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# THE RESULTS OF A RECENT



ARE 'ALARMING' TO ADMINISTRATORS.

COMMISSIONED BY THE SGA, THE SURVEY



# STUDENTS WANT THE LATE NIGHT BUS TO RESUME ITS OLD HOURS.





# ESULTS ARE OUT

Students overwhelmingly say they want buses to run until 3 a.m. on the weekends; they have not changed their level of alcohol consumption; they feel unsafe walking at night and they think drinking and driving is likely to increase.

Now, the university is reviewing the results of Student Government Association's survey about the late night bus services

# **CRIME UPDATE**

# **Tech Student's Body Found**

Three-Month Search Ends in Hay Field 10 Miles from John Paul Jones Arena

### By MATT SUTHERLAND The Breeze

Gil Harrington, the mother of the missing Virginia Tech student Morgan Harrington, believes "it's very likely that Morgan did not live through the concert."

During a press conference Wednesday afternoon on Charlottesville's Copeley Road Bridge, the parents of Morgan Harrington shared their heartbreak after learning of the discovery of their daughter's remains.

Exactly 101 days after her Oct. 17 disappearance following a Metallica concert at the John Paul Jones Arena, the body of Morgan Harrington was found in a hay field about 10 miles outside of Charlottesville on Tuesday morning.

Police were confident it was Harrington's body because of evidence they found in the area. They did not say what they found.

After sending her body to the medical examiner, police were able to confirm it was Harrington's body by the dental records her parents provided.

While the parents have declined to discuss exactly where and when their daughter might have died, the Harringtons have told media they will now focus their efforts on finding their daughter's killer. Dan Harrington believes there must be a local involved in her death.

"This is not a random place where someone would drop off a body," Harrington said during the press conference.

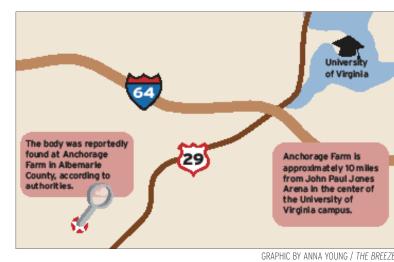
In a statement released Tuesday by Virginia Tech President Charles Steger, he offered his condolences to the Harrington family and the Virginia Tech community.

"Amidst this overwhelming sadness, perhaps the most important work we can do is to turn our efforts toward the support of Morgan's family, her friends and those in our community who may well struggle to cope with this terrible tragedy," Steger said.

An additional statement released before the press conference Wednesday, Dan Harrington expressed his family's grief and also their gratitude toward the community for its assistance.

"Morgan's mother, Gil, and I are overwhelmingly saddened by yesterday's discovery, but we are also relieved because our questions can now be answered, and we can give our daughter a proper burial," Dan Harrington said. "We know that because of the good life Morgan led and the love she created for everyone around her, she is now in a safer, better place."

The Virginia State Police are searching for clues to determine Harrington's killer. Anyone with information is asked to call the police tip line at (434) 352-3467.



as it plans its recommendations for next year.

## **Decision**makers Weiah In

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> **Mark Warner** vice president for student affairs

The SGA created the 18-question survey in October after members heard complaints from students about the cut to bus hours. The bus - referred to by students as the "drunk bus" — had its schedule cut by 45 minutes at the beginning of fall semester to end at 2:15 a.m. instead of 3 a.m.

More than 3,500 students responded to the weeklong survey, with most writing in the optional free-response sections. It was these answers that alarmed administrators, especially in terms of safety, according to one of the survey's coordinators and SGA member Patrick Watral.

Almost 600 comments indicated that students would be more likely to drive drunk or get in a car with someone who had been drinking, while more than 1,600 comments were about walking home. Just 114 comments suggested the cuts to the bus hours do not present a safety issue.

"I am always concerned when I hear students say they are willing to walk alone at night or drive after drinking - regardless of whether it is 8 p.m., 10 p.m. or 3 a.m.," said Mark Warner, JMU vice president for student affairs, in an e-mail. "Our challenge is to figure out how we can get all students to make responsible and safe decisions for themselves and their peers."

Rob Cellucci, the student representative to the Board of Visitors, expects to have a meeting with several administrators within the next two months. He said the reason it has taken so long to review the results is because of the time period with Thanksgiving and winter breaks, as well as administrators' schedules.

### After the survey

When the Qualtrics-based survey ended, Watral and Cellucci reviewed the results with SGA adviser Matt Barone, then with Paige Hawkins, associate director of the University Health Center's Substance Abuse Prevention.

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FRESHMAN	1,100	29%
SOPHOMORE	1,188	31%
JUNIOR	877	23%

Survey Results

The following 16 questions are

taken straight from the survey.

Not included are questions 17 and

1. What is your academic

year at JMU?

18, which solicited comments.

2. Do you live on Campus?		
YES	1,802	47%
NO	2,022	53%

3. This semest Harrisonburg Dep Transportation bus service at previously it had has this adjustm level of alcoho	oartment o (HDPT) en 2:15 a.m., v ended 3:0 ent affecte	f Public ds its vhen 0 a.m., d your
NO CHANGE	<b>2,805</b>	<b>83%</b>
INCREASED	469	14%
DECREASED	86	3%

4. If the bus service ended at 1:00 a.m. or earlier, would your level of alcohol consumption change?		
NO CHANGE	2,581	73%
INCREASE	719	20%
DECREASE	258	7%

5. On the week have you use provided by Harrisonbur of Transporta your means o at night afte	ed the servi y JMU and the g Department ation (HDPT) f transporta	ces ne ent ) as ition
NEVER	166	4%
RARELY	278	7%
SOMETIMES	705	18%
QUITE OFTEN	1,197	31%
VERY OFTEN	1,508	39%

6. How full are the late night buses you have ridden?		
ALMOST EMPTY	11	0%
MODERATELY FULL	362	10%
COMPLETELY FULL	1,313	37%
OVERCROWDED	1,901	53%

7. Have you ever been left behind, or witnessed others being left behind by the buses?		
FREQUENTLY	1,708	49%
SELDOM	1,534	44%
NEVER	247	7%

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Morgan Harrington's remains were found Tuesday morning on a farm about 10 miles away from the University of Virginia campus.

## **CRIME UPDATE**

# **Prison Sentences** For Sur 13 Members

# Gang Members Charged with Beating Student Last Year

Two Sur 13 gang members received prison sentences Tuesday in Rockingham County Circuit Court for beating a JMU student last year.

Dionesio Cordell Sanchez received a 15-year prison sentence, nearly twice the recommended amount for Virginia's sentencing guidelines, according to the Daily News-Record. A second gang member, Aguirre Arellano, was sentenced to nine years in prison as an accomplice.

A third member was also tried but is a minor. His record will not be released publicly.



**Dionesio Cordell** Sanchez was sentenced to 15 years during a court appearance Tuesday.

On Feb. 1, JMU student Hank Ayer was walking back to his apartment at The Mill from the 7-Eleven on South Main Street. Once he was behind the building, the three gang members allegedly attacked Ayer until he was unconscious, then took \$1 and his cell phone from his pocket.

- staff reports

# 1/28 **INSIDE**

### NEWS

A good prognosis The demand for nurses is higher than ever, and JMU nursing majors feel confident in their career choice.

### **OPINION** 5 A complaint

Bus survey results yield dissatisfaction with administration.

### LIFE Q Page turner

As U.Va.'s yearbook closes its cover, JMU's Bluestone works to revamp its image.

### **SPORTS**

Kentucky-bred Coach brings youthful energy to volleyball team.

# **OPEN HOUSE TONIGHT** 6 P.M. | ANTHONY-SEEGER BASEMENT | JOIN THE PARTY.

See the detailed analysis of the question responses and more than 3,000 comments, BREEZEJMU.ORG

# POLICE LOG

### Larceny

- On Friday, a JMU student reported theft of a wallet containing a debit card, driver's license and \$12 in cash after it was left and forgotten on a Godwin bus stop bench when the victim boarded the bus.
- On Friday, a JMU student reported theft of a commuter parking decal from a vehicle in P lot.
- Monday, a JMU student reported theft of an unattended wallet containing cash and credit cards in Festival.
- On Monday, a JMU student reported theft of items from an Eagle Hall laundry room.

### Property Damage

- On Monday, a JMU student reported a window broken out of a vehicle and theft of a \$250 iPod in R1 lot.
- On Monday, a JMU student reported graffiti and markings on an Eagle Hall elevator panel, resulting in \$100 damage.
- On Sunday, a JMU student reported \$50 damage to an emergency phone in CISAT building A1.
- On Jan. 21, a JMU student reported \$50 damage to a storm drain grate in R1 lot.

### Alcohol

- On Saturday, police arrested two JMU students, who also received judicial referrals, for alleged marijuana and alleged drug equipment possession at Potomac Hall.
- On Friday, police arrested two JMU students for alleged marijuana possession at Potomac Hall.
- On Jan. 21, police arrested a JMU

student for alleged marijuana possession at Gifford Hall.

- On Saturday, police arrested a JMU student, who also received a judicial referral, for alleged public
- drunkenness at Weaver Hall.
  On Saturday, two JMU students received judicial referrals for alleged underaged consumption at McGraw-Long Hall.
- On Saturday, two JMU students received judicial referrals for alleged lack of guest responsibility at Godwin bus stop.

### **Assault & Battery**

 On Sunday, a nonstudent (third party) reported the alleged assault of two JMU students by a nonstudent (acquaintance) in D3 lot.

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# **Billions in Stimulus Funds for Rail Lines**

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama will give \$8 billion in economic stimulus money to 13 rail corridors today, mostly for high-speed passenger service, an administration official said.

Obama will announce the funds, the biggest single U.S. investment in highspeed rail, in Tampa, Fla., according to the official, who declined to be identified in advance of the announcement.

The money will benefit 31 states, including a small portion of the \$8 billion that will go to improvements of existing rail lines, the official said. Florida, California and New York are among states that applied for money. Vice President Joe Biden, who commuted by Amtrak between Delaware and Washington when he was a senator, will travel with Obama for the announcement at a town hall-style meeting, the official said.

The spending "will yield significant benefits to the states and regions that receive the funds in the short-term, including job creation, particularly in the construction sector," said Peter Gertler, high-speed rail services chairman for engineering firm HNTB Corp. States receiving funds will "implement track improvements, grade separation, signal improvements and other tasks that need to be completed to deliver a high-speed rail system," he said.

The Kansas City-based company worked for Florida and at least five other states in writing their rail grant applications.

The Federal Railroad Administration said it received 45 applications requesting \$50 billion in aid and delayed the awards from last year to handle a greater number Electric and Siemens are among 32 companies that pledged last year to establish rail-manufacturing operations or expand their domestic workforce if they get some of the rail funding, which states will allocate after they receive it.

# Terrorist Trials Not Wanted in New York

NEW YORK — New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg said Wednesday he wants the federal government to move the trial of five suspects in the September 2001 terror attacks away from its intended site in lower Manhattan.

Bloomberg said it would cost as much as \$1 billion to provide security for the trial, should it proceed over several years, and suggested the Justice Department consider an alternate venue such as a military base outside the city.

"It would be great if the federal government could find a site that didn't cost \$1 billion, which is what using downtown will and will also impact traffic and commerce and people's lifestyles downtown," Bloomberg said during a news conference in Brooklyn. "If they were to move it elsewhere I'd be very happy with that."

President Barack Obama announced in November a plan to move Khalid Sheikh Mohammed, the accused mastermind of the 2001 attacks, and four fellow Guantanamo Bay detainees to New York to stand trial about a quartermile from where the World Trade Center towers stood.

The government intends to prose-

In a Jan. 5 letter to Peter Orszag, director of the Office of Management and Budget, the mayor placed the cost of holding a trial in Manhattan at \$216 million for the first year and \$206 million annually in subsequent years.

# Apple Unveils iPad Tablet Computer

SAN FRANCISCO — Apple, trying to expand beyond the Macintosh, iPod and iPhone, introduced a tablet computer on Wednesday with a touch screen, Web browser and e-mail functions.

The iPad can display full Web pages and has a touch-screen keyboard that's almost full size, Chief Executive Officer Steve Jobs said at a company event in San Francisco. The iPad supports Wi-Fi communications and runs the more than 140,000 applications already available for the iPhone and iPod Touch.

The iPad is "so much more intimate than a laptop, so much more capable than a smartphone," Jobs said. The device, which has a 9.7-inch screen, is half an inch thick and weighs 1.5 pounds, he said.

Jobs, 54, has spent the past decade transforming the maker of the Mac personal computer into a consumerelectronics juggernaut. The iPad builds on the digital media and mobile technology behind Apple's market-leading iPod players and the iPhone, and will challenge dedicated e-book readers from Amazon. com Inc. and Sony Corp.

The device, made of aluminum and glass, can display maps from Google and has calendar and address book functions. It also lets users display thumbnail views of photos. The iPad has a 1-gigahertz Apple chip and battery life of 10 hours, Jobs said. "My question is how big of a market this is, and it's probably reasonably big," said Michael Yoshikami, an analyst at Walnut Creek, Calif.-based YCMNet Advisors. "I'm still getting my hands around how many people are going to want something of this size."

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of requests than expected.

In addition to Florida, leading contenders for funds include Illinois, California and Amtrak's Northeast Corridor, which runs between Boston, New York and Washington, said Clint Currie, an analyst for Concept Capital's Washington Research Group. Companies that manufacture train and rail components may benefit from the spending. General cute all five together and seek the death penalty in a trial that may involve some closed sessions dealing with classified information, Attorney General Eric Holder has said.

Bloomberg said he assured Holder the city could provide security in the event a trial were held in lower Manhattan.

"We said yes we can, we'd like you to pay for it," he said.

# BREEZE OPEN HOUSE TONIGHT

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Former nursing students (from left) Sarah Rameriz, Leah Short, Kristin Birk and Sam Howard (fall 2008 graduates) work together on a project.

# Nurses-to-Be Learn the Future of Healthcare

### **By DANIELLE STRICKLER** The Breeze

As the demand for nurses increases across the country, JMU's competitive nursing department has tried to prepare more students for careers.

About 600,000 new nurses are needed, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor. This does not include the 500,000 positions that will open as baby boomers retire, added Dr. Merle Mast, head of JMU's nursing department.

The nursing field allows good salaries, job security and varied but challenging career options, according to Mast.

"Good nurses think critically and respond effectively in complex situations," Mast said. "They can make critical decisions and handle many responsibilities, and are concerned with the well-being of their patients."

The number of applications to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing program continues to grow at JMU; the program has nearly doubled since 2004. Previously, the program allowed 50 applicants a year, but now it accepts roughly 120 applications a year.

Nationally, more than 40,000 students are turned away, because schools and universities do not have the proper resources to take all the students, according to the American Association of Critical-Care Nurses Web site.

"I was really nervous when I applied, because there are a lot of people I know of that have not gotten into the program and



Alexandra Cantor (left) and Faith Suzio (2009 graduates) practice their nursing skills. JMU's nursing program has nearly doubled since 2004 and now accepts about 120 students each year.

have changed their whole career plans," sophomore Stacy Hernandez said. "It is definitely very hard to get in to." With the high demand for nurses, Mast explained that now students don't always get their first-choice jobs.

"Because JMU's nursing program has such a strong reputation, the employers really want our graduates." Mast said. The program has increased from 10 to 26 faculty members over the last 5 years. The student faculty ratio is 1:10, which is required by the Virginia Board of Nursing. Until the department has more resources to get the classroom space, faculty, and clinicals, the nursing

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# IN BRIEF

# SOUTH MAIN STREET

## **Student Hit, Charged**

Senior Makenna Johnson was hit by a car after she walked into traffic Monday around noon at the intersection of South Main Street and Warsaw Avenue. She was charged for stepping into a highway where presence could be obscured. She was taken to Rockingham Memorial Hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

## HARRISONBURG

Search Warrants Issued Harrisonburg and James Madison University Police Departments executed three search warrants as part of an ongoing investigation about break-ins on campus. Around 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, officers searched two businesses at 953 and 954 S. High St. and a residence in the 1800 block of Janie Lane. Police arrested Waseem Afridi, 37, of Harrisonburg and charged him with two counts of receiving stolen goods, larceny with the intent to sell or distribute, the purchase of alcohol for an unauthorized person and money laundering.

## HARRISONBURG

# Break-Ins Culprit Sentenced

Bulue Berry, a low-level gang member, was sentenced to 10 months in prison, while his sentence of 20 years was suspended. Police believe Berry, who pleaded guilty to grand larceny and breaking and entering, was a member of the Sur 13 gang and was responsible for a rash of October break-ins.

## HARRISONBURG

### Seven Years for Stabbing Terry Harvey was sentenced to seven years in prison after being involved

years in prison after being involved in the stabbing and robbery outside Dave's Taverna Express on March 14. Harvey was meeting a drug dealer in the restaurant's parking lot to purchase cocaine, according to prosecutors. When the dealer would not dispense the drugs, Harvey allegedly stabbed the man about a dozen times before driving away with at least one other man.

## **MEET THE SENATOR**



## HAITI RELIEF

# Hoping for \$30K in 30 Days

### **By MATT SUTHERLAND** The Breeze

A group of students and teachers at James Madison University are ready to unveil their donation plans in response to the earthquake in Haiti two weeks ago.

On Monday, students from the Colleges of Arts and Letters and Integrated Science and Technology launched 30 For 30, a student organization intended to raise money for disaster relief in Haiti.

Patrick Eugene, a Haitian JMU student, described in a 30 For 30 panel discussion that Haiti's problems stem from a lack of coordinated aid.

"Why are we still poor? Because most of [the organizations] do not know what Haiti needs," Eugene said. "We need colleges; we need education."

According to 30 For 30 liaison Mieka Polanco, the organization's name derives from the concept of raising \$30,000 in 30 days.

"There are a growing number of actions that are part of the campaign," Polanco said. Some ideas Polanco stated for fundraising were "a T-shirt shop, envelope drive, benefit dinner, concert and more. Different members of the JMU community are responsible for organizing and running them."

Awaiting approval by the university, 30 For 30 has chosen three organizations it believes will be able



### ClearView performs tonight at The Pub for a benefit concert for Haiti, PAGE 10

to use the money effectively. Instead of allocating the money to the Haitian government, the organizations do their work on the ground, working with local organizations to determine the best course of action.

The first organization is Partners in Health. According to its Web site, the Boston-based nonprofit organization has worked in Haiti for more than 20 years bringing free medical care to impoverished areas.

The second organization, Fonkoze, brands itself as "Haiti's alternative bank for the organized poor." As a micro-lending organization, Fonkoze gives small loans to impoverished people to help them start their own businesses and eventually move out of poverty. Since it was founded in 1994, more than 55,000 women in need of financial aid have received help. Today, Fonkoze also offers a literacy program.

The final organization that 30 For 30 plans to donate to is the Haiti Outreach Foundation. Based in Staunton, the foundation's operations are almost exclusively on the island of La Gonave.

According to the Waynesboro *News Virginian*, the Haiti Outreach Foundation has provided a school, a hospital and food supplies to more than 110,000 people.

"This is the time for every single person, not only in JMU or EMU, but the entire world to stand up," Eugene said. "I want everyone to know that we can do it."

30 For 30 will meet at 1 p.m. every Wednesday in Sheldon Hall Room 114.

# SGA

# **Stepping Up New Mission**

### By AMANDA HERMAN contributing writer

After giving more than \$5,000 to three organizations Tuesday, about 45 percent of SGA's money remains.

This was one third of what was given in total last semester; \$16,800 of these funds remain. The academic year began with \$37,413 available to student organizations.

The Chinese Student Association received almost \$3,000 for its annual cultural show in April. Representatives said the money will go toward hiring a lighting crew, traditional costumes and publicity. CSA expects more than 350 people to attend the free show. The bill passed unanimously by a voice vote.

The Club Managers Association of America asked for \$225 to send one member to an international conference in San Diego, Calif. Two members will attend the conference hoping to gain internships and network. The bill passed unanimously. CMAA members are in the field of managing country clubs and resorts.

■ The Vietnamese Student Association was allocated \$2,000

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"We are a group of students committed to representing the voice of the student body. We believe that every student's voice has the ability to make a meaningful impact and therefore, we serve the JMU community by amplifying the voices of others."

## **New SGA Mission**



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Junior Ryan Philbrick introduces the new Valentine's Day Ball focus "For Love, For Haiti," which will be Feb. 13 in Festival.

## **Patrick Watral**

sophomore international affairs major with an Arabic minor

At-large senator on the Student Services Committee

## Why did you join SGA? To

make sure students have a voice in the decision making process at JMU.

What other organizations are you part of? JMU Club Triathlon Team

What is your least favorite thing about JMU? Parking Services and their neverending vendetta against the student body

Where is your favorite place on campus? The Quad in the spring.

What do you plan to do after college? Marine Corps Officer Candidate School

What social cause are you most passionate about? Getting the Jersey Shore off MTV.

What have you learned in SGA that you will use in the real world? How complex and nuanced policy making is. I've also gained some people skills.

What is your biggest fear? Letting someone down.

What is the most important part of your SGA job? Acting on the mission statement.

What are your goals for the SGA this semester? To make sure it's using its full potential.

What is one thing people can't tell by looking at you? This is a hard question... I like yogurt.

What is your favorite course, to date, at JMU? GHIST 150 with Professor Opala

# **SURVEY** | Bus Vandalism is Down

### from front

SGA circulated the results among administrators to begin discussing the next step. Watral and Cellucci also hope to create a summit for SGA representatives and key decision-makers to work together on a response. "A lot of people wanted their

hands on it, actually," said Watral, a sophomore and member of the SGA student services committee.

Warner, who approved the cut to hours at the beginning of the school year, said he asked Hawkins and Marsha Mays-Bernard, associate vice president for student health, to review the survey and make recommendations by the end of the semester.

"Those recommendations will be considered as we create our 2010 to 2011 comprehensive strategy for preventing alcohol abuse," Warner said.

Before posting the survey on Qualtrics, JMU Police Chief Lee Shifflett and Hawkins reviewed the questions to ensure validity of the results. Watral said SGA immediately removed any words that Hawkins said were subjective. She also suggested adding question 16: "By providing late night bus transportation, could it appear to others that the University is supporting and/or encouraging high-risk drinking behavior?" (see results on right)

"We knew it wouldn't be valid if it was a biased survey," Watral said.

Watral said there still could be concerns over whether all the comments were truthful.

"This is obviously a hot-button issue, so there was probably a good chunk of people that were typing in, 'Oh, I'm gonna drive drunk,' just so they could get the drunk bus back," Watral said.

But he said there were still so many comments that at least some must be true.

### Drunk driving

During the fall semester, Harrisonburg police gave 93 DWI or DUI tickets in the city. This is up from 71 in the spring 2009 semester but down from 99 in fall 2008. These numbers do not indicate how many tickets were given to people just within the college age group.

"To a certain extent we expected the trends," Watral said. "But we were absolutely shocked with the number that wrote 'drunk driving' in the optional one."

The number of tickets police have written in Harrisonburg for driving while intoxicated does not indicate an increase, according to Mary-Hope Vass Harrisonburg Police Department spokeswoman, because many factors go into these numbers. Police set up several checkpoints each year, especially during big weekends like Halloween, New Year's and the Superbowl, but Vass said the checkpoints were not a significant contributing factor to the number of alcohol-related tickets.

The potential for drunk driving still worries Watral.

"I'd be concerned if there was 10 people out there drunk driving, honestly," Watral said. "My friends are out there, your friends are out there... This blew us away.""

### A response to alcohol

Warner said his staff came up with recommendations on the alcohol concerns after holding focus groups last year with students and faculty and having discussions with the Harrisonburg Department of Public Transportation. JMU gives more than \$1 million to HDPT in their contract.

Reggie Smith, director of HDPT, said most of the problems on the late night buses were during the last hour, especially with vandalism, passenger safety and abuse of the drivers.

"The transit amendment did not occur without considerable deliberation," Hawkins wrote in an e-mail.

After hearing the recommendations, Warner decided to end the services 45 minutes earlier.

Though Smith said there are no specific data for this year, he and the bus drivers have noticed a change.

"We haven't had the broken windows and some of the violence that we've had in the past," Smith said. "We are slammed more from 1 a.m. to 2 a.m. than we used to be, but I think in the past maybe people going home were spread between 1 o'clock and 3 o'clock. Now it's between 1 and 2 o'clock."

JMU senior Kevin Garris, a former HDPT driver, said he was not at all surprised by the results.

"Most bus drivers want it back to the way it was, because the buses are so overcrowded on the last run, and so many people get left behind," Garris said. "I mean, I'd get left behind almost every time if I didn't know them."

In the survey, more than 50 percent of respondents said that since the August change they had at some point ridden buses that were overcrowded, while 37 percent said the buses were completely full.

"We know we could put more buses out there, and we tend to do that at Homecoming and Halloween, but it's supply and demand," Smith said. "Usually, when there's too many people to get on a bus, there's another bus that'll be there soon."

About 49 percent of students said they had been left behind or seen others being left behind at bus stops.

"If we know there's a lot of tudents out, and it's 2:15, we try

# Survey Results

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lewd or inappro on the Late Nigh	8. Have you ever witnessed any lewd or inappropriate behavior on the Late Night Transit Bus (i.e. vomiting, vandalism, or violence)?	
YES	1,369	40%
NO	2,037	60%

9. How late do you realistically think the late night buses should operate?		
10 P.M.	6	0%
11 P.M.	4	0%
MIDNIGHT	30	1%
1 A.M.	50	1%
2 A.M.	342	9%
3 A.M.	3,044	81%
4 A.M.	275	7%

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WALK	3,096	83%
SAFERIDES	935	25%
CALL A CAB	2,306	62%
SOBER DRIVER	906	24%

11. How safe would you feel walking in Harrisonburg late at night?					
VERY SAFE	39	1%			
SAFE	859	23%			
UNSAFE	1,958	52%			
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12. Have you called SafeRides this semester?				
YES	1,109	30%		
NO	2,644	70%		

13. How long after you called SafeRides did you wait to be picked up?					
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OVER 1 HOUR	190	7%					
N/A	12	0%					

# **SGA** | A Different Approach to Alcohol Education in Planning Stages

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for its annual culture show. Like the CSA, the VSA plans to use the money for lighting, costumes and publicity, as well as props. The bill passed unanimously.

The majority of SGA members attended a 24-hour retreat Friday night.

"One of the things we talked about at the retreat was making it easier to communicate with each other without having to make formal motions and things like that," said Andrew Elgert, speaker of the senate. "It might epically fail; hopefully it will do really well, though."

Elgert initiated a recess during the meeting to let committee members meet.

According to Elissa Taylor, SGA director of public affairs, this will allow committees that meet almost a week before Tuesday's senate meetings to catch up and ultimately be on the same page. Committees did not report any news back to the senate after the 20-minute meeting.

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## Candace Avalos SGA President

Student body president Candace Avalos led SGA members in reading their new "living mission."

The new mission reads, "We are a group of students committed to representing the voice of the student body. We believe that every student's voice has the ability to make a meaningful impact and therefore, we serve the JMU community by amplifying the voices of others."

Avalos also talked about Red Watch Band, an initiative for alcohol-emergency education used by more than 40 universities and colleges nationwide. Avalos said during the retreat members discussed making a JMU version for peer education on alcohol. Avalos explained the focus would be on students helping their peers instead of people with titles telling students what to do.

"The goal is to get more than just average students engaged in this, getting them trained, making sure they know this," Avalos said. "If something happens, it does not mean I'm an RA, it does not mean I'm a FROG, it does not mean I'm in an organization."

The initiative, temporarily known as "APES," or Alcohol Peer Educators, is in its very early planning stages.

# **NURSE** | JMU Prepares Students

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program will be unable to accept more students, Mast said. Students at JMU agree faculty members are committed and devoted to preparing the students to serve people by being

an example. "I respect the teachers and what they do to prepare us, and the program wouldn't be what it is if it were not for the teachers," junior Sally Eggman said.

She said she hasn't noticed the nurse shortage, but at her clinical, there is about one nurse to five patients.

"Just seeing the amount of work and care they give to those patients is wonderful but also time consuming," Eggman said. "I can't imagine the impact that more patients would create, as say in a hospital setting, and I feel the care would decrease."

According to junior Linn Guernsey, JMU prepares students well for finding a job. In one class, students create a resume and binder that demonstrate everything they have done at JMU, including a philosophy page highlighting their mission statement for being a nurse.

"For clinical, I have to work 12-hour shifts, much like what it would be like if I was in a hospital," Guernsey said. "I really feel nursing is one of the most timeconsuming majors JMU offers."

The program at JMU offers an associate or baccalaureate program and students must pass the Nursing Certification and Licensure exam (NCLEX) to obtain a license. JMU also offers a one-year program for registered nurses who hold associate degrees to obtain a Bachelor of Science in Nursing.

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to get everybody back to campus or around somewhere," Smith said. "We don't want to leave anyone anywhere. Regardless of what time we quit, there's going to be someone somewhere who is still going to party longer than that."

*Breeze* staffers John Sutter and Ryan Platt contributed to this article.

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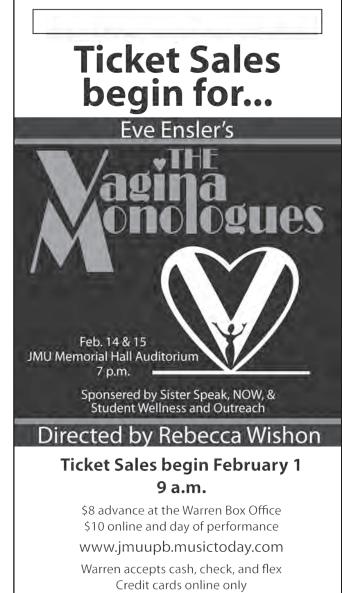
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# JDINION EDITOR Elizabeth Baugh E-MAIL breezeopinion@gmail.com — **EDITORIAL** Our Sympathies

Our deepest condolences go out to the family and friends of Morgan Dana Harrington, the 20-year-old Virginia Tech student who disappeared at a Metallica concert in Charlottesville.

Police confirmed the body found on a farm in Albermarle County was in fact Harrington's, ending a three-month search.

We send our support to the Virginia Tech community, which has experienced yet another tragic loss. In these distressing times, it is important to remain resilient and pray for the Harrington family.

## **STEVEN KNOTT** | simply knott satisfied

# **Bus Survey Indicates** Administrative Misstep

To the dismay of many students, weekend late night bus services were cut this past August, now ending at 2:15 a.m. instead of 3:00 a.m. Mark Warner, JMU's vice president of Student Affairs and University Planning, was the university administrator primarily responsible for making this decision.



decision was made.

The late night bus service is how a majority of students travel to and from parties during the weekend. By cutting its hours of operation, Warner says he was not just hoping to reduce underage drinking, but irresponsible behavior of students in general.

In response to the change, SGA committee chair of Student Services and student representative to the Board of Visitors, Rob Cellucci, conducted a survey to measure the effect of this shift in hours. The results suggest that the reduction in hours was both ineffective in discouraging underaged drinking and may actually cause students to act *less* responsibly.

The administration has made it clear they wish to significantly change MU's weekend culture: however home, students are not making better decisions; the university is simply stranding them to deal with their "irresponsible" ones. 3,309 of respondents said they would walk home if they were out past 2:15 a.m.

Warner responded that students can easily complain about any bus cut-off time. The administration questions why students would be content with a 3 a.m. cut-off and not continue pushing for even later hours. I think students should want a safe transportation method at any hour; and because it would seem that having more bus hours does not encourage more drinking, I would suggest that the school run services all night long. Safety should always be the priority.

Also discouraging is that the administration did not seek adequate student opinion to forecast this change's impact before the decision was made. Had they done so, their decision surely would have been different.

Another disheartening part of this issue is that it was Cellucci who decided to put this survey in the field, not a member of the administration. The administration had little to do with its conduction; now, three months after 4,146 students have expressed their voices, the university plans to stand by its decision for no less than the next eight months.

What service will be denied next? Will the University Health Center decide to stop treating smokers suffering from sinus infections because they are the result of irresponsible behavior? The question seems foolish, but it is equivalent to what the university has done by declining bus hours: refuse to help those who need it. I understand what administrators were thinking when they made this decision, but it seems their conjectures were way off. Warner, as well as the others involved in making the decision, say they hoped that, by cutting back transportation hours, they would be able to positively shift student culture away from underaged drinking and late night, reckless behavior. Unfortunately, it seems this change in culture has not occurred, but now party-going students are merely faced with a slightly less-safe environment.

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we should interpret the Constitution

narrowly, by following the enumerat-

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In the end, the Supreme Court sided

with Hamilton in 1937, stating, "It is

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by Hamilton. . . has prevailed over that

of Madison". Thus, the legal underpinning of socialized medicine rests in

the Supreme Court's 73-year decision

that the general welfare of the nation

The third component of the health-

care debate that is least discussed,

yet perhaps most important, is the

looming economic crisis developing

due to rising costs in the healthcare

economy. The most compelling case

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terms, without changes to the existing

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nomic in nature, and a moral or legal

epiphany will not solve this problem.

Paul Arsenovic is a biology graduate

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trumps economic freedom.

# **PAUL ARSENOVIC** | contributing writer Healthcare Debate is Innately Economic

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Moral and Legal Components Still Polarize Population

The national healthcare debate has recently dominated national media, aiding conservative Senator-elect Scott Brown in his recent electoral victory in the liberal bastion of Massachusetts. Highly emotional and idealistic political partisans, who either reject public healthcare or believe healthcare is a natural right, characterize this debate. I don't believe the debate should be this simple. The argument over public healthcare should be broken into three components: a moral component, a legal component and an economic component.

First, I want to summarize the moral argument against public healthcare, popular among Republican Party followers. Many Republicans believe mandated health insurance is immoral, because it removes individual responsibility and choice with respect to the healthcare market. Basically, these Republicans take a principled, idealistic stance that economic freedom is worth the cost of rising healthcare expenses and a growing uninsured population. What I find ironic and inconsistent is that these same Republicans are more than willing to surrender basic freedoms for increased national security. For example, an overwhelming number of Republicans supported the Patriot Act and the National Security Agency electronic surveillance program implemented under the Bush administration. The same Republicans also support tough drug laws that are inconsistent with the libertyloving principle they so strictly apply in their crusade against public health insurance.

The second component of the debate centers on the constitutionality of imposing a federal mandate care. In order to determine whether public healthcare is constitutional, you must examine legal precedents that define federal authority according to the Supreme Court. The first precedent coming to my mind is Social Security, a federally-mandated pension program funded through payroll taxes. In the Supreme Court case Stewart Machine Company v. Davis, the majority opinion ruled that the U.S. government had the constitutional authority to impose this program on all tax-paying citizens. This ruling as been in effect since 1937, setting an important legal precedent allowing the government to levy new taxes as a promotion of the "general welfare" of the nation.

The problem with the current system is that the growth rate of healthcare expenditures is eroding the federal budget but also substantially decreasing household income.

The debate regarding the meaning of promoting the nation's "general welfare" dates back to the Founding Fathers. Alexander Hamilton argued that the General Welfare clause implied that new taxes could be imposed on the public if it "provide[d] for the general welfare of the nation." James Madison disagreed and held the position that



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A "thanks-for-making-my-rainyday-a-lil'-more-sunny" pat to the boy who ran up the Village hill to give me my dropped JACard.

From a girl who wouldn't mind getting caught in the rain with you again

A "get-out-of-my-apartment!" dart to the fly that won't leave and is

only here to annoy us. From an apartment of squeamish

girls who are tired of chasing their fifth roommate around.

A **"my-ears-are-bleeding"** dart to WXJM for the insanely loud music at Student Org. Night.

From Rihanna, who really just wants you to please stop the music.

A "breaking-my-heart" dart to The Breeze for charging me \$2 to publish my "heart."

From a junior who believes in free love.

A "bundle-up,-wear-Juicv" pat to the guy sporting purple Walmart sweatpants with JUICY written on the back in permanent marker.

these survey results make it evident that decreasing bus hours cannot have any positive impact on the school or its reputation.

The results suggest withholding transportation will not deter students' decisions to drink or stay out late, but it will leave them without this safe transportation method 45 minutes earlier than in previous years. The results indicate that instead, students are more likely to walk home or in some cases drive drunk.

According to 3,526 of the 3,800 students who answered one question, cutting back bus hours further would not decrease their alcohol consumption; and the rise in alcohol-related citations only supports this further.

So it seems that whether or not the bus is running has little or nothing to do with the choice students make to drink. Without a bus to take them

Steven Knott is a junior finance and economics major.

A "no,-we're-not-about-toleave" dart to the E-Hall vultures breathing down our necks as we attempt to enjoy our dessert.

From a group of girls who are sick of being forced to leave their table by your impatient rudeness.

A "you-call-that-fun?!" dart to frat parties...everywhere.

From someone who witnessed a little too much barf-age outside of an unnamed frat house last Friday.

A "you-are-a-black-hole" dart to the Pub for making me black out every time I step inside the doors. From a girl who interpretive danced alone on stage last week.

A "thanks-for-your-patience" pat to my new baby girl.

From a JMU alum who has survived Iraq and Afghanistan but never took a class on how to change a diaper.

A "clean-my-sheets" dart to my friend who baby-sat my bed while I was gone for the weekend and told me he farted all over it.

From a girl who doesn't appreciate a stinky bed but does appreciate honesty.

### A "you-have-made-me-lazy"

dart to my parking pass. From a girl who used to take the bus and walk but now succumbs to driving everywhere.

From the girl who just needed a little homemade couture to brighten her day.

A **"run-Forrest-run"** pat to the inebriated girl who chose her feet over wheels to party hop on Friday night.

From someone who sees a future for you in drunken cross country.

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Harrisonburg for making me donate plasma for money.

From a girl who has found no other source of income while job searching.



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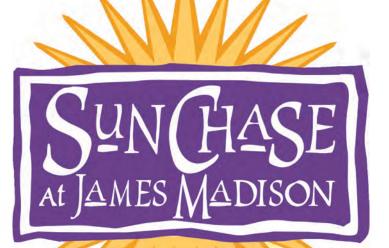
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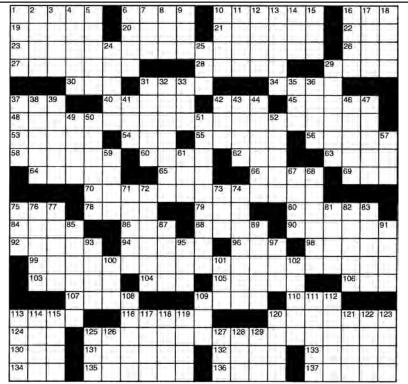


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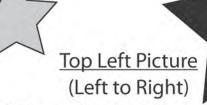
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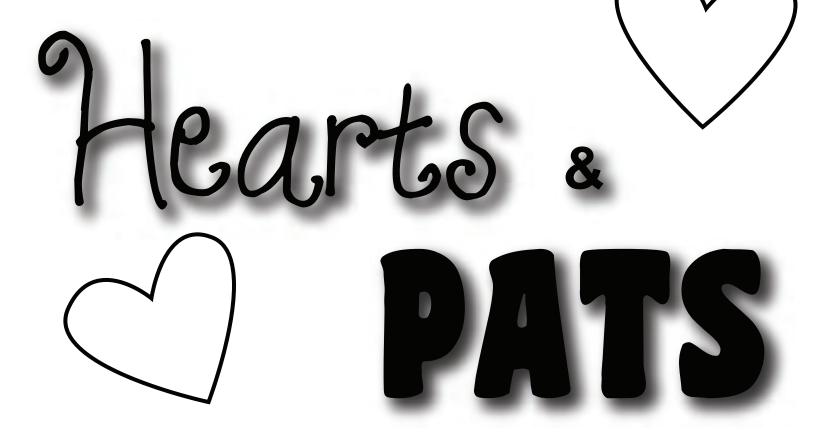
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# The Art of Slacking

# Delving into the Inner Workings of Class Sloth

As I sit in the back of my film studies class, I realize how much I've already learned after only three weeks back at school. For one, I've learned that "chicken beak" is a highly appropriate nickname for the girl in the front of the room and her overwhelmingly intrusive shnoz. Another thing I've learned is I have absolutely no idea as to what my teacher is saying.

But perhaps the most important thing I've discovered is that I'm not alone in these thoughts, and as class trudges on, my eyes can't help but wander to my classmates and observe their daily ADD-induced quirks. To the untrained eye, most of the class seems to listen attentively, eyes glued on the presentation currently at hand. However, I know better. I've had more than a dozen years in the public education system, and I am wise.

As I examine my classmates, I see what really goes on in their collegiate noggins. A thin wisp of fog shields the eyes from any bit of knowledge that might accidentally seep in, and the tiniest dribble of spit slowly bubbles at the corners of their mouths. I can almost see the daydreams taking place: reliving the weekend's sexual exploits or wondering what tasty morsels D-Hall holds in store this afternoon.

However, this is not everyone. Not everybody has the mental fortitude to slack off in such an inconspicuous and brilliant manner. On the other side of the classroom I see Stoner Bro. He is partaking in what can only be described as a rhythmic, almost spiritual dance as his head alternates from slowly sinking down to his chest to quickly jerking up again as he struggles to stay awake. Every once in a while his slightly out-of-focus eyes seem to stare off into the distance for a few seconds as you can almost smell a complete neurological systems failure. One row behind me is Sorority

Social Slut. iPhone constantly in hand, her texting pace rivals speeds reached by F-15 fighter jets, and she's easily surpassed the teacher in words per minute. Meanwhile, the constant tapping a few inches away from my ears makes me want to take her Phone and shove it straight down her iThroat to join the millions of "albino tadpoles" she acquired over the weekend. Finally, we have the seat directly in front of me, inhabited by my favorite slacker of all. To my professor, it looks as if he is simply taking notes, scrupulously writing down every word she says. But I have a front row seat to this art show, and the amount of doodles that comes out of this kid in a class period could shatter records. It starts off as simple scribbles in the margins of a notebook or handout: a checkerboard pattern, an eye and maybe a few simple polygons with shaded borders. As he finishes up, he glances up at the clock. Only a few minutes have passed. After a halfsincere attempt to listen, Doodleman's pen is buried back in the notebook furiously drawing away. This time it's a face. Maybe with a more intricate drawing class will go by faster. He finishes again and glances up at the clock. Only five more minutes have passed. This time he means business. He is thoroughly annoyed at the lack of time that has gone by which means his pictures are about to take a turn for the worse. Pen to the page he draws a snake coming out of the eye of the face. The snake evolves into some hideous crying monster. Its tears run down the page and turn into a tree that has a single leaf. A line is drawn out of the leaf and goes around the page wrapping it in a border. Now spikes are drawn all around the border. Dots are drawn in the spikes and those are in turn drawn into caterpillars, which climb up the tree, and you can see where this is going. His notebook is now fully transformed to resemble an Andy Warhol acid trip. Pleased with himself for his artistic endeavors, he glances at the clock. Eight minutes have passed. At this point Doodleman has reached the end of his rope. In a fit of fury, he stands up, screams out a series of incoherent words and bolts from the room crying...Just kidding. But it would be pretty cool if he did. The whole roundabout point to this article though, is that slacking is a lot harder than it looks, and there are many different types of us out there. Also I'm in class and really bored.



As the University of Virginia's yearbook Corks and Curls comes to an end after nearly 120 years, James Madison's Bluestone is reaching new contemporary heights. A university's yearbook serves as a graphic and narrated history of the students, academics, staff, sports teams and more. But as the ability to connect through digital means, like Facebook, overcomes traditional media, long-treasured productions are being cut.

Student interest slowly dwindled over the past years for the Corks and Curls yearbook produced annually by U. Va. So much so that it went unnoticed in 2008 when no yearbook was produced. This academic year U. Va. officially decided a yearbook would not be produced. According to Whitney Spivey, a 2005 U. Va graduate and former staff member, interviewed in Monday's edition of U. Va.'s Cavalier Daily, even though Corks and Curls is almost 120 years old, it's had financial problems since 2003 because of student apathy.

Instead of giving in and accepting demise, the Bluestone is working to appeal to more students in a contemporary manner. Senior Rebecca Schneider, the editor-in-chief of

'contemporary magazine' feel and are improving all aspects of design and photography."

More specifically Schneider notes, "the book has a much more consistent, modern feel to it, and I believe students will find it much more visually and intellectually interesting than some of the past yearbooks."

Unlike the personal cost for each U. Va. student, James Madison's Bluestone is financed by general tuition. Sarah Chain, copy editor at the Bluestone, explains "we are fortunate at JMU to have our expenses paid by the university, so we don't need to charge students out of pocket for their yearbooks at the end of the year. Other schools that sell their books at \$75 a piece often only sell a couple thousand in a campus our size.

In reference to the Bluestone's future, Schneider guarantees "as long as the JMU community continues to show an interest in the publication, it will continue production." Schneider also states that despite the digital shift to online production, "there hasn't been any talk of doing this for Bluestone, and I believe we will continue to stay in print publication.

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# 'Oak Tree' Rides on the Fluidity of Script

### **By ELYSE KRACHMAN** contributing writer

For a show that has been in production since the summer, it seems strange to throw an actor who has never read the script or seen the show into the play on opening night. However, that is exactly what Theatre II's production of "An Oak Tree" directed by senior Kristin Siegert.

The play, written by Tim Crouch, only has two actors. The first is a hypnotist, played by freshman George Dippold. The second will be different on any given night, and will be portrayed by seniors Robby Bassler, Jon Hudson, juniors Jessica Johnson, Kristin Gibson, and freshman Mike Swan, making each performance unique.

"An Oak Tree" challenges the audience to reflect on loss, the power of suggestion and the ambiguity of reality. It is set during a hypnotist's stage act, and like a hypnotist's performance, has to be seen to be believed.

Siegert, chose this unorthodox production on the script's merits. "The script was so compelling, because it's like an experiment. The audience and the second actor are both experiencing it for the first time," Siegert said.

The rehearsal process were also unorthodox, since the second actor wasn't supposed to see the script until the performance. Rehearsals for the first actor were more standard running lines and practicing blocking except it was difficult to rehearse the feeling of the show without practicing with the real actors, according to Dippold. The second actor rehearsals were more like an improvisation class than a rehearsal. According to Siegert, the second actors practiced "being in the moment and reacting honestly," two crucial aspects of the show.

During the dress rehearsals, Siegert's friends and colleagues stood in for the

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# **JEFF WADE** | contributing writer iCan't Believe People Watch This

11.2 million. Eleven - point - two million. According to recently released Nielsen ratings data, that would be the number of people who watched last Monday's very special episode of the Nickelodeon kidcom "iCarly". That 11.2 million people was enough to make it the most watched show of the evening, beating any other program on cable or broadcast, including the season premiere of "24."

These ratings are probably deserved when the pedigree of "iCarly" is considered. The show is technically a spin-off of "Drake & Josh," which itself was technically a spin-off of "The Amanda Show" which was technically a spin-off of "All That," which was technically a spin-off of a feverish dream that executive producer Dan Schneider I'm guessing the show is an adaptation of Isaac Asimov's classic science fiction story "I, Robot," and follows the existential struggles of iCarly

had believing that Danny Tamberelli deserved a career.

"iCarly", from what I can gather from my limited knowledge about shows aimed at people half of my age, stars the tween semi-sensation Miranda Cosgrove. From the title, I'm guessing the show is an adaptation of Issac Asimov's classic science fiction story "I, Robot," and follows the existential struggles of iCarly as she contrasts her manufactured nature and societal purpose with her new

sentience.

So now that I've firmly entrenched "iCarly" in my search history, and registered with the appropriate authorities, I've discovered "iCarly" is about a girl named Carly who hosts a TV show on the Internet with her two friends. My version was better.

In the special, titled "iSaved Your Life," Carly is saved from an oncoming taco truck by Freddie, her male friend. Awed by his heroism, Carly gives into the 9-to-12 year-

old demographic version of sexual tension and they kiss. This kind of high drama captivates and grabs the attention of 11.2 million people.

Let's put this into perspective and compare these viewership numbers to some other TV shows.

'Mad Men" is a critically adored show about advertising pitchmen. It's a smart and engaging show that uses its '60s setting to examine issues in society both then and now. Not to mention that it is beautifully shot, has a slavish devotion to detail, and contains some of the best drama and most engaging characters to ever appear on TV. The highest rating for an episode of "Mad Men"? 2.8 million for the Season 3 premiere.

**STANDING** Freshman **George Dippold** plays the hypnotist in "An Oak Tree." SITTING Sophomore Grey Robertson serves as a stand in for the other character, because the real actors won't receive the script until the day of the show.

# **iCARLY** | Beats Out 'Mad Men,' Conan, Jack Bauer and Pam and Jim

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"But that show by its highly serialized nature, the demands that it places on the viewer, and its existence on a cable network ensure that it'll only have a dedicated niche!" the rhetorical reader rebukes. Well let's look at broadcast TV then. How about a show like "Chuck"? It's a fun show, formulaic without being repetitive, excellent cast with obvious chemistry, and nails the tricky mix of action and comedy. It's the kind

of show that does little to alienate people and is simply immensely likable. It's even family-friendly fare. Highest ratings for its currently airing third season? 7.7 million people.

But hey, benefit of the doubt, that episode of "iCarly" was a special event, one that won't be repeated anytime soon. Much bigger than something like Conan O'Brien's bittersweet final episode of "The Tonight Show." Final concrete ratings for that one aren't in yet,

but they are approximated at a pathetic, by "iCarly" standards, 8 million viewers. I could go on and talk about how "iCarly" has even beat episodes of "Lost" (9.4 million for the season 5 finale) or "The Office" (9.4 million, and that's for the long-awaited Jim and Pam wedding), but what's the point? It's time to accept that a new show is the subject of all the water-cooler chatter.

So did anyone catch last night's "iCarly"?

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# **PLAY** | Makes Trial Actor Admit to Feeling 'Vulnerable'



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FROM LEFT Director, senior Kristin Siegert, sophomore Grey Robertson and freshman George Dippold, discuss 'An Oak Tree' after Monday night's dress rehearsal.

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second actor. Monday night, this job fell to Grey Robertson, a sophomore theatre major. When asked what the experience was like, Robertson answered, "It got scary once I was actually in it, but not incredibly. It's all about the interpretation." During the talk-back session at the end of

## An Oak Tree

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the performance, Robertson also revealed he had felt a lot more "vulnerable" during the show than he had expected.

"Every [performance of "An Oak Tree"] is like one big huge growing beast," said Dippold when he reflected on the experience. "It's surprisingly different every night ... it's like a big acrobatics act. I think everybody should see this play, because it's a piece of art that you can talk about forever and still never get anywhere."

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# Come Together, Right Now

### By ELYSE KRACHMAN contributing writer

Two days after an earthquake shook Haiti on Jan. 12, Christina Massetti, JMU senior and Alpha Sigma Alpha member, was already in the midst of planning a fundraiser to donate money to the

### Hope for Haiti

The Pub Tonight 9:30 p.m.

devastated country. "I felt I needed to do something in some way, donate money... find some way to contribute, and then I thought that to contribute, [as JMU students], we have all these resources that it's kind of our duty to give back," Massetti said.

She approached Taryn Anrig the ASA president, and asked her if she could help plan a unique fundraiser that wouldn't just mindlessly donate money. "It would have been easy to just go to my girls and say, 'Everybody let's donate five dollars, let's donate a dollar."" Anrig said. "I don't think that really brings home the point."

Anrig said, "I was immediately up for it, I would love to see everybody get more involved with things. This was a really great opportunity for us... I know a lot of the girls [in ASA] have been really passionate about it."

Massetti decided to organize a concert under the name "Hope for Haiti," which will take place tonight at The Pub.

"It will be a big night of fun and listening to music. I'm hoping that people will come out and really remember... this is big, this is something I'm really supposed to be doing, and you can have fun by helping people out also."



Sophomore Jake Taylor and the rest of ClearView partnered with ASA to raise

week when she heard them play at The Pub.

money for Haiti with a benefit concert.

"The band had a great sound. Everybody I know would really love to hear them play. That was the first thing that popped into my mind," Massetti said.

ClearView is described by charismatic lead singer Michael Lupton, a Bridgewater student, as "a mixture of funk, soul and rock. We have a lot of diverse sounds from our different musicians... that comes together and sounds pretty tight."

ClearView is a year and a half old, and was formed when bassist Peter Loomis and drummer Mike Nelson began jamming, and decided to invite some friends to play with them. Soon the band was born. When they know that we can band together for something like this ... and work for a cause. I think it's our responsibility to use [our] skills and what [we're] good at to help others, and being a musician, that's what I do."

The Pub only makes money off of food and drink sales, and the band usually takes all the profits from cover charges and anyone who buys their CD or merchandise. Tonight 30 percent of the bands' profit will go to the American Red Cross to help them with medical supplies, food, and water. Apart from the cover charge, a jar will be passed around for extra donation money.

When she talked about the JMU community, Massetti said: "We have a voice, we have the



power, and we have the responsibility to help people."

"Hope for Haiti" starts at 9:30 p.m. tonight at The Pub.

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# GAMES THIS WEEK

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Hofstra @ JMU Tonight, 7 p.m. Junior forward Jalissa Taylor totaled 23 rebounds in a win over Hofstra last season.

Towson @ JMU Sunday, 2 p.m. JMU made 11 3-pointers in a 72-68 overtime win at Towson on Jan. 14.

## **SWIM & DIVE**

Richmond @ JMU Saturday, 12 p.m. Sophomore Nicole Jotso set a school record in the 3-meter dive last season against Richmond.

# JAN. 21 - 27 **CLUB SPORTS RESULTS\***

## Men's Skiing

- **COMPETITION @ BRYCE MT. 1/23/10** GS – Team Finish: first, Total Time: 3:02.09
- 1/24/10 GS Team Finish: first, Total Time: 2:51.13
- Individual leader Peter Jackson

## Women's Skiing

- **COMPETITION @ BRYCE MT. 1/23/10** GS – Team Finish: first, Total Time: 3:20.18
- 1/24/10 GS Team Finish: first, Total Time: 3:11.50
- Individual leaders Kendall Berton, Kay Lynn Ford

## Men's Snowboarding

- COMPETITION @ BRYCE MT. 1/23/10 GS – Team Finish: second, Total Time: 4:21.69
- **1/24/10** GS Team Finish: second, Total Time: 4:04.25
- Individual leader Jack Henderson

## Women's Snowboarding

- COMPETITION @ BRYCE MT. 1/23/10 GS - Team Finish:
- first, Total Time: 4:44.16 1/24/10 GS – Team Finish:
- third, Total Time: 4:31.59
- Individual leader Elisabeth Sundin

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# VOLLEYBALL **Ambitious New Coach to** Take JMU to the Next Level



### DAVID COYLE / UK ATHLETICS

26-year-old Lauren Sauer, here as assistant coach for University of Kentucky has accepted her first head coaching job at JMU, taking over for nine-year coach Disa Garn

# Lauren Sauer from University of Kentucky to Head Volleyball Program

## By MATT O'TOOLE

The Breeze

JMU athletic director Jeff Bourne announced the hiring of Lauren Sauer as head coach of the volleyball program this week.

"We are extremely excited to welcome Lauren to JMU," Bourne said in a press release. "She is a bright young coach with experience at the highest level as both a coach and a student-athlete."

Sauer (pronounced "sour"), 26, came from the University of Kentucky, where she was an assistant coach and recruiting coordinator for three years.

"I'm thrilled," she said. "It's a great place to start my coaching career with a beautiful campus and great aca-

"I look at that team, and they have so much potential... Their drive and passion will definitely go a long way."

demics — good atmosphere. I really enjoyed the girls. It was a no-brainer for me, and I can't wait to get there." While at Kentucky, Sauer worked under head coach Craig

Lauren Sauer JMU head volleyball coach

Skinner. "Skinner is one of best in country," Sauer said. "I learned a lot by just watching him.

His ability to be steady and patient and his knowledge of the game are incredible."

In those three years, the Wildcats were 77-21, reaching the NCAA Sweet 16 last season. The American Volleyball Coaches Association named her as one of the best "30 coaches under the age of 30" in 2009.

"First and foremost [I'm excited] to be here and compete for a championship [at JMU]," Sauer said. "I experienced it at Kentucky, and I got to work with a couple of the best coaches in the country. Taking experiences from them and flying overseas to play was an experience, and I can't wait to bring that level of training to James Madison."

Previous coach Disa Garner resigned in December after a 9-year tenure and a 146-110 overall record and a conference title her first year in 2000.

Sauer is taking over a team that had no seniors last season and many young talented underclassmen.

"I look at that team, and they have so much potential," Sauer said. "The ability to come in and train these girls for three and four years and getting to meet with them was excellent. Their drive and passion will definitely go a long way."

The team looks forward to making the next step with the new addition to the program.

"We're excited, genuinely excited," said junior middle

## **TRACK & FIELD**

# Early Qualifiers, **Promising Start**

# Ta' Frias Brings New Coaching Style to Track Team

### **By GEORGINA BUCKLEY** The Breeze

The JMU women's track and field team is off to a promising start with first-year coach Ta' Frias and several members who have already qualified for post-season indoor championships in March.

So far, the 4x800 meter relay team



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Ta' Frias took over as coach of track and field in December. Two relay teams and two individuals have already qualified for ECAC championships under her tenure.

and distance medley relay team qualified for the Eastern Colonial Athletic Conference championships. Individually, senior Jessica Wade qualified in shot put and senior Alison Parris qualified in the mile.

Wade broke her own school record last weekend at the Virginia Tech Hokie Invitational with a distance of 45 feet, 4 1/4 inches, placing sixth in the shot put competition. A women's shot put weighs approximately 8 pounds, 13 ounces.

"To have more ladies qualify early is a good thing," Frias said. "My expectation is to have as many qualifiers as we can to bring together a strong showing."

Frias, who was announced as head coach Dec. 10, said she is "still in the evaluation process."

Frias is assisted by Dave Rinker, the women's cross country coach.

The rest of the team is still adjusting with the switch from former coach Kelly Cox to Frias. Cox took the job of head coach at Millikin University in September 2009 to be closer to home.

They're completely different," sophomore high jumper Jasmine Craighead said. "They're both helpful but their styles of coaching are different... [Frias] was the only coach that we actually saw and I liked her off the bat.

Senior high jumper Jessica O'Brien is adjusting, like everyone, to having a new coach.

"I've been doing things the exact same way for three years, so that's the hardest thing for me, [that] for the

## **FOOTBALL**

# **Two Dukes Sent to NFL Combine**

Not since tailback Curtis Keaton in 2000, has a Duke been invited to the NFL draft combine. On Tuesday, offensive guard Dorian Brooks and defensive lineman Arthur Moats were shocked by the news they were headed to Indianapolis.

The combine is Feb. 2 through March 27 in Lucas Oil Stadium. Athletes will compete in the 40-yard dash, bench press, vertical jump and position-specific drills.

Moats is the 36th best outside

linebacker, and Brooks is the 49th best guard, according to Draft Insider. Moats

Arthur Moats

**Dorian Brooks** 

will garner more attention Feb. 6 at the Texas vs. The Nation all-star game in El Paso, Texas

Brooks, a Richmond native, is projected to be an undrafted free agent with a 40-yard dash time of 5.16 seconds. While Moats, a Portsmouth native, was the recipient of the Buck Buchanan Award as division I-AA football's top defensive player and is projected to be picked up in the seventh round.

- staff reports



# Halftime at the Convo

The JMU men's basketball team played William & Mary last night. The score was 37-30 at the break with JMU leading at press time.

Senior guard Pierre Curtis, here driving to the hoop, had four points at half. Curtis had 15 points in William & Mary and JMU's last meeting. In that Jan. 14 game, the Tribe beat the Dukes 85-78 in Williamsburg, and JMU's 6-foot-10 junior forward Denzel Bowles led all scorers with 26 points.

Last night, the Dukes were shooting 44 percent from the field and had made 8-for-9 free throws at half. Junior guard Ben Louis had eight straight points before the break to help JMU secure the seven-point buffer.

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Lauren Sauer ranked 13th in the country for recruiting, and was voted onto a list of best "30 coaches under the age of 30" by the American Volleyball Coaches Association.

# **VOLLEYBALL** Sauer Sees Potential in Recruitment

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back Jessica Zeroual. "She is a great coach and will bring a new face to our program, and I feel that everyone is on board and ready to go with her."

The Dukes have seven months to get to know their new coach before the 2010 season kicks off.

"We're going to try and figure out

"Once they see we are winning and we take good care of them in this good institution, it's pretty easy to sell James Madison."

Lauren Sauer JMU head volleyball coach

her coaching philosophy at our playing skill level," Zeroual said. "So it will be a lot of balancing out this spring, so we're ready for the fall. She seems to know a lot about the game and is very mainstream throughout her volleyball

career."

Coming from a Southeastern Conference school to a school in the Colonial Athletic Association, recruiting will be a battle, but Sauer excelled at Kentucky, ranking 13th in the country in 2009, and believes JMU's quality academics will attract excelling student-athletes.

"Sell the academics," Sauer said. "As a student-athlete experience we are going to do to everything we can to make it the four or five best years of their life. Once they see we are winning and we take good care of them in this good institution, it's pretty easy to sell James Madison."

The Dukes struggled last season, compiling a record of 11-19 overall and 4-10 in the CAA but Sauer is ready to take on the challenge.

"I mainly just want to improve everyday in the gym, and next season we want to make the tournament and compete for the conference championship," Sauer said.

Prior to her tenure at Kentucky, Sauer played overseas in Almeria, Spain for a year. Before that, she completed an outstanding career at Georgia Tech, with her team reaching the NCAA Championships all four seasons.

## **MEET THE PLAYER**



Jalissa Taylor Women's Basketball

business finance major

What made you want to start playing basketball? My aunt signed me up for a basketball program when I was 10, and I've liked it since.

What position do you play? I'm center, but now they have me playing center and forward.

Who has been your biggest inspiration? My mother. She's just an awesome person – hard worker and strong willed. She's always pushed me to be the best person I can. I look to her for advice and guidance.

## What is something interesting about where

**you're from?** I'm originally from New York. I moved to Virginia when I was 12. There's always something to do – it's the city that never sleeps. I love it.

What makes the women's basketball team different than other teams? We're very close. We look at each other as sisters and work well with each other. I'm sure other teams do too, but we work hard together to get things accomplished.

Do you ever wish you weren't playing a sport while in college? Not really. I feel like I would be bored.

Basketball is part of my life; it's something I've always done – it's part of me.

How do you prepare for a game? I try to listen to music right before, and I tell myself to go out there and play your game. I do pray before every game.

If you could travel anywhere, where would you go? I would go to the Bahamas or the islands. It seems so peaceful, calm and a place to relax. If you could be granted three wishes, what would you wish for? I would wish for my team and I to be CAA champions and then go to the NCAA tournament. I would like a billion dollars and success in the

future with whatever I do in life.

How do you spend your weekends? If I'm not studying then I'm playing basketball. Then I'm basically relaxing.

**Do you see yourself playing professionally?** I would like to do that. If the opportunity comes I will take it. It's something I'd love to do.

Who would you like to play for? I really don't have a set team. I'm pretty much open to anyone.

If you were a Student Ambassador, what would you tell potential students and their parents about JMU? That JMU is a wonderful school that has great faculty and staff who are willing to help you when you need it. There are so many resources here that are reliable. The people are very nice and approachable.

# **TRACK** Athletes Appreciate New Perspective



Senior Jessica Wade, here practicing, broke the shot put record last weekend.

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last couple of months with a different coach, I've been hearing things a different way," O'Brien said. "But hearing things explained in a different way is making me realize I can use my body in a different way."

O'Brien set the school high jump record (5 feet, 8 3/4 inches) as a freshman in the 2006-07 season, but injured herself and hasn't been able to regularly take part in meets until this season.

"It's difficult relearning everything you've been doing, but it's good, because sometimes when you're doing things the same way you get in a rut," O'Brien said.

After the ECAC championships in March and the CAA tournament in April at George Mason, the team will focus on training for outdoor.

"I'm looking forward to conferences at the end of indoor [season], it is just a lot of training and repetition," O'Brien said. The team's indoor season comes to an end, when it then immediately switches to outdoor.

The JMU track and field team will compete this Friday and Saturday at the Liberty Open in Lynchburg.



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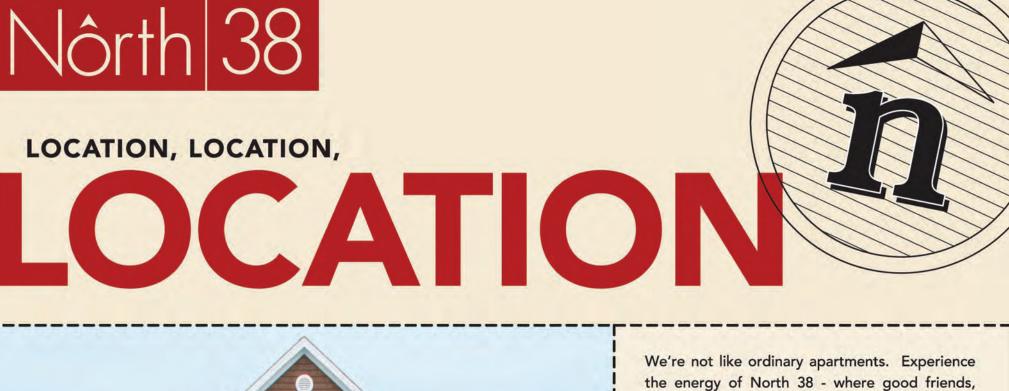
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COUPLES DANCE WORKSHOP Valentines special on 11th February 90 minute workshop for wedding couples, married couples and partners to learn social dancing for a wedding or dance night out environment. Learn such dances as Swing, Salsa, Merengue and Foxtrot. Cost is \$20 per couple with a \$5 discount each couple for registering multiple couples. Preregistration is required at register. shergoldstudio.com or call 434 1008. HIP HOP~PUSSY CAT DOLLS/ MTV! Learn to dance like a pro to your favourite songs. Hip Hop series will teach cool moves each week. Join Instructor Reza at Shergold Dance Studio every Wednesday at 6pm. \$10 drop in or \$80 / ten class card. Pre-Registration required at register. shergoldstudio.com or call 434 1008.

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Help Wanted

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WEB-DESIGNER NEEDED James McHone Jewelry is searching for a part-time website designer. Applicant must be a freshman, sophmore or junior. Position is open now. Flexible hours. Please send resume to hunter@mchonejewelry.com or call and ask for Hunter (540) 433-1833

# Calling All Writers!

# Breeze Open House Tonight

Anthony-Seeger Hall Basement 6 p.m.

Talk to Editors Pizza & Drinks

Come see how you can get involved.

# Get your vote in for the...



your favorite food, shopping, salons and more...

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# ONLY A FEW HOMES STILL AVAILABLE

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# FEBRUARY IS FETCHING

**Find "Pheasant Man"** at one of his favorite Harrisonburg hotspots and you could receive special leasing incentives and a variety of prizes including: gift cards to restaurants and shops, movie passes, or even tubing tickets. Clues will be posted the day before he makes a run on our Facebook Page or track down one of our Pheasant Runners in our green sweatshirt for clues and additional leasing rewards.

**TUESDAY'S (FEB. 2) CLUE:** 

"Maybe I'll grab a cup of joe, get my feathers clipped, and even enjoy a freaky fast sandwich between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Won't you join me?"

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Be sure to visit our official Pheasant Run Facebook Fan Page for next Friday's clue: www.facebook.com/PheasantRunJMU



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