

Page 13 "It's a bird, it's a plane"

No, it's the A-fashion-nado's style super heroes fighting clothing crime on campus.



Dukes suffer tough defeat

The men's basketball team lost to Delaware 55-54 in the final seconds of the Dukes' season finale Monday.

## THEBREEZI

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Thursday, February 28, 2002

## KDR educates on hazing issues

#### Panelists hold discussion to raise community awareness

By Becky Abbit contributing writer

Representatives from several campus and community organizations came together Tuesday as the Kappa Delta Rho fraternity held a panel discussion to increase awareness and understand-ing of hazing within the

community.

Inter-Fraternity Council/ Panhellenic Judicial Council required KDR to put together an educational program for another campus organization

as part of its October sancas part of its October sanc-tions. During fraternity rush in October, KDR received a Judicial Charge of Hazing dealing with a minor pledge and alcohol. University sanc-tions included both the requirement of holding a pro-gram and social probation until the end of the Spring 2002 semester.

The fraternity put together a program that strived to focus on the community addressing hazing as a whole instead of just as a Greek issue, according to junior Nicholas Peterson, dent of KDR.

The presentation was an open-panel discussion consisting of 10 representatives from the JMU community, including fraternity and sorority members, organization advisors, JMU faculty and student organizations, Peterson moder-

ated the panel.

KDR explained the definitions and examples of haz-ing through a PowerPoint presentation, with junior James Sheasley, a member of

KDR, narrating. "Our whole society is going through a paradigm shift," Sheasley said, "Society is seeing this more and more as a problem now, but [hazing] has always existed." He said KDR wanted to take hazing head on by opening discus-sion on the subject.

A problem with hazing is no one is willing to talk about it, according to senior Andrew Lux, the chairman of the

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Sgt. Robert Landes of the JMU police pointed out the need for hazing reform to begin within organizations.

## Vandalism a plaguing problem

## Incidents of Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property in Harrisonburg \*Percentages based on total crime reported monthly. 22.93% According to the Harrisonburg Police Department vandalism consistently is the mostreported crime each month 17.17% 15%

#### . Students share stories, offer prevention tips

By Jennifer Sikorski senior writer

When senior Dawn
Tippett awoke early Sunday
morning, she began preparing for her daily trip to
UREC, unaware of what
awaited her outside. There
was a knock at her front
door, which her roommate
answered A minute later. answered. A minute later, she heard her roommate urgently calling her name, telling her she had to come outside.

At first I was in shock. Then I was very emotional.

- Dawn Tippett

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Tippett walked outside only to find a large brick embedded in her Jeep's windshield. An 8 by 11, 4inch thick landscaping brick had been ripped from the shrubbery beside her Foxhill townhouse and hurled at the car, causing an intricate spider web of cracks to sprawl across the windshield. Shards of broken glass lit-tered the parking lot and the

hood of her car, scraping the

car's paint.
"At first I was in shock," Tippett said. "Then I was very emotional. I felt scared and threatened because I thought it was just me that it had happened to, that it had been a personal attack. Then I was pissed off when I realized it was a bunch of

drunk idiots."
Unfortunately, vandalism is not a rare occurrence in Harrisonburg. Scenes like the one that greeted Tippett occur every weekend. This past weekend alone, the Harrisonburg Police

past weekend alone, the Harrisonburg Police Department received three reports of property damage and vandalism.

Between September 2001 and January 2002, there have been 394 reported incidents of destruction, damage or vandalism of property in Harrisonburg. Every month, vandalism accounts for the largest percentage of reported offenses, according to monthly Harrisonburg. Police Department crime reports.

Department crime reports.
"It's always a constant,"
Sgt. Kevin Lanoue said.
"And there is always more crime that is unreported than

is reported. "In January there were 67 reports of property damage, and I wouldn't say that's

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## Two students to compete in national debate

### Debaters to travel to Mo.

By RICHARD SAKSHAUG News editor

Two students will travel to Southwest Missouri State University in March to represent the JMU Debate team at this year's National Debate Tournament, Juniors Michelle Janestes and Cete Morrison. Lancaster and Cate Morrison qualified for the event after a successful showing at the Feb. 16 and 17 district debate tournament at the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C.

"It's really exciting," Lancaster said. "All the work we've done has finally paid off."

The team of Lancaster and Morrison is one of 10 teams to qualify in JMU's district brack-

et, District 7, which includes Virginia, Pennsylvania, Maryland, West Virginia and Maryland, West Virginia and Washington, D.C., according to Director of Debate Pete Bsumek. There are nine districts total in the nation, he said. Of the 250 to 300 two-person teams that competed this year nationally, a total of 78 teams will attend the national tournament, Bsumek said.

Teams are judged at tours.

Teams are judged at tour-naments based on their ability to use persuasive arguments present evidence and highlight what is important about the debate topics, Bsumek said. Judges include professors from other universities, graduate students, profession-als who debated in college and



Michelle Lancaster (left) and Cate Morrison

At the national tournament, held March 22 to 25, the team will debate eight times during the first three days. After this period, the top 32 teams will be placed into one elimination bracket. On the fourth day, the judges whittle the teams down one team. In recent years, JMU has made it into the top 32 bracket three times, according to Bsumek.

The team works on one topic for the whole year. This year's topic is "Resolved: That the United States federal gov-ernment should substantially increase federal control throughout Indian Country in

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## SGA seeks candidates

### Candidate packets for upcoming campus elections now available

By JANE McHugh senior writer

Elections Candidate pack-ets for the March 27 and April 3 campus elections became available Tuesday at Student Government ociation Web site Association Association Web site (sga.jmu.edu/elections.html) and at the SGA office in



SGA's Campus Elections Committee is overseeing this spring's elections. The elections will determine

the positions for the SGA Executive Council, the presi-dent and vice president of the Honor Council, the student representative to the Board of Visitors and the Class Council.

According to an SGA press release, any full-time student with a 2.0 grade point average or better who has attended JMU for at least two semesters is eligible for the positions of SGA executive president and SGA executive vice president of Administrative Affairs, two seats on the Executive Council.

The remaining positions of SGA executive vice presi-dent of Student Affairs, SGA executive treasurer, presi-dent and vice president of the Honor Council and Class Council have the same eligibility requirements, with the exception that the student

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Students fill out ballots in last year's SGA elections. Elections this year will be held March 27 and April 3.

#### Thursday, February 28, 2002

#### **DUKE DAYS EVENTS CALENDAR** THURSDAY, FEB. 28



 Tapping Into the Hidden Job Market, National Videoconference, Dr. Donald Asher, a national Career Expert, will help students of all disciplines to understand effective job search strategies, 5 to 6:30 p.m., call Academic Advising and Career Development at x8-6555 for more information or visit www.jmu.edu/career

 Baptist Student Union large group praise and worship, 5:30 p.m., Baptist Student Center on the corner of Cantrell Avenue and South Main Street, contact Archie at 434-6822

 Young Democratic Socialists (YDS-JMU) general meeting. 8 p.m., Taylor 309, for more information, visit www.jmu.edu/orgs/youngdemsoc/ or contact Aaron or Adam at 433-6411

#### FRIDAY, MAR. 1

Baseball vs. Albany, 2:30 p.m., Long Field/Mauck Stadium

#### SATURDAY, MAR. 2

- · Lacrosse vs. University of Pennsylvania, 1 p.m.,
- · Women's Basketball vs. Virginia Comonwealth University, 7 p.m., Convocation Center

#### SUNDAY, MAR. 3

Today

· Canterbury Episcopal Ministry Eucharist service followed by a home-cooked dinner, 5 p.m., Canterbury House on South Main Street across from the Quad, contact Emily at antaniee

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#### **POLICE LOG**

BY KIMBERLY MCKENZIE police log reporter

Nathaniel D. Clarke, Marblehead, Md. and Robert E. Lelsy, 19, of Richmond were arrested and charged with manufacturing and selling fictitious IDs Feb. 22 at 8:55 a.m.

In other matters, campus police report the following:

#### **Breaking and Entering**

A JMU student reported an unknown subject reportedly entered their Eagle Hall room and stole a wallet Feb. 14 between 5:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. The incident currently is under investigation.

#### Assault

· Israel Roberts, 20, of Alexandria was arrested and charged with assault Feb. 20 involving an act of intolerance. The incident occurred as part of an ongoing dispute, which started

#### **Disorderly Conduct**

 Benjamin E. Larsen, 19, of Arlington was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct in White Hall Feb. 22 at 11:41 p.m.

#### Underage\* Possession of Alcohol

Paul L. Johnson, 18, of Silver Spring, Md. was arrested and charged with underage possession of alcohol and resisting arrest Feb. 23 at 12:05 a.m.

#### **Grand Larceny**

 Four turbo flares were reported missing from the Convocation Center Feb. 23 between 7:25 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.

#### Trespassing

 Five trespass notices were issued to five non-student subjects for reportedly yelling rude comments from a vehicle at the intersection of Bluestone and Duke drives. The incident occurred Feb. 22 at 10:33 p.m.

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#### WEATHER



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Friday	Mostly Sunny	50	26	
Saturday	Snow to rain	41	30	
Sunday	Rain/snow	43	21	
Monday	Snow Showers	39	18	

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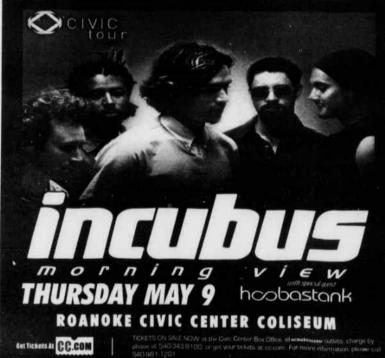
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"The laws in Mexico are very strict; those who are out of line will certainly be dealt with."

> SUE WEHNERS travel agent

## SPRING BREAK 2002

**Experts share safety tips as Spring** Breakers plan perfect getaways

After weeks of midterms and papers, students are more than ready to close out winter quarter with a splash

Spring Break. Many students anticipate swimming at the warm-water beaches of Mexican resorts. Others hope to head to nearby ski resorts to catch the remaining winter snow and ride the slopes. While travel agencies suggest what to do and where suggest what to do and where to go, other organizations, like the U.S. Department of State, provide tips on how to make students' vacations safe. According to Helen

According to Helen Zimmerman, a spokeswoman for the widely recognized ravel agency Sun Trips, Cancun is rated travel

among the most popular vacation

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herself, she said the beaches are one of the main attractions. But she also noted Cancun, as well as other well-known Mexican resorts, are notorious for excessive drinking and heavy partying. Sue Wehners, a travel agent with Davisville Travel, said she

has been swamped with stu-dents booking vacations to

Cancun for Spring Break.
"The availability of hotels and air carriers is very limit-

ed," she said. Wehners noted students usually go to places with drink-

ing and partying in mind.
"Students on their Spring Break are more prone to [get] intoxicated," she said. While she said she under-

stands this, she cautioned students about the importance of proper conduct. "The laws in Mexico

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The release goes on to state laws and freedoms of the United States do not

apply to Americans in foreign countries. For example, the department warns in the release Mexican authorities do not tol-

line will certainly be dealt with," Wehners said. release state

The U.S. Department of State Bureau of Consular Affairs also is concerned about students traveling to Mexican resorts or other foreign countries during Spring Break. According to a press release, the department stated excessive alcohol consumption and inappropriate behavior while in another country can do more than ruin a vacation - it can land vacationers in a foreign jail or worse. According to the release, more than 2,500 American citizens are arrested abroad - about half on

"Americans who travel to foreign countries assume immunity from prosecution simply because they are simply because they are American citizens; however, the truth is that Americans are expected to obey all the laws of the countries they visit," the release states

narcotic charges.

erate crude remarks. "Making obscene or

ered criminal activities by Mexican authorities," the

According to another press release issued by the State Department, Mexican resorts, especially those in Cancun, have high incidents

of theft and rape.
"[U.S.] citizens should be aware that some bars and night clubs in resort clubs, especially in Cancun, Cabo San Lucas, Mazatlan and Acapulco, can be havens for drug dealers and petty criminals. Some establish-

petty criminals. Some establishments contaminate or drug the drinks [increasing the potential for rape]," the release states.

Wehners also stated Spring Breakers constantly should be aware of their surroundings and become familier with the and become familiar with the rules and laws of the country

they plan to visit.

Whether traveling abroad or within the United States, students have yet another thing to look out for when making their plans — scam travel agencies. This is especially important when booking via the Internet, since illegitimate. the Internet, since illegitimate bargains and scenic depictions

may lure customers.

An Institute of Certified Travel Agents representative who wished to remain unnamed said scams are common. Vulnerable and inexperi-enced college students who never have used a travel agency in the past are usually the tar-

gets and victims of travel scams.
Alexis Rochefort, spokes-woman for the ICTA, stated in a press release that it is important to be an educated consumer.

There are certain steps to follow to ensure that you are dealing with a legitimate travel operator and not a scam artist," he said.

The ICTA urges travelers to make sure they are dealing with

a certified agent. "A Certified Counselor certification indi-cates that a travel professional has attained a minimum of five years of full-time travel industry experience and has com-pleted a rigorous academic study program and exam," the release states.

In addition, certified travel agents are required to com-plete continuing education classes to remain current on

traveling trends.
It is crucial to do a thorough background check of the com-pany, according to the ICTA. The ICTA has a list of questions to ask to ascertain how many years the company has been in business under that same name;

how many times the contact see TRAVELERS, page 4

## Auburn U. diet drug use on rise as Spring Break approaches

Xenadrine, Hydroxycut two best-selling diet over-the -counter drugs

BY KRISTEN BAILEY The Auburn Plainsman

With only one month until Auburn University's Spring Break, sales of diet pills, an attractive solution to dropping

"There is an increase in sales around Spring Break," said Jason Bates, an employee at GNC near Auburn University. "We sell about 10 to 15 bottles a day. On a heavy day, that could actually double or triple."

Xenadrine and Hydroxycut are two of the best-selling diet drugs on the market. These products are herbal and come with a money-back guarantee. Xenadrine claims to be clinically proven to increase fat loss 38.6 times more than exercise and diet alone.

These pills can be taken up to three times a day. They curb appetite and increase energy. Xenadrine contains ephedrine, a component of adrenaline.

"Hydroxycut and Xenadrine are our best-sellers," Bates said. "The results vary from person to person. They work with an exercise program and are definitely not miracle pills."

Another popular option is the Hollywood 48 Hour Miracle Diet. This is a liquid diet that claims to rid the body of toxins while causing a 10-pound while causing a 10 weight loss in two days

The diet requires drinking a bottle of liquid for two days, while eating no food. The ad for the product claims that it is a

racle juice."
This diet would be basically the same as drinking water," Bates said. "As soon as you start eating again, you will put the weight back on."

Although many diet pills guarantee weight loss in a short period of time, many health risks are often associated with them.

"The warnings are on the label," said William Moates, a salesperson at Nutrition First. "I always tell people, but

will always tell people, but nobody makes you."
"College students are at an extra risk," said Reginald Jones, an Aubum pharmacy graduate. "Sometimes they don't realize that medications such as anti-depressants and cold medicine can react to the diet pills."

Diet pills should not be

Diet pills should not be taken by people with high blood pressure, heart prob-lems or thyroid disease.

"Drugs like Xenadrine make your heart race and increase blood pressure," Jones said. "Many younger people do not even know that they have heart problems.

Another problem associated with diet pills is the effects of alcohol mixed with the pills. Consuming alcohol while tak-ing the pills can increase the risk of dehydration.

Many people think there are no risks associated with

certain over-the-counter and herbal diet pills. However, herbal drugs come from many of the same sources as other drugs, Jones said.

"This increases the chance of over consumption," Jones said. "Many people think that if one is good, two will be even better. This is defi-nitely not the case."

This diet would be basically the same as drinking water. As soon as you start eating again, you will put the weight back on.

— Jason Bates GNC employee

Moates said, "These pills have been available in other countries for years. A prob-lem in the United States, though, is that many people are abusing them."

Jones said, "Be sure to check with your physician before taking any weight-loss drugs. This way you will make sure that you are able to take them."

For students looking to shape up before Spring Break, the best option is combining a healthy diet with exercise.

### Spring Break plans could cause stress

BY SUMER ROSE Daily Mississippian

Spring break travel may more stress for University of Mississippi students than relaxation this year.

Students who have not made Spring Break flight arrange-ments may have problems. "[Students] aren't going to get

to go [on vacation] because the airlines are sold out due to Spring Break," said Keisha Gholston, travel agent at Global Travel Service in Tupelo, Miss.

There are limited flights to Mexico and the Caribbean,

"Spring break is the busiest time of year in terms of air traffic and parking," said Dirk Vanderleest, the executive director of airport security at the Jackson International Airport. Vanderleest said that it is best to book flights early in order to

guarantee a seat on an airplane.
"Planning ahead is the key, ranning anead is the key, but we haven't had any prob-lems accommodating [travel-ers]," said Janice Young, the manager of marketing and pub-lic affairs at the Memphis International Airport. Young added that students should arrive at least two hours prior to flight time because of the extensive security screening.

students are flying out of other airports because they were unable to get the flight time they wanted out

"I am flying out of Dallas Love because the airlines there offered the day and time that I wanted to travel," sophomore Leah Garner said.

Cancun due to Sept. 11,\* Tracey Warren-Wahlford said.

Gholston was assured that despite many fears of flying this is the safest time to travel by plane.

My friends' parents would not let them fly to Cancun due to Sept. 11.

- Tracey Warren-Wahlford

To many students Florida is a prime Spring Break location and is within driving distance. Others are looking forward to the drive to their Spring Break vacation spot

ward to the road trip with my friends," Bill Biter said.

Some of the easiest ways for students to try and book flights is with or through a travel agency or on the Internet. Many airlines offer specials online that are not offered over the phone. Students who are looking into cruises should rememb that they must be 25 years old





#### Travelers warned of frauds

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person has visited the destina tion; and whether or not the firm has extensive experience dealing with students.

"Do not hesitate to call the Consumer Affairs Department or the Better Business Bureau," the press release stated.

Consumers may not always get what they expect. Operators sometimes can put travelers in a hotel that was not advertised in

"Get everything in writing," the release stated. "Before even putting a deposit down on a trip, insist that all details be put in writing, including the name of the air carrier and hotel, amenities, restrictions and can-

cellation policies."

While some students intend to spend their vacations out of the country, others may prefer a

the country, others may prefer a trip that does not require passports or travel agents.

Many University of California-Davis students plan to head north to Lake Tahoe, where some of the most popular ski resorts are located, including North Star and Sierra at Tahoe. North Star and Sierra at Tahoe.

Still others are hoping to win big at the casinos in Las Vegas. If gambling is not of interest, one can attend the many shows and concerts the city has to offer. For instance, visitors can take a step back into the '80s and listen to Huey Lewis and the News perform live in March. Fans who are him perform during Spring Break as well. Many other singers and bands of various genres also will be performing, including Chicago, 'N Sync and Placido Domingo.

For those looking for local romantic getaways, the Monterey Peninsula may be of interest. Visitors can tour the oldest operating light-house, which sits atop the northernmost tip of the peninsula. Other attractions in Monterey, Calif., include the Monterey Bay Aquarium, where viewers can see sharks. jellyfish, tuna, penguins and eels; the National Steinbeck Center, which holds archives of some of John Steinbeck's most famous works; and multiple vineyards for the viticul-turally inclined.

Just miles away is Carmel, Calif., which is "known for its silence, except for the gentle breezes and natural roar of the ocean." according to the city of Carmel Web site. Carmel Web site

Carmel is recognized for its beaches, but there are many other attractions visi-

tors can experience.
Whether traveling abroad or locally, experts like Zimmerman emphasized it is best to research one's desired destination before

traveling.
"The best thing is to talk to friends and family who have experience traveling," she said.

abnormal by any means," he asid. "That number also includes when people break windows to get into autos to get things like CD players."

Vandalism is often a random act, not aimed directly at the individual it harms. The

seeming randomness of the incidents is what victims say anger them the most

anger them the most.
"I moved from being really shaken up to being really angry," Tippet said. "It was random chance; I just happened to be parked in the space where they decided to pick something up and throw it. Some drunk idiot basically decided to cost me \$200. adding yet another. me \$200, adding yet another expense to my life."

Adding to the emotional stress, money is often an issue for vandalism victims because

for vandalism victims because insurance does not always cover the costs of repair.

"Because it is an old car, my insurance doesn't cover it."

Tippett said. "The money comes out of my pocket and my Spring Break budget."

The most common acts of an addition acts of an addition acts or accord-

vandalism against cars, according to Lanoue, include keying, breaking windshields, knocking off side mirrors, throwing eggs

and slitting tires.

Senior Amber Spiering's car
has fallen prey to vandals on

"It's happened a couple of

times," she said. "Once, I had my car on campus in the park-ing lot by the Festival and left it there overnight. I came back in the morning to find my dri-ver's side mirror smashed off by a baseball bat, along with eight other cars'.

Students recall vandalism incidents

eight other cars'.

"I was so upset. I drove right to the police department," she said. "They found all our mirrors in a pile behind Blue Ridge Hall. It was \$400 in damage because it was an electric mirror. They had to rewire the whole car."

whole car."
In another incident, a vandal cut the wire connecting her car's turn signal to the blinker, cost-ing her \$450 in repairs.

ing her \$430 in repairs.

In addition to dealing with
the monetary problems
incurred by vandalism, victims
must deal with the inconvenience of repairs.

"I have a 2000 Jetta and
was living in Ashby this summer," sophomore April
Andrix said. "One morning I
opt up and one of my buband it went to work. When I got back, I noticed that there were three other cars with one hubcap missing, too. There isn't a Volkswagen dealership around here, so I dealership around here, so I had to have my parents bring

me a new hubcap.
"Someone found it later by the dumpster in Forest Hills.

They didn't even do anything with it; they did it for no reason other than to take it off. I was furious. It was such a petty thing to do - steal a hubcap. I was mad because it was so unnecessary to do something like that. All it did was inconve-

nience me," Andrix said.

Damages less severe in nature still cause annoyances. Senior Lauren Moffat's car has been vandalized on several occasions, but never enough to

"Sophomore year, I parked it in Hanson Field, and someone stole the Nissan sign off my car and coiled my antenna. It was parked right next to the stairs, so I'm guessing it was just some drunk person. Then outside my apartment last year, someone walked on my car and dented my roof. There were footprints all over the hood.

"I was pissed off. It wasn't any real damage, but it makes my car look ghetto. I still don't have my Nissan symbols, there are still dents in my car and the antenna is still kind of crooked," Moffat said.

Once an act of vandalism discovered, the victim should contact the police department to file an incident report, although the odds of catching the vandal are slim, according to Lanoue. "It's one of those things where you have to catch the person doing it in the act.

We usually do catch vandals, but it's hard to pin them with

but it's hard to pin them with everything they've done. It's basically hit or miss. We get them for one of 100 things they've done," he said.

When vandals are caught and arrested, they usually can be connected to a string of car vandalism in the area, according to Lanoue. Their fates are then placed in the hands of the court.

the court. While vandalism is a weekly occurrence, there are steps stu-dents can take to prevent their

cars from becoming targets.
"Don't leave valuables like
CDs in your car," said Stephanie
Kerley, property manager of
Foxhill Townhomes. "And if

Foxhill Townhomes. "And if you can afford it, alarm systems are always good."

Spiering, a resident of Ashby Crossing, has taken further precautions to profurther precautions to protect her car from further damage. "My roommates and I now park our cars down further away from the party scene. I've had too many problems," she said.

Lanoue said that looking out for one another is the best precautative. "If you can save

preventative. "If you see some-thing suspicious, call the police. Just because they're not in your parking lot, messing with your car, doesn't mean you don't have a duty to report it. Look out for your fel-low students."

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 Hercules Clark, 39, of Harrisonburg was arrested and charged with alleged trespass-ing by the Convocation Center Feb. 25 at 8:50 p.m.

Personal Abuse
Two JMU students were judi-two JMU students were judicially referred for reportedly cursing at JMU student per-sonnel in White Hall Feb. 22 at 11:41 p.m.

Number of drunk in public charges since Aug. 25: 102

Have a happy and safe Spring Break. The Breeze will be back in full force March 17.

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## Community hazing concerns addressed in discussion

Student-Athlete Advisory Council. "Nobody really calls it hazing," he said, while pointing out there were few student athletes present. People just view "hazing" as a rite of passage into a group, he said.

Many people trying to be accepted into a organization are willing to participate in events which are considered hazing without concern, according to Zephia Bryant, senior assistant director of CMISS and advisor for the Black and Latino Caucus. "People tend to look at these things as what will get them accepted," she said. Assistant Dean of the College of Science and

Mathematics and Advisor to Kappa Delta Rho John Hanson "There has been a reexamination of values since Sept. 11: it reinstated civility into the country. We have begun to question what is most imporpeople. With this comes a con-sciousness of defining and

changing hazing on campus."
Student Organization
Services Fraternity/Sorority
Life Coordinator Sheila Williams said it is difficult to begin change with such a gray definition of hazing "[People] are looking for black-and-white definitions ... for a concrete list, but that doesn't exist." She said the definitions are vague because there are many things that can be considered hazing. Junior Russell Hammond,

president of Sigma Nu fraterni-ty, said, "Hazing has been around forever and organiza-tions have been founded against it." However, they often resort back to old ways, includ-

ing hazing he said.
"I think it's important to realize that this is wrong, and we need these discussions often to point this out," he said.

"When the community changes together, then hazing will change."

The Greek community has a long way to go.

but it's a good start. - Ben Willis executive director, KDR

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Efforts by campus police include trying to curb the tendency toward these behaviors. "I think people need to find a new way to be accepted," said Sgt. Robert Landes of JMU police, pointing out the need for change to start within the organizations

Senior Mike Thrailkill of Kappa Delta Rho fraternity, said it is important to under-stand that being part of a group isn't involvement with some-thing, it is also to build your own character. He said he believes changing hazing behaviors is for the best and that change begins with one

person at a time Theta Chi fraternity advis Father John Grace of the Catholic Campus Ministry said he believes in ritual behaviors as a Catholic priest. "Ritual is a powerful thing ... but ritual means mutual; hazing is pow-erful, but it is hierarchical," he aid. There is a powerful relationship between creating brotherhoods and sisterhoods with a model of mutuality, but hazing breaks that solidified relationship, he said. Hazing means that persons are above other persons, and that breaks nds of the fraternal relationship, Grace said.

"The minority makes the major changes," he said. When a group sees the need for change, there will be people who are against it, but the minority, one person at a time, will make the change come about, he said.

Other members of the panel included junior Michelle Harrell of Alpha Phi sorority and senior Natasha Dumerville, member of Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority and president of the Black and Latino Greek Caucus

Grafton-Stovall was nearly full, as the event was well attended by members of the JMU community, including both Greeks and non-Greeks.

Freshman Moni Gabriel said, "I thought it was interesting. I knew it was always a problem, but I never knew how long it had been long it had been going on." She said she was pleased there was an event like this put together

for educational purposes.

"A fraternity putting it together was really impressive," Gabriel said. "I know it's a problem, but I always thought it went with tradition."

Senior Peter McDonough, a Theta Chi member, said, "It was a good cause and it needed to be addressed within the community, but it would have been better if more parts of the community showed up to support

Peter Tartero, national program coordinator of Kappa Delta Rho, said he thinks this was a positive solution to a negative event experienced by the chapter. "I am very pleased that KDR is helping pioneer the movement on their campus," Ben Willis, executive direc-

tor of the National Fraternity of Kappa Delta Rho, said, "The Greek community has a long way to go, but it's a good start."

### Debaters build on success

one or more of the following areas: child welfare, criminal justice, employment, environ-mental protection, gaming, resource management and taxa The topic is decided by National Debate Tournament Committee. They argue for and against the topic from all sides.

Morrison said her research on the topic has been enlightening. "There were a lot of nuances I hadn't been aware of," she said.

Lancaster said, "It's been really interesting to learn about a lot of issues that don't usually get covered."

The students have been preparing all semester for their debates, according to Bsumek. "They have been putting in about 20 hours of work a week," which includes library time, research work and writing speeches, he said.

Lancaster said, "The best analogy I can make is, it's like

no set end date. You keep working on it. It's a pretty big commitment which is why it's nice

it's paid off." Morrison said, "If you really want to get good, you have to

put in the time."

Bsumek said the pair will be putting in even more working hours over the next month as they prepare for the national tournament.

Being a part of the National Debate Tournament is a legacy for the JMU Debate team. This Debate is the 22nd time in the past 24 years that JMU has qualified for the national tournament, according to Bsumek.

"It's nice to keep that going," Lancaster said.

The team attended several other tournaments earlier in the year across the country. Team members went to during fall semester and four so far spring semester, Bsumek said. "These tournaments are events in and of themselves,

but the end of the year tourna-ment is the goal for every-body," he said.

Morrison said, "It's going to be a lot of fun. It will be our last big hurrah for the year. We're going in with a lot of confidence and the ability to do well."

The debate program is sen to any undergraduate student in academic good standing, according to the JMU Debate team Web site www.jmu.edu/orgs/debate) The program operates within the School of Speech Communication and is sup-ported in many ways by the larger university community, according to the site. Any student involved with debate can receive academic credit for participation by register-ing for SCOM 318, Practicum in Human Communication.
The university supports

JMU debate by providing a travel budget and arranging for faculty to work with the pro-gram, according to the site.

### SGA calls for student reps

must have completed at least one full semester at JMU. The elections for senators and class representatives occur in

The student representative to the Board of Visitors addi-

tionally requires a 3.0 GPA. While the requirements for positions may be strict, A President David Mills said he believes it is important for the JMU student body to get involved in the upcoming elections. Mills said the more influence the SGA has with the administration when advocating student interests, the better.

Applications for the cam pus elections are due in the SGA office by March 13 for all positions except for Class Council, which are due by March 20.

In addition to calling for students to run for office, Mills said he would like to see greater voter turnout

from the JMU student body as a whole. According to Mills, the best turnout in recent memory was 18 percent two years ago.

"It would be nice to get up to 30, 40, 50 percent," Mills said. Junior Jonathan Coulter said he agrees that a high voter turnout is important. "Voting

turnout is important. Voting ... is an honor not everyone in the world has," he said. "We should cherish and exercise this voice out of duty."

Sophomore Melanie Benda said she also believes it is important to vote but will probably only vote if I'm on the commons that day."

However, other students do not believe that voting in the election will have a sig-nificant effect on the university and therefore choose not to vote.

"I probably won't vote because I don't know anything about the elections, nor do I care to learn anything about

them," freshman Jamie Ferrer aid. "Personally, I feel that as long as someone is sitting in the chair making the decisions, everything will be alright.".

The candidates will be campaigning and speaking to various organizations from March 13 to 27 in order to arouse student interest and participation.

The Campus Elections Committee, headed by senior Catie Campbell, is arranging the campaigning schedule. The Elections Committee has 'organized publicity for the organized publicity for the candidate packets ... and [they] are organizing a large candidate forum/debate on campus to occur before the Campbell said.

For more information regarding the upcoming campus elections, students can go to sga.jmu.edu/elec-tions.html or visit the SGA office in Taylor 234.



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## OPINION

"The fact is that the embryo in question would never become a human life even if its stem cells were not removed..'

ASHLEY STOUGH freshman

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"It would be nice if JMU's new alumni center weren't in what seems like left field.

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#### HOUSE EDITORIAL

## Alumni center on unfamiliar side

New buildings keep up on the ISAT sprouting up on the ISAT side of campus like weeds in a garden. Those who have seen the campus evolve in

seen the campus evolve in the past five or so years have witnessed astounding changes to the "other side" of campus.

JMU is a developing campus that is desperate to have ISAT not seem like the "other side." Rather, the epicenter is expected to keep center is expected to keep moving further and further east — a stab in the heart to the many who still consider the Wilson Hall cupola to be the symbol of JMU.

The Quad is the pinnacle of what college life should be. Students are strewn about sleeping and studying, playing and talking. All seems quiet for a while, and then classes let out and the area becomes a congestion of primarily college and students. marily college aged students living the JMU life. Further, many of the buildings have

been a part of the college since the beginning, or at least close to it. It seems that the traditional location choice on campus to have an alum-ni base would be the Quad, doesn't it?

Currently under construction adjoining the College Center, the Leeolou Alumni Center is looking more com-plete each visit to the Festival. According to the Feb. 25 issue of *The Breeze*, a new location for the alumni center was selected due to its more visi-

selected due to its more visible location on campus.

The long and windy road that leads past the ISAT campus probably is not the most visible place to have an alumni center, as most of the alumni have yet to see that part of campus. Further, a building tucked away near some parking lots, some dorms and the Festival probably is not going to draw the crowds of alumni who come back to

JMU to reminisce. It is important to have a central location on campus for the offices that deal with alumni relations; however, one must question the usefulness of the new upscale building to the actual alumni of this university.

When returning to the

Burg, are the former stu-dents going to visit the center as a way to connect to their JMU past? Most likely not. IMU past? Most likely not. They will be heading to their former departments, checking out their freshman year dorm and meandering through the campus. They will be hitting Harrisonburg hot spots and restaurants where they spent many an evening out. Maybe while they visit, they will check out a play or a sporting event. It a play or a sporting event. It won't be as easy to swing by the alumni center amid all of the other things that happen during a trip to pay visit to old haunts.

And besides having more exciting things to do, the central-campus-knowing alums will be lucky if they even can find the alumni center. Those who came to JMU before it became an ever-evolving construction wonderland are unfamiliar with the far-off technological side of campus. technological side of campus. Those here now may remem-ber huffing and puffing the 20-minute walk to main cam-pus between classes and choose to avoid going all the the way over there just for a building full of offices and an entertainment room. entertainment room.

Alumni relations are important to a university and should be important to grad-uates as well. Therefore, an alumni center that coordi-nates alumni events and deals with issues pertaining to alumni is a good thing to have in a central part of cam-pus. It would be nice if JMU's new alumni center weren't in what seems like left field.

#### JACQUIE MAUER BREEZE READER'S VIEW **Human rights activist** clarifies group goals

This piece serves as a friendly update to the JMU community regarding the issue of sweatshop labor being used in the produc-tion of our JMU apparel. First of all, I would like to clear up some misconceptions about those of us who care about sweatshop labor. We are not asking for workers to be paid a minimum wage that is used in the United States. We advocate a wage appropriate to each location on which a family can afford at least enough to eat regularly. Also, we are not naïve to the fact that sweatshop labor is a complex issue with economic consequences. What Students Against Sweatshops is advocat-ing are basic human rights such as using a bathroom, receiving breaks and not working 14-plus hours a day. If you are one to argue that we're helping them out by giving them jobs, then let me pose this question to you. How is the excessive exploitation of peo-ple good for them? That, my

Friends, is the real question.

For those of you who are new to this issue I will give you a brief history. Last year, SGA President Mark Sullivan submitted a report to the administration concluding that there was tion concluding that there was probable cause for us to investigate the conditions for workers under which our JMU apparel is made. Recommendations were made for JMU to sign with The Worker's Rights Consortium (www.workersrights.org) and The Fair Labor Association Fair Labor (www.fairlabor.org).

A committee of students, faculty and administration was assigned to address this issue. The committee submitted its own report to the administration, which later decided not to sign with either of the two organizations.

The students working on this sue were, of course, extremely disappointed. Last semester, sev-eral of us met with Mark Warner, Vice President of Student Affairs to express our disapproval and hear why that decision was made. We were told that the administration did not feel that we were get-ting enough "bang for our buck." In other words, it believed that these organizations could not do enough for us because they are relatively new organizations. We addressed this response by com-menting that we should be one of the pioneering schools building these organizations up. This semester we are taking this issue

full force to the administration to fight for JMU's apparel to be

made justly.

Last Friday, a group of stu-dents working on this issue met with Warner. We were told that MU is in full support of making sure that sweatshop labor is not used for the clothes we wear to display our school spirit. The sad,

otspiay our school spirit. The sto, yet not surprising, part is that the action taken to back up JMU's support is less than satisfactory.

Signing with the WRC and FLA would cost JMU a mere \$2,000. Cost is not the issue here. The reasons we were given about why JMU will not sign with these groups are that they cannot do anything for us that our current monitoring agency doesn't already do. The WRC and FLA serve as monitoring agencies of factory conditions independent from any specific company. EFollet (the owner of our bookstore) currently uses the Collegiate Licensing Co. While it does have a code of conduct regarding worker's rights, we have learned that there is a severe problem with enforce-ment. These two organizations currently are the best options universities in this country have.

If you visit their Web sites you can see the lists of schools that belong to these organizations, many of who have EFollet as their keystern many. The assistance of the second their bookstore owners. The new challenge Warner has given Students Against Sweatshops is to find out what other universities are doing about this social problem besides signing with the WRC and FLA. So we currently are researching this, as well the labor practices of specific brand names in the bookstore.

Feb. 25 we found out that the JMU Foundation which encour ages donations for the university signed onto the FLA. Sounds like a victory, right? While we are pleased that we are now signed on to one of the two monitoring agencies, we will not settle for this decision alone. The FLA is the more corporate group with close ties to corporations such as Adidas. For JMU to commit fully to making sure that the human beings who make our clothes are treated with some decency, we need to be signed on to both the FLA and WRC. There are strong points to each organization, but to be effective, we need both because what one group does not

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#### LETTERS EDITOR TO THE

#### Student says council is off deep end

I am writing to wholeheartedly agree with freshman Adam Sharp's letter in Monday's edition of The Breeze.

The Harrisonburg City Council seems to have gone off the deep end as of late, taxing cell phones and imposing the idiotic entertainment and prepared food taxes, which are some of the

more ridiculous ideas it has come up with.

But the idea of forcing all students to live in one part of town is absolute lunacy. I am a student at JMU. I am also a full time completes to the student at JMU. I am also a full time completes to the student at JMU. time employee of JMU and have been a resident or the Harrisonburg area for nine years. Would the City Council dare tell me where I can and cannot live simply on the basis of my desire to peruse an education?

I understand that people are concerned about declining property values and the problems that irresponsible college students cause. These concerns can be addressed by simply having all the students at JMU behave like responsible adults (which the major-

JMU students are an easy target for such recommendations because they are not full-time residents and they rarely vote. Being a college town does cause some problems, but it also brings huge economic benefits to the Harrisonburg area. The real-estate market is higher because of student housing needs. Local busi ses including restaurants, retailers and grocery stores and automotive repair facilities all benefit from JMU's population.

Like any full-time resident of the area, I am concerned about traffic woes and the destructive behavior of some students at JMU. But by no means do I wish to enact tyrannical measures aimed at discouraging growth in either of our fine university or in the Harrisonburg area in general. Without JMU and its students, the Harrisonburg area

would be far less prestigious. There would be far fewer edu-cational opportunities open to local people like me who don't necessarily want to pack up and move to Charlottesville to get a decent education.

behave as good guests and neighbors, and for the residents of the Harrisonburg area to see JMU as a source of growth and eco-

JMU and its students are sources of great good to the Harrisonburg area. I, for one, am happy to have JMU in our midst and look forward to it serving student needs in the future. Whatever problems we have can be solved with a little patience and good will. All we need is for the rowdy few to behave a good great and points.

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Growth and economic activity can cause problems. That is the simple truth of the matter. The problems caused by growth, however, are far better than the problems caused by stagnation and decline.

Measures that harm JMU or its students will end up harming the residents of Harrisonburg more than the students of JMU. Let us dispose of this competitive "us vs. them" mentality, and finally realize that we all benefit from JMU's presence here.

The majority of us understand that a thriving and growing city means a thriving and growing economy that will present opportunities for everyone to prosper. Let us hope that reason prevails.

that reason prevails.

Computer Lab administration

#### Stem cell research sparks questions

Upon reading Wesley Hedgepeth's stem cell research article in the Feb. 25 issue of *The Breeze*, I was outraged. This is not in response to his views on ethics regarding stem cell research, but rather to the following comment: "What gives the ill human being any more right to live than the unborn fetus or embryo? Is it only because this person has lived longer, or is it that we just don't believe the fetus deserves that chance to live?"

How dare you be so disrespectful toward a person's condi-tion that they have no control over. Having been an "ill human being." I will tell you that I deserve to live. At the ago of 18, I was diagnosed with cancer, and only after a seven-month battle and diagnosed with cancer, and only after a seven-month battle and 12 rounds of chemotherapy I am here today. If it were not for prior testing performed for the sake of science, I would not be alive. The reason that I, an "ill human being," deserve to live is that I, too, have a family of my own. I have goals and a right to life just like you. You also posed the question, "Has the unborn fetus asked to be a lab experiment?" Well, did I ask to have cancer at the age of 18 and have my life cut short? Clearly, you have not been in a situation in which you were fighting for your life because then your attitude toward the value and preciousness of your existing life might be of greater importance to you. If you are ever faced with an illness such as cancer, I find it hard to believe that you would consider your life "not worth saving."

Holly Griffin senior, SCOM

## **Darts**

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#### Pat...

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the limited attendance and eventual loss.
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#### Dart...

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door and threatened to kill them, we really appreciate your stupidity.

From four girls who expected more from the JMU male population but guess we still have to wait until you all grow up.

#### Pat...

A "you're-the-reason-we-attract-outof-staters" pat to the hard-working landscapers who work diligently every day to keep JMU's gardens, yards and sidewalks maintained. Thanks for making our campus beautiful.

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#### Dart...

An "I-didn't-know-we-were-livingamong-royalty" dart to the princess in South View who insists on parking in the fire lane every day

fire lane every day
Sent in by your neighbors who think that
your legs work just as well as ours and that
you can walk from another parking spot.

#### Pat...

An "I-feel-safe-now" pat to the university for finally putting up more street lights and emergency call boxes around our frightful campus.

Sent in by a formerly disgusted student who hales to see other students running for their lives across our poorly lit campus in the pitch black of night.

#### Dart...

A "way-to-wait-until-the-last-minuteto-study-for-a-test" dart to the caffeine addict who blamed her studying negligence on the vending machine man.

From an annoyed sophomore who knows that a lack of caffeine doesn't result in the failure of a test and is even more annoyed at your rudeness to the "visually impaired."

## ASHLEY STOUGH <u>Breeze READER'S VIEW</u> Details show embryonic stem cell research ethical

In the Feb. 25 edition of The Breeze, an article by freshman Wesley Hedgepeth attempted to persuade readers that embryonic stem cell research is unethical because it takes away the life of human fetuses. However, the article does not describe the true details of stem cell research. As a Christian and a supporter of embryonic stem cell research, I am taking it upon myself to present stem cell research in its totality in order to illustrate why embryonic stem cell research is indeed ethical and needs to be funded.

Stem cells are the newest breakthrough in medical research. In the Journal of the American Medical Association, authors Eric Juengst and Michael Fossel explain the process. A human fetus develops from a single cell that has the ability to produce every type of cell in the human body. As the human develops, cells differentiate, or take on different cell roles. Cells that have not yet taken on a specific role are called stem cells. Scientists have found that when stem cells are placed in an adult human, they can take on the role of any cell that has malfunctioned. This means that they can be placed in burn victims and create new skin cells, in victims of heart disease and create healthy heart tissue, in victims of neurological diseases and create new neurons. In short, stem cells can possibly cure arthritis, heart disease, diabetes, spinal cord rijuries, burn injuries, multiple sclerosis, Lou Gehrig's disease,

Alzheimer's disease ar Parkinson's disease.

The most promising form of stem cells is retrieved from human embryos. Hedgepeth argues that taking stem cells from an embryo causes the embryo to die; therefore, it is unethical because we have no right to kill what could one day be a human life. The fact is that the embryo in question would never become a human life even if its stem cells were not removed. The embryo would simply be thrown away. When couples go to a fertility clinic to become pregnant, multiple sperm and eggs are joined to form many embryos that are stored in freezers. In case the first implanted embryo does not develop into a fetus, a stored embryo is used, and the leftover embryos are thrown away. Stem cells are retrieved from the embryos just before they are thrown away, therefore, stem cell research is not the

cause of destroying embryos."

Granted, if put in the wrong hands, stem cell research could lead to the creation of embryos for the sole purpose of taking their stem cells and destroying the embryos. I believe this is unnecessary and can be prevented with strict guidelines. Stem cells also can be taken from aborted fetuses, but prolife supporters find this unethical, and again, unnecessary. I think the answer is simple: If fertility clinics are forming embryos to be placed in a womb to create life, and there happen to be leftover embryos,

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why not use them to sustain the lives of people dying from terminal illnesses? This solves Hedgepeth's problem of having to choose whether an embryo's life or an ill adult's life is more important, because with this method, both lives are equally valued; a fetus is created and a dying adult is saved.

dying adult is saved.

Hedgepeth's article mentions the use of adult stem cells as an alternative to embryonic stem cells. He is referring to stem cells that are retrieved from umbilical cords, human cadavers and adult bone marrow. While these adult stem cells have not yet taken on specific cell roles, they are limited in what they can do because they are more mature than embryonic stem cells avoid the controversy surrounding embryonic stem cells avoid the controversy surrounding embryonic stem cells, but he does not mention that adult stem cells cannot cure nearly the amount of afflictions as embryonic stem cells. Ronald McKay, researcher at the Naţional Institutes of Health, states, "For certain diseases, adult cells appear very promising, for cardiac diseases in particular. However, if you're asking for a solution to Parkinson's disease or diabetes, the cells that offer the best way are embryonic."

Adult stem cell research is advancing quickly, and some human trials are already underway; however, at the rate that

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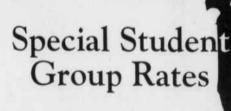
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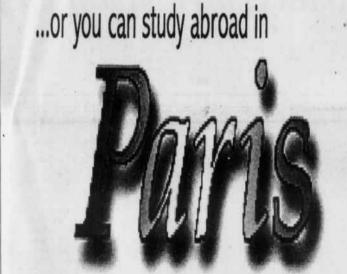


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"Going home and spending time with my family

Celeste Reed freshman, social work

Topic: What do you plan to do over Spring Break that you didn't do over Winter Break?

### Student contests stem-cell research column

"Get a sunhum"

human trials begin. The research is moving slowly because the controversy surrounding it has led to insufficient funding. "In early August, Bush limited fed-eral funding of stem cell research to 64 cell lines that are already in existence," explained Andis Robeznieks in the American Medical News. This means that the government will not fund the gathering of any new embryonic stem cells; it will

that have been gathered in the past. While this funding may sound promising, it provides no room for error among the 64 cell lines. A cell line is a group of lines. A cell line is a group of lines. cells that has been reproduced from one original cell. Scientists already have found that some of the cell lines are defective and will not work correctly. Also, stem cells can be rejected when placed in humans just as any organ transplant may be reject-

not give researchers the diversi-ty or the quantity they need to

do quality research. Now that embryonic stem cell research has been presented in totality, I am open to listen to Hedgepeth or any of his sup-porters substantially uphold their arguments. I believe it is quite clear that embryonic stem cell research, if performed with cells retrieved from fertility clinics, is an ethical medical break-

through. Currently, the embry onic stem cell is the only medical advancement that holds hope for the cure of so many different es. Šteps must injuries and disea be taken within the govern-ment and private agencies to increase funding for the research so that loved ones can be saved and pain, discomfort and death can be relieved around the world.

Ashley Stough is a freshman social work major.

#### Organization wants industry change

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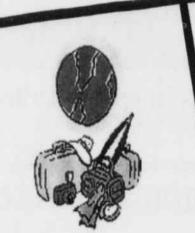
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Daily rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

#### Aries (March 21-April 19)

Today is a 6 - You're almost past the worst part. Tomorrow will be much easier. It might even be fun. This weekend certainly will be. Make a date with your favorite part-ner, then get back to work. The more you can get done today, the better.

#### Taurus (April 20-May 20)

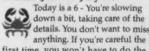
Today is a 6 - Your financial worries may soon be over. Somebody is willing to pay for a service you can provide. This might be through a regular job, but maybe not. If

you help somebody make their dream come true, yours might come true, too.

#### Gemini (May 21-June 21)

Today is a 5 - It'll be hard to con centrate on one task long enough to get it done. Do what the boss wants first. Then, clean up your place. You'll want to entertain a special

#### Cancer (June 22-July 22)



anything. If you're careful the first time, you won't have to do the

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

Today is a 6 - If anybody owes ou money, call and bug them. It'll be easier to get it now than later. Packages you send will encounter fewer delays, and ads placed will have quicker results. Don't wait until tomorrow. Do it now.

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

Today is a 7 - You're known for the excellent service you provide, not for shrewd manipulations, but you can hold out for what you want. If you hold out, all that work you've done will gain you more than just respect.

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

Today is a 7 - Evaluate your work objectively. You may have to get rid of something you really like to bring the whole thing into balance. Trust your own intuition

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

Today is a 6 - Better hold off on a trip you're contemplating, at least for a few more days. If you must go now, be extra careful about details. The odds of forgetting something at home are much greater

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

Today is a 7 - Are you being harassed by a nitpicker? Someone who insists that every detail be perfect? Don't complain to your friends; just do it. You'll benefit from the experience.

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

Today is a 8 - The worst is over, and you've somehow managed. Now there's a report to be made. If you let higher-ups know what you've discovered, you'll be rewarded.

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

Today is a 7 - Resist more ssaults on your wallet. Pay bills, but save some for yourself. You may want to take a friend out to dinner or a movie, or to Paris for

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

Today is an 8 - The elaborate plans you make now with your mate or partner can come true. Invest in something you can share, something that you've thought about for ages. You can find the money. Lady Luck is smiling on you!

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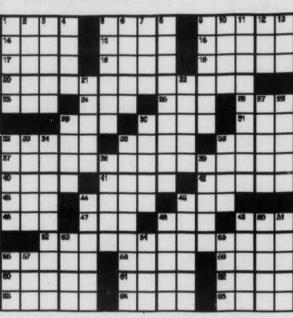
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IFC and Panhellenic would like to congratulate all the chapters who were recognized in the Fraternity/Sorority Life Excellence Awards last week. Chapters were recognized in the following areas: Community Service, Scholarship, Chapter Development, Housing, Risk Management, New Member Education, and External Relations. A special congrats to the following:

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## From pale to tan: What to know about tanning salons

Story by senior writer KC Gardner • Art by art director Meghan Murphy

magine stripping down to as little clothing as possible, putting on a pair of protective goggles, lying down on top of a row of light bulbs and then flipping the switch to be cooked like toast. It sounds ridiculous. However, millions of predominantly college-age people do it quite frequently to get the results they want a healthier, sexier, fit look they claim comes with settling tan. with getting tan.

As Spring Break approaches, many JMU stu-dents flock to local tanning salons before they hit the beach. They are just a small fraction of an estimated one-million people that visit tanning salons in the United States everyday (www.personalmd.com).

"A tan body is equated with being attractive and being sexy," said senior Anne Agnew, who frequents tanning salons. Although sun exposure is the main cause of skin cancer and many other health risks, college students like Agnew still go tanning to get a little glow.
Senior Monica Montgomery said, "Being tan

helps me feel less self-conscious when I'm ving a bathing suit or a dress."

But if you, too, are looking forward to another tanning salon appointment to get a "healthy" tan, you might want to think twice. The word from health professionals like Dr. Susan Boiko, a dermatologist with Kaiser Permanente in San Diego and a member of the American Cancer Society skin cancer advisory

group, isn't sunny about tanning.

"In my practice, I see people who began using tanning lights and sunbathing in their early 20s, and with some, by their 30s, I'm already removing precancerous lesions from their skin," Bolko said on the ACS Web site, www.camcerorg. Bolko debunks the month that transing bads are safer than sunbathing myth that tanning beds are safer than sunbathing outdoors. "It's not necessarily safer to substitute one kind of damaging radiation for another. And it's certainly not safer to add the two."

Despite this and other expert advice, many students and literature.

After working at a tanning salon in Fairfax for two years, Montgomery believes that, in many ways, tanning beds actually are, in fact, safer than sunbathing outdoors. "It's within a controlled amount of time in a controlled environment, so

Montgomery says her training at the salon made her become more educated on the process, safety issues, benefits and risks of tanning. "When you learn how it really works, it makes you see the whole thing more objectively the same of the training is cancer. tively than simply thinking [tanning] is cancer in a box," she said.

Most people think it's cool but I think rational people understand it's unattractive and unhealthy.

- Billy Sorrentino

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Aware of the harmful effects of short-wave ultraviolet radiation, referred to as UVB rays, salon owners began using tanning beds that emit mostly long-wave, UVA rays instead. UVB rays can burn the outer layer of skin. Although research has shown that UVA rays are less harmful, they are equally dangerous because they penetrate so deeply, weakening the skin's inner connective tissue.

Despite common misconceptions, the only benefit of tanning is cosmetic. Public health experts and medical professionals are continuing to warn people about the dangers of ultraviolet radiation from the sun, tanning beds and sun lamps. In fact, they adamantly advise people to stay away from them altogether.

However, Montgomery does realize that skin cancer can't be eliminated from the tanning equation. "Tanning is risky no matter what you do, outdoors or indoors," she said. "But it's a risk I'm willing to take."

Yet for other students, the risk doesn't seem worth it. Especially for someone like junior Tim Brett, who had melanoma. Melanoma, the deadliest form of skin cancer, can be lethal if it becomes

malignant and isn't caught early. "I think it's stu-pid and unhealthy," Brett said. To be sure his melanoma doesn't come back, he visits a derma-tologist once a year to screen his body for poten-

Brett has become a part of the rapidly growing number of skin cancer cases in the United States. According to the National Cancer Institute, there are more than one-million new cases of skin cancer discussed each year. diagnosed each year — about the same number caused by breast, lung, prostate and colorectal cancers combined. Other potential aftereffects of over-exposure to ultraviolet rays from the sun are eye injury, premature wrinkling of the skin, immune system damage and light-induced skin rashes.

A study published in The Journal of the National Cancer Institute in February concluded that people who use tanning devices were 1.5 to 2.5 times m likely to have common kinds of skin cancer than

were people who did not use the devices Tanning is a response to injury; Steven Spencer, a Dartmouth medical school der-matologist who worked on the study. The study found the people who are warned the most to stay out of the sun were the ones most likely to go tanfair-skined women who burned easily but continued to sunbathe.

If tanning is mixed with some medicines cosmetics, acne products or birth control pills, painful adverse skin reactions can occur. There's also a risk of picking up a fungus or other germs from fellow bed users even if the tanning bed has been sanitized, according to the Federal Trade Commission.

So why are students continuing to do something

that makes them look great but potentially is deadly "Why do people smoke or do anything that's bad for them?" senior Lindsay Krembs said. They do it because they think it makes them look better." Krembs, who's father owned a tanning salon for several years, said the idea of tanning never has appealed to her. "I don't like the idea of getting in those beds that 60 other people have been sweating in all day," she said.

Although Krembs isn't completely against tan-

ning, she said if people are going to do it they

should do it the natural way. "When it's 80 degrees and surny outside, there's no point to get tan indoors," she said. However, what drives some students to the

anning salon is so they can avoid sunbathing outdoors. "For people who are self-conscious about their bodies, it's one way to get tan without going to the beach," Agnew said. Like many others, she usually frequents a tanning salon before Spring Break or before summer arrives. This segminate good idea actually is not good at all eemingly good idea actually is not good at all. The convenience comes at a cost.

In the June 2001 issue of Fitness Magazine, Richard Glogau, a clinical professor of dermatology at the University of California at San Francisco, said a self-tanning lotion is the only safe way to achieve a tan. "It's amazing how many health conscious women tell me ... they visit many health conscious women teal me. In they year
a (tanning) salon for what they think is a burnpreventing base tan," he said. According to
Glogau, this myth perpetuates the masses that
flock to tanning salons before they head out to any
tropical destination. "All they're getting is more

cumulative sun damage," he said.

But the cheap prices, the fears of initial sunburns and the promise of no tan-line worries are just a few of the reasons why so many students do it. Agnew reasons that just 15 minutes of tanning every few days for two weeks is a cheap, quick

to get a good tan. In fact, just a single 15 to 30 minute salon ses sion exposes the body to the same amount of harmful UV light as an entire day at the beach,

namural CV light as an entire day at the beach, according to the American Academy of Dermatology, www.aad.org.

"If people tan too much it's like an addiction," Agnew said. "They need to keep doing it more and more to feel tan enough." Consequently, the tan one gets at a salon often looks unnatural or even dirty.

"I don't know why anyone would be attracted to an orange girl," junior Billy Sorrentino said. He said the phrase "fake and bake" sums up his feel-ings about it. "Most people think it's cool but I think rational people understand it's unattractive and unhealthy."

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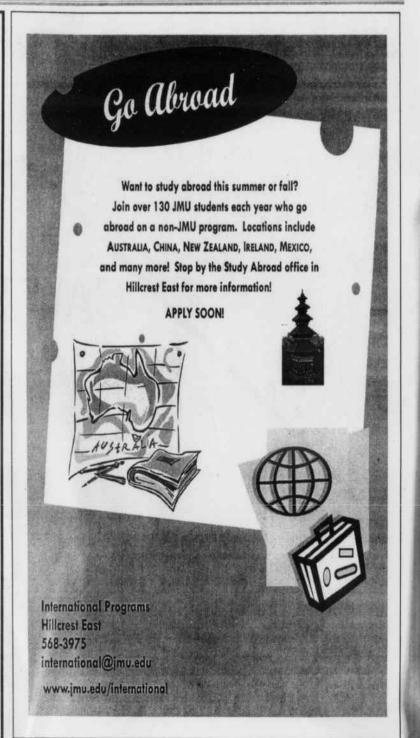
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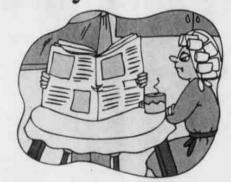


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## STYLE

#### Sink your teeth in

"Queen of the Damned," starring the late singer Aaliyah, fails to captivate as a sub-par film adaptation.



"Though we may never know their true identities, I for one feel safe knowing that these superhero crime fighters are just a fashion call away.

See story below



MEGHAN MONTGOMERY/III

Music is a powerful outlet and mode of expression for sen-ior Wendy Fox. She is well versed in opera, jazz, gospel and musical theater and plans to pursue a career involving



## **Paths and influences**

### Students seek strength and expression through music, God

By James Turnage contributing writer

This is the final article in a series of Itus is the final article in a series of stories examining the lives of several African-American students at JMU in conjunction with African-American History Month.

Senior Wendy Fox, a music major concentrating in musical theatre, is not afraid to sing to all audiences. She

to sing to all audiences. She plans to pursue a career in musical theatre in New York or Chicago.

My parents taught me that I could accomplish anything that I set my mind to ...

- Wendy Fox

Fox's private teacher John Little, a music professor, said that she could be counted on that she could be counted on for "some fine singing," Fox recently wowed audiences with her a cappella spiritual "Still a way to Jesus" in the Eulogy of the Martyred Children, co-sponsored by the JMU chapter of the NAACP, Contemporary Gospel Singers and Black Student Alliance, Feb. 25 in Chandler Hall. Fox also sang "Natural Woman" in "The Vagina Monologues," performed on campus the week of Feb. 11. She played the witch in JMU's Feb. 2001 production of "Into the Woods," a Stephen Sondheim musical.

That Wendy Fox can do it all — she sings opera so well, I would have never imagined that her voice could be so amazing in musical theater," said adjunct music faculty member Brenda Witmer after "Into the Woods."

Fox explained, "All music is basically the same. Opera requires a richer, darker sound, musical theater a more forward sound, jazz a little mellower sound and gospel requires a more weighted sound, but the emotions are basically the same and present them all

with the same approach."
Fox said that her greatest influences were her family and church. She has been singing as long as she can remember, and her family has supported her dreams and music since she began. Her voice began to shine in her church's gospel music. Fox continued to pursue music through elementary, middle and high school choirs. The love of show choirs sparked her interest in musical theater. Supportive audiences have encouraged Fox throughout her musical education. Fox continued her musical career at Lee Davis High School in Mechanicsville, which she referred to as "the school of the Confederace." the Confederacy."

Fox's charming personality and vocal talent paved the way for her to become the first

African-American homecoming queen of Lee Davis High School. "I had always been one of the only African-American students in my class, but my parents taught me that I could accomplish anything that I set my mind to, and I had to perse-vere through the struggle," Fox

see STUDENTS, page 14



Senior Denise Williams advocates love and acceptance as universal values. Religion plays an important role in her life.

## Queen' flick lacks bite

BY RYAN GRAY contributing writer

In what should have been an overlooked stepping stone to bigger and better things for the late pop star Aaliyah, "Queen of the Damned" oversensational-izes Anne Rice's fambus novels, "The Vampire Chronicles." The disappointing movie would serve better as a video sequel to "Interview with a Vampire" (1994) without the hype of the

Aaliyah's character, the mother of all bloodsuckers, Akasha, does not enter until an hour into the movie and plays an insignif-icant part until the final scenes.

"QUEEN OF THE DAMNED" STARRING: AALIYAH AND STUART TOWNSEND RATED: R RUNNING TIME: 110 MINUTES 00

Taking over for Tom Cruise as the famous Lestat from "Interview with a Vampire" is young actor Stuart Townsend. The reborn part of suave vampire Lestat suits Townsend bet-ter than it would have Cruise. Lestat awakens in the 21st

century with rekindled lust for the one thing he always has desired — to be known. He enlists a band and becomes a

mega rock star.
Lestat offers up vampire secrets in his songs, which pisses off the entire vampire community something awful and creates a stir among all of the undead to rip him to shreds. Lestat doesn't fear his enemies; instead he welcomes them to his one and only concert.

Eventually awakening Akasha, Lestat attracts her with his appeal to rule the world as saves him from the

see SEQUEL, page 14



AND ROADSHOW PICTURES

Aaliyah and Stuart Townsend star in the vampire flick "Queen of the Damned."

Fashion police rookies wreak havoc on the Quad in an havoc on the Quad in an attempt to bring style awareness to campus by seeking out the fashionably challenged. Budget cuts and staff downsizing forced A-fashionado to lay off his fahion police and resort to fashion super heroes who are willing to work for free.



## Fashion heroes to the rescue

#### A-fashion-nado targets beachwear etiquette for Spring Break

Madden? No! It's Fashion Man (echo, echo, echo Fashion Man) and his trusty team of super heroes (echo, echo, echo trusty

heroes (echo, echo, echo trusty team of super heroes).

'Let me explain: Due to budget cuts, I was forced to downsize the Harrisonburg, Va. Fashion Police (HVFP). After firing my staff, the daunting task of patrolling the JMU fashion scene fell entirely on my shoulders. Now don't let my big muscles fool you, keeping JMU safe from fashion crime becomes overwhelming at times ... even for me. times ... even for me.

That's when Fashion Man and his trusty team of super heroes volunteered to help me fight fashion villains such as A-fashion-nado Darter, Capri-Pants Guy and Tube-

Top D-Hall Girl.

Seeing the dire situation at hand, the super heroes offered to help me patrol the streets and

weekends.

On behalf of the JMU fashion community, I want to thank and commend them on a job well done. Though we may



A - fashion- nado

by senior writer James David

keep IMU safe for all its stylish students. Some lucky students already may have seen them in action during the past two

never know their true identities I for one feel safe knowing that these super-hero crime fighters are just a fashion call away

One side note, keep in mind that Fashion Man and his trusty team of super heroes have X-ray vision. While their uniforms leave nothing to the imagination, now neither do yours. Make sure to always wear nice

#### Beachwear

Speaking of articles of clothing that leave nothing to the imagination, the swimsuit season is now upon us. After hit-ting up UREC for the last two weeks, now is the time to debut that renovated body to all the other beach bunnies during Spring Break Swimsuits come in different styles and different patterns — if you didn't already know that, e-mail me at a fash-ion\_nado@yahoo.com and I will see A-FASHIOIN-NADO, page 14

## Franzen examines Midwest family life

Midwestern American family. Take matriarch Enid: a a mind consumed by the trivialities of family tradi-tion, trapped in the role of caretaker to a husband who can't seem to understand her situation. Alfred: said hus-band, a retired railroad "baron" consumed in his "baron" consumed in his own right by a cocktail of Park-inson's, Alzheimer's, dementia, depression and hallucination. Their three grown children: Gary, strug-gling through a problematic marriage and the paranoid onsets of upper-class depres-sion: Chin a womanizing exsion; Chip, a womanizing ex-professor involved in a glob-

al con-game; and Denise, the

just a faint wish but a necessity

"The Corrections" is a veritable encyclopedia of All Things Contemporary with selections including the twists and turns of mental health and mental health care, the capitalist empire of stock options and mergers, the crumbling of Third World empires, how to suffer through a dinner of liver and rutabaga, capital punishment, extramarital affairs, marital copulations both comforting and oppressing, the Internet, suicide, experimental science, the ins and outs of the restaurant business, the dos and don'ts of gift-giving, the complicated tradition of Advent calendars, talking turds, the "The Corrections" is a ver-



#### All Things Literary

by senior writer Zak Salih

youngest Lambert, torn and a complicated affair. For the duration of Jonathan Franzen's latest novel, "The Corrections" (Sept. 2001), the Lamberts become the read er's best friends and worst enemies. They will annoy, pervert, comfort and complicate both each other's lives and the reader's. Their existences will ring with similarities to the average reader, no matter how old or young; their emotions are real and their adventures either moderation or exaggeration of reality.

In short, "The Corrections" is the definitive depiction of the contemporary familial existence.

When you boil it down to the bones, the novel centers on Enid Lambert's last-ditch efforts to have a final Christmas with her three children before her husband inevitably succumbs to mental illness and a suppressed and regretful existence. Throughout the novel, the Lamberts strug-gle through individual crises until correction becomes not philosophy of Schopen-hauer, life in the Midwest, the East, at sea, in Lithuania - the minutiae that makes existence complicated and burdening but ultimately worthwhile.

The last novel I remember reading that dared to discuss themes on both a global and personal level is Don DeLillo's "Underworld." This comes as no surprise considering that,

see CORRECTIONS, page 14



## A-fashion-nado hits the beach scene



The A-fashion-nado's trusty style super heroes patrol campus

A-FASHION-NADO, from page 13 help. Due to the style diversity, I feel like I shouldn't say one color or pattern ensures beach-time success. Instead, I will focus on another aspect of swimsuit fash-

ion: Swimsuit mentality. Swimsuit mentality is the self-conscious feeling one has while wearing a swimsuit. Admittedly, it affects women more than men. The national more than men. The national media constantly displays models that are supposed to define what beauty is in terms of shape, proportion and size.

Forget them. My opinion is more important and 1 think health comes in all holy types.

beauty comes in all body types. If you feel comfortable wearing something skimpy, daring and sexy and you don't have Tyra Bank's body, more power to you — just as long as you are not at D-Hall and are not male.

If you think you look good

in what you are wearing, then I think you look good and so will others. Remind yourself of this fact constantly. Every time you reapply sunscreen, I want you to tell yourself, "Wow, I am the best-looking person on the beach" ... because you are. Unfortunately, not everyone

is as body-image progressive as me. Here are some realistic scenarios you should think about:

Hypothetical situation 1: You are on the beach and you feel like everyone is laughing behind your back because you look bad. What's really happening in situation 1: They are ... please

situation 1: They are ... please change your outfit if you get that feeling.

Hypothetical situation 2: While sporting a swimsuit you get that sinking feeling everyone is watching you because you look like a fool, and then you realize you are alone in the dressing room. dressing room.

Keep in mind a happy trail on your back isn't really happy at all.

- James David

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What's really happening in situation 2: You look like crap. Find another swimsuit that flat-ters your figure. Try on that swimsuit and then tell yourself you are beautiful. Hypothetical situation 3:

You are on the beach and

someone is wearing your same swimsuit get the feeling that they look better than you.

What's really happening in situation 3: You look better. Anyway, why compete? You are on the beach to relax. Lift up your beach blanket and wave sand toward the copycat until he or she leaves the vicinity. Hypothetical situation 4: You

are a guy on the beach. In some ways you are lucky because there is a double standard. We are socialized to have a more critical eye toward women's bodies. Men comfortably hit the beach with their beer gut hangbeach with their beer gut hang-ing out, bouncing everywhere and no one cares ... as long as you aren't wearing a Speedo. Again, I will add, if you are happy with wearing one, who am I to stand in your way? What's really happening in situation 4. Speedoes are only

situation 4: Speedos are only OK during specific sanctioned times like a swim meet, on a European beach or on Fire Island, N.Y. If you are saying to yourself: "What is Fire Island, yourself: "What is Fire Island, N.Y.?" then you need not be concerned, the island and Speedos do not apply to you. Hypothetical situation 5: On

the beach one of your friend's jokes with you and says, "Dude,

you have a hairy back."

What's really happening in situation 5: You have a hairy back. While that excess fur may have been good during the winter to keep you warm, you don't need it on the beach. Nair it, wax it or shave it. It's your call. Keep in mind a happy trail on your back isn't really happy at all. Again, if you like it ... nope sorry, can't support this one.

Makeover contest

Makeover contest
After firing my staff and
before the super hero invasion, I
didn't have very much free time
to devote to my makeover contest. But times have changed, I am glad to announce that junior Hillary Bride and freshman Ben Ellis are the winners of the A-fashion-nado makeover contest.

My advice for the week Tune in to my column on the same fashion channel at the same fashion time to learn more about the contest winners and how their makeovers turn out.

The dictionary describes fushion as "that which what looks nice to wear." Hi, I'm James David, and if you see me on the beaches of Barcelona say hi and I will tell you how beautiful you look, even if none of the other beach bunnies are thinking the same thing.

#### Students find voice in music, faith

said. "I dealt with a lot of igno-

rance, but that's all that it was." Fox was then accepted to JMU and its School of Music as the top public university pro-gram in Virginia in 2000. "One of my better friends expressed her happiness for my accom-plishment, but when I was not around she told people that I only got in JMU to fill a quota," Fox said. "It hurt, but I saw it and her for what it was, simple ignorance."

Fox has been a leader in the

music program and proven her abilities through numerous per

formances in her years at JMU. African-American History Month gives many opportuni-ties to realize that people are music People have slightly dif-ferent sounds and coloration, but the emotion and humanity are basically the same.

The effects of Fox's family on her life and her music on the lives of people of all colors, gen-

grounds and religions truly shows that the dream of King is an achievable one.

> Love who you are. Everyone is beautiful - white, black, big or small.

> > - Denise Williams

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In an attempt to achieve that same dream, junior Denise Williams promotes a universal love on campus. "Tlove African-American heritage and culture and music, but love is the only message that we really need," Williams said. "Jesus loved this world, and we must do the same. So many of us spend our lives searching for love and acceptance, but we can change the love of Christ in you. [Jesus] is the only influence that matters to me.

Williams, a computer science major, plans to devote her life to the service of God through the promotion of love in whatever career he leads her into. Williams is a Resident Adviser and an advocate of community

service and charity.
"We need to stop separating ourselves from loving our brothers and sisters," Williams said. We are all God's children, and he made us perfect in his eyes. Love who you are. Everyone is beautiful — white, black, big or

small. Cherish your temple.
"I could talk about a lot of things from my past — struggles and adversity I have experienced, but I overcame all of that through God and the love of Jesus Christ. We have to move forward beyond past burdens and move to his love. I only have one message to leave in

African-American History month ...: 'A new com-mandment I give unto you, that ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another ...' John 13:34,' Williams concluded.

Church is a large influence on many African-Americans and it played a large role in the Civil Rights Movement.

Love is universal to all faiths and languages. It is the subject for the majority of music, and it is universal to human kind. Sophomores LeVar Stoney and Sophomores LeVar Stoney and Rasheeda Djene Miller, fresh-man Tony Kusi and seniors Wendy Fox and Denise Williams all have been influenced greatly by love. Love has overcome racism, prejudice, pain, poor self

image and ignorance.

African-American History month heightens awareness of social issues and take steps to realize "The Dream" that many JMU students shar Martin Luther King Jr.

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## 'Corrections' makes the connection

like DeLillo, almost every page of Franzen's work rings with some sort of truth or revelation, be it the description of the world, of commercial cruise lines or the tending of a veg-etable garden in the middle of the Philadelphia Projects. Take, for example, Franzen's descrip-tion of a simple emotion:

"Her fear, as she descended the stairs, was like a fear from the unhappy year of her child-hood when she'd begged for a pet and received a cage contain-

ing two hampsters. A dog or cat might have harmed Enid's fabmight have harmed Enid's fab-rics, but these young hampsters, a pair of siblings from a litter at the Driblett residence, were per-mitted in the house. Every moming, when Denise went to the basement to give them pel-lets and change their water, she dreaded to discover what new devilry they'd hatched in the devilry they'd hatched in the night for her private speculation — maybe a nest of blind, wriggling, incest-crimson offspring,

maybe a desperate pointless wholesale rearrangement of

cedar shavings into a single great drift beside which the two parents were trembling on the bare metal of the cage's floor, looking bloated and evasive after eating all their children, which couldn't have left an agreeable aftertaste, even in a hampster's mouth." "The Corrections" is a

novel built not on plot but on character and emotion, a blending of backstory and biography and serendipitous connections. The five princi-ple characters are pitch-perbe alive, walking our neigh-borhood streets and living next door.

The novel, like Franzen's craft, astounds and amazes. It reveals hidden pleasures, hid-den pains, hidden laughter. It is a bold, daring, moving and artfully crafted rumination on the gamut of human emotion.

"The Corrections" is at times a celebration of family life and at others an elegy for sim-ple tradition in the wake of complex modernity

## Sequel falls short

SEQUEL, from page 13 onslaught of brethren at his

The movie has magnifirent set design, but the plot is slow and betrays what was once a novel with extrava-gant dialogue and long scene portrayals. Like the saying goes, the book is better than the movie. Aaliyah gives a decent performance, consid-ering her small role, though

not as strong a performance as in "Romeo Must Die."
"Damned" is an inevitably boring sequel to one of the greatest vampire flicks ever.
Fans of "Interview" may

enjoy this movie more than others just hoping to catch a glimpse at Aaliyah's final film

role. If you are looking for a sexy, lavish sequel to "Interview with a Vampire" and not just hoping to see Aaliyah for the last time, you might appreciate the connections of this vampire film to Rice's brilliant novels. Stick to video with this one so you can watch both films together, it will help tremen-dously in liking it.

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## SPORTS

□ Gearing up

Lacrosse prepares its for season as the Dukes open Saturday against the University of Pennsylvania.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

**Blue Hens** 

deflate Dukes'

comeback in

season finale

late defensive breakdown with less than 10 seconds left in the game summed up the dismal men's basketball regular season in a nutshell.

Lyle plays final game at the Convo

By AARON GRAY

University of Delaware guard Austen Rowland received the ball in the corner and managed to find an open lane for the game-winning layup with four seconds left to help the Blue Hens to a 65-64 victory over the Dukes Monday in

high 18 points.

But the JMU offense went sour, only contributing two free throws by junior forward Pat Mitchell for the remainder of the half. The Blue Hens went on a 12-2 run of their

"We can't get schools like the University of Virginia, Virginia Tech and Radford (University) to shoot against us anymore."

> BOB RYDER archery coach See story below

### BASEBALL Diamond **Dukes** extinguish **Flames**

By Steve Shoup contributing writer

Coming off their sweep of Penn State University over the weekend, the Diamond Dukes continued to impress with a 9-4 win over the Liberty University Flames at Long Field/Mauck Stadium Tuesday.

JMU wasted no time getting on the scoreboard when in the bottom of

bottom Tuesday first inning lead-off Liberty man sophomore cen-ter fielder IMU

lisen burg hit a solo home run. It was his third home run of the year and third in as many games.

third in as many games.

The lead was short-lived though, as Liberty put up four runs off red-shirt junior pitcher John Gouzd in the top of the second inning. The Flames pecked away at Gouzd with two infield hits, and then their designated hitter Steve Baker dream a double design. drove a double down the left field line to score two runs. After the next batter walked, the Flames got a break when a throwing error on a sacrifice bunt allowed two more runners

"It was early in the game and we were getting the feel of things. John's (Gouzd) ball was sinking really well and they were able to get a little bit of it, and get a couple infield hits," coach. "Spanky" McFarland said. "After that we moved in a little bit to take away those little bit to take away those infield hits and bunts."

I didn't think I had hit it out ... When I looked up, the left fielder had his back turned and the ball was going over the wall.

- Dustin Bowman

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In the bottom half of the second, the Diamond Dukes answered back. Junior desig-nated hitter Matt Deuchler led off the inning with a home run. Two batters later, senior catcher Dustin Bowman added a solo home run of his own, making the score 4-3.

"He missed with his curveball first pitch, he came back with his fastball and I just got a piece of it," Bowman said. "I didn't think I had hit it out; luckily the wind got a hold of it. When I looked up, the left field-er had his back turned and the ball was going over the wall." JMU tied it up in the bottom

of the third, when senior second baseman Jason Cushman led off with one of his three hits of the day. He then moved to third on a throwing error and scored on a hit to the second baseman by junior first baseman Eddie Kim.
The Diamond Dukes broke

the 4-4 tie in the bottom of the fifth, when they put up five runs. Cushman led off the inning with a single, but the third and fourth batters followed up by flying out and striking out, respectively. and striking out, respectively.

The next batter was hit by a pitch and forced Liberty to pull its starting pitcher Alex Dooley. The Flames turned to freshman right-hander Todd Mittauer, who walked the first batter he forced. Developer to lead the faced — Deuchler — to load the bases. That brought freshman right fielder Mike Butia to the plate. With two strikes and two outs, Butia delivered a base-clearing triple to put JMU ahead

"I had struck out my last at



the eventual national champion, the University of Maryland, in

Senior attacker McNevin

the NCAA tournament.



KAREN KUPELIAN/staff photogra

The Lacrosse team kicks off its 2002 campaign Saturday

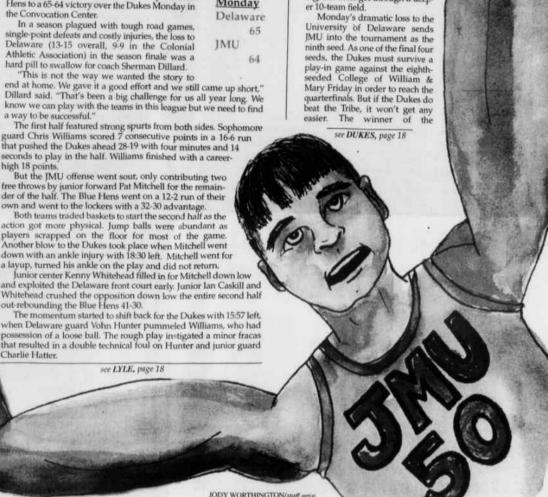
when it hosts the University of Pennsylvania at 1 p.m.

#### **Team shows** optimism heading into **CAA Tourney** By DREW WILSON assistant sports editor

Last season, the Dukes entered the Colonial Athletic Association
Tournament as the sixth and final
seed in a depleted conference
postseason. JMU was able to
knock off third-seeded Virginia
Commonwealth University Commonwealth University before falling to eventual CAA champion George Mason University in the semifinals. This season, the Dukes once again enter the CAAs with a low seeding, but must set through a deep

ing, but must get through a deeper 10-team field.

Monday's dramatic loss to the University of Delaware sends JMU into the tournament as the minth seed. As one of the final four seeds, the Dukes must sure seeds. seeds, the Dukes must survive a play-in game against the eighth-seeded College of William & Mary Friday in order to reach the quarterfinals. But if the Dukes do beat the Title. It won't get any beat the Tribe, it won't get any easier. The winner of the



### **ARCHERY**

## down competition

BY MATT BROWNLEE staff writer

There is a difference between winning a competition and own-ing the competition. A difference between coming out on top and being distinctly alone at the top. Not many groups of athletes know what it's like to see its biggest rivals not just in competition, but every day in practice. The archery team can tell you all

To see a list of the winners from last weekends' Virginia State Indoor Archery Championship, one needs only look as far as the archery took as far as the archery team's elite roster. To say the JMU archers had a strong pres-ence atop the leader board would be a drastic understatement. To say that JMU was the leader board would be much

more accurate. Senior Jim Rainbolt, junior James Kim and sophomore Josh Miller took the top three spots in the men's recurve competi-tion. On the women's side, senior Karen Auerbauch, freshman Stephanie Pylypchuk and soph-omore Kelly Clark took top honors. The compound compe tition was more of the same for the JMU crew.

Sophomore Wheatcroft, junior Caleb Heller, freshman Ian DeVivi and sophomore David Allen took spots one through four on the men's side, respectively. Not to be outdone, sophomore Megan Bowker, sen-ior Sharon Ryder and sopho-mores Jennifer Bissett and Jessica Avison brought home the hardware for the women.

With results like these, it's easy to wonder if these shooters had any competition at all. In a sense, they really didn't.

"We've scorched the Earth king for competition," looking for competition," coach Bob Ryder said. "We can't get schools like the University of Virginia, Virginia Tech and Radford to shoot against us anymore.

With the history and reputation of the archery program, it

see ARCHERS, page 17

#### SWIMMING

## Swimmers shine with two CAA seconds

Men's, women's teams finish just short of conference first, but still accomplish goals

BY BRAD RICHARDS contributing writer

When the swimming and diving was all done, the water settled and the George Mason University women's team and the UNC-Wilmington men's team were crowned 2002 Colonial Athletic Association Champions. However, the JMU men's and women's team each came away with second place in the conference champi-

onships this past weekend.

The meet ran from
Thursday Feb. 21 through 24 at the Freedom Aquatic and Fitness Center where the JMU swim and dive teams competed heavily against conference rivals. Both the JMU women's conference and men's teams placed second in this grueling three-day meet. The teams battled hard, but came up a bit disappointed.

"Of course we went into the meet hoping to win back-to-back conference titles," sopho-more Liz Flannery said. However, we all swam very well, and it was exciting to see many people swimming per-sonal-best times."

Every single person on our team scored at the meet, which is a huge accomplishment.

- Liz Flannery

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The meet was highlighted by many outstanding swims by both male and female swimmers

Friday's events started off the excitement when the JMU women finished three one hundredths of a second behind the Towson University team in the 200-meter free relay.

Sophomore Jeff Hicks won the men's 500-meter freestyle race for JMU in a time of

IMU men's team the JMU men's team stepped up and won the 400-meter medley relay with a time of 3:22.68, knocking off the Towson team which had a time The of 3:23.09. The relay team included Hicks, sophomores Aaron Nester and Brendan Cartin and senior Tommy Quimby

Jen Irby of Towson won the women's 50-meter free race and JMU senior Amy Keel's perfor-mance earned her a third place finish with a time of 23.91.

This meet brought my 13year swimming career to an end and it was kind of bittersweet. I think that's how all of the seniors felt this weekend," Keel said. "My 50 freestyle was really exciting for me because I finally went under 24 seconds." Saturday's races became

very competitive with strong

showings by all members of both the men and women's teams. Each team had numerous top finishers.

Flannery said, "Every single person on our team scored at the meet, which is a huge accomplishment. We tried our best and were happy with the outcomes of our individual and team performances."

Cartin won the 400-meter

individual medley with a time of 3:59.55 for the JMU men's team and Hicks recorded another top finish by plac-ing second in the 100-meter backstroke. stroke

The 800-meter freestyle relay teams for JMU came up with a strong win by the men's team and a respectable third place finish by the women. Sophomore Mary Webber placed fourth in her 100-meter butterfly race with a solid time of 57.96 seconds.

The conference meet came to an end Sunday, but not before JMU junior Brody Reid finished first in the 1,650-meter freestyle race with a time of 15:50.05. His win was celebrat-ed along with the third place finish of freshman Geoff Meyer.

The JMU women also got contributions from Webber, who finished fourth in the 200meter fly behind three GMU swimmers, and junior Marie Hansbrough who finished fifth in the 100-meter free.

Keel said, "We accomplished a lot of goals, both individual and team, while we were there."

Amongst many great swim-ers from all the CAA schools, the JMU teams, both swimming and diving, competed as they did all year, but came up a few points short over the weekend. "As for the outcome of the

meet, we were proud because we swam a great meet and had an awesome season. If that gets us second then we'll take second," Lauren Scott said. freshman



Women's golfer ties for first place

Freshman Carol Green tied for first place, shooting a 73-77-150, in the 2002 Carolina Collegiate Classic in Pinehurst, N.C. Feb. 26. As a team, JMU tied for sixth place.

Five men, three women qualify for IC4As

Track and field had five men and three women qualify for the IC4A championships at the Virginia Tech Last Chance Meet Feb. 23 in Blacksburg, Va. Seniors Roscoe Coles, Anthony Wallace, Ian Scott, Lauren Burawski and Waynitra Thomas, juniors Eric Braxton and John Fraser and sophomore Cindy Dunham all qualified



Men's Lacrosse

Men's Lacrosse Club defeated the University of Richmond 8-5 last weekend.

Women's Volleyball

Women's Volleyball Club placed second out of eight teams in its final home tournament Feb. 23.

Women's Rugby

Women's Rugby Club shut out Mary Washington College 30-0 Saturday.

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## Lacrosse learns from last season, predicts 2002

LACROSSE, from page 15

Molloy, a 2001 All-CAApick, said the team's experience will be an

asset on the field.
"The team this year has more experience on the field," Molloy said. "Last year we fielded sever al first-time starters who had not had much previous game experience. This year we are returning a number of starters who will feel more comfortable and confident on the field."

Coach Jen Ulehela said she felt that consistency will be the key for the Dukes this season.

"We ended up coming on strong at the end of last season," Ulehela said. "We peaked at the right time, and I'd like to think we can be that consistent throughout the whole season."

Staedt said as long as the team avoids making little mistakes, there should be enough talent to

win. "We've got players in every part of the field that can get their job done," Staedt said. "If someone steps up and takes control of this before (mistakes) become an issue, we'll stay together and play

According to Ulehela, the midfield will be the strenth of JMU this season. It will not only Staedt, who last seaso led the Dukes in goals (39) and scoring (50 points), and this year is a pre-season All-American pick by Lacrosse Magazine, but three other returning starters in senior Kristin Dinisio and sophomores Gail Decker and Jess

"I'm asking a little bit more defense of (Beard) this season," Ulehela said. "She had a lot of experience last season, and will be a markup defender along with Kristin (Dinisio) this season."

Dinisio, an All-State selection last season, said, "Obviously Staedt will be a huge impact player. She is a natural athlete and her work ethic is impeccable and she carries that onto the game field. Molloy is the core of our attack ... she reads her defense well, and has the poise and patience that allows us to get good shots off."

get good shots off."
"Decker will be a key this
year as well," Dinisio said. "She is a finisher, plain and simple She knows how to put the ball in the net."

Key games for the Dukes this season will be against rivals Loyola University March 17 and at the University of Virginia April

and its match-up with Maryland at home April 6. We defeated Loyola in the final seconds of the CAA tourna

ment last year so we know they

will be out for blood," Molloy said. "I can't wait to show them who the top team in the CAA truly is. Virginia is also a major in-state rival. We upset them in the NCAA tournament last year. and it is always an intense and

ultra-competitive matchup."

Ulehela added, "We've got an incredibly difficult schedule. All of the (Atlantic Coast Conference) schools have very strong pro-grams and will be tough games for us. We're just looking to take each game one at a time

from its midfield, Staedt said the team's offense will have to step up its play. "I think our offense needs to feed from our defense and capitalize when (the defense) makes a great play," Staedt said. "We have the ability to run fast breaks and get some quick goals that way, but we have to play tough on both

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ends of the field to be the best."

Dinisio said she felt off-the-field issues also posed a problem for the Dukes last season. "A weakness that has the potential to break us is if we allow the mental game to get a hold of us," Dinisio said: "Last year we allowed outside tribulations to hinder our growth as a team, and although we ended with success, I feel we could have gone even further if we pulled it together earlier on in the season."
Staedt said, "We are a team

and that's how we are going to have to play. I think we all realize that not one of us can do it alone. We need each other, and I think that is pretty evident on our

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## Fencing takes fifth state title

Dukes sweep competition with two first, three third place finish

BYJANELLE DIORIO

The women's fencing team won its fifth consecutive state title Sunday in Charlottesville. The Virginia Intercollegiate The Virginia Intercollegiate Fericing Champioriships, hosted by the University of Virginia, included Hollins University, Sweet Briar College, Mary Baldwin College and Virginia Tech.

The sabre squad won first place, while foil took third and epec tied for third. Individually, the Dukes sweep the competition by taking two first and three third place finishes.

Senior Allison Schwartz won sabre while sophomore Jennifer Redmore won foil.

Jennifer Redmore won foil. Third place finishes were taken by seniors Kelly Scott in sabre, Elizabeth Larson in epee and sophomore Allison Larkin in foil

The results impressed fenc-ing coach Maged "Mac" Shaker,

who didn't arrive at JMU until about two weeks before Winter Break, giving the women limited time for preparation.

I was impressed. I did not expect to have such a good result because of limited training.

- Maged "Mac" Shaker

Shaker said, "I was impressed I did not expect to have such a good result because of limited training."

Shaker, from Cairo, Egypt, is a world-class fencer with 20 years of experience. He also

had four years of experience with the German National Team and coached at the University of Arkansas in 1999.

Last semester, the team practiced only three times due to the fact that they did not have a coach. Their small roster of just seven caused difficulties.
Therefore, a few weeks ago,
Scott and senior Erinn Reed
were asked to join the team.
Scott fenced her freshman and
sophomore years but each ask sophomore years, but not last ar. Reed was a member of the club fencing team since her

freshman year.
"We were kind of unsure about the team until this semes-ter," Larson said. "Considering, I think the team has really pulled together."

Practice still has been some-what difficult because the team is not able to meet at the same time due to schedule conflicts. The team's individual's talents

and drives have come together to form the basis of the team's success. Shaker said the team members are all very experi enced individually, which makes him act as a "finishing part." However, with six seniors aduating, it will be a big loss

With all the obstacles the team has had to overcome, it is extremely proud of what it has accomplished this year. accomplished this year. Schwartz says she is excited for the team, especially because it didn't think it could win.

"I'm really proud of every-body and how we've been able to claw our way through this season," Schwartz said.

The fencing team's next match, the National Intercolle-giate Women's Fencing Association Championship, is its con-ference tournament. It will be held Saturday at Temple University in Philadelphia, Pa.

### Archers hail from all over to shoot for JMU

may be hard to blame the opposi-

tion for backing down.
"This kind of success is expected of JMU," Bisset said. "If

shoot, you're going to come here." True to Bisset's words, archers varying in everything from home town to experience level have thrived under Ryder's tutelage while at JMU. Rainbolt is an All-American who migrated from Washington state and won the recurve title at states. Right behind him was fellow All-American Kim, who left behind the sunny beaches of California to shoot arrows at JMU. All-American Heller is a New Jersey import and Virginia native DeVivi only had been shooting for a few months before he took third at states in the

compound competition. The women are equally diverse in terms of geography and experience. Virginian Auerbauch and Massachusetts native Bowker have both have proved worthy of their All-American sta tus ali season long. Auerbauch will enter nationals undefeated. while Bowker's victory at states was her second of the season.

The brightest of all the stars is clearly the Michigan native, Wheatcroft. Coaches and teammates seem more than willing to talk about the two-time Junior World Champion.

"He is just amazing," coach Ryder said. "It will be amazing to e what he does in his career

If the past is any indication, he just might do alright. Already a world champion and Olympic hopeful, Wheatcroft is undefeated so far this year and scored 590 out of a possible 600 points at the state meet and may just help the Dukes to a successful season. Ryder agrees. The former col-

legiate national champion and Olympic hopeful sums up his teams' talent from a realistic yet

optimistic viewpoint.
"We've got eight All-Americans and a great recruiting class coming in," Ryder said. "Do I think this is the best squad we've ever had? Yes I do."

## Bowman belts two homers in win over Liberty



Dukes pitcher junior John Gouzd improved to 1-1 in Tuesday's game, his first win of the season.

bat and after the first strike, he (assistant coach/third base coach Chuck Bartlett) said to stop thinking so much and just swing the bat and hit the ball. The pitcher came inside and jammed me, and it stayed fair," Butia said.

McFarland said, "It was a two-strike hit. He got his bat on the ball, and when you do that

good things happen; that's just the way of the game." JMU wasn't done yet. In the fifth, Bowman added a second homer on the day with a two-

"I've really been having trou-ble this year with hitting breaking balls," Bowman said. "I've been seeing a lot of curveballs in the first two pitches, when he threw his curveball with his first pitch and he came back with it with his second pitch I just sat back on it and hit it as hard as I could."

After the four-run second,

Gouzd scattered three hits over the next five innings to pick up his first win of the year to improve to 1-1. McFarland brought in junior left-hander Jared Doyle to pitch the eighth and ninth innings. The Flames fared no better against Doyle as the finished with picture up institution. he finished with giving up just one hit and three strikeouts. For Gouzd, the win marked the end of a long recovery process. He was forced to miss all of last year

was forced to miss all of last year after he had Tommy John surgery on his elbow.

"He pitched great," Mcfarland said. "They only hit one ball hard off him today. It was his first win in 21 months due to missing last year because of the surgery. It was a really good performance."

Gouzd said, "I was getting the ball down a little more then last game, and I was locating it a little better. A couple of years ago they put up some big numbers against me, so after the second I

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just wanted to stick to my pitching plan, and I knew that I could

keep us in the game."

The Diamond Dukes got offensive help from top to bottom of their batting order. Cushman led the team with three hits on the day and scored two runs, the game-tying run and the run that put them ahead. Deuchler reached base every time he came to the plate, going 2-2 with two walks, two runs scored, a home run and a run batted in. Butia and Bowman drove in six runs and scored three more between them.

"That's one of the strengths of this team — the depth of the bat-ting order," McFarland said. There are no easy outs on this team. We got some good fastball hitters at the bottom of our order,

and sometimes being down there they see more fastballs." Bowman said, "I was really impressed we came back after being down 4-1. We knew going in they were a good team, but we didn't let ourselves get out of the game. We stuck in there, tied it ip, then added five more runs to take the lead."

McFarland was happy with they way his team played

against Liberty.
"We played a good game. We pitched good and hit good. We stayed back on the left-handed breaking balls and we only had one error," McFarland said.

For McFarland and the rest of the Diamond Dukes, it was another big win at home against a com-petative team. JMU improved to 6-2 on the season and handed the Flames their first loss of the year,

Flames their first loss of the year, dropping them to 3-1.

JMU's game against Virginia Tech scheduled for yesterday was postponed and will be played March 21. After the Diamond Dukes finish out their homestand Friday against the University at Albany they will head to the University of Georgia for two games. gia for two games



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#### **Dukes keep heads high** entering CAA Tournament

DUKES, from page 15

JMU/W&M game faces top-seeded University of North Carolina-Wilmington. To get to the Seahawks, the

Dukes must do something they failed to do during the regular season — defeat W&M. The Tribe took out JMU 77-59 in Williamsburg Jan. 23 before edg-ing the Dukes 63-58 in the Convocation Center Feb. 4.

Despite ending the regular ison on a sour note, the Dukes

remain optimistic.
"It's definitely a letdown," junior center Kenny Whitehead said of the team's finish down the stretch. "But going into the tournament, we are going to start with a clean slate."

The team's optimism might be attributed to the fact that all but four of the CAA teams were within striking distance of one another heading into last week-end. In fact, heading into Monday's games, there were 16 different scenarios for seedings in the tournament.

"We've got a chance to beat every team in our conference, so

Unlike other conferences, any team in the CAA can beat a fellow CAA foe on any given night. Towson University, the 10th seed in the tournament, took out fourth-seeded Delaware twice in the regular season. JMU came closer than most to beating CAA top dog UNC-W. Whether a team is first or last in the conference standings, the CAA has become

one of the most competitive mid-major conferences in the country. "In the CAA, everybody is beating everybody," Whitehead said. "So we definitely have a chance to get that first-round win." Coach Sherman Dillard said

that in the time between Monday's loss and the tournament, there will be some posi-tive steps made to rejuvenate his team and get them ready for the tournament.

the tournament.
"There is hope," Dillard said.
"There's a pot of gold at the end of
the rainbow, and we feel like
tweaking a few things here and
there, not dwelling on the past
and looking forward could give us an opportunity. Every team has an opportunity. Much has been made about when we play -Friday, Saturday, it doesn't matter



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Sophomore Chris Williams scored a career-high 18 points Monday.

more to win a championship."
However, the Dukes will need the help of senior forward Tim Lyle, who has missed a bulk of the season with a chronic knee problem. Lyle returned Monday in time for Senior Night by way of a "miracle." Lyle said he hopes to be healthy enough to play in the tourna ment, and the Dukes might need him after junior forward Pat Mitchell suffered an ankle

"If Pat's ankle sprain is severe enough to keep him out of action, we'll definitely need Tim to be able to play for us," Dillard said.

Whether or not Lyle and Mitchell play, the team knows anything can happen in light of March Madness

"It's a crazy time of year," Lyle said. "You see it every year where teams - there's no way

## Lyle starts in his final game at the Convo

LYLE, from page 15

After an animated Dillard prompted the crowd to get back into the game, the Dukes responded with a 14-2 run sparked by consecutive Whitehead layups and took a 56-50 lead with 7:31 remaining.

Delaware guard Mike Slattery converted a 3-pointer with 1:14 left to put his team up 63-59. Senior forward Tim Lyle answered with a great lob to Whitehead down low. Whitehead was hacked and knocked down both of his free throws, which set up what looked to be another close finish

for the Dukes.

After a defensive stop,
Williams brought the ball up to the foul line where he found sophomore Dwanye Broyles on the top of the key. Broyles, who had taken only one shot all game, knocked down the 3-pointer, which gave JMU the lead, 64-63.

The dagger in Delaware's art was taken out when a JMU defensive break occurred in the next play. After Rowland's layup put the Blue Hens ahead by one, the Dukes called a timeout. The ball was inbounded to Williams, whose description, abot however, the same of the same of

the rim as the Dukes concluded their regular season on a sour note. The toughest loss of the season couldn't have come at a worse time. Delaware edged the Dukes 51-50 earlier this year at its house and completed the season sweep in front of 4,561 fans at the Convocation Center.

Junior guard David Fanning finished with 7 points, well under his 17.88 scoring average. Whitehead scored 12 points

and pulled down 10 boards.
"We lost at home but there's still hope; we need to put this behind us. That's the beauty of post-season play," Dillard said, "We have to improve in some areas but we've got new life now." Williams said, "We just have

to keep our confidence up, keep our heads up. We've seen every team in our conference, so we're confident. We're the type of

team that's going to keep fight-ing until the end."

The loss dropped the Dukes to 13-14 on the season, the first time they have been below .500 since early December. They finish the regular season in ninth place in the CAA with a record of 6-12 and will start their run against eighth-seeded College of William & Mary Friday at 1:30 p.m. in the Richmond Coliseum.

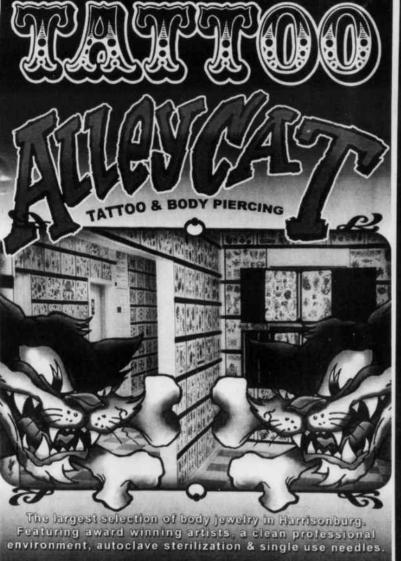
The game also marked the final home game for Lyle. The final frome game for Lyfe. The senior made the start on Senior Night despite having sat out since Feb. 4 due to his ongoing knee-injury woes. Lyfe played 25 minutes. although he didn't score, Lyfe was a presence on the defensive end. defensive end.

Many fans in attendence held signs or painted their bodies with messages, thanking Lyle for his play as a Duke.

"I wasn't even looking, and I saw a ton of people that were really supporting me — peo-ple I knew and people that I didn't know — and I'm real thankful that they care like that," Lyle said.

Dillard said, "Tim has had a very solid career for us here at JMU. He's represented us in a very noble fashion. I think the world of that young man and we were very fortu-nate to have had the chance to coach him.

I think we are still going down to the tournament with good they should have won the games You've got to win basketball games to win a championship. For us, we just have to win four that they won, and it happens. So we have to keep fighting." confidence," sophomore guard Chris Williams said. sprain in Monday's game desperation shot bounced off #8 William & Mary 2002 Men's CAA Tournament (7-11, 10-18 #2 George Mason (13-5, 19-8) Friday Winner G1 March 1 C 1:30 p.m #7 Towson Saturday Saturday Winner G5 Winner G3 A March 2 March 2 #9 James Madison 6 p.m 12 p.m. CH Friday March 1 #1 UNC- Wlimington Winner G2 A 4 p.m. Sunday Sunday March 3 Winner G7 Winner G8 March 3 3 p.m. 5:30 p.m. #10 Hofstra #4 Drexel (5-13, 10-19) #3 Va. Common. ON Monday Saturday Saturday March 2 March 4 March 2 Winner G6 Winner G4 2:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m 8:30 p.m. ESPN 2 #5 Delaware #6 Old Dominion CINDY TINKER/senior artist



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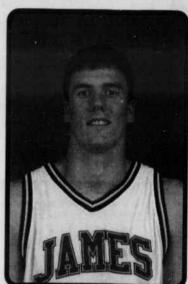
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rned out to be a great decision Through this time and my college years, I have found that being known or recognized with accolades or popularity can never satisfy my heart's real longing to know Jesus personally and live for him. Jesus, referring to himself in John 6:27 says, "Do not work for foed that spoils, but for food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you." I've realized that finding fulfillment in the things that the world has to offer will just leave me empty and searching for more. A real



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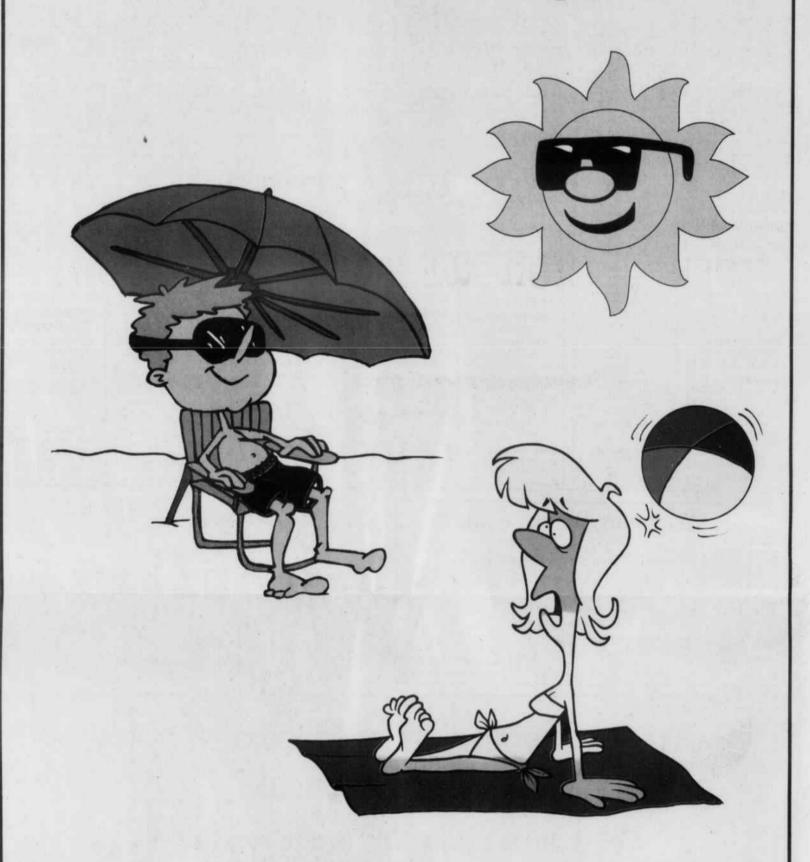
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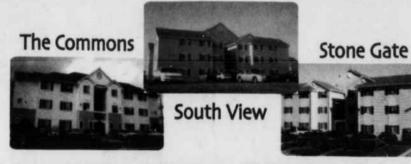


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