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Fires covering more than 2,000 acres near Harrisonburg filled the air with smoke Saturday. No one had been admitted to Rockingham Memorial Hospital for smoke-related injuries and only one building had been destroyed, as of Sunday afternoon.

### Wildfires spread over windy weekend, crews still working

### By STEPHANY HOLGUIN

and AARON KOEPPER The Breeze

Heavy winds swept smoke and ash from multiple wildfires in Rockingham County across Harrisonburg on Saturday, leaving a haze and the smell of smoke in the air.

The largest fire of the group, known as the Coffman Fire," originated near Coffman Lane approximately 10 miles west of Harrisonburg and north of Route 33, near Rawley Springs, Va.

The Coffman Fire has burned 2,148 acres as of noon Sunday, according to a press release from the Unified Fire Command, made up of the Virginia Department of Forestry, the Rockingham County Fire & Rescue Department and the United States Forest Service.

A smaller fire four miles west of the Coffman Fire in Chestnut Ridge in George Washington National Forest has burned another 200 acres, according U.S. Forest Service spokesman Peter Irvine.

No one has been admitted to Rockingham Memorial Hospital for smoke-related or respiratory-related injuries connected to the fires, according to Nursing Coordinator Brenda Hedrick

The fire only destroyed one building, a wildfires. The NWS reported winds up to 55 mph



GRAPHIC BY JENA THIELGES / THE BREEZE

seasonal hunting cabin. As of Sunday, it has not been contained.

"At this time we do not have an estimate for containment, however, today's weather is more favorable for firefighting conditions," Irvine said

The National Weather Service issued a high wind advisory and a red flag warning for Saturday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., meaning conditions were ideal for

Saturday and 18 percent humidity.

"A lot has to do with the weather, the high winds, the low humidity and the air is dry," said Mark Monger, Harrisonburg 911 Emergency Call Cen-

Brett Heart, captain of Fire Station No. 1 in Harrisonburg, said the dry conditions would make it easier for fire to spread.

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### JMU professor investigated for explicit photos

### By AARON KOEPPER The Breeze

JMU's planetarium director is now on paid leave after Harrisonburg Police searched his house and office Tuesday for evidence that he allegedly sent sexu-

William R. Alexander, also a physics professor, has not been charged. HPD Spokeswoman Mary-Hope Vass

ally explicit photos to a 17-year-old girl.

said in an e-mail that the investigation According to the affidavit filed with the search warrant, police began investigating Alexander after the 17-year-old

girl told her counselor and police that he sent her sexually explicit photos. "The university is aware of the situation, and a process is in place," JMU spokesman Don Egle said Friday. "The faculty member is on administrative

leave with pay." Egle said Alexander's class schedules would not change and that operating times for the planetarium would not be

affected by Alexander's absence. Police took several items from Alexander's home in Churchville, Va., on Tuesday, including a desktop computer, two digital cameras, a cell phone and a DVD, according to a search warrant filed in Augusta County Circuit Court.

On Feb. 4, HPD Investigator Greg Miller, who authored the affidavit, met with the female victim.

The affidavit stated that one of the 17-year-old's friends met Alexander online and gave him the victim's cell phone number. Alexander then allegedly contacted the girl through his Yahoo! e-mail account.

"Female No. 1 advised Alexander that she was a 17-year-old female and Alexander told her that he was a 29-year-old male who was a student at JMU," the affidavit states. "Female No. 1 advised that the electronic communication soon

became very sexually explicit in nature." The affidavit states that Alexander sent the girl five photos in an e-mail on Dec. 10, 2010, two of which were sexually explicit. Alexander then asked the girl to meet him in Harrisonburg, and they did,

the document states. The affidavit also reads that some of the e-mails Alexander sent were possibly delivered during normal work hours.

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# More four-year graduates at JMU than national average

Officials attribute success to advising program, staff

By NATALIE DOHNER The Breeze

Graduation rates at JMU are high compared to other public universities across

According to information compiled from in the federal Integrated Post-Secondary Education Data System, JMU has a 68 percent four-year graduating rate, ranking 10th out of 25 public universities. While the list measured public universities on a national level, four schools in Virginia made the top 10.

According to federal statistics, 48 percent of full-time freshmen graduate in four years at private colleges or universities. At state schools, on average, 27 percent of full-time freshmen graduate

JMU's percentage more than doubles this national average for state schools. Mitchell attributes this achievement to

"a supportive campus environment and a number of academic student support services that help students achieve their educational goals." JMU's current four-year graduation

rate is the highest it has been in the school's history.

The College of William & Mary and the University of Virginia sit at second and third place on the list, respectively. U.Va.'s percentage is 85 percent and W&M has a graduation rate of 82 percent.

The University of Mary Washington in Fredericksburg, Va., is ranked ninth

# PUBLIC UNIVERSITY FOUR-YEAR

GRADUATION RAILS		
College of William & Mary	82 percent	
U.Va.	85 percent	
Mary Washington	70 percent	
JMU	68 percent	

- STATISTICS FROM INTEGRATED POST-SECONDARY

rate, just above JMU. "The students attending Mary Washington are similar in many ways to JMU, although the school is much smaller," said Randy Mitchell, the associate vice president for Student Success. "I'm guessing that our graduation rates run neck-and-neck most of the time, but we're graduating a greater number of students each year."

with a 70 percent four-year graduation

According to the annual statistical summary published by the department of Institutional Research, when President Linwood Rose entered office in 1998, the four-year graduation rate was 61 percent. Prior to Rose's term, the numbers ranged from the middle to upper 50 percent.

Every year since, JMU's four-year graduation rate has been consistently increasing by about 1 percent. From 2001 to 2002, the graduation rate jumped from 64 percent to 67 percent.

'We have a consistency in leadership and purpose at JMU," said Frank

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# HIV/AIDS club tests, educates

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Spending 2010 Maymester in Guam provided three health science majors with more than just unforgettable memories. Seniors Megan Lukschander and Alyssa Arey and junior Samantha Simpson left with a desire to change the stigma about HIV and AIDS.

In Guam, they worked in a lab and surveyed people with the actual virus.

When Lukschander came back to the states, she said she was treated like a victim of the disease.

'People would say, 'Oh you worked with people with AIDS, stay away from me,' " Lukschander said. "That kind of ignorance shocked me." Lukschander came back to JMU

looking to join an AIDS awareness organization. After finding none, she decided to start her own. This fall, Lukschander, Arey and Simpson applied to have Madison HIV/AIDS Alliance become an official student

through the recognition process. Their first big official event, HIV testing on Valentine's Day, was JMU's largest free HIV screening, with more than 120

organization and are currently going

students tested. Madison HIV/ AIDS Alliance teamed up with the Charlottesville-based AIDS/ HIV Services Group, with the help of their club sponsor, professor Todd Sabato, to conduct this mass testing.

"We had so many people, the wait for a test was 30 minutes," Simpson said. They even had to turn some people

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# "Get smart. Get tested." 1 in 500 college students is living with HIV. - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention 36 people at JMU could be living with the virus. Madison HIV/AIDS Alliance will be hosting JMU's first ever HIV/AIDS awareness week - Nov. 14-18.

### **OPINION**

Possible program cut Proposed GOP bill would take a chunk out

### His world

Andrew Jenks shares life lessons with the audience of Wilson Hall.

### **SPORTS** Nail biter

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### Men's basketball

BracketBuster game comes down to the last seconds.

**2/21 INSIDE** 

Space for cyclists

The money raised in honor of student's father will create more bike lanes

on Harrisonburg streets.

of local radio and TV

stations' budgets.



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**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)

A new way of doing things comes to

your attention, and you'll have far more reasons to give it a try than to stick to the old methods.



**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) Do things in the proper order



**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) You'll want to take a stroll

down memory lane - and you'll be amazed at how different the reality is from your memory.



**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) You will have to tell someone what

you've done, whether good or bad. A deal can be made at this time that yields more freedom.



**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) You've been working on a

project for quite some time, but so far it hasn't made its way out of your head.



LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Put yourself in another's shoes:

you may still not understand his or her motives better, but you'll understand your own much more.



**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You'll want to

know what others are thinking about you, whether supportive or critical. Indeed, the negative teaches you lessons.





SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

You may feel as though someone

is stonewalling you - and indeed, you're not getting all the information that you seek.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) A challenge comes to you from within your own team. Is this something to worry about right now? Wait for further developments.



**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Concern about what another might say

about you - or someone in your circle — has you doing things that may be slightly uncharacteristic.



**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You want to know what's really going

on, and you want to know it right now - and indeed, right now this information can serve you well.



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### A warm and fuzzy club

KnitWits club president Mary Goodwater (right) assists Sarah Weissberger, a fellow member, with a knitting pattern during a Tuesday club meeting. The KnitWits, formed in 2005, practice both knitting and crocheting, and give hats to hospitals and chemotherapy patients every year.

### F MINUS



### **CORRECTIONS**

■ The graphic accompanying the Feb. 17 article "Transportation alterations" showed traffic gates placed incorrectly on campus.

■ The Feb. 17 article "Medicine, technology, journalism" misspelled Dr. Deborah Lindner's name. Also, the session took place in Wilson Hall, not Warren Hall.









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# Jury trial set for April malicious wounding case

By AARON KOEPPER The Breeze

A Chantilly, Va. man has a jury trial date set for May 13 in Rockingham County Circuit Court for charges stemming from the day of Springfest.

Kalvin Lamar Jackson, 25, was told in court Friday to appear on May 13. He is charged with felony malicious wounding and felony malicious wounding by mob



Jackson, 25, is charged with felony malicious wounding and malicious wounding by

Kalvin Lamar

for allegedly assaulting a male victim on

the night of April 10.

Jackson appeared in district court three times and was sent to circuit court on June 23, then faced a grand jury on Aug. 16. The grand jury decided there was enough evidence to for a full trial.

Jackson allegedly assaulted a male victim with a group of four or five others, witnesses told the grand jury, according to the affadavit.

According to circuit court records from

April and May, the victim was attacked while walking through the Campus Corner parking lot on Port Republic Road at approximately 9 p.m. on April 10, when he was attacked and kicked by four to five men, allegedly including Jackson.

Afterward, the victim was taken to the University of Virginia Medical Center for emergency treatment and then to Rockingham Memorial Hospital. RMH medical records from April 11 and

subpoenaed by the Commonwealth's Attorney prosecuting the case describe the victim as "assaulted and beaten up yesterday [April 10] and hit with a bottle and [having] seizure activity after the

Jackson was released from jail on bail April 16.

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**HARRISONBURG** 

### CHOICES to affect parking today

There will be an increased demand of on-campus parking due to CHOICES, according to Parking Services. Families attending CHOICES will be directed to park in the C11 and C12 Convocation Center lots, with overflow into Festival. Parking Services encourages students to allow additional time for parking or take a bus to campus.

### Federal court date set for professor

James Lesner Query, 53, is scheduled to have a guilty plea hearing in the United States District Court in Harrisonburg on March 9, according to the online federal court docket. Query, a communications studies professor on administrative leave, was indicted in November on one felony charge of distributing child pornography and one felony charge of possession of child pornography. Query was arrested Sept 2.

## iPad thief gets 15 days in jail

A Palm Coast, Fla. man began serving 15 days of a 30-day sentence Thursday for stealing a \$699 iPad from ISAT last

David Verkhovtsev, 20, was found guilty of one misdemeanor charge of petit larceny, downgraded from a felony charge of grand larceny. Prosecutors had dropped a second charge, conspiracy to commit grand larceny, on Jan. 20.

Another man, Aleksander Shumevko, 18, who stole the iPad with Verkhovtsev, was also found guilty in court Feb. 7 for misdemeanor petty larceny. That charge was downgraded from a felony grand larceny charge. According to court records, Shumeyko will serve 30 days of a 360-day sentence, pay \$503 in court costs and be on supervised proba-

Shumeyko, of Mt. Crawford, was arrested Jan. 31 for two felony counts of forgery, one felony count of obtaining money by false pretenses, and one count of misdemeanor larceny. He is scheduled to appear in court March 1 for these charges.

Verkhovtsev and Shumeyko stole the iPad on Oct. 19 from an unlocked ISAT office. Surveillance cameras showed the two inside the building, and an ISAT employee followed them outside and later helped identify them, according to Lee Shifflett, JMU chief of police.

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### Committee meets behind closed doors

The Presidential Search Committee met in closed session Thursday and Friday to discuss contract matters and legal

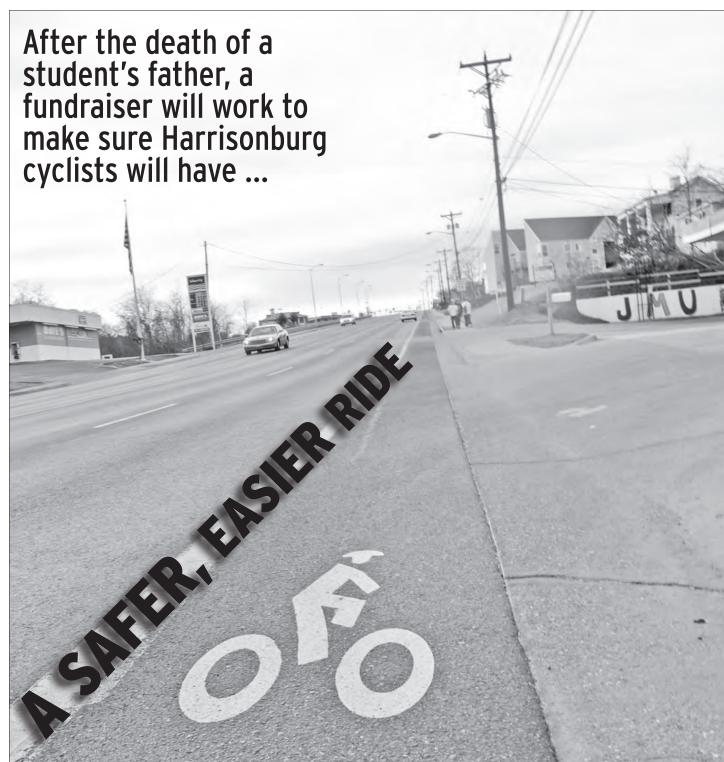
JMU President Linwood Rose will be leaving office in June 2012. JMU officials said they hope to find a replacement by early next year.

The subcommittee discussed contracts for a search firm, which will go through the process of finding candidates for the presidency. There were no actions taken during the meeting, according to JMU spokesman Don Egle.

Virginia State Code specifies that public organizations can hold closed meetings for finding a new candidate for employment. Virginia State Code 2.2-3712 holds that a public body must disclose the purpose and subject of the meeting and that a roll call must be done and all recorded votes must be recorded in public.

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### COMMUNITY



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By STEPHANY HOLGUIN The Breeze

Riding a bike on the road may be a little safer after money raised from the DR100 is used to paint new bike lanes in the city.

The DR100 race, which was held Sept. 18 in memory of Dr. Joseph Mirenda, a Virginia Beach anesthesiologist and cyclist, raised \$20,950, including about \$7,500 contributed by Harrisonburg and Rockingham County.

"The city has helped us with funds to repaint the roads for our events," said Nic Mirenda, a sophomore physics major and Joseph's

The race committee, which has 10 members including Mirenda, wanted to put the proceeds from the race back into the community.

"We realized that's mainly what we wanted to accomplish with the money, which was to increase the safety of pedestrians and cyclists on the road," Mirenda said.

In August 2009, Joseph, 49, was biking on Port Republic Road coming from Wintergreen Resort to JMU to surprise Mirenda, who was just starting his freshman year. Joseph was struck from behind by a car and died at the scene.

The money raised from the DR100 will be split into three projects to expand bike and pedestrian lanes in Harrisonburg and Rockingham County, said Steve Tomasi, JMU alumnus and director of the event.

The first project in Harrisonburg was awarded \$6,200 from DR100 plus \$5,500 from the city. The funding will be used to apply

shared lane, marking symbols for 8,400 feet on South Main Street, according to Tomasi.

'We realized that's mainly what we wanted to accomplish with the money, which was to increase the safety of pedestrians and cyclists on the road."

Nic Mirenda sophomore

For the county project, Rockingham County gave \$2,000 and DR100 contributed \$6,050. The

money will be used to mark roads and erect necessary signs designating bike lanes adjacent to Stone Spring Road at the new Rockingham Memorial Hospital

location. For the last project, DR100 is donating \$1,200 to fund the JMU Cycle Share Program, a bike library program. According to Tomasi, the money will be used to purchase four new bikes fully equipped with locks, helmets, safety lights and baskets or racks.

"I love the idea," Mirenda said. "I think it's a great idea to promote cycling is all around a great thing just a good way of transportation and promotes safety."

The projects will start in early summer when the weather is

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# Students lobby for three higher ed. bills

Student Government senators get firsthand look of the state senate floor during annual trip to Richmond

By SALLIE DRUMHELLER contributing writer

What could result from the SGA's lobbying trip to Richmond is increased university funding, altered police jurisdiction and more money for transfer students.

Eight SGA members lobbied for three bills in Richmond on Wednesday, and also had a chance to meet face-to-face with senators, delegates

and legislative assistants. Katie Stolp, SGA's legislative action committee chair, said the trip gave the students an inside look on how state politics relates to the JMU community and higher education.

"It was interesting to see how proceedings differ and how fast-paced everything was," said Shevy Chaganti, a freshman SGA senator and international affairs major.

One of the bills lobbied for that day was the HB 2510, the Virginia Higher Education Opportunity Act, which plans to increase the number of degrees awarded by the state by more than 100,000 recipients in 15 years. The bill also calls for creating more science, technology and engineering

degrees. The SGA also petitioned for HB 2490, a bill that requires campus police to report certain incidents to community

police. In cases involving alleged rape

or death on campus, the community police would assume the responsibility of heading the investigation.

Although the senators and delegates with whom the students met welcomed their perspective, Stolp said the delegates ultimately have to listen to their constituents.

'They're busy people and get a lot of people who are lobbying but they were receptive and listened to what we had

to say," Chaganti said. The students had brief individual meetings with Sen. Donald McEachin (D, Henrico), Del. William Howell (R, Stafford) and the legislative assistant of Del. Richard Bell, Rockingham

County's state representative. They

also had small group appointments with other Congress members.

According to Adam Hall, a senior SGA senator and Spanish and Italian double major, the travelers chose bills that were proposed to and approved by the Student Senate before the trip.

For Stolp, the most significant bills related not only to higher education, but also JMU specifically.

"HB 2510 probably has the most impact on ... the money we get from the state, but on a micro-level I think 2490 is more relevant," Stolp said. "It's important for the JMU and Harrisonburg police to have better

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# FIRE | Strong winds Saturday made fighting flames more difficult

"The wind drying things out not only is not helping to push the fire fuel but it is also drying the fuels up," Heart said. "It's going to burn hotter, move faster, it's going to be pushed across the fire lines and the wind can burst other places so it's harder to put out."

Heart did not help put out the wildfires in the Rockingham County area but added that forest fires are caused by several factors that can range from being triggered by humans to nature.

The Unified Fire Command also issued a voluntary evacuation for Peake Mountain Road, which intersects with Route

33 just before it enters George Washington National Forest, according to the press release. Forest Service Roads 505 and 422 were also closed as of

Fire squads from Rockingham County, Clover Hill, Singers Glen and the National Forest Service had been working to contain the fires since the initial call placed at 2:30 a.m Saturday. Other fires were reported in the Elkton area at 10:56 a.m. and in Broadway at 11:02 a.m., said Monger. The causes of these fires have not heen released

Several students said the smell of smoke was noticeable throughout the day across JMU's campus and Harrisonburg.

Brenda Blanchard, a sophomore psychics major, said she noticed the smell and the smoke in the air when she driving home from Northern Virginia on Saturday.

"I immediately smelled it. It was a huge fog," Blanchard said. "It kind of freaked me out."

Julie Samuel, a senior accounting major, said she kept the windows in her house on Grace Street closed throughout the day.

'We couldn't open our windows because of the smoke," Samuel said.

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# **LANES** | City waits for warm weather before painting bike lanes

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warm enough for the paint to stick to the roads, according to Thanh Dang, the planner of the Department of Public Works,

"Using the proceeds for its optimum use and to properly align our proceeds to promote

the safety of what Joe loved to do: cycling, running and walking," Tomasi said. "If our thousands of dollars raised save just one life, it would be well worth every penny."

The next DR100 race will be Sept. 17. The organizers are anticipating more than 1,000 participants in this year's race. They hope to raise \$40,000 to help expand bike and pedestrian lanes on public roads, Tomasi said.

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# **LOBBY** | For students, trip offers glimpse of a potential political career

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communication, and it would increase transparency as far as crime goes.'

The last bill on SGA's agenda was the Two-Year College Transfer Grant Program, which aims to make it easier to transfer from community colleges to universities. Transfer students would receive \$1,500 — a 50 percent increase — in grant money to transfer. An additional \$1,000 would also be available to students pursuing four-year degrees in fields such as engineering, science and nursing.

Currently transfer students have to meet a certain GPA to transfer, but this bill would have them meet the requirements of the university to which they are transferring.

Stolp, a sophomore international affairs and Spanish double major, said the lobby day was a good learning experience, especially because everyone who attended is interested in a career in politics.

"The best part was hearing the lessons from their own political experience," Stolp said.

Although SGA has done this trip in the past, this is the first

time they have planned the trip independently. Usually the annual trip was arranged through Virginia 21, a nonpartisan higher education lobbying firm that works with many other

"We wanted more individual time on the agenda," Stolp said.

The SGA is also planning a trip to Washington, D.C. in April to lobby bills on the national level. Specific bills have not yet been determined.

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Contact Christina Johnson at johnsocj@jmu.edu o 540.568.8719 with questions about the event.

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# **RATES** | Some students struggle to find classes, graduate on time

Doherty, director of institutional research at JMU. "The good things that were set in place by President Carrier are still at work here and carried out by President Rose."

JMU's Career & Academic Planning and Academic Advising play an integral part in JMU's high four-year graduation rate according to Jerry Benson, interim provost and senior vice president of Academic Affairs.

"Advising has a much higher profile and is a key ingredient in student success," Mitchell said.

However, it's not just the advising resources provided by JMU that contribute to the fouryear graduation rate, it is the staff who drive them, according to Benson.

"The quality of the staff that we have in those centers is what makes us different," Benson said. "Many of them teach so they understand and know what can be done to meet the students' needs. By bringing them together we serve the whole student."

Doherty said many aspects contributed to a successful graduation rate.

"We enroll students with a strong academic background and once you're here, we have excellent advising and a very supportive faculty and staff which gives enormous opportunity for growth," Doherty said.

Students still may run into issues with graduating in four

Some students have concerns with the possibility of not being able to get into the classes that they need or choosing a major too late, according to Benson.

"There are things we do like

pre-registration to ensure that incoming students are on target from the beginning," Benson

Students may also have to compete with other students fulfilling general education requirements for spots in their major classes.

Both the philosophy department and its classes are small." said Elizabeth Nowak, a sophomore history major. "You have competing majors fighting for spots in these classes and overrides can be hard to come by."

"Advising has a much higher profile and is a key ingredient in student success."

Randy Mitchell Associate Vice President

for Student Success

JMU is constantly morphing its resources to meet students' needs of students to graduate on time, Benson said.

"There's not one thing in particular that we need to work on to make our graduation rate even better, it's a mixture of small things all across the board," he said. "We are tweaking many of our programs."

Maria Campana, a junior communication studies major, has had trouble completing the necessary courses after changing her major concentration mid-college.

Campana originally declared the concentration of public relations when applying to JMU, but has since found a better fit for

When realizing that the

public relations major had a specific course track that could not be deviated from, she

chose to switch to being a general communication studies concentration. "I'll have more flexibility with the general communication studies because it fits into the

time frame that I have," Cam-

pana said. Campana explained that it was not the unavailability of her required classes but the time it took for her to find the best fit for her future. To stay on track, Campana will be completing a Maymester and possibly a summer course.

"The classes were there and I could have started during my sophomore year but I didn't so I'm being optimistic," Campana

While getting into the required courses can be a struggle, JMU is making an effort to remedy this.

"Moving faculty resources to where growth is can be a challenge," Doherty said. "JMU provides an environment that knows what it's doing and we have been working over the years to improve the quality of our student's experiences."

Making known the graduation rates of other colleges and universities allows JMU to model existing and new programs at other schools and adapt them to our own students.

"The key for us at JMU is to keep improving our programs and services — that is why assessment is so important here — continuing to innovate, and exploring best practices at other institutions," Mitchell said.

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cuts for the 934 local public radio stations and 368 local public television stations across the country.

The GOP plan would eliminate all \$430 million currently designated toward the CPB, a cut that would barely make a dent in the \$3.7 trillion annual national

A meager \$1.35 per taxpayer, according to 170millionamericans.org, would adequately fund public broadcasting. That's less than the cost of a cup of coffee. I spoke to David Mullins, president

and general manager of the local WVPT station on Thursday to find out what would happen to public programming here in Harrisonburg.

According to Mullins, 24 percent of WVPT's funding comes directly from the CPB. If the spending bill goes into effect, educational services and jobs would likely have to be slashed.

The latter doesn't seem to bother the top Republican congressman. During a press conference on Feb. 15, Speaker of the House John Boehner responded to a reporter asking about the consequences of spending cuts.

"If some of those jobs are lost in this, so be it," Boehner said.

Doesn't he just ooze with compassion? Fortunately for WVPT, even if the bill passes, CPB member stations would have a year and a half to prepare before the dramatic loss in funding goes into effect. Although this would require an enormous effort to raise money from loyal viewers and WVPT sponsors, Mullins said the station would most likely continue to operate.

Many public radio and television stations in rural areas, however, might be unable to generate enough money to be self-sufficient and could have to shut down entirely. They rely more heavily on federal funding because they receive less funding from viewers and sponsors. That would mean no more "Sesame Street" or "PBS Newshour" for many Americans.

Public television programs like these provide a refreshing alternative to commercial media that runs on the profit motive. CPB member stations have an educational license rather than a commercial license. The differences are stark.

According to Mullins, commercial networks run advertisements more than three times as much as public networks sponsor messages. These messages cannot be overly promotional and cannot interrupt programming, as decided by non-commercial educational broadcast licenses that PBS stations carry.

News that is not focused on making money and catching viewer's attention with sensationalist journalism and celebrity scandal is inherently less biased than commercial media.

All Republican legislation proposed during this session of Congress has been ideological, and this is no exception. Boehner told The National Review, "It's reasonable to ask why Congress is spending taxpayers' money to support a left-wing radio network."

When asked about the alleged liberal bias in public broadcasting, Mullins retorted, "If there is a liberal bias, why does poll information run to the contrary?'

Market research company GfK conducted a poll that rated PBS and NPR as the top two "mostly fair" news outlets. Moreover, PBS has been rated the most trusted nationally known organization for seven consecutive years — even more trusted than courts of law.

If PBS and NPR are the two most reliable names in news, and Republicans claim NPR has a liberal bias, perhaps Stephen Colbert was on to something in 2006 when he said, "Reality has a wellknown liberal bias."

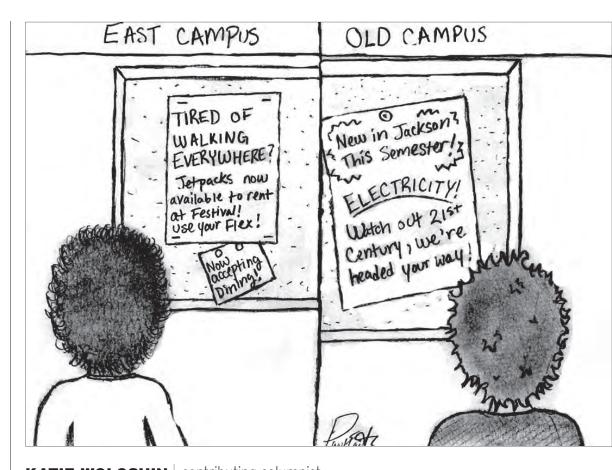
The move to eliminate CPB isn't an attempt to be fiscally conservative. Republicans want to cut public broadcasting because these news outlets provide the most objective information, which often does not comply with the

Even if the current bill fails, this debate will continue. Mullins remarked, "This is by no means the end, however, the vote goes today." He hopes in the future "clearer minds will prevail."

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# **Facebook and Twitter:** your best study buddies

Social networking sites are surprising source for some students for homework help

As college students, our social lives revolve mainly around the social media we use to communicate. Facebook and Twitter have become staples in our daily routines. Students use these sites mostly for social purposes, since communicating with each other all day and every day has become a top priority for our generation.

Geeksugar.com conducted a study that showed that 59 percent of people check their Facebook more than five times a day. According to facultyfocus. com, a study done at the University of New Hampshire showed that 96 percent of the university's students were

I love posting on my friends' walls and being able to see what my friends are up to, but I never thought of Facebook as anything more than a website to interact with my peers. Not only do these sites help with connecting long-lost friends, creating events and posting about our day-to-day lives, but social networking may help us succeed in the workplace or with college

Techcrunch.com states that 175 million people log on to Facebook every day; its massive popularity means that any posting can reach millions of people in a matter of seconds. Now, social sites such as Twitter and Facebook are also helping students get a head start in finding jobs while also getting some

help with stubborn school work. This may seem like common sense, but did you ever need help with a chemistry problem and didn't know where to turn? Twitter may be a fastpaced tool for firing out a question and getting an immediate response. Having trouble finding a job or internship? Sending out a Facebook message to hundreds of friends may help lead to an insider tip or bit of advice that might land you your dream job.

According to Time.com, companies hire approximately 27 percent of their new employees through referrals by people who made connections via Facebook. It's all about the way you word your question and the outlet used to voice it. The great thing about these websites is that you've already established some sort of personal connection with your "friends." Their help is at your fingertips, so use it to your advantage.

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The CNN.com article "Social networks can get you aid" offered students

some tips: • Write things people want to read. No one wants to get the dreaded "X" on someone else's news feed so they can still be friends with you, but never have to read what you have to say. When someone blocks your posts, you will not be notified, and that significantly lessens your chances of getting help.

Try posting questions that are upbeat, specific and will prompt a response. Instead of saying, "I hate chemistry. Who wants to help?" try, "This chemistry homework is giving me some trouble. Does anyone have some pointers on how to convert moles to grams?"

Less is more. Because these sites

are quick-moving and instant-updating, people may not want to read a long, needy request. Keep it short, sweet and to the point to gain the most reads.

 New to Facebook or Twitter and need some assistance? If you don't have a lot of friends, ask someone who has a lot of followers to retweet or repost your request. This not only gets your message across, but may help you gain more reads from people that wouldn't normally see your posts.

Finally, keep the common courtesy. Saying "thank you" is a good idea in any situation and may encourage people to offer help another time.

An example of an excellent post is, "I am in COB 291 and need some help with the first part assignment one. Does anyone have some suggestions?

Beware of a no-collaboration policy. As we know, some professors do not allow students to collaborate. Make sure you are clear with your professor about collaborating, before asking for help from fellow classmates. No one wants to run into an honor code

Even though students mainly use Facebook and Twitter for social purposes, I think using these sites for homework help is a great idea. It's an easy way to find information and discover new people who may be willing to help you by explaining the material more easily than study sites such as Cramster and Sparknotes.

College may come with its fair share of difficulties, both inside and outside of the classroom, but using the tools at your fingertips may help make those challenges a little more manageable.

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A "saving-the-world-one-winddried-sheet-at-a-time" pat to the girl driving around campus holding her shirt out the window to dry it. From an inspired ex-dryer user.

A "that's-the-spirit" pat to all of the people running in the warm

From a girl who wishes she had your motivation, but instead ate a piece of cake in the warm sunshine. A "here,-kitty-kitty" pat to the stray South View cats who recently had their homes destroyed by the heartless construction workers.

From a guy who wants them to come live in his apartment right meow, especially the baby one named

A "proactive" pat to JMU students for being smart and getting tested. From Madison HIV/AIDS Alliance.

### A "you're-like-Reggie-Rocket-

but-cooler" pat to the girl with the Rasta backpack who skillfully weaves her way down the ISAT hill on her longboard every day.

From a guy who knows everyone else knows who she is too.

A "hyenas-are-crude-andunspeakably-plain" dart to the cackling couple canoodling in Carrier Library.

From a "Lion King" fan who would rather not study in Scar's lair.

A "don't-think-I-didn't-seethat" dart to the guy at the deli station in Festival who cut in front of five people to stand in line with his

From a junior girl who left that crap in high school.

### A "thank-you-for-returning-tothe-third-floor-of-Phys/Chem" pat to the Potty Mouth.

From a junior chemistry major

who missed your tidbits of knowledge for the last 10 months.

A "thanks-for-giving-me-alaugh" pat to the guy in Carrier Library whose phone went off, loudly playing the "Fresh Prince of Bel Air" theme song.

From a fellow studier who greatly appreciated the break from the silence of the library on a Saturday.

An "I-want-to-score-more-thana-basket" pat to the girl always balling at UREC with a jump shot as nice as Nolan Smith's.

From a Blue Devils fan who would gladly admit to losing to you in a shooting contest.

A "checkmate" pat to the two lovely girls playing chess at East Campus

Library late at night. From a guy who was studying for a test but took the time to notice that blondes do something other than constantly check their Facebook statuses.

### A "thanks-for-saving-my-day" pat to the JMU Police for unlocking my car with my keys inside.

From a gracious student who owes vou one.

### A "you-don't-own-the-Quad"

dart to the frat guys with tacky music who think they can just roll up and start playing football while we were enjoying live music.

From two girls who think you need to learn how to aim before you release.

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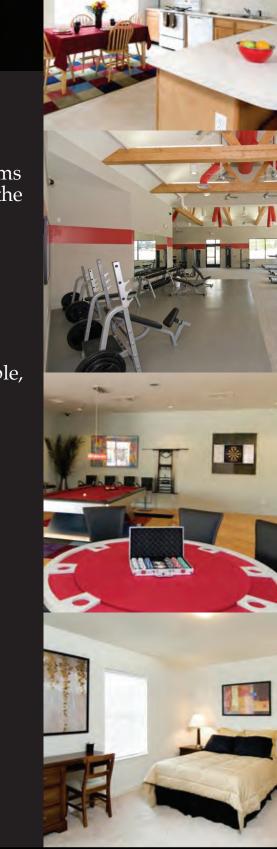
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# 'We'll get in trouble later'

Documentary filmmaker Andrew Jenks discusses experience and personal philosophy

By BETH COLE The Breeze

When Andrew Jenks settled into his freshman dorm room at New York University, he was surrounded by 300 strangers. At that point, he never imagined he would make a career

out of moving in with strangers, sleeping on sidewalks, getting choked by wrestlers, rescuing horses or hosting his own MTV documentary show, "World of Jenks."

But the now 24-year-old filmmaker had an idea for a documentary freshman year that launched him into a world of strangers, seeking out their stories and giving a voice to those who normally don't get the chance to speak for themselves.

Jenks came to JMU's Wilson Hall on Thursday night as part of his nationwide college tour. University Program Board hosted his visit. Wearing a black beanie, a leather jacket and an autism awareness wristband, he talked about getting started, shared his stories and gave advice to students who are in similar positions as he was.

Jenks' career began as he and his grandfather both began new parts of their lives. As Jenks began college, his grandfather, who had Alzheimer's disease and the beginnings of dementia, entered a nursing home, surrounded by 300 strangers.

"I was very close with him and I thought the idea of moving into a nursing home could be a learning experience and maybe also a movie," Jenks said.

With that, he began calling nursing homes, asking to move in and document daily life. Unfortunately, according to Jenks, because the average age at the homes was around 70, and he was 19, neither his grandfather's nursing home, nor any other in the state would let him move in.

Finally, he called a home in Florida and asked if he could move in for free, get three meals a day for free and document everything as he went along.

"I assumed at that point, she'd hang up the phone, and she

said, 'No, that's wonderful,' " Jenks said.

Jenks borrowed equipment from wherever he could find it, and, after 200 hours of filming and a few new friendships, he created an 87-minute movie called "Rm. 335." After months of being entered it into film festivals, the film was noticed by HBO, which bought the documentary and began playing it nationwide.

After the success of that first film, Jenks received a call from MTV. The station wanted him to make similar documentaries about 20 minutes long, highlighting different subcultures geared toward young people. After the first episode, where Jenks lived with an up-and-

the company signed him for a 12-episode series, which aired from September to November of "World of Jenks" documents a week in the lives of 12 individuals,

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including a Tennessee cheer-

leader, the lead singer of

Andrew Jenks, whose show "World of Jenks" aired on MTV, started

his filming career when he was in



# Seniors make theatric impression

By EMILY WINTERS contributing writer

After years of honing their skills and becoming immersed in the world of theater, three senior theatre majors won regional awards for their hard

Anna-Lee Craig, Lizzie Donelan and Connor Davis traveled to Towson, Md. to compete in the Region 2 Kennedy Center American College Theater Fes-

tival in January The Region 2 event lasted four days and was filled with workshops, cri-

tiques and performances from people

throughout the region. Craig won the KCACTF Award for Sound Design, Davis won the Stage Directors and Choreographers Directing Fellowship, and Donelan won the Barbizon Award for Theatrical Design Excellence in Costume Design.

"For me, it was mostly a week of seeing other theatre creators and seeing their process," Craig said. "It's always

"Annie is exceptional. She's the best sound designer I've known who is a student."

**Dennis Beck** Director of JMU's

'bobrauschenbergamerica'

refreshing to see other people your

Professor Dennis Beck nominated Craig for her sound design work on "bobrauschenbergamerica," by Charles Mee in April 2010 and professor Roger Hall nominated her for "Letters to Sala" by Arlene Hutton in November 2010. Sound design encompasses sound effects, pre- and post-show music and intermission

"Annie is exceptional," said Beck, who directed "bobrauschenbergamerica." "She's the best sound designer I've known who is a student."

When Craig first decided to attend JMU she thought that she was going to pursue acting. But after working with sound design her freshman year, she changed her mind.

"I did acting; I did stage management, but I kept coming back to sound," said Craig, a senior theatre major. "It excited me more than any other aspect; it's so interesting and I think it moves people."

Donelan was up for the award for Theatrical Design Excellence for her costume design for "bobrauschenbergamerica" and "Letters to Sala" as well. Costume design begins with a script and a director's proposed concept for a show. Then the costume designer researches the time period of the show in order to plan the designs.

"I absolutely love research," Donelan said. "I like reading a script and then delving into books and the Internet to

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Senior Lizzie Donelan received the Barbizon Costume Design Award for her work on "bobrauschenbergamerica" and "Letters to Sala." "I like reading a script and then delving into books and the Internet to find textual and pictorial inspiration for each individual character," Donelan said.

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### **Operatic opening**

For the grand opening of the Shirley Hanson Roberts Center for Music Performance, mezzo-soprano Denyce Graves performed Friday night in the Forbes Center for the Performing Arts. Graves' repertoire includes German Lieder, French mélodie, English art song, Broadway musicals, jazz and American spirituals.

### **ALBUM REVIEW**

# Radiohead: Kings among men

**By JEFF WADE** The Breeze

Once again, Radiohead has managed to make an album that departs from what the band has done before, while remaining immediately recognizable as a Radiohead album.

Announced Feb. 14 and released ahead of schedule early Friday morning, "The King of Limbs' continues the band's tradition of releasing its music in unconventional

Radiohead

### The King of Limbs

\*\*\*\* Released Jan. 18

While "King of the Limbs" isn't the culmination of a sound like "OK Computer" or a complete game changer like "Kid A," the record still sees the band exploring new sounds and incorporating them into its own

The result is a record that bears more then a passing resemblance to experimental artists such as

Autechre and Flying Lotus, as well as the dense and murky sounds of dubstep artists like Burial. This felling is driven by an increased focus on the band's rhythm section; drummer Phil

various terse rhythms full of odd time

signatures and stop/start structures.

Selway looped and mixed into



Thom Yorke of Radiohead performs part of the band's "Hail to the Thief Tour 2003," at Shoreline Amphitheater in Los Angeles.

Similarly, Colin Greenwood's bass is a heavy and prominent part of the

It's apparent that the production

as important as the individual pieces.

and sequencing of the record is just

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# **JENKS** | Urges audience to adapt

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Versa Emerge, a pro surfer, a wrestler, a homeless woman and an autistic man.

Jenks said his perceptions changed after each week, and he still remains in contact with each person in the show. He went to see Chad, an autistic man, earlier in the week. In each episode, Jenks said he learned something

"I think every episode was a surprise," he said.

In one episode, Jenks followed an animal rescuer with American Rescue Mission as she tried to save abused horses from a slaughter farm in Miami.

Because it was such a dangerous mission, the rest of his MTV crew stayed in the hotel as Jenks, a camera man and the girl set out in the middle of the night. Cuban mafia, which owned the farm, encircled them as they tried to rescue the horses.

'That's when we were just literally just on our own in the middle of the farm, anything could happen," Jenks said. "We had the police on speed dial and all this jazz. That was probably the scariest."

Jenks shared at least half of a dozen similar stories with the students, breaking the silence with a few sarcastic jokes and explaining that, even through all the struggles he faced getting the footage, he enjoyed the opportunity to shed light on people's lives.

"I just think it is so cool that he was a college student who really believed in what he wanted to do and he made it happen," said Hannah Gutman, a freshman media arts and design major who saw the Thursday performance.

Later, Jenks shared two of the most important lessons he learned.

The first, he said, is never take no for an answer. Throughout his projects, he was constantly told no, but he said he never listened. His philosophy? "We'll get in trouble later."

"I use 'no' as a starting point now. 'No' is like a turn-on for me except with girls," Jenks said.

The other was that he's learned that adaptation is the best skill to have in life. He said that in most situations while documenting, he just had to go with it.

"I feel like if you can adapt in life, success is easier to find," Jenks said.

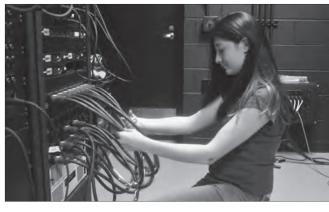
At the end of his presentation, Jenks answered questions, which included advice for aspiring filmmakers, his relationship status, whether he planned to grow a mustache and his childhood. Jenks talked about how, even as a child, he would pick up a cam-

era every day. "When he was talking about just filming everything, I felt like maybe there were times in my life where I could have started filming," said Annunciata Corey, a junior communication science and disorders major.

Jenks will continue traveling the country on his college tour until he begins filming for the second season of "World of Jenks," which is currently searching for people to feature. He hopes to document the life of a soldier, but is facing opposition from the army. After he finishes with "World of Jenks," he said he hopes to begin directing full-length dramas.

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### AWARD Seniors to compete in D.C.





Senior Anna-Lee Craig received an award for sound design. Senior Connor Davis was originally nominated for his stage work, but instead went for an award in directing for "True West."

find textual and pictorial inspiration for each individual character."

Hall, who directed "Letters to Sala," said that he had a feeling that Craig and Donelan would win an award because their show involved a variety of sounds and time periods, something that would stand out to the judges.

Originally nominated for his stage work on "True West" by Sam Shepard, Davis decided to go for directing instead. He won

the Stage Directors and Choreographers Directing Fellowship, which he applied for in November of 2010. After being accepted into the competition, he selected a scene from a list provided and collaborated with actors from JMU who traveled to Towson and performed the scene, directed by Davis, at the regional festival. "It all fascinates me; I love

the research component," Davis said. "I love being on the rehearsal floor day-to-day."

Because theatre is highly

collaborative, Davis, Craig and Donelan have worked together on numerous occasions and hope to do so again in the future.

'They're a delight to work with," Donelan said. "Just really thoughtful artists."

In April, the three will attend the KCACTF national competition in Washington, D.C., along with the winners from the seven other regions across the United States.

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### **ALBUM**

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Somehow, lead singer Thom Yorke's iconic falsetto is manipulated into something more distinct and ethereal

Eventually, all the pieces mix together to make a jittery whole. It's all incredibly chaotic, yet deliberate, taking time to reveal the melodies

Until that happens, though, the record comes off as confrontational.

It defies expectations as it breaks from the accessibility of their last record "In Rainbows" and the relative absence of guitarist Jonny Greenwood disappoints. Particularly the growls of the appropriately named "Feral" sounds very much apart of the sleekly atmospheric and challenging music of 2001's

# Requires several listens

then ever before.

buried underneath.

"Amnesiac."

The only real respite from the technological paranoia that dominates the album is ironically "Codex." The pianodriven ballad is one of the few places where the records feels organic. Yorke always shines in songs when his voice is put at the forefront and some accompanying horn support helps the song to feel like the calm in the center of a storm.

For as brooding and darkly atmospheric as the record sounds, a number of simple pleasures still exist.

Surprisingly for Radiohead, there are tracks you could feasibly dance to. Yorke proves this in the video for semi-singe "Lotus Flower" and tracks like "Morning Mr. Magpie" have borderline funk reminiscent of the best of the Talking Heads.

The worst thing that can be said about "The King of Limbs"

somewhere like that and realize

According to the Centers for

**During Student Organization** 

"College students think they

Based on that ratio, Madison

HIV/AIDS Alliance calculated

that 36 people at JMU could be

Night this year, members passed

are invincible against it, and we

want to change that ignorance,"

Disease Control and Prevention, 1 in 500 college students is living

with HIV; most are unaware.

out more than 500 condoms.

this is an American territory,"

has nothing to do with the actual merits of the record. The disc is only about 37

minutes long across its eight

Considering the lengthy waits between albums the band is known for, a sparse eight tracks might result in the end of Radiohead withdrawal setting in with fans sooner than usual.

Reviewing a Radiohead record a day after its release might one of the most futile things a critic could do. Much like all of their other records, "The King of Limbs" will take several listens to fully explore

its depth. But much like any Radiohead effort, "Limbs" won't be leaving listeners' brains anytime soon.

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# 'This is a global pandemic'

Lukschander said.

Arey said.

from front

away because of time restraints, Lukschander said.

"It's kind of nice to know that people aren't embarrassed about it," Simpson said.

They were shocked so many people came out to get tested for a disease with such a nega-

"It was only thought of as a 'gay disease,' " said Arey, the secretary of the group. "It's actuheterosexuals.

ally really increasing among According to Lukschander, the president of the organization,

many people think that if they pop a few pills they can be done with HIV because of advances in modern medicine. "This is a global pandemic, but

it has been placed in the shadows," Lukschander said. While in Guam, the students

visited poor villages and communities, surveyed the people and handed out free condoms.

"It was shocking to be

with contracting disease as they are with conception.

living with the virus.

"They focus on avoiding pregnancy, so many people just take birth control pills," said Simpson. They don't focus on STIs.

Simpson, vice president of Madison HIV/ AIDS Alliance,

believes that most of the time, students are not as concerned

They plan to hold many HIV/ AIDS awareness events and are planning to host keynote speaker Sheryl Lee Ralph from Diva's Foundation Speaking Out about

against age, gender or race," said Arey. "It can happen to anybody."

**CONTACT** Kelsey Peters at Free condoms are provided

at every Madison HIV/AIDS peterske@dukes.jmu.edu.

Alliance event and club meeting. "Some random girl called us 'condom girls,' " said Arey, who carries them around with her at all times. "Yeah, that's us."

This disease is 100 percent preventable through the use of condoms and being aware of one's HIV status, said Lukschander.

"Get Smart. Get Tested" is the slogan for the Madison HIV/ AIDS Alliance. In addition to holding more

screenings, Madison HIV/AIDS Alliance will be hosting JMU's first ever HIV/AIDS awareness week — November 14-18.

"AIDS doesn't discriminate

**BASEBALL** 

# IMU sets all-time record in scoring

Dukes score 91 runs total, win all four games against Bucknell University in season-opening series



In Friday's opening game against Bucknell, sophomore first baseman Matt Tenaglia went 4-for-6 batting, scored four runs (including two home runs) and had five RBIs.

### By ALEX VAN REES

The Breeze

Six home runs in a 45-minute first inning began the JMU baseball team's 2011 season Friday in a fourgame series against the Bucknell Bison.

The Dukes broke the all-time, single-game run record (previously 35) with a 37-7 win in the first game. They crushed 10 home runs in the first game one shy of the JMU all-time home run record for a single game.

"The first win is huge regardless of the score," said senior shortstop David Herbeck. "We got a lot of freshmen into the game for some work, which was a good thing. It's good to see all of the older players not letting up and giving it their all."

Students, families and friends gathered for the largest opening day crowd in JMU baseball history and the fourth largest crowd ever, with 923 fans.

JMU pounced quickly on Bucknell, scoring 15 runs while batting completely through the order twice, and then turning the lineup over for a third time in the

We were really hyped in the dugout in the first inning and everyone was on their feet cheering on the rest of the guys," said junior catcher Jake Lowery. "It was a great atmosphere to begin the season."

Herbeck and Lowery led the offense in the first four innings, as each of them jolted three home runs apiece. The two became only the eight and ninth players in JMU history to hit three round-trippers in a single game. Three separate times, JMU hit three consecutive

home runs. Lowery drove in eight runners and he was taken out halfway through the game, as he crushed a  $\,$ grand slam that traveled an estimated 500 feet and a three-run home run.

Junior right-handed pitcher Evan Scott toed the mound after recovering from an injury dating back to 2009. Scott pitched five innings, punched out a career-high 11 Bison, yielded three runs and scattered four hits to pick up the first win.

"Scott threw the ball hard and was on his ga tonight," said head coach Spanky McFarland. "He looked like the old Evan Scott. I was very pleased with his performance, and I look for great things from him the rest of the season."

Although they scored 37 runs in the first game of the season, McFarland still remains skeptical about the rest of the season.

"I've seen a team score a lot of runs in a single game like this, and then not be able to score any runs for the next couple of games," he said. "So, I told them to not dwell on this too much and just go out there and play baseball."

During Saturday's doubleheader, the wind howled and gusted violently. Although the Dukes didn't demolish the Bison in game two, they still found a way to pitch well and add some offense by winning 9-2.

Sophomore left fielder Johnny Bladel jumped on the Bison in the bottom of the first inning by shooting a home run over the right field fence.

"With my home run, the wind definitely played a factor because I lifted the ball to the right and it jumped out of the park," Bladel said. "But the wind didn't really have much of an affect after the first two home runs in the game."

Pitching for the Dukes dominated the second game, as sophomore right-handed pitcher D.J. Brown also set a career high in strikeouts with eight. Brown lasted six innings, yielding two runs, scattering five hits and allowing only one walk.

"I think Brown pitched very well today," McFarland said. "Our starter came out and changed speeds keeping the hitters off balance. That's what you like to see after a game like last night. You want your starter to come out and dominate."

On Saturday, sophomore right fielder Cole McInturff swiped home for the first time in his college

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### **GAMES** THIS WEEK

Old Dominion @JMU

Thursday, 7 p.m. This matchup is the Dukes' last home game. They head to VCU on Saturday to wrap up the regular season.

### BASEBALL

■ Le Moyne @JMU Friday, 3 p.m. Saturday, 12 p.m. Saturday, 3 p.m. Sunday, 1 p.m. Le Moyne lost a three-game series to No. 8/21 Texas A&M last weekend to start their season.

### WOMEN'S LACROSSE

■ George Washington @JMU Saturday, 1 p.m. They game is the Dukes' season-opener. The beat the Colonials 13-2 last year.

**BASKETBALL** 

# Women's team barely defeats Delaware

The JMU women's basketball team improved its winning streak to 12 games with a close victory over University of Delaware on Sunday.

The Dukes (21-6 overall, 14-1 in the Colonial Athletic Association) defeated the Blue Hens (7-9, 15-12) 69-65 in Delaware.

The game came down to the final minutes, as it was tied 62-62 with 3:30 left in the game.

Blue Hen star sophomore Elena Delle Donne made two free throws to put her team up by two, but JMU tied the game again with two free throws by sophomore gaurd Tarik Hislop.

A layup by senior guard Dawn Evans and a foul shot by senior center Jalissa Taylor put the Dukes up by three.

Delle Donne attempted a three to tie the game but missed. Delaware began to foul, sending the Dukes to the line for two more points.

Evans led all scorers with 27 points. The Dukes travel to Georgia State Uni-

versity and Hofstra University before returning home March 2 to host University of North Carolina Wilmington in their last regular game of the season.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL | JMU 70 - MIAMI-OHIO 69

# Moore provides more

### Dukes outlast Miami-Ohio, win BracketBuster game in final seconds

By MATT O'TOOLE The Breeze

In a game that saw 11 ties, 14 lead changes and a power outage the second half, it was Devon Moore's free throw with 2.9 seconds left that propelled the Dukes to a one-point victory over Miami University of Ohio.

'Coach just told me to make a play and keep pushing in the middle and get to the lane to create for other people," said Moore, a sophomore forward. "The last couple of plays he told me to go to finish. Don't look to pass, go to finish."

With the score knotted at 69-69 and the clock ticking, Moore couldn't finish his drive into the lane, but was fouled going up by Miami-Ohio sophomore guard Allen Roberts.

Moore, averaging 77 percent on his free-throw shooting this season, felt the pressure when he missed his first shot. "I don't like missing free throws as

it is," Moore said. "As a point guard, I was taught you got to be the best free throw shooter on the team and to lead by example. I looked at my dad, and he told me to, 'calm down and you will make the next one.' Moore settled down and sank the

second free throw to give the Dukes a one-point advantage and the 70-69 victory when Miami-Ohio's half court shot by junior forward Julian Mavunga bounced away off the backboard.

The win improved JMU's record to 20-9 (9-7 in the Colonial Athletic Association) and gave JMU its first 20-win

regular season since the 1981-1982

All the JMU starters scored in double figures, but the guard play was the The perimeter hurt us," said Miami-

Ohio head coach Charles Coles. "Humpty Hitchens should not have gotten those drives on us, but Humpty is a competitor." Hitchens played in the same con-

ference as the Red Hawks before he transferred to JMU from University of Akron, and the Ohio native came up huge when he was called on late in the

With the Dukes down two at the 4:54 mark, Hitchens scored the next seven points for the Dukes to go up 65-62.

"He's been an integral part of our team since the day he stepped on campus," said JMU head coach Matt Brady. "He's a fighter and he has a lot of competitive energy."

Hitchens finished the game with 15 points, grabbing three rebounds and

The Dukes grabbed their biggest lead of the game at 69-64 but a 3-pointer by junior Chris McHenry and a baseline spin move by Mavunga tied the game

Starting for the second straight game, sophomore Andrey Semenov, who is playing for the injured junior Rayshawn Goins, went 3-for-3 from behind the

arc and finished with 11 points and five **CONTACT** Matt O'Toole at "James Madison's guards hurt us

badly," Coles said. "Semenov hurt us on his threes, so [senior forward Denzel] Bowles for the day had a great surround-

Before the game, Bowles was honored after becoming the 25th player in JMU history to score 1,000 points. He was't as effective against the Red Hawks as he was earlier in the week against Towson University when he scored 40 points, but coach Brady blamed an ankle injury.

"Certainly his ankle isn't 100 percent," Brady said. "He's tried to practice on it the past couple of days. He's a little better today, but he's far from 100 Matched up against Bowles was

the 6-foot-8-inch Mavunga, who gave Bowles fits all day. Bowles didn't get his first points of the contest until 14 minutes into the first half and was outdueled by Mavunga, who scored a game-high 24 points and dished out six assists. Mavunga is a hard matchup for

Denzel and Denzel is a hard matchup for anybody," Brady said. "The way that Mavunga uses the whole court, goes corner to corner sets ball screens pop out at the three-point line, it's a hard matchup. Denzel, I thought, did a good job defensively. I'm not sure he had a lot of gas on the offensive end."

JMU will be back in action Thursday night at 7 p.m. in their final home game when it hosts Old Dominion University in a CAA battle on ESPNU.

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Sophomore gaurd Devon Moore scored the game-winning free throw against Miami University of Ohio with 2.9 seconds left to put the Dukes ahead 70-69.

### Continues at home BASEBALL

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career, something the Dukes haven't accomplished since

May 2009. "We've been working on stealing home in practice, and [the pitcher] was taking a long time on the mound," McInturff said. "I got the sign and decided I could make it. So I got a great jump and I knew I was going to be safe right away."

Game two was more about the small ball for the Dukes, as they advanced runners, sacrificed with bunts and moved runners along without a hit.

"We can beat a team more than one way," McFarland said. 'We don't just have to hit the long ball every time. We can go up there and bunt or advance a runner without a hit. That's

what makes us dangerous."

Game three was Saturday at 3 p.m. and was yet another slugfest — this time from both teams. JMU took game three with a final score of 26-15.

Senior second basemen

Trevor Knight hit his second home run of the weekend and his 31st career JMU home run, placing him in the top-10 on the JMU all-time home run list. Senior centerfielder Alex

Foltz joined the party by adding two home runs for himself. Backup freshman catcher Nick Merullo also jacked a threerun home run and freshman outfielder Joe Townsend later added a three-run shot as well.

In the fourth game, Bucknell jumped to a quick 2-1 lead in the first inning. JMU bounced back, however, and claimed the

fourth game 19-12 on Sunday.

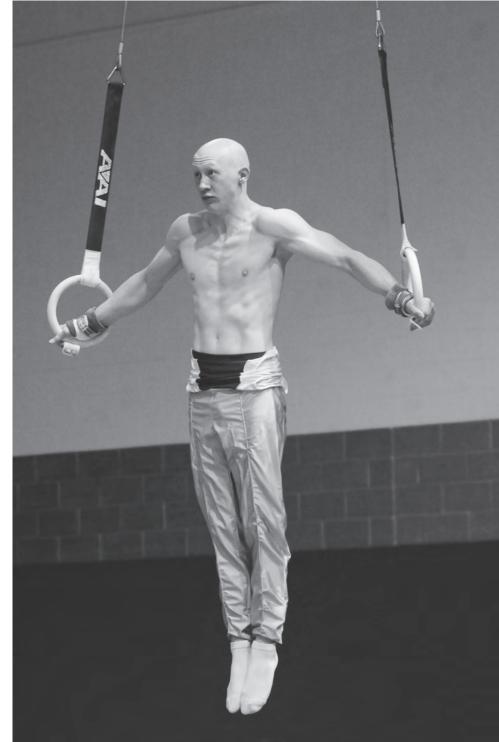
Freshman right-handed pitcher Tyler McFarland, son of the head coach, made his first college start. He gave up six runs in five innings.

Tyler McFarland stayed in the game as a designated hitter and smashed a home run in the eighth inning.

Junior Ian Haynes hit a threerun triple and Knight added a two-run home run (his 32nd career) to add to the Dukes' seven-run eighth inning, putting the game out of reach for the Bison.

The Dukes will be back in action this weekend as they begin a four-game series hosting Le Moyne College.

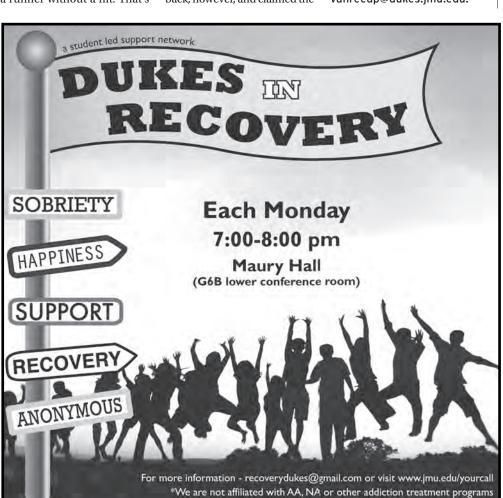
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### Flying and flipping

JMU club gymnast senior Matt Huckfeldt competes on the rings in Godwin gym. The Dukes held their only home meet of the season on Saturday, which was composed of nine teams and themselves.

>> For a photo slideshow of the gymnastics meet, visit breezejmu.org.



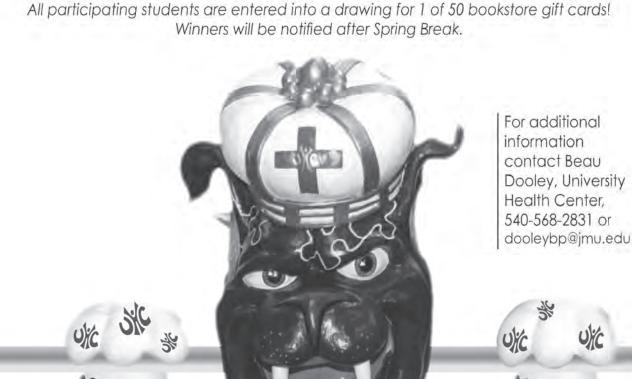
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