn-til-dusk
 - Aplenty
 - Bridge expert Charles
 - To _ a phrase
 - Discover
 - Keats poems
 - CEO's degree
 - Poetic globe
 - Bread for a Reuben
 - Noise
 - Demote
 - Cob or pen
 - Fork part
 - Actress Arthur
 - Massive ref. work
 - Nice summer?
 - Lateen-rigged ships
 - Italian dishes
 - Synchronous
 - Intense fear
 - Deep-seated rancor
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A Glimpse Into the Irish Film Community:



Courtesy of ALAN NECKOWITZ

Students and faculty from the School of Media Arts and Design in Ireland program gather outside the Town Hall Theatre in Galway, Ireland for the opening of the Galway Film Fleadh.

The 13th Annual GALWAY FILM FLEADH

STORY BY SENIOR WRITER CARRIE DODSON



As the rain begins to fall outside, a few hundred people crowd into a small lobby, eagerly awaiting the upcoming show. There are all types of people in this room; some are dressed casually, others are wearing jackets and ties. Regardless of their outward differences, they are all here for the same reason: film.

The bell sounds and people scurry into the auditorium to take their assigned seats. The small theater fills quickly, and people begin to line the back walls. They chat excitedly and speculate about this year's films and exchange stories about years past.

The lights dim, and a woman takes her place at the podium onstage to announce the opening of the 13th annual Galway Film Fleadh. The Fleadh, or festival, is a rapidly growing event that takes place in the cultural center of Western Ireland, Galway.

The Fleadh is a week-long festival focusing mostly, but not solely, on Irish films. This year the fleadh was held from July 10 to 15.

Sally Ann O'Reilly, program director of the festival, announces the film fleadh officially underway. She then introduces John Carney, director of this year's opening film, "On the Edge," a black comedy about twenty-somethings in an Irish mental institution.

The festivals began in 1989 when Miriam Allen and Leila Doolan started out with a budget of what Allen describes as "bubble gum and spit." Gradually, the festival gained popularity and size. Now the films draw crowds from all over the world to the small town for a week that highlights new and experimental Irish film making.

For the first seven years of the festival, the films were shown at the Claddagh Palace Cinema, which later closed and gave way to larger and more modern theaters. Films are now shown at two main venues: the sophisticated Town Hall Theatre and the more mundane Omniplex Cinemas.

The change in venue provided technically advanced theaters, which allowed for further development of the fleadh and catered to the growing interest in Irish film making.

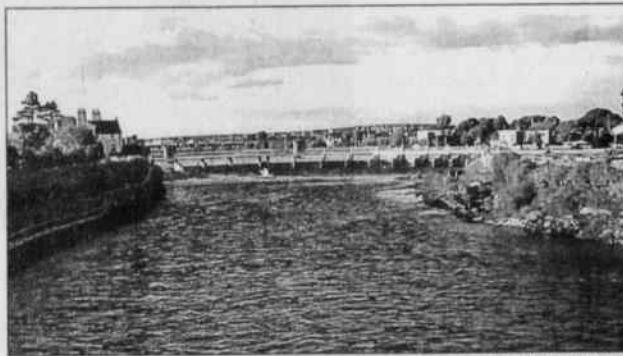
The founding team handed over the management responsibilities to the new program director, O'Reilly, who calls her position, "a difficult and sometimes thankless job, like any other, but after the festival is over, I realize why I keep coming back."

The fleadh is a non-profit organization that functions with the help of many volunteers, interns and students, as well as a small number of paid employees.

Aside from bringing together all types of people behind the scenes to help the fleadh run smoothly, the festival serves as a meeting place for new actors, producers and directors who may not have access to one another in a different situation.

Roger Barton Smith, a first-time producer frequenting the fleadh, came specifically to exchange cards with Irish actor Colm Meaney's (best known in America as Chief Miles O'Brien on "Star Trek: The Next Generation") agent. "We're making a documentary on environmental business and there is an opening for a celebrity cameo... So I found myself here, trying to pass along my card to Meaney's agent," Smith said.

In addition to the informal



Courtesy of ALAN NECKOWITZ

The annual film fleadh takes place in Galway, the cultural center of western Ireland.

An actor from the film "H3" discusses the film after the premiere at the Galway film fleadh.



Courtesy of ALAN NECKOWITZ

gatherings in the Town Hall lobby, there are also numerous organized opportunities for film professionals to rub shoulders and exchange cards such as seminars on acting and directing, cocktail parties on the riverboats that run through the city's River Corrib, and soirees at the Galway Rowing Club.

The informal social setting is one of the most endearing aspects of the Galway Film Fleadh. Everyone gathers outside the theaters or inside the lobby, and few people realize if they are standing next to a director, producer, screenwriter or just a curious student.

Ted Sheehy, Irish correspondent for an organization called Screen International and mediator for this year's Colm Meaney interview enjoyed the casual way in which people mingle and meet at the fleadh. "There are practitioners from every level here from very experienced with the likes of [Irish film director] Jim Sheridan and Colm Meaney, to those who are just starting out," Sheehy said. "The film fleadh is a great working environment for all of us because access to the important people isn't limited as it is at most festivals of this calibre."

The film fleadh is also a great place for debate and discussion about film, with forums about issues facing film and television producers and directors. Wandering through the crowds, it is not unusual to have a complete stranger ask an opinion about a film. One of the hottest topics for debate at this year's festival has been the current state of Irish film, and more specifically, is the Irish film industry still able to produce viable and artistically sound movies?

Ireland film festival a success

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Two middle-aged, sophisticated ladies stood outside the theater after viewing the series of new Irish short films. They discussed the amount of experimentation and self-indulgence they felt was present in the film with hope, commenting to each other about the level of talent of upcoming Irish filmmakers.

On the other hand, those who believe that Ireland has a dying film industry that will soon become non-existent think the tendency toward self-indulgence is a grave mistake.

One such critic, Felim McDermott, a writer for *The Irish Times*, criticized modern Irish filmmakers such as John Carney. "They start out on their first film and try to make a masterpiece," McDermott said. "What they don't understand is that they need to start out by making commercially successful films, establishing themselves in the community, then go off and make films like Jim Sheridan (*'My Left Foot,' 'In the Name of the Father'*).

In his public interview, Colm Meaney touched upon the same point. "For the Irish film industry to be recognized in America, directors need to make films that can only be made in Ireland with Irish actors," Meaney said. "Films like *'The Commitments'* and *'The Snapper'* are commercially successful because Americans love to see Irish culture. Once you get your foot in the door with films that show that, then you can afford to experiment."

Only a few hours after Meaney's interview, the festival came to a close with the Irish premiere of Les Blair's documentary-style film "H3" about the political hunger strikes of 1981. Once again, O'Reilly took her place at the podium, this time alongside Jim Sheridan, to distribute awards for the best films

shown during the festival as chosen by the attendees.

The lights dim again and the film begins. Almost 90 minutes later, it is over and people hurry out of the auditorium, hoping to speak to the director and actors who have come to promote their film. Others scurry off to the closing reception at the Rowing Club, possibly a last attempt to make contacts and deals.

The 13th Annual Galway Film Fleadh is over, but people are already planning for next year's events. Interspersed with discussion of "H3" are tidbits of gossip about celebrity guests, possibilities for films and the new faces in the Fleadh community. The excitement fills the air as people disperse in the streets, eagerly anticipating the 14th Annual Galway Film Fleadh.

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— Felim McDermott
writer for the *Irish Times*

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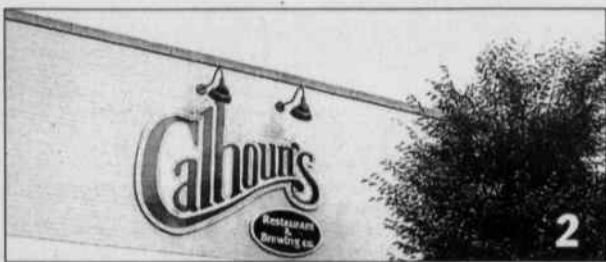
Browse reviews of funny, entertaining and even informative Web sites.

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"The presentation was just phenomenal."

LORI DALY
junior
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Harrisonburg hot spots from right to left: BW3's, Calhoun's, Finnigan's Cove, The Little Grill, Main Street Bar & Grill, Dave's Taverna and the Artful Dodger. These restaurants and bars provide students with some of the best local entertainment, food, drink and atmosphere around.

A night on the town

BY MARTIN PETERSON
contributing writer

1 BW3's: 438-9790; Open 11 a.m.-1 a.m. seven days a week; Located across from the Quad.

Probably one of the most popular night spots in Harrisonburg, Buffalo Wild Wings Sports Bar, or BW3's for short, is a convenient place to convene with friends. Since it is a sports bar, it has its token big-screen televisions showing current sporting events.

Don't think that just because you're still underage that you can't go to "B-dubbs" and have a good time. BW3's has a decent menu composed mainly of finger foods and its signature chicken wings doused in any of the eight flavored sauces you can choose from. The prices are fair, so you won't spend a lot by grabbing a bite to eat. If you are worried about crowds, the busiest times are Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings.

2 Calhoun's: 434-8777; Open 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Sunday; 41A Court Square.

Calhoun's

Restaurant & Brewing is a nice bar with an upbeat, classy ambiance. If you're tired of your friends telling you how they can make good mixed drinks with the leftover orange juice and \$5 vodka, then head over to Calhoun's where all the drinks are made with only the finest brands of alcohol. Or try Calhoun's own beer, which they brew on the premises. Prices are very competitive compared to other places in town, so it's a great place to enjoy some eclectic American food and drinks without having to sell back your books early to afford it. Live entertainment is on hand during the week ranging from jazz to folk and blues music.

3 Dave's Taverna: 564-1487; Open 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Monday-Saturday, Closed Sunday; 95 South Main Street.

If you're looking for something different to eat and want to meet friends and catch up, Dave's Taverna is the place. The food is tasty and the prices are quite frugal. The management and servers are friendly, and each visit makes you like it more. The environment is comfortably devoid of the crowds that other bars and restaurants in Harrisonburg suffer from, so you can sit and enjoy a meal with a bunch of friends without the hassles of a packed house. Prices are just right and the alcohol is cheap — the perfect combination for

any college student's budget. Just an all-around fun place, the JMU experience is not complete without a few visits to Dave's Taverna.

4 Finnigan's Cove: 433-9874; Open 11 a.m.-2 a.m. seven days a week; 30 West Water Street.

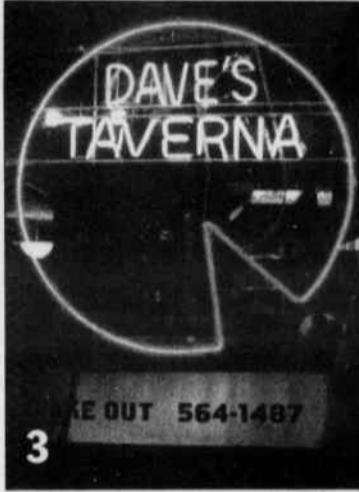
Let's face it. There really isn't much of a seafood selection in Harrisonburg. If you happen to agree with this problem, then mosey on down to Finnigan's. The place offers a safe and friendly atmosphere for your drinking and dining, as well as great service. If you get the munchies late at night then look no further because Finnigan's serves until 1:30 a.m. If you're pinching your pennies, stroll over there on Monday or Thursday night to take advantage of 25-cent wing night. Keep in mind that no one under 21 is admitted after 9 p.m.

5 The Little Grill: 434-3594; Open 7 a.m.-9 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday, 7 a.m.-10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Sunday; Located in downtown Harrisonburg.

Looking for a healthy dinner and great atmosphere? Head over to The Little Grill, which offers excellent homemade food featuring many flavorful vegetarian dishes. It's a great place to hang with your friends and throw back a few bottles. There's live entertainment on the weekends and no age policy, so everyone can go and enjoy an evening out.

6 Main Street Bar & Grill: 574-2905; Open 5 p.m.-2 a.m. Tuesday-Saturday; Located on Main Street.

Main Street Bar & Grill is a cool place to plan a night if live music is your thing. Featuring live entertainment on a regular basis, Main Street offers a decent



JUST GO OUT!

compiled from staff reports

The Artful Dodger
Amy Speace & Jake: Thu.
Marlo Dee Chappell: Fri.

The Biltmore
DJ Myson: Thu.
Karaoke: Fri.

CALHOUN'S
West Water St.: Thu.
Calhoun's Jazz: Fri.

FINNIGAN'S COVE
John Fritz: Thu., 10 p.m.
Daily Planet: Fri., 10 p.m.
Jimmy O: Tues.

The Highlawn Pavilion
Everything, Ki Theory, Paul Bonsiero: Mon.
Jerry Wimmer: Wed.

Dave's Taverna
Jeremiah Prophet: Mon.

Mainstreet bar & grill
Infectious Organisms: Tues.

The Little Grill
Iya Ites, N U M B., DJ Souljah: Sat., 8:30p.m.

BW3
Sling Blade: Thu.

RYAN PUDLOSKI/senior artist

bar, adequate sitting space, decent food and good beverages. The bar & grill aspect is probably not the drawing point for most of its clientele. It is definitely the bands. Mainstreet offers something for everyone's musical taste. JMU bands frequently play there. It boasts a great sound system and a large floor in front of the stage so bargoers can strut their stuff or bob their heads. Don't worry if you are under 21; it's 18 and up with an I.D., so you can still take part

in the fun with your older friends. Ticket prices are cheap and worth every penny.

7 Artful Dodger: 432-1179; Open 8:30 a.m.-12 a.m. Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-1 a.m. Friday, 9 a.m.-1 a.m. Saturday, 9 a.m.-11 p.m. Sunday; On 47 West Court Square.

Are you tired of partying and drinking yet? Probably not, but for those of you who are, try taking a trip to the Artful

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Tempting tastes at Tango's

BY JEANINE GAJEWSKI
senior writer

A local restaurant with an upscale, relaxed atmosphere serving an elegant selection of colorful pastas, fresh seafood and vegetables. There's no such place in Harrisonburg, you say? Then you have yet to discover Tango's, Harrisonburg's freshest taste in Mediterranean cuisine.

Located on West Mosby Road just off Main Street, Tango's simple exterior is easy to miss. The small building, which once housed Key West Beach Bar and Grill, recently acquired a new flavor when Tango's owner and chef, Jorge Etchebarne, opened his restaurant in late June.

Etchebarne said his tight-knit family has been both influential and supportive in culinary endeavors. His brother, Nester, owns the Woodfired Oven located on East Market Street in Harrisonburg.

"One of the best things about working here is the good relationship of the kitchen staff," said Megan Seabrook, who has worked at Tango's since its opening. "It's very family-oriented."

The sparsely decorated dining room is adorned with graceful paintings by Etchebarne's sister and by simple wooden chairs. But what Tango's lacks in expensive furnishings it compensates for in the outstanding quality of its service and food.

Warm bread brushed with oil and sprinkled with Parmesan and a salad of fresh greens and vegetables precedes

all dinner entrées. Tango's also offers an array of tempting appetizers, including several seafood options, ranging from \$6.95 for the steamed clams and mussels to \$9.95 for jumbo scallops or shrimp scampi. The fried calamari is light and crispy, and the breaded vegetable medley of mushrooms, zucchini and eggplant is lightly fried in a flavorful batter.

While the appetizers impress, the entrées, with their spectacular presentation and unique combinations are the highlight of the menu. The dishes are innovative, colorful and attractive and taste every bit as good as they look.

Entrées range from an affordable \$8.95 for your choice of pasta and sauce to the more pricey specialty dinners which cap off at \$24.95. Diners soon discover the generous portions and caliber of the cuisine are well worth the price.

The chicken and shrimp served over linguine is sautéed with sun-dried tomatoes, onions, green peppers and an excellent mix of portabello and shitake mushrooms for \$17.95. The tender Mediterranean chicken is sautéed with a colorful blend of capers, olives, arti-

choke hearts and plum tomatoes. "The presentation is phenomenal," junior Lori Daly said, upon viewing her entrée.

Creamy garlic mashed potatoes accompany several of Tango's specialty dinners. "[The garlic mashed potatoes] were just unbelievable," Craig Orndorff of Harrisonburg said. Orndorff said that while this was his first visit to Tango's, he

enjoyed his meal and hoped to return.

The carne con chimichurri is one of the best grilled filet mignons Harrisonburg has to offer. Served with sides of fried calamari and vegetables steamed to perfection, the filet was well-seasoned and seared with Tango's own chimichurri sauce lightly providing the perfect compliment, all for \$18.95.

Tango's not only offers a wide selection of chicken, beef and veal, but also provides numerous seafood, vegetarian and vegan choices. Dining room and bar manager, Suzanna Thomas added that the kitchen will tailor meals to guests' requests. "I'm a vegetarian, and he [Etchebarne] cooks me some amazing things," Thomas said. "We get a lot of our produce from local

farmers ... we offer lots of fresh vegetables."

And of course, you can't forget to top off the evening with one of Tango's unique desserts, prepared fresh daily by the restaurant's pastry chef. In addition to bread pudding and a chocolate cake, Tango's specialty is chaja, a traditional Uruguayan dessert. Baked, crumbled meringue surrounds fluffy layers of sweet Chantilly cream and peach-soaked cake and is topped with strawberries and drizzled with raspberry sauce.

Tango's is open Tuesday through Thursday from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., Friday from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m., Saturday from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m., Sunday from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., and is closed on Mondays. The full bar remains open at least one hour after restaurant closing. Tango's also features a lunch menu from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., which includes pastas, sandwiches and salads, moderately priced from \$4.95 to \$10.95.

Etchebarne has prepared his recipes in several four- and five-star restaurants across the country and envisions a similar future for Tango's. He said he wishes to build Tango's reputation as a fine restaurant and bar "little by little, stick by stick."

Thomas has faith in Tango's potential to become one of the most notable area restaurants. She said, "I come out with confidence every time I bring out a plate."

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— Suzanna Thomas
Tango's dining room and bar manager



ROBERT NATT/senior photographer



Above: Tango's, on West Mosby Road just off Main Street, is the former location of Key West Beach Bar and Grill. This restaurant offers Harrisonburg's newest taste of Mediterranean cuisine. Top left: Carne con chimichurri, grilled filet mignon, served a pleasant combination of fried calamari and steamed vegetables. Middle: Tango's offers a wide selection of chicken dishes but has vegetarian and vegan dishes as well. Bottom: Tango's specialty dessert is chaja, a traditional Uruguayan dish. This meringue includes layers of cream and peach soaked cake topped with fresh strawberries and raspberry sauce.

Bookstore café: a novel job

The first of two articles

I don't consider myself a man of very high aspirations, at least not this far in my life. Throughout the months of April and May, I was bombarded by talk of summer internships with law firms, newspaper organizations, congressional offices, and soon enough I was asked the inevitable question: "So, Zak, plans for the summer?" And, shrugging, I told them where I wanted to work, where I had been applying for the past few months in a flurry of frantic, long-distance calls (many of them unsuccessful).

Following my answer, I would get lectures on how it was important to actually make some "real money" over the break. It seemed a lot of my friends and fellow students couldn't comprehend my lack of desire for a bloated bank account. I wasn't trying to support a family, just myself; all I sought was happi-

ness over the summer, working where I felt I could not become extravagantly wealthy but could at least pass the summer months with a contented smile on my face. I felt it only natural that an aspiring literary columnist and novice writer such as myself should venture into the realm of the commercial bookstore.

Flash back if you will, to a week after the end of classes. I'm back home in Burke, driving my father's plum-colored Volvo to the only commercial bookstore (Borders Books, Music and Café) in the area with open positions for temporary help. Weaving in and out of traffic lanes and traveling unnecessarily fast (my excuse for this transgression is that I was excited, so, so excited!), I imagined how wonderful it would be to work as a bookseller at a giant bookstore, to help pass on advice to other readers and help them find a good book. Think of the smiles, think of the happiness I would spread all across the county. But more importantly, think of all those glorious books, rows upon rows upon rows. I felt ready to foam at the mouth.

During the warm, terse interview with the human resources director, however, I discovered there were no openings for booksellers. The only available positions were those behind the main cash registers and in the café. Yes, my heart sank, but I figured that since I had gotten

this close I might as well jump at the chance (ironically, my decision to work in the café over the registers was the result of an extra 50 cents an hour).

Back home, waiting for the next day when my career as a barrista would begin bright and early at 8 a.m., I told myself that making and serving coffees and pastries could be just as profitable and enjoyable as working among the towering shelves of books. I admit, I was disheartened and wondered once or twice if I should just call the manager and tell him that I couldn't work, that the greedy demon in the back of my mind, the one that fed not on flesh but on mountains of sweaty cash, decided it would be best for all involved if I took a job with another organization. Think of this mental struggle as William Peter Blatty's "The Exorcist" except on an extremely pathetic scale.

Ultimately, the morning of May 9, 2001 arrived and I began my training at the café, becoming an eye-witness to the bookselling industry. There are many stories to tell, some good, some bad, others ugly; the fact remains that my two-month tenure at Borders store 112 in Fairfax was a wonderful adventure. My reason for writing these two articles and giving you an undercover look at the book world is not personal revenge; I was treated with nothing but respect. Rather, I merely wish to regale you with my adventures working not with books, as I originally had hoped, but working next to books, merely feet away from the shelves, sweating it out under the chrome monstrosity of the espresso machine.

Thus, it was with a wide smile and a nervous, trembling conscience that I sat down in the employee lounge on the hidden second floor of the bookstore and watched such enlightening, thrill-ride films as "Espresso 101" and "Customer Service at Borders," slowly digesting as much information as I could, my mind at times wandering downstairs to all those majestic books.

Yes, I thought to myself with all the gleeful, insidious melodrama of a super-villain. This could definitely be a promising venture. And it was.



All Things Literary

by senior writer Zak Salih

Just mousin' around...

By STE GRAINER
senior writer

The following are some entertaining and occasionally useful Web sites that you may not have known about before. These sites might range from wacky and nonsensical to professional and highly useful, but hopefully you'll find them to be at the very least an entertaining diversion. Feel free to submit your favorite sites (please no personal sites just yet) for possible inclusion by emailing grained@theonion.com. Well, on to the links!

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Home to some of the most famous never-published movie parodies ever, MediaTrip quenches even the most picky film critic's thirst for entertainment. In their film entertainment section, notable parodies such as "George Lucas in Love," "Evil Hill," and "Film Club" vie for attention along with original short films like "Los Gringos," "The Dancing Cow" and "Moses Vs. Godzilla." All of the films on this site are high-quality entertainment, but not for the weak of bandwidth. Prepare for massive downloads if you want to view these winners.

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If you're looking for an interesting diversion and think you know your television sitcom characters or dictators, then check out the "Guess the Dictator or Sitcom Character Game." By comparing your answers to simple yes/no questions, this game attempts to guess what sitcom character or dictator you're thinking of. I've played many times and the game has guessed correctly almost every time.

Entertainment: 4/5
Appearance: 2/5
Ease of Use: 4/5

<http://oldskooled.disflux.net/>

Ever wondered what happened to all your favorite characters (like Mario, Megaman, Kid Icarus and that guy from Bionic Commando) from the original Nintendo days? An Internet-only comic, "Oldskooled," seeks to chronicle the daily lives of your favorite eight-bit super heroes now that they've pretty much retired. Read through the various comics archived here for some fairly entertaining reading material between classes or as a means of procrastination the night before that paper's due.

Entertainment: 4/5
Appearance: 3/5
Ease of Use: 3/5

When nightlife calls, venues in the 'Burg answer

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Dodger for a pleasant, relaxing cup of joe. The only full-fledged coffee house in town, Artful Dodger provides a great place to sit, relax and catch up on that homework you've neglected for the past week.

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7 The Biltmore:
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Biltmore has something going on almost every night. If you have a huge appetite to kill, take a trip over on Mondays for free buffalo wings. There's live music on Wednesdays, a deejay on Thursdays and karaoke on Fridays.

Competitive prices, great food and drinks and a friendly atmosphere make Biltmore a great place for JMU students.

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That being said, Highlawn Pavilion is probably the only place here that has a dance

floor that is actually used for dancing. Yes, there is a bar where the alcohol flows like water and yes, there is a menu to order from, but I think most people end up at Highlawn for the sole purpose of drinking and dancing.

Highlawn is usually full of JMU students but just a warning to any of you looking to find a significant other while you're there: make sure they're not old enough to be your mom or dad. Besides the fact that there is most definitely a range of ages hangin' out there, it is unquestionably a great place to party with great people and a great mood.

If you're under 21, don't even try to get into the door as the bouncers there are bigger than the door itself. For those of you who are of age, bring some money to cover the entrance fee as well as your "good" set of clothes because Highlawn maintains a dress code.

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"We try to put ourselves in a position to play some of the best in the nation and the region."
DAVE LOMBARDO
women's soccer coach



Field hockey loses OT battle against Duke

On Sunday, Aug. 26, the field hockey team fell to Duke University 3-2 in overtime. JMU led 1-0 early, thanks to a goal by sophomore **Janell Perlis**. Perlis struck again for another score with just under 10 minutes left in the game.

However, the Blue Devils tied the game at 2-2 with just over eight minutes to go in regulation, sending the game to overtime.

In sudden death OT, Duke's Liz Bateman scored to lift the Blue Devils over JMU.

Men's soccer ranked

JMU's men's soccer team was ranked 20th in the National Soccer Coaches Association of America pre-season poll.

The Dukes are also ranked 16th by *Soccer America's* preseason poll.

Men's soccer coach in good company

JMU soccer coach **Tom Martin** is ranked fourth among active college coaches in the nation in winning percentage (.752) and seventh in victories (341) at the start of the 2001 season.

Women's soccer to face top teams in country

In 2001, the JMU women's soccer team will face three NCAA teams — University of California - Los Angeles, Penn State University and the University of Virginia — that are currently ranked in the top 10 in the country.

WOMEN'S SOCCER

JMU looks to regain winning ways

Coach Lombardo moves to four-person backfield to improve offense

By CHRIS BAST
contributing writer

They're back. Since 1990, women's soccer at JMU has been synonymous with success. Under the tutelage of coach Dave Lombardo, the Dukes have consistently finished among the top teams in the country and have competed in numerous NCAA championship tournaments. In fact, in the 11 years since the inception of the program, the only losing season was last year when the Dukes finished 10-11 and failed to qualify for the NCAA tournament.

This year the team is ready to prove that last year was just a fluke season. Lombardo, who is the fourth winningest coach all time among NCAA Division I coaches said in the Dukes media guide, "Our ultimate goal [this year] is to get us back to where we belong."

Senior Suzanne Wilson, keeper and co-captain, is also ready to prove that last year is not to be the norm for Dukes soccer.

"I expect us to put together a good showing. [Get] a little redemption from last year," Wilson said. "We can take the inexperience of last year and turn it into experience; show everyone that we will bounce back. We have much better on-field chemistry and cohesiveness."

Wilson added that she feels that this year's team is more of an all-together team instead of being split into offense and defense as it was last year.

Experience will be a key factor in the success of this year's team. The Dukes graduated only one senior and return all of their other starters except for two who are out with injuries. This experience will be needed as the Dukes once again are faced with a schedule that includes top-10 teams University of California-Los Angeles, the University of North Carolina and Penn State University, along with state rivals the University of Virginia and the College of William & Mary, who are tied for 13th nationally.

"Once again we are playing a very tough national schedule," Lombardo said in the media guide report. "The majority of our opponents rank in the top 100 in RPI. Each year when we schedule we try to put ourselves in a position to play some of the best in the nation and region."

UCLA looks to be the biggest date on the Dukes' calendar. The 2000 runners-up come to Harrisonburg on September 28, but the team is not looking to that game in particular as a focus.

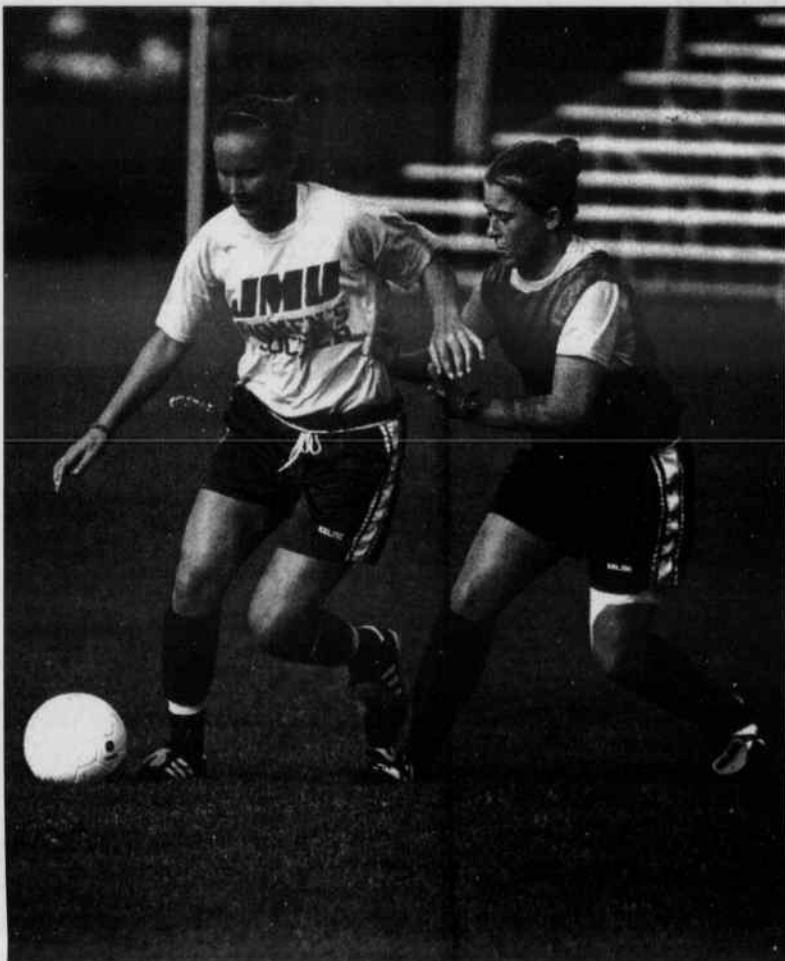
"The schedule will work for us," Wilson said. "Put a few of those down as wins, and it will give us more confidence. But we have to make sure we are not overlooking others."

Senior mid-fielder Jamie Miller agrees with her fellow co-captain,

"It's good to play good teams, it makes you play better," Miller said. "We have a lot of experience in the middle and this year with a new year everyone is re-energized to prove last year was just a fluke."

Dukes fans will see a new look to this year's team as they change their style of play to improve upon last year. They will play with a four-person backfield instead of their customary three to enable them to possess the ball better and create more opportunities for the offense to get into goal scoring opportunities, said Lombardo.

Miller said that one of the main objectives for this year's team is to get a few more goals and goal scoring chances than last year. She said that overcoming the loss of sophomore Christy Metzker to a knee injury could be one of the toughest challenges for the team.



Junior midfielder Beth McNamara (left) takes the ball around a defender in practice this week. DAVE KIM/contributing photographer

"[We need to] find someone to step up and score goals for us; to take [Metzker's] spot," Miller said.

Wilson says everyone seems to be adjusting to their role on this year's team and that across

the roster they will be stronger.

"Both the midfield and the offense will be stronger and the sophomores will step up and play with a lot of confidence," Wilson said.

The Dukes have confidence going into this season. Their tough schedule will give them matchups that should prepare

them well for the postseason and should give them invaluable experience.

Heading into the season opener on Friday against American University on Reservoir Field at 7 p.m. Miller said, "Everything's clicked this year. This is the most confident I've been."

VOLLEYBALL

Dukes begin title defense

By JEFF COLSH
contributing writer

The women's volleyball team returned five of its six starters from last year's Colonial Athletic Association championship team, usually a sign of a veteran squad.

Remarkably, that isn't going to be the case in Godwin Hall this year.

The Dukes bring in six freshmen and a total of nine players on the 12-deep roster enter the 2001 season with one year or less of collegiate experience.

Despite this, expectations are high for a shot at claiming a third consecutive CAA title and the accompanying berth in the NCAA tournament.

Coach Disa Johnson-Garner begins her second season at JMU, looking to build off last year's 21-10 record.

"We had a great season last year," Johnson-Garner said. "Even though we had a few losses in the season, we were able to develop our players. We think this year we have an opportunity to repeat if things fall into place and we stay healthy."

Johnson-Garner said that since this year's team is young, it is very important everyone develops and learns as the season progresses.

And the early season schedule promises to get the team ready.

The season begins with this weekend's JMU/Days Inn Classic at Godwin Hall.

The following weekend, the Dukes travel to the Western Michigan Ameritech Invitational. The Dukes play in a third preconference tournament, the Madison Invitational, which will also be held at Godwin Hall.

"The most important thing is to use the preconference matches to gain experience and find your way. It's all about getting ready for the conference," Johnson-Garner said.

In the CAA, things have changed. From the conference,

... We have an opportunity to repeat if things fall into place and we stay healthy.

— Disa Johnson-Garner
volleyball coach

the University of Richmond, East Carolina University and American University all departed after last year. However, Richmond did not field a volleyball team.

In their place, four teams were added Towson University, the University of Delaware, Drexel University and Hofstra University. Only Hofstra and Delaware will join the 2001 fall sports schedule and play the Dukes. there will be a total of

seven volleyball teams in the CAA this fall.

Last year, all five remaining teams in the CAA advanced to postseason play. This year, only the league's top four qualify for the tourney.

"Our goal is to make sure we're one of the top four to qualify for the mid-November tournament," Johnson-Garner said.

Besides familiar conference rivals and in-state foes like the University of Virginia, newcomer Hofstra is expected to be a good challenge.

"Hofstra's very competitive and they'll be tough to contend with," Johnson-Garner said. "They've been used to dominating their conference and they've gone undefeated. But they're definitely beatable as well."

On the court, the Dukes will miss four-time first team All-CAA middle blocker, Karla Gessler, also the MVP of last year's CAA tournament.

A newcomer expected to help fill that loss is freshman Kate Fuchs.

"It's big shoes to fill but I'm really excited to have the opportunity," Fuchs said. "I think I can fill the spot pretty well and the team can be confident with me."

The other freshmen are middle blocker Emily Erickson, outside hitter Aran Gallagher, defensive specialist Heather

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Friday, August 31

- Men's soccer takes on the Demon Deacons of Wake Forest University at the George Mason University/Kappa Classic in Fairfax at 2:30 p.m.

- Women's soccer hosts American University at Reservoir Street Field at 7 p.m. It will be the 2001 season opener for the Dukes.

- Volleyball takes on the University of Mississippi in the JMU/Days Inn Classic in the Godwin Gym at noon. The Dukes will also play Xavier University at 7 p.m.

Saturday, September 1

- Football kicks off its 2001 campaign against Elon University at Bridgeforth Stadium at 6 p.m.

- Volleyball takes on Rutgers University on the second day of the JMU/Days Inn Classic. The two will meet at Godwin Gym at 1 p.m.

Sunday, September 2

- Field hockey travels to face Wake Forest University at 1 p.m.

- Men's soccer plays Southern Methodist University at the GMU/Kappa Classic in Fairfax at 1 p.m.



JMU/Days Inn Classic Friday, August 31

Rutgers vs. Xavier, 10 a.m.

JMU vs. Mississippi, noon

Mississippi vs. Rutgers, 5 p.m.

JMU vs. Xavier, 7 p.m.

Saturday, September 1

Mississippi vs. Xavier, 11 a.m.

JMU vs. Rutgers, 1 p.m.

(all games are in Sinclair Gymnasium)

PICKS OF THE WEEK

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Tulane at LSU	LSU	LSU	LSU	LSU	LSU
William & Mary at UMass	UMass	UMass	UMass	UMass	W&M
Northeastern at Hofstra	Hofstra	Hofstra	Northeastern	Northeastern	Hofstra

Ahh, the sights and sounds of fall. Rows of yellow tickets on windshields, reds on new stoplights and the Four Horseman of the POTW talking more trash than Charles Barkley and Muhammed Ali in a heated foosball battle. Let's meet your 2001 line-up. First off is the Raptor-Man himself, Travis. After spending the summer in the field with Cowboy and Joker, Clinger will undoubtedly pick a slew of upsets and spend the season locked in the cellar with a flashlight and a bucket. From the two-desk in the sports section comes the very reincarnation of Larry Bird, Mr. Wilson. (Yes, I know Larry is still alive. No, it doesn't make sense.) Wilson is still recovering from a vicious hit he received courtesy of the boss, so we'll see if his picks suffer. Out of the cloud of smoke surrounding her desk came the picks of our favorite style editor whose eyes are almost as red as her hair. Cheech is constantly paranoid that people are trying to move their desks closer to hers. Interesting... The Longhorn Meghan Murphy spent last night trying to get everyone's advice on her picks. She says it's Cheech's job to be the "dumb girl." More on this brewing rivalry as it develops, folks. Speaking of brewing our first guest this year is Mr. Natty himself. He was a little hesitant to step into the guest predictors spot, maybe because he knows I'm going to tell him to get a haircut.

JMU starts title defense in Days Inn Classic

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Hickcox, outside hitter Jen LeMoine, and defensive specialist Liz Moore. Coming back for the Dukes at setter is sophomore Lauren Ruzicka, who last year set the single-season record for assist average at over 13 a game. Junior Jessica Evers, an outside hitter who also filled in at setter

last year, led the team defensively with 3.04 digs per game. Senior Danielle Heinbaugh, named to last year's all-tournament team, brings height and experience to the right side. Larissa Daily, also a senior, averaged 3.27 kills and 2.93 digs and is a solid passer. Sophomore Dana Jones

returns her serve that produced a team-high 46 aces last season and .79 blocks per game, second on the team. Sophomore Jackie Reed, a defensive specialist, is back with 34 games of experience. Johnson-Garner said that the combination of the good effort put in over the summer by the

returning players and the talent of the freshmen has this year's squad ahead of last fall. The challenge is putting these together to three-peat. "It's a good kind of pressure and it's a great environment to step into a program that has success already," Fuchs said.

The Dukes' start play this year with a double-header on Friday in Godwin Hall. The first match is at noon against the University of Mississippi. The nightcap is against Xavier University at 7 p.m. Then JMU faces Rutgers at 1 p.m. on Sunday to conclude the JMU/Days Inn Classic.

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FIELD HOCKEY

Building for future success

BY AARON GRAY
contributing writer

In her second year as head coach, Irene Horvat is beginning to lay down the foundation for national success in the JMU field hockey program. Through her team-oriented focus and attention to detail, her main goal is to guide the Dukes back to the elite status that won them the NCAA title seven years ago.

Her winning philosophy, along with the team's determination, should be the combination needed to earn a NCAA bid this year.

"The big thing last year was the transition," Horvat said. "A lot of information and concepts were absorbed last spring and I think the winning strategy is there now."

The transition will be

important as the Dukes welcome nine new freshmen to the program. Three attack players were lost due to graduation including All-American forward Liz Sanders. Sanders, who was third in the nation in scoring, was the key offensive weapon in the Dukes' arsenal last year. Since her graduation, Horvat has geared the team in more of a passing game with the main focus on ball control. No longer will they rely on a single player for offense. Instead, there are several players who will step up to lead the squad.

Solid midfield players will once again control the tempo of the game with their speed and versatility. Leading the pack will be senior Amy Ziegenfuss who started 18 of 23 games last season and junior Elize van

Ballegoie who contributed 4 goals in 2000. The main goal facing this midfield core is distribution of the ball and their vision of the field. The speed on transition that JMU is known for should continue with the addition of some new faces.

"Along with our speed, we want to be able to control it in the midfield," Ziegenfuss said. "We want the ball to do the work for us; it's a more strategic plan."

Freshman midfielder Veerle Goudswaard, a native of Houten, Netherlands will bring an immediate impact to this young squad. She's played the sport since an early age and although she is only 16 years-old, she is the most experienced on the team. Goudswaard was recently named to the Dutch Nation Youth squad and will

use her powerful shot to take the penalty corners.

"It will take time for her to adjust to our style of play. But I see Veerle emerging as a standout player for our team," Horvat said.

The key to victory this season will be the ability to finish in front of the net. Senior forward Traci Forchetti and junior forward Carrie Phillips are looked to for scoring while sophomore forward Janelle Perlis should bring offensive pressure up front.

Senior midfielder/forward Heather Platzler may see action in front of the goal along with sophomore forward Dana Weaver. The style of play should include up-tempo passing, which could lead to fast



ROBERT NATT/Photo editor

Red-shirt junior Amanda Nichols steps in front of a Towson University defender to take a pass during the August 25 match.

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Junior Carrie Phillips passes by a Towson defender on her way down the field during JMU's August 25 season opener.

Horvat hopes 2001 will be stepping stone in returning JMU to one of top programs in country

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break opportunities for the attacking players.

"We are extremely fast in transition from defense to offense," Horvat said. "We want to focus on good ball movement starting with the backs and moving through the midfield. Our speed will help create the chances for the attacks."

A core of strong returning players will lead the defensive unit this season. Red-shirt junior backs Ryan Shean and Amanda Nichols have the ability to crush opposing offenses with their defensive stability and physical play. Communication will be a factor in the defense as both

players will take on leadership roles. Also returning for the Dukes will be sophomore back Lindsey Keller. Her motivation and work ethic landed her a spot on the 2001 U.S. National team this past summer but she passed up the opportunity in order to return to the Dukes' defense.

Junior goalkeeper Kieman Raffo will be in front of the cage this season as she brings experience and strength to the last line of defense. In the past, she has shown mental attitude and the ability to deliver under pressure. Raffo saw significant time last year, which will prove to be valuable this season.

"I have a lot of experience in front of me with Ryan (Shean), Amanda (Nichols) and Lindsey

(Keller)," Raffo said. "I feel real confident about that, and we should be a tough unit to beat."

Raffo should emerge on a regional and national level this season. She has waited a long time to step up and has grown mentally through the years, which is essential to being a strong goalkeeper at the collegiate level.

Along with last year's NCAA Final Four squads (Old Dominion University, the University of North Carolina, Wake Forest University and the University of Maryland), JMU will also face national powerhouse teams such as Kent State University and Penn State University.

This weekend, Horvat takes her squad to the home

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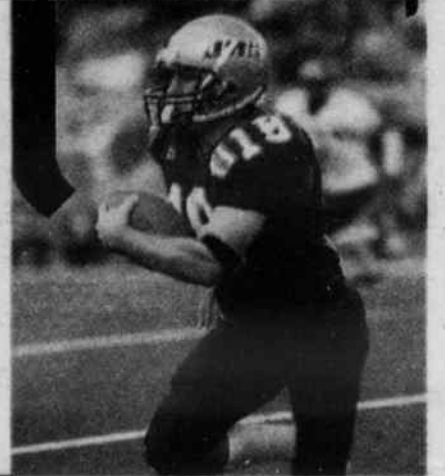
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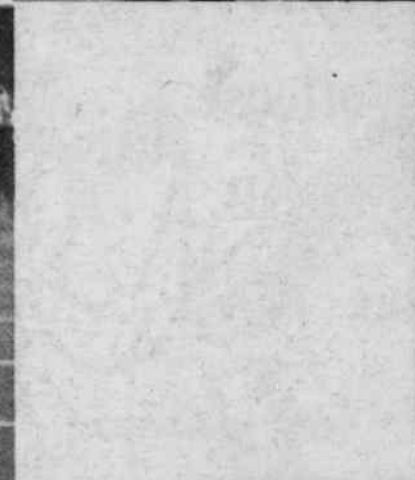
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- Sept. 15.....Florida Atlantic University, 6 p.m.
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Orono, Maine
- Oct. 6.....at Villanova University
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- Oct. 13.....Richmond University, 1:30 p.m.
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Offense

WR- Mike Connelly
TE- J.P. Novak
OT- Mike Jenkins
RB- Brannon Goins
QB- Matt LeZotte
FB- B.J. Minor

2001 Probable Starters

WR- Mike Connelly
TE- J.P. Novak
OT- Mike Jenkins
OG- Pete Orwig
C- Mike VanAken
OG- Leon Stienfeld
OT- Mike Wanderer
WR- Alan Harrison

Defense

CB- Jovonn Quillen
DE- Ryan Bache
LB- Dennard Melton
DT- Andrew Owen
DT- Brandon Beach
DE- Richard Hicks
CB- Rondell Bradley
LB- Derrick Lloyd
S- Justin Ruffin
S- Reggie Taylor
LB- Derick Pack

2001 DUKES FOOTBALL ROSTER

NO.	NAME	YEAR	POS.
1	Andrew Owen	SR.	DT
2	Derrick Lloyd	SR.	LB
3	Jay Paige	FR.-R	FS
5	Brannon Goins	JR.-R	TB
6	Trey Townsend	FR.-R	LB
7	Derick Pack	SR.-R	LB
8	Michael Ponds	SR.-R	TE
9	B.J. Minor	SR.-R	TB
10	Robert Carson	SR.	FB
11	Jovonn Quillen	SR.	CB
12	Jason Thompson	JR.-R	WR
13	Mike D. Jenkins	FR.-R	QB
14	J.P. Novak	JR.-R	TE
15	Quentin Collins	JR.-R	CB
16	Matt LeZotte	FR.	QB
17	Jason Slack	FR.	QB
18	Mike Connelly	JR.	WR/QB
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21	Reggie Taylor	JR.-R	SS
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31	Leon Mizelle	FR.	CB
32	Dauid Bangura	FR.	CB
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34	Pervis Bims	FR.-R	TB
35	Frank Cobbs	FR.	RB
36	Cortez Thompson	FR.	CB
37	Chris Iorio	FR.-R	FB
38	Bobby Moyer	FR.-R	FS
39	Reid Adams	FR.	S
40	Mike Glover	SR.-R	PK/P
41	Morrelace Green	FR.	WR
42	Justin Ruffin	JR.-R	FS
43	Tahir Hinds	FR.	WR
44	Cassie Harris	FR.	LB
45	Rob Lane	SO.	LB



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NO.	NAME	YEAR	POS.
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47	John-Michael Deeds	FR.	TE
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49	Nick Tolley	FR.	WR
50	Joe Tyson	FR.-R	DE
54	Toon O'Connor	R.	LB
55	Gustavo Vega	FR.-R	OT
56	Mike VanAken	SO.	C
57	Kyle Rodekohl	SO.-R	LB
58	Frank McArdle	FR.-R	LB
59	Josh Haymore	FR.	LS
60	Pete Orwig	SR.-R	OG
61	Jaamal Crowder	FR.-R	OT
62	Toxay Davis	FR.	OL/DL
63	George Burns	FR.-R	OG
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65	Chris Herking	JR.-R	OL
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68	Brandon Beach	FR.-R	DT
69	Harry Diani	FR.	OL
70	Zach Amos	SR.-R	OT
71	Mike A. Jenkins	FR.-R	OL
72	William Perry	JR.-R	DT
73	Mike Wanderer	FR.-R	OT
74	Kevin Mapp	FR.-R	OT
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Offense on uncertain ground

Dukes look to youth to move ball down field, put points on scoreboard

BY DREW WILSON
assistant sports editor

If you are planning on attending the season opener against Elon University on September 1, you might want to pick up a roster beforehand. Chances are that you probably won't recognize too many names from last year when it comes to offensive players.

The offense returns only 12 lettermen and only two were regular starters. This season, the Dukes will have to rely on youth to put points on the board. The lack of experience, however, poses a lot of questions for Coach Mickey Matthews and his team.

Running game returns

JMU's strong spot on offense has to be its running game. The Dukes return three key players in the backfield. Red-shirt junior

tailback Brannon Goins and red-shirt senior fullback B.J. Minor will get the bulk of the carries in 2001. Goins ran for 613 yards and four touchdowns last season. Minor scored a team-high seven touchdowns in 2000 and finished with 499 yards rushing.

"I definitely think (the running game) is the strength (on offense)," Goins said. "I look for us to pick up some of the slack that we lack in other younger areas. We are taking it upon ourselves to handle our business."

"Both tailbacks are good," Matthews said. "[Goins] played well last year. He ran into the goal post at Rhode Island and he wasn't the same after that. He was reaching for a pass and injured his shoulder. He wasn't near as productive the second half of the season. We expect big things from him this year. He is our game-breaker. Minor had an

outstanding summer. He put on about 15 pounds and his 40 time has gone down. So we feel good about tailback."

Senior fullback Robert Carson will also get some time at fullback. Last year, Carson rushed for 79 yards including one touchdown. He also scored two touchdowns on 21 reception yards. JMU will also look to red-shirt freshman tailback Pervis Binns to add even more depth to the already deep backfield.

"I really feel like (the running game) is a big part of our offense," Carson said. "That is where most of our seniority is on offense. Being that we are going to be a young team, that is something that we are going to need to work hard at and get going early. We have a young receiving core and a young quarterback, so I feel that if we can get that started off, it will loosen defenses up and it will make the transition easier for the younger players."

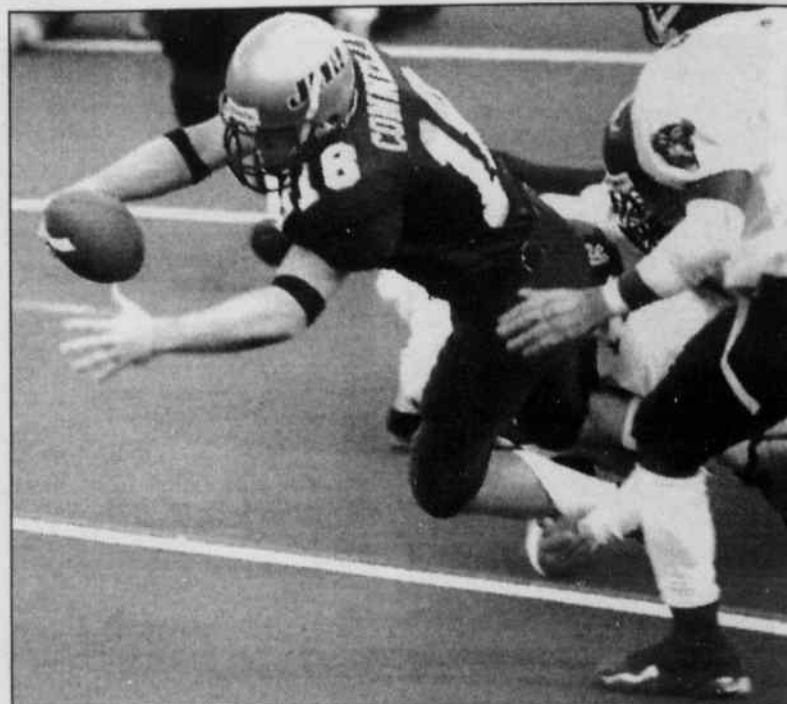
"I know we are going to have to step up and make plays in order to set the tone for the younger guys on the team," Carson added.

New field general

One of those younger guys who will be counted on is probable starting quarterback Matt LeZotte. The red-shirt freshman has been given the nod over junior Mike Connelly. Connelly, who started several games in both his freshman and sophomore years, will get some time at quarterback, but will be looked at to help the team in several other areas.

"Connelly is going to be out on the field," Matthews said. "He is not going to be standing over there by me. He is going to be playing some inside receiver, some quarterback and return some punts."

"I am not disappointed," Connelly said of his position change. "As long as I get on the field somehow, it does not matter where. I am just going to do



FILE PHOTO/Robert Natt

Junior Mike Connelly will be asked to fill several different roles on offense this season. Connelly should see valuable time as a receiver, quarterback and punt returner for the Dukes in 2001.

whatever I can, whatever my role may be."

"I have been a quarterback my whole life," Connelly added. "This wide receiver thing is new and I still have a lot of stuff to learn. With each practice, I get more and more comfortable at it. With time the comfort will come."

More youth will be joining Connelly in the wings. Sophomore Alan Harrison should get time at wide receiver. Harrison is JMU's leading returning receiver. He caught nine passes for 116 yards and a touchdown. Connelly and Carson will get time in the slot, and true freshman Tahir Hinds should also see quality time as a receiver. J.P. Novak will be the starting tight end after moving from offensive tackle in the spring. Novak will be used to block more than he will be used as a receiver.

"All our wide receivers are getting in there and making good plays," Connelly said. "We are just plugging along. We might be a little inexperienced, but that does not mean we can't make plays."

O-line suffers setback

One of the biggest concerns on offense is the offensive line. All starters from last year graduated with the exception of red-shirt senior offensive tackle Zach Annon. However, Annon's availability is now in question after the lone return starter was injured in practice. Annon, a pre-season second-team All-Atlantic-10 selection, has a herniated disc, which will cost him a majority of his final season.

Team physicians will try to treat the back medically, but if his condition does not improve, surgery could be necessary.

"I was playing and just felt it pop while I was blocking," Annon said. "I will be out probably six to eight weeks and then I am going to try to get back as quick as I can. Maybe sooner if I can, but it depends on what happens."

"It's tough," Annon went on to say. "But you know when you play the game, you have a chance of getting injured. It is part of the game and I just have to deal with it and come back from it."

Matthews said, "[Annon] is a leader and a fighter. There isn't a better kid in our program than Zach. But now, we don't have any starting offensive linemen. We just have 10 guys practicing right now. We will have to figure something out by the first game."

The loss of Annon brings uncertainty to the offensive line and will mean others will have to step up in his absence.

"Losing [Annon] is tough, but he will back for the second half of the season," red-shirt senior offensive guard Pete Orwig said. "We are just going to work hard while he is gone and some of the younger guys are going to have to step up. They are ready to do that and they know what to do, so I think they will do a good job."

"We are learning really quickly right now," Orwig said of the young line. "We were concerned at first, but everything is



FILE PHOTO/Robert Natt

Red-shirt junior Brannon Goins will be one veteran called on to make big plays down the stretch for the youthful Duke offense.

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coming together really quickly and really well. Everyone is molding and I think we are ahead of schedule. So we should be good to go by game time."

Making it simple

With the inexperience, plus the loss of Annon, Matthews and the JMU coaching staff will look to simplify the offense in order to help the transition.

"I think you have to limit what you are doing on offense," Matthews said. "Not so much for the quarterback, but for those offensive linemen. There is only so much they can do. You don't want to put a kid in a position to have to do something he can't do."

The Dukes might look to two transfer students for additional help on the line. Red-shirt freshman Mike Jenkins will join JMU after coming to Harrisonburg from Kent State University. The Dukes also welcomed Jeff Compton, a red-shirt freshman transfer from Marshall University.

"Jenkins is really practicing a lot because we have a lot of injuries at offensive tackle, so we have kind of just thrown him out there," Matthews said.

"Compton is a huge concern for us at center, so he is going to get a lot of repetitions. He came in really over weight and that has been a problem, but Jeff has done pretty well."

Special teams to help

Another strength on offense is special teams. Red-shirt senior Mike Glover returns as the place kicker and punter.

Glover, a pre-season second-team All-A-10 pick, will look to get off to a good start after a groin injury effected his efficiency last season.

"I started thinking about it more," Glover said of his injury in 2000. "When you start thinking, just like any other sport, you start messing with technique and I just lost some confidence."

Glover says he has recovered from the injury and is ready for the season.

"My groin is not bothering me at all," Glover said. "I had a

good summer. I worked on some of the things I needed to work on as far as my shorter kicks on field goals and my punting and kick-offs have been really well so far."

"My leg is as strong as it has ever been," Glover went on to say. "All of my kick-offs have been going to the end zone or in the end zone and my punts have been going well. Right now, as far as

field goals go, I am just concentrating on doing the same kick every time, regardless of how far away I am. My leg is going to get it there, but I just need to be accurate."

While Glover hopes to finish his career strong at JMU,

he will be tutoring his future replacement, freshman Clayton Matthews. If that name sounds familiar, it might be because he is the coach's son.

The younger Matthews said being on the team his dad coaches is not too odd.

"Our relationship is more professional now," the younger

Matthews said. "You have to know where to draw the line. When we are on the field, his job is to win games and he can't put me in a position to lose games. It would cost him his job."

As for kicking, C. Matthews hopes to improve and then next year take over the kicking and punting duties from Glover.

"I have learned a lot from [Glover]," C. Matthews said. "I have been kicking with him for about two years now. He has helped me with my transition from kicking on a block to kicking on the ground, which is a lot tougher than I expected. Last year [Glover] struggled (because of his injury). I think a big part of that was that he did not have a good quality back-up and had a lot of pressure on him. I want to serve as a good back-up for him so just in case sometime does go wrong, I can step in."

'We believe'

While critics doubt JMU's ability to win games with a young team, the players are not listening.

"We don't believe in what the critics say," Connelly said. "We have a positive attitude as a team and that's all that matters. It doesn't matter what outsiders think."

Carson said, "I am expecting

the best out of this one. This is my last season. I think we have a lot of players disappointed about how last year's went...everyone is hungry and I think we will surprise a lot of people."

As for Matthews, he hopes to keep his team in contention during every game.

"We are always going to be positive and I think with a group of kids like this year, that tests your coaching abilities to the max," Matthews said. "You have to try to keep your team in these games where you are going to be out-manned tremendously up front. We don't want these games to be over with in the first quarter. Normally young football teams improve dramatically as the season goes on and I am sure we will improve."

For the Dukes to have a chance in 2001, they must mature fast as the season progresses. Otherwise, the veteran teams they play will have a field day.

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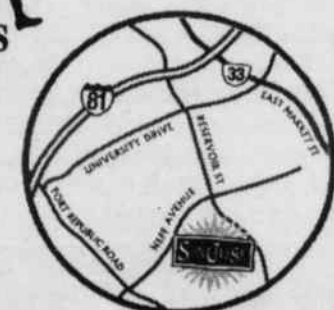
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Dukes give LeZotte opportunity

Young QB hopes skills can outweigh inexperience

BY DREW WILSON
assistant sports editor

Going along with the youth movement, JMU will start a fresh face at quarterback this season. Red-shirt freshman Matt LeZotte has been touted as the probable starter for the 2001 campaign.

In the mind of coach Mickey Matthews, LeZotte has the ability to be a good college quarterback, but just lacks the experience.

"The hardest thing to find in a quarterback is a guy who can run and throw," Matthews said. "He can do that."

LeZotte, a native of Augusta, Ga., threw for 3,748 yards and 33 touchdowns in three seasons at quarterback for Westside High School. Over those three years, LeZotte also ran for 834 yards and scored 13 touchdowns.

Matthews said LeZotte did not receive a lot of attention at his high school because it was more of a basketball school than a football school. According to Matthews, in the 1999 NCAA Men's Basketball Championship game, both of the point guards for each team, William Avery (Duke University) and Khalid El Amin (the University of Connecticut) came from LeZotte's high school.

Good eye for talent

Matthews spotted LeZotte at a football camp when Matthews was an assistant coach at the University of Georgia.

"He came to our camp when I was coaching down at Georgia," Matthews recalled. "We really thought he had a great arm, which he does. We knew he could run, and I just kept my eye on him when I got this job (at JMU)."

LeZotte is confident about the upcoming season, despite his lack of experience.

"I feel like we can win ball games," LeZotte said. "If the receivers are catching the ball and the offense line is blocking, then we are going to have a good offense."

However, LeZotte does admit that he is nervous about taking over the helm.

"Of course I am going to be nervous," LeZotte said. "I have not played a game in a couple of years. I mean, I was nervous before every game during my senior year (in high school). I think it keeps you on your edge by being nervous."

Players confident in QB

Though LeZotte might not have the experience, his fellow team members are confident he can get the job done.

"I have every bit of confidence in Matt to lead this team to where we need to take it," red-shirt junior tailback Brannon Goins said of his new quarterback's ability to lead the team's offensive strike. "The offense will be wide-open. We are going to throw the ball and we are going to run the ball."

LeZotte replaces the departed Charles Berry, who graduated in May. Berry passed for 1,409 yards and rushed for 376 yards in 10 games last season. The Dukes hope LeZotte can fill those same shoes as a double threat at quarterback.

LeZotte very confident behind offensive line

While his protection from other teams, the offensive line, is quite young and untested, LeZotte feels comfortable behind them.

"I see the talent level of the offensive line and I feel comfortable about that," LeZotte said. "I am really good friends with them, so I have a real good sense of trust and that helps me out every time I get under the center."

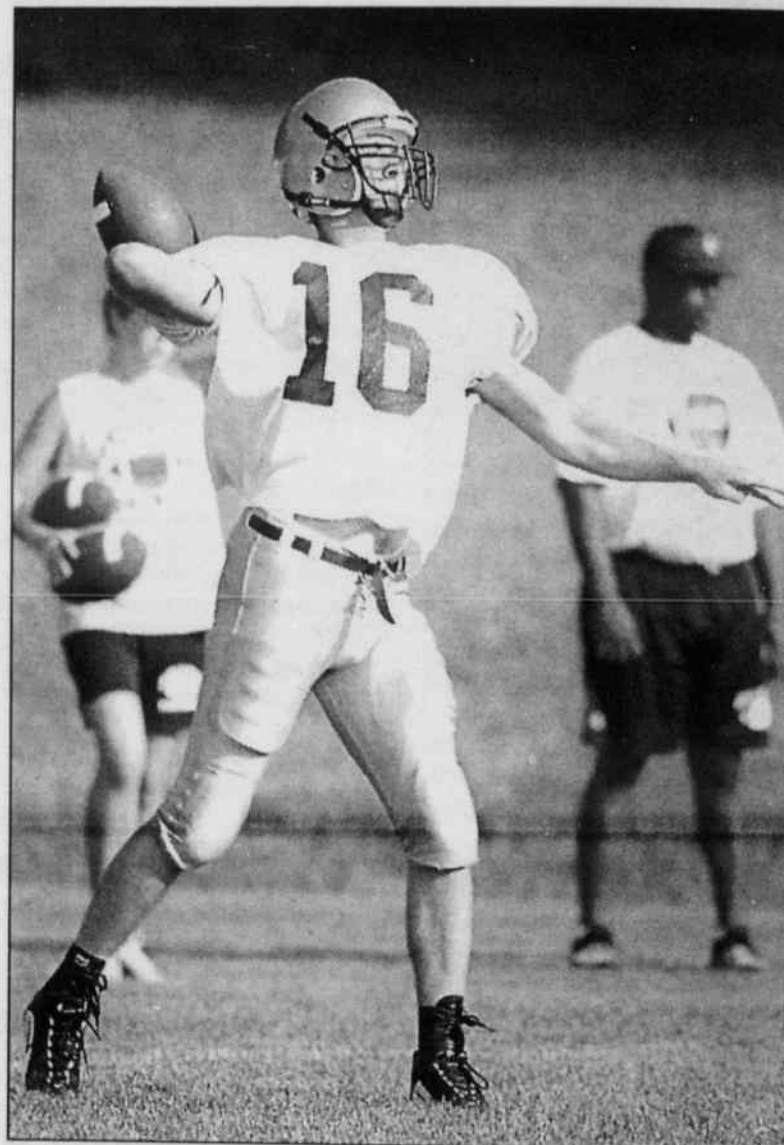
As for his wide receivers, LeZotte feels the same way.

"All of them have been catching balls and running their routes," LeZotte said of his receivers. "They have been having good practices and I have faith in them. I hope they have faith in me to get the ball to them."

Ready to prove the nonbelievers wrong

With a lot of youth, many critics doubt JMU's chances at a winning season. However, LeZotte feels different.

"We have a winning program here," LeZotte said. "We have not lost in 13 straight home games, so we



ROBERT NATT/photo editor

Red-shirt freshman quarterback Matt LeZotte, who will take over the starting duties, drops back for a pass in practice on Friday.

have that record to show for. (This season) is not a 'nothing to lose' type of deal. It is more of a 'playing for pride' deal."

LeZotte and his teammates

will try to keep that same mentality as the season starts September 1 at home against the Fighting Phoenix of Elon University at 6 p.m.

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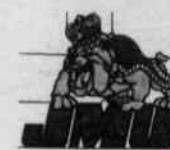
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New position, same job for Novak

Junior will still be counted on to block despite move from OT to TE

BY DREW WILSON
assistant sports editor

One of the lone returning players on offense this season is J.P. Novak. However, the red-shirt junior is in a different position. A former offensive tackle, Novak has been moved to the starting tight end spot.

For Novak, the move to tight end returns him to one of the positions he played while in high school. The 6-foot-4-inch, 225-pound Novak played tight end and was also a first-team all-conference and North Hills all-area linebacker while at Fox Chapel Area High School in Pittsburgh, Pa.

"I didn't think I was very good at tight end in high school," Novak said. "I thought I was going to come to college and be a defensive player."

When Novak arrived in Harrisonburg, he was a tight end as a true freshman, but red-shirted. In the past two seasons, Novak was moved to offensive tackle. Each year he was seriously injured. In 1999, Novak suffered a fracture in his right lower leg. The following year, he suf-

fered another broken leg.

Despite the move, Novak feels that his job is almost the same as when he was a tackle.

"There is still a lot of blocking involved," Novak said. "In our zone blocking scheme, everybody on the offensive line, including the tight end, blocks the same thing when we do our running plays. The only difference now is that I had to incorporate a passing game into that. I had to learn to catch the ball again, which I haven't had to do since high school.

"That is the biggest part of my game that I have been working on," Novak added. "I was working on it all spring and then I have been here all summer working with (red-shirt freshman quarterback) Matt LeZotte. It is really coming together right now."

Smooth transition

According to tight end and special teams coordinator Eddie Davis, Novak's transition was nothing more than adding a passing game to what he already did.

"He could always run, and

that is why he was such a good offensive lineman," Davis said. "He was undersized, but he could run and block people. Now he just is carrying that over. He is going to be a great blocking tight end, but he is a good enough athlete where he can run the routes and do what he has to do. He had good athletic ability from high school. He just had to learn to concentrate on the ball and make sure he looks it in."

Head coach Mickey Matthews said, he is very good technique-wise," Davis continued. "He understands leverage and how to block people and that is what makes him so good. We will run behind him because he is as good of a blocker as we have on this football team. We have some plays where we will get it to him, but he will be the guy we will run behind. We will throw him the ball when it works into the passing game."

"He is probably the best blocker on the team and he has really caught the ball well for us," head coach Mickey Matthews said. "That really surprised us. He could raise some eyebrows this year."

Intelligence is the key

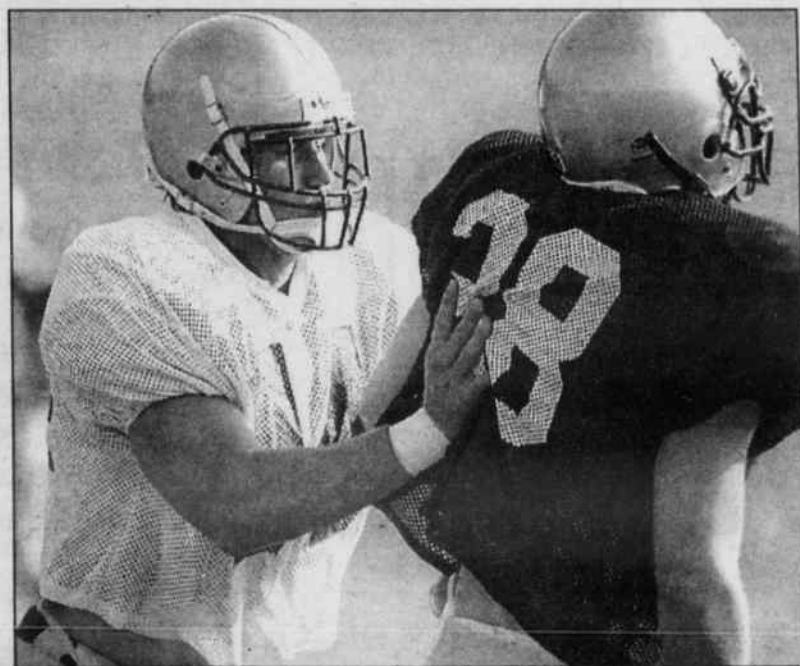
Davis also said Novak's position change should be no problem because Novak is an intelligent player.

"J.P. is an extremely smart football player," Davis said. "If you ask him a certain play, he knows what everyone on the whole team is doing on that play."

Novak said, "I have a good knowledge of the game and I understand what the coaches are trying to do. The biggest thing about football is knowing what you have to do. You have to know what do first and then do that thing as hard as you can. So coming in as a tight end, I had to figure out what I had to do and now I am just trying to do it as hard as I can."

Novak said the easiest part about the move is that it is less physical that offensive tackle.

"It is not as physical," Novak said. "The past two years at tackle, I got hurt both years. I was one of the smallest offensive linemen in college football and that just puts a beating on your body.



ROBERT NATT/photo editor

Junior J.P. Novak, a former offensive lineman, will put his blocking skills to use as a tight end and blocker for running backs.

These guys we have now are about 300 pounds and they can take it, but when you are 230 pounds, it is really tough. At tight end, I do not have to take that physical beating every play."

The hardest adjustments to make because of the position change were the passing routes.

"The passing game and running routes has been the hardest

adjust-

ment,"

Novak

said. "I

had to

work this

summer at

getting my

speed a lot

quicker. Just

the running

and catching

aspect (has been

tough) because I

was not used to it."

Back to the old?

Because Novak was an offensive lineman the past two seasons and JMU is lacking experience in that area this season, there was some thought to Novak moving back to tackle.

"I just want to be on the field and play," Novak said. "Now that we have had a few

of our offensive linemen go down, I told the coach I would be willing to go back to tackle if that was necessary."

"It would not be fair to J.P. (to move him back)," Matthews said. "He has a better chance at a pro career as a tight end. But J.P. is a good kid. He would move back in a heartbeat if we asked him to."

Although he probably will not

move back to

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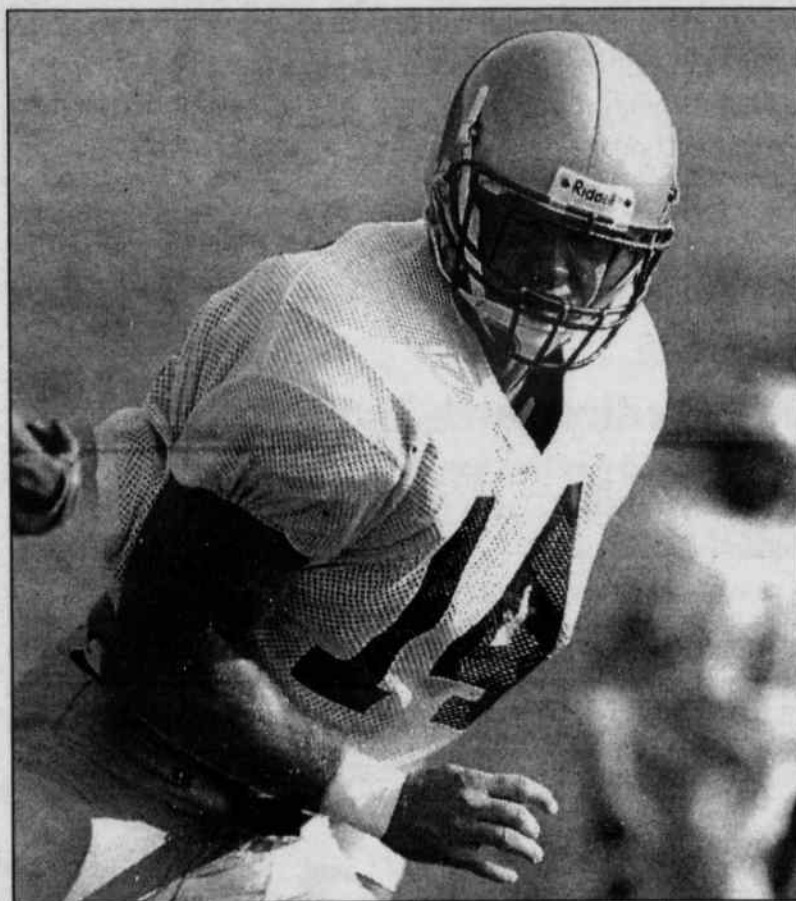
that they can

all go rally

around," Davis said. "He

knows what they are all supposed to do. He knows their footwork and their techniques and he can tell them who to block. They have someone they can look up to."

The Dukes will need Novak's experience to help the young offense disprove the critics who have picked JMU as a bottom-dweller in the Atlantic-10.



ROBERT NATT/photo editor

In addition to blocking as a tight end, Novak will run his share of passing routes as a go-to-guy on the inexperienced JMU offense.

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1 Hofstra University
2000: 9-4 (postseason 2-1)
2001 Prediction: 10-1



The Pride of Hofstra University have reached the quarterfinals of the I-AA playoffs in each of the past two seasons and can reasonably expect to be there again in 2001.

Coach Joe Gardi's offense returns 10 starters from a year ago, four of whom are All-Atlantic 10 conference preseason selections. Quarterback Rocky Butler was 2000's I-AA Independents Offensive Player of the Year.

All-American safety Doug Shanahan leads a defensive unit that will be under the care of first-year defensive coordinator Greg Gigantino.

2 Villanova University
2000: 5-6
2001 Prediction:

The Wildcats improve their record by winning the conference cupcake in Colgate University's Haven on the schedule.

Villanova has one of the league's best offenses with 10 first-team preseason selections quarterbacked by Brian Westbrook. Gordon threw for 2,200 yards and the All-American Westbrook ran for 1,200 yards. Lineman Kwesi Solomon's pro

4 University of Richmond
2000: 10-3 (postseason 1-1)
2001 Prediction: 7-4



The Spiders are confronted with the league's most demanding schedule in 2001 as they hit the road for seven of their 11 games, with two of those being against I-A opponents.

The team that coach Jim Reid will send through this gauntlet of a schedule is a worthy one, as they return 16 starters from a year ago.

The defense in the state capital will once again be one of the league's toughest and first-year offensive coordinator Jimmy Kiser will look to improve offensive production from 2000.

5 U. of New Hampshire
2000: 6-5
2001 Prediction: 7-4



First team All-Atlantic-10 preseason selection tailback Stephan Lewis will be the cornerstone of a high powered Wildcat offense that returns some key pieces from 2000. Lewis a year ago rushed for 953 yards on 200 carries and was the team's second leading receiver.

New Hampshire's defense will look to see improvement as the line will feature three fifth-year starters in Jon Oosterhuis, Ned Finneran and Mike Wells. Safety Czar Wiley will be the key player in the Wildcats' young secondary.

8 U. of Rhode Island
2000: 3-8
2001 Prediction: 4-7



Coach Tim Stowers will continue to seek greater offensive production from his squad in his second year at the helm in Kingston.

This continued improvement will have to come on the back of preseason All-Atlantic-10 honoree tailback David Jamison who rushed for 1,065 yards on 227 carries in 2000.

On the defensive side of the ball, Rhode Island will look to overcome the loss of team MVP defensive end Ferron Wright and leading tackler linebacker Preston Letts.

9 James Madison University
2000: 6-5
2001 Prediction: 4-7



While you had your back turned this summer living in your parents' guest house and working a cushy part-time job, the JMU football program experienced mass exodus. Gone are 15 starters from a season ago, including nine of 11 offensive starters.

Entering is a team in which approximately 62 percent of its scholarships are invested in players who have never played in a game for JMU. The bright spot of 2001 will be watching the final campaign of the Dukes' deadly linebacker duo, Derick Pack and Derrick Lloyd.

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University



: 9-2

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ne's top offenses, thanks to All-Atlantic-quarterback Brett Gordon and tailback 2,293 yards and 22 touchdowns, while 2,220 yards and 15 touchdowns.

presence will lead the Wildcat defense.

3 University of Delaware
2000: 12-2 (postseason 2-1)
2001 Prediction: 8-3



A season ago the University of Delaware boasted one of the best teams in their program's storied history, losing in the I-AA semifinals.

In 2001 the puzzle isn't quite as complete as the Blue Hens' all-time leading passer Matt Nagy has departed, as has the Atlantic-10's 2000 Defensive Player of the Year, linebacker Brian McKenna.

2001 Walter Payton award candidate receiver Jamin Elliott will need to connect with quarterback Sam Postlethwait. A season ago Postlethwait served as Nagy's backup and only attempted seven passes.



6 U. of Massachusetts
2000: 7-4
2001 Prediction: 6-5



The Minutemen will need to show that they can fill some huge holes left by the departure of All-American selections tailback Marcel Shipp and linebacker Kole Ayi.

The U-Mass. offense will most likely be under the command of quarterback Kelly Seibert who last season played in all 11 games but threw only 85 passes for 491 yards as a backup to Richard Lucero.

Safety Jeremy Robinson picked off four passes in 2000, earning himself All-American honors and is the team's leading returning tackler.

7 College of William & Mary
2000: 5-6
2001 Prediction: 5-6



William & Mary's offense will be centered around quarterback Dave Corley, who led the Atlantic-10 in total offense with just under 3,000 yards. For the Tribe offense to be potent, Corley will need to find 2000 A-10 Rookie of the Year receiver Rich Musinski.

The Tribe defense, now under first-year defensive coordinator Tom Clark, returns two 2001 preseason All-A-10 selections lineman Chris Stahl and linebacker Mohammed Youssofi. The defensive unit will also feature one of the most athletic secondaries in school history.

10 Northeastern University
2000: 4-7
2001 Prediction: 4-7



The Huskies finished on a high note in 2000, downing the Dukes 34-30 and ending a six-game losing streak. Northeastern will return eight offensive starters and nine defensive from that club.

Among those returning on offense are two experienced quarterbacks in Logan Galli and Adam Browne and tailback T.J. McKanas who is within striking distance of the all-time NU rushing mark.

The Huskie defense will once again be led by All-American safety T.J. Hill, who led the Atlantic-10 in interceptions with eight in 2000.

11 University of Maine
2000: 5-6
2001 Prediction: 3-8



Maine will try to pick up where it left off last season, as the Black Bears finished 2000 with three wins in their final four games.

Quarterback Jake Eaton will have to find All-Atlantic-10 first-team preseason selection tight end Chad Hayes for needed offensive production.

The Maine defense returns nine starters, including All-A-10 second-team preseason choices lineman Damon Boinske and linebacker Stephen Cooper. Boinske led the team with nine sacks in 2000, while Cooper paced the Black Bears with a team-high 84 tackles last season.

CONFERENCE PREVIEW

Last of the Duke-dogmen anchor "D"

BY TRAVIS CLINGENPEEL
sports editor

With nine of 11 offensive starters from last season not returning for the Dukes in 2001, JMU will have to rely heavily upon their defense to stay in games. Luckily for the Dukes, it's defense that wins championships.

"We've always had the philosophy that defense wins games," coach Mickey Matthews said. "We've got good football players who can run on defense."

While Matthews' defense is returning more starters than his offensive unit, it was deprived of six starters from a defensive unit that lead the Atlantic 10 in total defense and was ranked second in rushing defense, passing defense and scoring defense.

All-time JMU sacks leader defensive end Chris Morant ('01), All-conference safety Ron Atkins ('01), cornerback Mark Coates ('01), defensive tackle Ulrick Edmonds ('01), defensive end Sherrod Briggs ('01) and linebacker Zeb Clark ('01) were all starters on that unit.

They also all graduated last spring.

"We have 90 kids in camp and

56 of them have no game experience," Matthews said. "That speaks for itself."

Matthews and his staff are reluctantly searching among this year's true freshmen for players who are ready to be on the field every Saturday.

"That'll be the biggest decisions we make," Matthews said. "I do not like to play true freshmen in any shape, form or fashion."

In the Trenches

Two of JMU's starting defensive linemen this season, red-shirt freshman tackle Brandon Beach and true-freshman end Ryan Bache, will be seeing their first collegiate snaps in the season opener against Elon University on September 1.

Beach is a six-foot-one, 260-pound native of Newport News who defensive coordinator Dick Hopkins said is as strong as anyone on the defensive side.

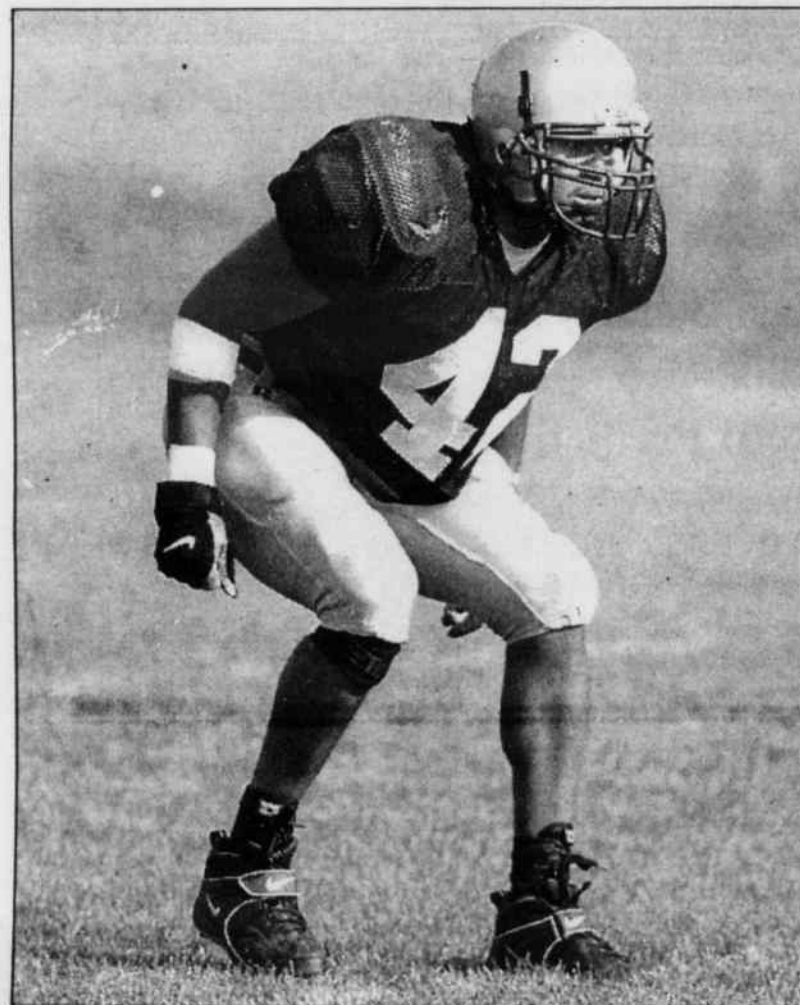
Bache takes over at the end spot vacated by the departure of Morant and Briggs and has mostly likely earned a starting spot despite not even being listed on the preseason depth chart.

"He's got a great burst and plays extremely hard for a



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Senior linebackers Derrick Lloyd (left) and Derick Pack (right) are the cornerstones of this year's squad.



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Junior safety Justin Ruffin spent last spring on the diamond for JMU.

young man," Hopkins said. "Somewhere along the line, before he got to us, he learned to play with a high motor."

Returning to the defensive trenches for JMU is junior end Richard Hicks. Hicks started opposite Morant in 2000, notching 33 tackles and a pair of sacks.

"From an ability standpoint we feel like from his quickness and his strength he's very similar to [Morant]," Hopkins said of his only returning starter on the line. "Versus the run [Hicks] is probably as good or better than [Morant] was."

Hopkins said that Hicks has been focusing on improving his pass rush techniques and is coming along nicely in that area.

The veteran in the middle of the Dukes' defensive line is junior tackle Andrew Owen who registered 13 tackles and one and a half sacks in six games last season. Playing time for Owen was limited due to nagging injuries and off field problems.

Having overcome those obstacles, Owen finds himself in an important role for JMU this season.

"His leadership is really key,"

Hopkins said. "Andrew's not one of those ya-ya guys. He doesn't draw a lot of attention to himself."

Triple D

A section of the defense that A-10 foes will be paying a lot of attention to in 2001 is the Dukes' talented linebacker corp. In seniors Derick Pack and Derrick Lloyd, JMU returns two All-conference backers who will serve as the cornerstone of this unit.

This combo of linebackers that Matthews thinks may be the best two in the league bring their own strengths to the gridiron.

A middle linebacker for the Dukes, Lloyd is known amongst his teammates as the strongest player on the team, Matthews called it "legendary."

"His natural strength is really impressive," Matthews said of Lloyd's ability to bench press 450-pounds. "It doesn't make any difference what they put on there, he lifts it."

The stories and legends of accomplishments in the weight room by Lloyd certainly aren't coming from his mouth, it's rare that anything does.

"He's probably the quietest kid on the team," Matthews said. "You just never have to correct him. You'll coach him for two hours and you won't correct him five times."

Lloyd made few mistakes in 2000, a season that saw him make 103 stops while starting all but one game.

Packing Up

While Lloyd brings the power to JMU's linebacking corp, outside linebacker Pack brings the speed. A former safety at W. Va. where he played special teams for one season before transferring to JMU, Pack can cover just about any back an offense sends at him.

"I'm a little undersized [for a linebacker]," Pack said. "But with things like physical presence I can make up for it with my speed."

The six-foot-one, 230-pound native of Princeton, West Virginia led the A-10 in tackles in 2000, putting an end to 156 plays. That performance was good enough to earn him first team All-A-10 honors and third-team All-

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Veterans lead JMU defense in '01

Young defensive line leaves JMU with question mark as season opens

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America honors from The Sports Network.

The 156 stops were the fourth-best single season total ever and Derick's 294 tackles in just two seasons puts him in the top 10 in JMU history.

JMU's triple "D" linebacker threat is completed with sophomore Dennard Melton. Hopkins has said that while Lloyd and Pack have gotten all of the ink, all three have played at a very good level of consistency.

Playing as a red-shirt freshman, last season Melton returned an interception 32-yards for a touchdown in his first collegiate game against Lock Haven University. On the ensuing kick off he scooped up a loose ball and returned it 10 yards for touchdowns on consecutive plays.

Looking to make his own big debut this season at linebacker will be true freshman Trey Townsend. Townsend will play behind Melton and has the JMU coaching staff fired up.

"A kid that everyone will enjoy watching," Matthews said of the former defensive back. "He can run like the wind. Trey's the real deal."

Last line of defense

Without Coates anchoring the cornerbacks, the Dukes will rely on senior Jovonn Quillen. In 2000, Quillen was playing cornerback for the first time after transferring to JMU as a safety from Gulf

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Potential will always get you beat, it's performance — that's what it's all about.

— Dick Hopkins
defensive coordinator

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Coast Junior College.

With that transition complete Quillen feels he is poised to improve on last season, when he made 48 stops and led the team with three interceptions.

"They threw me in there, a

lot of learning assignments," Quillen said. "Now I've got everything down pat."

Hopkins said that he has seen Quillen gain considerable confidence in himself in the year that he has been at the starting corner spot and that his personal goal of seven interceptions is possible if teams challenge him throughout the season.

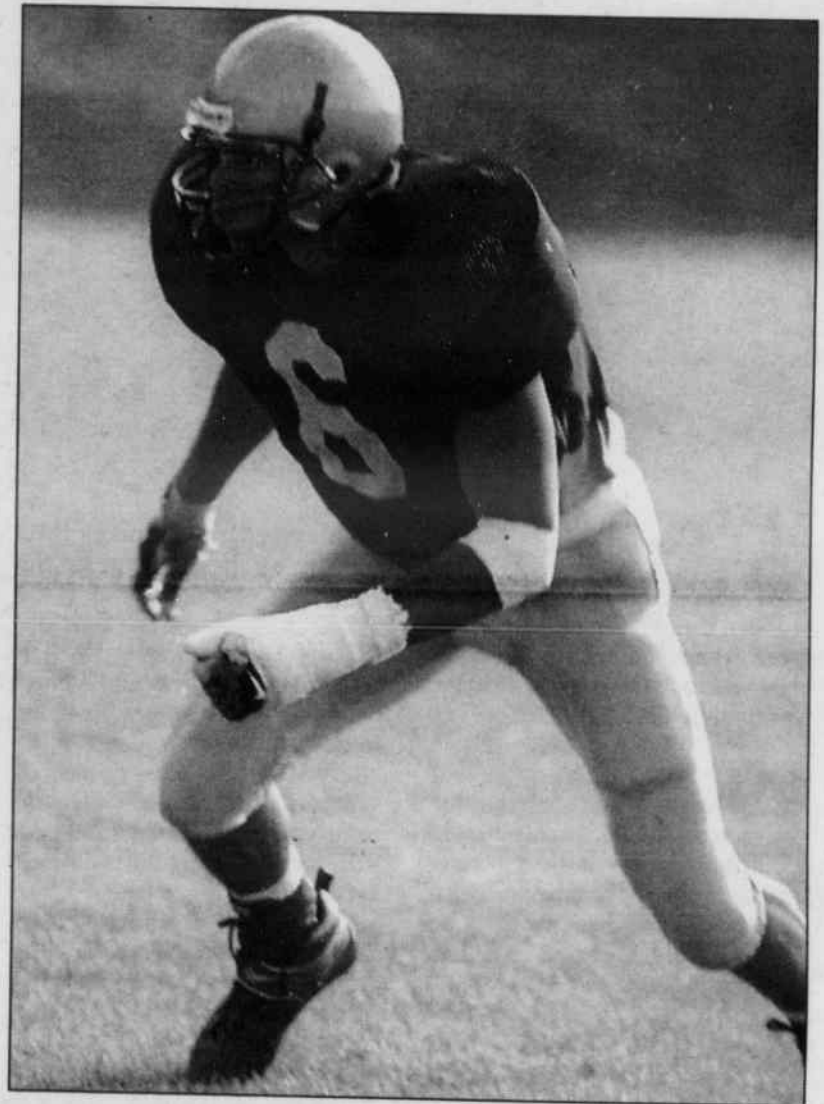
Expected to be a starting cornerback come September 1, red-shirt freshman Rondell Bradley is a converted running back that has his coaches confident in the Dukes' secondary.

Hopkins said Bradley is as athletic or more so than Coates and is one of the better tacklers on the entire defensive squad.

"Playing football for him means something," Hopkins said. "He just likes to put the gear on, look in the mirror and go out and play."

We're expecting big things from Rondell."

The Dukes return a pair of veteran safeties with significant experience in 2001, juniors Justin Ruffin and Reggie Taylor. Ruffin returns to the



ROBERT NATT/photo editor

Freshman linebacker Trey Townsend is a JMU prospect who the Dukes' coaches say will add much needed depth at the position.

football team after spending the spring season with the Diamond Dukes as an outfielder. In the 2000 season, he made 70 tackles, 50 of those unassisted.

With Ruffin missing spring practice, red-shirt freshman Jay Paige took advantage of the extra snaps at the vacated position, creating a battle for the starting position on Saturday.

Hopkins and his staff post an updated depth chart every day of practice to encourage competition for the starting slots.

"We're going to play the guys that perform," Hopkins said. "Potential will always get you beat; it's performance — that's what it's all about."

Taylor played behind Atkins a year ago, but made 31 tackles of his own and is a

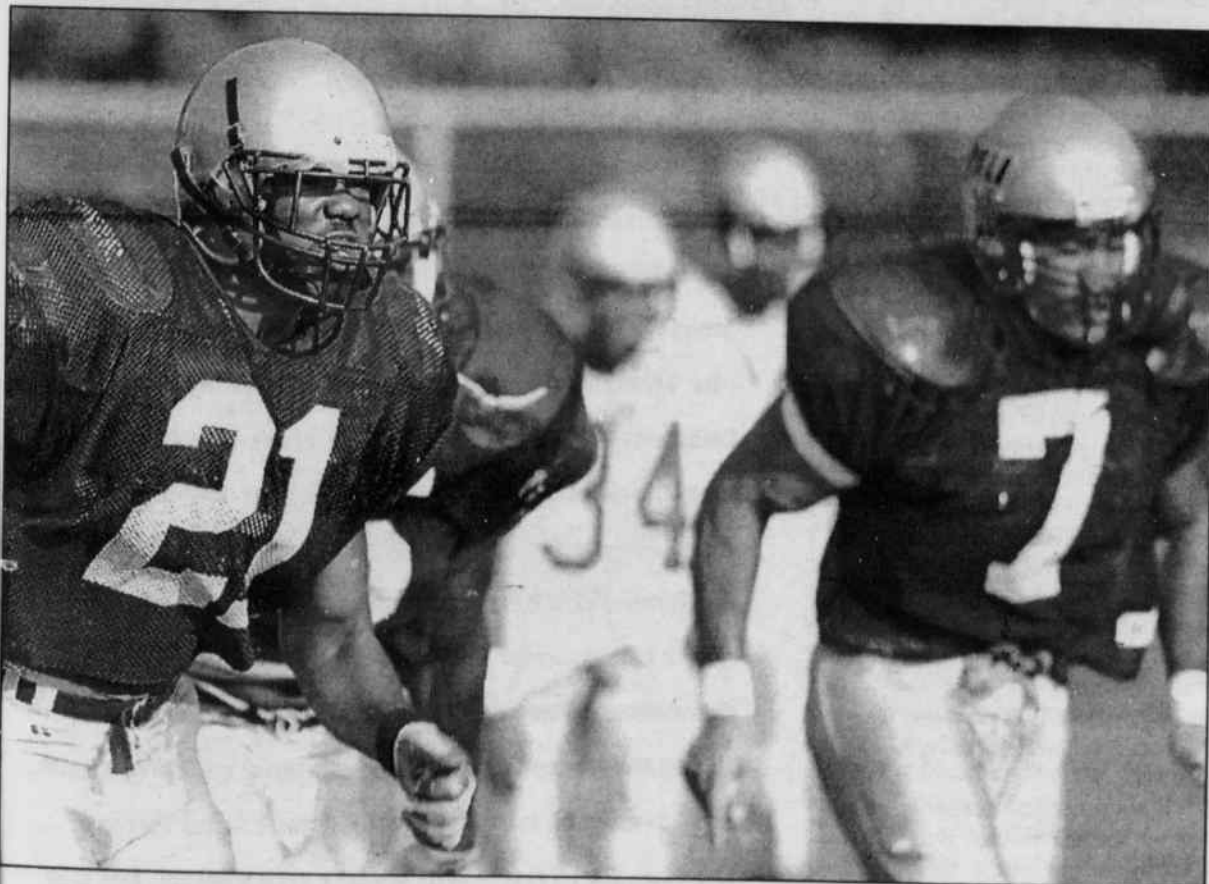
probable starter this season. Matthews complimented Taylor on his assuming of a key leadership role along with Pack.

Bringing depth to JMU's safety position is true freshman Mike Wilkerson. Wilkerson is a six-foot-one, 200-pound safety who Hopkins thinks may make a move closer to the line if he continues to develop physically.

A positive attitude

Despite some young, developing players on defense, Matthews and his staff do not intend to change anything in terms of the type of defense that the Dukes play.

"Our kids are positive and I don't want them any other way," Matthews said. "Our kids think they're going to win all the time and we don't want to change that."



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Junior safety Reggie Taylor (#21) and senior linebacker Derick Pack (#7) close in on the ball carrier at practice last week. Taylor will be counted on as an experienced defensive back for JMU.



JMU's Minister of Defense

Dick Hopkins commands one of the league's most formidable defenses

BY TRAVIS CLINGENPEEL
sports editor

Dr. Jerkyl had to test a potion to turn into Mr. Hyde. All defensive coordinator Dick Hopkins has to do is step out onto the football field.

JMU's Mr. Hyde

The third-year coach at the helm of JMU's highly-touted defense is perhaps the coaching staff's most approachable member off the field, but when he gets on the gridiron it's a different story.

"He's like night and day on and off the field," senior linebacker Derick Pack said. "Off the field he's more upbeat and funny."

Hopkins is known for off the field being a player's coach, one that they can joke with and who will listen to them when they bring him concerns.

When the Dukes defense straps on the pads, however, it's Hopkins' way or no way.

"On the field he's the exact opposite," Pack said. "He's a general on the field."

Approach JMU's practice field some afternoon and you'll likely find Hopkins with his thinning white hair flailing wildly as he barks marching orders to his troops. He's just being himself and he has no apologies for that.

"Like coach [Mickey] Matthews says, you coach to your personality," Hopkins said. "I'm just doing it my way."

When's it's business it's time to put that face on. Coach Matthews is paying me to get the defense ready."

It's Hopkins' way that has

produced two consecutive JMU defensive units that have led the league or been near the top of the league in nearly every major statistical category, numerous All-Atlantic-10 honorees and a New Orleans Saints' free-agent signee in Ron Atkins ('00).

The 50-year old native of West Palm Beach, Florida, returning to his off-the-field persona, isn't anxious to take credit for any of that.

"It all has to do with players," Hopkins said. "Players win games, coaches don't."

Coaching 101

The basics of coaching to Hopkins are simple, get the guys in the right place and then drill them on fundamentals. Hopkins said that the real key to coaching is getting the pegs in the right slots, in other words make sure that each player is in the position best suited to him.

After that, it's all about drilling the fundamentals. This formula is summed up best in something that a high school coach he knew told him a long time ago.

"He said, 'Show me a coach that likes to scrimmage and I'll show you a poor coach,'" Hopkins said. "That's our job as coach, we spend an awful lot of time on fundamentals."

Seminole Days

While Hopkins may be the Dukes' minister of defense, he spent his playing days as the prey, recruited to Florida State in 1970 as a quarterback. In Hopkins' recruiting class alone the Seminoles brought

eight quarterbacks to Tallahassee, including a high-school All-American.

Since freshmen weren't allowed to play varsity ball and the competition at quarterback would be too fierce, Hopkins took at red-shirt year in which he made the move to tight end. There he played behind Gary Paris, a tight end in the NFL for nine years.

"I was a participant," Hopkins said. "I didn't play near as much as I would have liked to."

In his second year at FSU, the Seminoles were under first-year coach Larry Jones who made a big debut, going 8-3 and competing in the first Fiesta Bowl.

"We had a very fine football team that year," Hopkins said.

The next two seasons for Hopkins and FSU were disappointing ones. In 1972 the 'Noles were returning 18 of 22 starters, but fell to a disappointing 7-4 record. Recruiting would catch up to the program the following year, one in which they played 11 games without pulling out a win.

Hopkins graduated from Florida State in the spring of 1974. He returned home as a high school coach, but wouldn't remain there for long. Two years later the defensive coordinator, under new FSU coach Bobby Bowden, needed a defensive graduate assistant and Hopkins was anxious to return to Tallahassee.

Two and a half decades later, he's still on the defensive side of the ball.

Bowden's first season at the helm for the 'Noles was a 5-6 bumpy affair, since then they have played with the consistency that has earned him his leg-

endary status.

"Coach Bowden really has done a wonderful job there," Hopkins said. "From Coach Bowden I learned an awful lot just about how to handle people. He was a very, very good leader."

Hitting the Road

Since leaving his alma mater for Duke University in 1981

Hopkins has made coaching stops at the University of Cincinnati, Rice University, Vanderbilt University, Temple University, Yale University and Tulane University before landing in Harrisonburg in 1999.

It is a 25-year coaching career that is so full of highlights and big names that anyone other than Hopkins

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Dick Hopkins

Defensive Coordinator

Year at JMU: Third

Graduate of: Florida State



- Was a graduate assistant under Florida State coach Bobby Bowden

- Helped coach Tulane to a 12-0 record and Liberty Bowl win in 1998

- In 1982 was defensive coordinator of Cincinnati Bearcats team that defeated national champion Penn State 14-3

- Is defensive coordinator of a JMU defense that has led the league or been near the top of the league in team defense in each of his two full seasons

"He's like night and day on and off the field."

Off the field he's more upbeat and funny ...

On the field he's the exact opposite, he's a

General on the field," Derick Pack on Hopkins

Being all that he can be on 'D'

Derick Pack cracks top-ten career tackle leaders in just two seasons

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Things change, it's inevitable. People, seasons, dining halls ... nothing can escape change. It doesn't mean you have to like it at first. Just ask senior Derick Pack.

When the six-foot-one, 230-pound native of Princeton, West Virginia arrived in Harrisonburg from West Virginia University in 1999 he was 35 pounds lighter, and a defensive back.

Moving down from Division I-

A to JMU meant that he could quickly turn himself into one of the league's best safeties.

Movin' on up

Pack's plans changed when linebacker coach Kyle Gillenwater approached him with a request; move ten feet closer to the line of scrimmage.

Coach Gillenwater and the rest of coach Mickey Matthews' staff were in their first months on the job and they quickly detected

a need in their linebacking corp.

"We just felt that with the defense we were going to run that we needed a guy from a foot quickness standpoint that could offer more help quickly," defensive coordinator Dick Hopkins said.

Matthews and company were comfortable with what they had at middle and strong side linebacker, but needed a linebacker that could cover backs coming out of the oppositions backfield, as well as make the stops in the middle.

For the sake of the team, Pack reluctantly agreed to become an undersized linebacker for the first time, but his dissatisfaction with the move showed.

"He was pretty unhappy about it," junior safety Reggie Taylor said. "He didn't want that."

Pack admits that his reluctance stemmed from his size at the time, saying that 195 pounds is a safety or a corner on some teams.

"At first I was unsure about it," Pack said, a smile creeping across his face. "I just tried to make the most of the opportunity."

Back to basics

Under the tutelage of Hopkins, Gillenwater and veteran linebackers Zeb Clark ('00) and Mike Luckie ('99), Pack soaked up what he could about playing linebacker and discovered what Hopkins thought he would, outside linebacker was where he belonged in I-AA football.

Finding a linebacker that was capable of the pass coverage that Pack is was critical to the first year staff as the Dukes' defense sees a lot of one-back sets and wide-open offenses.

"When you walk out into space that's all you're really playing is strong safety," Hopkins said.



The first offense that Pack would see at linebacker was the eventual runner-up to the national championship, Virginia Tech. His debut against Michael Vick and company was an impressive one, leading the team with 13 tackles.

After his performance in the season opener Pack never looked back as he led the team or was tied for the team lead in tackles in eight of the 12 games that year. Pack totaled 138 tackles in his first season in the purple and gold.

"As far as the natural linebackers instincts, I didn't have those," Pack said. "I just ran to the ball and hustled, that's how I made my plays."

For his efforts he was named a first-team All-Atlantic-10 selection and was a finalist for the Buck Buchanan Award, given yearly to the nation's top Division I-AA defender.

West Virginia roots

That's not a bad debut for a player who out of high school never had any intention of seeing a Division I-AA field. Pack headed for Morgantown, W. Va. and the Mountaineers to begin his collegiate career, following in the footsteps of his older brother Donnie.

After a season of being red-shirted he saw his first collegiate action on WVU's special teams unit, an experience that left him

hungry for more playing time.

"As a freshman you just want to be on the field," Pack said. "But once you get out on the field, I guess it's the greediness in me that wanted to be out there more and more."

As the season continued Pack became more convinced that he wanted to see a starting role on a team, and decided that the I-AA was where he was going to get that.

JMU connections

Meanwhile, four hours to the East, JMU wide receiver Mark Bacote ('00) became aware that Pack, a friend of his from Fork Union Military Academy, was thinking about leaving the Mountaineers. Bacote encouraged Pack to look at JMU, then still under former coach Alex Wood.

After narrowing it down to JMU and East Tennessee State, Pack came to Harrisonburg to meet the team and the program's new staff. The atmosphere he encountered while here was something that he was unaccustomed to.

"There seemed to be more individuals up [at West Virginia]," Pack said. "When I got here it reminded me of high school with how close my team was."

With the '99 season under his belt at linebacker for the Dukes, Pack knew that while the transition was well under way it was

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Derick Pack
Senior Linebacker
6-1, 220
Princeton, West Va.



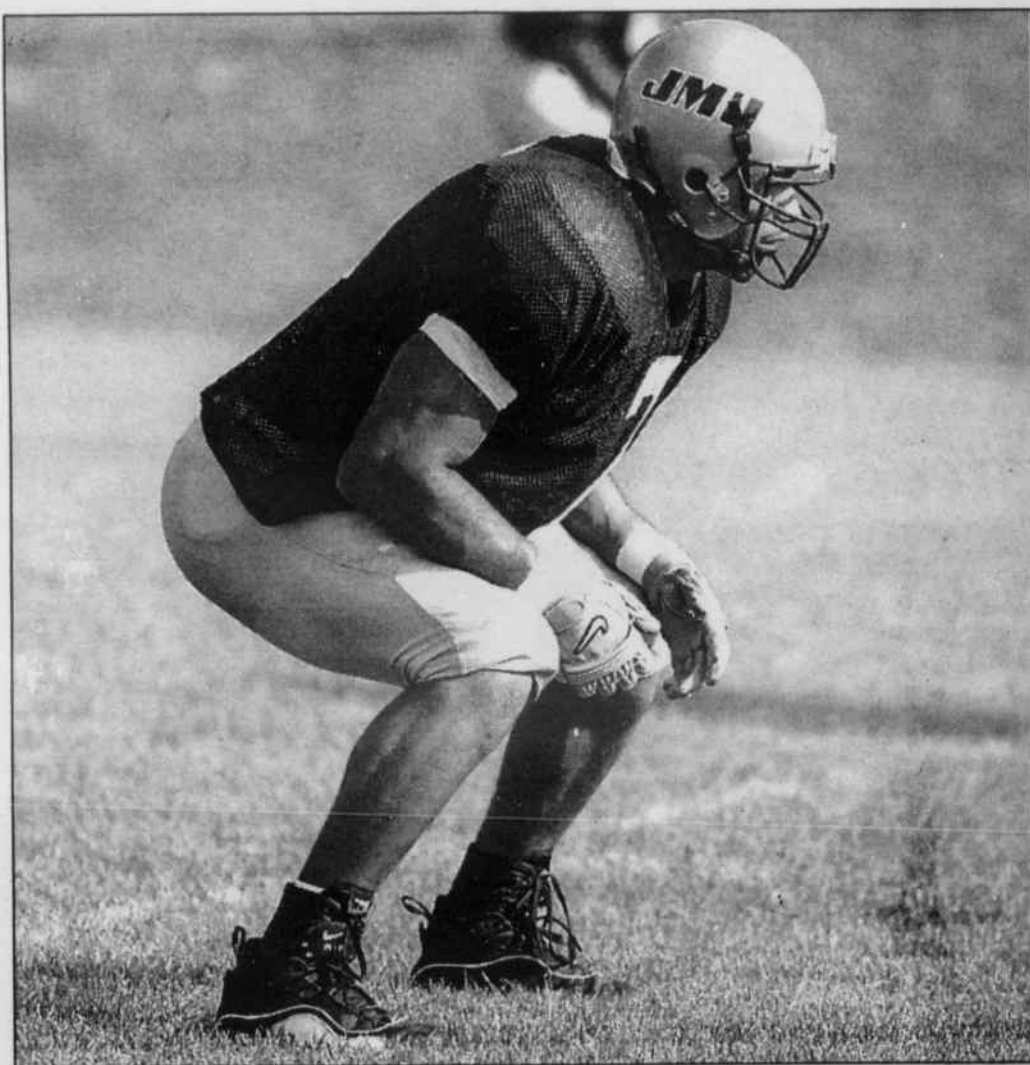
- At beginning of 2001 season on JMU's career tackles list despite playing in just two seasons

- In 2000 Pack made 156 stops, the fourth-best single season total in school history

- Named an All-American by The Sports Network in 2000

"He's been a blessing coming over from West Virginia ... He's one of the greatest in the nation."

Reggie Taylor on Pack



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Senior linebacker Derick Pack transferred to JMU after one season at West Virginia.

Pack chases history

Linebacker moves up career tackles list

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was far from over.

Hopkins said that while Pack had played well, his safety instincts were showing as he tended to drop in to coverage too soon instead of attacking.

"He was being a little too passive," Hopkins said. "We just had to make sure that he came and attacked things on the run a lot more than he did."

So with a new level of aggression Pack entered the 2000 season with nothing but optimism for both his play and a veteran Dukes squad.

Pack picked up right where he left off, leading the league in tackles for the second consecutive year with 156 stops, the fourth-best single-season mark in JMU history. He registered a career high in tackles against the University of Richmond with 21.

Once again the honors poured in for Pack, he was a first-team All-A-10 selection and a third-team All-American by The Sports Network. He was chosen as the team's most valuable defensive player.

But as the tackles piled up and the accolades became eminent, the Dukes season unraveled as special teams miscues and a host of holding calls turned JMU's bright hopes of repeating the A-10 championship into a frustrating 6-5 head-scratcher that for Pack took the luster off of any postseason honors.

"It didn't mean anything to me because we went 6-5 and just didn't have the season we should have had," Pack said.

2001 marks Pack's first time not playing on a veteran defense expected to carry the Dukes to the I-AA playoffs. Instead of being a name among names as in past years Pack will be the star defensive starter, a first-team All-A-10 selection who has the chance to affect several JMU tackles records this season.

Pack sits at tenth all-time in JMU history with 294 tackles. With a performance near what he has done the past two cam-

paigns, Pack could expect to finish his collegiate career in the top five.

Last season's total of 156 tackles was the fourth-best in school history and just 11 shy of the all-time single season record of 167 set by Clyde Hoy ('81) in 1981. Could Pack find himself eclipsing that mark in its 20th-anniversary? He doesn't care.

"I just go out there and play the game," Pack said. "I just keep all that stuff in the back and play my game ... But to be listed with names like Charles Haley and guys like that, it's definitely an honor."

Pack doesn't become very vocal when asked about his stats. Talk about the team he's leading into competition Saturday, however, and he becomes much more optimistic.

"I'm definitely excited about this year as I was the previous two years," Pack said. "I think we've got a lot of young talent and I'm real anxious to see how it turns out."

Professional scouts may be just as anxious to see how Pack and senior linebacker Derrick Lloyd evolve in their final year of eligibility for the Dukes. Scouts from both the Chicago Bears and Denver Broncos have been in town during training camp to view film of the duo and to see them practice.

While Matthews was quick to caution reporters that the presence of the scouts meant nothing more than that Pack and Lloyd were being looked at, the idea of a professional career has Pack excited about life after JMU.

"As a young child I always had the dream of going to the NFL," Pack said. "Hopefully I can make it happen."

Pack has gone from a Division I-A special teams player with defensive back roots to an All-American linebacker in the I-AA and a possible professional product and he's done it all in three years.

Apparently change is a good thing.

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Hopkins spearheads JMU defensive unit

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"That was a very close knit group," Hopkins said. "That was a great experience going 12-0, I had never been on an undefeated team."

The Blue Devils, with defense spear-headed by Hopkins, edged out the Volunteers of the University of Tennessee 25-24 in front of 100,000 faithful in Knoxville.

As a defensive coordinator at Cinncy, Hopkins and the Bearcats upset national champion Penn State 14-3 in 1982. Then Nitany Lions had been 32-point favorites.

Among the coaches that Hopkins has coached along side of are Bobby Bowden, his son Tommy Bowden and Bill Parcells, just to name a few.

Hopkins' nine schools in 25 years proves that coaching is a

nomadic existence that takes its toll on one's family life.

"If you're married she cannot be a possessive type person," Hopkins said. "They really have to adjust."

Hopkins said that changing jobs is easier for coaches than for their families because at school the support group is the same, athletic directors and fellow coaches. For their families this isn't always the case.

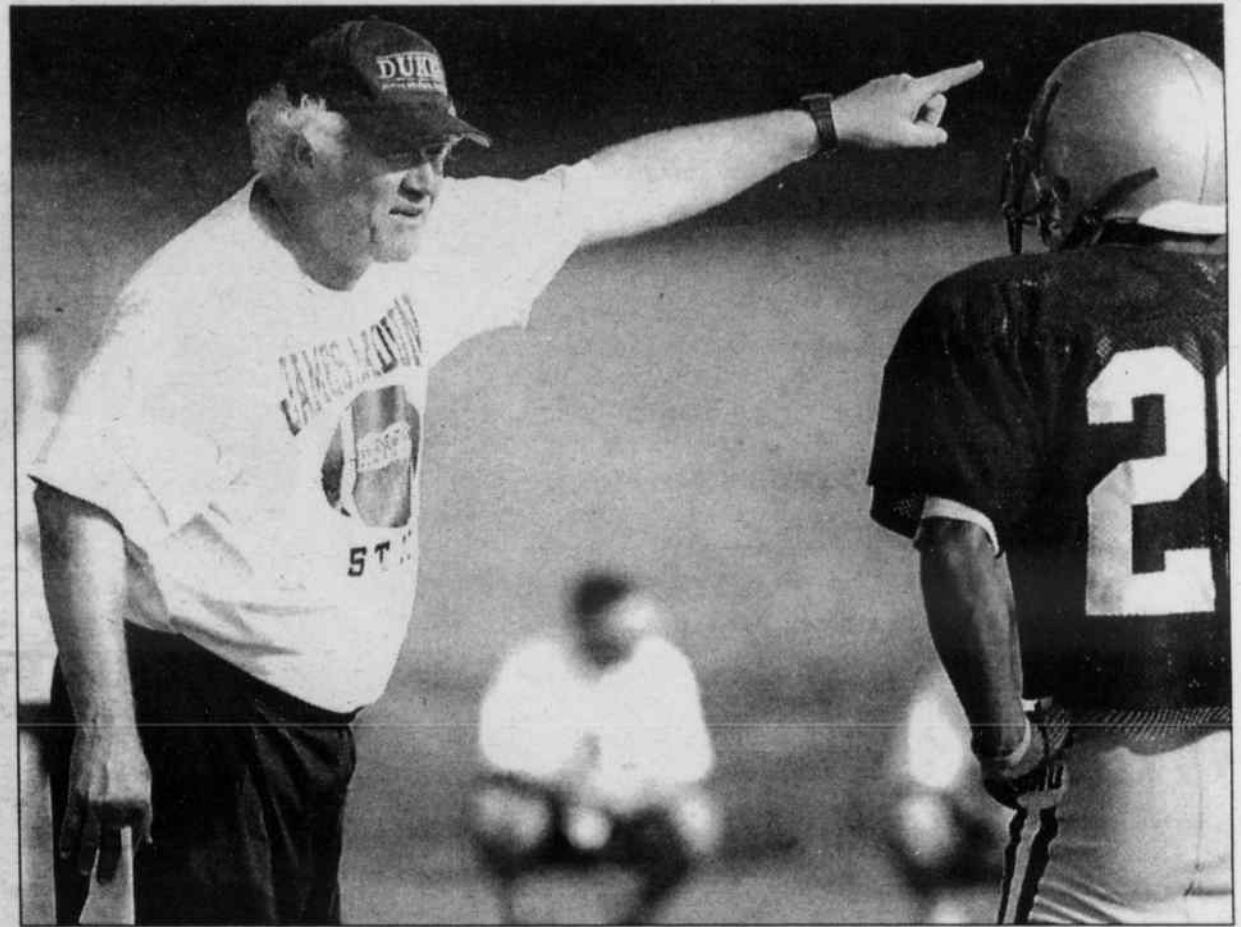
As for the Hopkins family, they would like to hold onto life in the Shenandoah as long as possible.

"They've been very maleable," Hopkins said of his four children. "I really like raising my children here to be honest."

That being said Hopkins ducked into the recesses of Bridgeforth stadium, it was time to get back to business.

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— Dick Hopkins
on his 1998 Tulane team

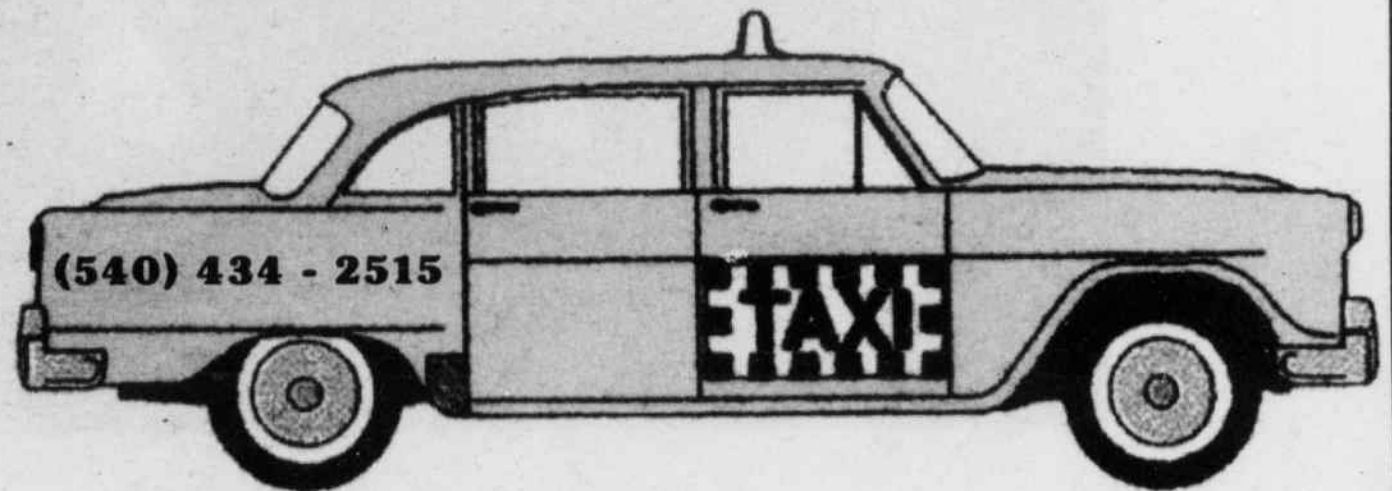


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Defensive coordinator Dick Hopkins has a one-sided discussion with a JMU defender in practice.

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