JMU Theta Chi loses charter for hazing

By Jennifer Powell
staff writer

JMU's chapter of Theta Chi fraternity lost its university recognition and national charter earlier this month after some members were caught hazing pledges on Greek Row Nov. 10.

Two Theta Chi pledges, encouraged by members of the fraternity, were "hassling" people on Greek Row, said Jim Lingberg, president of JMU's chapter of Theta Chi.

According to Lingberg, a national representative of a JMU sorority was one of the people stopped by Theta Chi pledges Nov. 10. The representative later alerted Theta Chi's national headquarters about the incident.

Theta Chi national representatives refused to discuss the incident further.

Theta Chi's national chapter suspended the JMU chapter's charter the next week, and the JMU administration stopped recognizing the chapter as a university organization soon after they lost its charter, said Mike Way, assistant to the associate vice president for student activities.

"If it had been a student walking by, it wouldn't have been a big deal," said Paul Kotz, an assistant Greek coordinator and Theta Chi brother. "We just stopped the wrong person."

"Common sense was not used," Lingberg said. "They hassled someone they shouldn't have hassled."

But he said he does not blame the national chapter for its reaction. Theta Chi's executive director narrated "Hazing on Trial," an anti-hazing video. Lingberg said, if the director ignored the incident, he would lose credibility.

Because Theta Chi's charter is suspended, the fraternity eventually can regroup at JMU with approval from the university and the national chapter.

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New college popular with counselors, employers

By Eric Fife

Guidance counselors and corporations approve of JMU's proposed College of Applied Science and Advanced Technology, according to JMU President Ronald Carrier's consultant for new programs.

Gail Nardi said guidance counselors had discussed the college with students at their schools that students seemed excited about the proposed programs.

Nardi said two guidance counselors stressed that "girls and minority kids turn off of math and science very young."

The guidance counselors also recommended getting students "excited" about math and science at an early age.

Ray Lenhardt of Andersen Consulting — a subsidiary of accounting firm Arthur Andersen — said graduates of the college "would be well-received in the job world," Nardi said.

The Breeze, November 30, 1989

Theta Chi

said Carlton Bennett, Theta Chi's grand historian.

If the charter had been revoked, Theta Chi would never be allowed to return to JMU.

But, Way said, "Right now, they don't exist."

"I think everyone involved in this regrets that it happened," Way said. "It's an organization that's been valuable. It's contributed a lot to this university."

The loss of the charter was "a shock," Kotz said. "It hurts. This fraternity meant everything to me."

But, Lingberg said, "long term, this might be good because it brought us closer together."

Kotz said, "Everyone's pretty much in support of rebuilding this place and getting our chart back."

The members plan to reorganize as a local fraternity under their chapter and national history and a philanthropy program.

Lingberg said the pledge program has been changed and now emphasizes "use of research teams with faculty mentors and an interdisciplinary problem-solving approach instead of departments."

The counselors and representatives discussed the new programs at a meeting of the planning panel for the proposed college, held Nov. 16 at the Center for Innovative Technology in Herndon.

Lenhardt outlined several criteria that Andersen Consulting looks for in its employees, including problem-solving skills, oral and written communication skills, the ability to organize and execute a project, and interpersonal skills, Nardi said.

Nardi also said the development of plans for the proposed college has aided the university. "The process we're going through is teaching us a lot about higher education today. This project has become a catalyst for the university."

Nardi said the panel will present a draft of its final report during its last meeting, to be held Dec. 19 at the Office of Technology Assessment in Washington, D.C. According to Nardi, the report will address the following:

- use of research teams with faculty mentors and an interdisciplinary problem-solving approach
- interdisciplinary centers organized around topics of interest to departments
- an emphasis on enrolling minorities — "We are certain that this college will recruit women and minority students," Nardi said — and recruiting minority faculty members
- a program geared specifically toward retaining students of the new college.

The university "has an opportunity to create a model for the nation" with this college, "reorganizing how higher education is delivered," Nardi said.

Kim Burden, a JMU junior and the student representative on the panel, said the Nov. 16 meeting was "the best meeting."

"We had a lot of different perspectives presented to us," she said.

Burden said she was "very impressed" with plans for the overall structure of the college.

However, she said, "I don't think [increasing minority enrollment for the new college] has been strongly focused on."

Kotz is now the resident adviser for the house and will remain an assistant Greek coordinator. Training as an assistant Greek coordinator includes a class for resident advisers, Kotz said.

Theta Chi had a bad reputation before the November hazing incident, Kotz said. A few years ago, the fraternity had "the reputation as one of the worst hazers on the row."

On Oct. 31, 1988, members of Theta Chi tore beams out of their house's ceiling after a party. The November incident "built up on everything else that had happened."

"It was the straw that broke the camel's back," he said.

Lingberg said the pledge program has been changed and now emphasizes fraternity and national history and a strong big brother program.

"It's based on close brotherhood and being friends, which is what a fraternity is all about," he said. "I don't think anyone puts anyone in danger anymore."

"Hazing is almost non-existent now," Kotz said.

"We've done a lot of good things that have gone unnoticed," he said. The national chapter has "not seen the changes we have been making."

Until the November incident, there had been no contact between the national chapter and Theta Chi's chapter since October 1988, Kotz said.

Kotz said this semester's pledges were voted into the fraternity before the incident. But because they have not been initiated as national members, they are allowed to rush other fraternities.

None have indicated interest in leaving.

If Theta Chi is reorganized at JMU, this semester's 11 pledges may be initiated, Kotz said.

Scott Shirley, one of this semester's pledges, said he would not join another fraternity and still plans to remain active. Shirley was not involved in the hazing incident that led to the suspended charter.

"I made a lot of good friends," Shirley said.

Way said fraternities and sororities can lose their charters for many reasons other than hazing, including violations of JMU's alcohol policies, racial incidents and sexual abuse.

All Greek organizations need to make "a concerted effort to educate all of the members about hazing," Way said.

"The general membership is not realizing the serious consequences of their actions," he said. "I'm sure they knew what they were doing was wrong, but perhaps they didn't realize how seriously wrong."

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'89 freshmen topped their high school classes

Most of JMU's freshmen received As or Bs in high school, finished in the top quarter of their class and scored over 1,100 on their SATs, according to a recent study by the Office of Student Affairs.

Of the 95 percent of the class that was polled, 92 percent made Bs or better in high school, and 40 percent made mostly As. Ninety percent finished in the top quarter of their graduating classes, and one half finished in the top 10 percent of their classes. Also, 57 percent scored over 1,100 on their SATs.

All of these figures have improved over figures from past freshman surveys.

According to the survey, the freshmen also are more ambitious than other students — almost three-fourths are seeking degrees more advanced than bachelor's degrees. Again, this is an increase over previous years.

Ninety percent of the freshmen see JMU as a "good, challenging, friendly, progressive and supportive" school.

And in a Breeze survey of over 100 freshmen, over 90 percent said they were adjusting well to the social scene, academics and other aspects of college life.

But they're not succeeding all by themselves. In the Breeze survey, about half of them said the university's orientation program was very helpful in preparing them for college life.

According to the student affairs survey, the freshmen have traditional values — they are seeking friendship, education and self-fulfillment. They also say family, love and living a clean, moral life are important.

However, 20 percent said they would do nothing about a student cheating — a slight increase from previous years. Even though they are adjusting well, the freshmen agree that there is a world of difference between high school and college. In the Breeze survey, most freshmen said their schoolwork is harder and that they have to do more reading at JMU.

In the student affairs study, freshmen also said they have more freedom now than they had in high school. And over 95 percent of those surveyed said the social life in high school pales in comparison to what's happening here at JMU.

As Freshman Class President Becki Shuford said, "The social life here is awesome. There's almost too many things to do. There's definitely something here for everyone."

The freshmen polled by student affairs said time management is their biggest problem, and their advisers agree.

Dr. Terry Wessel, a health science assistant professor and a freshman adviser for three years, said it's often difficult for freshmen to manage their time because of all the choices that are available.

Sometimes academics get left behind. "Often, it takes a full semester's grades for the freshmen to realize that they need to straighten their priorities."

Wessel also said freshmen must make difficult choices — such as those involving drinking, drugs and sex — that are not related to academics.

Casey Carter, the freshman adviser for athletes, said freshmen should remember that they will "change dramatically as a person in college."

"While that may be hard to accept, it is also exciting to see what kind of person you're going to become over the next four years and for the rest of your life," Carter said.

The grades of the freshmen class

Results of a survey of 95 percent of the freshman class by the JMU Office of Student Affairs.

![Graphic](graphic by Ellen Stern)

International internship program costs drop

By Wendy Warren

JMU's new international internships program will be less expensive than planned, according to a representative of the Office of Sponsored Research and External Programs.

Judy Cohen, who helps coordinate the program, said the internships will cost students about $4,000; or $6,182, in addition to tuition.

Scholarship money for the program may be available, she said.

The program's cost, which places students with overseas firms for one semester, is based on food, housing and transportation costs for a semester.

Students would not have to pay the $4,000 at the start of the program, but would pay their own housing, food and transportation costs. If they do not plan to take any college credit for the internship, they do not have to pay tuition.

No spending money is included in the cost estimate.

The cost was originally set by JMU staff members in London, according to Robert Jerome, assistant vice president for academic affairs.

Cohen said she thought the original figure was too high, and re-evaluated it.

And, Jerome said, the original figure included an administrative fee. The fee is not included in the revised cost.

"The program is funded by a grant from the state," Cohen said. "They cover the administrative costs."

Cohen also said students may be able to make the program less expensive by staying with friends or relatives in London. And some students may pay less than $4,000 if exchange rates improve or transportation costs decrease.

"We want them to know that they won't be starving in London," she said. "Business lunches and dinners are included in the food cost. The internships are not paid, Cohen said."
SGA will not investigate Alex Gordon

By Kiran Krishnamurthy
SGA reporter

Before adjourning for Thanksgiving break Nov. 21, JMU's Student Government Association narrowly defeated a motion to bring Legislative Vice President Alex Gordon to trial on formal charges of neglect of duty.

The SGA voted against bringing Gordon to trial, 19-20-1, after more than an hour of debate in executive session.

The charges brought by an SGA investigation committee included Gordon's alleged failure to interview candidates for the position of SGA parliamentarian by a personal or written interview.

At Tuesday's meeting, SGA President Tracy Humphrey suggested the formation of a watchdog committee for senator accountability. She also suggested JMU's commuter population be divided into districts.

Humphrey said she got both ideas from Alex Pedersen's guest column in The Breeze Nov. 16.

The watchdog committee would ensure that senators communicate with their constituents, and the appointment of commuter senators to specific districts would lead to more efficient representation, she said.

Humphrey also suggested that the SGA begin plans to assign senators to individual off-campus housing complexes, such as Hunters Ridge Condominiums and Ashby Crossing Apartments.

In other business, Treasurer Kevin Hughes presented the SGA's Fall semester budget report.

According to the report, the SGA has spent, almost, almost $11,000 of its $29,354 budget for the 1989-90 school year, Hughes said. About $14,500 is set aside each semester for internal use, he said.

Hughes said the money was spent on photocopying and secretarial costs.

Also, Hughes announced that student organizations have used less than $800 of the SGA's $12,000 contingency account. Money from the account supports organizations' activities by covering the costs of conferences and guest lecturers.

The SGA considers allocation of the funds from student organizations' requests, but Hughes said few groups have asked for money this semester.

Also at the meeting:

• The SGA approved a bill introduced by Wise Hall Senator Andrew Lewis requesting that student exams be allowed to make other arrangements for Dec. 9 exams if their religious beliefs do not conflict with other exams.

By Kiran Krishnamurthy
SGA reporter

More Virginia students are sending their Scholastic Achievement Test scores to JMU than to any other university, according to a recent College Board report.

For 1989-90, JMU received SAT scores from 13,500 Virginia students — 37 percent of the Virginia students who took the test.

JMU received a total of 33,714 scores from all over the nation and ranks 39th in the country for receiving the most scores.

"JMU's popularity and prestige is continuing to increase in Virginia," said Alan Cerveny, JMU's director of admissions. "More and more students are looking at JMU, and there are also more college-age students in Virginia."

He said he was surprised to see that JMU received more scores than any other Virginia university.

The University of Virginia, Old Dominion University and Radford University also receive a large number of SAT scores from Virginia students, according to the College Board report.

In past years, JMU has been third in receiving scores, behind Tech and UVa. JMU also received 12,500 applications from high school seniors across the nation this year — the second highest number ever.

The highest number was in 1988-89, when JMU received 13,000 applications.

JMU also is attracting students from farther away, Cerveny said. This year, applications were sent from every state except North Dakota. Freshmen come from 40 different states.

"We get more national publicity for the quality of our programs," Cerveny said, particularly from the Middle Atlantic states.

And the average SAT scores for JMU freshmen continued to rise this year, Cerveny said. Most current freshmen have SAT scores of 1100 or more — up from 1097 the year before. This year JMU also had the strongest freshman profile, with 40 percent of the class in the top 10 percent of their high school class. Over 85 percent were in the top third of their high school class.

Most freshmen said they applied to JMU because of its reputation in their high school.

"JMU is an up-and-coming school, and they are making a name for themselves," said freshman Jennifer Reedy. "In high school, you think of it as being a challenge to get into JMU because everyone wants to be a part of it."

Freshman Tim Hanley said, "It's a fun school to go to. It's kind of a party school, but it's also academically sound."

Many others said that they had received a good impression of JMU from campus visits.

"I knew it was a pretty tough school to get into," said freshman Mike Erhart. "I thought it seemed like a good school socially and academically. I visited the campus, and all of the people seemed pretty nice."

Freshman Mark Poole said, "My designation came between schools in Richmond and here. I spent a few weeks here, and I decided I liked the people here. There was more of a variety of people."

"I heard about its reputation and I knew some people who went here who really liked it," freshman Catherine Roback said. "It was the best school academically that I got into. It was between this and Tech, and Tech was too big."

By Christine Boltz
staff writer

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— Jennifer Reedy

POLICELOG

By Martin Romjue
police reporter

Campus police reported the following incidents over the past two weeks:

Indecent Exposure

• A female student saw a man expose himself while he stood in a thicket of pine trees near the Chi Phi fraternity house at 12:10 p.m. Nov. 27.

The victim told police the flasher was a white male in his mid-20s who had long, scraggly brown hair, a mustache, and a full beard. The suspect's pants were around his ankles.

The suspect was gone when police arrived. Police searched the area.

• A female student saw a man expose himself at the entrance to the tunnel under I-81 at 5:30 p.m. Nov. 17.

According to the victim, the clean-shaven man was 5'7" tall and weighed about 140 pounds. He was wearing a red and black flannel shirt, blue jeans and a dark wool cap.

Grand Larceny

• About $300 cash was taken out of a wallet from a resident's room in the Pi Kappa Phi fraternity house between 1 a.m. and 12 p.m. Nov. 16.

Police said the resident was in the room at the time of the incident but too drunk to notice the theft.

• A university grounds crew recovered a stolen Huffy 12-speed bicycle from a cluster of pine trees behind Weaver Hall at 10 a.m. Nov. 21. Value: $250.

The bicycle was stolen from a bike rack along the east ramp of Godwin Hall after 7:45 p.m. Nov. 21.

Petty Larceny

• Someone stole a brown leather jacket from a room in Converse Hall between 10 p.m. Nov. 21 and 11 a.m. Nov. 22. Value: $180.

• A paperback textbook titled "Programming by Design" was taken from a classroom in the lower level of Miller Hall between 5 p.m. Nov. 15 and 1 a.m. Nov. 16. Value: $30.

• About $30 cash was taken out of a wallet in an Eagle Hall resident's room between 12:30 a.m. and 1:15 a.m. Nov. 17.

The room was unattended and the door was open at the time of the theft, police said.

Bad Check

• A female student used a worthless check to pay for six overdue parking tickets at the campus police station at 12 p.m. Nov. 10.

The student wrote the check to clear a hold on her records so she could register for classes. Police subsequently discovered that the woman's checking account had been closed.

They also charged the student...

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permit them to work on Saturday.
Make-up exams will be given on Dec. 10 from 2 to 4 p.m. in Miller 101. Students who want to take the exam on Sunday must submit written notification to their professors by Dec. 4.

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with providing false information after she claimed to be a commuter student while applying for a parking sticker about one week earlier. The student lives on campus.
University officials decided to charge the student judicially. Judicial charges are handled internally by the Office of Student Affairs. Administrators refuse to release the names of students charged judicially.

Harassment
• A Hillside resident found a note containing satanic messages that had been attached to her door sometime between 9:30 p.m. Nov. 17 and 2:26 a.m. Nov. 18.
The victim also received several suspicious phone calls in which the caller didn’t speak, police said.

Suspicious Persons
• A male student saw two white males staring at him as they sat in a dark blue sports car in lower Z-lot at 12:15 p.m. Nov. 27.
The sports car had a muddy, black bra, and was backed into a parking space.

Obscene Conduct
• A police officer strolling behind the Pi Kappa Phi fraternity house apprehended a fraternity member for obscene conduct after the officer spotted several nude pin-ups in a party room at 9:52 p.m. Nov. 17.
The student, who holds a position of responsibility in the house, was charged judicially.

Police said the pin-ups had been taped to a wall for a pledge "stag" party.
University policy forbids posting of nude photographs in common social areas of campus residence halls.

Possession of Drug Paraphernalia
• A Logan Hall staff member found a bong while conducting a holiday safety check of students’ rooms at 6 p.m. Nov. 22.
Bongs are used to smoke tobacco products and illegal substances.
The bong’s owner was charged judicially.

Failure to Evacuate
• A Shots Hall staff member judicially charged eight residents after they did not leave the dorm during a fire alarm at 9:54 a.m. Nov. 21.

Police said the staff member found the eight residents hiding in a room that the staff member found in a nearby room.
The fire alarm was activated after a resident spilled hot grease on a stove.

Vandalism
• A glass door in the Harrison Hall breezeway sustained spider-web cracks after someone kicked the door between 7:45 p.m. Nov. 27 and 12:15 a.m. Nov. 28. Value: $150.

• Someone twisted the windshield wiper arms off two cars parked in X-lot between 5 p.m. Nov. 18 and 8 a.m. Nov. 21.

• A group of unknown persons tipped over a snack machine in Wayland Hall between 5 p.m. Nov. 21 and 4 p.m. Nov. 22.

• Someone broke out a third floor window in Keezell Hall between 5 p.m. Nov. 15 and 1 a.m. Nov. 16. Value: $30.

Campus police arrested and charged four students for being drunk in public. Total DIP arrests for 1989-90 school year so far: 71.

Police also cited six motorists this week for failing to stop at the signs posted along Bluestone Drive. Total so far: 69.
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Condoms
U.S. government says labels should state purpose

By Gregory Skwira
Gannett News Service

According to condom connoisseurs, Pipari said, naturals have "a better feel, better heat transfer." Also, Staab said, some users like the product because it's so strong. But there's a catch. Since there's no way to make two intestines precisely the same, the condoms have tiny variations in porosity, experts said—variations not significant enough to let through anything as big as a sperm or the average viral particulate, but large enough to allow the passage of hepatitis and papilloma, which has been linked with several types of cancer.

Howard Cyr, an FDA scientist, said his research suggests that in some cases natural condoms could possibly allow passage of the AIDS virus. Staab, however, says research by the National Institutes of Health indicates otherwise. "The size of a sperm is humongous compared to the size of a viral particle," Pipari said. "Humongous" is still pretty small. Cyr said the head of a typical sperm has a diameter of about 3,000 nanometers. (A nanometer is one billionth of a meter.) The AIDS virus is about 100-120 nanometers in diameter, and hepatitis is about 42 nanometers wide, he said.

Cyr said FDA research to be published soon indicates that two of 48 "natural" condoms tested had enough porosity to let the hepatitis particulate through. About half would have let the hepatitis particulate through.

In addition to describing the intended use of the condom, the new labels sought by the FDA must advise those seeking protection from disease to use latex condoms instead. Or, if manufacturers choose to claim on the label that the product protects against some diseases, the label must specify which ones, and the manufacturers must file documentation to support their claims.

Staab said his company is reviewing possible label changes for its Fourex condoms, but hasn't made any decisions.

A spokesman for Carter-Wallace said only that the company is "working in conjunction with FDA, and will adhere to the FDA Guidelines."

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Christmas albums in stores early; sales slow

By Cliff Radel
Gannett News Service

These holiday greetings of small comfort and no joy mean one thing: If you want some new sounds for Christmas, 1989, start looking now. If something sounds interesting in the following mini reviews, move fast. It's later than you think.

• New Kids On The Block, Merry, Merry Christmas, Columbia.
• Rapping New Kids sing the anthem, "This One's For The Children," (proceeds go to United Cerebral Palsy) and Christmas carols "Little Drummer Boy" and "White Christmas" with soul. Strange, but true.
• Ricky Van Shelton, Sings Christmas, Columbia.
• I thought they didn't make Christmas albums like this anymore. Big rich voice. Subtle arrangements. Tasteful playing. Heartfelt singing on the traditional carols from the sacred "Silent Night" to the secular "I'll Be Home For Christmas." Thoughtful lyrics and vocal on a new original, "Christmas Long Ago." They're all here as Ricky Van Shelton Sings Christmas.
• Wynton Marsalis, Crescent City Christmas Card, Columbia.

Continuing the back-to-the-future theme he first sounded on his masterpiece, "The Majesty of the Blues," trumpeter Marsalis and his band celebrate Christmas New Orleans-style. His arrangements of many colors are blessed with the joyous sounds of early jazz, early Duke Ellington, high-test bebop and on "Silent Night," the angelic singing of Kathleen Battle CCM-grad.
• Larry Carlton, Christmas At My House, MCA.

Fusion guitarist Larry Carlton's Christmas At My House is a bland affair with lukewarm jazz, mild rock and lo-cal new age. Bring your own spices.
• Randy Travis, An Old-time Christmas, Warner Bros.

Dear Santa: Please give Randy Travis some emotion for Christmas. As can be heard from his monotonc An Old-time Christmas, he doesn't have any.

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attract exceptional young people to careers in government or public service. Moreover, the
program aims to strengthen ties between the state government and Virginia's academic
community, building a mutual sense of understanding and rapport.

Eligibility
Applicants must be graduating seniors or enrolled as degree candidates in a graduate or
professional school. Applicants must either be enrolled in a Virginia college or university (public or
private) or, if enrolled in an out-of-state institution, be a Virginia resident.
Selection of Fellows will be based on merit, without regard to race, sex, national origin, religion,
age, disability, or political affiliation.

Duration of Fellowship
Fellows must commit to work full-time in the Governor's Office for at least two months; the normal
period will be June 4 through August 3, 1990.

Assignments
Fellows are assigned to work with members of the Governor's Cabinet or personal staff.
Assignments attempt to match the official's needs with the Fellow's background and experience.

Funding
No state funds are available to support Fellows. However, in previous years, colleges and
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Applicants are encouraged to discuss this matter with school officials before making application,
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The day after Thanksgiving marked the "official" beginning of the Christmas shopping season. After stuffing our faces with turkey, we all ran out to the shopping malls and spent every last cent we had on presents for our parents, grandparents, best friends, roommates and that girl who sits next to us in English. And, as we all know, that's what Christmas is all about. Right? Wrong. Very wrong.

Christmas is not the time to go out and spend loads of money on worthless presents for every possible acquaintance or family member just so we can say that we cared enough to throwaway some cash.

When we were young, going out and buying Dad a tie and Mom cheap perfume was acceptable because, well, we didn't know any better, and we thought that they really wanted a tie with choo-choo trains on it and a bottle of Jungle Gardenia perfume. Now we know better — or at least we should know better.

The Christmas season is the time when the true spirit of humanity shows its face. It is a special time for Christians to rejoice in Christ's birth. People should become more giving, patient and caring, in all of the interest of their fellow man. But all these wonderful things sometimes get lost in the commercialism of Christmas.

So this year, why not try to give of ourselves instead of giving of our wallets? Instead of buying Mom and Dad that jewelry box or tie organizer, why not give them something they will cherish and remember always — give them something that cannot be bought at the mall. Spend the day with them, make a family dinner or even decorate and clean the house for Christmas Day. Give roommates and friends something that they can look at 10 years from now and remember the fun times in college.

Christmas is a joyous season that brings out the best in most of us. Let's try to give just to give and not get wrapped up in the corporate idea, but the true idea, of Christmas.

The fall of a football superstar

Washington Redskins' Dexter Manley's recent lifetime expulsion from football for drug use has once again brought the issue of drug use in professional sports to the forefront.

It was the third time Manley tested positive for substance abuse, joining former Cincinnati Bengals' running back Stanley Wilson and former New England Patriots' running back Tony Collins. NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue was absolutely correct in his decision to ban Manley from pro football. It was the third time Manley tested positive for a substance abuse.

However, Manley has finally admitted that he has a problem, and that is the first step toward recovery. He has gone into treatment at the John Lucas New Spirit Recovery Center, and hopefully he will get his life together while he is there.

While both of these things take courage, no exceptions should be made for Manley regarding his application for reinstatement. The rules say he must wait one year to reapply, and that rule should stand no matter how well he does in treatment. When, and if, he is reinstated, Manley should submit to weekly drug testing. He has been given many chances already and taken advantage of them. He should be given no more special favors.

Manley said it best in his press conference: "Everything I worked so hard to achieve was destroyed by my senseless behavior. I've made a grave mistake and showed extremely poor judgment. The tests were not wrong — I was."

President supports preservation efforts of university community

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To the editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to express my support for the concerned students who are actively involved in the recycling of waste materials and to encourage the entire university community to participate in recycling. The university particularly commends EARTH for its leadership and pledges to support these efforts. Working together, we can help to preserve the earth and its resources for our children, our grandchildren and all who come after us.

Ronald Carrier
President

Students ask Carrier to support major recycling efforts at JMU

Dear Dr. Carrier:

We are writing to you as concerned students to ask you to support the efforts of JMU students to become active, concerned and effective citizens. One of the most frightening issues we will have to confront in our lifetimes is the destruction of the environment. We (the members of the freshman class enrolled in Section 25 of the Freshman Seminar) would like to propose some ways in which JMU might make an important contribution to the community by beginning a major recycling effort.

Right now, some of the dorms are participating in EARTH's recycling drive. We propose that recycling become not just a student activity, but that it become part of the way in which the university as a whole disposes of its trash. Bins could be placed in all dorms for aluminum cans and paper, as well. These might then be picked up as part of the normal trash collections and taken to recycling centers. The cost of this would be offset by money collected from recycling the aluminum.

We understand that at the present time most of the trash is incinerated to produce steam for the university, but there are environmental problems associated with this. While this saves important energy, it also releases soot and vapors into the atmosphere. It also does not produce as much energy as recycling might save. The university could recycle some of its trash and then burn the rest of it.

Each day every American discards 3.5 pounds of trash. 41 percent of the landfill waste in Harrisonburg is paper or cardboard, entirely recyclable materials. Every three months the United States discards enough aluminum to rebuild the entire U.S. commercial airline fleet.

These are disturbing facts about a world we live in. We are willing to make an effort to change our habits. We are willing to separate our trash, educate our fellow students to do the same, and work with you to make recycling a regular part of student and administrative life here. This might make us better citizens of the local community.

Soon the city of Harrisonburg may ask residents to begin separating their trash. We might show you, too, are part of this effort by recycling our own trash.

This is a beautiful campus with an obvious respect for the environment. We should follow through on this and help save the earth by making recycling a regular part of the trash collection of the university.

Amanda Wedberg
freshman
1,243 other signatures

President Ronald Carrier
Abortion cartoon offers 'wrong impression' of pro-choice views

To the editor:

I would like to respond to the cartoon printed in the Nov. 16 edition of The Breeze, the one depicting an unkempt mother wearing a JMU NOW shirt and smirking as her husband comments on how their "little darling," who is sitting on the floor tearing the head, arms, and legs off of her baby doll, has turned out "just like you, honey!"

What a quaint, happy little family scene! I was horrified that someone out there could be as narrow-minded as that.

The impression was given that pro-choicers advocate the whole idea of abortion as a pleasantness which is to be laughed at and encouraged. Somebody definitely has the wrong impression.

Abortion is a traumatic experience, something no one wishes to have to go through. If there were a guaranteed contraceptive device, I am confident people would use it. If we could prevent any form of rape and incest, I am sure that we would prevent it. Unfortunately, at the present time, all of these things are unrealistic ideals.

Abortion is a controversial issue, with both sides justly fighting for their beliefs; however, it is sad to behold such a simple-minded attitude as the one portrayed herein.

Visualizing a pro-choicer as someone who relishes the painful procedure of abortion is such a distorted image that it is incomprehensible. We are fighting the issue, not each other.

Why is it that this horrifying physical act is projected as a heavefl for pro-choicers? No one is advocating the means, simply the choice.

Bettina Longest
sophomore
nursing
6 other signatures

'March the band performance is 'display of pure, raw excellence' 

To the editor:

The Saturday before Thanksgiving the JMU Marching Band put on its last field performance. Because of the cancelled game and cold weather, the crowd was perhaps half normal size, but those who were there were treated to something unique — a display of pure, raw excellence.

On some occasions, faculty members like myself have been known to complain about the limited funds for laboratory equipment, and about the seemingly unending dollars for band uniforms, athletics and campus landscaping. However, on that day it was clear to me that the price had been cheap — we had gained a truly outstanding, nationally recognized music program.

Dr. Glen Gustafson
professor
geology and geography

'SGA 'can only be as strong as students and members allow' 

To the editor:

I agree with Alex Pedersen's opinion in his guest column ("SGA Reforms," Breeze, Nov. 16) that the SGA has not been fulfilling its potential, but the SGA is on its way of doing just that. I do not feel that the whole problem lies within the Senate, but it also lies with the Executive Council and student representatives. We are always trying to improve our organization.

Alex mentioned that the "plus-minus proposal failed because the students shouted it down." A major factor in that was the SGA discussing the issues within the Senate and with the administration. A survey was conducted by the senators to get feedback from the students, their constituents. I believe that the SGA played a crucial role in the re-evaluation of the plus-minus system.

Besides that issue, the SGA is looking into the feasibility of a parking deck, into our food services, into lengthening the add-drop period, etc. — in short, every possible aspect of this campus.

He also mentioned commuter senators and their inability to be held responsible because of their rather ambiguous constituencies. Plans have already been made to look into restructuring the commuter situation. I serve as a commuter senator and decided the problem with constituencies had gone on long enough. I sent a memorandum to all the commuter senators and we met for a short time after the Senate meeting Nov. 21. We will meet again in early December. If you have any suggestions, please let me know.

The SGA is not a perfect organization (this is solely my opinion, not necessarily the SGA's or its other members'), but few, if any, organizations are. The SGA cannot do it alone. It must be a 50-50 situation. It can only be as strong as the students and all SGA members allow it to be.

Tracy Selph
junior
international affairs/French

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Hidden statue displays lack of respect

The legacy of James Madison has a very special meaning to all citizens of the free world. This is especially true for Americans. Students at this university, which is named in his honor, owe him a deep respect.

It is clear that the contributions of Madison are of importance to the lives of every student at this university. It is also clear that, in one crucial respect, we are not honoring him as much as we should. It is, perhaps, ironic that the very system of government that Madison helped give to America is partially responsible for this profound lack of respect.

I am referring to the poor treatment that has been accorded to Madison's bust. Some might not even be aware that there is a bust of Madison at JMU because it has been stashed away in a semi-underground courtyard at the side of the library. That is not a very visible place to honor our school's namesake.

A student inquired about this sad state of affairs and learned that the order to place the bust in that particular spot came from on high. It is clear that it was a decision made without concern for the wishes of the JMU community. Not only is the bust a representation of our school's namesake, but it has a solemn dignity which must never be overlooked.

The fact is that the administration has spent hundreds of thousands of dollars on the new library plaza; a project that I, unlike many students, feel was a decision made without concern for the wishes of the JMU community. Not only is the bust a representation of our school's namesake, but it has a solemn dignity which must never be overlooked.

Improvements and progression have an eternal cycle. Just as America gained its independence, and shall the bust someday appear in a more visible spot. Other issues, however, are not so clear. In those cases it is good to have the power divided. The flag-burning issue is an ideal example. If that controversy had been left solely to our elected officials, it is doubtful that we would be as well off.

In Britain, for example, there is a parliamentary democracy; and almost-absolute power is held by the political party which holds a majority of the seats in the parliament. The prime minister sets the agenda for the ruling party, and the individual members vote against their party's agenda at their own peril. That is why Margaret Thatcher has been able to wield quite a bit of power. A great British prime minister, Benjamin Disraeli, once said, "Damn your principles, stick by your party." In Britain that statement carries quite a bit of significance; in the United States it is a foreign concept. We have Madison to thank for that.

The system can be reformed. The civil rights movement is proof of that. It was public will that brought civil rights to the South. The Supreme Court provided the catalyst, but it was the will of the people that carried it through. Those opposed to civil rights used the power of those branches of government that were in their hands, such as the Congress and the state governments, to slow down progress; but even those bastions of racist feeling were eventually overcome and transformed. The system of divided government that Madison helped devise slowed down the process of reform; but, because the cause was just and the will of the people clear, the good prevailed.

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Making Music

Hoodoo Gurus and Connells redefine the term 'progressiveness'

By Jay Clarke

Oh my God, progressive music, college music, whatever. Bad music, for the most part. When the lights went down in Godwin Hall Tuesday night, and the crowd worked itself into a mini-frenzy, I braced myself for the worst. Boy, was there a surprise in store for me.

Out of darkness appeared the Hoodoo Gurus, singer/guitarist Dave Faulkner, bassist Rick Grossman, drummer Mark Kingsmill, and guitarist/vocalist Brad Shepherd. Shepherd and Faulkner looked like they belonged in a thrash band, and Grossman looked like he should be backing up for Bruce Springsteen. And of course, drummers are drummers. But what they proceeded to do was put on an entertaining, energetic and impressive concert sponsored by the University Program Board.

Opening with "Axegrinder," a crunching guitar-filled song from their newest release, Magnum Cum Louder, the Hoodoo Gurus thrashed, slammed and romped through an hour and a half of energetic music.

Singer Faulkner wasted no time on boring banter with the crowd and elected to let the music do the work, using their thrashy music to get the crowd going right at the start. This immediately established an entertaining, energetic and impressive concert sponsored by the University Program Board.

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After the show

Gurus look to end of tour for time to 'get wits back' and stay 'sane'

By Daniel Robinson

It's been a long haul for the Hoodoo Gurus, and JMU is one of the last stops on a world tour that began in May in their native Australia.

And according to lead singer Dave Faulkner, their main goal now is to get off the road and "get our wits back and stay sane."

The band pulled into Harrisonburg Tuesday for its concert that night with The Connells. After sound checking with some Spinal Tap tunes and their latest single "Come Anytime," Faulkner and bassist Rick Grossman discussed their tour.

"There was a week there about a month ago where I wasn't certain I'd get through it alive," Faulkner admits.

The band members have been away from home for four rigorous months, during which they have been constantly on the road, playing four or five nights a week. They will then take a small break and prepare for another record, Grossman says.

The tour is in support of the Gurus' latest album Magnum Cum Louder, which Grossman says is "a good and honest representation of a band playing in the studio. What you hear on the record is exactly what went on in the studio."

Grossman, formerly of the Australian new wave group Divynals, says the Hoodoo Gurus are definitely a band that should be seen live, and though it's difficult to capture the energy of a live performance in a recording, he thinks that they've done a good job. Faulkner adds that the record was "fun to make."

Faulkner admits that he doesn't remember playing at JMU previously on their Blow Your Cool tour about two years ago. But he does say the

"We're just trying to work up songs that appeal to us first and then hopefully other people will like them," says Connell, who along with Huntley writes the majority of the band's material.

It's still a hobby' — Connells consider musical profession fun

By Daniel Robinson

There was an abundance of Sprite, cheese and bread in the Godwin Hall locker room that served as the dressing room for The Connells Tuesday night after their concert.

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"Fun & Games," and bassist David Connell says that even though playing in the band is a full-time job, "it's still a hobby."

They seem to be measuring their success by the fact that they don't have to set up their equipment and sweep up after they're done playing anymore. Connell says they're glad to be out of the small club and frat party circuit, though they enjoy playing schools like JMU.

Connell describes the group as "guitar-oriented pop-rock." The vitality of their music comes from the melodies in the vocals provided by Huntley and frontman Doug Macmillan and also from some "interesting guitar interplay," he says.

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On duty

Cadets: 'The eyes of the campus at night'

By Katie Ross
staff writer

It's 8 o'clock on a Thursday night and the JMU campus is buzzing with activity. Students are everywhere — on their way home from late classes, heading out to early parties or settling in for an evening of studying at the library. For senior Christie Cleal, it's the start of another long night on duty as a campus cadet.

Tonight, Cleal and her partner Mike Willis are on patrol in "K-1," otherwise known as the Bluestone area. While they walk around the Quad checking for burnt-out lights and other safety hazards, the dispatcher's voice suddenly crackles over Willis' radio, "10-99, escort, female, Anthony-Seege to Chandler." Immediately, Cleal and Willis are off to meet the student and escort her safely to her destination.

"We're the eyes of the campus at night," Cleal says. "The campus police are driving, not walking around like us. We might be able to see something they can't."

Junior Scott Mills has been a cadet for two years. "Believe me, you see a lot more walking than you do driving around in a car," he says. "When the police get a call over the radio, we're usually the first ones there."

Officer Tim Carter, the cadet program director, says, "The cadets are a supplementary patrol during the evening. They respond to all calls the officers get."

There are 11 cadets on duty every night. Working in pairs, eight of these cadets patrol specific sections of campus and are responsible for reporting any unsafe conditions or vandalism they notice. An additional "lock-up" cadet is in charge of securing campus buildings. Another cadet drives an escort car and also patrols X- and Z-lots.

A student supervisor is always on duty. Sophomore Greg Young says, "I'm out here to keep people from getting hurt and from breaking the law. If I see something wrong, I correct it."

Each cadet works an average of 15 to 20 hours per week, usually two weeknights and one weekend night. "It varies a lot with the individual," Carter says. "Some cadets want to work more hours and others may only be able to work eight hours a week."

Sunday through Wednesday, the cadets are on duty from 7 to 11 p.m. Thursdays they work from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. On the weekends, a shift runs from 8 p.m. to 3 a.m. "Every night of the year, there are at least 11 individuals out there," Carter says.

Working four- to seven-hour shifts in all kinds of weather can be exhausting, but the cadets say they enjoy their job and take pride in the protection they provide.

"I think we make people feel safer," Mills says. "Our presence is a deterrent to crime. If we weren't out here, there wouldn't be any deterrent." Although some cadets want to pursue careers in law enforcement after college, Carter says the police department tries to select students from a variety of majors. "We don't want to limit ourselves."

Cleal, a geology major, says she just "enjoys being outside and getting to know other people. When you work with someone for this amount of time, you get to know him really well. I'd say we're a pretty tight-knit group."

"Having a good partner is important," Mills says. "It's nice to have someone you can talk to on a night when there's not much going on."

The cadets have a different partner every shift. "Basically they come in and whoever's here, that's who they work with," Carter says. "It's pretty much first-come, first-served."

Starting pay for a cadet is $4.80 an hour. Student supervisors, who have been cadets for at least two years, earn $5 an hour.

"Cadets must be sophomores or at least have spent one year at JMU so that they are familiar with the campus," Carter says. "Applicants need to have at least a 2.2 GPA. Cadets are required to maintain a 2.0."

Before school starts in August, the cadets attend a two-day training program. In addition to learning about regulations and judicial processes at JMU, the cadets familiarize themselves with more than 20 numerical radio codes.

"For a while, we also try to pair up new cadets with more experienced ones so they can learn from the cadets that have been here awhile," Carter says. However, no amount of instruction can prepare the cadets to handle every situation. Cleal laughs when she says cadets get their actual training on the job. "It's a real learning experience."

Senior T.J. Conte says telling someone how to be a cadet is "like telling someone how to ride a bike, you really don't understand until you do."

Mills says his job is a "pretty interesting way to make money. Every night is different. You might sit around one night and the next night you'll be running the whole time."

One Saturday night, Mills and Conte were called to the Convocation Center when the crowd at Midnight Madness, Coach Lefty Driesell's first basketball practice of the year, got unruly.

"All of a sudden, there was a mad dash for the door. All these people were pushing up against the table where they were giving away T-shirts," Mills says. "The guy behind the table giving them out got scared and called the police."

Luckily, the cadets and police officers were able to control the crowd before anyone was injured.

"You've really got to listen to your radio and know what's going on when you're working," says sophomore cadet Kurt Thielhorn.

Thielhorn was patrolling "K-2," the Village area, when he and his partner were called to assist at Midnight Madness. Although they were standing in front of Hanson Hall when the call came over their radio, they ran across Hanson field, through the tunnel, and arrived at the Convocation Center in minutes.

"When you walk around this much every shift, you're in pretty good condition to run or chase someone," says sophomore cadet Charles Zambito. "I think it's fun to bolt."

Willis says his longest chase was from the print shop in front of Greek Row to Eagle.

"There were three guys tearing up the yellow barricades in front of Greek Row," says Willis. "None of them had IDs. One took off and I ran after him."

Thielhorn, who was Willis' partner that night, says, "We finally caught the guy when he ran behind Eagle and got trapped in by a fence."

Senior Chris Clarken says his most memorable experience as a campus cadet was the "day I didn't let President Carrier park in his parking space. Actually, it was my first day on the job and I didn't recognize him. He was trying to park in A-lot, and I told him he couldn't park there."

Clarken eventually recognized Carrier and let him park his car. Nevertheless, Clarken says this incident made him "sort of infamous for a while."

Cadets are particularly concerned about preventing accidents caused by excessive drinking. It is a violation of Virginia law to consume an alcoholic beverage in public at any age. At JMU, students also are prohibited from possessing an open container of alcohol in public.

"A lot of times when we stop students for drinking, they think they don't have to do anything we tell them," Cleal says. "They say, 'She's just another student, you don't have to show her your ID.'"

As university officials, campus cadets have the authority to ask to check a student's university ID, request students to pour out alcoholic beverages or report an intoxicated person to a police officer.

"They can't arrest anyone, but the cadets can detain a person until an officer arrives," Carter says.
However, Mills is quick to point out that "all cadets aren't out to bust everyone. I've been in situations where I've stopped students just to warn them to be careful and they were rude to me. They only angered themselves by harassing me."

"A lot of people think we're out of here just to get them," says sophomore cadet Heather Carson. "They think we're hiding in bushes waiting for them when we're really trying to keep them from killing themselves."

During one of her shifts, Carson saw a drunk girl fall all the way down the hill in front of D-hall. "If she'd fallen into the street, she would have been run over."

"We're not trying to be mean," Zambito says. "If a cadet asks for your ID, it doesn't automatically mean you're busted. He or she may just want to know if you're a student. I'm not going to bust someone just because he trips."

JMU's cadet program originated in 1976 with two cadets. Carter says the program was established because "the police officers needed extra help and manpower. The cadets started out mainly as building security, but they've gradually taken on more responsibilities."

Today, Carter says the 44 cadets have a "good, positive relationship" with the police officers. "They assist the officers by reporting unsafe conditions, providing escorts and helping at special events."

Starting this semester, the cadets no longer issue parking tickets. Instead, the police department now employs a separate, daytime staff to handle parking violations.

This is also the first year that female cadets are allowed to work together. For their safety, female cadets previously only worked with males. Carter estimates that a fourth of JMU's cadets are women and emphasizes that "the same safety precautions are taken with all our cadets. The cadets work in pairs and carry a radio so they're in contact with the police stations at all times. They're not supposed to use physical force in any situation."

Providing escorts to students is one of the cadets' primary responsibilities. The escort service was established five years ago to discourage people from walking alone at night. Students can call for a police escort at any time. However, the cadets handle most of the escort requests that come in during their shifts.

"Our escort service is invaluable. Many people would walk home alone if we weren't out there," Carter says. "It also helps us get out there and meet people. Some students have applied to be cadets after being escorted."

Although Clarkin believes overall use of the escort service has increased, he says, "It's generally used by the same people on a constant basis."

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Area needy get festive Thanksgiving feast

By Joanne Sofia

For most people, the thought of Thanksgiving is of family, togetherness and a lavish array of food spread out on a decorative table setting. But for some members of the Harrisonburg community, Thanksgiving was spent a little differently.

"It's a good feeling doing something for these people," Sheila Reilly says. "These people are the working poor. If you brought home $100 per week and your rent was $400, what would you do?"

Reilly is one of the many people who helps coordinate a weekly soup kitchen. The meals are sponsored by the Parish of Blessed Sacrament on Main Street in Harrisonburg. But along with the weekly Wednesday night meals, the parish also sponsors special holiday dinners such as Thanksgiving and Christmas.

"This is a great opportunity to do something for the community," says Philip Reilly, who has worked the institutional setting.

Grace Kimbell says, "We just come because we're invited. It's really great that they have all this for us. These people go through a lot of trouble." Kimbell is one of the many "regulars" who attends the weekly dinners, not only for the free meal, but to socialize with her friends who also attend. "We get along with the people real well," says Dolaris Phillips. "They're real good to us."

The idea of a weekly dinner for the not-so-fortunate people began with a priest of Blessed Sacrament named Father Cummings. During one winter night, a man — poor and hungry — approached Father Cummings seeking shelter from the cold. Seeing the condition of the man's clothing, Father Cummings gave the man his ski jacket. A few days later, the man returned and Father Cummings gave him food. This encounter led Father Cummings to the realization that there are many poor and unfortunate people in Harrisonburg. Thus, the weekly community soup kitchen began.

The church donates $400 per month to sponsor not only the weekly meal consisting of soup, homemade bread and crackers, and dessert, but the special holiday feasts as well. "It tastes a lot better when someone else cooks dinner," Virginia Shifflette says. "At least it's one night where I don't have to cook."

The Thanksgiving meal is one of the largest dinners sponsored by the church during the year. The weekly meals are arranged by a rotating staff of eight coordinates, as they call them, but it opens up to people who want to help on the holidays. Not only do members of Blessed Sacrament help with food preparation, but many young students join along in some fun.

"The whole idea of what we do for the less fortunate is all very exciting and rewarding. To all of them, we are their family — and they are ours, too."

— Daisy Yoder

Frank Sperazza, of Mt. Crawford, who attended the dinner with his family, says, "I wanted to congregate with people and have a family type of Thanksgiving. It's beautiful what these people are doing."

Clarence Shifflette, 16, also of Mt. Crawford, views the Thanksgiving dinner as chance to "enjoy what life has to give me."

He adds, "Thanksgiving has a lot of pieces — giving, receiving, respecting — here, they can all fit together. It also gives me a chance to socialize."

June Whitmore, who is employed by JMU housekeeping, says, "This is a special treat for me, although I come every Wednesday night. At least I didn't have to cook a huge Thanksgiving meal."

Along with the Thanksgiving dinner at Blessed Sacrament, a similar festive Thanksgiving feast was going on at Friendship House, on N. Main Street in Harrisonburg. Friendship House also sponsors a weekly meal, available at no cost, for the needy people of the community. But Friendship House does much more than offer free meals.

"Our mission is to provide a caring, Christian setting to help people with their individual needs," says Daisy Yoder, director of Friendship House. "We use our house to build relationships, then follow our teachings into [the people's] homes and see what they need."

The Thanksgiving meal consisted of a vast array of meats, vegetables, casseroles and tempting desserts, all available to anyone who wanted it. Both food and services are donated to Friendship House to provide a nutritious meal to the needy people in Harrisonburg.

Yoder says, "I usually go to Kroger, but this year I decided to rely on donations. Much to her surprise, many volunteers who worked on Thanksgiving brought a large majority of the food, and even more food was donated by interested people from neighboring churches. On Thanksgiving Day alone, more than 150 people wandered in and out of Friendship House, taking advantage of the home-cooked meal.

Before 1987, Friendship House was the site of an old bar and hangout, filled with pool tables and drunken men. "The paint and curtains were all black, and in the poolroom hung a sign that read, 'No drinking, gambling or swearing.' You know they never abided by it," Yoder says.

Yoder renovated the old bar into a brightly colored, well-decorated house where people can go when they are a little down on their luck. "We now see how many lives that are changed," she says. "It used to be such an old hangout."

Many of the volunteers for Thanksgiving dinner are regular helpers at Friendship House, but some decided to help out in spirit of the holiday season.

Douglas Lantz brought his whole family to help out since they spent Thanksgiving in Harrisonburg. "We really enjoyed our day," Lantz says. "There's really a nice mixture of community and church people — everyone feels so much at home."

Pearl Lantz thought the House needed some extra help, so she decided to offer her assistance. "I'm just amazed by the amount of people who came in and out these doors today. It was really an interesting experience," she says.

Scott Eberly, 17, from Eastern Mennonite High School, volunteered his help for the first time this year. Eberly is a member of the Harrisonburg Mennonite Youth Group who performs such service projects like this once a month. "I really enjoyed seeing the needs that people have and being able to help them out," he says. "[The people] don't have much, but they all want to share."

Yoder says, "The whole idea of what we do for the less fortunate is all very exciting and rewarding. To all of them, we are their family — and they are ours too."
They talk about black lace and dating, then they shift roles and fight with swords, and finally they appear as trees in a constantly changing forest.

JMU's Virginia Repertory Dance Company will perform these and other dances in the first concert of its season. There are five works, in the concert, composed of different moods and modern dance styles. Live music from a commissioned harmonica player, piano duet and the university percussion ensemble will accompany three of the works.

The live collaboration between dancers on stage and musicians in the pit "creates for the audience a much more electric excitement" than recorded music, said William Seigh, artistic director of the company.

Seigh choreographed "Burdens," the first piece in the program, to communicate "how we choose to take on or let go of our burdens." Throughout the work, dancers hinder each other's movements in various ways. At one point, they drag themselves one-by-one across the floor on their stomachs, hands grasped tightly around another dancer's ankle. They form a heap of people, which topples over from the final person's weight.

"Burdens" was performed last spring, but Seigh thinks an audience can receive something new from a dance viewed more than once.

"Reading a poem... a second time isn't boring because you hear a new word. (A dance) is 10 minutes. It's not like sitting through the same lecture," he said.

Audiences change, and a different mood on a different night can affect their reaction to a dance. "Maybe something speaks to them better or worse or deeper or sillier," Seigh said.

A repertory company is one which tries to "maintain a certain body of work" over time, he said.

Following "Burdens" is "(She was a) Pink Chameleon," written, narrated and choreographed by Cynthia Thompson, associate professor of dance. This theatrical piece is "about one character, with (the dancers) contributing to the character sketch," Thompson said. "It's a conglomeration of fiction and truth from everyone in the group." Some of the movements and spoken phrases in the work originated from an improvisation exercise by the company dancers.

"Black lace," "buttercup — nutter butter," and "elitism" are phrases shouted out and repeated by dancers as they use different movements to convey the meaning of each phrase.

Vocalization is used in another dance, but only with verbal sounds. "High Density Games," by guest choreographer Nancy Spanier, begins with two female dancers sitting on the shoulders of two male dancers. The male dancers vocalize the sound effects of the females fighting using different methods — imaginary sword fighting, fist-fighting, trying to choke each other and push each other off her partner's shoulders. The dance is about "games people play," Seigh said.

Anne Gravely, one of the dancers in this work, said, "It's hard for me to hit and scratch [opposite dancer Terri Dignan] because I like her so much."

Terri Dignan, the other female in the dance, said, "You actually have to convert yourself. As soon as you hear the music you have to be somebody different."

She had to apply this concept to her performance in all the dances, Dignan said. "This is the hardest I've worked and the hardest I think I've wanted to work."

In another dance, "Forests of the Sun," dancers attempt to convey a sense of "five distinct environments," Seigh said. The dance moves from the creation of the forest as part of the creation of the earth, to the forest in nature — during strong winds, the dark before dawn, and as the sun rises, bathing the trees in light.

Seigh instructed the dancers to "hear the silence" of the forest and "feel the warmth" of the sun so audience members could do the same.

Another part of the dance originated from Seigh watching the forest in his backyard. "(The forest becomes absolutely beautiful in stillness)," Seigh said. A small movement causes another movement to occur, and he realized the forest isn't so still. He choreographed the dance to end with how he imagines "the forest feels after the sun comes out."

The final dance the company performs is "Certain Touch in the Distant Time."

The company rehearses 10 hours a week. After last week's rehearsal, Seigh told the dancers, "Today was great, but don't settle for yesterday's rehearsal. The pieces can improve 200 percent — to be richer, deeper emotionally."

The concert will be performed at 8 p.m. Dec. 1 and Dec. 2, and at 2 p.m. Dec. 3 at Latimer-Shaeffer Theatre in the Duke Fine Arts Center.
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Gurus

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a grip on the crowd that the Gurus never loosened until they walked out after the final encore.

Immediately attention-catchng was guitarist Shepherd, who began the performance thrashing and banging like a madman and hardly let up throughout the show. And while he's not the best guitarist in the world, his style — unlike many more famous guitarists — was both his own and talented enough. In the third song of the set, the cover "I'm Your Man," Shepherd showed that not only was he full of boundless energy, but he could sing too. Shepherd provided half the entertainment of the night.

If Shepherd was the energy of the band, then frontman Dave Faulkner was the power. Faulkner's teering features and straight, black hair hardly make him the stereotypical frontman, but as the main singer and songwriter, he is the driving force in the band. Being able to write and perform truly unique music — a real gift these days — makes Faulkner a voice that deserves to be heard on today's progressive scene.

Faulkner also showed his share of energy, less with a banging head than with gritted teeth and fast, grinding rhythm guitar. Faulkner drove the band through songs like "Death In The Afternoon," "Haircut" and "Glamourpuss." Thanks to Faulkner, the Hoodoo Gurus never hit a slow spot in their show.

The forte of the Hoodoo Gurus' show was the continual non-stop pace. The band wasted little time with indulgent solos, excessive stage chatter or drawn-out jams. The only liberty they took, an extended medley of classic rock songs in the midst of one of their own (and best) songs, was the high point of the concert.

Their cover of "Anarchy in the U.K." blew both Megadeth's and Sex Pistol's versions away. Also, their abbreviated cover of Neil Young was true to the original and excellent. The non-stop attack of energy and guitars made the concert worthy from beginning to end. The energy given off by the Hoodoo Gurus flowed freely into the crowd, which sort of thrashed and/or danced wildly for most of the show. Yet when the crowd began to let loose, Faulkner inexplicably put a stop to the performance.

South is his favorite part of the United States, not only due to the good reactions they receive from audiences here, but because "the lifestyle is good."

"The band formed in 1980-1981, according to Grossman, under the name Le Hoodoo Gurus, which Faulkner thought up and liked just because it was a "funny sounding name."

The band started playing in inner-city pubs in Sydney where the crowds like their music "hard" and danceable, Grossman says. They were influenced by groups like The Rolling Stones, The Who and Led Zeppelin. "There was a lot of passion in music then," Grossman says. "It's gone a bit out the window now."

The music scene is quite different in Australia. According to Faulkner and Grossman, it is live oriented. "I'm not sure you have as good a live scene here," Faulkner says. "They get it out the window now."

Though Faulkner is limited mainly to college campuses in the United States, they describe their success in their homeland as "mainstream." Faulkner attributes this to the fact that they're from there and have played there longer. "It doesn't say anything about taste or cultural differences," he says. "It's kind of like an R.E.M. here."

Though they would like more people to like them here and to think they write "the most likeable songs around," they have never felt pressured to commercialize their sound in order to have a big hit.

"When we make a record, we set out to please ourselves first. If we make a record that we really like then we're happy," Grossman says. "All you can do is play what you believe," Faulkner adds. "If you were out to make money, there are other professions that are far more sensible to pursue than music."

Faulkner dispells the myth of malevolent and domineering record companies. "If they want to turn you into someone else, they might as well get someone else," he says. "They get people like Richard Marx. They're happy with that — there are still some people out there who like to listen to us, and that justifies the expense of us putting out records to the record company. They don't think of us as better or worse than Richard Marx, except that Richard Marx probably pays their bills better."

Grossman remarks that "the Australian bands that have made it big over here are bands that have stuck to their guns." He mentions Midnight Oil, INXS, and The Church as examples.

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"It's just simple basic rhythmic melodic music," Huntley adds. "It's so simple it should've dawned on anybody."
The Connells come from an exciting and rapidly expanding music scene in North Carolina. Connell admits it was competitive there when they were getting started because of the number of local bands from Raleigh, Durham and Chapel Hill, but because of all the students in that area, "There were enough people interested in music to go around."

When this tour ends and they finally have time for a break, Huntley says they will work on new songs for another record and start the process all over again. "We don't lock into a formula for songwriting," Connell says. "It's a laborious process. We don't work up songs as quickly as a lot of other bands."

Huntley and Connell remained tight-lipped about their working relationship with their label TVT. They maintain that there are advantages and disadvantages of being on a smaller label. On a small label, they feel as if they get more attention, although they appear interested in moving to a larger label someday if the opportunity presents itself.

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Though they sounded better live than on tape, they still came across as too nice, too calm and too boring.
Singer Doug MacMillan looked like he was trying to show energy he didn't really have and wasted too much time talking. Guitarist Mike Connell and bassist David Connell seemed content to smile a lot and concentrate on their few chord changes. Guitarist George Huntley showed flashes of ability but nothing substantial to back it up. Drummer Peele Wimberly was an energetic spark in a concert that was just way too nice.

MOVIE WATCH

THURSDAY

The Wizard of Oz — Grafton-Stovall Theatre, 7 p.m., 9:30 p.m.
Look Who's Talking (PG-13) — Valley Mall Loews Theatres, 1:40 p.m., 3:40 p.m., 5:40 p.m., 7:40 p.m., 9:40 p.m.
Back to the Future Part II (PG) — Valley Mall Loews Theatres, 1:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 9:30 p.m.
Harlem Nights (R) — Valley Mall Loews Theatres, 1:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 9:30 p.m.
Dan (PG) — Loews Theatres, 7 p.m., 9:20 p.m.
The Bear (PG) — Loews Theatres, 7:30 p.m., 9:30 p.m.
Prancer (G) — Loews Theatres, 7:30 p.m., 9:30 p.m.

FRIDAY

Batman (PG-13) — Grafton-Stovall Theatre, 7 p.m., 9:30 p.m.
Look Who's Talking (PG-13) — Valley Mall Loews Theatres, 1:40 p.m., 3:40 p.m., 5:40 p.m., 7:40 p.m., 9:40 p.m.
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SATURDAY

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Back to the Future Part II (PG) — Valley Mall Loews Theatres, 1:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m., 7:35 p.m., 9:35 p.m.
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You say
you're living in torment
because
you just can't decide
what to get
Aunt Gertrude
and Uncle Felix
for Christmas?

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Basketball teams each notch two wins

Men give seventh-ranked UNC scare, place fifth in Maui Classic Invitational

JMU had enjoyed a 40-31 halftime advantage and led by as many as 12 points in the second half before the Tarheels furious comeback which produced 10 points in the final 51 seconds.

JMU junior forward Steve Hood led all scorers with 32 points on 14-of-20 shooting, but missed the front end of a one-and-one with eight seconds to go that could have sealed it for the Dukes.

The game marked the 42nd meeting between Driesell and former Atlantic Coast Conference rival and UNC head coach Dean Smith. The late-game heroics allowed Smith to improve his advantage to 32-10.

It was almost deja vu for the Dukes the next evening as they took on San Diego State in the loser's bracket of the tournament. Leading 56-48 with two minutes left, the Dukes saw their lead quickly evaporate as JMU missed six consecutive one-and-one opportunities from the free throw stripe. San Diego State had a chance to send the game into overtime in the waning seconds, but the Aztecs failed to get off a shot before the clock sounded, giving the Dukes their first win of the season. Hood again led the JMU attack with 27 points.

JMU concluded its holiday trip in positive fashion as it fought back from an early first half deficit to overcome Evansville 70-60. In addition to gaining solid play from reserves Todd Dunnings, who was filling in for an injured Fess Irvin, and Barry Brown, JMU got perhaps its biggest lift from the foul line. With 1:27 to play and the Dukes clinging to a 63-57 lead, JMU reversed its earlier trend and converted on seven of its last eight charity shots to insure the victory. Irvin was a perfect six-for-six from the line while Brown hit on one-of-two during the final 90 seconds.

For the game, five Dukes scored in double figures, with Irvin pacing the way with 14 points in only 24 minutes of action. Hood followed with 13 points, while Dunnings added 11, including a pair of three-pointers during the final 2:30 of the contest.

Moorman clinches 150th win for JMU

Women's basketball coach Shelia Moorman won her 150th game as head coach at JMU as the Dukes opened the season at Boston College over the weekend. Moorman now has a career record of 151-56 in her eighth season at JMU.

JMU defeated Boston College 61-51 Nov. 24 and Boston University 60-50 Nov. 26. Junior forward Vicki Harris tied for game scoring honors with 19 points in the Boston College game. Junior guard Paula Schuler added a career high 17 points; and junior forward Nickie Hardison took rebounding honors with a career high 10.

Schuler surpassed her career high with a team-leading 18 points in the Boston University win. Harris added 15 points and tied her career high with 12 rebounds. Sophomore point guard Emily McCradden added a career high 10 points.

JMU will enter Sunday's game against Morgan State with a 38-game home winning streak. The Dukes have not lost at home since a Dec. 11, 1986 59-52 loss to the then 11th ranked UVa team.

Harris has been named to the preseason All-Colonial Athletic Association Team by Women's Basketball Yearbook. The magazine also named Richmond to win the CAA title and named JMU as a "top contender" for the crown.

Steve Hood
Brown chipped in 10 points, while also tallying 10 rebounds in 27 minutes.

The Dukes returned home Tuesday in preparation for Saturday night's battle in-state rival Virginia Military. The game is a rematch of last year's thriller in which JMU's Troy Bostic tipped in a Kenny Brooks miss with two seconds left to give the Dukes a 94-92 victory and Driesell his first win at the Convocation Center. Saturday's game is part of a double header at the Roanoke Civic Center that features two future JMU opponents in Old Dominion and West Virginia. The Dukes and Keydets contest tips off at 7 p.m., with the second game slated to begin about 20 minutes after the completion of the first contest.

Holiday trip marred by controversy

By John R. Craig and Dave Washburn
staff writers

Despite spending seven days in the sunny Hawaiian Islands, the JMU men's basketball team now has an ominous cloud hanging over it as the team's 14 active scholarship players did not accompany their teammates to the Maui Classic Nov. 24-26.

No official reason has been released behind not taking the junior trio of Alex Clevinger, Alan Dorsey and Doug Lowrey on the trip. However, they had not played in either of the preseason exhibition games and were not expected to see action last weekend. All three have been members of the team since they were freshman.

According to the players, head coach Lefty Driesell did not tell them until last Monday morning they might not be accompanying the team to Hawaii. They were not given official notice until later that evening. The team left Tuesday morning.

"Coach took us aside, talked to us, and told us to call him at home [Monday night]," Dorsey said. "He told us we wouldn't be going for sure then."

Lowrey and Clevinger said that the three were told by coaches earlier this month they might not be making the trip.

"We had no clue of it until they told us it was iffy, about a week and a half before," Clevinger said. "After that we had pretty much given up on it. You could kind of see it coming."

Driesell had no comment when asked about the three. He also would not confirm whether or not they will be allowed to join the team for any of the 14 remaining road games.

Clevinger, Dorsey and Lowrey all say they plan to stay on the team for the rest of this season and next year.

"The success we're enjoying is great and all," Lowrey said. "I still feel like I'm part of it. I worked my butt off all preseason and I didn't ask for the change when [Driesell] came."

"I mean, I made my decision to come here before [the new coaches] were here. If [former coach John Thurston] stayed here I would have stayed four years," Lowrey said. "If basketball disbanded here I would have stayed. This was the school I wanted to go to. I'm going to stay here four years no matter what."
**SPORTSFILe**

JMU's coach, players recognized by state

After guiding the JMU men's soccer team to a 15-1-3 record and the first top-20 ranking in the school's history, head coach Chris Simon has been named the Virginia Division I and Colonial Athletic Association Coach of the Year. Martin also is one of eight nominees for a national college Coach of the Year award.

Several players also have been honored. Senior forward Chris Simon has been named the 1989 Colonial Athletic Association soccer Player of the Year and has received honorable mention on the all-state team.

Defender Stephen Gill was a first team selection in the CAA and was named to the all-state team.

Senior midfielder John Stroud was a first team CAA selection, while forward Ricky Engelfried and goalkeeper Russ Fant were named to the all-state team.

Swim team off to best start ever at 4-0

The JMU men's swimming and diving team is off to its best start in the 15-year history of the program with a 4-0 record. The team defeated American 147-94 Nov. 18. Two freshmen turned in record performances for the Dukes. Scott Rogers placed second in the 1,000-yard freestyle in record time of 9:43.50. Jeremy Davey established a new standard in the 200 individual medley with a time of 1:56.11.

Asbridge sets three records in JMU win

Senior Rae Asbridge led the women's swimming and diving team to a 168-133 win over American Nov. 18 to up its early-season record to 2-0. Asbridge set school records in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:07.32) and the 200-yard breaststroke (2:27.50) and swam a leg on the 200-yard medley relay that set both JMU and Savage Natatorium records (1:50.14). Other members of the relay team were Michelle Stefan, Lori Swanson and Kristaancybox Fischer.

Leigh Keeler set a school record with a second-place finish in the 200-yard backstroke (2:11.74). Diver

Wrestlers place 7th in Navy tournament

The men's wrestling team opened the season Nov. 18, placing seventh among the nine teams in the 12th Annual Navy Classic. Keith Taylor was the top performer for JMU, placing second in the 118-pound weight class. Rob Milavsky finished third in the 167-pound class, and G.J. Sucher was fourth in the 190-pound class.

Weilenmann runs in NCAA national meet

JMU's Pete Weilenmann covered the NCAA National Championship 10,000-meter course in 30:55 to place 45th among 181 entries in Annapolis Nov. 20. Running in his third NCAA meet, Weilenmann registered his top national performance, but came six places shy of earning All-America honors.

Gymnasts compete in season opener

The JMU men's gymnastics team opened the season at the Metro Open Nov. 18 in Annapolis. Top scorers for the Dukes included Eric Haney (6.6 in floor exercise, 8.85 in vault and 8.2 in parallel bars), Dave Cverenko (7.35 in pommel horse, 8.3 in rings and 44.75 in all-around) and Tim Bedford (7.9 in high bar).

Pick of the Week

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**Sports Watch**

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MEN'S BASKETBALL
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**The Names Have Been Changed to Protect the Innocent**

... Nov. 29, 1989. It's 4:25 p.m. I'm Sergeant NFL Sunday — that's Game Day for you cable lovers. I'm a member of the prediction police — you know, like the phone cops. I'm here to shut down the predictable picking. The crime: predicting below the wire.

Craig's picks of the week

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**New England Invitational**

1 p.m.

**Colleges**

Alabama at Auburn
Syracuse at Louisville
Florida St. at Florida
Georgia at Georgia Tech
Texas A&M at Texas

**Pro**

Denver at L.A. Raiders
Indianapolis at New England
Miami at Kansas City
Philadelphia at Giants
Chicago at Minnesota

**College**

Alabama
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Mystic Pets expects to provide quality

By Lauren Bowers  
staff writer

When Patrick Earhart and Rosalind Collins decided to start their own business, they didn’t have to look too far from home for ideas.

“We have 10 fish tanks at home, two guinea pigs, two parakeets, a rabbit and a dog, so by going into pet stores all the time to take care of our pets, we noticed things that we liked and didn’t like, and we thought we could make a really good pet store,” Collins said.

So Mystic Pets Inc., an innovative pet store, opened in Harrisonburg’s Spotswood Valley Shopping Center.

Earhart’s parents loaned the couple the initial capital to start the business.

“We read stacks and stacks of books” on advertising, hiring and firing, and small business management, Collins said. They also consulted Entrepreneur magazine’s handbook for opening a pet store.

Neither Collins nor Earhart had ever run a business, but Collins thinks their pet-care experience at home will help them relate well with their customers.

“One of the things that’s good about us being new is that if a person comes in who has pets themselves, we’ll listen to what they say,” she said.

Earhart and Collins decided on the name for the store because “pets are fascinating — they’re so unlike humans, and yet they are given all these human traits,” Collins said.

While Mystic Pets had to contact different agencies before opening, a local, state or federal license is not required to run a pet store. However, the SPCA and the Department of Agriculture’s Division of Animal Care supervise pet stores.

Mystic Pets sells freshwater and saltwater fish and soon will add brackish-water fish to its selection. The store also sells birds, reptiles, rabbits, ferrets, guinea pigs and other rodents, and tarantulas. Customers can pet the rabbits in their cages or have the birds perch on their shoulders.

The store will be selling dogs and cats, but in an unusual way — they plan to hold Breeder Days.

“I know a lot of people don’t like seeing dogs and cats in cages for weeks on end,” Collins said. “Breeder Day was suggested to us by another pet store owner, and we thought it was a really good idea.”

Mystic Pets will advertise for the breeders, who will bring in their litters of puppies and kittens to be shown in an 8-by-4 pen, divided up for the different breeders’ use. The breeders will set their own prices, and buyers can play with the dogs and cats and consult the breeders about the pets.

Mystic Pets hopes to have Breeder Days once or twice a month, holding them more often in the summer because more puppies are born then. The first Breeder Day is scheduled for Dec. 8 during Mystic Pets’ grand opening. During the weekend, specials on certain animals will be held as well as animal face painting for children.

SPCA Days also are planned, when the SPCA will consult the breeders about the pets.

Mystic Pets expects to provide quality animal face painting for children. 

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Class of ’90 starts Senior Challenge plans

By Lauren Bowers  
staff writer

JMU’s Class of 1990 soon will be participating in the second annual Senior Challenge, a fund-raising effort organized by and directed toward the senior class to give a gift to the university.

"Normally the senior class will take the balance of whatever was in their treasury and say, 'Here's our gift,' or they might give a statue, or a plaque," said Jeff Roberts, assistant director of the Annual Fund in the JMU Office of University Advancement and liaison to the Senior Challenge.

"The Senior Challenge gives the entire senior class a chance to get involved in choosing a gift to the university of an academic nature," Roberts said.

Students involved in the program compose a three-level hierarchy: a 15-person steering committee, 150 captains, and seniors who pledge money.

Members of the JMU administration recommended names of seniors with exemplary leadership qualities to Dr. Carrier, who then invited 15 of them to serve on the steering committee. This number represents slightly less than 1 percent of the class.

"It’s a very diverse group of people, which is really the key to success," Roberts said. "If you have 15 people who are all in the same organization, they’re all going to ask the same people to be their captains. We want the entire senior class represented."

Scott Kiefer, a member of the steering committee, said, "I'm with ROTC, so automatically, I have a network of 150 people that I can use."

One of the committee’s responsibilities was to survey senior class members on the best gift. The survey presented the Career Planning and Placement program, student recreational facilities, or class registration improvements as choices for areas toward which to direct the gift. About 70 percent of the students who responded voted for the Career Planning and Placement program.

Subcommittees have been set up for brochure publications, media relations and the Victory Party, a party for students who pledge a gift to the Senior Challenge.

Other duties of the steering committee include planning the kick-off dinner scheduled for January, organizing a general timetable for steps to be accomplished, and recruiting captains. Each steering committee member is expected to recruit 10 captains.

"The captains are the most crucial part, as far as meeting the goal," Roberts said.

Captains try to secure pledges from seniors they know.

Last year, the class of 1989 pledged $28,000 to go toward the library resources fund. Alumni from the class of 1989 will begin to send in their pledges next month.

The goal for this year has been set at $30,000, surpassing last year’s original goal of $20,000, and funds will go toward the proposed Career Services and Resources Network, which will consist of a $14,000 computerized-voice bulletin board for job listings, a $7,000 computerized career guidance information program, $4,000 in video equipment and a $5,000 career services and resources endowment.

"An endowment lasts forever," Roberts said. "You operate on the interest generated from that principal endowment. It will always be geared to help [the network]."

"You have to look at [the pledge] as a continual gift, even though it's only a three-year commitment," he added.

"The reason why people go to college is to further their education, to further their careers. The Career Planning and Placement Service will help them in getting started," Roberts said.

The pledge plan enables seniors to give their money in three installments. The first payment is requested by December 1990, the second by December 1991, and the third by December 1992.

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Pets will take no profit from the sale of these animals. Mystic Pets will deliver the fish about a week later and check the aquarium and prepare the water temperature and other conditions for healthy conditions in the aquarium. A week after the fish are delivered, Mystic Pets will come out to check the aquarium again. After this check, the store will check the tank every two weeks.

The cost of the service depends on the size of the tank. Mystic Pets does not take responsibility for problems caused by fish that weren't purchased at their store.

The managers feed their animals vegetables in addition to pet food and also play with them every day. Mystic Pets also offers an aquarium service for customers. If a customer purchases an aquarium set-up from the store, Mystic Pets will deliver and set up the aquarium and prepare the water temperature and chemical balance for the type of fish chosen. Mystic Pets will deliver the fish about a week later and check the aquarium for healthy conditions in the aquarium.

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COMICS

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Mike Peters

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Noontime Jazz
Dec. 5, noon-1 p.m. - Warren Campus Center Lobby
Join us in the Campus Center for Christmas jazz-style.

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Dec. 5, 7-7:45 p.m. - Warren Campus Center Lobby
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Cider and Cookies
Dec. 6, 1-3 p.m. - Warren Campus Center Lobby
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Celebrate festivals and traditions from around the world with the Cultural Awareness Committee, international clubs and JMU's international students. Join us for a truly special occasion.

An Evening with the Contemporary Gospel Singers
Dec. 7, 5-5:30 p.m. - Warren Campus Center Lobby
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Christmas on the Quad
Dec. 7, 5:45 p.m.
Walk with us in a candlelight procession from the Campus Center to SGA's traditional Christmas tree lighting on the Quad. Get into the holiday spirit by joining us for hot chocolate and a night of caroling.

A Fun-Filled Evening with Santa
Dec. 8, 6-8 p.m. - Grafton-Stovall Theatre
All faculty and staff are invited to bring their children to a UPB-sponsored holiday movie. Then come and sit on Santa's lap and have your picture taken with Santa and his elves. Enjoy Christmas cookies and listen to our storyteller as she delights you with tales of the holiday season.

Kwanzaa - An African Cultural Holiday
Dec. 9, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. - Warren Campus Center Lobby
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Christmas memories
The good, the bad, and the out-of-the ordinary

Stockings, eggnog, "How the Grinch Stole Christmas" reruns, and angel-shaped cookies — they're all things associated with Christmas, year-in and year-out. The holiday just wouldn't be the same without these seasonal standbys.

But what makes one particular Christmas stand out from all the rest? Favorite gifts, fond memories and unfortunate circumstances guarantee certain years will be remembered long past the expiration date on the fruitcake box.

For junior Bobby Watts, the Christmas he'll never forget is the one he almost had to spend on the side of Interstate 81. He stayed in Harrisonburg until Christmas Eve last year because of his job at Food Lion, finally getting to leave for Portsmouth around 8 p.m. “I had gone about 20 miles when my car started making a funny sound,” he says. He headed back to Harrisonburg, only to have the engine burn up 10 miles outside of town. “I didn’t want to knock on someone’s door and interrupt their Christmas, so I just started walking,” he says. “I figured someone would feel sorry for me and give me a ride.” Watts made it back to Harrisonburg in time to celebrate Christmas in front of the TV by himself. His parents came up two days later with presents, and they recreated the holiday, but “it just wasn’t the same,” Watts says. “It was the first time I wasn’t at home for Christmas.”

Senior Dwight Galbraith’s most memorable Christmas also was spent away from home, but under more pleasant circumstances. When he was 15, his church youth group went on a mission to Haiti for the holidays. “We built a church for the villagers, and wound up finishing it on Christmas Eve, just in time for services,” he says. “It really meant a lot, both to them and us.”

For junior Karen Friedman, getting to go to her family’s house in Maine for the holiday one year meant experiencing her first true white Christmas.

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'Tis the season to go shopping

By Jennifer Powell
staff writer

The search has started again — shopping for the perfect holiday gifts, that is. You go to the mall and look for the right presents for family and friends.

During the holiday season, there's more to Valley Mall than the regular department stores and specialty shops. Right now, there are a variety of holiday additions to the mall which offer off-beat gifts.

It's probably been years since your last visit to see Santa, but those old pictures are still sitting on the TV at home. Replace them this year with a new one.

At Valley Mall, one photo with Santa Claus costs $5.50. A three-photo special costs $11 and includes a free teddy bear. Mom will love the picture and the, teddy bear makes a great stocking stuffer for someone small.

The Blue Ridge Pottery kiosk offers a variety of country-style items. Its handmade wooden Country Calendar with ceramic decorations costs $14.95.

Food always makes a good gift. Hickory Farms sells traditional and not-so-traditional gift boxes that feature combinations of cheeses, summer sausages, jams and crackers. The sets range from $7.50 to $120 and can be shipped for those who don't want to carry it all the way to Aunt Gertrude's. Shipping costs are $3.50 for packages under $19 and $4.50 for anything $19 or more.

Wythe candy store sells Christmas candies, including liquor-filled sets, ranging from about $3.25 to $13.95. Bubble gum buddies, which are gum balls decorated with icing to look like snowmen or elves, are 89 cents.

Lock, Stock and Barrel sells a variety of gourmet food and fancy kitchen tools, from the useful to the corny. The pasta fan in your life might like Pasta Mama, a line of flavored linguine, including jalapeno and lemon flavors.

For those who enjoy wearing Christmas apparel, Lock, Stock and Barrel also sells socks with holiday designs that sing "Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer" for $18.99.

If you don't want to spend $18.99 for socks, Hallmark sells red and green Christmas ball and bell earrings for $2.50.

For little brothers and sisters, a "Santa's helper" bib costs $14 at Lock, Stock and Barrel.

Country Lane Quilts has dress-up bears beginning at $4.95 and cloth children's books for $9.95.

More off-beat is the "Instant Snow Man Kit" at Lock, Stock and Barrel for $26.99. But for those who don't like winter, an instant cactus is available for $17.99.

An engraved item can make a special gift. At Things Remembered, 14-style bracelets range from $12 to $30. Engraved mugs are about $27, and charms are between $8 and $16. And for the friend about to graduate, engraved business card holders average about $15.

Leather name keyrings are at Our Wood and Leather Crafts for $2.50. The store also sells custom-made paintings with holiday and country motifs featuring the names of everyone in the family. The pictures, in wooden frames, cost $18 to $26.


Lock, Stock and Barrel also sells potpourri for about $3. A $1.49 cloth potpourri container makes the final touch.

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Ideas for the holidays

What to do when there's nothing to do

By Linda Brainin
staff writer

Over three weeks — 23 days to be exact — without classes, professors, papers or tests. Back at home, you maybe can earn some money at the same job as last summer or at Dad's office, but not do much else unless you want to . . .

• Help decorate the house (strategically placing the mistletoe, of course).
• Meet friends at JMU sponsor nights — even if the beer is cheaper at JM's.
• Head to D.C. to see the national Christmas tree and go ice skating under the stars.
• Bite into the Big Apple — the Trump Shuttle offers special off-peak student fares $49 each way from National Airport.
• Start planning Spring Break '90, and while at the travel agent, ask about cheap packages for the holiday break ($259 round trip airfare to Mexico City on United or $242 for two to the Bahamas including airfare and hotel for three days).
• Go window shopping.
• Get your picture taken with Santa and ask for all the things you wanted in the windows (well, maybe not all the things you wanted — that could take all day).
• Hit the after-Christmas sales and use your gift money to buy everything Santa didn't bring.
• Go caroling and spread holiday cheer while sampling the goodies around the neighborhood.
• Visit a nursing home and give people in need something that money can't buy.
• Volunteer at a local soup kitchen and help others as you learn to appreciate D-hall food.
• Hit the slopes — whether on skis or on that sled hidden in the back of the garage.
• Have a snowball fight with the rest of the kids on the block.
• Build a fire, make hot chocolate and watch "Frosty the Snowman" and other seasonal favorites.
• Do all those little things you couldn't do because you were too busy studying, of course, at JMU.

And even if you don't do anything at all, that's OK — you're on vacation. Either way, pretty soon you'll be back at JMU, anxiously awaiting the spring thaw. So, have a great break!

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By Debi Perez
staff writer

As the holidays approach us, Valley Mall is gearing up for all the sales retailers hope to make during the busiest season of the year.

Pink gingerbread boys and red hearts dangle over the heads of the shoppers as Bing Crosby croons "White Christmas." People are bustling around, browsing through the racks and selecting gifts.

Holiday fashions and winter wear are appearing in the windows now. The Outdoor Place has filled its racks for the ski season. It features ski jackets, pants and sweaters galore in all imaginable colors and shapes.

If the occasion requires something dressier than goose down, black velvet seems to be a popular choice and can be found almost anywhere in the mall.

Stuart's has the biggest selection. Although it carries black velvet dresses, it also moves into knits with a wide assortment of colors, patterns and styles. The colors are lively — purple, red, aqua, navy, cream, black, pink, royal blue and turquoise, not to mention all the spice colors — cinnamon, red pepper and thyme.

Although there is a foreign flair typical of the movement the fashion industry is making toward the East — Turkey, China and Egypt — there also are more conservative styles.

Sweater dresses cost $40 and come in different shades of the primary colors of red, blue and black.

For those who prefer to be a little more daring, there is a black cotton "tube" top with a purple lace "V" for $17. The matching mini-skirt is $23 and the jacket is $25.

The store also has a beautiful red jumpsuit woven with touches of black threads. The neck is a basic round, but the pants are full and angled, ending at the ankle in a Turkish touch.

Foxmoor also is filled with several party items and some are already marked down 30 percent.

A black jacket with gold collar and cuffs is going for $42. It's polyester, but looks more like a polished cotton with a lighter feel. There is a full black skirt for $45 made of light and gauzy layers, a nice touch in warm, crowded parties.

Cathie Adams, a salesperson at the store, identified a short, black tank dress with sequins as one of the store's most popular items. The dress costs $110.

The most popular colors at Foxmoor are royal blue, fire engine red, forest green, and of course, black.

J.C. Penney features many outfits that a career woman might choose to wear. They are formal, but practical because they can be worn again for other occasions.

One popular item is the angora sweater. The sweaters are featured in several colors, including cream, black, powder blue, baby pink and red. They have seed pearls and small roses sewn on the chest.

The sweater costs $48.

Similar sweaters are sold at Bell's and cost between $118 and $135 and are paired with silk slacks that run...

Bell's, Stephen Shendow, is "predicting a good season," despite reports predicting a slow season for retailers this year, he says. "Everybody's too pessimistic."

Most of the clothing at Bell's is priced a little high for the average college student's budget, but you might want to splurge for the holiday season. A Nolan Miller cream-colored suit is $530. The outfit is appropriate for a professional holiday party but out of reach for most students.

Lazarus has several dresses priced between $50 and $150, but most of its merchandise is not in yet.

"We're going to get more," says Lucille Glover, the manager. "Some people don't want to go way out and are buying on the conservative side of style. They want something dressier than church, but not sequins, so they can use it again."

Sales are good for her store, but "it's not as good as it could be," she says. "We're not doing as well as last year."

Alfred Ney's has only a limited selection and is not expecting more clothing to arrive. Its prices range from $40 to $165. A dress with a black velvet bodice and long sleeves with a lace skirt will run about $162. A matching jacket and skirt of black velvet with gold lace costs just under $300.
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After a snowstorm dumped "tons of snow," Friedman and her family spent their vacation outside sleighriding and sledding. "It was the first time it really felt like Christmas to me," she says. Childhood fantasies played a big role in Christmastime for others. Sophomore Jaci Giffiland's favorite Christmas memory is the year Santa came to visit her personally. "My parents rented one of the department store Santas to come to my house and act like he was stopping by on his way to go deliver everybody's presents," she says. "I was maybe six or seven, and I honestly believed it was him."

Sophomore Leslie Cornelius also thought she met the genuine jolly gift-giver when she was in second grade. "My parents woke us up in the middle of the night to meet him," she says. However, instead of being happy she'd gotten to see Santa, Cornelius says she was mad because she "forgot to ask him if I could be Rudolph and go with him."

Still other students find that their fondest Christmas memories center around what they found under the tree. The pair of wrestling shoes he received when he was seven was just what senior Rob Milavsky had been hoping for. Milavsky, a NCAA qualifier on the JMU wrestling team, says those shoes helped him get involved with the sport. Junior Kerry Kedian's dad gave her a small, black mutt puppy for Christmas one year. "It was so cute, and it was just what I'd wanted," she says. But Christmas the next year wasn't quite so happy, when the dog ran away.

The "coolest" present senior Kevin Willis ever received was a classic Red Ryder BB gun when he was seven. "It's the one thing boys want," he says. "Girls want Barbies, and guys want BB guns."

Junior Christine Dreylinger wanted not only a Barbie doll, but the accompanying penthouse and camper when she was in second grade. "I played with them for weeks after Christmas," she says. "I had practically the entire Barbie set."

It wasn't the getting, but the giving that made Christmas special for junior Carey Falcone when he was four. "I spent hours sitting on a stool making a Christmas-tree shaped card for my mom," he says. "And she loved it. She said it was the nicest thing she got that year."

Wish List

Sophomore Jane Nonnenmacher takes a break from taking pictures as Santa's helper at the Valley Mall to put in her own wishes for Christmas.
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