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The style editor takes a tour of "The Rave Room" in the first in a series of articles featuring JMU's most "Cribs"-worthy homes.

A tough schedule is not a problem for the Dukes as field hockey looks to prove critics wrong this season.

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## News Briefs

FILE GRAPHIC/Amanda Hinckley

### Female freshman hit by car in front of Godwin Field

A female freshman, 17, was hit by a vehicle turning left onto Bluestone Drive from Carrier Drive Sept. 3.

At approximately 3:25 p.m. a 17-year-old non-student driving an unknown vehicle struck the female as she crossed Bluestone Drive, according to Director of Media Relations Fred Hilton.

Hilton said she suffered minor injuries and was treated at Rockingham Memorial Hospital, where she was released later that day. The driver was charged with failure to yield to a pedestrian.

The names of both the victim and the driver have not been released because they are minors.

— compiled from staff reports

## Water woes strike campus

### JMU conserves water to comply with restrictions

BY COLLEEN SCHORN  
contributing writer

Amid drought conditions across the state, JMU is being forced to take action to restrict water usage across campus.

Gov. Mark Warner declared that a state of emergency exists Aug. 30. He signed Executive Order 33, ordering "institutions to refrain from any nonessential water use." These institutions must reduce water usage by at least 15 percent.

"We are following the governor's orders to a T," Assistant Director of Facilities Management John Ventura said. "The Quad is brown. It's usually green."

Ventura added, "We are not watering anything. We were already conserving water before the governor's orders." According to Director of Media Relations Fred Hilton, JMU has not done anything to alert students about conserving water. "At this point we are still waiting to hear from the governor's office on exactly what is expected; meanwhile we are cutting back on water use. The water for irrigation and watering the grass on campus is not from the local water supply but

from Newman Lake."

In the August 31 issue of the Harrisonburg Daily News-Record, Hilton said he expects JMU to be able to continue using that water.

“The Quad is brown. It's usually green.”

— John Ventura  
assistant director, facilities management

However not all the grass on campus is being watered. Until last week's rain most grass around the Quad and in many other areas was browning.

"Last Friday we were told there was a mandate (from Governor Warner) and there was to be no watering of any fields," said Brad Babcock, executive associate athletics director. "So we're not watering anything."

Babcock said that three months ago he posted signs in the locker rooms instructing everyone to take shorter show-

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MATT CARASELLA/senior photographer

Charles Lucus, superintendent of landscaping, has not been able to use these water tanks since the governor's executive order. Before Friday, he used the tanks to conserve water.

## Clubs attract members

### Student Organization Night draws crowd to join clubs

BY EILEEN LOFRESE  
contributing writer

From the student government and intramural sports, to dancing and religion, nearly 100 of JMU's clubs and organizations gathered Wednesday from 5 to 8 p.m. on the commons for Student Organization Night. Organization Night offers students the opportunity to join various recognized clubs and organizations at JMU.

"Student Organization Night is a good idea," freshman Kristen Pallotta said. "It's a great way for students to get together. I can't believe how much variety is offered."

Student Duke Club Director of Marketing Lindsay Crouch, a sophomore, said, "It's awesome to see all the participation. It's

an ideal way for freshmen to get an overall view of JMU."

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— Lindsay Crouch  
director of marketing,  
Student Duke Club

Set in a fair-like atmosphere, Organization Night provided students the opportunity to meet members who could answer questions and provide information.

"It's awesome to see so

many students supporting their organizations and wanting to grow in size," sophomore Kerri White said. Students left the commons carrying informational flyers, candy and prizes. Plastic cups, mugs, dry erase boards, pens and key chain keepers, compliments of the University Program Board, were among the free giveaways.

"Student Organization Night allows for clubs and organizations to gain recognition, recruit and show support in their organization," said Kathy Sarver, the coordinator of Student Organization Services/Clubs and Organizations. "Most JMU stu-

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AUDREY WILLIAMS/photo editor

Junior Amanda Jordan and senior Mike Goodman hand out cups and flyers to attract new members to join UPB.

## Hiring freeze no threat to accrediting

BY SARAH SHAHMORADIAN  
contributing writer

Although JMU has to add more full-time faculty in order to be reaccredited, school officials say the hiring freeze should not affect the university's accreditation status, at least for now.

According to the April 25, issue of *The Breeze*, during its visit to JMU last spring, the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools made 22 recommendations which JMU has to follow in order to be reaccredited. Their recommendations included increasing full-time faculty, which JMU cannot do currently due to a hiring freeze implemented Aug. 20 until at least after Oct. 4.

SACS is a regional organization that chooses whether or not to accredit schools under their mission to "assure the public of the overall quality [of public and private educational institutions]."

“I don't anticipate a problem with SACS ...”

— Linwood Rose  
JMU president

"I don't anticipate a problem with SACS given the number of full-time faculty positions that were funded in this year's budget," JMU President Linwood Rose said.

"All will need to be evaluated after we learn more about the cuts we might experience later in the year," he added. "The [hiring] freeze in and of itself is not threatening."

President of the Faculty of the Senate Michael Smilowitz agreed. "I don't think the budget cuts will keep us from accreditation," he said. "They wouldn't ask us to do something that can't be done."

Smilowitz added, "Every state-funded education is experiencing budget problems; it's not just in the state of Virginia. So to my mind, the concern

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## ISAT solar panels provide power, study opportunity



KRISTEN DONNELLY/contributing photographer

The solar panels near ISAT, technically called a photovoltaic system, will provide power to JMU beginning this month.

BY KRISTEN GREEN  
contributing writer

No, "Star Wars Episode III" is not being filmed on location in ISAT. The solar panels located in the ISAT field are being constructed to power the CISAT building and provide study opportunities for students.

The solar panels — which are technically called a photovoltaic system — were the brainchild of Jonathan Miles, ISAT professor, and David Mars, ISAT engineering manager. According to Mars, the photovoltaic system began as a senior project as part of a class conducted by Miles.

Miles said, "This was very much a team effort. Several faculty members from the ISAT program began looking at this several years ago, (and) a number of students have contributed on this project under their senior project/thesis activities. Facilities Management at JMU has been instrumental to the design, management and construction of the project."

Both the design and construction were funded by the university, with the design of the construction being done by JMU's engineering department. The supervisor of the project,

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## Elective threatened Service class in danger of being cut if too few students register

BY STEPHANIE STRAUSS  
contributing writer

The Adult Health and Development Program at JMU is in danger of being shut down this year if 10 to 12 more students don't register for it by Saturday.

“I love the interaction and being a mentor to the students.”

— Carole Paulett  
Harrisonburg resident

The AHDP, established at JMU four years ago, pairs adults in the community who are 55 and over with trained students in an effort to promote health and well-being.

Associate professor of social work and director of the program Marilyn Wakefield said, "It's likely that we will have a much greater number of adults this year."

With more "members," as the adults are called, there is an urgent need for students to keep the ratio at 1:1. Many student AHDP staffers formerly were recruited by mass e-mails, but the department now must find

other methods to reach interested parties, since uninterested students were complaining, according to Wakefield.

Carole Paulett, 66, has been attending AHDP since it began in Harrisonburg. "I love the interaction and being a mentor to the students," Paulett said. "I get recharged from it."

AHDP is a different kind of elective compared to other classes at JMU. "Some students have said it is the best class they've ever taken," Wakefield said. She said the course is an excellent addition to a resume and even has helped JMU staffers get into graduate school and medical school as well as upper-level managerial positions.

According to the JMU course description Web site (<http://www.jmu.edu/socwork/ahdp/descrip.htm>), "The Adult Health and Development Program is open to any student as an elective and is cross-listed Social Work, Gerontology, Nursing, Kinesiology and Health Sciences."

"Students should also realize that as baby boomers age, jobs with older adults are going to be where it's at," Wakefield said. Those who sign up for the elective will undergo training on

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**Thursday, September 5, 2002**  
**DUKE DAYS EVENTS CALENDAR**



**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5**

- Alpha Phi Omega is having its second informational meeting at 7 p.m. in Taylor 202. Come see what the nation's largest co-ed service fraternity has to offer. Contact Angela at *collac* or Jonathan at *lewisd*.
- First member meeting of the Student Duke Club, 7:30 p.m. in the Hall of Fame Room in the Convocation Center, football coach Mickey Matthews will be speaking. Come and join if you haven't already. For more info, go to [www.jmu.edu/orgs/sdc](http://www.jmu.edu/orgs/sdc).

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6**

- The School of Theatre and Dance presents the New Dance Festival at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday nights in Latimer-Shaeffer Theatre, Duke Hall, featuring professional dancers and choreographers from around the country, including former JMU faculty member William Seigh. Join JMU resident artists in the annual festival of contemporary dance. General admission is \$10. Children, seniors and those with JAC cards pay \$6. For tickets and reservations, call x8-7000.

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 E-mail Khalil of *The Breeze* at *garrickp* with the information (event, date, location, contact info, etc.)

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**POLICE LOG**

By SHARON BLEAKNEY  
*police log reporter*

June T. Mangers, 18, of Centreville, was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana in Garber Hall Sept. 1 at 9:51 p.m.

In other matters, campus police report the following:

**Petty Larceny**

• A JMU student reported the removal of a parking decal from a vehicle in R-2 lot between 10:30 p.m. Aug. 29 and 7:50 p.m. Aug. 30.

• A JMU student reported an unknown person stole a JAC card from a dining tray in PC Dukes Sept. 2 between 1:20 and 1:30 p.m.

**Driving Under the Influence**

• Non-student Jose A. Diaz Ayala, 32, of Weyers Cave, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence and driving with a suspended license Sept. 1 at 1:41 a.m.

• Non-student Allen D. Schutz, 27, of Arlington, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence Sept. 1 at 2:30 a.m.

Number of drunk in public charges since Aug. 26: 4

**WEATHER**



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Saturday	Sunny	84	58
Sunday	Mostly Sunny	85	61
Monday	Mostly Sunny	86	62

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Wednesday, September 5, 2002

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# NEWS

■ **Ballin' for a cause**  
Sigma Nu and Delta Delta  
Delta team up to raise  
money for Make-A-Wish  
Foundation.  
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"I've got the ranch dressing in  
the left hand and the chicken  
strips in my right."  
ANDY NORRIS  
driving eater  
see story below

## Driving under the influence of food



photo dramatization

LAURA DEAN/photo editor

# Food on the road can be hazardous

## Insurance company's 'hit list' cites dangers of meals on wheels

BY LISA GUTIERREZ  
Knight Ridder Newspapers

Before you take your next road trip, chew on this:

That uncovered cup of coffee in your cup holder could kill you. Or at least your bumper.

So could all that other road food. Ooey, gooey chocolate. Jelly and cream-filled doughnuts. Chili. Fried chicken. Tacos. And — nothing personal, Kansas City — barbecued foods.

Hagerty Classic Insurance in Traverse City, Mich., has rated foods commonly eaten behind the wheel and issued a "Ten Most Dangerous Foods to Eat While Driving" hit list.

With state after state banning cell phone calls while driving, other distractions like eating, putting on makeup and yelling at the kids escape much discussion, said company president McKeel Hagerty.

"We kind of touched a nerve that people didn't really want to look at," he said.

As many as 69 percent of motorists enjoy meals on wheels by some survey accounts, a trend that fast-food restaurants and convenience stores have duly noted.

Witness the growing number of meals and snacks designed to be eaten easily

with one hand. (Could there be any other reason for French toast sticks at Burger King?)

Taco Bell has improved the "portability" of its tacos with thicker shredded cheese and shell — easier now to leave at least one hand on the wheel or stick shift. (Hagerty found that the odds of a food-related accident can double if you're trying to eat and shift at the same time.)

"We kind of touched a nerve that people didn't really want to look at."

— McKeel Hagerty  
president,  
Hagerty Classic Insurance

Earlier this spring 7-Eleven introduced Go-Go Taquitos, deep-fried tortillas stuffed with spicy fillings and packaged in a paper sleeve. It took the company more than a year to develop a portable version of notoriously messy Mexican food.

When the chain test-marketed its new Candy Gulp, a resealable plastic cup of

gummy candies, customers asked that the cup be made a little wider at the top so it would stay in cup holders. In some markets, the new on-the-go sweet outsold even chocolate candy.

The National Restaurant Association estimates that one-third of consumers age 18 to 24 and one-fourth of people 25 to 34 eat more frequently in their cars now than two years ago.

Other surveys suggest that more than 10 percent of all meals in America are eaten in the car, and more than half of all fast food is sold in the drive-through lane.

The government doesn't keep statistics on how dangerous eating on the run really is. But the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration estimates that 25 percent of all automobile accidents that cause injury or fatalities are caused by distracted drivers.

A quick check of police in the Kansas City area turned up little evidence that food is a major contributor to fender benders here, unless Hagerty is right: "People are embarrassed to say, 'I was eating a hamburger and that's when I hit the wall.'"

Andy Norris, a computer programmer who lives in

Baldwin City, Kan., grabs at least a drink every time he's going to travel in his Chevy Venture minivan for more than 30 minutes. His favorite libation is the 44-ounce cherry vanilla Coke from Sonic Drive-In, which he sometimes holds in his lap instead of the cup holder.

"I break that rule when I eat chicken strips."

— Andy Norris  
computer programmer and  
driving eater

That's a risky maneuver in winter. Bulky coats put him closer to the steering wheel, which can catch the lid and tip the cup over. So he either pushes the seat back or puts the drink in the cup holder.

He didn't care that the Hagerty survey called soft drinks a deadly distraction. "I'm not going to give up anything," he said. "This is America."

If the discussion is about dangers on the road, what about all those people who turn

and change lanes without signaling, said Norris, a religious blinker. He won't order tacos or fried chicken in the drive-thru, so he can leave his left hand free to use the turn signal.

"I break that rule when I eat chicken strips," he admitted. "I've got the ranch dressing in the left hand and the chicken strips in my right. But I can still hit the turn signal with my left."

The same people who have problems eating while driving are the same ones who can't talk on the cell phone and drive at the same time, Norris said.

"And they shouldn't even be talking and walking at the same time," he said. "It's all based on the individual person and how much aptitude they have."

Hagerty Insurance is not suggesting that people put down their Big Gulps and step away from the car. "Obviously we're not advocating anything other than common sense," said Hagerty, who eats behind the wheel on occasion.

But since issuing the list a few weeks ago, he's gotten so much positive feedback from law enforcement officials across the country that he plans to issue an updated list next year.

# SGA calls for students to vote

BY JAY SELWOOD  
contributing writer

The Student Government Association has been busy this week, and it's only getting busier.

The SGA will be holding its fall elections Sept. 10 and has been working to recruit many students to apply for positions in the student senate.

In recent years the SGA has not been able to fill all its seats in the senate.

This year it "launched a much larger effort for raising awareness across campus," according to Tom Culligan, the director of communications for the SGA.

With a bigger advertising campaign and voter stations in the ISAT building for the first time, the SGA hopes to achieve better awareness of its elections, Culligan said.

Unlike in past years, the SGA will have an unprecedented 100 positions to fill.

Each year the SGA devises a formula for the amount of students in the student senate, based on enrolled students in the various majors. This year they added undeclared students.

SGA President Levar Stoney said the increased number of positions to fill seems overwhelming, as SGA is trying to fill all the vacancies. "It's something that was not expected, but something that I think we can accomplish," he said.

Stoney said that even though applications are due today by 5 p.m., it's not too late to run for a senate seat.

Applications can be downloaded from their Web site, [www.sga.jmu.edu](http://www.sga.jmu.edu).

Residence halls will be electing their own senate representatives Sept. 8 by voting within individual halls.

These senators are the messengers between the college senate and the community in which they live, according to Andrea Fischetti, SGA vice president of administrative affairs.

In addition to the student senate, students can become a part of the SGA through other programs, which include "Students Educating and Leading Students," University Commissions and Committees, and Class Council.

Voting for college senators will be held at polls on the commons, UREC, Zane Showker and ISAT.

# Hoops raises money on the courts

BY KYRA PAPAFIL  
news editor

JMU President Linwood Rose tipped off the first basketball of a 48-hour marathon to raise money for the Make-A-Wish Foundation yesterday at 5 p.m.

Sigma Nu fraternity and Delta Delta Delta sorority are co-sponsoring the two-day Hoops for Kids event, which will end tomorrow at 5 p.m.

JMU Hoops for Kids chairman Aaron Rinaca said the event will take place on the basketball courts behind Mr. Chips.

He also said there is a tent where participants are taking donations and selling pizza at the intersection of Bluestone and Madison Drives, at the entrance to the Village.

Many local businesses have donated to the fund-raising efforts. Chanello's Pizza is donating pizza during its business hours and Outback Steakhouse has donated \$650 in gift certificates.

According to Rinaca, participants will sell pizza by the slice for \$1. If individuals donate \$3,

their names automatically are entered to win an Outback gift certificate, which are in \$45 denominations. If a \$5 donation is made, the individual's name is entered into the same drawing and they also receive a free Hoops for Kids T-shirt.

"The event is open to the public," Rinaca said. "Anyone can come out and play some basketball, make donations or buy some pizza."

"Our goal this year is to be able to raise enough money to grant the wish of one child, which is roughly \$3,000," Rinaca said.

He said all proceeds will benefit the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Richmond.

Delta Delta Delta philanthropy chairman Jennifer Kies, senior, said, "Hoops for Kids is a great philanthropic opportunity for JMU students to make a real difference in the life of a child."

Delta Delta Delta senior Lauren Cullumber said, "I've participated in Hoops for Kids for the past three years, but I expect this year to be better than ever."



PHOTOS BY DAVE KIM/senior photographer

Sigma Nu and Delta Delta Delta kicked off their Hoops for Kids fund raiser yesterday to raise money for the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Richmond. The event will run until 5 p.m. tomorrow and is open to the public.



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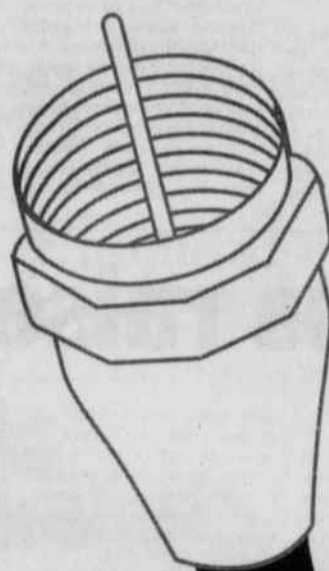


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# Solar panels to convert sun into power

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Freeman Walker of Rob Holmes & Co., said the project schedule was devised by JMU, giving them 90 days to complete the project. The construction began June 12, is currently on schedule and is due to be completed by Sept. 9. "All that has to be done now is some electrical work to connect all the panels into a single power source where the solar power can be converted into electricity, and then the project will be complete," Walker said.

The construction of the panels has taken place every day during the week and involves a work force of various professions. Rob Holmes & Co. was hired to supervise the project and build the solar panels. Professional painters also were called in to paint the panels in special paint, called "third generation." Miles said the paint has nothing to do with the col-

lectors themselves; the paint is just ultralong-lasting to ensure that they panels won't need repainting or maintenance. Electricians with Broadway Electric came to take care of the wiring between panels.

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Its connection point just happens to be the ISAT/CS building ...

— Jonathan Miles  
ISAT professor

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The project required many groups working harmoniously on a daily basis for almost three months, Walker said. The glass

in the panels are not of a special design made solely for the project, but instead are made from regular glass, Walker said. The panels protect the valuable wiring underneath them and throughout the rest of the structure, Walker said. The wires all converge in a small brick house that is located in front of the structures, where the connections are stored.

According to Walker, the solar power is converted into electricity and the power source is then channeled into the ISAT/CS building.

The construction will not affect any students as no construction is going to occur within any buildings, Walker said. The cost of the project has been estimated at nearly \$147,000, which was designated to the university before the current budget crisis, Walker said. Nearly two-thirds of the costs of

the project were provided by the Virginia Alliance for Solar Electricity program, a program funded by the U.S. Department of Energy, Miles said. The university raised the remaining funds through private grants, Mars said.

There are not enough panels to power the entire ISAT/CS building, Miles said, but the panels will contribute about 10,000 watts of power. "Since the flow of electrons is like the flow of water in that it is governed by the laws of physics, not the will of people, in reality the system is contributing to the entire campus," Miles said. "Its connection point just happens to be the ISAT/CS building because it is closest to the system." Miles said the project was developed by the ISAT program, but the power benefits the entire campus.

The panels are expected to

last for at least 20 years, Walker said. Regular maintenance and inspections also will occur, although actual work is predicted to be minimal. If the funding becomes available, an upgrade may occur at a later time, according to Miles.

A total of 15 structures were installed with 15 panels each, making for a grand total of 225 solar panels. The design and location of the panels allow for the possible future installation of an additional six structures, or 90 panels, should the funding become available.

Miles said the outlook is hopeful that the panels will be used by classes at ISAT and within CISAT. Not only will the construction be beneficial to the JMU community, but it also will provide a visible example of technology that works with the environment instead of against it, Miles said.

# Elective prompts aiding elderly

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Sept. 7 and 14. After that, the program runs each Saturday morning for nine weeks and ends before Thanksgiving.

Through their partnership, both the members and the student staffers profit from shared knowledge. Every Saturday, they greet each other in the Godwin parking lot before going into room 353, where AHDP meets.

Out of the confines of the classroom, relationships are built, personal wellness is promoted and age stereotypes are broken. There are a variety of activities that bridge the inter-generational gap, like Tai Chi, dance, crafts, modified aerobics and speakers.

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— Carole Paulett  
Harrisonburg resident

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Paulett is doing her best to spread word about the AHDP in the community. "I tell everybody. Too often the community plays up the 'beer bus' aspect of JMU students. If they came, they would see that they are smart, caring, energetic people."

For more information contact Kara Delaney at [delanekm@jmu.edu](mailto:delanekm@jmu.edu) or visit the Web site.

# JMU to get reaccruited despite freeze

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isn't the accreditation. It's what we can do to ensure that JMU continues to provide high-quality education.

Even if the budget cut pursues, Martha Ross, who chairs JMU's SACS self-study steering committee, said the 22 recommendations made by SACS were not serious and imperative to follow in order to be reaccruited.

"I don't think we're in any danger," she said. "We just need to make a plan. It wasn't specific that we didn't have enough faculty. What they said was more of 'You need to do this, it might become an issue.' We just need to respond to how we're going to address those [recommendations]," she said.

In December SACS will notify JMU of whether or not the school's responses to their recommendations are acceptable.

# Students join at Organization Night

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dents were involved in clubs in high school, and it's great to see them continue to participate in college."

“  
We really appreciate the cooperation ...

— Kathy Sarver  
SOS coordinator

“  
The night was a success despite the intense heat and annoying bugs thanks to help from the University and College Centers, the Division of Student Affairs and the JMU Dining Services. Dining Services provided free hot dogs, chips and drinks to students at organization night.

"We really appreciate the cooperation from Dining Services

for the free food and drinks," Sarver said. "JMU has been excellent in supporting the students."

Sarver said she was pleased with the large turnout, but regrets not being able to accommodate all 250 of the recognized clubs and organizations at JMU. "We can only fit so many groups on the commons so there is a limited number of slots. I think having a larger area to work with would be nice so every club could fit."

According to Sarver, the slots are given away on a first come, first serve basis. Groups interested in securing a spot for next semester's student organization night need to reserve a space as soon as possible. To sign up an organization, go to the Student Organization Services office in Taylor Hall or e-mail [sos-clubs@jmu.edu](mailto:sos-clubs@jmu.edu).

The next Student Organization Night will be in the beginning of the spring semester.

# Water rationed

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ens. "We are trying to do what we can, but I hope the rain will take care of it," he said.

Babcock said he is worried by the lack of rain because the grass on the sports fields needs to be watered at least once a week. "We'll hope for the best," he said.

“  
... I hope the rain will take care of it.

— Brad Babcock  
executive associate athletics director

Due to frequent droughts in this area, Hilton said that two or three years ago reduced-volume water faucets were installed in many of the buildings around campus, such as in the dining facilities.

"One way in which we do address this issue is ... by pur-

chasing equipment that conserves water," said Stephanie Hoshower, operations director of Dining Services. "Many of our pieces of equipment are designed to have automatic shut offs."

Maggie Burkhart Evans, director of residence life, said, "We haven't been given any instructions from the university that we are on a water restriction, but as I understand it we are still waiting to hear from the governor. Eventually RAs may be informing students of the water restrictions and urging them to take shorter showers and be careful of wasting water," Evans said.

Despite the occasional rain showers, Order 33 is in effect until June 30, 2003 unless a new order is issued because the threat of a drought is so critical, according to Warner's Web site [www.governor.state.va.us](http://www.governor.state.va.us). Other methods for how students can conserve water can be found at [www.epa.gov/water/you/chap3.html](http://www.epa.gov/water/you/chap3.html).

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see house editorial, below

"Our nature is such that most of us will do the minimum amount of hard work required ..."  
BRIAN H. AUGUSTINE  
department of chemistry  
see letter to the editor, below

## HOUSE EDITORIAL

### Survey shows partial view of campus

According to the *Daily News-Record*, *The Princeton Review* recently has taken a peek into colleges around the nation. In its newly published book, "The Best 345 Colleges: 2003 Edition," JMU is listed as number 15 in the "Top 20 Schools for Least Studying." While not refuting the listing, such a vague listing may create an unjust image of who JMU students are and how they spend their time.

We can not deny that many, maybe even a majority, of the students on campus do not spend much time studying. But studying is only one slice, albeit a big one, of the university pie. The category "Top 20 Schools for Least Studying" is a rather vague one. It is true that many of us have taken the party school theme a bit too far. It may be true that the average student

spent last year, according to the *Daily News-Record* article, about 10 hours of their week studying. It is hard to take at first, but after actually considering how we and our fellow students spend our time, many of us may come to realize that studying is sometimes only something we do in our free time.

Hopefully, somewhere in the 800-page book, there is a ranking that shows how many students are involved in clubs and organizations or how many work during the school year. The misrepresentation does not lie in the ranking, but in the presentation.

The picture that accompanies the *Daily News-Record* article is one of a row of tables in Carrier Library. The caption reads, "Carrier Library at James Madison University sits all but vacant on Monday, the first day of fall semester classes. The *Princeton Review* ranked JMU

15th for the least amount of study time." On what campus are students jampacked shoulder to shoulder in a library on the first day of classes? Many may have been out buying their books, speaking with their new professors or talking with a friend they haven't seen in three months. For a community of people almost completely split between full-time and student residents, the caption was misleading.

It insinuated that perhaps we should have been there, toiling away, trying to anticipate what exactly would be important to study in our books that we hadn't yet bought and what work we should be doing according to our syllabi that we hadn't yet received. Perhaps while we were talking to our teachers, we should have been studiously memorizing the encyclopedia.

Regardless of how it was

presented, we as students should take the report seriously. There is a good chance we can all find a little more time in our day to hit the books. If we continue to embrace the party school image by doing the least amount of work possible to pass, we are only hurting ourselves. When prospective employers look at our resumes, we should be proud to list JMU as the institution from which we graduated.

We can not let this review haunt us. Rather than hide from the findings, we can change the outcome of the next one. What we should brush off our shoulder, however, is the way the listing was presented to paint JMU students in a bad light. It would be quite hard to study on the second day of class if we hadn't bought our books on the first.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Curriculum should be more stringent

To the Editor:

The headline trumpeted, "JMU too good to be true" in the August 26 issue of *The Breeze*. Ironic if not a little bit prophetic, for the following day we learned that JMU has cracked into the Top 15 in yet another national ranking. *The Princeton Review*, according to the August 27 issue of the *Daily News-Record* offer their latest in a just published book for prospective students titled, "The Best 345 Colleges: 2003 Edition." The findings were determined by results from surveys sent to 100,000 students at schools around the nation. Our crowning achievement? The survey says, "Their students (almost) never study." Number 15 in the nation! Go Dukes!

Here is an excerpt from *The Princeton Review's* Web site (<http://www.review.com>) under the "Academics" category.

"How wide is the gap between hallowed halls of learning? Our lists give no-nonsense guidance to the academic caliber and cushiness of 345 schools. So whether you're looking to skate by and rarely study or never leave the library, we can show you the light!"

No doubt you will be reading more about this in next year's glossy brochures sent out to guidance offices around the state and nation.

"How did you achieve this?" "What unique programs have you developed to propel you to such acclaim?" "How is it that you let Florida State finish ahead of you?" (Like in football, FSU is in the Top 5.) These certainly will be the questions on the minds of prospective students and their parents in the coming years when pondering whether to attend JMU.

Sadly, this dubious honor should have all of us asking some hard questions. How did we achieve this? What kind of programs have we developed to allow this? We will want answers to these and many more questions like these.

The facile answer likely will be something along the lines of, "these students do not work hard enough or take their academic program seriously." While there certainly is a grain of truth to this, we would be wise to heed the advice of a far superior teacher, Jesus of Nazareth, "Why do you look at the speck

of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye."

Blaming the students is simply too easy an answer. The academic climate that permeates this campus was not cultivated in the last four years. The fault must lie with a faculty and administration that accepts mediocrity and allows students to spend five to 10 hours a week studying all the while rewarding them with grade point averages in excess of 3.0. Let you think this number of five to 10 hours is a straw man, these are the numbers quoted by several students in the August 27 issue of the *Daily News-Record* about the survey and confirm the rumors that I had heard incoming students are actually being told in orientation for a reasonable length of time to devote to studying.

Our nature is such that most of us will do the minimum amount of hard work required, be it physical or mental. If we have determined that a couple of hours a week of studying is sufficient to earn a good grade, then for the majority, there is not much incentive to go beyond a couple of hours. Therefore, I can only conclude that we as faculty and administration have, through the expectations in our classes and the grades that we assign, enabled thousands of students to spend less time per day studying than they spend in the dining hall in order to receive a higher education degree.

It simply should be impossible for a student to do well in any class while doing less than two hours of homework per week for that class — remember, the five to 10 hours is total studying time, not per class. Of course there will be an occasional class — most likely in the lower divisions — in which a student has had a particularly strong high school preparation and will not need to spend as much time studying. However, the vast majority of classes should be sufficiently academically rigorous such that it is necessary to devote much extracurricular time to mastering the material. This may come in the form of reading books or articles, writing papers or lab reports, working problem sets, generating computer code, producing an art portfolio or practicing a musical score.

Whatever the case may be, the overwhelming majority of classes on this campus should

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### Pat...

A "thanks-for-teaching-me-a-lesson" pat to the guy with the New York tags who helped me feel very guilty after I rudely stole his parking spot.

Sent in by a girl who is never usually that rude and can't believe she behaved the way she did.

### Dart...

A "Trading-Spaces-'you-are-not'" dart to the boys who took all our suite furniture and set it up outside in the courtyard for us to find.

Sent in by a group of freshmen girls who are already planning their revenge.

### Pat...

A "you're-my-secret-citrus-garden" pat to the vending machine in Harrison Hall with Diet Mountain Dew.

Sent in by a senior who's glad to know that through all the summer changes, the important things stay the same.

### Dart...

A "go-buy-some-spackle-and-some-new-friends" dart to my roommate for introducing me to the guy I liked and then hooking up with him that same night.

Sent in by your ex-friend with a sore foot from the hole she kicked in the wall that night.

### Pat...

A "you-keep-me-on-the-move" pat to all the regular early morning runners that keep the streets of Harrisonburg well-worn.

Sent in by a senior who loves to see people who love running as much as she does.

### Dart...

A "there-are-other-hours-in-the-day" dart to the garbage trucks that insist upon emptying the dumpster right outside of our window only during the hours of 12 to 7 a.m.

Sent in by two sophomores who don't need their alarm clocks anymore.



"Discombobulated because it is fun to say."

**Denise Zannino**  
senior, biology and psychology



"My third favorite word is parking because I can never find any."

**Charles Stumpf**  
senior, CIS

# CAMPUS SPOTLIGHT

NANCY BALL/contributing photographer



"Serendipity because things that are special happen for a reason."

**Martin Wright**  
junior, HTM



"My third favorite word is spiffy because it can be used for everything."

**Sara Gulick**  
freshman, music education

## Topic: What is your third favorite word?

### Study reveals student habits

*STUDY, from page 6*  
take a significant amount of out-of-class time in order for a student to be successful and to develop a deeper understanding of the materials that we ourselves have said are necessary in order to be considered college educated. We are granting a collegiate degree at JMU, and the academic rigor should be

commensurate with the degree that we are granting. Our classes never should be a glorified rehash of high school classes or simply some hoops that one must jump through in order to get a job. Our students deserve better than this.

We as faculty and administration at JMU should be ashamed by this ranking. That we have allowed untold numbers of students to get short-changed academically should haunt us. That we have enabled

them to walk out of here with a degree not taking advantage of the opportunity to learn more and to strive for excellence should convict us. That we have let them simply set their sights on doing the minimum to get a job upon graduation should humble us. I stand before the judgment seat and can only say *mea culpa* and may this court have mercy on my colleagues and myself.

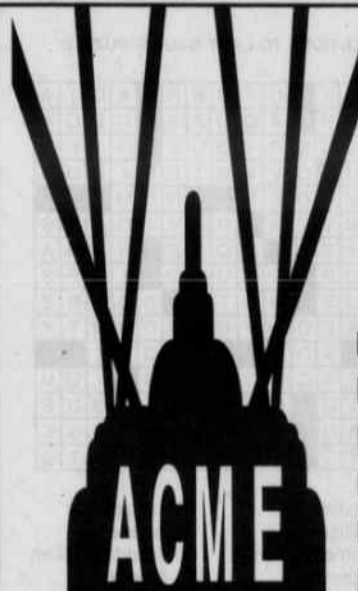
I sincerely hope that their students (almost) never study," ranking will not be swept

under the rug or brushed off but rather will be viewed as an opportunity to engage the entire academic community at JMU — administration, faculty and students — in a serious and long-overdue dialogue to commit to vastly strengthen the academic rigor in all of our programs while building upon those things which already make JMU a respected institution.

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Today's Birthday (Sept. 5). That stack of stuff you've been avoiding? Dig into it! No more excuses. The treasure you've been wishing for and dreaming about is right there, somewhere near. Go find it.

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

### Aries (March 21-April 19)

Today is a 9 - A commitment based on love leads to results built with hard work. Fun and games aren't all there is to your relationship, but that stuff is part of it, too. Enjoy.

### Taurus (April 20-May 20)

Today is a 6 - If you have a choice between here or there, you'll do better closer to home. It'll be more comfortable, for one thing, even if there's a debate about it.

### Gemini (May 21-June 21)

Today is an 8 - Learning is easy for you, especially now. Acquiring new skills improves your self-esteem and could even lead to romance. Give it a try.

### Cancer (June 22-July 22)

Today is a 6 - There's plenty of money for household improvements, so fix something you don't like. You don't need the hassle of thinking about it. You'll sleep better once it's just right.

### Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)

Today is a 7 - Not everything you try will work, but that doesn't mean you should give up. Some of your ideas go over well. But for a while, you may not know which ones.

### Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Today is a 6 - There's a lid clamped on your exuberance, and for a good reason. Keep your thoughts private for now, especially the ones that involve insurrection.

### Libra (Sept. 23-Oct 22)

Today is a 9 - You're still being stifled by rules and regulations, possibly bureaucratic in origin. Don't let them stop you. Keep good records and keep going forward.

### Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Today is a 6 - Others may squabble about who's in control, but you can sit out that discussion. You know who's most powerful, and you can wait to prove it.

### Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Today is a 7 - Let a friend talk you into taking a break. Do something fun to take your mind off recent irritations. Get back your sense of humor.

### Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Today is a 6 - If you carefully count your assets, you may find you have more than you thought. Something you've been saving has gone up in value.

### Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

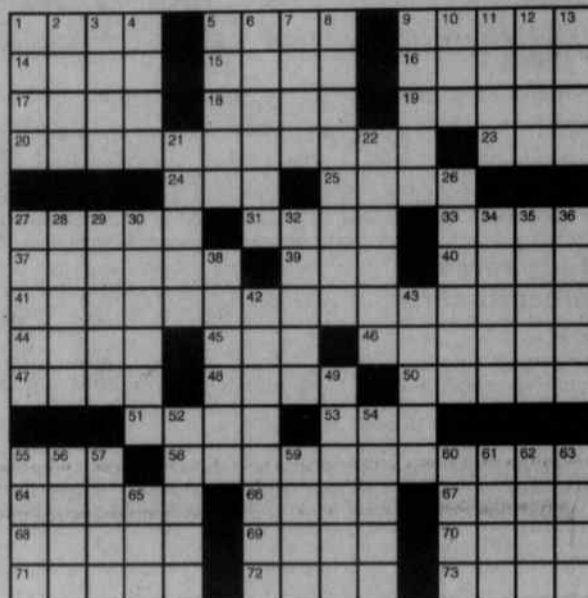
Today is an 8 - You ought to know exactly what you want by now, and you might get it just by asking. You might have to make a trade, but it looks like you'll win.

### Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

Today is a 5 - Your workload should lighten by tomorrow, and not a moment too soon. Ask someone who's good with details to give you a helping hand.

—Tribune Media Services

## CROSSWORD



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- 5 Hersey's bell town
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- 11 News bit
- 12 Get closer
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Section Two

## Turn On, Tune In

Story by contributing writer Kimberly Craig • Art by contributing artist Anne Emmons • Graphics by graphics editor Sarah Staritz

### Fall television lineup promises creative programming for entertainment

Is this fall's TV programming worth setting your VCR for? Will the new up — and — coming programs spark an interest in savvy student's palette of preference? The four major networks, CBS, FOX, NBC and ABC, have some promising new shows as well as old favorites to entice their viewing audiences. Here is JMU's personal TV guide for all of those secret couch potatoes.

#### American Dreams

Premieres on NBC: Sunday, Sept. 29, at 8 p.m.

This drama chronicles the life of the Pryor family in 1960s Philadelphia. The show is based mainly around Meg Pryor (Brittany Snow), the teenage daughter and her friend, who dream of dancing on "American Bandstand." The story also shows the typical clashes between mother, Helen Pryor (Gail O'Grady), and daughter Meg, especially when Meg begins maturing into a teenager. Along with the usual mother/daughter arguing, issues also arise with the eldest son, JJ (Will Estes) and his father, Jack (Tom Verica).

This drama could potentially be a success. It may bring back the qualities of the wholesome family image that TV no longer seems to dabble in. "American Dreams" also stars everyone's favorite Lawrence brother from "Blossom," Joey.

#### Laws

Premieres on NBC: Tuesday, Sept. 24, at 8 p.m.

What happens when a newlywed couple moves in with the wife's parents? The comedic "In-Laws," is the result. Matt (Elon Gold) and Alex (Bonnie Somerville), recently married, move in with Alex's parents with the intent to save money so Matt can pursue his dreams of becoming a chef. Victor (Dennis Farina) and Marlene (Jean Smart), portray the in-laws. The basic gist of the plot is what happens when Matt, the new husband, and Victor, the over-protective father, clash over nearly everything in the house, and the mayhem that ensues when Matt and Alex try to get a little "alone time."

Students may hilariously empathize with the couple especially if one's parents ever have caught one in awkward situations.

#### Bram and Alice

Premieres on CBS: Sunday, Oct. 6, at 8 p.m.

This comedy hits on relationships between fathers and their daughters. Alice O'Connor (Traylor Howard) a failing writer, finds out that Bram Shepherd, a Pulitzer Prize winning author is her long lost father. Their first meeting does not go over well, because Shepherd admits that he never wanted a child and said that he hardly remembered even fathering a child. Despite their rough start, they decide to begin a relationship and Alice agrees to move into his New York apartment.

"Bram and Alice" is the type of show to watch when looking for a light comedy.

#### HACK

Premieres on CBS: Friday, Sept. 27, at 9 p.m.

Once a decorated police officer, Mike Olshansky (David Morse) is thrown off the police force after he was caught removing money from a crime scene. Olshansky realizes that he won't be returning to the force, so he takes a job as a taxi driver, full of long days and even longer nights. Some of his passengers are placed in desperate situations and Olshansky realizes that even as a cabbie, he still can use what he learned from the force to help those in need.

If one enjoys the plots of shows such as "Law and Order" and "NYPD Blue," "Hack" might get one's siren flashing as well.

#### GiRLS•CLuB

Premieres on FOX: Monday, Oct. 21, at 9 p.m.

From the creative mind of David E. Kelly comes this romantic, yet witty sitcom of three aspiring female attorneys, Lynne Camden (Gretchen Mol), Jeannie Falls (Kathleen Robertson) and Sarah Mickle (Chylar Leigh), as they try to break gender stereotypes in the workplace and explore their big city options in San Francisco.

Fans of "Ally McBeal" or "The Practice" are sure to enjoy this spinoff of a chic-flick, struggle in the real world, kind of show.

#### firefly

Premieres on FOX: Friday, Sept. 20 at 8 p.m.

This science-fiction adventure is set 500 years in the future. In the middle of civil war, the futuristic program takes place on a spaceship called Serenity. The crew members constantly face challenges on the new frontier. Serenity finds its self caught in the universal crossfire of the war with no place to port so the crew is left to shuttle between the Alliance and several border planets to stay undetected.

"Firefly" is sure to bring nostalgia to Trekkies and all those who watch the Sci-Fi channel.

#### Push Nevada

Premieres on ABC: Tuesday, Sept. 17, 9 p.m.

IRS agent Jim Prufrock (Derek Cecil) journeys to Push, Nevada after receiving an accidental fax from the Versailles Casino in Push, warning him of sizable embezzlement schemes. Prufrock is on a search for the missing money and it seems that everyone in the town has a secret and nothing to say to Prufrock except for "get out of town."

Each episode has new puzzles and clues that could unlock the secrets of "Push, Nevada." There also will be several surprising star appearances. At the end of the 13 episodes, viewers have a chance to solve the mystery and win the missing money. If intrigued, be sure to catch the first episode "The Amount," for further details on how to play the game.

#### 8 Simple Rules

Premieres on ABC: Tuesday, Sept. 17, at 8 p.m.

This new comedy starring John Ritter, is about what happens when a man's teenage daughters begin dating. John Ritter, the father figure, has only "8 Simple Rules" that all boys have to follow before they begin dating his daughters.

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# STYLE

## Favorite pastimes

Junior Zak Salih explains his family's version of the ideal MasterCard commercial.

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"There's a song by Santana, 'Open Invitation' that best describes the policy of our room."

MOHAMED HAFEZ  
freshman

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# JMU CRIBS

NATE THARP/Staff director

## Beware: It's Logan's 'Rave Room'

BY BRENNAN WALTON  
style editor

This is the first in a series of articles in which the style editor takes a tour of the most interesting student homes in town.

"Beware: Entering This Room Could Be Hazardous To Your Health" reads a sign that looks like it was stolen from the entrance of a power plant.

It's the first thing you notice when walking into "The Rave Room," a room in Logan Hall that freshmen Mark Maskell and Mohamed "Mo" Hafez have transformed into a 24-hour electric playground.

At the center of the room stands a little shrine to all things one associates with the rave scene: black lights, bottles filled with highlighter ink, colorful, rotating strobe lights and

something that looks like some sort of alien life form with glowing antennas.

Purple Christmas lights line the desks and shelves and red and blue lights — resembling those that might be found along a roller coaster track — run around the ceiling. Tide is splashed on the wall, beaming in the lavender glow of the black lights. A glittering strobe light bathes the room in slow motion.

But it's not a real rave without the music, right? Maskell and Hafez seem to think so. With 600 watts of sound courtesy of 11 speakers throughout the room and a professional mixing board, the two have been known to shake the walls of Logan once or twice. But they claim their resident advisor and neighbors have a laid-back attitude toward "The Rave Room."

"They've got lots of bass so when it's time to throw down, it's going to be a good time ... just not when you're trying to study," freshman Chris Ballard, who lives next door, said.

Freshman Andrew Bowen, who also lives next door, said, "It's definitely a cool place to chill though."

Having known each other since seventh grade, Maskell and Hafez became good friends during their senior year in high school in McLean. This is when the planning of "The Rave Room" first began.

"I got into the music and it

just kind of grew from there," Maskell said.

Maskell and Hafez have an "open-door policy" when it comes to visitors. When they're not hosting dance parties, they invite people over to watch movies that play on both of their computer monitors complete with surround sound.

"There's a song by Santana called 'Open Invitation' that best describes the policy of our room," Hafez said.

Maskell is the raver, dancing fervently with glow sticks as well as the "techie," mixing songs on the sound board, dissolving one beat into the next as he turns the knobs.

Hafez is the self-taught computer expert, able at all sorts of advanced programming, and was a manager at Circuit City this summer.

Both are self-proclaimed "computer geniuses" who built their own PCs. Maskell is a physics major and Hafez plans to double major in political science and economics.

Despite the hyper atmosphere permeating the room, there are elements of their personalities adorning the walls as well.

On Maskell's side, pictures taken from the inside of a Cessna jet, high school pranks and JMU sunsets line the wall. He dabbles in stand-up comedy, is outgoing and wants to get his private pilot's license.

Having "come out of his shell" since arriving at JMU,

Hafez's wall has a poster that reads "The Quest for Immortality — Treasures of Ancient Egypt" in tribute to his Egyptian heritage, alongside patriotic symbols, including the American flag. He also showed up at an open mic night at TDU and attended the Def Poetry Jam workshop, fueling an interest in public speaking and performance poetry.

"The walls are really a reflection of our characters," Maskell said.

If you would like to be featured in "JMU Cribs," please e-mail breezestyle@hotmail.com.



PHOTOS BY MATT CARASELLA/senior photographer

Freshmen Mohamed "Mo" Hafez and Mark Maskell open the door to JMU "Cribs" with a tour of "The Rave Room," complete with fridge inventory, a "Cribs" tradition.



## UREC rapidly brings 'rush' of white-water kayaking

Adventure program promises thrills, fundamental skills at reasonable price

BY CHELSEA WASHINGTON  
contributing writer

Soon, students and staff can experience the thrill of navigating tricky, scary rapids, the sensation of crashing through big waves, the tingle of a cool splash on their faces, increased heart rates and non-stop adrenaline rushes.

The source of this coming excitement is the white-water kayaking program, a recent addition to the UREC Adventure program's schedule of events.

The program consists of four to five instructors and features seven new Wave Sport boats. The boats are decked white-water kayaks that will be used at the UREC pool for a roll session and other instructional trips for natural bodies of water.

The roll session will take place in the pool at UREC

today to teach participants how to control the craft by doing 360-degree flip turns.

“The UREC Adventure program is very excited to bring JMU ... white-water kayaking.”

— Eric Pories  
instructor

A two-day kayak trip follows Sept. 21 to 22, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days. The trip costs \$45 and the roll session is free.

"This is a great deal considering most instructional trips cost \$200 to \$300 dollars a day," Adventure Program Coordinator

Steve Bobbitt said.

Junior Kelley Boom said, "It's nice that JMU is giving people the chance to try kayaking at such a reasonable price."

Students and staff got their first taste of the kayak program last Sunday at Lake Shenandoah, where they were able to try out the boats and meet the instructors.

"The UREC adventure program is very excited to bring JMU the fastest growing adventure activity — white-water kayaking," UREC program instructor Eric Pories said. "We will not be dropping off waterfalls or linking endless cartwheels in a huge hole. Our focus is providing you with the foundational skills to become safe and competent river runners." He also said no experience is necessary.



PHOTO COURTESY OF Brooke Thompson

UREC's newest addition to the Adventure program, white-water kayaking, aims to give students the chance to develop the fundamental skills of the fastest growing adventure activity.

## Singing Strings



KAREN KUPELIAN/Staff photographer

The School of Music's first recital of the season featured a solo violin performance by Professor Wanchi Huang Sept. 3 at 8 p.m. in Wilson Hall. Huang performed three pieces of classical music by Bach, Paganini and Cesar Franck. Accompanying her on piano for a sonata selection was fellow faculty member Gabriel Dober. For those curious about the music department at JMU, the recital was a chance to witness firsthand some of its talented faculty members. — contributing writer Ryan Gray

## 'Fashion 101': an expert's top 10 tips

BY RYAN MCWILLIAMS  
contributing writer

Being your new Fashion Messiah and my new (and hopefully soon-to-be loyal) disciples, I would like to start out with the basics.

A "Fashion 101" if you will, for those of you who never had a gay best friend to guide you on the journey into the art of dressing acceptably. Let's begin with my top 10 tips on dressing appropriately.

10.) Guys: Caring about what you look like does not make you gay. Liking guys makes you gay. The two are not related.

Girls: There is such a thing as caring too much about looking good. Try focusing on another interest once a week, like school or something.

9.) Match your socks to your shoes. Example: If Bobby wants to wear his black bowling-inspired Steve Madden shoes, he should wear black socks. If Jane wants to wear

her leather and suede, brown patchwork Aldo ankle boots, she should wear tan or brown hose. (For extra credit, match belt to shoes.)

8.) The socks and sandals combination is a disaster. If your feet are so grotesque that you must wear socks, go for extra coverage and wear shoes as well. If it's comfort you are going for, try Adidas' new shoe, The Concerto, by designer Yohji Yamamoto.

7.) Tapered jeans (insert look of disgust here) are for farmers and construction workers only. If you are neither, burn your pair(s) now.

6.) Asymmetrical anything was a bad idea. There is a reason we have two eyes, two eyebrows, two ears, two arms, two hands, two legs and two feet perfectly placed on either side of our body with everything else in the center. Symmetry, we love it.

5.) I will clear up the debate see WALKING, page 12

Sophomore Mike Dove is slamm'n' with his complete matching outfit. He wears black GBXtreme leather bowling-inspired shoes, gray socks, Gap gray slacks, a black belt and black thrift store button-down shirt. Dove's sense of individuality sends him sky-high on the charts of fashion friendliness.



photo courtesy of Ryan McWilliams

## Walking billboards found unattractive

### Individualism reigns #1

WALKING, from page 11

right here and right now. Black is black. There never will be a new black; black always will be the new black. Have you ever seen a "little orange dress?" No, I think not.

4.) ATTENTION: The official "JMU Hoochie" outfit consisting of stretch black pants, wedge sandals and a shiny top from Express is neither interesting or flattering. Please, I am begging you to stop being clones. Try a pair of vintage-inspired jeans from Gap, a long-sleeved, lace-up, V-neck top from Kenneth Cole and a pair of needle-thin heels by Marc Jacobs.

3.) Modesty is hot. No guy is

ever going to say, "Wow, she looks like a prostitute, I want to marry her!" Cover it up.

2.) No human billboards. No one cares where you shop, so you don't need to display it for all to see. Wearing a shirt that has "Name Brand" emblazoned on its front is not cool. Stop being free advertising.

1.) Most importantly, an individual sense of style is always in fashion. Be an individual and be yourself.

Follow these basic rules and you will be dressed well enough to be seen in public.

Next week: Mary-Kate and Ashley Olson: Friends or Enemies of Fashion?

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## Dropping dinosaurs for delights of Dr. Seuss & Co.

Contrary to popular myth, I was not born with a dog-eared copy of "A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man" clutched in one wrinkled fist to keep me busy during the nine month stay in my mother's natal waiting room.

There was a long stretch of time when books were nothing more than objects to learn, another word to add to my encyclopedia like "dog," "frog" and "umbrella." Books were blocks to build forts with, toys my parents gave me to rip, bend and tear in a desperate effort to keep me busy during long stays in waiting rooms at the doctor's, the dentist's and the DMV.

I remember first learning what was inside books much like everyone else: nestled under the covers inside my suburban bedroom being read to by my mother while the light from the dimmed bedside lamp scattered shadows along the white walls. Bedtime reading usually would last for a half-hour or so. The best reading times were after trips to the library with my mother. She would heft the library bag sag-

ging with books onto the kitchen table and I'd grab my selections, avoiding the strange books with small print and no pictures the way you avoid the Ebola or West Nile Virus.

One of the first books I remember hearing during those first formative years was the Maurice Sendak classic, "Where the Wild Things Are." There was something eerily calming in seeing the little boy interact so easily with the shaggy wild things, with their bloated eyes and sharp smiles that weren't frightening, but friendly. Then of course, there was the sprinkling of Dr. Seuss, everything from "Cat in the Hat" to "One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish" to my personal favorite, "How the Grinch Stole Christmas" (the narration belonged to my mother's voice long before Boris Karloff).

Let us not forget the filler material as well, everything from Little Golden books to Disney novelizations to coloring books that looked as if they belonged to Pollock or Kandinsky.

As time progressed and my

reading skills began to reach fruition (at an age earlier than most, according to my mother), the half-hour would roll back to fifteen minutes, then ten, then sometimes I'd watch television in the evenings and everyone would be too tired to read.



### All Things Literary

by senior writer Zak Salih

But it didn't matter because all too quickly, I began to clutch books in my own two hands and read on my own. I felt like Kubrick's ape in "2001: A Space Odyssey" who acquires self-realization in the form of an animal bone (substitute my

mother for the ominous black monolith).

Then two sisters came along in 1988 and 1990 and it was their turn to be read to while I sat in the living room digging through another selection in the "Choose Your Own Adventure" series or

an important family foundation, just like eating together at the dinner table or going on vacation.

It seems that now children's formative years are being orchestrated and influenced by purple dinosaurs, animated sponges and blue dogs with clues. And while there is certainly no problem with sitting children in front of the television now and again, I fear we are becoming too dependent on electronic media to teach them the lessons needed.

I'm not going to say that every single book read to a child is instrumental to his or her mental and social development; there are a lot of trashy children's books on the shelves these days, published for commercial purposes instead of educational and imaginative ones.

There is something to be said for the warm comfort of being read to by a parent or sibling instead of basking alone in the cold glow of a television set while magically animated rocks and mailboxes tell us how to make friends and share toys.

Never trust anything you hear on television that comes from something which doesn't have a mouth in real life.

When I have children, I plan to read to them constantly. Hopefully, they'll be brought up as I was, in a house where reading wasn't a chore for school but an activity for leisure (already I can hear some readers slapping their palms against their foreheads as I consign my offspring to years of social exile). If I was not the son of readers, I'd probably be writing for the sports section. Then again, would I even be writing at all?

The results of reading together as a family during one's youth are invaluable. The image of a parent reading to his or her child or, even better, a whole family reading together would make a great subject for a MasterCard commercial because the activity is, simply put, priceless. And if worse comes to worse, at least it'll give your kids something to do when you're stuck in another one of life's sterile waiting rooms.

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# SPORTS

## ■ Volleyball preview

Dukes prepare to spike the competition in 2002 season.

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"Our defense doesn't need to make preparations to go to Disneyland, and our offensive line isn't necessarily as good as they were Saturday night."

MICKEY MATTHEWS  
football coach

See story below

## FOOTBALL

### JMU looks to rebound from costly mistakes

BY DAN BOWMAN  
assistant sports editor

With the University of New Hampshire coming to town Saturday, the Dukes have no time to ponder on the mistakes which cost them last Saturday's contest to Hampton University 31-28.

"When you dominate a team that bad and lose it's always a disheartening thing," coach Mickey Matthews said. "Our turnovers were not turnovers, they were daggers to the heart."

Against the Pirates last Saturday, JMU out-gained the Pirates in total net yardage 418-150, with 311 of those yards coming from the rushing attack. Red-shirt sophomore running back Pervis Binns, who tallied 122 yards on 20 carries last week, likely will be a key factor in the running game again, although red-shirt sophomore Rondell Bradley will get the nod as starting tailback for the second straight week according to Matthews. Last week, Bradley rushed for 37 yards on just eight carries.

The Dukes' defense also will have to step up big against a Wildcats' offense that showcases preseason second team All-American running back Stephan Lewis. Last week against Division I-A Kent State University, Lewis accrued 189 all-purpose yards, although only 28 of those came on the ground.

Despite only scoring seven points last week, Matthews said UNH's offense still is very dangerous, and not to be taken lightly.

"If they didn't lead the league in total offense last year, they were very high," Matthews said. "They run a lot of different plays, they've just always done a great job on offense."

Senior defensive end Richard Hicks and junior defensive end Jerame Southern likely will be called upon to stop the high-powered Wildcat offense. Last week, Hicks recorded six tackles and two sacks, while Southern, who Matthews said had the best defensive game of any Dukes' player Saturday, came away with seven total tackles. However, Matthews said he feels the team should not play against UNH based on last week's performances.

"We do not need to judge ourselves on Hampton at all," Matthews said. "Our defense doesn't need to make preparations to go to Disneyland, and our offensive line isn't necessarily as good as they were Saturday night."

Saturday's game against the Wildcats will start at 6 p.m.

## FIELD HOCKEY

### Dukes ready to prove critics wrong

Tough schedule awaits CAA's third-ranked team



DAVE KIM/senior photographer

Senior forward Carrie Phillips controls the ball during practice Tuesday. JMU opens its home schedule Saturday against the Blue Devils of Duke University at 12 p.m. at Bridgeforth Stadium.

BY WES HEINEL  
contributing writer

As summer gives way to fall, the start of another season for the field hockey team begins. At least for the start of the season, interim coach Sally Northcroft has assumed coaching and administrative duties for coach Irene Horvat, who had back surgery approximately two weeks ago and is recovering.

The Dukes are predicted to finish third in the conference, behind Old Dominion University and the College of William & Mary. Winning the Colonial Athletic Association though, is "no longer a pipe dream for JMU," Horvat said. The team fully expects to compete with Old Dominion for the CAA title and Horvat believes her Dukes are "equally matched and no longer the underdog."

She also is adamant about the Dukes' versatility. "We have the ability to match up with any team in the nation," Horvat said. JMU is riding high emotionally, after very effective spring practices.

"Great strides were made as a team, which increased overall confidence and added a new level of team maturity," Northcroft said.

The team is led on and off the field by four senior captains, but also will rely heavily on its incoming freshman class. The team has two captains and two vice captains who were voted by the team. Red-shirt seniors left back Ryan Shean and goalie Kiernan Raffo are the two captains. Seniors center midfielder Carrie Phillips and right back Elize van Ballegoie are vice captains. Van Ballegoie is coming off a stellar

2001 season, where she was CAA co-defensive player of the year.

A 12-9 team from a year ago, one might note that four of their losses were tough overtime losses. The Dukes also boast a return of five all-conference players, making them an even more dangerous team.

"We have a ton of firepower, depth, variety and talent across the board — five legitimate scoring threats," Horvat said. The duo of van Ballegoie and sophomore Veerle Goudswaard are the Dukes' primary corner strikers. Look for red-shirt sophomore Alissa Santanna, to have a breakout season from the forward position.

Defensively on the corners, sophomore Heidi Beck and junior Lindsay Keller are the flyers. Sophomore Lindsay Coffman and junior Amy Cordes will play at post, but van Ballegoie will likely be at the main post. Last but not least is Raffo, who Horvat expects another big season from.

"Many of JMU's 12 wins last season came down to her great play and key saves," Horvat said.

A challenging slate of non-conference matches awaits the team, as well as familiar faces conference foes in the CAA. Key non-conference games include Duke University, Wake Forest University, the University of Virginia and Kent State University, as well as Michigan State University, the University of North Carolina, Penn State University and a continued rivalry with the University of Maryland.

Within the conference, JMU will encounter Old Dominion, who looks to storm towards a

seventh consecutive CAA championship, and William & Mary, as well as CAA newcomer, the University of Delaware. The Blue Hens, who left the America East Conference at the end of last season, are a strong addition to arguably one of the most challenging conferences in the nation.

Players like van Ballegoie look forward to a tough schedule, citing that her abilities pick up in tough games. "Against the nation's best, I look forward to those dates on the schedule," van Ballegoie said. She is just one of many in the program who believe the regular season is preparation for post-season success.

"Our realistic goal is to be number one in the conference," van Ballegoie said.

Horvat believes that playing such a tough schedule can only do her team good. "Losses to top teams in the nation won't affect our national ranking very distinctly, and playing high caliber teams all season will only help us play at a higher level in the post-season," Horvat said. "Experience is valued more in the Dukes field hockey program more than a win or a loss. To be the best, you must play the best. Our girls won't remember the team they blanked 10-0."

A preseason ranking of number three in the CAA doesn't phase the team, and in fact Northcroft believes it may be for the best. "Numbers don't define a person, nor a team's character, work ethic or personality," Northcroft said. "This year's club is confident that their play will reflect their high level of talent."

## VOLLEYBALL

### Seasoned Dukes ready for battle in 2002

JMU opens home schedule Friday in JMU/Days Inn Classic against Campbell University

BY JEFFREY CRETZ  
staff writer

Most teams hate being referred to as "too young." However, coach Disa Garner and the volleyball team are ready to face this challenge head on. Actually, the team believes their youth and newly-acquired goals for the season will be key ingredients in mustering together an impressive season record.

Garner said, "We're more of a seasoned team. Now, we've got some true setters in that they will play what they've been trained to play."

The Dukes are almost certain to improve on their 10-14 campaign that saw them finish fifth in last year's Colonial Athletic Association regular season, a position which made them ineligible for the CAA tournament. The 2002 CAA preseason coach-

es' poll has picked JMU to finish fourth, behind George Mason University, the College of William & Mary and Hofstra University.

The squad welcomes six new freshmen, coming from places as far as Cedar Park, Texas. Garner is excited about the athleticism exhibited by this year's freshmen, especially at the setters position.

Senior outside hitter Jessica Evers said, "We're stopping no short of our best. Our freshmen came in with a little fire under them, and the returners are hungry to win. The CAA Championships are in our house this year and we plan on owning the territory."

Among those returning from injury in 2002 is red-shirt senior outside hitter Larissa Winkler, who missed all of last season with a knee injury she suffered during

the preseason. Junior setter Lauren Ruzicka also is back from injury and ready to compete.

Sophomore middle blocker Kate Fuchs, who finished second in the CAA last year in blocks per game said, "I am so excited to play with Larissa this year. Her leadership and skills on the court will make a huge impact this year."

Freshman outside hitter Emilee Hussack has excited the coaching staff with her natural talent. Fellow freshman Blake Tyson will fill in as a defensive specialist and backup right side and outside hitter. Freshman setter Krysta Cannon has received a lot of advanced training with her Juniors Club and has an enormous ability for blocking something that will be treated as an offensive weapon.

Junior middle blocker Dana Jones, who was voted to the All-

CAA Second Team last year is sure to be an important ingredient to any success. Last season, she ranked among the top 10 in five of the six major categories.

"Dana should be our best middle blocker in the conference and possibly our best all-around player," Garner said.

Evers, who bounced between the setter and hitter position last season was assured by Garner at the beginning of the season that she would be kept at her natural outside hitting position.

"I'm really excited about being able to key into one position specifically. The combination of setting and hitting is a combination of finesse and power and going back and forth was something that was, at times, mentally difficult. I'm really excited about being in the competitive, aggressive, tenacious mindset of a hit-

ter," Evers said.

For the second time in three years, JMU will play host to the CAA championships. The CAA now has nine active members, and the top six will receive an invitation to the tournament. JMU will play each CAA team twice during the regular season.

Garner said, "We really want to be in the top six because we're hosting the tournament. We want a team that can compete."

"Our numbers are smaller, but we have all the right tools. Hopefully, everything will fall into place."

Currently 1-3, the Dukes return home for the The JMU/Days Inn Classic tomorrow at Godwin Hall. JMU will play Campbell University, Syracuse University and the University of Maryland. JMU plays Campbell at 12 p.m.

## CROSS COUNTRY

### Team experience to pay off in long run for JMU

BY CHRIS BAST  
contributing writer

A fourth straight Colonial Athletic Association championship could be in the works for this year's women's cross country team, while the men are looking for their third championship in five years after finishing second to the College of William & Mary in 2001.

The women's team, led by red-shirt senior Mollie DeFrancesco, are the reigning East Coast Athletic Conference champions and are coming off a fourth place showing at NCAA regionals. But, it is the men who are coming into the season with great expectations; they return six of their top seven runners from last year including sophomore Bill Meador.

"We definitely have more experience under our belts,"

Meador said. "So far we're looking pretty good. We have a strong group of freshmen who help us out a lot."

Official practices started last week and Meador said it is hard to say right now how much the team has improved physically, but he said this team is more prepared mentally.

"We seem more focused on what we need to do and what we want to achieve," Meador said.

Part of the new mental outlook could be contributed to the leadership of the two captains, senior Ian Scott and junior John Fraser. Meador said the biggest challenge for the team will be keeping focused and staying true to their goals.

One of the main goals of the team this year is to finish higher at regionals and possibly qualify the team for nationals. In order to

accomplish this, the captains will have to make sure the team stays focused all season long. Meador thinks they can do this.

"Our two captains stepped up a lot leadership wise this year and everyone is always pushing each other to work hard," Meador said.

Personally, Meador is looking forward to an increased leadership role as well. He said he is looking to improve a lot in cross country and track this year and is expecting big results this fall.

"I definitely want to be one of the top guys. I want to step up and be one of the top guys in practice and leadership," he said.

In addition to Meador, Scott and Fraser, coach Dave Rinker said junior Mark Bahruk and sophomores Evan Keys and Allen Carr to do well for the men's team.

Rinker said, "On the men's side, I think we've got a talented group that's young right now. If they learn the ropes, we're going to be good."

On the women's side, the defending CAA and ECAC champions don't know what to expect as they try to replace some key losses from last year's team. DeFrancesco, who finished 59th in the country last year at the NCAA championships is coming off of a big win in the 3000-meter steeplechase at the POWERade North America, Central America and Caribbean Under-25 Track & Field Championships.

Though replacing losses might be tough, the women return not just DeFrancesco but defending ECAC champion junior Cindy Dunham as well. Dunham won the ECAC race and led the team to

victory there while DeFrancesco was competing at nationals. Dunham and DeFrancesco will be the tandem duo at the top that will try and take this team to nationals this year.

"The girls are looking really good so far. They're really excited, and that's important to be mentally into it," DeFrancesco said.

Rinker said juniors Jennifer Lapetoda, Kelly Baker and Claire Wood also will play a big part for the Dukes.

"We've got four very good runners in Mollie, Cindy, Jennifer and Kelly," Rinker said. "It's just a matter of freshmen and returning runners filling in the sixth and seventh spots. If that happens, they are going to be very good."

There is one other obstacle

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JULIE WITHERS/contributing photographer  
Women's cross country opens its home schedule Sept. 21, hosting the JMU invitational.

# Dukes alter training methods

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though that is standing in the way. This year, the regional meet will be held on a course that is completely flat instead of the hilly course the Dukes are used to. The change in venue has forced Rinker to adjust his coaching methods. Instead of concentrating on hill work and lots of strength training to build up endurance through the hills, Rinker is trying out new techniques and new workouts to better prepare his teams for their big races of the season.

Men's and women's cross country open their seasons with an invitational in Charlottesville Sept. 14 before returning home for the JMU Invitational in New Market Sept. 21. At their invitational, the Dukes will face Penn State University on the men's side, and the women will face George Mason University.

## PICKS OF THE WEEK

Week # 2

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8-3  
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the Playa  
9-2  
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Pittsburgh at New England	Pittsburgh	New England	New England	New England	New England

For the Real Deal, the third year looks like a charm so far. After Week One, the Deal put up Natt-like numbers en route to taking the early lead. He was seen prancing around the office, gloating on his success. He may not last long if he continues his celebrating, and da boss has another sub-par week.

Next in line is Popeye, who sailed his way into the second spot after his first week of competition. Now that he is in contention, he shoved Olive Oil out of the way to focus on a potential POTW championship.

Well, give Wilson credit. Though he is in third after one week, he showed some marbles in Week One by picking Miami — in the Auburn-USC game. Wilson claims he heard

insiders saying the Hurricanes would show up at halftime and show why they were the champs. It didn't happen, due to some travel problems, but Wilson put together a decent week anyway, going 8-3.

After going 5-6 in her first week, da boss looked more like the apprentice. Her sub-500 ways might suggest a new method of picking winners, but she claims she's sticking to it.

Last week our first guest predictor Jess faired well with a 9-2 record. This week's guest is the Playa who makes his second career week as a guest. The Playa will look to wreak havoc on the regular crew after being shunned from the starting lineup because of seniority. Word has it, though, that the Playa has no game. Only time will tell.

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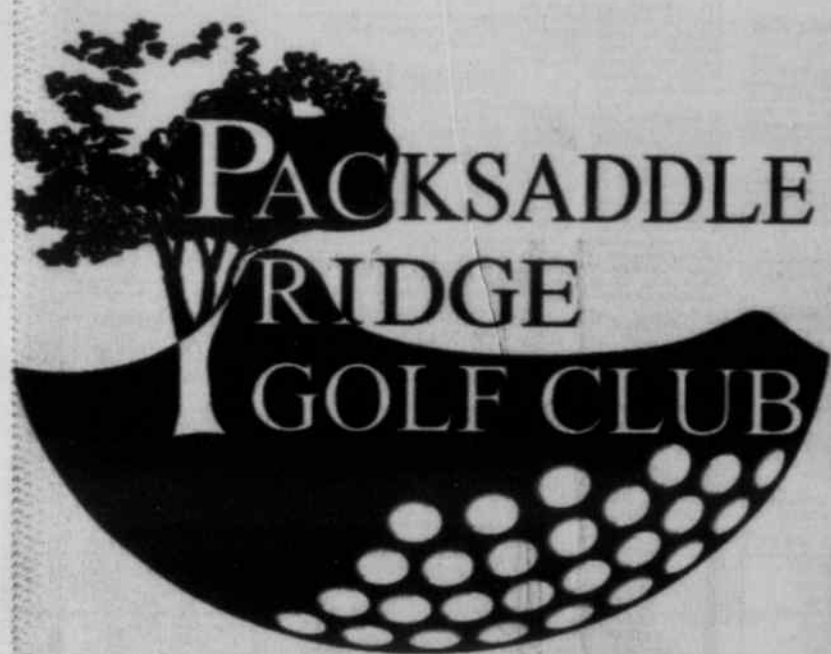
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