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Virginia considering new sexual assault bill

Campus and local police could potentially collaborate on college sex crimes

By SARAH CALLAWAY and ABIGAIL SHORT contributing writers

Virginia might be getting a slew of new laws that will have college campus police and local police working collaboratively on cases involving sexual assault.

Around 20 percent of all women have or will experience some type of sexual assault in college, according to the Department of Education's Office of Civil

Currently on Virginia college campuses, exclusively campus police work with cases of sexual assault reported on campus.

This month, the Virginia State

Crime Commission will review House Bill 2490, or Kathryn's Law. The law requires campus police to notify local law enforcement in the case of death in which the victim is medically unattended and in the case of any alleged rapes.

The bill is named after Kathryn Russell, a former student at the University of Virginia, who pressed charges in 2004 for an alleged rape that was later dismissed by the university's sexual misconduct board, according to The Cavalier Daily.

The bill was introduced and referred to a subcommittee of the Committee on Militia, Police and Public Safety into the House of Delegates in January by Paula

Miller, the delegate for Norfolk's 87th district in Richmond. The subcommittee unanimously referred the bill to the full committee and then referred it to the Virginia State Crime Commission for review.

Sexual assault is underreported both on campuses and in the general population, according to

The Crime Commission will release its findings about the bill Tuesday.

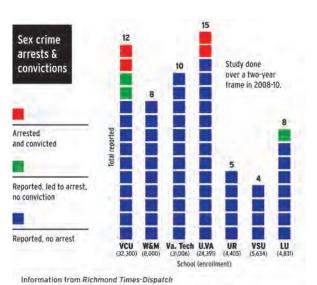
If the bill passes, it could result in many changes to the way colleges investigate murder, sexual assault, rape and charges of missing persons, but JMU may not be severely affected by it, according

to Josh Bacon, director of JMU Judicial Affairs.

"I imagine this is probably going to affect a lot of other schools that have more security guards as their forces," Bacon said. "JMU has trained and certified police officers, so I think it's going to affect us differently than it would affect a small private school. We work very closely with the city police already. This will only help solidify that."

JMU receives an average of three to four cases of sexual assault per year, but not all students choose to go through with legal proceedings, according to

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Elizabeth Howley, faculty adviser to Campus Assault ResponsE and assistant director of Student Wellness Outreach wasn't able to release JMU sexual assault statistics, but the Daily News-Record reported that JMU receives an average of three to four cases per year.

FOOTBALL (26-14)



Dukes are driven out of FCS playoffs by North Dakota State University, ending their season

By CARLEIGH DAVIS The Breeze

North Dakota State University knew exactly what to expect from JMU's standout rushing game. The Dukes, on the other hand, had no idea the Bison would stop it completely.

Not only did NDSU force JMU to throw the ball, the Bison made every single effort to stop redshirt sophomores Dae'Quan Scott and Jordan Anderson from making forward progress on Saturday. The Dukes also went for it twice on fourth downs and were stuffed in the backfield.

This inability to move the ball forward and consistency of the Bison offense are what caused the Dukes to fall 26-14 in Fargo, N.D.

Head coach Mickey Matthews offered tons of praise to the Bison, but said there were a few key things that really halted the Dukes' success.

"I thought North Dakota State played very well, and our inability to run the ball was huge, and their ability to run the ball was huge," Mat-

When Matthews mentions inability to run the ball, he means it. The game against NDSU was the first game of the season - and possibly first game in a few years - that the Dukes have been held to less than 100 rushing yards. The Dukes only had 84 yards during the game, with Scott leading the team with a mere 63 yards.

Despite being constantly beaten up, the defense pretty much held their ground, a positive to take away from this game.

"I thought our defensive kids hung in there pretty good," Matthews said. "We put a lot of pressure on their quarterback early, we didn't get the hits later. I thought we felt the effects ... we thought last week after the Eastern Kentucky game that it was the most physical game we've been in all year, and I thought we showed the effects of that."

Although their season ended on a sad loss far away from home, the Dukes overcame a lot this season to even land a spot in the playoffs. After losing starting quarterback redshirt junior Justin Thorpe to violations, the Dukes had a few good games with backup quarterback Jace Edwards



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TOP Redshirt junior quarterback Justin Thorpe threw 21-38 passing for 182 yards with one interception and one touchdown in Saturday's game. BOTTOM Freshman wide receiver DeAndre' Smith makes one of the Dukes' two touchdowns of the game.

before he got injured and the Dukes entered a brief rough patch.

"It's really important, especially with a lot of things that we went through this year - like losing our starting quarterback for a while — to have that kind of leadership and push through," said redshirt senior center Roane Babington.

Redshirt senior strong safety Vidal Nelson is also a captain, and when asked earlier this season about how team leadership would change after Thorpe was suspended, he said that everybody would step up, a statement that stood true all season.

'There's always adversity in football, and we definitely fought through it," Nelson said during Saturday's postgame press conference. "We had a dry spell where we lost a few games, as a team we had a lot of resiliency, and it showed."

Injuries also sprinkled the team throughout the season, including the loss of three starting offensive linemen during the game against Old Dominion University.

"If you think about it, we lost a lot of guys

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Club grants denied because of oversight

SGA meeting addresses unobserved amendment; some clubs lose funding

By ALICIA HESSE The Breeze

SGA's Speaker of the Senate Susanna Chacko found an amendment about program grants from more than three years ago that put SGA in a dilemma, making the meeting on Nov. 29 the longest of the semester. It was just short of three hours, and the majority of time was spent deep in debate.

In spring 2008, SGA passed an amendment saying an organization can't receive program grant money for the same program within a threeyear period. But SGA hasn't voted with these changes since then.

"We've been operating under the assumption that it was a threesemester rule because that's what we'd been told by other administrative personnel," said SGA spokeswoman Kelly Johnson, a

senior public relations major. Program grants are a specific fund set aside for campus-wide programs or events. Recognized, non-front end budgeted organizations in good standing with Student Activities and Involvement for the previous six months can apply to receive up to \$10,000 with co-sponsorships. SGA awards the program grant money

once at the end of each semester. The initial screening of applicants is done by the treasurer, and then the finance committee narrows it down. This semester, there were five organizations chosen: Relay for Life, Mozaic Dance Team, Breakdance Club, Virginia Biotechnology Association and Student Greater

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At the SGA meeting on Nov. 15, these organizations presented why their programs should be allocated a program grant. The next day, Chacko found the 2008 amendment.

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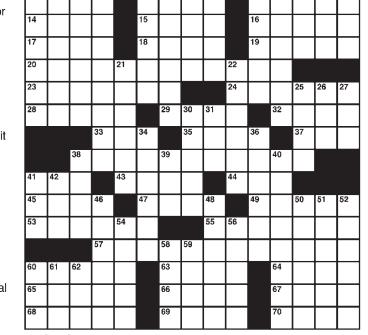
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(Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

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resources. You love the results. **AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)



shine. You're in action, and it's coming up roses. An abundant harvest lets you share generously. Give thanks all around.



ARIES (March 21-April 19) Channels are open for harmony at home. You've got the energy and

confidence to make it all happen. It's a good time to ask for money.



or the ones in your head that try to put you down. Don't lose faith. Keep looking and find what you love.



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are, not for what you have. Set priorities within your budget. Don't get lost in the material.



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engines and use that creativity to

Herman Cain suspends presidential bid - for now

McClatchy Newspapers

WASHINGTON - His popularity sinking and his credibility under attack, Herman Cain suspended his campaign for the Republican presidential nomination on Saturday in a defiant,

unapologetic blaze of glory. For all practical purposes, Cain's suspension means he has dropped out, ending his quest for the White House because of the political damage caused by allegations of sexual harassment and marital infidelity.

"I am suspending my presidential campaign because of the continued distraction, the continued hurt caused on me and my family — not because we are not fighters, not because I'm not a fighter," the former Godfather's Pizza CEO told a loyal

hometown crowd in Atlanta. Cain, who has denied all the allegations, was accompanied by his wife, Gloria, in a rare campaign appearance. He said that he and his family were "at peace" over the ordeal.

His decision likely caused the party hierarchy to relax a little as well. Cain's personal drama had become a distraction, drawing attention away from the rest of the GOP field.

Many in the Republican establishment also never thought Cain was a serious candidate to begin with, despite his ability to draw support. He had little in the way of ground organizations in key early states, and his travel schedule sometimes seemed to indicate more of an interest in selling his book than

his candidacy. Cain said that he got out also because his ability to raise money had suffered. Suspending his campaign instead of shutting it down altogether still allows him to raise money to

help pay off his debts. His farewell was trademark Cain: confident, cheeky and challenging of political

convention. Cain said he intended to remain a "voice of the people" one of his former Republican rivals. He also announced that he was beginning his "Plan B" creating a new organization whose goal would be to change

Washington "from the outside."

me to shut up, drop out and

"The pundits would like for

go away," he said to cheers of support. "I am not going to be silenced and I am not going away." Cain's turnaround in political fortunes was another abrupt shift in a chase for the nomina-

tion that has seen more twists

and turns than the Monaco Grand Prix. A new Des Moines Register poll showed that Cain's support in Iowa, where the first voting of the election season will take place Jan. 3, had dwindled to just 8 percent — down from 23 percent a month ago, when he briefly led the pack. That was also just before the sexual alle-

gations surfaced. 'There weren't any deep-founded beliefs and

and promised to soon endorse understanding about who picked up momentum since he was," said Al Cardenas, chairman of the American Conservative Union and former head of the Florida Republican

"His image was not deeply

ingrained in the mind of the

voters. They liked his populism,

his charisma, but the moment

people heard news that was not complimentary, his fortunes dropped." Cain became the latest in a series of Republican White House hopefuls who seemed to capture lightning in a bot-

disappear. First, there was real estate mogul and reality television star Donald Trump, then Rep. Michele Bachmann of Minnesota, then Texas Gov. Rick Perry. Bachmann and Perry remain in

tle - only to see it flicker and

the race. The latest surging hopeful is also the one likely to gain the most from Cain's withdrawal - former House Speaker Newt Gingrich, whose campaign has

Cain began slipping. Gingrich might be in the best position to appeal to the "Anyone but Romney" segment of Republicans - who don't believe that former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney, the only candidate to remain consistently in the top tier, is conservative enough.

Unlike his rivals, Cain's flameout had less to do with his political or policy skills although those certainly were called into question - than

with his personal behavior. First, he was hit with allegations of sexual harassment by several women when he led the National Restaurant Association in the 1990s. Cain denied the claims, but his shifting response

badly damaged his credibility. Then, last week, Ginger White of Atlanta alleged that she and Cain had carried on a 13-year affair. Cain denied it, saying that he had helped her out with money, but that they were merely friends.

Correction

In an article titled "Orange Monday?" in the Dec. 1 issue, The Breeze incorrectly reported that the "Carrotmob" event a group of students organized would be happening today. However, it will take place Friday, when you can shop at Artisans' Hope on Mount Clinton Pike on Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and a percentage of the money the store receives will go toward efforts to make the store more sustainable. Artisans' Hope sells a variety of goods, ranging from pottery to food, to woodwork and woven items - many of them handmade by less fortunate farmers and workers - in support of Fair Trade.





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Study shows more college students die of suicide than of alcohol abuse

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By REBECCA CROSSAN

contributing writer

More college students die as a result of suicide than as a result of alcohol-related causes, according to a University of Virginia study for the 2009-10 academic year.

The study represents about 1.36 million students between the ages of 18 and 24 from 157 different higher education institutions across the nation.

The survey asked schools for the mortality rates and causes of death in

"When you think about it, it sort of makes sense," said junior

psychology major Madison Lader. School can be really stressful. People get overwhelmed."

The Counseling and Student Development Center, located in Varner House, is JMU's resource for students with mental health issues.

Dr. Stephen Rodgers, medical director of the University Health Center, said they refer all students with mental health questions to the CSDC.

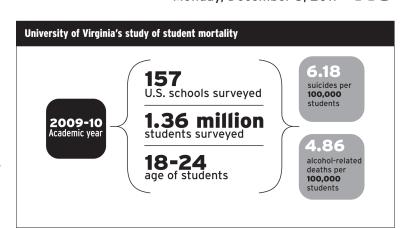
"We direct them there, especially if a brief discovery reveals a crisis," Rodgers said. "We have a patient advocate or nurse that will walk the student to Varner, plus other methods of accessing care when necessary."

The CSDC offers counseling services for students dealing with issues such as anxiety and stress management or coping with grief.

Katrina Simpson-McCleary, staff psychologist at Varner House, said in an email that she has recently seen more students coming in with mental health issues and Varner House can expect an increase of about 10-15 percent of students using their services, independent of student enrollment.

There is a national increase in the number of students that have been taking psychiatric medication before enrolling, Simpson-McCleary said.

'From the most recent 2010 annual



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survey of counseling center directors, there seems to be a strong indication that, across our nation, more students with more problems that are more serious that require more time to resolve are coming to counseling centers,'

Simpson-McCleary said.

The effects of alcohol abuse can often be seen more obviously than the effects of mental health issues

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Racing with **ELECTRICITY**

Juniors build electric-powered motorcycle to break land record

By JENNIFER EYRING contributing writer

When a team of eight juniors took its electric motorcycle to a race in Maxton, N.C., on Sept. 25, they never expected to walk away legends.

The team set the track's record for the fastest "naked," completely electric motorcycle by reaching a speed of 92 mph. "Naked" means that the motorcycle has no body kit and its power isn't from gasoline.

There were several different groups representing different universities present at the event. Each took a turn racing their motorcycle down the track, and then compared their time to others.

The project, which was originally an independent study project by four students, became the Capstone Design project for engineering majors Richard Arena, Evan Bowen, Brandon Cash, John Edinger, Grant Haskins, Travis Knight, Matt Muller and Sam Osterhout.

The track, is known as the Maxton Mile, has closed down and moved to Wilmington, Ohio. The team

will always hold a record at the Maxton Mile. 'Since it was the last event, it was really cool because our name will forever be in the books there," Muller said.

The project was started when John Lowitz of Outlier Electric Vehicles Inc., which funded the project, approached Robert Prins, a professor in the School of Engineering, last spring about creating this motorcycle.

"He came to me, and then I went looking



Juniors Sam Osterhout (left), Richard Arena, Brandon Cash, Rob Prins, Grant Haskins, John Lowitz, Matt Muller and Travis Knight built a motorcycle that runs on electricity and raced it in North Carolina. They left behind a track record for the fastest "nak electric motorcycle at Maxton Mile. "It was really cool because our name will forever be in the books there," Muller said.

for students to help with it," Prins said.

Lowitz, on behalf of Outlier EV, gave the team a grant of \$1,000 to help them realize their concept of an electric motorcycle.

The group formed based on the students' collective interests in motorcycles and batteries and then they broke up into two teams: battery team and the vehicle integration team.

"We wouldn't be anywhere without the physical construct, but it really is a collaborative effort," Arena said. "Once you understand the electronics behind it, you can program it and tell it how to work and behave."

Arena who was part of the battery team, said the teams, while working separately, had to cooperate to make the motorcycle come together.

"We're independent from each other but all of our ideas have to lock," Arena said. They give us requirements and in turn, we give them requirements, so we have to rely on each other."

When the group arrived back at school in

September, they had to work quickly to have the motorcycle ready for the Maxton race.

"We had the frame, wheels and handlebars, but we really built this thing overnight before we took it down to North Carolina to race it," Muller said.

The team started off with framework, a chassis from a 2003 Honda Goldwing, which was assembled by the independent study group over the summer. From this base, the teams added batteries, a motor and a controller to form the alpha prototype of the motorcycle.

The original alpha prototype was a proof of concept. The team wanted to show with the alpha prototype that they could run a motorcycle at a certain speed.

They hope to make it go a distance of 150 miles on one charge at a constant 70 mph, Cash said.

The students hope to make this goal for their next race on the new track in Wilmington, this February.

After proving that such a motorcycle was plausible at the race, the team has set its sights on a beta prototype, which won't be

finished for another two years. "We expect to get very close to our goal by next semester, and then next year is all

about making it perfect," Cash said. If Lowitz is happy with the final design, he plans to put it into production through Outlier EV, but plans aren't finalized.

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Occupied at the East Campus Library

About 90 students, faculty and community members attend discussion about Occupy Wall Street

By KELSEY BECKETT contributing writer

Although the Occupy movement is dying down in the news, it's staying alive on the JMU campus.

The Center for Faculty Innovation organized the event, which took place on Friday at the East Campus Library from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The discussion between the faculty panel was moderated by history professor Mary Gayne.

Some of the faculty panelists had visited some of the Occupy sites. Assistant communication studies professor Brian Kaylor visited the Occupy New Orleans site on Nov. 20, and gazebo on Court Square, where Occupy Harrisonburg took place on Nov. 28 and 29. the gazebo on Court Square.

"The two that I went to were very different," Kaylor said. "I went to Occupy Harrisonburg, which was very different than the groups who make the news because they weren't camping out. Sometimes they gather, but only about an hour on Tuesday nights. It's an interesting model of civic engagement."

Kaylor said the Occupy New Orleans site was different because they have a community of protesters.

"They had porta potties, compost for their garden," Kaylor said. "There were people sitting around, playing games, chatting. It's just a really different type of iteration of the movement



Panelists at the meeting on Friday included modern languages and literature professor Esther Poveda, sociology and anthropology professor Stephen Poulson, history professor William Van Norman and communication studies assistant professor Brian Kaylor.

that Harrisonburg has."

Kaylor not only supports the movement, but is also very interested in its formation and techniques.

'Even though I don't think there is an articulation of how to solve the problems, I think they've done a good job identifying what the problems are," Kavlor said.

Freshman Lexi De Haven, an

interdisciplinary liberal studies major, said that she found it interesting that the Occupy movement is so widespread.

"At first, I thought it was just a New York thing, then I thought it was an American thing, and I didn't know it was a global problem," De Haven said.

"I just had no idea." Kaylor said he thinks, if nothing else, that the Occupy movement has brought the national income inequality in the U.S. into the national spotlight.

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JMU

Insulated Quad cat shelter missing

JMU faculty was devastated to find that a shelter built for the "quad cats" was stolen, according to Jane Dinsmore, a professor of biology. The shelter was built by Ivor Findlay, staff of Facilities Management. A shelter can cost \$200 to \$300. Findlay put the shelter next to Burruss Hall so the cats would have a warm place to sleep. JMU faculty feed the cats. It's not known who stole the shelter.

HARRISONBURG

Police officer shoots local man

A Harrisonburg police officer shot a man Friday evening after the man threatened him with a knife, according to the Daily News-Record. The man, 36, whose name has not been released, suffered serious injuries and was flown to the University of Virginia Medical Center in Charlottesville. The incident happened at the Eastbrook Manor Apartments at 6 p.m., when the man failed to drop his weapon. The officer's name has not been released at this time.

Law might not pass

from front

Bacon. "The number of students who actually come in to Judicial Affairs to even talk about the process is very small and the number that actually go forward with judicial charges is even smaller," Bacon said.

At JMU, if a student were raped or sexually assaulted, Judicial Affairs would first advise them of his or her rights, and victims could go to a counseling center and receive support if they want it.

Judicial Affairs can then contact the IMU Police or if the incident takes place off campus, the city police. Judicial would then advise the alleged victim of the whole judicial process: what takes place, what their role in the process is, and then they work with them and offer support if they want to make a statement.

After informing the victim of the process, he or she can then proceed with judicial Wellness Outreach. action if the victim chooses.

Tomi DeTorres, a freshman, was shocked more campus and local police units weren't already working together on these cases.

"I actually think that it will make the victims feel better if they know that the local police are working on their cases, too," DeTorres said.

Charles Russell, a freshman, thinks passing the bill would be beneficial if local police had the time or resources to help with the cases, but thinks the campus police should deal with them exclusively.

"If the local police already have so much to deal with and they also add this on top of it, I feel it won't make much of a difference," Russell said.

But there's a possibility the law won't pass, according to an email from Elizabeth Howley, faculty adviser of Campus Assault ResponsE and assistant director of Student

Howley said JMU handles sexual assault cases well. "The current system at

JMU fully explains to students their rights and options regarding pressing charges," Howley said. "My concern is that mandating additional law involvement would be another barrier for survivors to come forward."

The legislation will be beneficial to the campus' judicial processes, but future legislation should focus on making society more comfortable with reporting these instances, Bacon explained.

"Why do we know the statistics that one in four women are sexually assaulted but we only have three or four cases a year in Judicial Affairs?" Bacon said. "People are afraid to talk about it, or they feel afraid of taking the next step."

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SGA | Some clubs get no funding

from front

Club have both applied for program grants within the last three years, which would make them ineligible for program grant money, according to the 2008 amendment. SGA debated on it would proceed with distributing the money.

"We're trying to interpret the constitution to the best of our abilities and trying to bring new and improved programs to the JMU campus for students," said junior Nora Linkous, executive assistant and a business management major. "Hopefully we will be able to fix the constitution so it's clear and there aren't these gray areas."

The finance committee made cuts to the original requests from the organizations and Senate would need a two-thirds majority vote to overturn its decision.

SGA discussed and voted on each request individually, then voted as a whole.

Relay for Life requested \$10,000, but SGA voted in favor of the finance committee's decision to give them nothing.

"The groups didn't do anything wrong. We did the wrong, not the groups," said 2015 Class President Pat

Smith II, a justice studies major. He argued to proceed with the constitution they had been following before discovering the 2008 amendment and award the groups money.

"It doesn't make sense to smash their hopes and dreams because we screwed up," Smith said.

There was a motion to split the money that finance allocated to Breakdance Club between it and Relay for Life, but that amendment failed.

In its final decision, SGA also voted for Breakdance Club to not receive anything.

Although the club wasn't given any funds, junior sociology major and Breakdance Club member Tyler Van Parys, thinks that the SGA handled it well, given the situation.

"I understand why they did it," Van Parys said. "If they give it to one club, they have to give it to both, and that would mess up their budget."

Mozaic Dance Team requested \$5,551, and the Finance Committee approved \$3850 after budget cuts from hotels, cars, DJs and its safety net.

Freshman McKenzie Quinn, Lakeside Hall senator and a biology and chemistry

double major, motioned to give Mozaic Dance Team its full money request, taking it from the money not given to Breakdance Club. The

amendment passed. The amended funds were debated on and passed, awarding Mozaic Dance

Team its requested \$5,551. Virginia Biotechnology Association requested \$1,075, and the finance committee approved a total of \$850.

Quinn motioned to give Virginia Biotechnology Association its full requested total of \$1,075 with an additional \$225 from the amount not given to Breakdance Club, and the amendment ultimately passed.

Student Greater Madison was ultimately awarded its original request of \$8,991.98.

These changes to program grants as a whole were passed in a vote of 36-9-0.

Contingency Liaison Morgan Shaughnessy, a sophomore communications studies major, said they are re-writing the constitution in the future so the use of this amendment is subject to change.

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STUDY Taboo slowly decreasing

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issues, which leads to more alcohol awareness on college campuses, explained Simpson-McCleary.

"Alcohol issues tend to produce more public events to alert the campus community to a potential need for education and intervention," Simpson-McCleary said in an email. "There are also laws that can be reinforced to help prevent and/or reduce alcohol issues."

Some students said they can also see the focus college campuses tend to have toward alcohol-related issues.

'Everywhere you turn, there is something up about an alcohol awareness program," Lader said. "Mental health issues are less talked about, so less people are

aware of how to recognize it or what to do about it." Lader said students can

more easily recognize alcohol problems in their peers than mental health issues.

"As a friend, you can say, Hey, watch what you're doing,' when you see someone drinking too much," said Melissa Dutter, a sophomore engineering major. "But people who have mental health issues usually don't want to talk about them."

Active Minds, a studentrun organization, is an on-campus group that works to break the taboo on the discussion of mental health issues and raise awareness

Simpson-McCleary said this organization works to raise awareness and start dialogue among students about mental health issues.

There is a "taboo" surrounding the discussion of mental health issues, but it's gradually decreasing, she explaineď.

"Depending on a student's background and unique experiences, it can be easier or more difficult to come to Varner House and ask for help in working through a problem," Simpson-McCleary

If in mental distress, students can call the CSDC at 540-568-6552 or come in to Varner House. After hours, students can call Public Safety or go to the Emergency Room at Rockingham Memorial Hospital. The National Suicide Prevention Hotline is 1-800-273-TALK.

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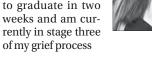
A column exploring the male and female perspectives on issues JMU students face

This week: Saying goodbye

RACHEL DOZIER | The Breeze

I know we already did a column on crying, so I'll try to keep the tears out of this one, but it's a topic that's on my mind these days. I'm set to graduate in two weeks and am currently in stage three

Stage 1: Discovery



It's the day you realize things will never be the same. For me, this occurred in a car watching two of my friends sing along to "Teenage Dream." Nothing earth shattering, but that moment can hit you when you least expect it. So if you see a girl sobbing at an intersection or in the latest "Twilight" movie, it might not be because she missed the light or because of Bella's disturbing pregnancy.

Stage 2: Bucket list

After you've come to grips with your grief, it's time to make The List. This list is essential to make the most of your time at JMU. All of those things you made a mental note to do before you left the hills of Harrisonburg need to get done ASAP.

No. 1 on my list was confronting my fear of the Duke Dog by taking a picture with him at a football game. I left feeling slightly nauseous and a little dizzy, but completely fulfilled nonetheless

Stage 3: Denial

I'm still lounging around my house, ignoring my homework and watching movies like I have all the time in the world. I don't want to talk about graduation. I can't process all that I have to do in the next two weeks. I refuse to be alone and must be surrounded by friends at all times, making it impossible to get anything done.

And I sure as hell don't want to buy my cap and gown. That last one isn't that dramatic because I don't want to buy groceries either and have been living off a diet of Ramen and



rice for the past week. Basically, I don't want to do anything I don't want to do. Whether that's graduation or the only-child syndrome kicking in is anybody's guess.

Stage 4: Sobfest

Like a particularly rough cold, I can feel this one coming on a week away. I'm not going to elaborate, but it does and will

Stage 5: Acceptance

My time at JMU has been unparalleled by any other event in my life thus far. I've tried to make the most of it and have spent every last second with those people who mean so much to me. I've met best friends, bridesmaids, sisters, coworkers and partners in crime all at JMU and couldn't be more grateful.

A lot of people enjoy the phrase, "It's not goodbye, it's see you later." I've always found that to be unrealistic and fairly ignorant.

Unfortunately, I will not see the majority of you when I leave this place. Hopefully, those I am very close with will remain in touch, but for the most part, graduation signals a new time in our lives. It's not pessimistic

In fact, it's one of the more realistic statements I've made. So when it comes time to say goodbye, though it will be incredibly bittersweet, I will do so knowing I made the most of it.

For those of you who cared enough to read this column, I'm very thankful. For those who took the time to criticize, I'm even more thankful: vou helped me more in this learning process than anyone.

With that, I'll sign off. Good luck out there.

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Gaffes don't mean goodbye

While candidates have campaign slip-ups, that alone probably won't end presidential bid

Political gaffes seem to be a recurring trend throughout history, and the media have done an excellent job of informing the public about the absentminded tendencies of our current presidential candidates. namely Rick Perry and Rick

Perry's knowledge of our country's history appeared to escape him on Oct. 11 when he claimed that we fought the Revolutionary War in the 16th century and then again on Nov. 29, when mistook the voting age to be 21, and then again on . . . uh, I'll have to get back to you on the third one. To quote Perry, "oops, sorry."

On a more serious note, Perry did have a lapse in memory when trying to answer a question in a Republican debate, and couldn't name the third agency of government he would eliminate. In his attempt to recover, "Oops,

The real issue concerning the misspoken words of political candidates boils down to one auestion: Do their mistakes indicate idnorance or iust affirm that they're all human?

sorry," were the only words he

could muster. Although we get a good laugh from these gaffes, we must consider that it's easy for me, or any writer, to sit out of the spotlight and make fun of political candidates who are under immense pressure

to spit out the right answers in a succinct manner. Santorum didn't have a problem being succinct, but he did call Afri-

The real issue concerning the misspoken words of political candidates boils down to one question: Do their mistakes indicate ignorance or just affirm that they're all human? We might have different answers to that question and different perspectives on how it will influence our vote on election day.

Yes, some political gaffes have caused the loss of a presidential nomination (re: Howard Dean's "The Dean Scream" or Michael Dukakis' tank ride), but given the smaller nature of these recent political slip-ups, I would guess that a few mistakes from candidates don't play a huge part in determining their chances of being elected.

For example, in President

Barack Obama's 2008 presidential campaign, he claimed he had visited 57 states and that he'd one left to go, not including Hawaii and Alaska. Maybe he was foreshadowing a policy of expansion, but it's more likely he just made a mistake, much like Perry and

Santorum. Although the public is somewhat tolerant of minor political gaffes, the number of recent political mistakes could make voters slightly more annoyed. Candidates should be particularly mindful as election day approaches.

We will only know exactly how influential those mistakes are on the political outcome after Nov. 6, 2011. Uh, I mean 2012. Oops.

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I'm fully aware that, although I've been away from the Oninion section for three weeks now, I will leave these pages for at least a month. Because of this, I'm also fully aware that this abrupt comeand-go column will

leave my lovely readers with some separation anxiety.

But I want to make sure I can explain this as well as possible to you all. Please understand that it's not your fault I'm leaving. It's just that ... well, finals week and winter break are coming, and I'm SWAMPED with work. And Rachel? She just can't go on like this anymore.

But above all, I really don't want to make this harder than it should be. Aside from the several topics we've discussed this semester, the issue of bidding adieu is still one of the most personal and uncomfortable.

It's not because I can't stand the concept of missing people; it's just that it's totally counterproductive to acknowledge the impending end of something.

Ladies, many of you are the absolute worst at keeping a goodbye short and sweet. You all want to make a day out of it. There's the "last-time-you'llbe-eating-breakfast-together" debacle, and who could possibly forget the "let's-take-a-longwalk-before-you-

leave" fiasco? I appreciate that leaving means a lot to you, I really do. But you have to understand that this just makes our sayonara an exponentially more

difficult and sad-

dening task. From a man's perspective, it's way easier to go about the day like nothing is out of the ordinary, then exit quietly. Like the Nike slogan says, "Just do it."

It's not insensitive; I would just rather be under the impression that I'm going to see that person again, rather than act as if it's the last time we'll ever meet.

Yes, we've had some pretty good times this semester. Remember that time we talked about farting? That was a gas, right?

But the most important thing I want you to take away from this is that you should leave your friends, roommates and loved ones with good feelings before the holidays finally reach us.

So instead of prolonging this bon voyage, I'm just going to cut this speech sh-

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A "thanks-for-makingour-night" pat to the students who built a fort out of sofas in the airport

lounge. From some student employees who were able to relive their childhood while closing.

A "way-to-beunnecessarily-petty" dart to the former resident

of the Potomac Hall fourth floor B-wing triple who has apparently patented school

From the freshman residents who weren't here two years ago and thought that maturity came with

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An "I-love-yourdetermination" pat to the graduating senior who snuck in an empty Festival

meeting room for a phone interview. From a graduate student who's extremely thankful

for the opportunity to skip the job search and stay at JMU for two more years.

A "where-did-youlearn-to-drive?" dart

to the person in a white Toyota who performed a hit-and-run.

From a senior in Hunter's Ridge who watched the whole thing unfold as you picked up your friends.

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A "you-had-us-dancin'in-the-streets" pat to the Marching Royal Dukes who performed at the

Harrisonburg Holiday Parade. From a double-Duke

townie who likes to march to the beat of a different drum.

A "quit-trying-towaste-page-space" dart to mediocre Darts & Pats.

From a senior who appreciates originality.

A "what-in-the-worldwould-we-do-withoutyou?" pat to the amazing JMU students who volunteer at an after-school program for the poorest

kids in Harrisonburg.

From the director of the organization who appreciates your dedication, spirit and positive influence on the children.

An "it's-the-mostwonderful-time-of-the**year"** pat to JMU during the holiday season.

From a senior who will miss spending this time of year on this campus when she graduates in two weeks.

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From someone who realizes Halloween was two months ago.

An "I-think-you-talkingis-a-little-moredisturbing-than-flash**photography"** dart to the official who loudly asked someone if they were using

their flash during the Ingrid

From a senior who learned about inside voices years ago.

Michaelson concert.

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LEARNING

Children come to JMU for the FIRST LEGO competition, meant to encourage new generation of scientists



Robots took over the campus this weekend, fighting food contamination one LEGO brick at a time.

JMU hosted the state level of the For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology LEGO League competition, Saturday and Sunday. As a partnership between FIRST and the LEGO Company, the competition was created for future scientists and engineers ages 9 to 14.

The activities on Saturday were in Memorial Hall, and the judging on Sunday was held at Harrisonburg High School. This is the fifth year JMU has hosted the event for the Virginia/ Washington, D.C. area.

Participants are separated into groups of no larger than 10, with 96 groups competing this year. Each group has six months to design, build and program a robot to fulfill that year's challenge. This year, the challenge was to present a creative solution to food contamination.

Their solution must be on a specific food with fewer than seven ingredients. Each team researched its own topic, such as the contamination of fish or beef.

The children participating were tasked with programming a LEGO robot to do



certain commands that would simulate the propose method of fighting food contamination.

"I've liked LEGOs since I was 3, and I wanted to do something with them other than just sit and play with them," said 12-year-old Jacob Mustian of Goochland.

Mustian is from the team LEGO Caesars, which programmed a robot to show the contaminants in French bread by having the robot pick different bacteria that could possibly contaminate French bread before it reaches a market and showing how it can infect the bread.

The FIRST LEGO League provides a battery pack, a computerized "brain" and sensors, but it's up to the children to program them and make the rest of the robot entirely out of LEGOS.

During competition, the robot is placed on a specially designed table where it performs the simulation. One corner of the table is referred to as "base," and the children are only allowed to touch their robot when it returns to base.

Everything else must depend on their programming of the brain and sensors of the robot, which is all done on a computer and implemented during the competition so the robot will know which bacteria to pick up and where to put it.

"It's a great experience to know what you're doing," said Chaz Sweeney, an 11-year-old participant of Lynchburg. "They taught me how to write programs and I've never done that before.

The design of the robots varied from team to team. Some were small and compact and were meant to move quickly, while others towered over the board with attachments to carry out its mission. The LEGO components serve as a casing for the electronics that power the vehicle.

Each team's robot is judged on project presentation, robot performance, technical design, programming of the robot and teamwork. Teams can be awarded first or second place, in which case they would move on to nationals.

While a love for robotics is definitely a necessity, children also do it for the opportunity to spend time with other LEGO fans.

JMU hosts the competition as a result of the class Human Resource Development 245, which is held every year during the fall semester. The class spends the semester planning this event; the final project is based on how well students perform their task during the event.

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TOP Team What's Next prepares its robot for the competition after programming them. BOTTOM Peter Kistler (left), 12, and Jude Quintero, 12, cheer on their robot on Sunday evening. First and second place move on to the Nationals in St. Louis, Mo in April.

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Lightening the Holidays

Alternatives help trim more than your tree

You may see a lot of Santa Claus this time of year and, as



jolly as he may be, you probably don't want to see a waistline like his when you look in the mirror.

With all the gatherings and festivities during the winter holiday season, it's easy to overindulge in chocolate-dipped days and gingerbread dreams.

The media must get a kick out of it. Commercials are all about sharing treats decked in saturated fat, and every year consumers bite into the festivities. Then once we're all nice and plump singing "Auld Lang Syne," they slam us with the athletic trainers in spandex telling us to go to the gym. Suddenly, that cup of eggnog doesn't seem so good.

Instead of eating like we're going into hibernation and then scrambling to lose it after New Year's Eve, why not enjoy the seasonal treats in a healthier

The name of the game is portion control. I like to try one of everything on the table, but I also like to fit in my jeans.

If it's a sit-down dinner with lots of courses, pace yourself. Savor the bite you're on and be mindful of how much you put on your plate. Make it colorful with plenty of greens and other fruits and veggies and complete the meal with a glass of water.

If you go into a dinner with a growling tummy because you want to save room for all the goodies, you're more likely to overeat. Have breakfast and lunch like you normally would, but keep the meals light. This will also help prevent snacking.

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CONCERT REVIEW

Songstress delivers playful show

Ingrid Michaelson fuses concert, comedy in UPB's final fall show

By SANDY JOLLES The Breeze

Singer Ingrid Michaelson took to the Wilson Hall stage Friday night to accept her Grammy Award — or at least to tell students how she would

It was an early indicator that the indie-pop singer songwriter's performance would meld both music and comedy with her 90-minute performance.

The stories she told on stage ranged from how she would awkwardly accept her Grammy Award to her mother's humorous interpretations and reactions to her

When Michaelson wasn't telling charming but frequently disparaging stories about herself, she let the audience play a part in her songs. Audience interaction was a large part of Michaelson's act, leading call-and-response segments during songs like "Mountain and the Sea" and "Blood Brothers."

"I had heard that Ingrid Michaelson was entertaining to watch on stage, but I didn't know we would receive practically a comedian."

Liza Mayman sophomore media arts

and design major

On stage with Michaelson were two other musicians: Allie Moss provided harmony and playing lead guitar, and Chris Kuffner played

bass and percussion. "There's wasn't a moment when

people were not mesmerized by her music," said sophomore media arts and design major Liza Mayman. The biggest fans of Michaelson's

music piled in the front center of the stage, eager and familiar with most, if not all of Michaelson's songs.

"Michaelson has been like a role



Ingrid Michaelson punctuated her songs and asides with her ukelele. She was touring in preparation of a new album in January.

model to me," said sophomore interdisciplinary liberal studies major Allison Sacks. "She's true to herself and not in the tabloids."

Michaelson admitted this was only her third concert this year. Though the beginnings of some songs ran a little bit rusty and unpracticed, Michaelson showed little signs of wear.

Michaelson was a conversational performer, sometimes even joking with the audience inside of her

"I had heard that Ingrid Michaelson was entertaining to watch on stage, but I didn't know we would receive practically a comedian," Mayman said.

Much of Michaelson's humor came from a personal place, and proved that the singer wasn't afraid to pour parts of her soul out to the audience.

"I love how we saw her personality and heard personal details. The commentary between each song was my favorite part because it kept the mood lively," said Kylie Donohoe, a freshman declared media arts and

design major. Some students appreciated the way Michaelson deviated from the pop-star norms

"She's not a pop star; there are no labels with her," Sacks said. "She's just down to earth with her audience."

Even the simplicity of Michaelson's stage presence, equipped solely with a small ukulele for the majority of her concert, showed Michaelson could rock a

small-scale venue. Many of Michaelson's songs came with a preface that added to how her messages came across. Specifically, her song, "Ghost," which deviated from the feel-good genre of her other hits, spoke a less light-hearted story.

'In 'Ghost,' it was a lot different than her other songs in terms of lyrics and sound. She told a story of her past within the song," said senior education major Grace Shickel. "A different emotion was reflected in each song."

Michaelson rounded out the show with the fan favorite song "The Way

"We wanted to use her because she brings a sense of peace in light of all the exams and stress," said University Program Board spokewoman Natalie Hamlin. "She provides a nice break to students'

Senior Andrew Rohlk, who won last year's Rumble Down Under, was the concert opener. Rohlk sang acoustically, his vibe reminiscent of music by Jason Mraz or Andy Grammar.

The next UPB concert will be announced at the beginning of next semester.

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LEGO JMU to host event again next year

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At the beginning of the semester, each member of the class submits their résumé and their preferred position for the event, which could be transportation, food, student activities, leadership or a myriad of other jobs. The class is only open to human resource development

Professor Dominic Swayne, an administrator for the College of Education, teaches the class.

'The problem with teaching leadership at most institutions is that it's all theoretical with no practical component to apply the theories," Swayne said. "When Virginia Tech didn't want to host it anymore, I took the opportunity to bring it here and apply it to the leadership class.

Although the students don't take the class for the competition aspect of it, students find the experience to be enjoyable.

"I took the class because it's for my minor, but it's actually been really fun. After this

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event, I think this is something I would put my kid in," said junior Mel Peale, a media arts and design major.

Many members of the JMU faculty also get involved with the competition.

"Our faculty in the math, science, physics and engineering programs like to help students even though middle school is young," Swayne said. "But if you don't get them started in middle school, they won't be interested by the time they get to high school."

JMU will host the competition again next year, and both students and faculty look forward to it.

"It's been a really cool experience, and I can't wait to be a mentor next year," Peale said.

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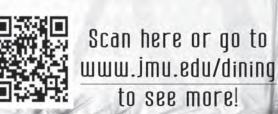




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Tomato-basil skewers It's so simple yet so brilliant. With mozzerella, basil and red bell peppers on a stick, it's a fresh take on vegetarian that anyone can enjoy. You can heat them in the oven for a couple of minutes and add dressing (olive oil and balsamic) or just keep it in the raw. For the full recipe, go to family.go.com.

Lighter latkes Try baking them in a cupcake tray and using olive oil instead of butter to save the extra calories in the pan. Find the full recipe at eatingwell.com.

Holiday snack (CRACK)ers These sweet and nutty crackers, made at home with a mix of figs, walnuts, pumpkin seeds, buttermilk, honey and whole wheat flour, can be topped with a thin slice of aged cheddar or brie and fruit for a savory or sweet treat. This recipe was created by Katie George, a senior media arts and design major. George recommends cooking with natural and local foods according to the season. Check out this and more of George's original recipes at honeycombfood.blogspot.

Pumpkin pie alternative: Mix pumpkin purée, ricotta and cinnamon spread on top of a whole wheat graham cracker, also recommended by George.

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Whether it's a potluck or grab-bag gathering, all the cute little hors d'oeuvres at these parties are going to add up. Eating and drinking is absolutely a means of socializing in our culture, but don't feel obligated to keep eating if you're full. Go for the foods that are really going to hit the spot, and don't be scared to split something or hit up the veggie tray.

You can also bring a healthier food option yourself or give your favorite recipe a healthy make-over. It can still be delicious without busting

buttons. Whether you're making an appetizer or dessert this holiday season, think simple and think natural. Substitute butter for olive oil and baking for frying. Olive oil adds a heart-healthy and rich flavor,

and you can still get your food to a golden crisp in the oven and save on the extra fat from

For every tablespoon of butter you replace with hearthealthy oil, you eliminate at least 5 grams of saturated fat, according to eatingwell. com. The website also suggests replacing fats, such as butter, margarine and shortening, with puréed fruit or vegetables, such as applesauce, pear butter, prune purée or even puréed

Instead of going into 2012 looking like you belong in a red jump suit on a sleigh, try portion control, cooking with healthier alternatives and staying active.

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PART 2 OF 3

Senior curator develops exhibit, iPad app

By BETH COLE The Breeze

Andy Warhol and senior art history major Josh Smead have one thing in common: Charles

Smead, curator of the Madison Art Collection's Charles Lisanby Collection, spent the last year researching Lisanby, an Emmy award-winning production designer and artist, and his relationship with Andy Warhol.

"Of course there's so much known about Warhol from the 1960s on, because that's really when he started the pop art movement and that's when everything really went crazy for him," Smead said. "So what I focus on is really what leads up to that."

Using his research, Smead spent the last semester creating an exhibit that will change the way students view art in the Madion Art Collection — virtually. The exhibit will include an iPad application that allows students to interact and move the art pieces, view interviews and videos of Lisanby and learn more about each piece.

In the process, Smead has changed his major from industrial design to art history and discovered what he hopes will become his career.

"I feel very personally connected with the collection because it's sort of being able to see the early stages of someone's career before they get famous," Smead said.

Smead began working on the project two summers ago after his curiosity led him to an internship with the Madison Art Collection. He was bringing tables down to the MAC gallery so that Kate Stevens, director of the collection, could unpack and sort an entire cargo van full of art and collectibles Lisanby donated.

"My first memory with the Charles Lisanby Collection was watching the UPS guy throwing all of those boxes onto the floor," Smead said. "I didn't realize there were potentially Warhols in there plus all of Charles' drawings."

Fall of 2010, Smead traveled

with Stevens to Lisanby's home in New York City to interview him and collect more of his artwork. He taped hours of interviews with Lisanby about his work as a production

Josh "had never been able to see someone's career while they're still alive before, and I think that was something that he was fascinated with," said Cindi Smead, the MAC collection manager and Josh's mother. "It went from fascination to complete emersion."

Josh spends any free time he has in the collection offices, sorting through the pieces, preserving the pieces, developing the iPad app and digitalizing pieces and a Warhol book, "Twenty Five Cats Name Sam and One Blue Pussy" to include in the app. Some nights, he stays until 2 a.m. working on the collection.

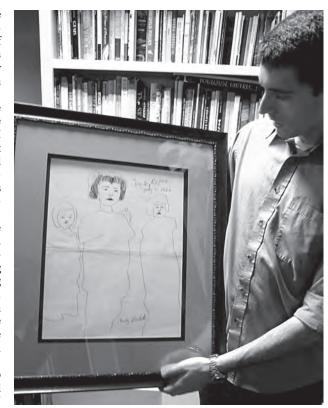
"I do have to remind him to eat every once in a while and sleep every once in a while," Cindi said. "There aren't enough hours in the day for him. He keeps saying he wishes he could multiply them so he can do more."

To help with the workload this year, Josh has a sidekick, John Kimbriel, a junior political science and art history major and assistant curator of the exhibit.

"I feel very personally connected with the collection because it's sort of being able to see the early stages of someone's career before they get famous."

Josh Smead senior art history major and MAC curator

Kimbriel is helping Josh create an inventory of all of the artwork and artifacts in the collection. He said the biggest lesson he's learned has been to look a little deeper into each of



Josh Smead, a senior art history major, has helped sort and research hundreds of Charles Lisanby's videos and Andy Warhol's drawings.

the artifacts.

"If you threw that in front of me, I would say throw that all away," Kimbriel said, referring to when he first saw the exhibit. "It all looks like nothing, but there's books in there with just random little anecdotal things and signatures of people we may or may not know."

Stevens said that having a student-driven art exhibit has helped create the technological and interactive edge she thinks will bring people to the exhibit.

Kimbriel agreed.

"A key advantage of it is the student involvement because a student will say, 'Oh yeah, I can do that," "Kimbriel said. "Even if they might not know for certain if they can do it, they think they can so they try to."

Josh has been using the iPad to show Lisanby movies filmed during his travels, which Josh digitalized by projecting the 8-mm film onto a screen and digitally recording it. He has digitalized more than 200 movies so far.

"I mean, he's been

everywhere. He's got travel videos from all over the world, all over Europe," Josh said. "I mean, everywhere you could ever want to go, he's been."

Josh said this experience will to build their résumés and gain experience with an actual museum exhibit. Just as Lisanby mentored Warhol at the beginning of his career, they are also just beginning their careers.

"We're both trying to figure out how to start making a name for ourselves and how to establish our own careers and our own bodies of work and, for me, I feel that personal connection with a lot of their early works," Josh said.

Until the exhibit, he will be getting all the details finalized on the iPad app, the pieces and the information. Josh will be working with different organizations including University Advancement to advertise and set up activities for the exhibit.

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IRONMEN







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LEFT Junior kinesiology major Matthew Jewell competes in the biking portion of a triathlon. He completed his first Ironman this fall and has placed in a total of 18 triathlons in his life.
TOP The Triathlon Club started 10 years ago, and has grown to a total of 77 members. BOTTOM Senior Patrick Watral, senior Simon Chu and freshman Erin Horil prepare to dive in the pool for the swimming portion of the Richmond Sprint Triathlon, which was the club's last team race of the fall season, which was held Oct. 9, one week after the half Ironman in Maryland.

Triathlon Club draws more attraction in its 10th year, pushing members to their limit

By CHRISTINE POMATTO *The Breeze*

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"Three ... two ... one ... Sprint!" Chris Brown yells over roaring music.

As the JMU Triathlon club accelerates on stationary bikes to the beat of David Guetta's "Without You," Brown dismisses the beads of sweat dripping from his nose, yelling even

uder. "What are we gonna do?"

"Beat Tech!" yells the group of 15.
As president of the club and with six triathlons under his belt Brown brings motivation and experience to club practices.

A triathlon combines swimming, cycling

and running, in that order.

Triathletes compete against other racers in their age group, which are broken up into five-year increments.

The JMU club started 10 years ago, but membership has exploded within the past few years. Brown, a senior health sciences and biology double major, recalls when the club had 15 members his freshman year, compared to the 77 members today.

Triathlons have four main distances, the shortest being a "sprint," a 750-meter swim, 11-to-13-mile bike ride and 5K run.

"Olympic" is the standard distance with a 1-mile swim, 25-mile bike and 10K run. The "half Ironman" is a 1.2-mile swim, 56-mile bike and a 21-km half marathon. The full Ironman is a 2.4-mile swim, 112-mile bike and a 42.2-km marathon.

Club members have three races a semester to choose from, typically in Virginia but traveling as far as Maryland. The club's three races during the fall were the Olympic-distance Naylor's Beach Triathlon on Sept. 25, a half Ironman in Ellicott City, Md., on Oct. 2, and the Richmond Sprint on Oct. 9.

The races are open to the public, but some have separate collegiate awards. Among JMU's major rivals are the Naval Academy, Virginia Tech and Liberty University.

People join the club for a variety of reasons.

"We see people who want to accomplish doing a triathlon for personal reasons, people who are in it to get in shape and people who are competitive and are pushing themselves to win," Brown said.

For freshman athletic training major Erin Horil, joining the club seemed like a great way to balance the sports she loved, as well as maintain exercise while recovering from a fractured hip.

In high school, Horil ran cross-country and track for four years and swam for three

Of the 11 optional practices a week, the 6:30 a.m. swims are her favorite.

"I go to all four of the swim practices"

"I go to all [four] of the swim practices," she said. "I can push my body as hard as I want with no impact on my injuries."

Horil's first triathlon — the Richmond Sprint in October — proved easier than expected. She finished the three events in 72 minutes. Anywhere below 90 minutes is impressive, according to a number of the athletes on the club team. She placed second in her 15–19 age group.

Member Matthew Jewell enjoys sharing his experience with newer members.

"I'm a very competitive person," said Jewell, a junior kinesiology major. "But at the same time, being competitive doesn't mean you have to be cocky. I still love hanging out and training with the people who are still getting into it, because I was that person."

In the fall semester alone, Jewell completed his first Ironman in Louisville, Ky., in August and won first place in his 20–24 age group at the Half Full Triathlon on Oct 2

ct. 2. He's competed in 22 triathlons since age 17 and has placed 18 times.

Bill Wightman became the club's adviser two years ago, and although his involvement with the club has been minimal, his involvement in triathlons hasn't.

Wightman began competing in triathlons in 2001 at age 36.

In 2007, Wightman was the most fit he had ever been. At an Ironman in Idaho that year, he was 20 minutes off from qualifying for the Ironman World Championship in Kona, Hawaii.

But, with his new position as director of the School of Art, Design and Art History at JMU, Wightman hasn't had time to train like he used to.

"Basically, I've taken a year off," he said.
"You're literally training 20 hours a week.
I've got a family and kids, and it just wasn't
working."

It isn't only the time that takes a toll on the athletes, but also injuries.

"A lot of younger injuries are the result of trying to do too much too soon," said Connie Peterson, an athletic trainer and assistant professor in the health sciences department.

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COMMENTARY

BCS is a broken system with no real champion

The Football Bowl Subdivision should follow the model of Football Championship Subdivision and implement a playoff

By CHASE KIDDY contributing writer

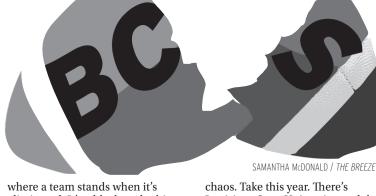
There's no doubt in my mind that it's the most wonderful time of the year, and it's got nothing to do with the Xbox games I'll be unwrapping in a couple of weeks.

The autumn confluence of football, basketball and hockey is the sports equivalent of metaphysical poetry — the end result is so epic that mental ecstasy is inevitable. Days like Saturday are so full of sports that I have to preplan my sports-watching schedule in advance. Money can't buy that type of happiness.

But you know what also doesn't bring happiness? The single black spot on an otherwise blissful sports continuum — the Bowl Championship Subdivision.

Time for a splash of cold water, sports fans. JMU football just lost to North Dakota State University. To put it bluntly, it sucks. There's no getting around that. But we had a nice campaign at the end of this year, and we even sent our seniors out with our first playoff berth and victory since 2008. After the pang of defeat settles and we can actually look back on the year, there will be a neat sense of accomplishment and finality. After an eight-win season, we were eliminated by a solid, balanced football team.

Eliminated. It's an ugly word for the loser, of course. But, as unpleasant as it is, everyone knows



where a team stands when it's eliminated. It's a black-and-white mold for the postseason: Either you're still in or you're out. You know where that method doesn't exist? The BCS.

Pathor than creating hard lines.

Rather than creating hard lines in the sand, the BCS system relies on the court of public opinion to create indistinguishable shades of grey. There are some years like 2010, when no system is really necessary to determine who should play for the national championship. The millions of people who watched the BCS national championship last year all probably agree the University of Oregon and Auburn University should be playing each other for the title.

On the other hand, for every simple year, there's a year of pure and utter unadulterated

chaos. Take this year. There's
Louisiana State University, and then
... who else? Even the University of
Houston is a one-loss team now.
The University of Alabama was
lined up to rematch the Tigers for
the national championship, but
what about Oklahoma State? What
about Stanford University? Boise
State? Or even two-loss teams like
Wisconsin and Oregon? How can
anyone pick one opponent for LSU
without making five or six teams
feel like they got left out in the cold?

Maybe you're that guy with all the answers, though, and you think it falls together oh-so-neatly in ways we don't understand. Well, I see your 2011 season and raise you the entire 2007 season. During what's known to fans as "that really crazy year in college football," the No. 1 and No. 2 teams in the country lost

at the same time on three separate weekends. Two of those weeks were the last two consecutive weeks of the regular season, culminating in a Saturday night game when Pittsburgh upset No. 2 West Virginia University, knocking the Mountaineers out of the national title game and knocking eventual champion LSU back into the title game. That season was such a mess, a playoff could have very easily resulted in any team winning.

The other problem I have with the BCS format is, as mentioned before, it sometimes over-relies on human polls. More than 65 percent of the BCS is determined by what voters in the Harris Poll and USA Today Poll think of teams. Virginia Tech was ranked as high as No. 3 in polls this year. After watching Clemson destroy Va. Tech twice, is this the third-best team in the country?

But it's not just the Va. Techs of the world that cause ranking problems. Non-automatic qualifying teams like Houston and Boise State are clearly good teams on their own level, but how much of that talent transfers over when playing an Southeastern Conference team? No one really has an answer for that. The only way to know for sure is to stick them in a bracket and let them have at it.

I'm not going to pretend a playoff has all the answers.

Frankly, I like the fact that the current bowl system creates niches for teams that would probably never get a playoff bid. Just as there's an Orange Bowl bid waiting for the Atlantic Coastal Conference champion, there's always a Belk Bowl bid for midlevel East Coast teams. I'm not a big believer in the everyone-shouldget-a-trophy cause, but at the same time, this format allows every team to compete for some sort of postseason trip — not just the best of the best.

But, there's still no clear best team in the nation with the BCS system, just a good team with an empty title. Also, the bowl games are massive money-makers, so don't expect the greedy powers that be to change the system without considerable pressure. No system fixes all the problems or answers all the questions.

But when everyone from congressmen and President Obama to the weird guy in the corner of your 8 a.m. class has been screaming about how awful the BCS is for months, maybe it's time we as a society accept the fact that BCS might not stand for the best-case scenario. Maybe it's time we change this thing.

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"Your bodies just aren't ready

Peterson has been a tri-

athlete for 28 years and has

represented the United States

at five world championships.

of building a solid foundation

of endurance and speed, and

She stressed the importance

TRIATHLON

FOOTBALL Ends season with playoff loss

from front

elsewhere, too," Babington said. "A lot of those injuries hurt and I think that shows with how well you coach your second guys and how well the coaches can replace the guys who go down. And that was something we didn't do very well at times."

The Dukes ended their season 8-5, 5-3 Colonial Athletic Association. The only team from the CAA left in

at a young age by racing short-

er distances, eventually their

bodies can extend that speed

man as, 'Oh, my gosh, I have to

do one,' when really you don't

have to in order to be justified

in the sport," Peterson said.

"If you're training for an Iron-

man when you're 20 years old,

"A lot of people view Iron-

for longer periods of time.

the FCS playoffs is the University of Maine, which beat JMU in double overtime on a two-point touchdown conversion.

But, at the end of the season, there are things to be proud of.

"We made it to the playoffs, and a lot of people doubted us," Nelson said.

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a previous injury. Most run-

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Dodgeball's first competitions leave marks

Dodgeball started as an official club this fall and has had success

By JACKIE BRENNAN The Breeze

A year ago, senior computer science and sports management double major Chris Hess had a vision for a JMU dodgeball team.

After getting approval to feature dodgeball as a club sport at JMU, Hess' vision started to become a reality in time for this semester.

"It's like any other club sport," Hess said. "We practice about three times a week, two and half hours per practice, Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday. And we play two to three tournaments a month."

Hess thought getting dodgeball cleared as a club sport was going to be more than half the battle because of the distance of competitions.

"JMU was going to have to be in the best collegiate league in the nation, and the majority of the teams are Midwest," Hess said. "I thought one of the main deal-breakers was going to be the travel distance for competition."

Hess had other concerns as

"We were thinking the style of play the league allows wouldn't really be a good fit," he said. "In the league we play in, we allow head shots. We go by the same rules, but it's not the same kind of dodgeball you see in the movie 'Dodgeball' or in intramural."

The format differences to the club league include 15 on 15 games instead of 6 on 6. There is no half court, but a giant neutral zone in the middle. Players can also cross half court up to a line on the other side, so they are able to get much closer to people they're throwing at.

Fortunately, Hess' organizing coincided with the making of dodgeball teams at other schools on the east coast. University of Maryland, Towson University and Virginia Commonwealth University were all getting teams together for the next semester, so the JMU squad has some local competition.

Some basic rules for the sport include playing two 25-minute halves, with a point being scored when all 15 players on each side



Members of the JMU club dodgeball team spring into action during their competition at the University of Maryland.

have been knocked out. The action on the court is hectic, and you always have to keep your head on a swivel, according to team members.

Hess is the current president and a co-captain of the JMU club dodgeball team. His friend and teammate, senior media arts and design major Rob Manch acts as the club's secretary, but credits much of the work to Hess.

"This is his animal," Manch said. "He was the sole creator of this club. A year ago he had this idea. As soon as he got this whole ball rolling, I just said I was in." The team saw competition for

its first time Nov. 13 against Kansas State University.

"We just played four matches and won three of them and the team we lost against was No. 1 in the country," Manch said. "We fared a whole lot better than we thought we would."

Freshman declared SMAD major Jake Skudlarek was drawn into the club by student organization night and has been with the team since the beginning of the semester.

"The tournament was crazy," Skudlarek said. "I can't believe that was only the first one, and we're going to Michigan next semester. It was wild that we did so well."

Manch and Hess both said the game's stereotypes because of the movie "Dodgeball" were

"I wouldn't say there's too much comparison," Hess said.

"We try to have just as much fun. There are some trick plays that some schools do. As a club, we have strategies and formation, like in the movie."

But, they say that there are some distinct similarities.

"A lot of the intensity in the movie is very much reflected in the real game, though. It's an intense game and people get hit," Manch said. "Also, the team identity they had in the movie, that's true as well. Each school has their own little theme. Kent State, for example, dresses like Vikings, and each school has their own chant before the match starts."

Skudlarek similarities between the movie and competition in reality because of personalities and rules.

"The only differences are the number of balls and people on the court," Skudlarek said. "And nobody's as crazy as Ben Stiller." Hess does liken his team to

the stars of the movie. "We all like to compare ourselves to the average Joes," Hess said, "especially going into our last tournament because nobody knew us, and we beat some teams that we weren't supposed to beat."

JMU's dodgeball team is currently ranked sixth in the nation and will see competition again at the end of January. They are also planning a tournament that will take place at JMU.

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