

Gym 101: the history of gyms at JMU

Before being blessed by UREC's futuristic style, the evolution of JMU gyms over the decades went from humble to state-of-the-art.

Defining sanity

The predominately female cast of "Chamber Music" explores the realms of insanity while including the audience in the action.

Dukes ground Seahawks

Women's basketball defeats the University of North Carolina-Wilmington despite off games by its two leading scorers.

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Ashby cigarette fire causes \$10,000 damage

Fire fighters extinguished a fire in the Ashby Crossing apartment complex Saturday morning. The damage, confined to the exterior of apartment 1151 J, is estimated at \$10,000, according to Harrisonburg Fire Chief Larry Shifflett.

The fire started near an outside storage closet on the balcony, according to Shifflett. The occupants of the building reportedly had a party that night and people on the balcony appeared to have extinguished their cigarettes in a flowerpot on the balcony causing the fire.

— compiled from staff reports



Calling it quits: to smoke or not to smoke?

By JAMES DAVID
assistant news editor

Lights out. "More than 400,000 deaths in the United States each year are from smoking-related illnesses," a Surgeon General's report on smoking cessation, or quitting, reports.

The report, titled "The Health Benefits of Smoking Cessation," also says, "More than 38 million Americans have quit smoking, and almost half of all living adults in the United States who ever smoked have quit. Nevertheless, more than 50 million Americans continue to smoke."

Smoking statistics

At JMU, about 26 percent of students smoke cigarettes, according to the 2001 Continuing Student Survey results. More specifically, about 9 percent smoke less than one cigarette a day while another 9 percent smoke one to five cigarettes a day. Four percent smoke

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Seven projectors stolen from COB

By REBEKAH PORTER
staff writer

Four multimedia projectors were removed from ceiling mounts in different rooms of Zane Showker Hall between 6 p.m. Jan. 12 and 7:25 a.m. Jan. 14. Three additional Sharp Video Projectors were stolen from the College of Business building during the Fall semester.

Two were removed the weekend of Nov. 30 to Dec. 3, and the other was reported missing on Dec. 14, according to police reports.

In total, seven stolen projectors were pried from their mounting brackets in several Showker classrooms. The replacement fee for each projector is roughly \$4,100, according to Charles Bilbrey, COB associate dean.

Bilbrey said the COB will be partially reimbursed under state insurance coverage. Questions as to how the thieves gained access into the Showker classrooms are currently under investigation.

Night cleaning crews make sure

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Senior David Helfrich performs poetic works at "Witnessing the Dream: A Night at TDU" held Friday.

CHRIS LABZDA/staff photographer

Students share poetic words to remember MLK

By JESS HANEURY
contributing writer

"What do your dreams consist of?" That was the question sophomore Jamaal Crowder asked in one of his poems read during a poetry reading honoring Martin Luther King Jr. at the Taylor Down Under stage Friday night.

The poetry reading was part of "Witnessing the Dream: A Night at TDU," organized by the Center for Multicultural/International Student Services (CMISS) in conjunction with the weekend celebration of the life and work of Martin Luther King Jr.

Similar to the March and Speak-Out held on campus last Thursday, this event offered students an opportunity to stand up and let their thoughts be known, but in a smaller, more personal setting. "It's really a good follow-up for the March/Speak-Out," said junior Philip Duhart, co-chair of the

see POETS, page 14

Marchers speak of MLK's dream

By LINDSAY MARTI
news editor

Students, faculty, staff and community members marched from Zane Showker Hall to the commons, then participated in a speak-out Thursday as part of JMU's 15th annual Martin Luther King Jr. celebration.

According to Stacy Edwards, director of the Center for Multicultural/International Student Services, the march was a tribute to "the life and legacy of Dr. King and others before him that fought for freedom and rights."

Edwards said the Speak-Out gave participants a chance to share their thoughts on MLK's influence.

Graduate student of CMISS Stephanie Dupal co-chaired the celebration with fellow grad student

Tracy Epps. Dupal said, "[For] this Speak-Out, people had in mind 'Dare to dream' (this year's MLK celebration theme)."

She said speakers were challenged to talk about their dreams and define their goals and aspirations.

"This is a university-wide celebration of a man who sacrificed his life for a greater good — for mankind," Edwards said. "The celebration is an opportunity to thank him [and to] offer homage in the face of great opposition."

Dupal said, "JMU has really so much to offer students. Having this [university-wide] celebration and having the day off shows how much the university is dedicated to the dream of having people come

see MLK, page 5

Steps to a future of 'Excellence'



BRIAN HALL/contributing photographer

Delta Sigma Theta sorority honored its 30th anniversary Saturday in "Celebrating 30 Years of Excellence," hosted by the groups Iota Alpha chapter. Right, Alumnae Marcina Williams ('00), front, and Shana Roscoe, ('95) back, from the sorority's Northern Virginia Alumni Chapter perform in a step show in Grafton-Stovall Theatre. JMU's Iota Alpha chapter of DST was chartered in 1971 and maintains an involved alumni base. Other highlights of the celebration included poetry readings and performances by the Contemporary Gospel Singers and 4Men, a newly formed all-male a cappella group.

JMU to explore in-vehicle Internet

Congress gives \$1.5 million grant for program to research 'intelligent transportation systems' — wireless Internet technology could allow drivers to make hotel reservations from car

By BRANDON HUGHART
contributing writer

In the not-too-distant future, your new car may come equipped with a computer system allowing you to access detailed information about local restaurants, hotels, emergency health care and more via the wireless Internet. With \$1.5 million in funding recently appropriated by Congress, a new program at JMU will soon undertake a year of research into these so-called "intelligent transportation systems."

"There's a number of things we're planning on doing," said David Bernstein, who will work on the upcoming program. "In general, our work is going to focus on en route commerce and in-vehicle Internet."

Possible applications of this technology range from navigation systems with real-time traffic information to the



ability to find and reserve a local hotel room, all of which could be accomplished from the seat of a moving car. The federal funding will allow JMU an early entrance into this burgeoning field.

"We'll be working with the Virginia Department of Transportation to conduct research into the incorporation of en route commerce into existing and proposed intelligent transportation systems, then transferring these findings to the government and industry," said John Nofstinger, associate vice

president of research and program development.

Nofstinger serves as a liaison between JMU and Congress and played a large part in helping to secure the funding for this project. He stressed the vast potential of intelligent transportation, calling it "a very timely area; a merger of e-commerce, geographic systems and highway safety."

According to Bernstein, the first stage of the JMU program will be a public safety project studying the extension of current E-911 services. "E-911" refers to the ability of cell phones to locate themselves, something which can greatly expedite the response of emergency personnel if a cell phone is used to make the distress call. This ability, which is accomplished via the Global Positioning System or through a process known as cellular triangulation, soon will be federally

required of all new cell phones.

JMU will investigate the extension of this technology in order to further improve the ability of emergency personnel to respond quickly and effectively to emergency calls. "The near future entails working with 'smart phones,' which are phones that run Java programs," Bernstein said. These phones could be used to download information pertinent to one's specific emergency, whether it be an adverse reaction to a drug or a poisonous snake bite.

According to Jerry Benson, dean of the College of Integrated Science and Technology, the money will be received sometime before Sept. 30, the end of the fiscal year.

While no startup date has been set, the project should

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JMU drives into new technology

\$1.5 million to research 'intelligent transportation systems'. Possible applications to include:

En route commerce — may allow drivers to make hotel reservations, shop, etc. in the car

In-vehicle Internet — may include features to improve highway safety

Navigation systems with real-time traffic information

"E-911": studies to research ability of cell phones to locate themselves to expedite response of emergency personnel if cell phone is used to make distress call

Tuesday, January 22, 2002 DUKE DAYS EVENTS CALENDAR



TUESDAY, JAN. 22

• Baptist Student Union Hispanic Migrant Ministry, 5:45 p.m., Student Baptist Center at the corner of South Main Street and Cantrell Avenue. Work with Mexican farmers. Ministry includes volleyball, singing, video, testimony, ESL tutoring and friendship building. Speaking Spanish is helpful but not required, contact Archie at 434-6822

• Come join Circle K! Have fun and help your community. Circle K meets every Tuesday at 6 p.m., Taylor 305. For more information, contact Amy at aktrains@aol.com

• Rush information sessions for Pi Sigma Epsilon 7:30 p.m., Taylor 305

• Madison Society's general meetings on Tuesday nights at 8 p.m. in Taylor 400

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 23

• CARE weekly meetings, 7 p.m., Taylor 305, for more information, contact Erin Strine at erinstrine@jmu.edu

• Rush information sessions for Pi Sigma Epsilon 7:30 p.m., Taylor 305

POLICE LOG

By Kimberly McKenzie
police reporter

A JMU student reported 30 pieces of clothing missing from Frederikson Hall Jan. 6.

In other matters, campus police report the following:

Uttering

• Heather R. Barnes, 18, of Hampton, was arrested and charged with uttering, receiving stolen property and obtaining money by a false pretense Jan. 16 at 2:20 p.m.

Grand Larceny

• Unknown persons removed several pieces of audio equipment from the Music Building between Jan. 10 at 4 p.m. and Jan. 15 at 8 a.m.
• JMU staff reported an unknown person removed a wallet from a purse at PC Dukes Jan. 15 between 2:30 and 9 p.m.

Underage Possession of Alcohol

• Shawn M. Raver, 18, of Reisterstown, Md., was charged with underage possession of alcohol in McGraw-Long Hall Jan. 17 at 2:15 a.m.
• Non-student Brian M. O'Neill, 19, of Barnegat, N.J., was charged with underage possession at the intersection of Bluestone Drive at South Main Street Jan. 18 at 2:38 a.m.

Petty Larceny

• Four wheel covers were reported stolen from a vehicle parked in R1-lot between Jan. 8 at 1 p.m. and Jan. 17 at 5 p.m.

Number of drunk in public charges since Aug. 25: 78

Number of parking tickets issued between Jan. 7 and 13: 810

WEATHER



Today

Mostly Sunny
High 55 Low 33

		High	Low
Wednesday	Mostly Cloudy	58	42
Thursday	Light Rain	56	31
Friday	Partly Cloudy	44	24

MARKET WATCH

Sunday, January 20, 2002

DOW JONES

14.37
close: 2,849.15

NASDAQ

55.48
close: 1,930.34

AMEX

11.31
close: 1,127.57

S&P 500

4.58
close: 830.64

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NEWS

■ Ashby thefts

Ashby students express safety concerns after fall semester thefts
see below

"Obviously, this is the culmination of a lot of people doing a lot of hard work ..."

CHRISTOPHER NYE
Blue Ridge Area Health Education Center
see below

Ashby Hall residents recall Fall thefts

Almost \$1,000 worth of items were stolen last semester, according to residents

By DAVID CLEMENTSON
senior writer

Although no charges have been made, Ashby Hall's hall director said the danger of theft that residents dealt with last semester is no longer present at the residence hall. Almost \$1,000 worth of items were stolen from residents last semester.

"It's a negative thing that's happened," said Licinia Barrueco, hall director of Ashby Hall, which is in its second year of operation as year-round on-campus housing for international students. Prospective residents apply to live in Ashby Hall and go through an interview process.

Even though the suspected source of the theft is gone, residents are saddened by their losses from last semester.

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"I'm pissed still," said freshman Chelsea Jenkins, who had between \$500 and \$700 worth of clothes stolen. "It was just shocking," Jenkins said she's missing 18 pairs of underwear, several pairs of socks, pants, sweaters, markers and lipstick.

"This (Ashby Hall) is a special place, supposedly," said senior Maria-José Ovalle, who said she had three \$10 to \$15 silver rings stolen.

JMU Police Department Chief Lee Shifflett said his department has not been notified about these incidents. "We have no active investigation at this time, nor have we had a complaint," he said.

Michael Way, director of the

Office of Judicial Affairs, also said that no current investigations or hearings are underway for these thefts.

"We put a chain on our door early in the semester. It was a precautionary thing."

—Gruschenka Saraiva junior

Barrueco said she did not notify the authorities of all the

thefts in her building because her residents asked her not to.

Freshman Meesha Kolyadov, who is missing money, socks and underwear, said items disappeared from residents since the beginning of last semester.

Junior Gruschenka Saraiva said a dress worth \$150 was stolen from her. "I was very upset," Saraiva said. "It was the day before Winter Break. I think it's sad."

Saraiva said someone opened the dryer while she was doing her laundry and stole the dress. According to Saraiva, at least seven people have had possessions stolen, "maybe even more." Resident freshman Gabby Andino said she's missing a pair of jeans, as well.

According to Saraiva, Ashby Hall does not have locks on suite bathroom doors prohibiting entrance into adjoining rooms. "We put a chain on our door early in the semester," Saraiva said. "It was a precautionary thing."

Ovalle said that since the initial thefts, more people have been putting their own locks on bathroom suite doors.

According to Barrueco, when Ashby was renovated two years ago, a federal law mandated that adjoining suite doors not have locks, in case a resident needs emergency attention, such as in the case of a suicide. Thus, Ashby will not be placing locks on the doors, but policy allows students to put them

up themselves.

Many international students are dependent upon the year-round on-campus dorm for housing. "I don't even know where I'm going to live next semester," Saraiva said. "When things like this happen, it just gives you no desire to live on campus anymore."

Other students are still positive about the hall following the events. Freshman George Christodoulides said he is considering returning to live in Ashby Hall next year. "It has good people and it's very near to my classes," he said.

Applications to live in Ashby Hall next semester are due by 5 p.m. Feb. 6 to Huffman B101 for both returning and new students.

U.S. Representative to join in ribbon-cutting ceremony

U.S. Rep. Bob Goodlatte will participate in a ribbon-cutting ceremony for a federally funded health outreach center today at 3 p.m. in room 259 of the ISAT/CS Building.

The new Virginia Center for Health Outreach is an initiative set up to support community-health workers, according to a JMU press release. Community-health workers are "trained lay people who serve as health resources in the communities where they live and work."

In Brief

The center will educate the public about the contributions community-health care workers make, according to the release. For community-health workers, the center will "provide technical and research assistance, program evaluation and a forum for the exploration of important health-care issues."

VCHO was made possible through the efforts of a variety of state organizations and agencies, according to the advisory, that will "create a structure that will support the efforts of community-health workers."

Christopher Nye, executive director of the Blue Ridge Area Health Education Center at JMU, said, "Obviously, this is the culmination of a lot of people doing a lot of hard work and these people understand the value of community-health workers within Virginia's healthcare-delivery system."

JMU takes charge of "Knowledge" Web site

JMU's College of Education will oversee and manage a Web site launched in 1998 by former Virginia first lady Roxane Gilmore that has served as an online, interactive resource for educators in the commonwealth.

The Web site, "A Commonwealth of Knowledge: Virginia's Site for Educators," located at www.knowledge.state.va.us, has logged more than half a million visitors since its launching.

The JMU College of Education will oversee the Web site in coordination with faculty and staff, a Web site advisory committee, the Virginia Board of Education, the Virginia Department of Education and its committee of Virginia teachers of the year, and the Virginia Information Providers Network (VIPNet).

—compiled from staff reports

All abroad!



SARAH HERZ/staff photographer

Sophomore John Dalton seeks information from Program Administrator for International Programs Peggy Zeh during the Summer Study Abroad Fair Thursday in Taylor 202.

Fraternity to raise money for MLK monument

By PAUL H. JOHNSON
The Record

The nation's oldest black fraternity, Alpha Phi Alpha, is conducting a major fund-raising drive to build a monument honoring its most famous member, Martin Luther King Jr.

But before the organization can bring the \$100 million project to fruition, it must satisfy the demands of the fallen civil rights leader's family, which controls King's famous visage and speeches and wants a donation to its foundation before giving its blessing to the venture.

If the center declines to back the project, Alpha Phi Alpha could run out of time. It has only until November 2003 to raise the funds and break ground on the project under a federal law authorizing it as the sponsor.

Representatives of both groups downplay the significance of the issue.

"The discussion is between two non-profits with a mutual interest to see the memorial built in Dr. King's honor," Tricia Harris, managing director of the Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change Inc., said in a statement.

Officials from the Martin Luther King Jr. National Memorial Project Foundation, the group founded by Alpha

Phi Alpha, expect to gain the support of the King family, raise the money, and finish the monument.

"It really is America's memorial. It's going to take contributions from all Americans to get this done," said Marvin Warblers, a foundation spokesman.

If the monument is built, King would join Thomas Jefferson and Abraham Lincoln as the only Americans honored on the Washington Mall.

"We're just busting at the seams, proud to be doing this for our country," said Harry Johnson, national president of Alpha Phi Alpha and head of the fund-raising organization.

King was born on Jan. 15, 1929. The federal holiday celebrating his birthday was observed yesterday.

Johnson said the foundation is working closely with the King family to ease concerns the family might have over the use of King's image.

"It's just something we need to work out with them," Johnson said. "They've been supportive of us; we just need to come to some agreement with them."

Still, the family's claim has rubbed some the wrong way.

"You can do Martin Luther King Boulevard in every city in the country and I don't think they expect to get pay-

ment for that," said Maxim "Mac" Waldbaum, a New York City intellectual property lawyer.

Johnson said plans for a King monument emerged as early as 1983 as fraternity members considered ways to recognize the accomplishments of the civil rights movement. They decided to honor King and pressed Congress to authorize a monument in Washington.

"He really remains in my mind, and most minds, one of the most influential figures in American history," Johnson said, adding that the fraternity is set to go public with its plan to solicit donations in a few weeks.

Congress first gave approval to the King memorial in 1996, when it passed legislation to construct a monument in Washington. In 1998, it agreed to site the monument on the Mall across the tidal basin from the Jefferson Memorial.

The King monument would be close to the Lincoln Memorial, where King gave his famous "I Have a Dream" speech in 1963.

The legislation authorized Alpha Phi Alpha to raise \$100 million for the monument. A San Francisco-based architectural design firm, the ROMA Design Group, created the plan for the installation, which

would be shaped like a half moon with a curved wall lined with quotes from King and the texts of his speeches. The King family has not objected to the design.

The design includes a sculpture at the center showing King emerging from a mountaintop, looking toward the Jefferson Memorial, and pointing with a pencil to words from his speech titled "The Promissory Note."

"We're just busting at the seams, proud to be doing this for our country."

—Harry Johnson
Alpha Phi Alpha national president

Alpha Phi Alpha, founded in 1906 at Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y., by seven black men is the oldest black fraternity in the nation and has more than 100,000 members worldwide.

Its alumni include W. E. B. DuBois, a co-founder of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored

People, former Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall and former New York City Mayor David Dinkins.

"I liked the sense of history," said the Rev. Gregory Jackson of Mount Olive Baptist Church in Hackensack, N.J., in explaining why he joined.

He believes the fraternity will construct something that will benefit everyone and highlight the contributions of blacks by honoring King.

"If you go to D.C., you see all of these monuments down there, but you see very few, if any, African-Americans," he said.

"I'm very excited about (the monument)," said Charles Brown, an attorney in Hackensack, N.J., and fraternity member. "It makes a lot of sense. It's a worthwhile project."

The November 2003 deadline is drawing ever closer, however. "The assertion that the King family is requesting a license fee derived from fund raising is false," the King Center said in a statement.

"Once any agreement is reached, any funds that we receive will go toward supporting the King Center's mission," said Tricia Harris, the King Center's managing director.

Waldbaum said the King family doesn't have the legal right to demand any form of payment for a public monument where a fee isn't being

charged for entry and any money being raised isn't going to a profit-making institution.

"Where's the line drawn? I think the line's pretty clear where someone's sculpting a figure," said Waldbaum, who has represented the estate of Fred Astaire, among others.

He said King is sufficiently a public figure — he has a national holiday in his memory — that there should be no charge for the use of his image on public monuments. The only stipulation the family can make, he said, is to insist that the image isn't being harmed.

Waldbaum said the family can't treat his legacy the same way the family of Elvis Presley or Fred Astaire might, keeping close watch for copyright infringements and selling performances for commercials, as the King family did last year when it licensed the "I Have a Dream" speech for use by Alcatel, a French phone company.

"He is now as famous as any public figure," Waldbaum said. "He's no different from Thomas Jefferson or Abraham Lincoln."

Donations toward erection of the monument can be made online at www.mlkmemorial.org, or by mail at The Martin Luther King Jr. National Memorial Project Foundation, Dept. 211, Washington, D.C. 20055.

Gunman kills three at Va. law school, police say

BY JEFFREY GETTLEMAN
AND STEPHANIE SIMON
Los Angeles Times

A student apparently irate over failing grades burst into the dean's office with a semiautomatic pistol and killed the dean, a professor and then another student Wednesday at a small private law school amid the coal fields of Appalachia, authorities said.

Other students tackled the gunman minutes after he stalked through the tiny campus of the Appalachian School of Law where he wounded three others during the shooting spree.

State police said they were holding Peter Odighizuwa, a 43-year-old Nigerian immigrant, in custody as the suspected gunman. He had been dismissed from the law school earlier Wednesday; other students said it was the second time that he had failed first-year classes.

"Pray for me," Odighizuwa said to a professor right before

he started shooting, according to police.

Students described Odighizuwa as a loner who spoke with such a strong accent that it was difficult for them to understand him.

"It looked like a war zone."

— Jack Briggs
county medical examiner

Odighizuwa allegedly shot dean L. Anthony Sutin and professor Thomas Blackwell in their offices, then opened fire, emptying two magazines of .380 bullets in a student lounge, where his classmates were gath-

ered over lunch.

The third fatality was identified as Angela Dales, 33, a former recruiter for the law school who had enrolled as a student last semester.

"The dean and the professor were executed ... at point-blank range," said Jack Briggs, the county medical examiner. "The dean had a white shirt on, and you can see the two bullet holes in his back. You could see the powder burns."

Two of the wounded students were shot in the back, apparently as they attempted to flee the lounge, Briggs said. "It looked like a war zone," he said. All the wounded were airlifted to hospitals in Tennessee.

Students who responded to the sound of the gunshots described a nightmarish scene in the lounge — and what seemed an interminable wait before police and paramedics arrived. Using folding coffee tables as makeshift stretchers,

several students bundled the wounded into cars and drove them to the local hospital. Two other students, both former police officers, took control of the room and tried to maintain the integrity of the crime scene.

"There was a huge puddle of blood (around one victim) and a trail of blood across the floor," said first-year student Eric Creed, who helped organize the stretcher brigade. "We were just shocked. Everyone is so shocked."

Odighizuwa was described as a foul-tempered student who would talk back in class.

"Peter would snap at you for no reason — even when you tried to reach out to him," said second year law student Zeke Jackson.

He seemed to have struggled from the moment he arrived, an immigrant with four young children and a wife and a serious grudge.

"He always thought he was

getting picked on," said Kenneth Brown, a first-year student. "I had been told to stay away from him."

"Peter would snap at you for no reason — even when you tried to reach out to him."

— Zeke Jackson
second year law student

Grundy, population just over 1,000, and sandwiched between the rolling hills of Appalachia, was in disbelief Wednesday as news crews rolled in one after the other and Virginia state troopers cordoned off the two-story brick law school with yellow police tape.

"Such a close-knit community," said Gov. Mark Warner, a former member of the law school's board, "will feel such a tragedy especially deeply."

Established five years ago in a renovated junior high, the school set forth a mission of training attorneys to serve rural Virginia, West Virginia and Kentucky. Its founders hoped that the school would bring prestige to a region long stereotyped as hillbilly.

Last year the school, which has about 250 students, graduated its first class of 34.

"It was a very big deal to get the school in the first place, and then to get it accredited," said Ed Talbott, director of the local library.

One fervent believer in that mission was the 42-year-old Sutin, a 1984 Harvard Law School graduate who came to Appalachia after serving as an assistant attorney general during the Clinton administration.

Shooting victim was Duke U. graduate

DUKE U. STAFF REPORTS
The Chronicle

An alumnus of the Duke School of Law was among the victims of Wednesday's shooting at the Appalachian School of Law in Virginia.

Thomas Blackwell, Law '86, was an associate professor at the law school who taught intellectual property, jurisprudence and legal writing.

Blackwell, as well as a student and the law school's dean, were killed when a disgruntled student opened fire inside the school.

"We were all very proud of Tom," said Katharine Bartlett, dean of Duke's law school and A. Kenneth Pye Professor of Law. "I was fortunate to have visited with him earlier this month at a professional conference. He was enthusiastic about his teaching and loved Appalachian. He will be missed. Our deepest sympathies go out to his family and to the Appalachian School of Law community."

Blackwell earned tenure at Appalachian in 2000 after join-

ing the faculty as an assistant professor in 1999. Prior to that, he was a visiting assistant professor of law at Chicago-Kent College of Law.

After graduating from Duke, Blackwell worked as an associate at Jenkins & Gilchrist in Dallas until 1992, when he opened his own practice there.

"We were all very proud of Tom ..."

— Katharine Bartlett
Duke law school dean

At Duke, Blackwell was an editor of the journal *Law and Contemporary Problems* and president of the Married Students Association. He was also among the first to participate in a joint degree program at Duke Law School, earning a master's in philosophy.

UVa. deals with state budget cuts

BY PAUL QUINLAN
Cavalier Daily

University of Virginia administrators, like other Virginia college officials, had braced themselves for the financial fallout from Virginia's \$5 billion budgetary morass.

The expected bad news arrived Dec. 26 when former Gov. James Gilmore's recommended 2 percent budget cuts for state agencies — meaning a \$3.2 million of lost funding for the university.

But those cuts were only the beginning.

Facing the current year's budget shortfall of \$1.2 billion, Democratic Gov. Mark Warner, in his first address to the Republican-controlled Virginia General Assembly, recommended increasing Gilmore's recommended cut from 2 to 3 percent of funds for the fiscal year.

Preparing for the next few years, Warner also recommended future cuts totaling 7 percent in 2003 and 8 percent for 2004 — both greater than Gilmore's suggested 6 percent for the two years.

"The news is going to get worse before it gets better," said Larry Sabato, professor of government and foreign affairs. "That is ominous for UVa."

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— Larry Sabato
UVa. professor of government and foreign affairs

University administrators are working to allocate the reduction across university departments, but despite the increased financial demands, the officials do not anticipate having to resort to layoffs, according to Colette Sheehy, university vice president for management and budget.

According to Sheehy, administrators anticipated the short-

fall, asking school and department heads to draw up plans preparing for a cut in state funds of up to 10 percent.

Current plans to pare down expenses rely on employee attrition, coupled with a temporary suspension of new faculty searches.

"A lot of schools have called off their searches to fill vacant positions, and some have deferred office and equipment expenses," Sheehy said.

However, it is still unclear how the billion-dollar budget morass will affect the university in the long run.

With the recent loss of the No. 1 spot in *U.S. News & World Report* top public university rankings to University of California-Berkeley, officials acknowledge the poor timing of the cutbacks.

In the *U.S. News* category of "financial resources," the University fell from 64th to 66th place, prompting many to blame the slip in overall ranking to second place on the state's dwindling financial support for the university.

The state is "falling well

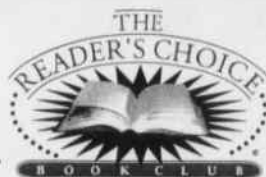
short of even coming close to doing what it takes to become the No. 1 public university," Sabato said.

In a move that potentially could soften the financial blow, Sen. John Chichester, Senate finance committee chairman, and Delegate Vincent Callahan Jr., House appropriations committee chairman, both Republicans, together proposed a bill Jan. 7 for a \$1.6 billion bond issue that would raise money for buildings and other capital projects for Virginia's colleges.

Warner criticized the proposal, citing a need to weigh the cost of the annual debt service.

"They could pass a truly expensive bond issue, but the proposed capital outlay isn't enough," Sabato said. "It doesn't cover operating expenses."

Sheehy said, "We're aware that the revenue picture is not good, and it appears to be worsening. Our hope is that they would limit the amount they would cut, but then again, they have to balance the budget."

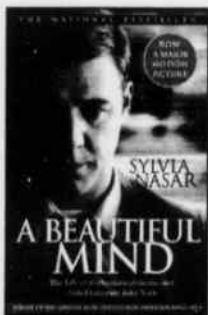


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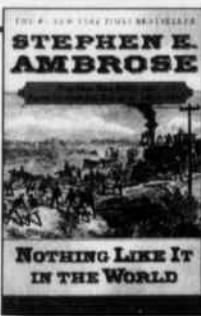
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Smokers share stories of quitting, starting up again

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half a pack a day while 1 percent smoke one whole pack a day. Two percent smoke two or more whole packs a day.

While the number of those not smoking has steadily increased in the past four years, according to the survey, the percent of those smoking two or more packs a day rose this year by 2 percent.

The survey, administered in late October and early November, gathered information from 2,535 undergraduate students.

A current quitter's story

Out of the percentage of smokers, some have decided to stop smoking because of their participation in sports. One such JMU student had her last cigarette Friday, Jan. 4 at 5 p.m.

"I usually quit once my athletic season gets picked up, so I've known for a few months that I'd be quitting," she said.

The JMU student reported that she had to first mentally prepare herself for quitting and remind herself "that life would not end because of it."

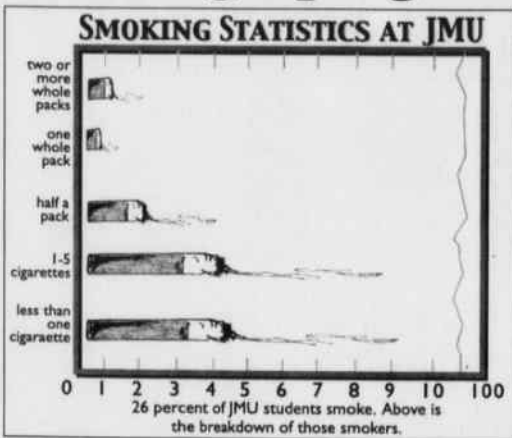
After the preparation, she weaned herself off cigarettes by picking a day to quit and smoking less and less. "For example, when I left for [Winter Break] I was smoking about 10 to 15 (cigarettes) a day, and right before I quit I was smoking four (cigarettes) a day."

"On the day that I stopped, I just finished the last cigarette of my pack, and then I was done, I guess."

Currently, she continued to avoid smoking and found exercising helps keep her desire for a cigarette down. "Now I am exercising a lot so I don't actually even want to smoke. It's nice to be able to run without passing out."

Quitting did come with its challenges. "The hardest time is when I'm out. I went to a party last night and almost cracked because I'm so used to smoking a lot when I drink."

Some quitters choose meth-



STEPHANIE NELSON/graphics editor

ods such as the patch or nicotine gum, but not all people agree that those methods would work for them.

"I think it depends on your personality and what you need. I considered going on a medication ... but it was just a little too expensive. I think these things could work for certain people. For me, I'm finding that I have a much stronger psychological addiction than a physical one," she said.

A past quitter's story

Another JMU student quit in January 2001 and reflected on her unsuccessful attempt at quitting.

She said she managed not to smoke cigarettes until October by using nicotine patches. "Now, I am smoking again but not nearly as heavily."

Two main things helped her stay away from smoking cigarettes. "I quit with someone, my boyfriend. I also spent over \$300 on the patch, so knowing that I had spent so much money motivated me to keep it up."

The idea that smoking had become routine led her back to her smoking habit. "I had been smoking since the eighth grade, so I was used to having a cigarette after I ate, when I walked to class and while I was on the phone."

Reverting back to old habits with just one cigarette led her to smoking again. "I was doing well for a while, and then my boyfriend and I had one cigarette just to see if we still liked it. It was harsh and not really that good, but then I started to crave them. Then it was just a pack on the weekend. Then (only) when I drank, and now I am smoking again."

Advice

The American Lung Association's Web site www.lungusa.org featured several tips on quitting smoking. They included:

- Be aware that smokers have different experiences when they quit. They may feel sleepy or very excited, lightheaded, nervous or irritable. Or they might crave tobacco or sweets or have headaches.
- Be sure to get some exercise every day. For example, walking is a great way to reduce the stress of quitting. Exercise is a big boost toward feeling better, improving spirits and keeping trim.
- Get plenty of sleep, eat a balanced diet and drink lots of water.
- Ask family, friends and co-workers to help. Having someone to take a walk with or just listen to can give a needed boost.

MLK honored in march

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together and not only learn and do constructive things, but learn about each other."

Dupal said the march was not a protest, but rather an acknowledgment of MLK's importance. She said students marched and sang spirituals to focus on themselves to see what they can do for the common good.

The Speak-Out was very similar to a testimonial meeting, according to Dupal.

She said that international, American and students from numerous ethnic backgrounds participated.

Following the Speak-Out, CMISS sponsored an ever-

green tree planting outside the exit near the CMISS office in Warren Hall.

Edwards said that the tree, a permanent fixture, represents a "living memorial of Dr. King and his life and legacy."

Edwards said that some of the organizations in attendance at the March and Speak-Out included members of the Student Government Association, Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, Delta Sigma Theta sorority, Contemporary Gospel Singers and the Black Student Alliance.

Organization of the MLK celebration events began last October, according to Depal.

"Dr. King's words are time-

less," Edwards said. "People [today] can use the [inspirational] things he said back then."

Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs for Multicultural Awareness Zebulun Davenport said it is important for the JMU community to be involved in the MLK events in order to experience diversity.

He said, "The more a person knows about others — whether ethnicity, gender, [etc.] ... the richer that person is."

Davenport said, "This (MLK celebration) is a great opportunity for all people to come together, live the dream Dr. King had and ... respect one another."

COB takes precautions after thefts

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the rooms are locked, according to Bilbrey. COB professors also are being advised to make sure that their rooms are secure before leaving.

Bilbrey was unsure why the projectors have been targeted for theft, other than their high monetary value.

In the couple weeks it will take for new projectors to be ordered and installed in the burglarized classrooms, COB professors and students are

trying to cope with the current situation.

"Dr. Bilbrey has supervised the reinstallation of an old, first-generation projector," said associate professor of marketing William Faranda.

"It's a little past its prime and looks gigantic compared to the newer models, but it's been very helpful. He (Bilbrey) and the installers who made that happen so quickly should be commended," he said.

With PowerPoint presenta-

tions becoming the norm in most classrooms, the theft of the projectors has forced some professors "to go back to other methods [of teaching]," Faranda said.

Senior Megan Weinrich said, "The picture coming out of the old, replacement projector is really unclear."

"When this happened last semester we were in the middle of doing presentations and we had to change rooms. It's unfair that we have to suffer," she said.

JMU, Va. universities research transportation technologies

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begin within the next couple of months and last for about a year. It will be a collaborative effort involving many departments within JMU, according to Bernstein. The computer science department will write the code to be used by the cell phones, the marketing department will gauge public acceptance of the technology and various other faculty and students will handle policy and legal issues.

"It's a wonderful opportunity to bring faculty from different departments and col-

leges within JMU together to work on interdisciplinary teams," Benson said.

JMU is not the first Virginia university to study intelligent transportation systems, according to Bernstein. George Mason University, Virginia Tech and the University of Virginia all have programs underway researching various aspects of the topic, he said. The most notable of these programs is probably Virginia Tech's "smart road," which uses sensor technologies to measure traffic and weather conditions.

The federal grant is one of three received by JMU this year, according to Noftinger. The school also received \$1 million for library and educational technologies enhancement and \$2 million for the study of information policy and law. The first appropriation will allow JMU to begin planning for a library to be built on the east side of campus. The second will result in a JMU-George Mason Law School partnership aimed at developing policy and legal solutions for cyber security.

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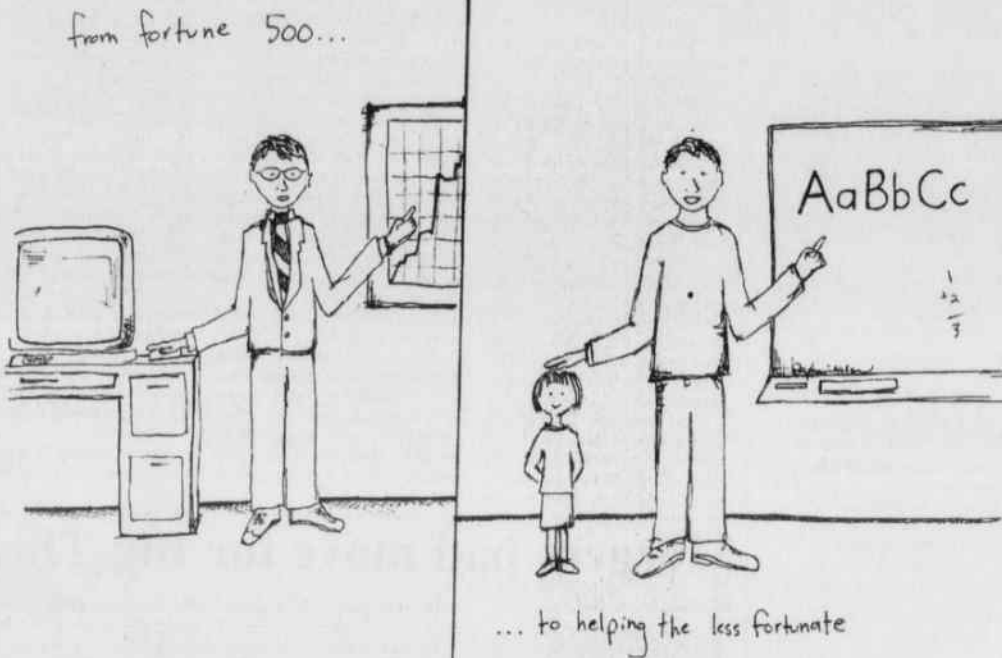
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HOUSE EDITORIAL

Service work suitable as job alternative

In the shadow of Sept. 11 devastation and an unsure economy, many seniors now think they will face a disheartening challenge after the mortarboard and tassel are put away and the diploma is on the wall. But this does not have to be the case, as some students are realizing as they seek alternatives to the traditional employment picture.

The economy has been a steady factor in most of our lives and something we felt we could depend on. But sudden changes find that security altered and our outlook on other prospects. Many universities have noted an increase in graduate school applications, possibly due to the fact that students are afraid they won't be able to find jobs. According to an article in the Jan. 17 issue of *The Breeze*, students are applying for service and volun-

teer programs, like the Teach for America program, at a drastically increasing rate.

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The year's changes have humbled us. They've made us realize that our plans for our lives don't always

come to fruition the way we've planned. They've changed our priorities and forced us to look at what we're doing and to re-evaluate our options. And while the tragedy of the situation will always outweigh and overpower and positive ramifications, our changes of heart are comforting at the same time.

We think about the year's events and maintain a mentality of wanting to help others. A down economy is therefore serving as a catalyst for the volunteer world. Besides a genuine feeling of accomplishment, service aids others in need. Volunteerism and service work are highly valued as a résumé builder. Programs of this type offer another incentive: they are not permanent positions. Once people volunteer their time, likely a year or two, their service is over and they move on to new

things if they choose to do so. Considering economic troubles, graduates in some fields may need the extra time for job opportunities to open up in what we hope is an improving economy. Using the extra time to give to others is a humbling, but admirable, allotment of their personal skills and talent.

The job market is getting better, but is still less than conducive, and service work and continuing education are great ideas, but graduates shouldn't volunteer or apply for graduate schools for the wrong reasons. Feeling strongly about a cause is more reason to get involved than having other goals fall through. Nonetheless, it is interesting how a bad situation can cause graduates to reconsider so that they feel strongly about a good cause like service work.



TERRENCE NOWLIN THE POISON PEN

Mergers are fatal flaws of automotive industry

In the used car lot that is my parents' driveway, we have an odd assortment of cars, all falling into the category of Fords or Volvos. Or now, I should say, just Fords. In 1998, Ford bought out little independent and innocently Swedish Volvo. I had a bad feeling about the buy-out, mostly concerning the reputation of the sensible Nordic boxes everywhere. But it seems it is Ford that is now suffering for biting off more than it could chew.

Ford didn't just bite off too much Volvo, it also seized Mazda, Jaguar, Aston Martin and Land Rover to add to its existing smorgasbord of three grille badges and four non-vehicle manufacturing divisions. The company grew to be simply too much to handle and is now experiencing financial turmoil.

According to a Jan. 17 report from Reuters, Ford reported a net loss of \$5.07 billion in the fourth quarter of 2001. The nice folks at Ford suggest that part of this figure comes from eating the cost of Firestone tire losses. Considering the Firestone fiasco began in the summer of 2000, that issue should have been resolved. In addition to tire problems, Ford recently lost \$1 billion on the purchase of a metal used in catalytic converters because the value dropped from \$1,500 per unit to only \$400 according to a Jan. 16 Associated Press report. These could be indications of poor management on the part of Ford, which, due to recent losses, has decided on a restructuring plan, a Jan. 18 *smartmoney.com* report said. The plan accounts for about \$4 billion of the fourth quarter losses according to *thetstreet.com*.

While it's good to see Ford is doing something about its situation, the process is one of downsizing. According to a Jan. 12 Associated Press article, Ford is cutting 35,000 jobs and closing five plants. Four models will be discontinued, including the Lincoln Continental. Be sure to alert your grandmother. Things aren't looking so good.

The "Big Three" (Ford, General Motors and DaimlerChrysler) have been gobbling up higher-end foreign auto companies in recent years

in order to keep their "Big" title, and all three are suffering this year.

General Motors has literally dozens of brand names listed as GM brands on its Web site, including the somewhat recent acquisition of Saab in addition to names like Saturn and Hummer automobiles. The corporation reported a 58 percent drop in fourth quarter earnings according to a Jan. 16 Reuters report. DaimlerChrysler was a late-1990s merger between the Chrysler Corporation and Daimler-Benz, maker of Mercedes-Benz. *Car* magazine said in its December issue that DaimlerChrysler earnings are down, and the company depends on sales of its premium Mercedes vehicles to keep it afloat. The hood ornament must mean something.

The moral of the story is that recent mergers have not been good for the larger companies trying to one-up their closest Big Three competitor.

Skeptics would say the decrease in earnings is due to the current recession and Sept. 11 tragedy. In part, this is understandable, but those corporations that haven't been doing a little extra Christmas shopping for new badges have become wiser for it. The same issue of *Car* magazine reported that Audi, BMW and Nissan earnings are up. BMW and Nissan are largely independent, and Volkswagen picked up Audi as a struggling division and built it into a profitable name. It is obvious the Big Three aren't helping themselves by picking up already successful companies to take advantage of their resources.

Ford has already begun playing God with the Volvo merger. Volvo's \$40,000 flagship S80 was, at one point, to be a platform donor to the econo-priced mid-sized Ford Taurus. The plan never left the factory because Ford couldn't keep the Taurus in the desired price range. This hasn't stopped the idea of mixing automotive genetics. Ford is planning to base the next Volvo \$40 luxury compact on the not-so-luxury Ford Focus. The communal platform will be used for both the Focus and

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ROSINA BUSSE

Wrong-site surgery a cause for concern

And just when I thought that my little medical quirks were as weird as it gets, somebody had to go and top me.

On Dec. 12, a Rhode Island man had a brain operation. On the wrong side of his head.

Wow, do I feel intelligent. But then, I was one of the advanced kids who learned how to tell right from left way back in kindergarten.

So this patient had bleeding on the right side of his brain. However, the CT scan "was placed backward on an X-ray viewing box ... the reversed scan made it look as if the bleeding was on the left" (from the hospital report).

And it took how long for the doctors to notice?

The surgeon drilled two holes in the left side of the patient's skull before realizing the error, and then repeated the procedure on the right side to drain the problematic bleeding.

Fortunately, "the patient has suffered no ill effects," but I think it's safe to assume that the hospital's PR has.

Furthermore, the patient's incision site hadn't been marked with a pen, as is recommended by "error-prevention experts."

OK, I'm sorry, but don't "error-prevention experts" usually go by the title of

"Mom"? I wanna get paid to be an "error-prevention expert." What major is that?

Is there something about medical school that just beats the common sense out of people?

Apparently this instance of "wrong-site surgery" isn't an isolated occurrence. "Wrong-site surgery" is at the top of a list of 27 "serious, preventable events," as compiled by the National Quality Forum.

Forum president Dr. Kenneth Kaizer has said that wrong-site surgery "occurs more frequently than a lot of people would like to believe."

Yeah, that's also at the top of the list of "27 most obvious statements."

As proof that these little mix-ups happen repeatedly, this same Rhode Island hospital had an incident one year ago, "in which a surgeon operated on the wrong child, removing the tonsils and adenoids of a girl who was supposed to get eye surgery."

If I ever have the misfortune of going to Rhode Island, I'm praying I stay healthy the whole time. That state's performance record is proving less-than-exemplary on the health care front.

What is it with doctors these days? I don't remember stuff like this happening when I was growing up.

When I was a kid, the doctors knew everything. They could make you stop hurting and do your math homework for you at the same time. And even when I had something that would take a few weeks to fully heal, everyone knew what was going on. I left the office with a lollipop and a confident smile (although you may not want to ask my mom about that).

“When I was a kid, the doctors knew everything. They could make you stop hurting and do your math homework for you at the same time.”

Now, it's been almost seven months of doctors, treatments and drugs, and I still don't have a diagnosis for my "chronic pain." I don't care anymore if I have to spend the rest of my life with a painful, non-fatal, incurable disease (such as arthritis); I

just want to know.

Of course, the process of getting a diagnosis isn't always a walk in the park.

The first approach with me was a battery of various drugs (mostly NSAIDs). The doctors figured that if they knew what drugs were effective, that would give them a clue as to the nature of the problem.

Suffice it to say, I spent most of last semester in a drug-induced nausea. And as fun as that wasn't, I'm not exactly looking forward to more — because, of course, that approach doesn't work.

And then there's the blood test option. If you've got richly flowing veins near the surface of your skin, that may not be a problem. However, for those of us unfortunate enough to have "Where's Waldo" — wannabe veins, it smarts. Exceedingly.

There's hardly anything worse than having a lab tech dig around with the needle inside your arm. What are they hoping for, oil? Not gonna happen — I don't even have blood in there, apparently.

So in the mean time, I'm left with my new mantra of comfort: "At least I'm not in Rhode Island."

This column appeared in the Jan. 18 edition of *Oregon State University's Daily Barometer*.

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A "you-saved-our-lives-and-so-much-more" pat to the people in Ashby who called 911 and saved our apartment from turning into a pile of charcoal Saturday morning.

From four grateful girls who were sound asleep while you were becoming heroes.

Dart...

A "just-because-your-mother-still-dresses-you-doesn't-mean-you-have-to-take-it-out-on-the-rest-of-us" dart to the guy who darted the "A-Fashion-Nado"

From an avid reader who thinks The Breeze must be doing a wonderful job if such an entertaining and enlightening fashion column is "dumbing it down."

Pat...

A "thanks-for-digging-around-for-me" pat to the polite employee at PC Dukes who dug my JAC card out of the bottom of the garbage can without even thinking twice about it.

Sent in by an absent-minded freshman who has since learned to hold on tight to her belongings.

Dart...

A "check-your-facts" dart to the girl who darted my leisure activities. I was not running through Hillside Hall. I had a casual saunter and a cowboy hat on.

Sent in by the naked Hillside guy who would like everyone to know that the attack on the size of his character is quite unfounded.

Pat...

A "thanks-for-the-breaking-out-in-song" pat to the guys who worked at Madison Grill Friday night and made a good birthday even better.

Sent in by a grateful birthday girl who was extremely surprised by the spotlight attention and thought it was very sweet.

Dart...

A "stop-being-so-negative" dart to the guy who wrote about holy matrimony in a recent story about the decline of love and marriage.

Sent in by a senior who is getting married this June and promises you that when you meet the "right one," you won't even care about all those divorce statistics.

LENORE SKENZY

FROM THE WIRE

'Whatever' an irritating teen-age word

Not one, but two four-letter words that, when combined, are guaranteed to drive the parents of sullen teens and precociously annoying preteens absolutely hopping-up-and-down, how-have-I-spawned-such-awful-offspring nuts.

"Honey, would you like a piece of mom's homemade, four-cheese, piping hot lasagna?"

"Whatever."

"Didn't I ask you to pick up your socks yesterday?"

"Whatever."

"Just tell me: Was it a fender bender, or is the car totaled?"

"Whatever."

Whatever? Why not just say it the old-fashioned way? "Go jump in the lake, ma!" "Stick it in your ear, pops!" Or even that hoary chestnut, "It's none of your business! I hate you! I wish Shelly's parents were my parents! They're cool."

"Whatever" is, quite simply, Generation Y's smart bomb, the noncommittal reply programmed to find the soft underbelly of parental forbearance and explode on contact. And it works just fine on non-parents, too.

The other day, I asked my neighbor's 10-year-old if he wanted to go with us for ice cream. He replied (eyes rolled to some fascinating spot on the

ceiling), "Whatever," thereby rendering me about as eager to buy him a sundae as I'd be to fund his college education.

"It is a big problem here," said Suzanne Gibbons-Neff, a traumatized mom of two teen-age sons in Connecticut. "When you're trying to have an in-depth conversation with them and they don't want to deal with it, instead of saying, 'You're right' or 'I understand,' they'll just say, 'Whatever.'"

Or at least they did. Now Gibbons-Neff fines her boys a buck for each "W," because to her it's as if they'd used an obscenity.

"It drives me crazy when my 7-year-old says that," said Mom No. 2, Carol Gifford, who lives outside Philadelphia. "I was disciplining her the other day about talking to strangers, and she's not paying attention, so I say, 'Do you hear what I'm saying?' And she says, 'Whatever.' Whatever? What do you mean? Say, 'Yes!' Say, 'I won't do it again!'"

But no. "Whatever" is this generation's final answer. And what makes it even more apoplexy-inducing is that "whatever" users always have an alibi: "Hey! It's not like I said something bad. I was agreeing with you!"

Yeah. And "Yeah" means I really believe what you just said.

As infuriating as "whatever" sounds — especially accompanied by the traditional snort, shrug or smirk — its aggravation quotient doubles when your underage conversation partner touches his/her thumbs back to back and points the forefingers upward up to form a giant "W."

Hey, gang — why not save yourselves some major digital effort and just raise one single, towering finger? That's what you really mean to say, right? Right?

To back me up, I called Mike Agnes, editor in chief of the Webster's New World Dictionaries.

"Oh, Lenore, you are so very right, indeed!" he said (in not so many words). To the traditional meaning of "whatever," Agnes averred, "the spin of dismissal has been added. As in, 'I'm not interested in your theories or your litany of accusations. Let's move on to another topic.'"

Topic? If only! I'm ready to move to another planet. This one is just too insulting. Irritating.

Whatever.
Lenore Skenazy is a columnist for the New York Daily News.

Mergers bad move for Big Three

MERGERS, from page 7

\$40, as well as Mazda's upcoming 323 and Protegé, according to suedspeed.com. Sales will undoubtedly be lost on folks who consider the fact that a Volvo that now costs at least \$24,000, according to "Kelley Blue Book," is based on a \$13,000 Ford. Of course, this is just one example

of the car-cloning mess that can result from company mergers.

The fact of the matter is that the Big Three have had their shining moment, and they're desperately trying to hold on to a market that is quickly realizing the dependability of Japanese cars and the smoothness of European ones. Instead of buy-

ing the companies producing more desirable cars, the Big Three need to make their products more marketable.

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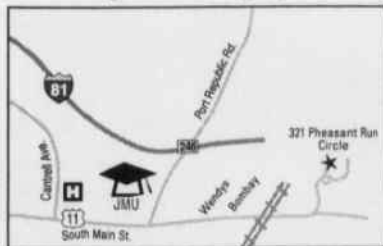
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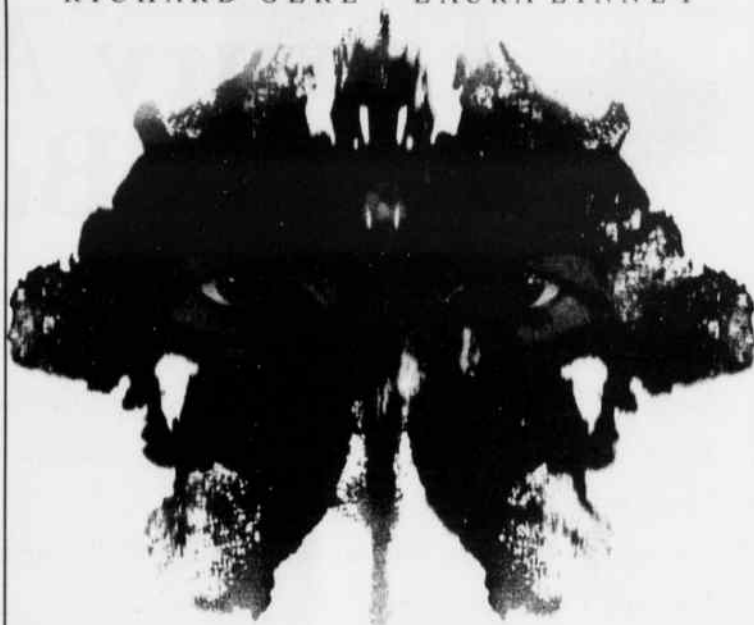
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Daily rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19)

Today is a 7 - There are a few problems coming, but nothing you can't handle. They all have to do with money, or rather the lack of it. You can't use your meager resources to fund everything, so don't.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)

Today is a 6 - You're stronger now, so stand your ground. Make sure those in authority understand your position, even if it's not popular. You may have to explain it over and over, but that's OK. You're a very patient person.

Gemini (May 21-June 21)

Today is a 7 - If you weren't so cute, you wouldn't get away with half of what you do. Today, you might not get away with things. A person with no sense of humor wants the results you said you'd produce. Better make it happen.

Cancer (June 22-July 22)

Today is a 6 - You have a friend who's good to be around. The two of you don't talk much - there's no need to. You cheer each other up just by doing things together. Hanging out with that person now will be good for you both.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)

Today is a 6 - You may have to report to a higher authority. Better have all your ducks in a row. Another person can help you with the tables and graphs that show how much you've accomplished, but when it comes to mistakes you've made, fess up to those on your own.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Today is a 6 - Beware of complications concerning travel, long-distance calls and the Internet. There are about five things that could go wrong, and they may happen in rapid succession.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct 22)

Today is a 7 - Uh oh. Looks like your bubble may burst. Reality is interfering, again. What you want costs much more than you have. Should you give up your dream? Heck no! Dreams are more important than so-called "reality." Back to the drawing board!

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Today is a 5 - It may feel as if you've come to a grinding halt. Something you thought would work, doesn't. Must you change your plans completely? No. Just take new input into consideration.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Today is a 6 - Many of your theories are about to be tested. It's much easier to think about these things than to actually do them. But keep hammering away at your precious new theories. You're building something useful.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Today is a 7 - Why do you go to all that bother? To show the people you care about how much you love them, of course. It's not for the money. Never has been, never will be. You'll soon get another chance to show them. Grab it.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Today is a 7 - You may feel inhibited or weighted down. You're going through a testing phase. Don't worry. Just answer your own questions.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

Today is a 5 - It'll be easier to concentrate. That's always a problem, but now you can manage it. Next, put a lid on your worries. Guilt is a big waste of time. If there's something you can do about whatever you regret, do it. If not, confess. Promise not to do it again, then get on with your life.

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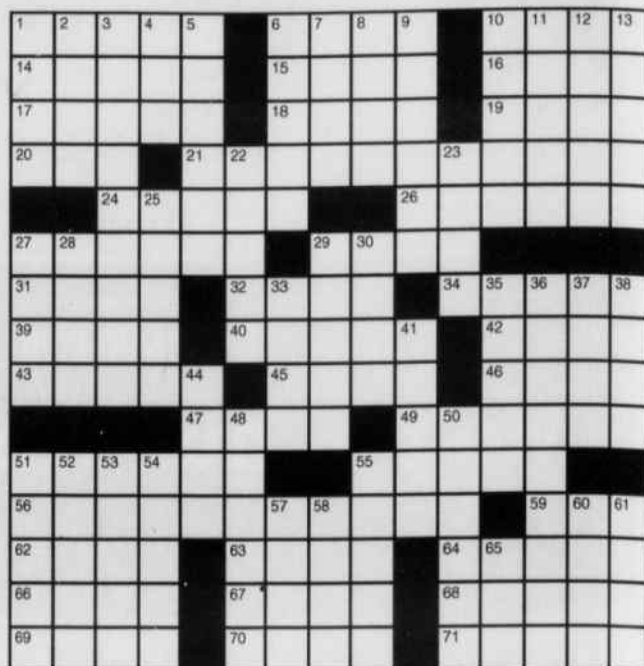
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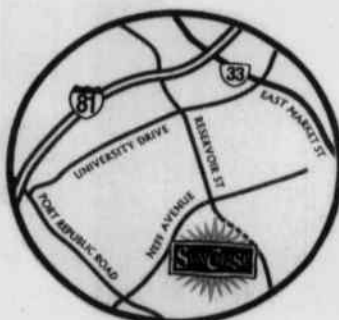


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Top: Built in 1996, UREC is a state-of-the-art facility housing an indoor track, climbing wall, stationary bicycles, racquetball courts, two fitness rooms, an indoor pool and more. The entire facility covers 140,700 square feet.

Far left: Originally named Reed Hall, Keezell Hall was the first recreational facility on the Madison College campus.

Left: Keezell Hall was home to the Madison College pool.

Above: Godwin Hall was built to replace Keezell Hall as the recreational facility on campus after Keezell was renovated into classrooms and offices.

Below: The women's basketball team practiced and played games at the gym in Keezell Hall.

courtesy of THE BLUESTONE

1926-2002: A Gym Odyssey

From multipurpose Keezell Hall to nationally renowned UREC, JMU has been through decades of recreational change

STORY AND PHOTOS BY TERRENCE NOWLIN
senior writer and photographer

JMU is a rapidly changing campus, and one of the most fascinating contortions for the university is the effect of student needs outgrowing a facility. JMU's recreation facilities have been through a lifetime of interesting changes.

Some may think Godwin Hall was the original recreation facility on campus. However, many do not realize that Keezell Hall, the building currently housing the English department, was once home to a swimming pool, gymnasium and indoor track, as well as classrooms.

Sophomore Evin Linn said, "Most of my classes are in Keezell, and I never knew there was a gym there."

Keezell originally was built in 1926 as a combination recreation and classroom facility for the then all-female Madison College.

According to JMU Facilities Manager Carl Puffenbarger, Wilson Hall had not been planned yet, and most recreational and multi-purpose activities were held in Sneldon Hall. Due to the growing student population, classrooms and dormitories in Harrison and Jackson halls were overcrowded, so the need for a new building was evident. Finally, in 1926, the Virginia Legislature Noell Act appropriated Madison College President Samuel Duke enough money to fund the building. After putting out bids, the Harrisonburg Building and Supply Company placed a bid for just under \$90,000.

Although plans for the building were in place, there were insufficient funds to build the pool. Duke went into the community to request funds. He used the college's boost to the economy as his reason for why the community should contribute. He cited the \$200,000 to \$250,000 the student body spent per year in the Harrisonburg area. His convincing push raised \$4,000 of the \$15,000 needed. Additionally, *The Bluestone*, then called *The Schoolma'am*, donated receipts from its annual bazaar. The Tea Room restaurant on campus gave a percent of its food sales to the construction of the pool. Students were asked by the administration to give a donation of \$5 to the project.

Duke held opening ceremonies in 1926 for what was then called Walter Reed Hall. The building was named after a frequent visitor to the university, Reed, who was in a profession concerning physical well-being.

Reed Hall became Keezell Hall between April 1961 and April 1962 after Senator George B. Keezell. Keezell was instrumental in bringing the State Normal and Industrial School for Women to Harrisonburg, now known as JMU.

Wayne Modisett, vice president of architecture firm Moseley, Harris and McClintock and architect for the building's renovations said, "In the back part, [Keezell] had a pool in the basement, and the floor above that was a big gym." In addition, Keezell housed an indoor track along the wall above the gym, similar to the current UREC facility's track.

By the early 1970s, Keezell had not grown with the needs of the students. It was necessary to renovate the building to house academic offices and classrooms. Puffenbarger said the initial modification involved a quick cover of the pool and sectioning areas to be used as classrooms. The fix was only temporary, however, lasting from 1972, when the English department moved into the facility, until the major renovation in the '80s.

This major renovation began in 1986. Modisett said the two existing floors of the building were made into three. On the ground level, classrooms were built over the pool area. Modisett explained that seats placed on steps in the classrooms actually are placed on the original spectator bleachers for the pool. The concrete bleachers were initially too steep and had to be widened to fit the classroom design.

According to Puffenbarger, rooms G1 and G2 in the building actually dip in to where the pool had been. Modisett said the two floors above the lower classroom level are in the original gym area. In order to access rooms on the Carrier Library side of the building, an "arcade," or hallway built around an exterior wall of the building, was placed outside the rooms for better access.

A goal of the project was to "utilize space using the same footprint, motif and character [seen] throughout campus," Modisett said. "There's a certain amount of formality. It's important to maintain the context."

The renovation from gym to academic building took a great deal of planning. For a project of this caliber, "it takes four to six months of planning to see how to best use things you cannot move," Modisett said. "When you make renovations, the university makes provisions not just architectural but financial as well to accomplish the end result — always tied by a budget."

Keezell had been stripped of its recreation capacities and was completely renovated

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Gyms change over decades

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after 14 years of makeshift classroom and office space. The renovation was timed with the 1972 completion of Godwin Hall.

For 26 years, Godwin Hall was used as the center of JMU's recreation. However, in October of 1996, JMU developed "what is considered to be a leading facility and program among academic institutions," according to Dave Frock, assistant director of University Recreation facilities. Frock said unlike Godwin, which he feels was built with the intention of instruction of recreation and competition, UREC is strictly for the recreation of the students. UREC is state of the art and set up better for this purpose, he said.

The UREC building is an architectural phenomena of 140,700 square feet. The building has two fitness areas, one for free-weights and the other for cardiovascular and

machine lifting. The third level is home to stationary bicycles, a jogging track and other facilities. A large pool area, complete with a 25-yard by 25-meter pool, hot tub and sauna are on the lower level, just outside a courtyard common area. Numerous racquetball courts behind walls of glass adorn the building's corridors, and multi-purpose rooms, used for kick-boxing and other aerobic activities, can be found upstairs.

"UREC is super cool. I go there every day — it's like a playground. You can do whatever you want," junior Chris Kelley said.

Frock feels UREC serves its purpose of promoting healthy lifestyles. "It provides [students] with more options and more opportunities," he said.

In addition, the building has won facility awards for its design on a national level. Many schools nationwide that are building or renovating similar structures tour UREC.

UREC is currently in full-

force, offering services and facilities to the JMU community.

Visitors to its Web site, www.jmu.edu/recreation, can access upcoming events, rules and activities as well as information on intramural teams and other ongoing programs. The site illustrates the range of recreation options offered, whether a class in aquatics, adventure trip, skiing program, sports club or a nutrition assessment.

The state-of-the-art services and facilities of urec are the result of a long evolution from humbler beginnings. After 46 years as a recreation facility, the red-roofed Keezell Hall became an academic building, eventually undergoing major renovations to permanently place it in the class of academic bluestones. Godwin Hall is still the venue for many sports matches and home to even more sports team practices, and UREC stands as a gem on the JMU campus.

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SEAN PFLUEGER
junior
see story below



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From left to right, Junior Lynn Duesterhaus, senior Rachel Wallmuller and senior Meg Baber rehearse for "Chamber Music."

Borderline realities

'Chamber Music' brings a sanity check

BY CAROLINE CONTI
contributing writer

With the presentation of "Chamber Music," Theatre II is transformed into an insane asylum this week.

Written in 1962 by Arthur Kopit, "Chamber Music" is a play about eight women who have been elected to represent the women's ward in an insane asylum.

Believing the men's ward is planning an attack on them, these eight women hold meetings to decide how to prevent the attack. The strange turn of events that follows shows the unique voice of "Chamber Music."

"Chamber Music" tries to involve the audience through every aspect of the show. Set designer Keith Foster, a sophomore, worked with director Corinne Dame, a junior, to transform Theatre II into an asylum. Costume designer Diana Fix, a senior, and lighting director Heather LiBrandi, a junior, also aim to create the appropriate atmosphere.

"This play is unique in the way that you never know

what is real and what is not — what really defines crazy and what doesn't," Dame said.

Dame added that although the play may be confusing at times, if audience members just enjoy it rather than analyze it, they will find it to be a worthwhile experience.

"... you never know what is real and what is not — what really defines crazy and what doesn't."

— Corinne Dame
senior

"Chamber Music" aims to teach the audience "not to classify someone else as insane until checking their own sanity," Dame said.

"It was time for someone to do a show with a lot of strong female roles," Dame

said. With eight females in the cast of 10, "Chamber Music" has a predominantly female cast.

Each character represents a prominent female figure of the past. Nicolien de Clercq plays the character who represents Queen Isabella from Spain and has the most curious and mysterious role. Her character traits include incessantly petting a stuffed dog.

Senior Kendall Drew represents silent movie actress Pearl White and describes her character as "a damsel worthy of being tied to train tracks and sometimes rescued." Although regarded as the characteristic dumb pretty girl, Pearl White does her best to earn acknowledgment from the other members of the insane asylum.

Junior Sean Pflueger uses his role as the sane assistant to contrast the insane female patients. His word of advice to those planning on attending the show is to "sit as far away from the aisle as possible if you don't want to be involved in the play."



DAVE KIM/staff photographer

The cast of "Chamber Music" prepares a scene for the play's opening Tuesday night at Theatre II. The actors plan on involving audience members throughout the production.

In order to better portray insanity and the asylum environment, the cast underwent improvisational rehearsals to hone its skills and prepare to involve random audience members. "Chamber Music" will be playing at Theatre II Jan. 23 to Jan. 26 at 8 p.m. each night, with a midnight show on Friday. Tickets cost \$1 and may be purchased at the door.

Steppin' up, stomping out

BY AMANDA HAYES
staff writer

Despite the wintery weather, the Delta Sigma Theta Step Show warmed up Grafton-Stovall Theatre with stomping and singing. The Iota Alpha chapter of DST hosted the event Saturday, Jan. 19. Titled "Celebrating 30 Years of Excellence," the show featured a capella and soloist performances, a poetry reading and step dancing by Iota Alpha alumnae.

JMU's chapter of DST, chartered in 1971, has a large alumnae base that played an instrumental role in several performances. Months of planning and work went into Saturday's step show. "It took an entire semester to plan it, and lots of time and effort from current chapter members," said senior Maiya Parham, chapter treasurer.



BRIAN HALL/contributing photographer

Alumni Tasha Jefferson ('97), left, and Vonzele Waller ('01) perform at the DST Step Show.

culture and diversity on campus," said senior Kymber Lovett, chapter president.

Graduate student Melissa Baker read two of her poems. "Upon the Threshold of Heaven," was written in response to the Sept. 11 attacks, while "Black Man's Strut" provided a more lighthearted tone. "I like to share my poetry because it is a part of me, and I feel when I share it I am able to uplift people and help them feel the way I do about it," Baker said.

Following the poetry reading, the Inspirational Ensemble performed. "We are here to help celebrate and support them. It's important to support people who do such service," said senior Tamika Nottingham, an Inspirational Ensemble member. The last part of the program

featured two groups of DST alumnae performing their step routines. Alumnae representing Northern Virginia and the Tidewater and Richmond regions, stomped and clapped their way through several selections. The groups wore red and black outfits, signifying the colors of DST.

For the finale, both alumnae groups joined with current DST members in performing the "Founders Day Step," a chant and step routine dedicated to the founding members of DST.

"We had 100 people registered to come," Lovett said. "Due to the snow, not as many people were able to come." While the possibility of moving the step show to another date was considered, the chapter decided to move forward as planned.

Alumnae expressed an interest in staying involved with DST. "It is important for the people on campus now to know the legacy of Iota Alpha, and it was fun to see older people and get to know the newer Deltas," said Tiffany Wilson, JMU alumna ('99).

"It was particularly important for me, because my line sisters were in it — we are committed to keeping up the chapter, and it is a lifetime commitment to excellence," said Juanita Harris ('01).

Admission to the event was \$1 or one can of food. The canned food was donated to First Step, a domestic violence shelter in Harrisonburg, while the proceeds will be split evenly between First Step and the DST Annual Scholarship Fund.

Review

'Park' prevails

Latest Altman flick delivers drama, but lacks suspense

BY DAVID CLEMENTSON
senior writer

Acclaimed director Robert Altman loves to use his films to examine the issues of a time-period, or noir genre.

With his latest offering, "Gosford Park," Altman travels across the Atlantic with his characteristically huge ensemble cast to attempt not just one, but two genres — an Agatha Christie-style "whodunit" murder mystery and an old British soap opera. While delightfully and cleverly incorporating British wit, Altman fails to deliver an impressive mystery.

The scene is set in England in 1932, inside the mansion of Sir William Cordle, played by Michael Gambon, who cares more for his tiny mutt dog than his friends, and his wife Lady Sylvia, an elegant and sexy, while prim and properly jaded Kristin Scott Thomas. They invite 10 friends and relatives, accompanied by their servants, butlers and valets, to their estate for a weekend of house parties and pheasant hunting.

Halfway through the film both those "above stairs," — the masters — and those "below stairs," — the servants — are rocked in their otherwise miserably class-conscious, randy and self-centered lives when their unloved host is murdered and then murdered again. All the guests and servants are suspects.

Unlike other such films, the servants' insightful discussions are actually given more credence than that of their masters. The acting is flawless, the dialogue smart and the setting splendid.

"GOSFORD PARK"
STARRING:
KRISTIN SCOTT THOMAS
AND RYAN PHILLIPPE
RATED: R
RUNNING TIME:
137 MINUTES
Paw prints

find it too long.

During filming, Altman allowed the actors to ad-lib freely, not just following preordained scripts. A pair of roving cameras and 12 audio tracks captured various off-camera, overlapping conversations. Although it's distracting, Altman draws the audience in just enough to feel like a privileged fly on the wall, inquisitively eavesdropping on the interesting interactions.

The intolerably snooty yet deliciously entertaining Countess Constance, played by Maggie Smith, and her innocent maidservant Mary McEachran, played by "Trainspotting"'s Kelly MacDonald, provide one of the film's most intriguing relationships.

In addition to Smith and MacDonald's wonderful performances, notables include real-life actor/producer/writer Bob Balaban (the NBC Executive on "Seinfeld") as stereotypical American Hollywood producer Morris Weissman who spends most of his time calling California, and Ryan Phillippe ("I Know What You Did Last Summer," "Cruel Intentions") proves some versatility as Weissman's libido-laced valet with a fake Scottish accent. Silver



courtesy of USA FILMS, LLC

Actress Kelly MacDonald plays the innocent maidservant to Maggie Smith's snobbish character in "Gosford Park."

It's just too bad that while interplaying the lives of the British 1930s upper and lower-classes, Altman and writer Julian Fellowes also try to mix a dry two-hour soap opera with their own Christie tale.

The audience sees a little bit of each of the 25 characters in the huge cast, but not enough about any one character seems fulfilling. No characters are developed enough for viewers to be able to adequately guess who murdered McCordle nor be satisfied with the anticlimactic conclusion.

All the soap opera subplots are nearly impossible to fully fathom in just one 137-minute viewing, yet the film lacks so much substance for a good murder mystery that some will

screen newcomer Claudie Blakley shines as the down-to-earth, plain, subjugated wife whom we all feel sorry for.

The smart British class system satire is the film's high point. It's when Altman breaks from it by employing a dull murder mystery with too many one-dimensional characters, that the film ultimately fails.

Movie review key	
Go directly to the theater and see this masterpiece	
Great movie. Worth the crazy ticket price	
Wait for this one to play at Grafton-Stovall	
Should have been released straight to video	
Who approved the making of this film?	

Review

New dimensions

DVD uncovers 'Almost Famous'

BY STE GRAINER
senior writer

One of the most sincere coming-of-age movies to date, "Almost Famous" won the 2001 Oscar for Best Screenplay. Now with the Dec. 4, 2001 re-release of the movie on a special "Bootleg" DVD, Director Cameron Crowe makes this incredible movie even better.

The "Almost Famous" Untitled: Bootleg Cut DVD set includes a number of extras that fans of the original movie will truly appreciate. The two-DVD set features two versions of the

movie, the original theatrical performance seen in theaters and an "Untitled" version that includes nearly 40 minutes of extra unseen footage. The additional footage doesn't change the story significantly. Instead, it blends seamlessly with the original version to help develop the characters and plot more fully than the original.

A semi-autobiographical story of Crowe's own teenage experience, "Almost Famous" chronicles the life of young William Miller, played by Patrick Fugit, as he explores

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"... it was a way to celebrate the culture and diversity on campus."

— Kymber Lovett
senior

Contemporary Gospel Singers performed two selections followed by soloist senior Wendy Fox and 4Men, a newly formed all-male gospel capella group. "We thought it was a good way to show the alumni what other groups are now on campus, and it was a way to celebrate the

'Bootleg' DVD packs punch with extras

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the world of rock 'n' roll in the early '70s. Ensnared in a world of restrictions by an overprotective mother, Miller begins writing for an underground music magazine.

Unaware of Miller's age, *Rolling Stone* magazine hires him to write a story about a band named Stillwater. Miller joins the band, expecting to tour with them for only a few days and ends up continuing through the tour across America as he seeks an inter-

view with the band's star guitarist player, Russell Hammond (played by Billy Crudup). As Miller accompanies the band on tour, he learns about more than just music.

The video and audio quality is superb, guaranteeing the best viewing experience possible. The Untitled cut also provides commentary from Crowe, Crowe's mother and other key characters.

Other features include B-sides (behind-the-scenes

footage), Crowe's top 10 albums of 1973, the original movie script, articles Crowe wrote for *Rolling Stone*, deleted scenes and a 15-minute sequence of Stillwater's Cleveland concert.

One extended scene in which Miller is trying to convince his mother to allow him to tour with Stillwater gives viewers the option to play "Stairway to Heaven" along with the mother-son dialogue.

All of these extra features add to the value of this special edition that enriches the film on many levels. Also included with the DVD set is an audio CD featuring the songs of Stillwater as heard in the movie.

While those who haven't seen the movie will certainly enjoy all of the extra features, the *Bootleg* cut is mostly meant for true fans who may already own the movie. It's certainly a key part of any good movie collection.



CHRIS LABZDA/staff photographer

Sophomore Jamaal T. Crowder asks, "What do your dreams consist of?" in a poetry reading at TDU on Friday.

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Poets commemorate King through verse

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March/Speak-Out.

The poetry reading aimed to provide students an opportunity to express their feelings about not only Martin Luther King, but anything they felt was relevant to the weekend's events. The poetry included topics such as freedom, kindness to others or a lack thereof, seeking the paths of life and diversity. Duhart read a poem reflecting the idea that those who take the right, yet sometimes more difficult, path in life will catch "the eyes and the envy of those that took the easy way out."

Along with making students aware of King's legacy, the night was also about having fun and enjoying life. Graduate student Tracy Epps helped organize the night. "Tonight is a night to celebrate the social aspect of Dr. King's dream," she said.

Students were invited to play pool, read poetry, listen to others perform, eat pizza and reflect on the important day of remembrance in the company of friends and fellow students.

Crowder introduced himself to his audience in a unique way. "Although I happen to play football, that is only something I do. I am a poet," he said. He proved this to the audience by reciting two of his compositions concerning topics he

found important to not only himself, but to the community as well. Crowder started practicing his talent in the eighth grade and said, "I could never color in the lines, so I started writing poetry."

"Hearing some of the things he writes gives me a different outlook," sophomore Cory Weathers said. "His poetry makes me think about things I wouldn't usually think about."

Last year was the first time CMISS held the series of events because it was the first time JMU observed MLK Day by closing school. Since last year, attendance as well as the number of events has grown. However, Duhart expressed concern that people do not take the holiday seriously. He said he worries that students now think of school as "something to do to fill up time between the weekends" instead of wanting to educate themselves.

Co-chair of the Martin Luther King March/Speak-Out, junior Jennifer Johnson, who participated in petitioning JMU to observe the day, spoke of her great admiration for King.

"If it wasn't for him and the actions of others, I would not be at JMU today," she said.

The events of the week were organized by a planning committee of students and sponsored by CMISS.

— Style Weekly —

— Art —

- * Zirkle House galleries: Artworks Gallery and Other Gallery, Mon.-Thu. noon-5 p.m., Fri. & Sat. noon-4 p.m., free
- * Sawhill Gallery: "Intuition, Passion, Process: Works by Dean Nimmer," Mon.-Fri. 10:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Sat. & Sun. 1:30-4:30 p.m., free
- * New Image Gallery: "Melinda Trout LeBlanc: His Absence is Palpable," Mon.-Thur. noon-5 p.m., Fri. & Sat. noon-4 p.m., free

— Music —

- * JMU Faculty Recital, Sonya Baker, soprano, Wilson Hall, Tue., Jan. 22, 8 p.m., free
- * Janna Baty, soprano, Wilson Hall, Sun., Jan. 27, 3 p.m., free
- * JMU Faculty Recital, Beth Chandler, flute, Wilson Hall, Tue., Jan. 29, 8 p.m., free

— Theatre & Dance —

- * "Chamber Music," Jan. 23-26, 8 p.m., Jan. 25, midnight, Theatre II, \$1

— Movies —

- * Grafton-Stovall Theatre: Wed. & Thur. "Joy Ride," Fri. & Sat. "Training Day," 7 & 9:30 p.m., \$2 w/JAC
- * Regal Cinemas 14: "A Beautiful Mind," "Ali," "Black Hawk Down," "Gosford Park," "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone," "How High," "Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius," "Kate & Leopold," "Monsters, Inc.," "Not Another Teen Movie," "Ocean's Eleven," "Orange County," "Snow Dogs," "The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring," "The Majestic," "Vanilla Sky," \$5.50 before 6 p.m., \$7.25 after. Call 434-7733

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Monday, Jan. 28
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"It's nice to know that you can play and win in conference basketball when the other team gives you their best shot and your two leading scorers have sub-par games."

BUD CHILDERS
women's basketball coach
See story below

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

JMU downs UNC-W

Franklin's offense and defense too much for Seahawks

BY DREW WILSON
assistant sports editor

Despite off games by its two leading scorers, JMU managed to defeat the University of North Carolina-Wilmington 66-56 Friday in the Convocation Center for its sixth consecutive conference win this season.

"It's nice to know that you can play and win in conference basketball when the other team gives you their best shot and your two leading scorers have sub-par games," JMU coach Bud Childers said.

Senior center Hollee Franklin and junior forward Shanna Price scored 4 points apiece to push the Dukes out to an 8-2 lead. After a jumper by freshman forward Lynn Liburd, UNC-W's Jeri Lynn Coker nailed a 3-point shot to cut the lead to 5.

JMU increased its lead after senior guard Allyson Keener was fouled on a 3-point attempt. Keener hit all three free throws to put the Dukes ahead 15-5 with 13 minutes left in the first half.

The Seahawks outscored the Dukes 9-4 over the next three minutes and cut the JMU lead to 5 on another 3-pointer by Coker. Keener countered with a shot with a 3 of her own, followed by a basket by Franklin to put JMU back up by 10.

Price picked up two fouls in less than two minutes and was forced to sit on the bench the final seven minutes of the half.

UNC-W edged back to within 4 points on a shot by Rachel Friesen-Norwood, but Franklin hit a jumper with eight seconds left in the first to give JMU a 33-27 halftime lead.

Price opened the second half with a layup, but picked

up her third foul on the other end of the floor. Price was then hit with a technical foul after words with the referee. Price's third and fourth fouls landed her on the bench until midway through the second.

With the score 39-30, junior forward Nadine Morgan hit her lone field goal of the game to give the Dukes an 11-point advantage with 16:46 to play. After both teams traded scores, UNC-W's Jennifer Kapper sank a 3 and Friesen-Norwood hit a layup to cut the JMU lead back to 6 points.

The Seahawks stayed close and pulled to within 4 points with under nine minutes to play when a basket by Vickey Harper made the score 49-45.

The Dukes increased the lead back to 8 points on another jumper by Franklin. With 4:29 left, Keener put the nail in the coffin with a 3-point shot to put JMU back ahead by 11.

UNC-W would get as close as 6 points in the final four minutes, but the Dukes prevailed as Childers emptied his bench in the final minute.

Franklin led JMU with 16 points and three blocks. Keener finished with 13 points.

"Hollie had a good feel for the game," Childers said. "We kept going to her and she made some clutch plays on the offensive end and scored, but I really liked the way she played defense. I thought she was a real presence down there and got some key rebounds."

Franklin said, "I took my

time and used a variety of shots, which is what Coach Childers asked me to do—mix it up a little bit. I felt pretty confident when I got the ball down there."

Franklin attributed her success against UNC-W to Paul Lambert, a three-year member of the team's practice squad.

"Paul is no joke. He's not easy and he loves to throw our shots back in our faces, and I really had to adjust my shot this week. I think that definitely carried over into the game."

Price, the team's leading scorer at 15.8 points per game, managed to score 11 points, despite her foul trouble. Morgan, the team's second leading scorer at 12.5 points per game, scored only 4 points, all in the second half.

"Shanna and Nadine got their first taste of physical basketball, and I think that surprised them," Childers said.

The Dukes continued to get a lift off the bench, as senior forward Katie Hardbarger matched her season high with 10 points. Liburd scored 4 points and grabbed seven rebounds in a career-high 27 minutes.

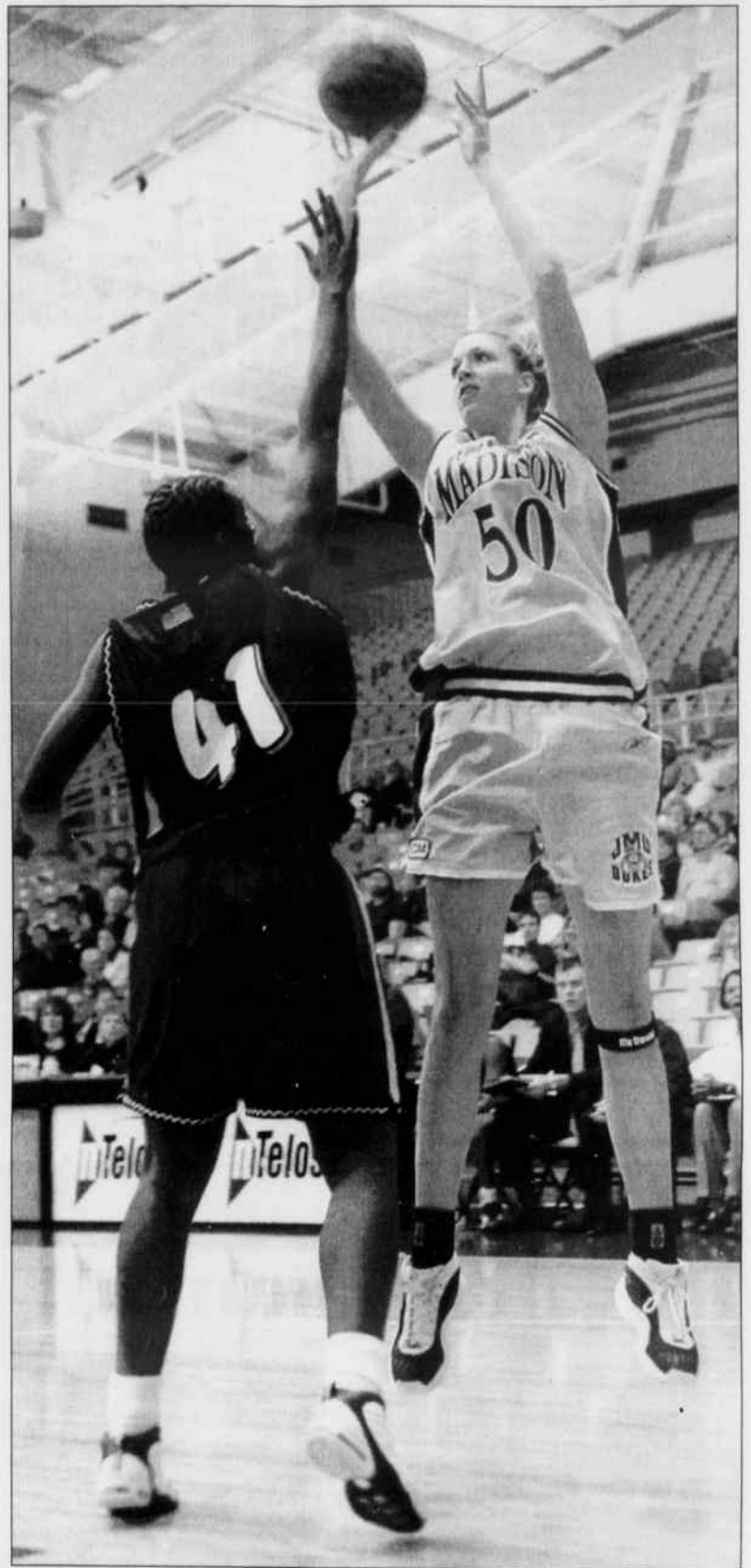
JMU held the Seahawks leading scorer, Kapper, to just 6 points. Kapper averaged 19.3 points per game coming into Friday's game. Shameka Montgomery led UNC-W with 18 points, while Friesen-Norwood and Coker finished with 13 apiece.

On Sunday, JMU fell to the University of Delaware 58-50 in Wilmington, Del.

JMU held a 40-27 lead in the second half, but the Fighting Blue Hens went on a 15-2 run to tie the game at 42-42 as the Dukes went cold from the floor. Delaware took the lead on a score by Julie Sailor with under eight minutes to play. The Blue Hens kept the Dukes in check the rest of the way to snap JMU's unbeaten streak in the CAA.

Franklin led the Dukes with 14 points. Keener and Price added 10 points apiece. Price scored in double-digits for the thirteenth consecutive game, but struggled from the field, shooting 4-24 in the contest.

The Dukes travel to George Mason University Thursday and return home to face Old Dominion University Sunday at 2 p.m. The Dukes ended ODU's 113-game conference winning streak last season when the Monarchs came to Harrisonburg.



DAVE KIM/staff photographer

Senior center Hollee Franklin's 16 points led the Dukes over the Seahawks 66-56 Friday in the Convocation Center. JMU returns home Jan. 27 against Old Dominion University at 2 p.m.



DAVE KIM/staff photographer

Freshman Lynn Liburd helped JMU off the bench Friday.

STRIKING OUT

Red Sox among off-season winners

Old man winter is really raining on my parade. The Bears watched their Cinderella season come to a close, leaving us with a little less to root for in the NFL playoffs. We can't seem to get any consensus on whether Tom Brady fumbled that ball or was attempting to complete a pass to his right foot.

Personally, this past weekend I needed a respite from Donovan McNabb and instant replay reversals. So I popped in my World Series 2001 DVD and thought happy thoughts. For instance, that pitchers and catchers report in just a month.

Don't get me wrong, I'm glued to the playoffs like everyone else. I'm also anxiously awaiting the annual justification for the existence of basketball, Duke versus North Carolina. I just figured that it was about time to get caught up on the winners and losers of the off-season race in baseball.

Losers

Oakland Athletics
Hey, last one out turn off the lights. The A's still possess one of the most intimidating rotations in the game with the combo of Tim Hudson and Barry Zito. But where's everyone going?

American League MVP runner-up Jason Giambi cashed in his respectability for a ticket to the Bronx. To be fair, though, Oakland had plenty of time and opportunity to sign Giambi to a new contract, but stalled on a no-trade clause. As painful as it will be to see a guy like Giambi in pinstripes, he deserves to win.

Closer Jason Isringhausen said goodbye to the Junior Circuit by signing with the Cardinals. Isringhausen is one of just a few moves by St. Louis this off season, but a good one. The Cards got the closer they needed.

Back in Oakland, outfielder Johnny Damon had a poor season in '01. Despite his All-Star caliber season in 2000, the down year was enough to allow the A's to let the centerfielder to sign in Boston.

General Manager Billy Beane to date has made only one notable move to make up for the slew of losses. The loss of Isringhausen will be somewhat softened by the acquisition of fire-baller Billy Koch from Toronto.

Cleveland Indians
General Manager Mark

Shapiro is cleaning house. A year after losing Manny Ramirez to the Red Sox, the Tribe gave future Hall-of-Famer Roberto Alomar away to the Mets for Matt Lawton and an "I [heart] New York" T-shirt.

“Everett is more trouble than he's worth. While he is a great hitter, he's capable of taking a clubhouse apart in seconds.”

Cleveland signed the temperamental Juan Gonzalez to make up for the loss of Manny Ramirez last winter, but a year later he's gone again. Gonzalez is headed back to Texas. Too bad the guy can't throw a breaking ball. The Rangers are still on the outside looking in.

A less notable loss for the Indians is Marty Cordova to the Orioles. Apparently Cordova was put off by his first season in Cleveland, what with the winning and playoffs and all. Good

thing he signed with a team owned by Peter Angelos. Enjoy the early vacation, Marty.

Winners

Boston Red Sox

Beantown faithful could have a more enjoyable summer in '02. In center Damon replaces Carl Everett who elected to join his good friend John Rocker in Texas. Everett is more trouble than he's worth. While he is a great hitter, he's capable of taking a clubhouse apart in seconds.

The question mark for years in Boston has been who pitches after Pedro Martinez. They've tried any number of combinations, but have failed to find consistency. Things could change this season as the Red Sox have added right-handers John Burkett from the Braves and Dustin Hermanson from the Cardinals. Burkett was an All-Star for Atlanta in '01 and Hermanson is a solid starter.

Boston acquired second baseman Pokey Reese in a trade from the Rockies, then promptly released him while attempting to sign him. If the Red Sox take a chance on Reese, and it pays off, defensively it will create a

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TRAVIS CLINGENPEEL

Special day for 'Windy City' sports

BY J. A. ADANDE
Los Angeles Times

You might see Wizards 77, Bulls 69 and Eagles 33, Bears 19 and think Chicago was a two-time loser Saturday.

Uh-uh. This was a special day for the city, a day when it was the center of the sports world.

It was a chance to savor and remember some of the privileges of being a Chicago sports fan over the years. Like the opportunity to drive west on Madison Avenue and watch Michael Jordan. Or the chance to watch the NFL playoffs in familiar Soldier Field, that chilly but intimate lakefront stadium with the majestic columns.

They got to honor Jordan, something they never tire of doing. And it took the great play of Donovan McNabb to knock the Bears out of the playoffs. That's Donovan McNabb from Mount Carmel High on the South Side of Chicago, my friend.

See, the city couldn't lose. They got to show off the lung power of the 23,534 fans at the United Center and the 66,944 fans sitting through sub-freezing temperatures at Soldier Field.

Great city, great fans. As Jordan's agent, David Falk, said,

"Any fans that could support the Cubs through 50 years have to be great."

Want to know the power of the Chicago fans? They tamed Jordan. They turned the greatest competitor the NBA has seen into a pussycat.

They showered him with affection, used their lungs and hands to repay him for the six championships he won for them and the 29,277 points he scored for them and the countless number of Michael Moments he gave them.

But he couldn't bring himself to hate Chicago on Saturday. The city always showed him love.

Wizard Coach Doug Collins recalled the days when he coached a younger Jordan with the Bulls and the fans would make the old Chicago Stadium's foundation shake when MJ took the court.

"I remember, 'And from North Carolina...' and not being able to hear anything else," Collins said. "The stadium used to sway. You could feel it move."

This time he was the last visitor introduced, and with far less fanfare.

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Now for sale: one World Series title

NOW, from page 15

dynamic middle infield with Nomar Garciaparra.

New York Yankees

Now that owner George Steinbrenner would pay anything to resign him. In a brilliant move, Wells allowed the Diamondbacks to court him. He visited the Valley, making sure to get himself on screen with Arizona owner Jerry Colangelo.

Wells knew that if Steinbrenner saw that he was about to lose out to Arizona for the second time in two months, no expense would be spared to lure the lefty back to the Bronx. It worked, reportedly, to the chagrin of New York General Manager Brian Cashman and manager Joe Torre who questioned the signing.

All this being said, there is still a month left before Spring Training and over two months before Opening Day. There's plenty of time for the losers to get their act together and the winners to pull some bonehead moves. I'll keep an eye on it, as long as it doesn't interfere with Duke-Carolina.

To make up for the loss of third-baseman Scott Brosius to retirement, the Bombers conned Robin Ventura away from the Mets. While his bat may be suspect, Ventura gives the Yankees the best defensive third-basemen in the National League.

This brings us to left-hander David Wells and the

despicable way in which he acted to ensure that Steinbrenner would pay anything to resign him. In a brilliant move, Wells allowed the Diamondbacks to court him. He visited the Valley, making sure to get himself on screen with Arizona owner Jerry Colangelo.

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Travis Clingenpeel is a senior English major who will be a senior again next year.



Chicago comes out on top

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"A 6-6 forward from North Carolina, Michael Jordan."

But the crowd kept cheering and it wouldn't die down. The wave of noise crested, recovered, then surged again.

Jordan waved. His eyes looked watery. He smiled.

Finally, after more than a minute, they turned off the lights and began the Bulls introductions. Traditionally, especially in the glory years, that was the cue for Bulls fans to go crazy. This time they booed. They weren't ready to stop applauding Jordan.

"I had a tough time playing against Chicago... it's like playing against a relative"

— Michael Jordan
Wizards forward

"Thank God they cut the lights out, or we'd be sitting there still, I'm sure," Jordan said. Jordan still couldn't believe the outpouring of emotion.

"Almost had me crying," he said. "How am I supposed to play after that?"

He couldn't. Not to his old standards, of course, but not even up to par with the better efforts of his latest comeback. He scored only 16 points and missed 14 of his 21 shots, even threw up a couple of airballs.

He committed nine turnovers. "When the crowd started that whole thing, it was tough for me to play," he said. "I had a tough time playing against Chicago, because it's like playing against a relative."

It didn't help that he had to go against the in-your-face defense of Ron Artest.

Artest certainly didn't show Jordan any reverence when he was guarding him. He didn't even appreciate the delay in the Bulls' introductions for Jordan.

"I didn't like that," Artest said. "After they called him, they should call us right out."

By the time Jordan finished addressing the media and the cab dropped me off at Soldier Field, it was the second quarter of the Bears-Eagle game. At times it appeared the Bears could continue their wacky, winning ways. Thanks to a 47-yard run on a reverse and a 39-yard interception return, the Bears had a 14-13 lead in the third quarter even though they were being dominated statistically.

But McNabb proved to be too good. He recognized defenses, spotting blitzes, mismatches and mistakes. He used his fleet feet primarily to escape trouble in the pocket and took off running only when necessary.

He drubbed the Bears for 262 yards passing and two touchdowns and ran for 37 more yards plus a touchdown. After he ran 5 yards for the Eagles' final points with 3:21 to play, he dunked the ball over the crossbar.

That's one more dunk than Jordan had on the day.

But, as McNabb noted, he was wearing Air Jordan shoes.



JMU places fifth at state wrestling championships

The JMU wrestling team finished fifth at the Virginia Intercollegiate State Wrestling Championships in Charlottesville.

Junior **Seth Cameron** picked up first place in the 165 lbs. class.

Men's and women's swimming & diving sweep tri-meet

The JMU men's and women's swimming and diving teams swept both Old Dominion University and Davidson College.

The men's team crushed Davidson 134-78 and Old Dominion 135-97.

On the women's side, JMU destroyed Davidson 180-61 and defeated the Monarchs 142-100.

JMU basketball drops close match-up with UNC-W

Sophomore guard **Chris Williams** missed a potential game-tying floater with two seconds remaining in JMU's 63-59 loss to UNC-W.

Sophomore forward **Dwayne Broyles** led the Dukes with 17 points.



Wednesday, Jan. 23

- Men's basketball travels to face the College of William & Mary in Williamsburg.

Thursday, Jan. 24

- Women's basketball battles George Mason University in Fairfax.

- Track and field competes at the Virginia Tech Invitational.

Friday, Jan. 25

- Men's and women's track and field compete at the Penn State University National Open in State College, Pa.

Saturday, Jan. 26

- Men's basketball hosts Towson University at 7 p.m. in the Convocation Center.

- Track and field continues competition at Penn State University National Open.

- Women's swimming and diving take on the University of Richmond in Richmond.

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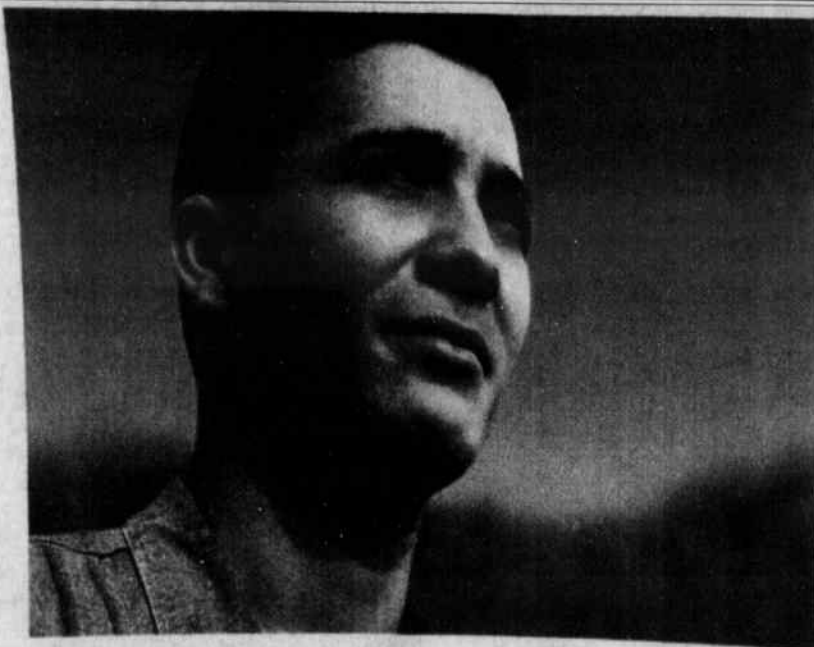
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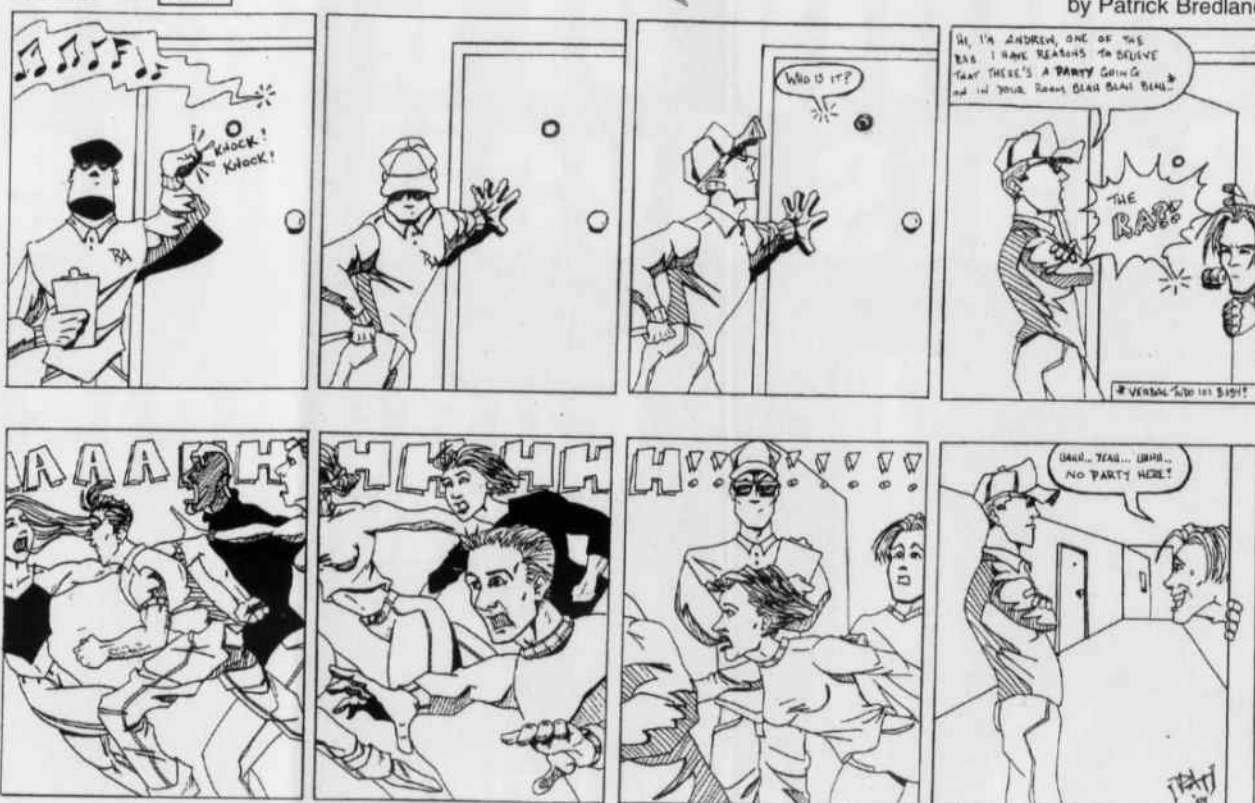
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