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Diplomatic window closed

Bush's ultimatum to Hussein marks U.S.'s final effort

BY RON HUTCHESON AND MARTIN MERZER
Knight Ridder Tribune

The United States abandoned diplomacy, and the United Nations suspended weapons inspections Monday as President Bush delivered a final ultimatum to Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein: exile or war, decide within 48 hours.

"The diplomatic window has now been closed," White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said after the administration withdrew its U.N. resolution, suffering a stun-

ning diplomatic defeat. "To avoid military conflict, Saddam Hussein must leave the country."

Administration officials said the president gave Saddam until last night to make his decision.

But Iraqi officials said Saddam would not leave. "He will stay in place like a solid rock," Iraqi Information Minister Mohammed Saeed al-

Sahhaf told the al Jazeera television service.

War appeared to be imminent.

The United States, Britain and Spain at the United Nations — facing certain defeat in the Security Council — announced they would withdraw their resolution setting a deadline for full Iraqi disarmament and authorizing war.

"Obviously, we seem to be at the end of the road here," said U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan.

In Iraq, all 156 U.N.

weapons inspectors and support workers searching for nuclear, biological and chemical weapons were ordered to cross borders to safety.

In the Persian Gulf region, top U.S. and British military commanders fine-tuned strategy. Unit leaders — fearing an early strike by Iraq — placed troops on higher alert. Soldiers at many U.S. bases in the region began carrying full chemical protection gear. About 300,000 U.S. and British

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BRIAN WALSKU/Los Angeles Times
 Sgt. Ken Sutherby, left, shows his rifle with his daughter's name written on it as Cpl. Cameron Gingras looks on.

SGA to hold elections online

BY TONI DUNCAN
contributing writer

Moving with the wave of technology, the Student Government Association and JMU's Information Technology staff have worked together to make online voting possible for the upcoming SGA elections.

"Schools across the state and the entire nation use online voting," SGA President Levar Stoney said. "We need online voting here. This will help cure the problem of low voter turnout because students will find voting online much more convenient."

While this idea has been suggested for a few years, it was the work of Stoney and at-large Senator Matt Taylor, a freshman, that made online voting a reality, according to SGA elections commissioner Lauren Boote, a senior.

The current voter turnout is approximately 12 percent, according to Stoney.

With the unpredictability of weather, online voting has its benefits, Boote said. "For any reason if campus is closed, voting can still take place since mostly everyone can access the Web site from his or her personal computer."

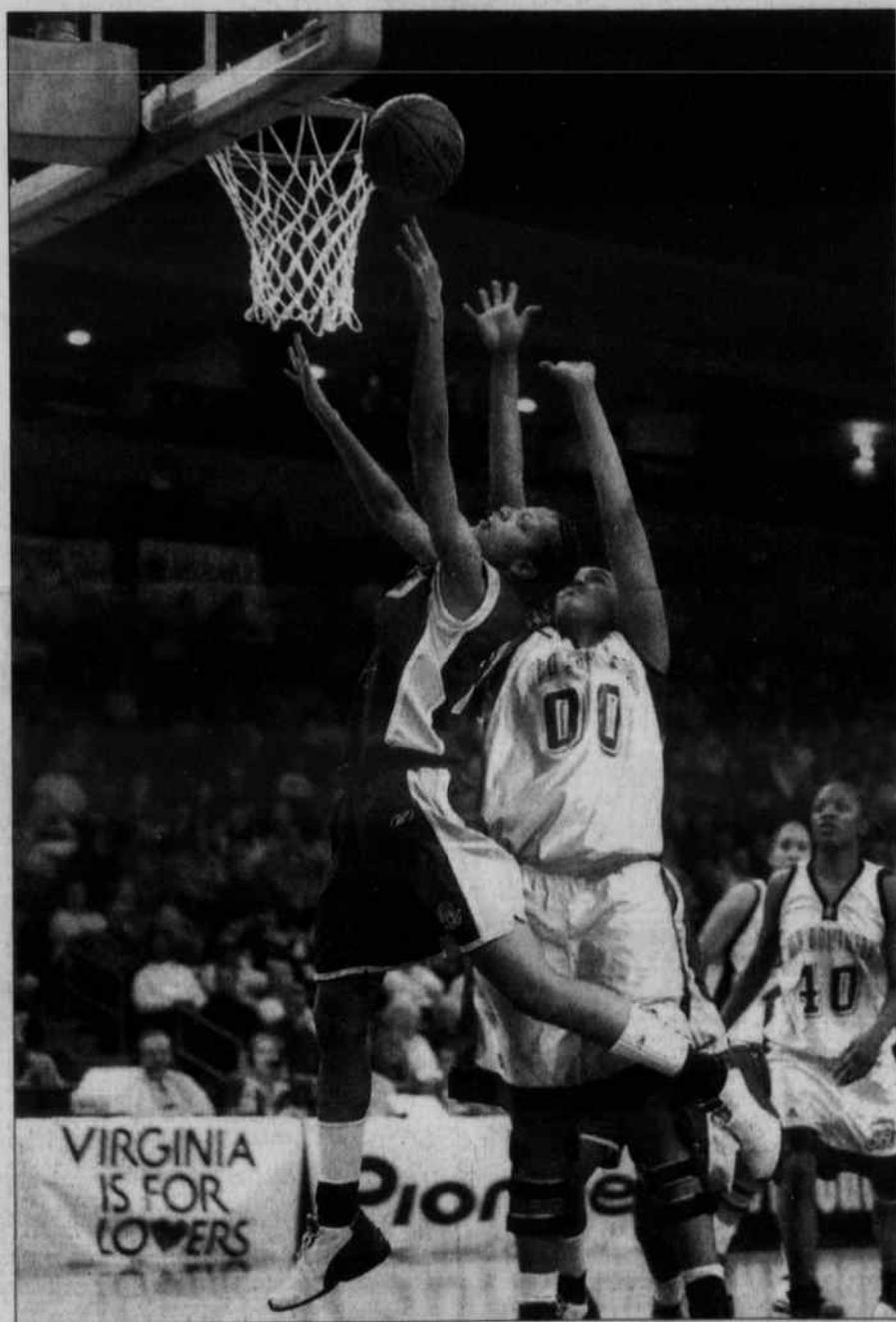
Students will be able to access the online ballot through any computer that is hooked up to the JMU server. There will be no paper ballots this year; however, there will still be stations at Zane Showker Hall, ISAT and the commons where laptops will be provided.

"Students will be required to log in using their JMU ID and password," Taylor said. "Students will be able to select which candidates they would like for each position and will have the option to write in a candidate not listed, [then they] will be asked to confirm their selection and then their ballot will be cast."

To help students better

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Dukes fall shy of CAA Tournament finals



RACHELLE LACROIX/photo editor

Senior forward Chante Alexander goes for a layup in JMU's 71-55 loss to Old Dominion University last Friday in the Women's Colonial Athletic Association Tournament in Norfolk. Alexander gave the Dukes a lift off the bench with 3 points and a block. For more on the Dukes' CAA action against ODU, see Page 17.

Professors to host global education workshop

BY JANELLE DIORIO
staff writer

JMU professors working to enhance international education will be honored at the "Internationalizing JMU: A Day of Professional Development and Celebration" workshop tomorrow from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the College Center.

According to the JMU Global Education Web site, www.jmu.edu/globaled, Doug Brown, provost and vice president of academic affairs and the International Education Leadership Team will host the workshop.

Assistant to the JMU Provost for Global Education Lee Sternberger said speakers from the American Council on Education's Center for Institutional and International Initiatives and the U.S. Department of State will lead a discussion on opportunities and trends within the field of international education.

Sternberger said a specific focus will emphasize how JMU faculty, staff and students can pursue relevant interests and activities.

"Although the workshop is designed primarily for faculty and professional staff, I see this event and the larger initiative of 'internationalization' of paramount importance to the wider JMU community, and certainly to our students," she said.

From 10 to 10:45 a.m. Brown and the International Education Leadership Team will host a coffee reception, followed by an overview of international education at JMU provided by Brown.

"The provost would like to encourage JMU to take a comprehensive approach that allows as many students and faculty to experience other places and points of view as possible through a wide array of programs and opportunities," Sternberger said.

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Learning herbs



MORGAN RIEHL/staff photographer

Herb business owner Cyrus Hyde, left, talks with students during a symposium titled "Rare and Unusual Herbs for the Heirloom Garden" in the College Center March 8.

WVPT offers internship positions

Station looking for interested students 'willing to make a commitment'

BY RENEE KART
staff writer

Internship positions are currently available at WVPT for the spring, summer and fall in areas including education services, corporate communications, production and development.

WVPT is the Shenandoah Valley and Central Virginia's public television station. Interns at WVPT are an integral part of the station, according to volunteer coordinator Barbara Roadcap.

Past interns have come from JMU, Bridgewater College and the University of Virginia, and most have been school of media arts and design or marketing

majors, according to Gail Smith, director of corporate communications at WVPT.

Roadcap said there is no deadline set for when to apply. "We are looking for at least eight to 12 interns for the summer and we are going to try and place everyone," she said.

Andrea Eger-Criscione, corporate communications officer, said, "Interns work directly with the station in an essential position to get the shows on the air. They get first-hand experience to what the student is studying, not desk work."

Students who have interned at WVPT said they were pleased with the experience that intern-

“They get first-hand experience to what the student is studying, not desk work.”

— Andrea Eger-Criscione
 corporate communications officer

ing at WVPT provides. "This is the only internship I've seen with production experience," senior Jack Falke said. "It's not just giving coffee."

WVPT, based in Harrisonburg, uses the students' strengths to put them into their positions, according to Smith. "We want a win-win situation — one that benefits the student as well as the station," Smith said.

The station is looking for students who are interested, willing to make a commitment and learn new things and are not afraid to fill the open positions, Roadcap said.

Interested students should call the station and have a resume prepared. Applicants then are invited to the station

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Thursday, March 20, 2003 DUKE DAYS EVENTS CALENDAR

THURSDAY, MARCH 20

- Vote online for your favorite College of Business professor. Elections will be held through Friday at <http://cob.jmu.edu/sic/vote.htm>.
- Richard King of the U.S. Department of Energy will speak at a forum discussing the growth of the energy-technology sector and the availability of related jobs in ISAT room 256 from 9 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.
- Peter D. Lax of the New York University-Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences will speak on "Mathematics and Computing" at 7 p.m. in ISAT room 159.

FRIDAY, MARCH 21

- The Virginia Wind Energy workshop will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in ISAT room 159. The free event promotes the development and use of wind energy. For more information call Matt Heck at x8-2560 or visit <http://web.jmu.edu/veec>.
- The JMU Philosophy and Religion Colloquia Series continues with College of William and Mary professor Paul Davies. He will speak on "Consciousness and Naturalism" at 3:30 p.m. in Keezell room G-9.

- Dr. Susan Matts of Mary Washington College will speak at a physics seminar from 3:45 to 4:45 p.m. in Miller room 109.
- "Kids Night Out" will take place at UREC from 4:40 to 9:30 p.m. Members of club sports teams are encouraged to come and help with the event.
- Celli Dance Evening will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. in Godwin room 356. The event focuses on Irish dance with other ballroom and international dances included. No experience or partner is needed. Admission is \$5 for the public and \$3 with a JAC card. For more information call x8-6511.

SATURDAY, MARCH 22

- Student assessment makeup day will be held for all students with 45 to 70 earned credits. Visit www.jmu.edu/assessment for testing times and sites.
- The Tri-State Jazz Festival Concert will be held at 4 p.m. in Wilson Hall. Admission is \$2. For more information call x8-3481.

SUNDAY, MARCH 23

- The club tennis team hosts Virginia Tech at noon at the UREC courts.



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POLICE LOG

By SHARON BLEAKNEY
police log reporter

An unknown person set a newspaper on fire in H-lot at 4:11 a.m. March 21.

In other matters, campus police report the following:

Petty Larceny

A JMU student reported the larceny of a JAC card near a UREC basketball court March 1 between 4:30 and 5 p.m.

A JAC card left near a copy machine in Carrier Library was taken March 4 at 8:15 p.m.

A JMU student reported the larceny of a rear license plate from a vehicle in R-1 lot between 7 a.m. on March 4 and 3:55 p.m. on March 6.

A JMU staff member reported the larceny of a parking hangtag in an unknown parking lot March 6 at 10 a.m.

A JMU student reported the larceny of a license plate from a vehicle in R-7 lot March 7 at 2:12 p.m.

A JMU staff member reported the larceny of a parking hangtag from a vehicle in B-lot between 12 p.m. on March 7 and 11:05 a.m. on March 11.

Property Damage

A staff member reported an unknown subject dented a vehicle in Q-lot March 5 between 7:45 a.m. and 12:25 p.m.

A JMU student reported damage to the passenger side area of a vehicle in C-2 lot March 5 between 9:30 a.m. and 1:25 p.m.

Number of drunk in public charges since Aug. 26: 90

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Sunday	Partly Cloudy	53	34
Monday	Showers	59	36

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CORRECTION

The weapons policies of all Virginia public colleges and universities, including JMU's, currently are being challenged. Virginia law does not ban the possession of concealed handguns on any college or university campus, but bans do exist for carrying concealed handguns into courthouses, elementary and secondary schools, churches and federal properties. This information was reported incorrectly in the March 6 issue of The Breeze.

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NEWS

Be prepared

Iraqis flock to stores for supplies in preparation for war with the United States.

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"I have never met a more devoted, dedicated and loving group of people."

KATIE FREIND
sophomore

see story below

Iraq, U.S. prepare for imminent war

Iraqis stock up on food, necessities

BY MICHAEL SLACKMAN AND JOHN DANISZEWSKI
Los Angeles Times

Fearing war could be days away, Iraqis began Monday to stockpile food, tape over windows, load up on fuel and flee Baghdad, Iraq, where fighting is expected to be heaviest.

For all the anxiety and fear gripping the nation, people reacted in a calm, almost rehearsed manner. After decades of war, they know what to do. They waited patiently at gas stations, purchased generators and water pumps, took their money out of banks, and climbed onto buses for the ride out of town.

During the many months of verbal and diplomatic sparring between President Bush and Saddam Hussein, the people of this nation never fully accepted the likelihood that their cities, towns and villages would once again be turned into battlefields. Just last week, it was still viewed by many people as a distant threat.

Not anymore. Parents pulled their children out of school Monday.

Businesses were closing down. College classes were emptying out. Trucks hauled computers and filing cabinets away from ministry buildings. And people began to prepare their personal weapons.

"All the people are very tense," said Abdul Adem, 38,

the owner of a small factory who waited in a long line to fill the tank of his car. "We are like a patient with an incurable disease. ... We are living the worst period now."

By Monday night, cars packed with baggage were leaving the city. Store shelves emptied as people bought out supplies or merchants put away their stock for safekeeping. Caravans of diplomats, journalists and Iraqi citizens headed for the borders with Jordan and Syria. U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan ordered all weapons inspectors and humanitarian workers to get out of the country.

Governments around the world urged their citizens to leave. But for most of Iraq, there was no escaping what lies ahead. The dispute may be between their leaders and the U.S. government, but it is their lives that will be disrupted, their children who will be unable to sleep, their homes that will be in harm's way.

"My daughter asked me, 'Why do they want to kill us?'" Adem said after filling his tank. "She asked 'Why do they want to destroy our school?' I am perplexed. I don't know how to answer."

At Baghdad Technological University, many students were leaving for their hometowns outside the city, while others began to stock up on supplies. Their hopes of finish-

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AMMAR ABD RABBO/Abaca Press

An Iraqi woman looks over small pollution masks at a market in Baghdad, Iraq. Iraqi people were stocking up on supplies, such as containers to store water and oil, candles and the masks, as they prepare for a possible war with the United States.

Alternative Spring Break trips open student opportunities

BY KHALIL GARRIOTT
news editor

A nationally recognized program at JMU recently gave about 300 students the chance to make a difference in the lives of others.

While some students packed up and went to popular places such as Cancun, Mexico, Panama City, Fla. and the Bahamas, hundreds of others participated in Alternative Spring Breaks.

"ASB trips open your eyes to so many things you never knew about before so you have a better understanding of life as well as of other people," junior Kelley Boom said. Boom went on a trip to Kansas City, Mo. that focused on helping the homeless.

Participants in ASB each paid at least \$225 to volunteer their Spring Break as counselors, teachers, tutors, cooks and other service roles.

Last week, 26 different trips visited locations varying from 13 states across the United States to Puerto Rico and Jamaica. ASB, now in its 10th year of existence at JMU, was named "1998 Program of the Year" by Break Away, a national organization that promotes community serv-

ice by college students.

"JMU's program is unique because it incorporates all types of people into service," said junior Tito Espinosa, co-coordinator of ASB. Espinosa said one feature of the ASB program at JMU is that participants don't have to apply to go on a trip like at some other schools.

Espinosa said, "The program is beneficial for students because they get an opportunity to challenge themselves towards a goal with a team. They get to learn the joy of service and important life lessons."

All trips were student-led and consisted of 11 to 20 active participants, including a JMU faculty or staff member who serves as a learning partner, according to Rich Harris, associate director of Community Service-Learning. CS-L is part of Educational Support Programs, the office that oversees and supervises the ASB program.

Senior Kristen Bertram, ASB co-coordinator, said the learning partners add "a mature influence and 'teachable moments' to the trips.

"Students learn so much

“ASB trips open your eyes ... so you have a better understanding of life ...”

— Kelley Boom
junior

about themselves and take that energy and transfer it back to the JMU and Harrisonburg communities," Bertram said.

Harris emphasized that each trip is planned, organized and led entirely by students.

"A distinguishing feature of the program is that students must do all the legwork, including originating and planning the trips, contacting service organizations in communities where they [worked] and recruiting fellow students for each trip's team of volunteers," Harris said in a March 4 news release from JMU

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Students present research at Colonial Student Symposium

BY DAN GIBSON-REINEMER
contributing writer

Thirteen JMU students attended the first annual Colonial Student Symposium held March 1 at George Mason University in Fairfax. The symposium featured presentations by students on undergraduate research conducted at schools in the Colonial Academic Alliance.

According to the Office of Sponsored Programs, student research in a variety of areas was on display, including papers on hip-hop graffiti, sleep deprivation in college students and butterfly distribution in Ghana.

Leaders at the schools within the conference held the meeting to emphasize the academic and athletic achievements of students at their schools.

"I think it's good to bring schools that compete athletically together for an academic purpose," said senior Lindsay Mahony, who presented a paper

entitled "The Effects of Health Message Framing on Food Choices in Restrained and Unrestrained Eaters." Mahony added, "I really enjoyed just walking around and seeing what people from other schools were interested in."

Senior Elizabeth Franges, who presented her paper "Don't You Smell Sexy: Effects of Fragrance on Attraction and Mood," said, "I definitely think it was worthwhile and something I would do again."

JMU students and faculty members appreciated the attention given to undergraduate research. "Research is not finished until it is presented and published," biology professor James Herrick said. He emphasized the importance of not only the research itself, but the process of preparing the results of research for professional audiences.

"It's really critical for students if they are going on to graduate schools to have research

presentations beyond the walls of JMU," said psychology professor Monica Reis-Bergan.

Herrick and Reis-Bergan are advisors to students who presented at the symposium. They wanted to encourage students to become involved in undergraduate research at JMU. Many of the students at the GMU conference from JMU were presenting research that they had done for a senior honors project in the Honors Program.

“... It's good to bring schools that compete athletically together for an academic purpose.”

— Lindsay Mahony
senior

JMU honor fraternity wins award at national convention

BY KHALIL GARRIOTT
news editor

Phi Sigma Pi, a national co-educational honor fraternity, was awarded the Joseph Torchia Outstanding Chapter Award at the organization's national convention last November.

"I believe in everything Phi Sigma Pi represents and find fulfillment in everything the organization does," sophomore Katie Freind said.

JMU's Beta Rho chapter of Phi Sigma Pi won the annual award, which is given to the chapter that best fulfills the core values upon which the organization was built.

"Phi Sigma Pi is an organization that holds itself together through scholarship, leadership and fellowship," junior Krista Russo said. "I am so fortunate to be part of this dynamic and diverse group of people."

Torchia, a 1951 inductee into

“Winning the Torchia Award recognizes that we exemplify this tripod to the fullest.”

— Krista Russo
junior

Phi Sigma Pi, has received many national honors, including a chapter service key and several plaques recognizing his contributions to the fraternity.

"Winning the Torchia Award recognizes that we exemplify this tripod to the fullest," Russo said, adding that the chapter currently has about 100 members.

Phi Sigma Pi, which was founded in 1916 in Warrensburg, Mo., is headquartered in

Lancaster, Pa. The fraternity currently endorses 99 national chapters and boasts more than 4,000 active members and over 20,000 alumni. According to a release from the Phi Sigma Pi national headquarters, the chapter was founded at JMU in 1995, and this is the first year it has won the Torchia Award.

"Joining Phi Sigma Pi is without a doubt one of the best decisions I have made in my life," Freind said. "I have never met a more devoted, dedicated and loving group of people."

JMU students who have cumulative grade-point averages of at least 3.0 and at least three semesters remaining are eligible to rush Phi Sigma Pi. Information about the JMU chapter of Phi Sigma Pi can be found online at www.jmu.edu/orgs/phisigmapi. More information on the fraternity can be found at its Web site, www.phisigmapi.org.



PHOTO COURTESY OF JEN BEDNARZ

Oksana Stanislavskva, left, and sophomore Lauren Stillwell work on assembling a wheelbarrow last week in Daytona Beach, Fla. JMU sponsored 26 different Alternative Spring Break trips this year.

IRAQ: War preparations begin on brink of U.S. attack

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ing the school year seemed to slip away. At the moment, what concerned them most was access to food and water.

"We will pray and read the Koran," said Ahmed Hassan, a 19-year-old electrical engineering student. "We will ask God to end it peacefully. We have faith. We can face it."

Bassam Salin, 34, runs a one-room office-supply shop across from the university. It has provided him with a livelihood for 15 years, so he has taken precautions to safeguard it. He has welded a steel wall over the storefront to protect against bombs and looters. That was the easy part.

"You have to be calm, especially if you have a wife and children," he said. "Even if you are tired and worried, you can't show your family."

If the Iraqis have come to terms with the inevitability of war, they are not at all certain why it has come to this. They hear talk of weapons of mass destruction and U.N. resolutions, but they look at their impoverished, rundown nation and wonder how it could present a threat to Americans.

"I would like to ask you a

question," said Sattar Mahdi, 39, who was looking to buy a used Toyota at an open-air car market on the outskirts of Baghdad. "What's the goal of the Americans? Why are they coming here?" Yunis Dawood, 50, who had just sold a used van at the market, asked: "Do people in America like war?"

The car market is not a place where Iraq's elite and moneyed set go in search of a vehicle. It is a place for the working poor. The men swarming through this lot are mostly Shiite Muslims, members of a sect that represents the majority of Iraq's population. Iraq, however, is ruled by Sunni Muslims.

Men at the market suggested that the U.S. threat has united Iraqis in a way that Saddam's ironfisted government never could. There was no one here lionizing the president, as Iraqis tend to do in discussions with foreign journalists. But there was a lot of talk of defending one's home, and honor, and country.

While most people were hoping to flee a conflict, scores of Arab volunteers at the Baghdad Military Academy said they welcomed a war with the United States as a way to fight imperialism and

defend Islam. Saying they represented almost every Arab country and Muslims from other parts of the globe, they told of traveling by bus, car and airplane to volunteer to fight alongside Iraqi soldiers.

"Our hearts are filled with faith, and we don't fear anything," said a Tunisian fighter, Mohammed Ali, 30. "Iraq is threatened by the big Satan America, and we all as one people will act together."

A Saudi, Abu Walid, 53, said he left behind his shop in the kingdom's Eastern Province to fight because he feels the United States is bent on dominating the Arab world.

"Mr. Saddam Hussein is now our last chance," Walid said. "This man is the last fort for the Arab countries to stand against imperialism. If Iraq is lost, that means that the rest of Arab countries are lost, too."

Iraqi Lt. Col. Ali Salman, an officer at the academy speaking to a journalist, said he had heard that U.S. Secretary of State Colin L. Powell had said that American soldiers would be welcomed by Iraqis with music.

"We have music," he promised grimly. "But it is not the piano. It will be bombs, bombs, bombs."

Take the next Exit



MORGAN RIEHL / staff photographer
Exit 245 member Brian King, a sophomore, speaks at Tuesday's SGA meeting. He requested funding for sound system upgrades and live recording equipment. The new system will be available for all JMU a capella groups to use.

ASB: Trips build relationships

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media relations.

The 50 trip leaders began preparing last October, attending weekly meetings each Monday to learn how to lead and motivate a group of volunteers. Leadership principles and tips on how to perform service work were among the skills taught at the training meetings, according to junior Jen Bednarz, co-leader of the trip to Daytona Beach, Fla.

"At first I questioned the value of some of the training sessions throughout the year, but once I actually went on my trip I could see how useful the sessions were in preparing us for the week," Bednarz said.

Several students said the experiences they had through ASB will last a lifetime.

Junior Tina Dolenti, co-leader of the trip to Turpentine

Creek Wildlife Refuge in Eureka Springs, Ark., said, "The most rewarding part of the trip was when our group was told that the work that we had done over the week had put the refuge a month ahead of schedule and that we gave four tigers a new home."

Junior Katie Broadhurst, who co-led the Arkansas trip with Dolenti, said, "I could not have asked for a better group of people to have this experience with. Our group meshed well right from the beginning, and by the end of the week we had all made 11 new friends for life."

Boom said, "It's amazing how much you learn from being on any of these trips."

The locations of some domestic trips this year ranged from ones as far as Eureka, Kansas, California and Detroit, Mich., to closer places like Washington,

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For many students this is the beginning of many changes that affect the rest of their lives ...

— Kristen Bertram senior

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D.C. and Baltimore, Md. Various activities performed by ASB groups included environmental work, health care, housing construction, youth programs and crisis response.
"For many students this is the beginning of many changes that affect the rest of their lives—that is truly the most amazing part of the program," Bertram said.

Economics makes the world go 'round

JMU economics professor J. Barkley Rosser Jr. presented a lecture titled "The Rise and Fall of Catastrophe Theory Applications in Economics: Was the Baby Thrown Out with the Bathwater?" March 6 in Zane Showker Hall. This lecture was part of the Economics Seminar Series.



MORGAN RIEHL / staff photographer

Ask the Dietician

BY MICHELE CAVOTO, RD

Question: I have been on every diet there is. I'm afraid that years of dieting may have lowered my metabolism. Is there anything I can do to get it back to normal?

Response: If you think about metabolism as the number of calories you're burning at any given moment, then your metabolic rate is how fast your body is burning those calories. The rate will be higher when you are exercising than when you are chillin on the couch!

Your metabolic needs start with the resting metabolic rate (RMR) - the number of calories the body burns simply to stay in business. It takes lots of calories to keep organs functioning and cells in constant repair - about 1200 calories a day for the average woman and 1400 calories a day for the average man. The calories we need to do more than simply exist are added to the baseline needs of the RMR. An average person needs between 2000-2600 calories/day and an athlete may need as much as 4000-4500 calories/day.

You stated that you have a dieting history. Low calorie diets are a sure-fire way to lower your metabolism. And each diet we go on teaches our body to adapt better for the next diet, to survive on less calories. People on low calorie diets burn about 30% fewer calories a day than non-dieters. A key to keeping your metabolism up is to eat at regular intervals during the day.

One question I'm often asked is, "How often should I eat?" Skipping or under-eating meals can cause a drop in metabolism and often triggers you to overeat later in the day. Fasting only encourages your body to become fatter. I usually recommend eating four, five, or six times a day. Eating smaller, more frequent mini-meals throughout the day is an eating pattern that provides more energy, a more stable blood sugar, helps control binges and deters overeating, stimulates your metabolism and helps with weight management.

Of course, making good food choices and minimizing those foods that truly should be eaten only on occasion will help with weight management as well. It's not rocket science to know that potato chips are not a vegetable and beer is not a serving from the grain group!

Another way to increase your metabolism is with exercise, but that topic is best left to the experts in that field

To acknowledge March as National Nutrition Month, I'll be writing a weekly column to address "hot" topics in Nutrition. To suggest a topic, email me at cavotomg@jmu.edu

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Students at Duke University watch President Bush's speech on television Monday night in Durham, N.C.

IRAQ: Bush offers ultimatum to Hussein during address

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troops are massed in the area. In the United States, authorities have elevated the terror threat level to high (orange) from elevated (yellow). The FBI was preparing to shift thousands of agents to counter-terrorism duties and to interview thousands of Iraqi immigrants.

In New York City, officials disclosed a security plan called "Operation Atlas" that would boost police patrols on ferries, subways and other forms of mass transit just after bombing begins in Iraq. In Washington, D.C., surveillance cameras and other special security measures were in place.

In Washington, Senate Democratic Leader Tom Daschle of South Dakota said Bush "failed so miserably at diplomacy that we're now forced to war."

In Britain, a senior member of Prime Minister Tony Blair's cabinet resigned in protest over the prospect of war. "In principle, I believe it is wrong to embark on military action without broad international support," said Robin Cook, a former foreign secretary who had been serving as the government's leader in the House of Commons.

Members of Blair's own Labor Party made plans for an antiwar vote in Parliament on

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Tuesday, as protesters briefly blocked the avenue outside Blair's official residence at No. 10 Downing Street.

In Turkey, government leaders — noting the apparent inevitability of war — said they now were ready to end weeks of delay and might vote swiftly to allow 62,000 U.S. troops to use Turkish soil as a staging area for a northern invasion of Iraq.

In Israel, citizens stocked up on gas masks, bottled water, tape, plastic wrap and other supplies in case the government instructs them to spend the first hours of war in special rooms sealed against poisoned gas.

The looming war claimed its first casualties in Israel: An Israeli-Arab woman and two teen-age sons suffocated overnight in their home after

sleeping in an improperly sealed room heated with a coal burner that sucked the oxygen out of the air.

Germany, Pakistan, India, China, Greece and many other nations told diplomats and other citizens to leave Iraq. Many U.S. and other news organizations ordered reporters, photographers and other staffers out of Baghdad.

Mohammed Aldouri, Iraq's ambassador to the United Nations, said his country was preparing for a "war of aggression by the United States and Britain."

In Baghdad, shoppers lined up for gasoline and bread, and many residents taped their windows.

In northern Kurdish areas of Iraq, a wholesale evacuation was under way. Thousands of Iraqi Kurds, frightened by the possibility of chemical and nerve gas attacks, jammed roads leading out of the city of Irbil.

"We certainly expect Saddam to use chemical gas on us," Jihad Shuker said. "Irbil could easily become another Halabja."

Five thousand people died in the Kurdish town of Halabja after it was gassed by Saddam's forces in 1998. Saddam no longer controls Irbil, the capital of Iraqi Kurdistan, but the city remains within reach of his mortars and missiles.

VOTING: SGA goes online

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understand candidates and their platform, "Students will visit the Web site and be able to view comprehensive information about candidates provided by the candidates," Taylor said.

Candidates will also be able to create links to their own campaign Web site if they have one.

The transition from written ballots to online voting has been done with ease due to the support of the information technology department, Stoney said. "I have a lot of faith in the IT department. Students won't be allowed to vote twice because they have to use their password and there is no way students can vote early."

Efforts have been made to ensure that the voting is secured. According to Taylor, since the information is on the

JMU SecureWeb server, all the information will be encrypted so a third party cannot read it. Secondly, only people connected to the server will be able to vote and the IT staff will be monitoring the site during the voting hours. However, "should any malicious activity occur, JMU IT should be able to track it since it will have been someone within the JMU network," Taylor added.

Many students have reservations about JMU's server, due to class registration problems. However, Stoney said, "There should not be any problems with the system crashing because the system won't be used to the magnitude that e-campus is."

According to SGA Director of Communications Tom Culligan, a sophomore, "There really has-

n't been any big challenge. We have had a very cooperative and supportive administration. This will actually save money and time. We are borrowing the laptops from the library and in the past we had to use scantrons, which was a waste of paper."

Another benefit to the online voting is that the results will be more accurate, Culligan added. The results of the election will also be available faster than previous years.

Major elections are April 3 and Class Council/Run-Off Elections are April 10, with stations at Zane Showker Hall, ISAT and the commons from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Online voting from personal computers and labs are from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. According to Taylor, as the elections get closer, the voting Web site will be announced.

WORKSHOP: JMU offers global learning

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At noon, Christa Olson from the Internationalization Collaborative of the American Council on Education will present a keynote address, "The Meaning of Internationalization for Higher Education Today."

The Web site stated Olson will also discuss the benefits, opportunities and methods of "internationalizing" the curricula, as well as strategies for overcoming potential barriers. The Web site also stated Brown will give a presentation at this time, noting the work of faculty and staff who already have made a commitment to international education.

Following the keynote address, David Levin from the U.S. Department of State will present "Demystifying, Pursuing and Obtaining a Fulbright."

Fulbright grants are awarded from two months to one year in duration to faculty and professionals for lecturing and research in more than 120 countries, according to International Resources and Opportunities for Faculty Web site, www.jmu.edu/international/resources/faculty.

WVPT: Internships offered

WVPT, from page 1

where a mini-interview is conducted to see if the student is interested, according to Roadcap.

"We have never had a reason to turn down students because of their quality and dedication. We take a real teamwork approach here at the station," Roadcap said.

Junior SMAD major Sarah Lapierre said she has benefited tremendously from being an intern at WVPT. "I have interned with WVPT all year, and because of that experience I feel much more confident in my area of study and more prepared for my future," Lapierre said.

Interns work on shows where they work on cameras and in the control room, answer phone calls for the show and eventually can direct a show, according to Lapierre. One reason students are interested in interning at WVPT is for its resume-building qualities, according to junior Lisa Clarke.

"Interning here (at WVPT) gives me hours that I need for practicum classes and might help me to land a job in the future," she said.

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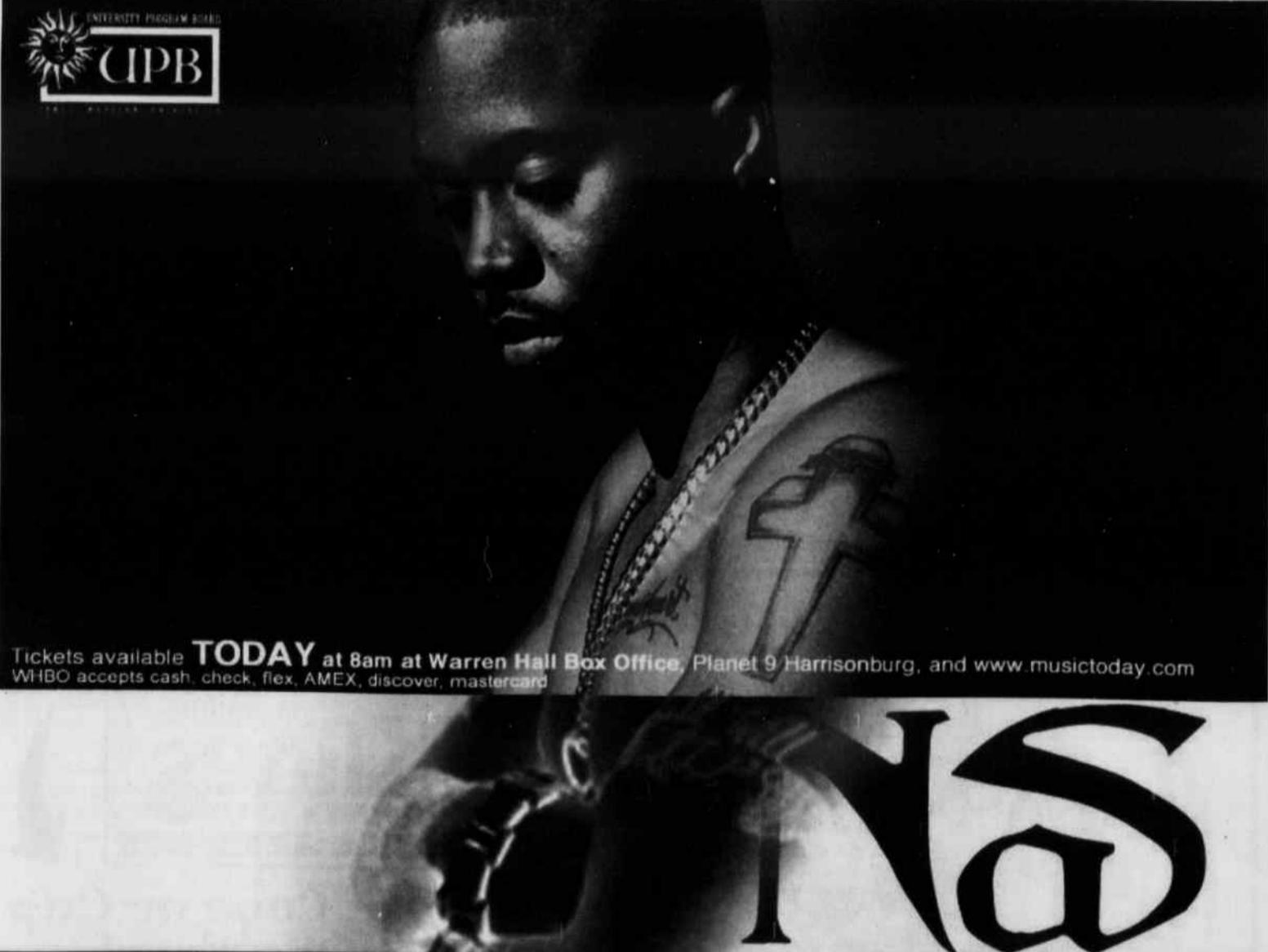
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OPINION

Bush had to navigate a minefield in which one misstep could mean alienating an important section of his audience.

Christians sometimes get into the idea, "my God is better than yours."

FLETCHER WELLS
senior

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HOUSE EDITORIAL

Presidential speech style strong, regardless of content

No matter what their positions regarding the impending war with Iraq, Americans agreed that President George W. Bush's speech Monday night made headway in rallying support for his administration's campaign against Saddam Hussein.

Bush addressed the world on national television, issuing an ultimatum that Hussein and his sons must leave Iraq within 48 hours in order to avoid war. In effect, it was prelude to a conflict that the Bush administration has seemed heart-set on since the end of the Gulf War over a decade ago.

Dissension to possible conflict with Iraq has been strident in recent months, both in the United States and abroad. For example, on a day of international protest of possible hostilities with Hussein's regime, more than 200,000 Americans assembled on the National Mall in Washington, D.C. Jan. 18.

Amid tenuous relations with nations opposed to war and the domestic anti-war faction, Bush set about on thin ice Monday night to rally the world to what he called the United States using its "sovereign authority to use force in assuring its own national security."

With so many diverse eyes on his next move — American dissenters and supporters, international allies and opponents and the Iraqi government and its people — Bush responded successfully to the needs and concerns of each group. Bush had to navigate a minefield in which one misstep could mean alienating an important section of his audience. Tuesday Bush awoke to support for conflict with Iraq up 12 percent in the United States, according to a *Washington Post-ABC News* poll conducted Monday night. Support for war with Iraq stood at 71 percent according to the poll, up from 59 percent two weeks ago.

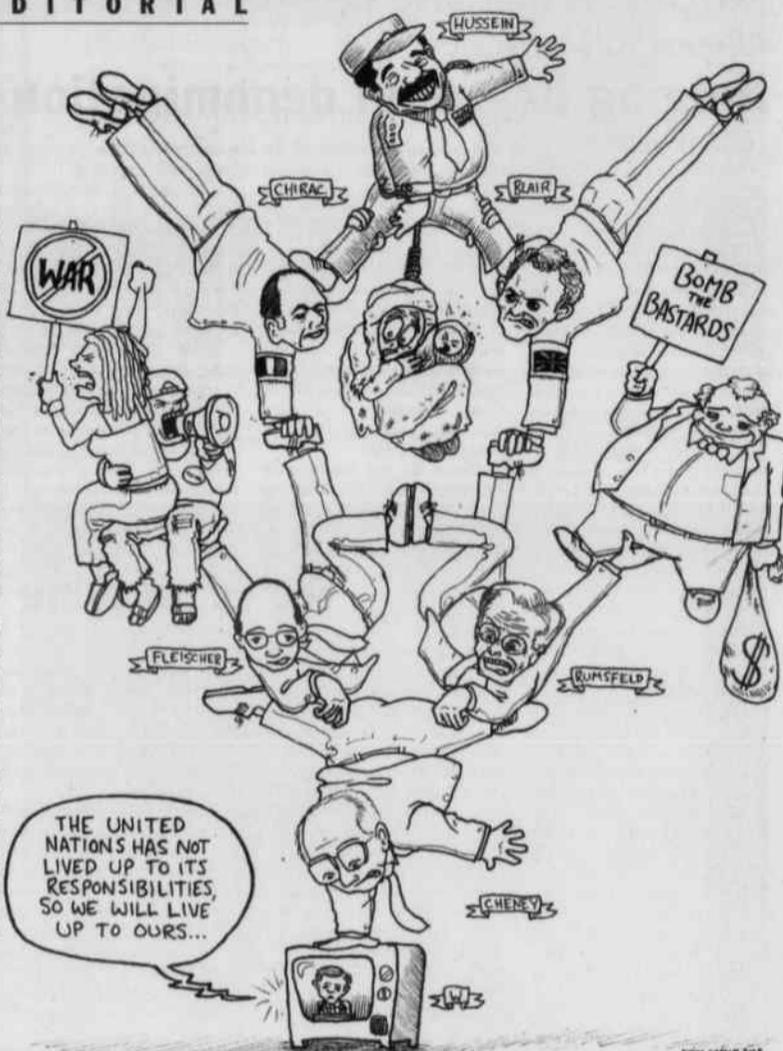
Bush laid out the United Nations' 12-year history of diplomacy with Iraq and what he considers to be a possible threat of terrorism from Hussein's regime as now necessitating the use of force. He made a clear effort not to alienate the United Nations, which has, as a whole, not been supportive of his plan for war.

However, while Bush said, "we believe in the mission of the United Nations," and emphasized past U.N. resolutions urging Iraq to disarm, he said its efforts have fallen short. "The

United Nations Security Council has not lived up to its responsibilities, so we will rise to ours," he said.

Additionally, a seemingly simple message to the people of Iraq that, "the day of your liberation is near," was just as much intended for an international audience wary of the implications of military conflict with Iraq. With information under tight control and filtered by the anti-American Hussein regime, there could be no guarantee that any citizen of Iraq would receive Bush's assurances. The excerpt aimed at the Iraqis also appealed to humanitarian concerns in that Bush promised, "we will deliver the food and medicine you need ... In a free Iraq there will be no more wars of aggression against your neighbors, no more poison factories, no more executions of dissidents, no more torture chambers and rape rooms."

A president who at times has stumbled and barged his way through relations with the international community and those of dissenting opinion domestically, Bush responded effectively Monday night in rallying at least some American support for a controversial war of preventive action.



Darts & Pats

Darts & Pats are submitted anonymously and printed on a space-available basis. Submissions are based upon one person's opinion of a given situation, person or event and do not necessarily reflect the truth.

E-mail darts and pats to breezejp@hotmail.com

Pat...

A "you-look-like-Anime-come-to-life" pat to the girl at UREC who's always chewing on her towel.

From a guy who'd like to help you with that oral fixation.

Dart...

A "just-because-half-your-students-failed-your-test-doesn't-mean-we-didn't-study," dart to a certain ISAT professor.

From a student who feels that it's not a reflection of how much we put into your test but more on your inability to be an effective teacher.

Pat...

A "thanks-for-brightening-my-days-with-your-breathtaking-smiles" pat to the girl who sits on the right side of the room in my film genres course.

From a most grateful sophomore whose Tuesdays and Thursdays are that much better after he sees your electric smile and hopes to get to know you better.

Dart...

A "leave-me-alone-and-let-me-eat-my-hamburger-and-fries" dart to the health nuts around campus who care way too much about counting calories.

From a graduate student who thinks instant gratification isn't such a bad thing once in a while, and the salad bar is all yours.

Pat...

A "thanks-for-becoming-an-inspiration-in-the-lives-of-thousands-of-children-with-catastrophic-diseases" pat to the volunteers, staff and teams that participated in the second annual Up 'til Dawn all-night event on campus.

From a member of the executive staff who couldn't be prouder of the JMU community and hopes you will all continue to serve the cause in coming years.

Dart...

An "I-hate-you-because-you're-6-inches-taller-than-me" dart to my towering co-worker who beat me in a game of one-on-one the other day.

Sent in by a vertically disadvantaged player who likes his chances if you were his height.

Words, Words, Words Common phrases can get lost in translation

JesOlivo



As a society, we need to take more responsibility for our words and grammar.

Proper spoken English in America is dying a slow and painful death, and it seems as if it's contagious. Written English is beginning to show symptoms of the same hideous disease. Fairly soon there will be two identical gravestones added to the cemetery of world languages. Perhaps we can get them nice plots near spoken Latin and Ancient Greek. Even better, we could try to find a cure for such an insidious disease and save both written and spoken English before it's too late. The first step is acknowledging that the problem exists — a task that is already underway.

I recently received an e-mail filled with humorous advice for writing English papers. Among the long list, my favorite tidbit warns, "avoid clichés like the plague." While the list was meant to be funny, a lot of it was good advice to consider. It mostly covered popular grammatical errors that are often made in essays. This e-mail got me thinking about all the ways I've misused the English language — grammatically and otherwise. There's so much more to language than where to place a period, and every day we become more and more set in our bad habits.

A little over a year ago I was approached by two of my friends who obviously had been arguing about this subject for some time. One asked me if I thought it was correct to say the phrase "for all intensive purposes." Without thinking about it I answered yes and the second girl smiled with an I-told-you-so grin. "No," said the first girl, "I swear it's for all intents and purposes." I shook my head, misunderstanding her. "Intense and purposes? Intense isn't a noun — that doesn't even make sense!" Finally a third girl came upon the discussion. "No, it's intents — I-n-t-e-n-t-s." Everything suddenly became very clear to me.

waiting for a friend to meet me for lunch. When she arrived late, I scolded her only to be told, "I'm not at your beck and call!" Beck and call? Beck and call? But I've always said, "Beckon call." Well, I being the English major and she the mere spoken Latin and Ancient Greek. Even better, we could try to find a cure for such an insidious disease and save both written and spoken English before it's too late. The first step is acknowledging that the problem exists — a task that is already underway. I found that the work "beck" means "a summons" and the phrase "beck and call" means "willingly obedient."

How was I to reconcile being so horribly misinformed for so long? I hadn't been misusing the English language on purpose; it was just a case of repeating what I had heard. In both cases what I had been saying and the actual phrase sounded very much alike. Just think of all the absent-minded mistakes we make every day simply from misinterpreting the words we hear.

Oral communication may be the biggest cause of improper English with Americans, especially young Americans. So much of our vocabulary and grammar comes from hearing, not seeing the words. Television may not be consistently using improper English, but without being able to see the words, we let them go in and out of our brains without looking them up or questioning if they are being used properly. The casual communication involved with e-mail and AOL Instant Messenger adds to the problem even further. The only time we can pick up good literary habits is by reading and becoming involved in the visual aspects of the words. Unfortunately, reading is not as widely popular as it once was.

In another instance, I was

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"I saw some drunk naked kids dancing an Irish jig."

Annie Foster
freshman, biology



"I went to a concert and I don't remember which one it was."

Laura Smallfield
freshman, economics



BRIAN COKER/senior photographer



"I got buzzed by two Hornets (jets) on a ski lift."

Patrick Ryan
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"I saw a duck sniffing a cow's butt on the side of the road."

Megan Phipps
senior, SMAD

Topic: What the izzo is the craziest thing you saw or did on break?

Breeze Reader's View

Judging based on denomination ineffective

FletcherWells

A couple of weeks ago I had the pleasure of hearing Oz Guinness speak on this campus. It was nice to hear a man taught in the Anglican Tradition expound upon the topic of faith. Guinness touched on seeking and challenging your faith—in effect, making your spirituality personal and meaningful. These ideas are the very theology that I grew up with in the Episcopal Church—the American version of Anglicanism.

Days later I found an advertisement in the Feb. 20 issue of *The Breeze* quoting C.S. Lewis. It read, "Jesus Christ was a liar. Either that or a complete raving lunatic. Oh yeah, there's one other option (and only one): He was, and is God, just as he claimed. ... If the claim was false, then either Jesus knew that, or he didn't. If it was false and he knew it, then by his intentional deception he has scammed the world with the greatest hoax ever conceived. Liars don't tend to make particularly good moral teachers. If, on the other hand, he honestly was convinced in his own mind that he was God (and wasn't) then it's pretty clear that he was a lunatic. ... The only remaining possibility, as implausible as it sounds, is that the claim was true: Jesus really is God. He really does love you. And he really can forgive your sins."

Again I love the fact that we

as a campus are embracing the thought of the Anglican Tradition, because C.S. Lewis was a good God-fearing Anglican Church member.

You can imagine my surprise then, when I learned that Campus Crusade for Christ was sponsoring the speaker and this very advertisement. Here is a community of young men and women so fervently embracing non-denominational worship of Christ bringing in a very denominational speaker and thought into play.

Please do not misinterpret my point—I am not attacking any of the non-denominational faith groups on this campus. Rather I am trying to cast a light on "rooted personal faith."

If I consider Guinness' point of seeking, questioning, finding the answers and applying them to my life, then my faith inevitably would be different than the person journeying with Christ reading this column. That however does not make my faith any less valid than yours. You and I as separate people have different thinking. Yet we still are able to come to share in a similar view of the world.

I find it interesting that we as a collective humanity can agree on something as big as the world. But when it comes to an idea of faith shared by a relatively small collective of Christians, we are willing to fight tooth and nail over the

translation of a single word, in the name of meaning.

Christians sometimes get into the idea, "my God is better than yours." We miss the point—we as the body of Christ should come together and celebrate our love of the Lord. At the same time we need to embrace our differences, not chastise them. The hardest thing for Christianity is not evangelism. It is ecumenism. We as the body of Christ lost sight of our fellowship to one another in the name of adding sheep to the flock. Christ told the parable of the lost sheep, "If a shepherd had 100 sheep and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the other 99 on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? And if he finds it, truly I tell you he rejoices over it more than over the 99 that never went astray." (Matthew 18:12b-13). We as the body of Christ have gone astray from one another. Imagine the celebration if we were to find one another, in the common bond of the shepherd.

Finding your personal theology, however, does not allow you to go "willy nilly" and borrow other religions. An eclectic personal theology can be fractured. This is where I feel some of the faith groups on campus are lacking. They sacrifice continuity for instant gratification. This line of thought is peachy up until the first crisis experi-

ence of faith happens—here your faith could be stripped away. If you have a firm foundation, you are able to conquer the crisis and consequently grow in faith.

Some people would have you believe that the only way to have a firm foundation in faith is through an extremely "literal" interpretation of the Bible. I am going to let you in on a little secret: Without interpretation there would be very little Christianity. Even the gospel writers found reason for interpretation. They knew that if the Gospels did not relate to the people around them, the people would simply discredit them. Certain groups claim that there is only one way to understand the Bible, in other words their way of understanding is the only way. Here is a group of people based on a faith that strives to incorporate all, yet is so narrow minded that it alienates a great number.

Your faith needs to transcend gratification. Ultimately, you must push past the shallow relationships that many are willing to give in the name of Christ on this campus. Forge new and meaningful relationships based on your faith. These are the friendships that will last past your college years—these relationships will transcend this lifetime.

Fletcher Wells is a senior chemistry major.

PHRASES: Misused

PHRASES, from page 7

As a society, we need to take more responsibility for our words and grammar. If people do not know exactly what a word or phrase means, they should be forced to look it up before ever using it again. Television and movies should also be responsible for using correct English except when it is necessary for a character to speak improperly. High schools should also put more emphasis on grammar rather than assuming that students learn all they need before they reach grade nine. In my experience, I could

have used a few more lessons on punctuation and word use rather than squeezing as many books as possible into the year.

So will it be R.I.P. proper English? It's hard to say at this point. While welts of "like" and "um" are growing bigger every day, we can only hope that English teachers and society at large will keep working on the vaccine against carelessness. Until then, I'll be at the beck and call of anyone who wants to help save the English language.

Jes Olivo is a senior English major.

Don't stop the madness

AdamSharp

March is a terrible month. I still have to plod through seven weeks of classes before I can start my summer. The weather alternates between balmy temperatures and falling snowflakes. March doesn't have much going for it.

What it does have, though, is March Madness. The NCAA men's basketball tournament is the best part of the year. Suspense, drama, passion, heartache, exhilaration—and that's just the people watching the games. Teams battle for pride and glory. Players and coaches struggle for immortality. At the end, college students from the victorious school destroy their community in a hedonistic orgy of violence and anarchy. March Madness is the perfect embodiment of the American spirit.

Now the NCAA is considering postponing the men's tournament because of the impending war with Iraq. That idea is absurd. America's pastime, Major League Baseball, was not canceled during World War

II, which was a much larger struggle and one that threatened the survival of world freedom much more than this war ever will.

If the events of Sept. 11, 2001 created a nation of wimps and weaklings, then Osama bin Laden has completely destroyed the American spirit. I want to enjoy my sports defiantly without regard to world events. I care nothing for Saddam Hussein or George W. Bush, but I am intensely interested in Arizona's Luke Walton and Texas' T.J. Ford. I will disregard Tom Brokaw and Dan Rather, but I consider Dick Vitale to be the Oracle at Delphi, baby. Following sports is my escape from reality and I will defend it passionately.

If some call this a defense of bread and circuses, so be it. I am an American male. I fear nothing but losing my cable and the office pool. The games must go on. Our national identity is at stake.

Adam M. Sharp is a sophomore modern foreign languages major.

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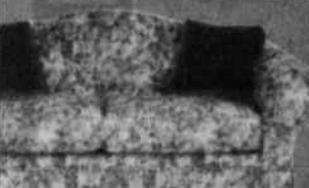
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Aries March 21-April 19

Today is a 7 - A person who once opposed you may soon see your point of view. Entice them rather than beating them over the head with it. You'll get more points that way.

Taurus April 20-May 20

Today is a 7 - You've got talent, so why not exploit it? Sure, there's work involved. It's good for you to stay busy. Take advantage of the opportunity.

Gemini May 21-June 21

Today is a 6 - At first you may only want to languish in luxury, but later you'll get down to work. Take on a tough assignment. You're getting stronger.

Cancer June 22-July 22

Today is a 6 - You'll soon be able to apply lessons recently learned. Take courage. Even if it's hard at first, you're advancing.

Leo July 23-Aug. 22

Today is a 7 - You're about to enter a less pensive, more energetic phase. This is gonna be fun, especially if you've been careful and saved up your money.

Virgo Aug. 23-Sept. 22

Today is a 6 - New responsibilities could mean you have to go back to school. If you didn't get the promotion yet, you have all the more reason. The more you learn, the more valuable you become.

Libra Sept. 23-Oct 22

Today is an 8 - Things may be getting a little too exciting. Strangely, this seems to be good for business. Your work may be changing slightly, but it seems quite lucrative. Hustle.

Scorpio Oct. 23-Nov. 21

Today is an 8 - You're getting stronger, but so is the competition. Don't lose focus for a minute! With laser-like precision, you can achieve your goal - or get pretty close.

Sagittarius Nov. 22-Dec. 21

Today is an 8 - You're smart and getting smarter, so don't tell all you know. Give your competition a test, and see if they can figure it out.

Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 19

Today is a 7 - Somebody else's dilemma is your opportunity. Finding a need and filling it is one of your specialties.

Aquarius Jan. 20-Feb. 18

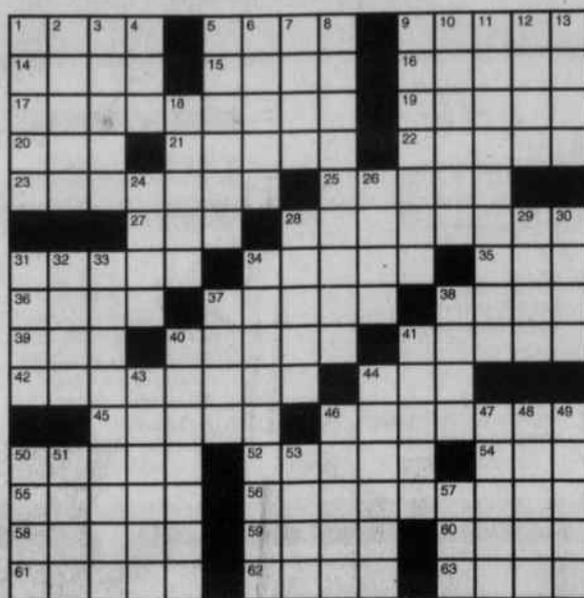
Today is a 9 - You may soon be asked to take on more authority. It's to be expected, considering how much you've grown. Others will follow your lead.

Pisces Feb. 19-March 20

Today is a 7 - Just when you'd almost given up hope, you finally see your way out. You may not quite be there yet, but the ladder is well within reach.

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- 17 Actor born Halloween 1950
- 19 Short skirts
- 20 Kyoto sash
- 21 Hang down
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- 27 \$-due mail
- 28 Austere
- 31 ___ and Gomorrah
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- 50 Enjoy
- 52 Ruhr Valley city
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- 55 Honshu port
- 56 Poet born Halloween 1795
- 58 Place for eats
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- 60 Tiff
- 61 Smart-mouthed
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- 63 WKRP and KACL

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- 5 Got wider
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- 10 Holds sway
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- 37 Helper
- 38 Sorrento or Sorvino
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- 46 Seat
- 47 Be flexible
- 48 Powerful one
- 49 Map rights
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- 51 One continent
- 53 Pop
- 57 Last letter of words?

News Quiz!

Did you read *The Breeze*? Try these questions to find out!

- 1) What local station is offering internships? (page 1)
- 2) What is the name of the Web site featured in the Focus section? (page 11)
- 3) Who is featured in the men's basketball photo? (page 13)

Answers at www.thebreeze.org

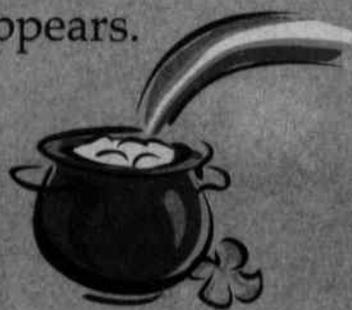
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Section Two

MyRockingham.com



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The MyRockingham.com staff poses outside their office. From left to right senior Brian Withoefft, senior Jaclyn Hampton, Micheal Amankwa ('98), Hyon O ('02), senior Sheri Hysan and Mike Veazey ('02).

Local Web site brings convenience of area events to Harrisonburg community, college students

Story by staff writer Stephen Atwell • Art Courtesy of MyRockingham.com

In a city populated by roughly 40,000 people, it may be difficult to find a popular restaurant or a new job. CEO of MyRockingham.com Michael Amankwa ('98) created a solution to this problem, when he developed www.MyRockingham.com. Now this information is available to the Harrisonburg/Rockingham community at the click of a button.

From restaurant guides to employment opportunities, MyRockingham.com is a powerhouse of information for the curious person who wants to find out more about the area. The Web site is an online community site for Rockingham County aimed at enhancing communication between residents, visitors and businesses, according to MyRockingham.com's business brochure.

"If you are looking for something it is most likely there or will be within days," said senior Brian Withoefft, account executive for MyRockingham.com. "It is like a glorified yellow pages."

Amankwa began work on the site in April 2002. However the idea was first conceptualized as *Small Valley.com* upon his graduation from JMU. "I came up with the concept for the community Web site because it was so hard to find information about things going on in the Harrisonburg community," Amankwa said. Learning from the past, he amassed a staff with the necessary expertise to make it work.

Now the Web site is in full operation with two full-time staff members, Hyon O ('02), chief Web master, Mike Veazey ('02), content manager, and three JMU interns, Withoefft, senior Jaclyn Hampton and senior Sheri Hysan. Although the site is up and running, the staff is still adding new information daily, Withoefft said. Amankwa said he hopes to have a majority of the features available to the public by early fall.

"I think the Web site is a great idea. I had no clue all that there was to do in Rockingham County," freshman Gina Maurone said. "The site is appealing to the

eye and really informative to people who have no clue what to do in a town like Harrisonburg."

The site currently has 1440 links, 25 job listings and eight events in the Rockingham area. Some features unique to the site include virtual tours of local restaurants like Bombay Court Yard, an events calendar that is continuously updated and hands-on membership opportunities. MyRockingham.com also is helpful for finding restaurant ratings and the hours of business for local stores.

"The membership opportunity on the site is probably the best feature," Withoefft said. "Anyone in the community or any area business can create a profile and post classified ads for themselves or their business that is immediately

posted on the site."

"The best thing about MyRockingham.com is its versatility, it has a little bit of everything."

— Mike Veazey
Content Manager ('02)

Withoefft further explained that if a local band wanted to post a classified selling musical equipment, post pictures of their group, announce upcoming concert dates and provide links to their personal Web site, it could all be accessed and changed by the band.

According to Amankwa, MyRockingham.com's focal point is to provide information to and by the community in ways that the community needs it. Members and companies can post job listings free of charge.

"The best thing about MyRockingham.com is its versatility. It has a little bit of everything," Veazey said. "It is like a newspaper with classifieds, a business directory, JMU job postings and it is a good guide to the area."

A number of features are still works in progress for MyRockingham.com including: local news, real estate listings, entertainment guides, a business directory, coupons, a dining guide, classifieds and online chat, according to Amankwa.

A sub-category dedicated specifically to college students is the Student Zone and a section for apartment and roommate searches. The Student Zone will provide a forum for selling and trading textbooks, class discussions on specific subjects such as physics questions, an opportunity to rate classes and professors, a party locator and a ride board, Amankwa said. This addition is expected to be up and running by fall. "This is going to be such a great resource for students and we are completely open to any comments," Amankwa said.

Hampton said, "Ideally we want this to become a household name. It can be one of the first things students or JMU freshmen can look to for what's going on in Harrisonburg because most of the time you don't know what the city has to offer."

According to Amankwa, thus far the site has received positive feedback from the community.

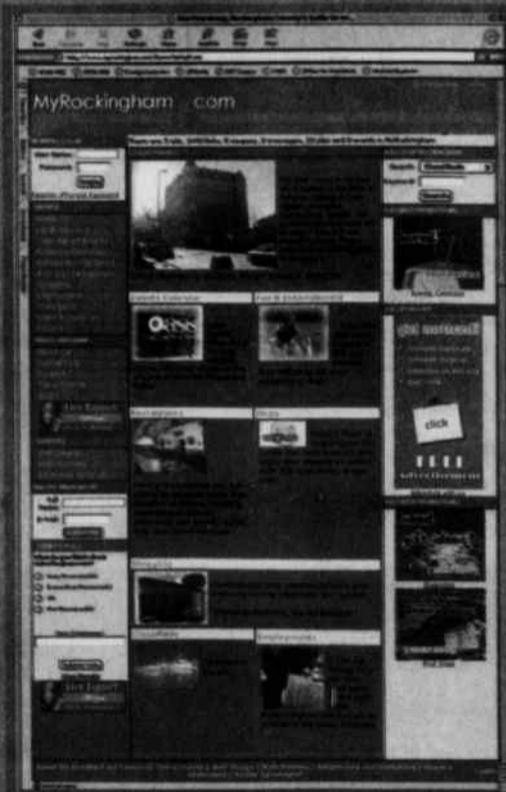
"The Web site seems like it doesn't have that much information just yet, but it looks like it has the potential to be extremely informative," junior Dan Curran said.

MyRockingham.com is looking to fill more internship positions and has turned to the ISAL, the school of media arts and design and the College of Business to fill these needs.

"Call them (my interns) angels because they make miracles happen and working with them has been one of the most beautiful things that has ever happened to me," Amankwa said.

Withoefft said, "It has been kind of a dream internship, in terms of boasting as resume."

If interested in advertising on MyRockingham.com or applying for an internship, e-mail the Web site at



The homepage for MyRockingham.com is updated on a continual basis with new information that is resourceful to the community.

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STYLE

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"The Quiet American" and "The Hunted" are among the top spring releases this year.

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Lyricism definitely appears to be high on this artist's priority list. His album is full of lyrics that are real, but never become difficult to relate to or abstract.

SHELBY GILES
sophomore
See story below

REVIEW

Harrisonburg's own Renazance man



puts 'Poetry Emotion'

Local rapper releases debut album, ready for whatever music scene offers

BY SHELBY GILES
contributing writer

Local up-and-coming rapper Renazance brings a fusion of hip-hop and R&B to the unsuspecting ears of the Harrisonburg community as he shares poetry through song in his self-produced album, "Poetry Emotion."

Born Joseph Kristopher Wenger in Ohio, Renazance has lived in the Harrisonburg area since he was 2 years old and has been interested in music all his life, according to www.rzrecords.com.

“With lyrics such as ‘The rhythm and I walk side by side,’ it is refreshing to see an artist dedicate a song to his love for music.”

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The track that seems to stand out the most is "Night Covers Sunshine." This song has a very catchy hook with vocals similar to rapper Cee-lo's sound. In the hook, Renazance tells listeners to listen closely, letting him into their minds.

The beats on the album make Renazance's sound very mellow. The entire album could use a larger bass line to give the listener more to nod his head to while taking in the conscious lyrics.

Renazance's sound also is reminiscent of The Roots. In the spirit of The Roots, he could use a band to back him up. He uses a guitar, but more live instrumentation would better fit his lyrics than the electronic drums used on the album.

Because of his love of music, the transformation of Renazance's poetry into a mellow hip-hop sound is pulled off very well. With the final track on the album, "Got It Locked," Renazance lets listeners know that he is ready for whatever the music scene has in store for him.

Fans of Nas, Cee-lo or The Roots should watch out for this new artist representing Harrisonburg.

Renazance has the potential to bring more to the local, and possibly, national music scene.

According to the Web site, Renazance's influences range from his parents' records that he grew up listening to and hip-hop artists he discovered on his own, mainly Snoop Dogg and Wu-Tang Clan.

Lyricism definitely appears to be high on this artist's priority list. His album is full of lyrics that are real, but never become difficult to relate to or abstract.

The first track, "One," describes a relationship with a girl. It is a great way for Renazance to introduce himself to listeners since the song deals with staying true in a relationship despite obstacles, which is a reality that listeners can understand and appreciate.

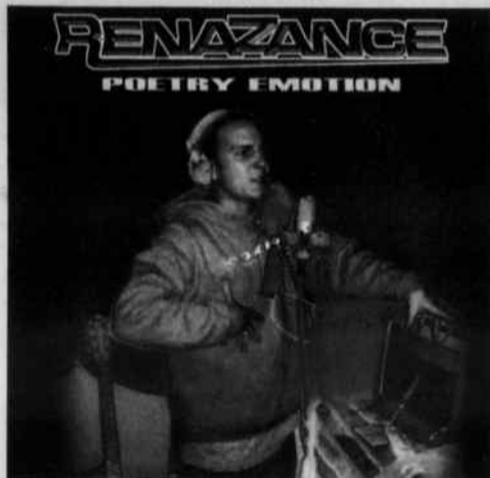
Not only does Renazance share his love affair with a girl on this album, he also conveys his love affair with music in the next track, "Poetry Emotion." With lyrics such as, "The rhythm and I walk side by side," it is refreshing to



PHOTOS COURTESY OF Renazance Records

(Above) Joseph Kristopher Wenger is Renazance, a local up-and-coming rapper whose sound can be compared to hip hop artists Cee-lo and The Roots.

(Right) "Poetry Emotion," Renazance's debut album, was released in February and can be purchased at www.rzrecords.com.



NATE THARP art director



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Percussionist Robert Jospé exhibits professional edge

Experienced drummer comes to College Center

BY ASHLEY McCLELLAND
staff writer

A percussionist and jazz drummer who has performed with The Dave Matthews Band, Robert Jospé, will fill the College Center with his vibrant sound March 20 at 11 p.m.

The University Program Board will add Jospé to its list of "Every Thursday Late-Night Music" free concert series performers in hopes that he will attract a crowd with his interesting mélange of rhythmic styles that blend different genres of music, according to junior Gabby Revilla, UPB director of media and public relations.

According to Jospé's Web site, www.robertjospé.com, Jospé's music is a blend of salsa, samba, swing, funk and African rhythms.

"Jospé is different from other performers and we wanted to have variety; we didn't just want pop or indie music," Revilla said. "We

“... we wanted to have variety; we didn't just want pop or indie music.”

— Gabby Revilla
junior

wanted all different styles of music. It is interesting to hear him put all these different kinds of music together.”

According to Revilla, Jospé attracted a large crowd when he played at the University of Virginia.

"We think people will like his music because he is so different and unique, and he has a pretty good following," she said.

Jospé's experience play-

ing with a well-known act such as The Dave Matthews Band may attract more students out to the show.

"I would like to check out his music, it sounds pretty cool, plus I really like Dave Matthews," freshman Liz Ogden said.

Jospé has created a following with his first album "Inner Rhythm" and through playing with other musicians, according to www.robertjospé.com. He has performed on over 30 different albums and has been featured in different magazines and newspapers, including *The Washington Post*, according to www.robertjospé.com.

Jospé's music is anticipated by some to be a change of pace from the local music scene.

"It sounds like Jospé's music would be different. I would like to go check it out," freshman Rachel Kavanagh said.

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"Images of Hope and Despair: Iraq, November 2002" is a photography exhibit by Craig Spaulding of Harrisonburg, who traveled to Iraq as part of a locally sponsored Iraqi Peace Team. It will be on display at the OASIS Gallery downtown through March 31. Spaulding took this photo, "Mother and Child" in the Al-Monsour Pediatric Hospital in Baghdad. The child was suffering from an unknown disease possibly contracted by unsafe drinking water. Spaulding will give a free slide presentation tonight at 7 p.m. at the OASIS Gallery.



REVIEW

THE CINEMA SCOOP

Noyce brings negative view of foreign policy in 'American'

'Hunt' no longer: thriller, thought all rolled into one

BY ZAK SALIH
senior writer

Though its release was postponed after the events of Sept. 11, 2001, and the seemingly subsequent swelling of American pride and patriotism, "The Quiet American," opened in early February with its less than flattering portrayal of American involvement in 1950s Vietnam.

The film is just as thematically relevant — and damaging — now on the eve of yet another armed conflict. Based on the novel by Graham Greene, the film is part murder-mystery, part espionage-thriller, and a biting critique on colonialism and the way that powerful nations insinuate themselves into the other cultures.

The titular character is Alden Pyle, a humanitarian visitor to Vietnam played by Brendan Fraser ("The Mummy") with the same goofiness that has become part and parcel of most of Fraser's roles. However, it means so much more in this film. Pyle gives off the air of a child caught in the games of mature adults — his presence is an anomaly in Saigon and he, along with a cluster of other visiting Americans, sticks out like the sorest of thumbs.

Then there is Thomas Fowler, the aging and unopinionated reporter for the *London Times*, as portrayed by Michael Caine ("The Cider

"THE QUIET AMERICAN"
STARRING:
MICHAEL CAINE AND
BRENDAN FRASER
RATED: R
RUNNING TIME:
118 MINUTES



House Rules"), a man whose life depends upon the constant presence of his Vietnamese mistress, Phuong (Do Thi Hai Yen), who always manages to stay by his side in the evening, preparing her lover's opium pipes. When Phuong catches the roving eyes of Pyle and the American becomes as infatuated with her as his British counterpart, there ensues a struggle between them for the love of the young woman.

If the struggle comes off as lacking drama, it is only because this love triangle is merely stage decoration for the real struggle it represents — that of two world powers for control of another country weakened by war. For the sake of the film's narrative, I will not reveal the real purpose of Pyle's presence in Vietnam, but he and his cadre of Americans have reasons for their obvious presence in the South Asian coun-

try that are more nationalist than humanitarian.

As with a lot of anti-colonialist literature, including Joseph Conrad's "Heart of Darkness" and Tayeb Salih's "A Season of Migration to the North," there is an inextricable link between women and the lands they represent — with "The Quiet American," the link is still intact. Who is Phuong but an emissary of the natural beauty of Vietnam; and who is Fowler but the aged colonialist nation of Britain, the representative of a fading empire? And who is Pyle but a representative of the young, rash, up-and-coming United States that has only the noblest of notions in mind when dealing with other countries, but ends up making the same mistakes that the globetrotting nations of Britain and France made?

Director Phillip Noyce ("Rabbit-Proof Fence") and his creative team should be commended for presenting this negative review of America's foreign policy. "The Quiet American" is a film that doesn't rely on a romanticized vision of America as the savior of troubled nations — here the audience gets a glimpse of an America that conspires, that damages, that — like everyone else — is capable of making horrible mistakes.

BY TOM BEPLER
contributing writer

There are two reasons "The Hunted" is a film worth seeing. The first is the navigation of its skillful director William Friedkin, whose credits include two great American thrillers, "The French Connection" and "The Exorcist." The second is the performances of its lead actors Tommy Lee Jones ("Men in Black II") and Benicio del Toro ("Traffic"). Saddled with the tough assignment of breathing character into generic action figures, they effectively drive the narrative, which is what makes the film work.

Del Toro plays Aaron Hallam, an outstanding covert military operative scarred from horrors he's witnessed on the battlefield that left him mentally deranged.

Jones is L.T. Bonham, a nature tracker in British Columbia, Canada, who once worked as a combat instructor. Bonham, conveniently, was

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responsible for the training of Hallam in Oregon. Before long, the tracker has been called away from his quiet retirement to hunt down his former pupil.

This can be expected as a routine set up for an action picture. What is unexpected about this film is the intelligence with which the material is dealt. As a director, Friedkin consistently has appeared to be genuinely fascinated by personalities struggling under extraordinary circumstances — recall Ellen Burstyn's dissolve from steady control to frightful anxiety in "The Exorcist," and Samuel L. Jackson grappling with betrayal in the recent "Rules of Engagement."

It is interesting the way in which Jones' melancholy uncertainty about the assignment to hunt down an old student is brought to the foreground — he is, in a sense, responsible for Hallam being transformed into a killing machine.

Then there is del Toro,

supremely adept at projecting inner angst since his turn as the tortured cop in "Traffic." His portrayal of Hallam is fragile, almost child-like, as he tries to articulate his inability to grasp the weapon he has become.

This film may bring to mind another movie that slipped the radar of the action thriller — "The Bourne Identity." Both involved young men turned killers for their governments, both lonely and shattered by the robbery of individuality.

"The Hunted" also is technically proficient with sharp editing and competent action sequences. But then again, name a big-name Hollywood action picture that isn't.

The staging of the fight scenes between Jones and del Toro is admirable — they're tired and hurting, and even though they keep going long after logic suggests they'd have passed out from blood loss, they're able to sustain conviction.

"The Hunted" is not exactly on par with the classic action thriller "The Fugitive," the picture that springs to mind instinctively at the mention of a Jones chase movie. "The Fugitive" was a superior film; "The Hunted" is a solid one. It's muscular and energized, but can claim intelligence and thought. For an action thriller, those last two qualities count double.

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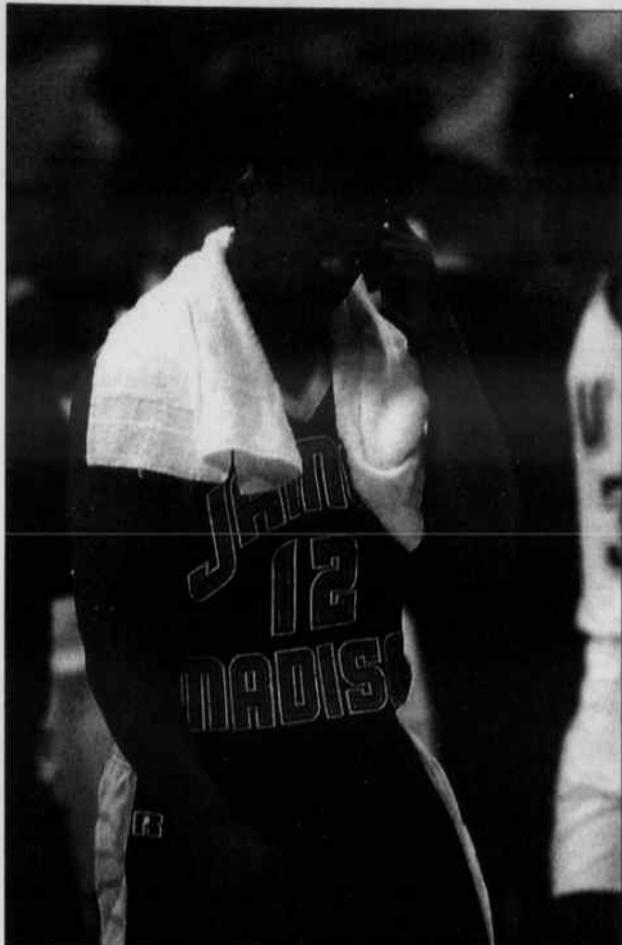
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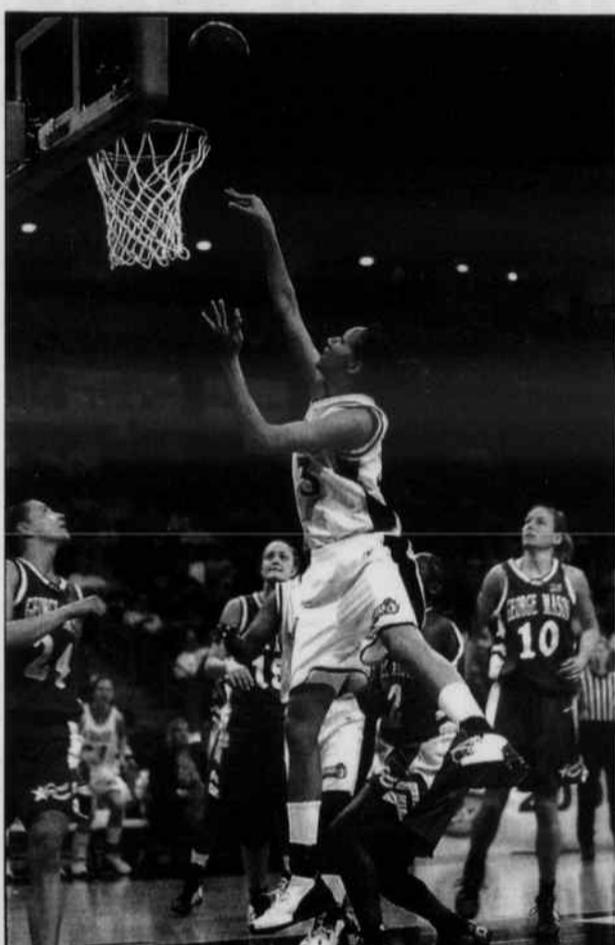
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men's basketball coach
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CAA TOURNAMENT

Another March sadness



RACHELLE LACROIX/photo editor
Senior guard David Fanning walks off the court after JMU's 73-53 loss to VCU.



RACHELLE LACROIX/photo editor
Sophomore center Krystal Brooks tries for two against George Mason University.

Dillard retains job for '03-'04 season

BY DAN BOWMAN
assistant sports editor
Despite the "what have you done for me lately" climate that has consumed men's college basketball recently, Dukes coach Sherman Dillard has to be smiling to himself a little.
The sixth-year coach was told by JMU Athletic Director Jeff Bourne March 10 that he would be

retained for the 2003-'04 campaign, his record of 39-49 over the last three seasons notwithstanding.
Dillard said the days leading up to the decision were difficult for him, but he tried to remain positive throughout the process.
"You see, I could only see things from my perspective," Dillard said Monday. "We've been trying to

change some things, but we just haven't gotten the W's. We've got a good recruiting class coming in.
"I have two years remaining on my deal and I was just hoping that JMU would choose to honor that commitment. I was optimistic that everything would work out."
see JMU, page 18

Women's tournament bid falls short

BY DREW WILSON
sports editor
Although Old Dominion University had a "down year," going 15-3 in the conference, the final outcome was the same as it has been for the last 11 years — another Colonial Athletic Association Championship.
The Lady Monarchs advanced to the title game by topping JMU 71-

55 in the semifinals last Friday at the CAA Tournament in Norfolk.
After holding on to a small lead briefly in the opening minutes, 12 first half turnovers allowed ODU to pull ahead for a 31-22 lead at the half.
The Lady Monarchs added to their lead to 48-30 in the second half by going on a 9-0 run in a

two minute time span.
However, the situation was nothing JMU hadn't been in before against ODU. Earlier this season at the Convocation Center, JMU found itself down by 16 points to the Lady Monarchs in the second half only to come from behind and win in overtime.
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BASEBALL

Polished play propels Diamond Dukes

Kim named CAA Player of the Week, helps JMU continue surge

BY BRAD RICHARDS
contributing writer
JMU defeated the University of Maryland, 9-7 Tuesday to win its 11th straight game. Senior first baseman Eddie Kim credited the team's success partly to its recent schedule.
"I think everything is finally coming together," Kim said. "Granted we haven't played top teams like we did those first six games, which has helped, but we need to start somewhere. I think we're in good shape heading

into conference next week-end."
Over Spring Break, the Diamond Dukes all but did a way with the memories of their 0-6 start to the season and is starting to look like the team they were projected to be in the preseason.
The Diamond Dukes (11-6) started off their week with a

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“I think everything is finally coming together ... we need to start somewhere.”
— Eddie Kim
senior first baseman

convincing 10-2 rout over Central Connecticut State University. Junior left fielder

Alan Lindsey hit a grand slam in the seventh inning to propel JMU in the win.
JMU went on to beat Canisius College twice and CCSU once more before heading to Blacksburg March 11, where it beat Virginia Tech 3-1.
Saturday, March 8, JMU beat Canisius 13-3 and was led by senior second baseman Mitch Rigsby and senior shortstop Nathan Doyle. Doyle connected for two hits and drove home five runs in the win.
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SOFTBALL

Dukes take second

JMU hosted the Dukes Invitational over the weekend, which included four teams: Fordham University, James Madison University, St. Francis-Pa University and University of Maryland-Baltimore County. The Dukes (9-12) went 3-2 in the tournament and fell in the championship game to FU, 3-1.
In its first game, JMU fell 5-4 to UMBC. Freshman first baseman Megan Smith had two hits, including a homerun and two

RBI to lead JMU.
Sophomore designated hitter Katie Jaworski and sophomore catcher Ashlee Schenk each had an RBI in JMU's first win over FU Saturday, 2-1. Sophomore pitcher Liz George notched the win giving up one run on five hits.
Sunday the Dukes cut down St. Francis-Pa., 3-2. Right fielder sophomore Natalie Burd and freshman center fielder Lauren Curtis both had two hits.
The Dukes proceeded to even up the weekend series with UMBC, winning 2-1. Kara Schwind had both RBIs.
— from staff reports

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WRESTLING

Two to go to NCAAs

JMU finished sixth among 11 teams at the Colonial Athletic Association Tournament March 7-8 in Hempstead, NY. Two Dukes qualified for the NCAA Tournament.
Red-shirt senior Seth Cameron took second place at 174 pounds and earned a berth to the NCAA tournament. Cameron looks to improve upon a 0-4 career record at the NCAAs.
Senior Dave Colabella finished third at 184 pounds and gained a wildcard berth to the tournament. Colabella is making his third consecutive appearance.
The NCAA Championship Tournament will be March 20 to 22 in Kansas City, Mo.
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Kentucky's Chuck Hayes drives against Mississippi State.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Ten keys to a good March

Parity in season makes for bracket bombshells

BY JOE POSNANSKI
Knight Ridder Newspapers
There are many things I just don't understand. There is Braille writing on the drive-through ATM Machine I use. Why? There are people who still give out those awful, orange, door-stopper Circus Peanut things at Halloween. Why? Theaters don't seem to show 9:30 movies anymore. Why not?
Did we really need the word "Bracketology?" Does Robert DeNiro ever turn down a movie anymore? Clark Kellogg. Why?
More than anything, I don't understand what it takes to win in March.

Oh, yeah, I've heard all the theories. Seems that when it comes to the great question — what kind of team does well in the NCAA Tournament? — people are basically divided into three camps:
1. Those who say you need great guards.
2. Those who say you need senior leadership.
3. Those who say you need senior guards.
Well, let me offer a little bit of advice: If you want to wreck your NCAA Tournament bracket, go ahead and pick the teams with great guards and senior leadership. That's what I have done. Every year, for

years, I have picked teams based on great guards and senior leadership, and every year my bracket has more X's than Vin Diesel movies.
Here's a quick hint for you: The University of North Carolina-Wilmington has fine guards. And Indiana University-Purdue University-Indianapolis (IUPUI) has senior leadership coming out its IUPUI. Don't pick them.
No, there's so much more involved. This year, I'm going to get it right. I spent the week talking to coaches and writers and players and broadcasters

NCAAs: How to win your pool

—LACROSSE—

Dukes lose on late goal

Despite winning two of its last three games, 10th ranked JMU dropped its first Colonial Athletic Association game Sunday, against Old Dominion University, 13-12. With only 30 seconds remaining in the game, the defense let up the game-winning goal to the Monarch's senior attacker Danielle Hensil.

The Dukes defeated Penn State University 12-11 March 8. Junior midfielder Gail Decker netted four goals and senior midfielder Lisa Staedt added three in the non-conference game. Freshman goalkeeper Livvy King saved 16 Nittany Lion shots in the contest. JMU doubled up the Yale University Bulldogs, 14-7 on March 9. Staedt again paced the Dukes' offense, pouring in five goals. Sophomore attacker Jessica Brownridge and freshman midfielder Betsy Priest added two goals. Priest and Decker chipped in two assists. The Dukes are 5-1 on the year, with home games against the College of William & Mary and Dartmouth this week.

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and concession workers. I went through every bracket since 1985, when the tournament field expanded to 64 teams. I listened to as much as I could stomach of Digger Phelps' and Dick Vitale's witty repartee, which was 42 seconds, a record.

The question: What does it take to win in March?

1. Be No. 1. Everybody loves the upset teams. How many times are they going to show that Bryce Drew Valparaiso shot in the highlights this March anyway?

2. If you can't be No. 1, be No. 2. That's pretty obvious, I guess.

3. If you can't be No. 1 or No. 2, be in a bracket with a weak No. 1. Most of the great upset stories were made possible because they were in a bracket with Stanford University or Purdue University or Auburn University or some completely unprepared No.

4. Don't be a No. 7 seed. Just a little hint: Since 1985, no seventh seed has ever made it to the Final Four.

5. Be tough. It's hard to quantify exactly what toughness means. As our

Most of the great upset stories were made possible because they were in a bracket with ... some completely unprepared No. 1-seeded team.

1-seeded team.

This year, that weak No. 1 is clearly the University of Texas. The Longhorns did not win the Big 12 Conference. They lost their one and only game in the Big 12 tournament. They lost head-to-head to second-seeded University of Kansas. And yet, they were made No. 1 in the weakest bracket, and, what the heck, the regional is in San Antonio, Texas. Anything else we can do for you? Free drinks? A car wash?

It doesn't matter. They'll blow it. They're inexperienced at being a top seed, and they are not playing well. Look for a tough team like Xavier University or the University of Maryland to make a run here.

8. Have a Final Four coach. When you look at the roster of Final Four coaches, there aren't many Richard Williamses in there. There is, of course, Richard Williams himself. But mostly, coaches don't make it just once. By my count, there are 14 teams with

resident basketball guru Blair Kerkhoff says, "You know it when you see it." Oklahoma has it. Kentucky has it. You know what else? The University of Missouri has it. The Tigers showed it Sunday, coming back from 21 down. In the tournament, you have to take other teams' best shots and still come back.

6. Be lucky. You already may have heard that Kansas coach Roy Williams, when asked what was the most important thing to have in March, said: "Luck." And this is a guy who has been to three Final Fours. You do need luck. You need to stay healthy. And it never hurts if the team you are facing has an injury issue or three.

7. Rebound the ball. If there's one thing you notice about virtually every Final Four team in the last 20 years — they all rebound the ball. Some, like last year's Maryland team, were just so athletic they took away offensive rebounds. Others, like Tom Izzo's Michigan State University teams, grabbed every rebound and never gave opponents a second shot. It's pretty boring. But it wins.

9. Have a great player, two if possible. Teams rarely go to the Final Four without stars. Kansas has two of them — Nick Collison and Kirk Hinrich — which makes the Jayhawks very dangerous. But, then, pretty much everybody in the West Region has two All-Americans. Sheesh, the University of Arizona, Duke University, the University of Illinois. Not to say that region is tough, but the Sacramento Kings are a No. 5 seed this year.

No, it hasn't been a lucky start for Kansas.

10. Get hot. Roy Williams will tell you he doesn't believe in getting his team to peak in March. "How do you do that?" he asks. "Does that mean you have to play lousy in February?"

Well, in some cases, yes. Missouri peaked in last

year's tournament after a mediocre winter, and it looks as if the Tigers are doing the same thing again. Whatever you want to call it, you do have to play your best basketball in March. The tournament provides so many challenges. You face teams you know nothing about in strange arenas in far-off cities like Spokane, Wash. and Birmingham, Ala. You don't know the referees or how the balls bounce off the rims or what goofy defense Weber State University might play. And, most of all, one loss, and you're out.

The NCAA tournament demands so many things from a team. You need to adjust to all sorts of crazy situations, make important shots, deal with all sorts of ridiculous pressure. There will be all sorts of upsets, like always. The College of Holy Cross will beat Marquette University or Butler University will beat Mississippi State University or Louisiana State University will beat the University of Texas — or maybe all of them.

But in the end, the teams that go to the Final Four will be the best, toughest, luckiest, smartest, best-coached, reboundingest and hottest teams.

They will be Oklahoma, Kentucky, Xavier and Kansas. Or I will be dead wrong for the 18th consecutive year. That's possible.

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JMU: Dillard remains coach

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Rumors of Dillard's demise were prominent even before the start of the 2002-'03 season. Up to that point, Dillard, who was hired by JMU in 1997, had only two winning seasons (16-11 in 1998-'99 and 20-9 in 1999-'00) in his five years here.

After failing to advance his team past the quarterfinals of the Colonial Athletic Association tournament for the second straight year — the seventh-seeded Dukes lost to second-seeded Virginia Commonwealth University 73-53 March 8 — many believed Dillard's days at the helm of JMU were wearing thin.

Dillard said he saw the situation much differently.

"Let me clarify one thing," Dillard said. "Everybody seemed to be one step ahead (when it came to whether or not I was getting fired). Everything was pretty much only innuendoes and speculation."

"Certain print media came out after Bourne made a statement early this season that said he would evaluate and assess my situation after the season and we just couldn't stop the bleeding after that."

JMU finished its regular season by winning three out

of its last four games and looked poised to possibly make a run heading into the CAA tournament. The Dukes nearly were caught looking too far ahead though, barely hanging on to beat 10th-seeded Towson University, 72-61 in the first round.

After going up by as many as 24 points in the second half, the Tigers rallied behind guard Gerald Weatherspoon's 31 points to cut JMU's lead to 69-61 in the final minute of the contest, but that's as close as Towson would get.

"I always talk about how I'm only concerned with the game present, but in the back of my mind I started looking ahead," Dillard said after the game. "So I got to thinking about trying to rest our guys and maybe took it a little bit too far there."

Senior guard David Fanning said, "It got a little scary there near the end, but we were able to get the win. We have to stay focused and learn how to finish strong."

That focus only lasted so long though, as the Dukes were bombarded the next night by VCU from the opening tip. The Rams outscored JMU 21-5 over the first 12 minutes of the game, never

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— Sherman Dillard
men's basketball coach

allowing the Dukes to climb any closer than 14 the rest of the way.

Junior forward Dwayne Broyles led JMU with 19 points against VCU. Fanning, in his last game for the Dukes, was held to just 3 points on one-for-five shooting.

"We started off slow and we weren't making shots and they were making everything," Broyles said after the VCU game. "We dug ourselves a big hole and it was just hard to climb out of that."

Fanning was virtually silent in the post-game press conference, only managing two statements.

"Some nights are like that," Fanning said. "We lost." Dillard, when posed with questions about job security, said he didn't want to conduct an appraisal of his qualifications through the media.

"I'm not making this decision," Dillard said. "I don't think I'm going to use this venue to go through a job review."

Monday Dillard said he was just happy that the whole situation is in the past.

"I'm just relieved that it's over with and that we can get on with basketball," Dillard said. "There are a zillion things going on and it just clears the air."

As for next season, Dillard said he thinks next year's team will be more competitive in the parity-filled CAA.

"We're getting a tremendous facelift," Dillard said. "We're going to be more athletic though. We're going to be able to press more and run more."

"A lot of teams are losing a lot. But what kind of recruiting class you have — how good those young guys are is what makes the difference."

CAA: ODU ends Dukes' season

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"We said the game's not over because we've done it before," senior guard Jess Cichowicz said. "So we kept using that as positive motivation that we could do it. We went out there and tried to make a run of it."

And make a run of it they certainly did.

The Dukes chipped away at the lead, cutting it to seven points with 7:33 to play. Unfortunately for JMU, that would be as close as it would get.

A string of turnovers allowed the Lady Monarchs to pull away. ODU converted on its free throws down the stretch, something it had trouble with in the loss at JMU Feb. 9.

"We talked about memories and with that, we were able to step up to the foul line and knock some free throws down," ODU coach Wendy Larry said. "We didn't do that in our self-destruction at Madison. We missed a couple opportunities down the stretch to put it away (at JMU) — two two-shot fouls. We didn't make either of them and they were some of our free throw shooters, so it was kind of a poetic justice that some of our people got to step up tonight."

In fact, ODU finished the night 23-for-27 at the foul line.

For JMU, the loss was a disappointment for the seniors in their final game.

"We didn't want to end it like this," senior forward Nadine Morgan said. Morgan led the Dukes with a double-double, scoring 15 points and grabbing 10 rebounds.

Interim head coach Kenny Brooks was still proud of the way the team played.

"I'm very proud of the effort tonight," Brooks said. "I thought through it all we played extremely hard. We didn't always play smart and we didn't always execute like we normally do, but the effort was there. Even when our bench got thin with injuries, people were still stepping up and playing as hard as they could to overcome

the adversity that we had.

"It's not the outcome that we wanted, but we gave it everything that we had," Brooks added.

The Dukes also were playing most of the game without red-shirt senior Jody LeRose, who missed the final four games because of a strange illness, as well as red-shirt sophomore Mary Beth Culbertson, who was injured during the ODU game.

Brooks praised LeRose's heroic effort in both the ODU game and the Dukes' 70-50 win over George Mason University in the quarterfinals.

"Jody's effort was tremendous," Brooks said. "It's the strangest thing — I've never seen an illness like the one Jody's had. She wants to be out there for her teammates and her team and to see her go out and perform like she did, it's truly amazing. She has a tremendous heart."

JMU, who was facing George Mason for the third time in the CAA Tournament in as many years, got by the Patriots easily, out-rebounding them 52-32.

"That was what we stressed the most of all," senior forward Shanna Price said. "Coach told us that the team that won the rebounding would win the game."

After both teams played sloppy early, the Dukes managed to build a lead and never looked back.

"George Mason is a very explosive team and I think if you sit back and let them do the things that they want to do, it will really hurt you," Brooks said. "I think we took them out of some of the things that they wanted to do and that may have been the key in the game."

The Dukes succeeded in their goal of taking Patriot star Jen Derevanik out of the offense. JMU held her to five-of-15 shooting from the field and 13 points.

JMU ends the season 17-12, one win better than last season's 16-12 mark.

STREAK: Diamond Dukes keep rolling

STREAK, from page 15

"The team and I are starting to build confidence," Doyle said. "We had a rough start, but we're trying to rebound. We're trying to keep this momentum and carry it into conference play, which starts in a couple of weeks."

The Diamond Dukes continued to swing their bats well as they defeated Cleveland State University, University of Buffalo and three games against St. John's University.

The St. John's matchup featured a doubleheader Saturday that produced a 21-hit game by JMU in the first game which it won 21-9. The second game was closer as the Diamond

Dukes edged the Red Storm 9-8 in the nightcap.

Senior first baseman Eddie Kim hit three home runs to go six-for-seven in the doubleheader. He knocked in seven RBIs in the first game getting four hits off of five at bats. He hit a pair of home runs in the first game, one being a grand slam in the bottom of the fourth.

"He is being pitched to in situations where he (Kim) can do some damage," coach Joe "Spanky" McFarland said. "He's a pretty good clutch player. He's being pitched to now and that can be credited to the guy hitting in front of him

and behind him."

Doyle said of Kim's play. "Eddie is Eddie. He is going to get it done one way or another. If not him, somebody else on the team will get it done."

JMU knotted its 10th win of the season Sunday after beating St. John's 2-1. Red-shirt freshman left-hander Greg Nesbitt entered the game in the sixth inning and gained the win as he threw for 3 1/3 innings and surrendered just one hit.

McFarland said he has had great contributions across the board from both his hitters and pitchers.

"We had a pretty good team to start with, we just didn't have the chance to be outside

much and were on the road. We just weren't ready," McFarland said. We had no intrasquad scrimmages, we were going at the first few games coldturkey.

"We're starting to look like the club that people thought we were supposed to be at the beginning of the season."

As the season progresses, McFarland said he expects the Diamond Dukes to continue to improve and come into their own.

Doyle said, "We were inside during the early part of the season and that took a toll on us against the better competition, but we're seeing more pitches now and starting to get in our groove."

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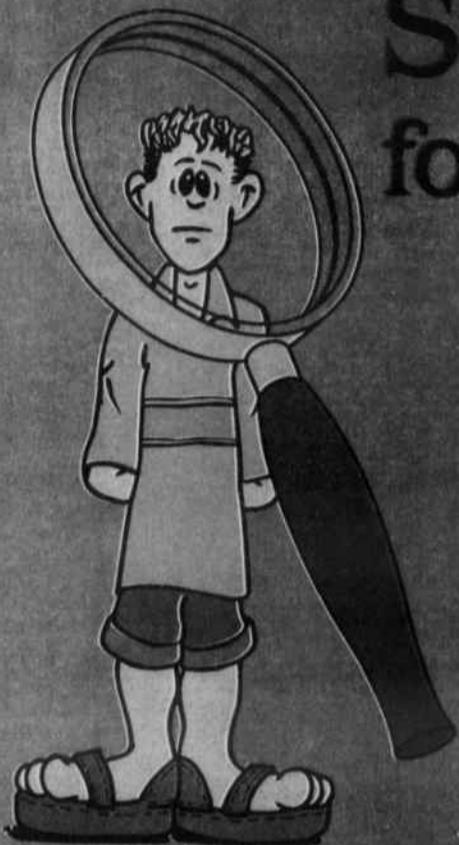
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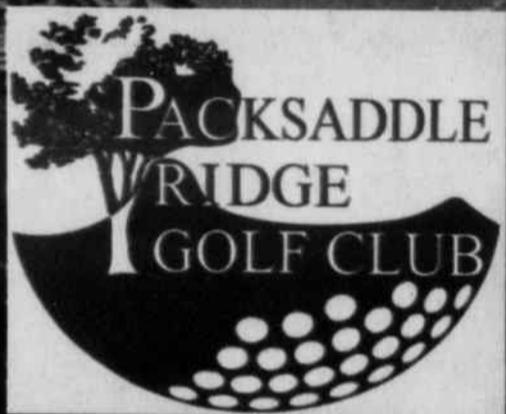


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