TKE frat back on track
Chapter to initiate seven, regain national charter

by Lisa Rosato
staff writer

Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity will regain its national charter Saturday.

Seven new members will be initiated during a ceremony that will be held from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Five international members, as well as TKE alumni, will be present at the ceremony. TKE Chapter President Jared Utz said. After Saturday’s ceremony, TKE will have 39 official members.

TKE lost its chapter in 1994. It reached colony status in January 1997, which Utz called a “stepping stone” to receiving a charter.

The group was informed of the news two weeks ago when TKE’s national officer, Andy Krebs, told JMU’s TKE chapter it would regain its charter. Utz said. Utz talked to the national chapter about once a week for the past six months, he said.

“The charter that we are about to receive is almost like a trophy, in that it is a symbol of hard work and dedication,” Utz said. “If it wasn’t for every single member of JMU TKE, the events happening this weekend wouldn’t be occurring.”

The road to getting its charter back involved many steps. TKE had to more than triple its number of members from 11 to 39.

The number of students who register early changes from semester to semester, Hood said. It depends on many factors, including the number of non-seniors who are involved in the groups that are given early registration times.

Early registration isn’t a new privilege. JMU has used it for more than 25 years, Hood said.

Students in the Honors Program usually take one or two honors classes a semester, and early registration allow them to fit these classes in their schedules. Honors Program Director Joanne Gabbin said.

About 500 students in the Honors Program had fewer than 75 credit hours, but only about 400 students took advantage of what she calls one of the “perks” of being in the program. “These are incentives to get students involved in the Honors Program,” Gabbin said.

About 50 of the 130 Residence Life staff members had
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39, secure its finances, fix its house and improve its relations with JMU and the community. “We had to do the unthinkable,” Utz said. “The brothers of JMU TKE took a once formidable fraternity and resurrected it.”

Pledge educator Mark Beagle said rebuilding its reputation included participating in some intramural activities.

Five mixers were held this year in an effort to improve relations with sororities, Beagle said.

TKE volunteered for Harrisonburg’s Special Olympics last year and over the summer, in addition to helping out at a Multicultural Fair March 20 at Waterman Elementary, Beagle said.

“We want to show people that TKE has a direction and a goal in mind, and that we are not just a social club,” Beagle said.

Vice President Nate Underwood said TKE was recognized by its national fraternity for excellence in academics on Feb. 27.

Larry Jackson, TKE district president for the Washington, D.C. area, said JMU’s TKE chapter had to exceed a 2.75 grade point average.

“JMU and TKE can look forward to a good partnership,” Jackson said.

But receiving a national charter doesn’t automatically make TKE a member of the JMU Interfraternity Council.

“We need to look at the pros and cons of IFC,” Underwood said. “[Right now] we are working on building ourselves that before we worry about IFC.”

IFC President Jonathan Witkop said the decision to join IFC is up to the fraternity. He said most national fraternity organizations encourage becoming an IFC member for insurance and liability reasons.

Ramsey

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legacy of growth and encouragement and allows growth.”

Sophomore health sciences major Jeanette Stangl said she is impressed with the new CISAT campus Ramsey helped develop. “Last year, health sciences classes were held in Moody Hall,” she said. “This new building and its technology is a vast improvement. I hope CISAT continues to progress under new leadership.”

Reynolds said, “I think many department heads would agree that [Ramsey] is the best dean we’ve ever known. He has allowed us to pursue our own individual needs.”

Roberts said, “I have a lot of good things to say about Ramsey. He came at a crucial time period and brought a style of management that was desperately needed for this emerging program.”

“His actions set the tone for success,” Roberts said. “He gave responsibility and authority to various department heads and he was successful in getting funds for the CISAT program.”

Ramsey said he would like to be remembered for his efforts of taking CISAT from a small program in into one that now has eight departments.

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authorization to register early, Maggie Burkhart, director of residence life, said. “It is one small reward that the university is able to give students for stepping up to the challenge of taking on important leadership positions here,” Burkhart said.

Since there are so many resident advisers, the early registration on the invaluable commodities, Burkhart said. “They are a very popular reward among our staff,” she said.

D-hall Operations Director Dana Bonjour said about 25 D-hall employees who work during the lunch period registered early in order to accommodate the amount of student traffic in D-hall during lunch. “It’s very hard to find workers around that time,” she said.

About 15 members of the Computing Support staff received early registration time slots, Lab Services Manager Drew Davis said. This is only a few of the 90 students who make up the student staff at the computer labs, the Help Desk and Desktop Services, he said. The number of slots was low because most student employees are juniors and seniors, he said.

Early registration provides “much needed flexibility and efficiency in coordinating students’ work and class schedules,” Davis said.

Four of the 18 members of the forensics team, which includes both the debate team and individual speaking competitors, registered early because of the time they miss while off-campus tournaments, Debate Director Pete Busmeek said.

When the CISAT program began in 1993, it only had 62 majors in the program as of fall 1997, that number had grown to 800.

“Computer Science has grown from 200 to 400 students and has added a new graduate program and additional faculty,” Reynolds commented. “We’ve had excellent support from [Ramsey].”

CISAT’s total enrollment for its eight majors is currently about 2,400 students. Ramsey was also involved in working with the long range construction plan for CISAT.

Ramsey said, “We will have a set of buildings, giving our students the best technology and equipment to work with.”

CISAT includes integrated science and technology and computer science programs, as well as the Center for Geographic Information Science, Health Sciences, Nursing, Social Work, Materials Science and the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders.

CISAT classes were all taught in a modular building originally. But CISAT opened an $18.5 million academic building in fall 1997. A $28 million academic building, is scheduled to open in about two years.

Richard Roberts
CISAT program coordinator

ABOUT THE SERIES

PART 1 – The process and reasoning behind early registration is explained.

PART 2 – Deals with early registration concerning student athletes.

PART 3 – About early registration processes at other Virginia universities.
by Neal Grove

Campus police report the following:

Underage Possession of Alcohol
- Christopher E. Delancey, 20, of Centreville, Md., was arrested and charged with underage possession of alcohol after an officer reportedly observed him intoxicated on the east side of Kappa Sigma fraternity house at 3:01 a.m. April 18.
- Thomas M. Harram, 18, of Chappaqua, N.Y., was arrested and charged with underage possession of alcohol after an officer reportedly saw him carrying four cases of beer at the north side of Sigma Nu fraternity house at 3 a.m. April 19.
- Non-student Matthew A. Heller, 18, of Burke, Va., was arrested and charged with underage possession of alcohol in front of Alpha Chi Rho fraternity house at 12:45 a.m. April 19.

Underage Consumption/Underage Possession
- Non-student Chad Ahalt, 18, of Jefferson, Md., was arrested and charged with underage consumption and underage possession at a keg at Sigma Pi fraternity house and that he had any identification in his possession.
- Non-student Neal Crovo by Angie Jennings

Patriots salute ROTC battalion

by Corie Shomer

contributing writer

JMU's ROTC Battalion received its first Outstanding Army ROTC award from the Order of the Founders and Patriots of America April 16 at their annual awards ceremony.

The General Governor of the Order of the Founders and Patriots of America, Jerry Hubbard, presented the award to Lt. Col. Allan Stuhlmiller, who then presented the award to the cadets and said that they are the ones who won the award.

The Order of the Founders and Patriots is a private organization that traces its roots back to the American Revolution. The Order recognizes military units for outstanding military performances, Stuhlmiller said.

The Order of the Founders and Patriots is composed of members that trace their lineage back to an immigrant who arrived in America between 1607 and 1652 or trace their lineage back to a relative that fought in the American Revolution. A person doesn't need to be in the military in order to be a member, said Charles Field, Chairman of the Committee on Awards for the Order of the Founders and Patriots of America, as long as they have a relative that was an immigrant from 1607-1652 or have a relative that fought in the American Revolution.

"The Order of the Founders and Patriots attempts to recognize patriots both individually and as units," Field said.

The Order of the Founders and Patriots gives out three regional awards: one award to each region. JMU is in the first region, which is composed of schools east of the Mississippi River. The second region includes ROTC programs in the central portion of the United States, and the third region is composed of the ROTC programs in the west, Field said.

The winner of the Outstanding Army ROTC Unit award in each region is determined by the regional headquarters. The headquarters chooses the award on the school's ROTC unit's performance over the past year at Military Advancement camp and in passing inspections and skills tests during the year. This gives each school an efficiency rating. The school with the highest efficiency rating wins the Outstanding Army ROTC Unit award for their region. The regional headquarters for JMU's region is in Fort Bragg, N.C., Field said.

"The headquarters decides the winner of the Outstanding Army ROTC Unit award and the Order of the Founders, and Patriots acknowledges the winner by presenting them with an award," Field said.

This is the eighth year the Order of the Founders and Patriots has given out the Outstanding Army ROTC award. "This award is very coveted. Few schools have won it twice but that is very tough to do," Field said.

The 275 schools send cadets between their junior and senior years to Military

Ambassador's assistant speaks at Israel Night

by Chi-Yeon Hwang

contributing writer

The special assistant to the Ambassador of Israel spoke about terrorism and the Mideast peace process to about 100 people as part of Israel Night Tuesday in the PC Ballroom.

Israel Night was organized by Hillel, the national Jewish organization at JMU, in celebration of Israel's 50 years of history.

David Sigel, who has worked with the ambassador for six months, explained the current situation in Israel.

During the past 50 years, five wars have broken out due to hostility expressed by Israel's neighbors.

Even now, it is a constant struggle to reach peace agreements among the Islamic nations, he said.

"The theory was that the more we went through together, the more there'd be trust and cooperation and we'd be able to do this," Sigel said. "It's similar to a zipper. Both sides come together as you shut it. But here, the zipper got caught in the middle and before you go up further, everything beneath fell apart."
### GIBBONS HALL MAIN EVENT MENUS

**Sunday, Apr 26 thru Saturday, May 2**

**SUNDAY, APR. 26**
- Cream of Wheat
- Grits, Scrambled Eggs
- Cream of Tomato
- French Toast
- Spaghetti and Meatballs
- Chicken Soup
- Macaroni and Cheese
- French Fries
- Salad

**Monday, Apr 27**
- Chicken Salad
- Scrambled Eggs
- French Onion Soup
- Chicken Drumsticks
- Chicken Soup
- Macaroni and Cheese
- French Fries
- Salad

**Tuesday, Apr 28**
- Lasagna
- Scrambled Eggs
- Chessmen Soup
- Grilled Chicken
- Chicken Soup
- Macaroni and Cheese
- French Fries
- Salad

**Wednesday, Apr 29**
- Tomato Soup
- Grilled Cheese
- French Toast
- Grilled Chicken
- Chicken Soup
- Macaroni and Cheese
- French Fries
- Salad

**Thursday, Apr 30**
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**Friday, May 1**
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**WINNER OF THE 1998-99 DINING SERVICES REUSABLE MUG DESIGN CONTEST**

- Thanks to everyone who entered and voted on next year's design.
- JMU reusable mugs will be distributed free to all meal plan participants in the fall - be sure to get yours and use it!

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- Don't forget that Dining Dollars balances must be used by May 8, 1998, or be forfeited.
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### GOING TO BE AROUND FOR MAY OR THE SUMMER?

- Pick up information on summer meal plans and dining options from most dining locations and Card Services.

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!
Prospective students get glimpse of college life

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by Brad Jenkins

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College of Business hosts prospects

by Brent Heupel

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SGA votes to fund anti-drunk driving signs

by Marcia Apperson

At the final Student Government Association meeting of the semester Tuesday night, Senate decided to pay $300 for signs that will discourage drinking and driving. The signs will be placed at the Port Republic Road entrance to campus, at the corner of South Main Street and Bluestone Drive and at the corner of Duke Drive and Paul Street.

"It is not going to stop drinking and driving, but maybe it will make people think more than they do now," SGA Secretary Kyle Wesson said.

According to the bill, the number of traffic fatalities due to alcohol among youths 17 to 25 years old has drastically increased during the past few years, and Senate is concerned about alcohol abuse at JMU.

"The issues of alcohol abuse and drunk driving are strong concerns of the Student Government Association," the bill stated.

Commuter Sen. Max Fianno said, "If it stops one student from drinking and driving one night then it is definitely worth $300 bucks." No one debated against the bill.

Also at the meeting:

• Senate passed an Internal Affairs Committee bill that increased the amount the Judicial Coordinator will receive by $400.
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Advancement Camp was one of the hardest things I've ever done and I was very proud to get through it. Our class did so well because of the great training we received at JMU. Everyone is very dedicated and because of that, there was no way we couldn't go there and do well. Our cadets did an outstanding job in every case," Jackman said.

Member's of JMU'S ROTC battalion said they are thrilled to have won the award. JMU ROTC Cadet David Allen said, "I was very impressed that we won this award. The Duke Battalion has achieved a lot."
**Country calling**

Country music, in the spotlight recently at the Academy of Country Music Awards, has been the top radio format for a third year in a row in listeners per week. Weekly audience (in millions):

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**London newspaper announces cloned sheep's pregnancy**

EDINBURGH, Scotland — Dolly, the cloned sheep, is pregnant, a newspaper reported Sunday.

Scientists at Edinburgh's Roslin Institute, who made history when they cloned Dolly from the cell of another sheep's udder last year, will announce the happy event this week to coincide with publication of the institute's financial results, The Sunday Times of London said.

There was no one immediately available to comment at the Roslin Institute.

Healthy lambs would mean that the cloning process had produced a fully healthy, fertile sheep, which would be valuable knowledge for PPL Therapeutics, the Scottish biotechnology company formed to market the center's work. The birth of a healthy lamb would also help counter fears that Dolly may be prone to premature aging and other age-related disorders as a result of being cloned from a 6-year-old adult.

Dolly, a Finn Dorset sheep who is nearly two-years-old, is the first mammal cloned from the cell of another adult mammal.

In January, scientists at the institute announced that Dolly had been mated. The Sunday Times said she has been in partial quarantine for the past month to minimize the risk of miscarriage. Extensive prenatal testing had suggested both she and her offspring are healthy, the newspaper reported. Scientists say any offspring will not be clones and will be genetically different from their mother.

The institute already has proven cloned animals can reproduce: Megan and Morag, sheep conceived through a different cloning process, have lambs.

— AP/Newsfinder news service

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**Father returns to Boston to face 20-year-old kidnapping charges**

BOSTON — A Palm Beach socialite returned to Massachusetts on Saturday to face charges he kidnapped his daughters nearly 20 years ago following a bitter divorce.

"I've had better days," a seemingly calm Stephen Fagan said as he was whisked through a throng of reporters at Logan Airport.

Those better days included living in one of the most exclusive neighborhoods in Palm Beach, just a few doors from properties belonging to developer Donald Trump and musician Jimmy Buffett.

Fagan fled to Florida in 1979 after stealing his daughters, then ages five and two, during a weekend visitation. He changed his and his daughters' names to Martin and began a new life.

He told his daughters Rachael and Lisa, now 23 and 21, and others that their mother had died in a car accident.

But lawyers for Barbara Fagan, who has since returned to using her maiden name of Kurth, denied she was an alcoholic and said she suffered from narcolepsy, an illness that causes sudden deep sleep. Kurth's attorneys said she never gave up the search for her daughters.

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**Preview**

Coming soon to The Breeze...

- Sports: Breeze Athletes of the Year, April 30 issue
- Style: Coverage of Lombardi Gras Concert, April 27 issue
The Senior Pig Roast is coming...

12 p.m. - 5 p.m.
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Godwin Field

Open to ALL students...
ONLY $6
Bring 2 IDs if you plan to drink!

Wash the Dog House

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A Campus-wide service day to help clean up our JMU.

- FREE T-shirts for first 100 participants
- Refreshments Provided

Come out and help keep our campus clean!

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Building and Grounds Committee member Chris Cobb reminded students that Wash the Doghouse, a clean-up event, will be held Sunday from 12 to 4 p.m.
The first 100 students will receive free T-shirts. Students will collect trash and complete other campus clean-up projects.
"It is a neat way to get involved," he said.
• SGA President April Roberts announced At-large Sen. Ann Marie Phillips was appointed to be Elections Commissioner. Current and next year's executive councils appointed her to the position. As elections commissioner, Phillips will oversee both minor and major elections.
"We felt she would be the best person for this position as this time," Roberts said.
Phillips has been SGA elections chair for two years.
• SGA Vice President Andy Sorensen said sophomore Erica Lary is the recipient of this year's $1,500 Danville Scholarship.
• Junior Class President Will Greco reminded senators the Senior Pig Roast is May 2. The cost is $6 and it's open to everyone. The Pig Roast will be held at Godwin Field.
• Senate voted to allocate $7,402 to Bluestone from the yearbook's reserve account. Bluestone will use the funds for new computers.

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lunch with the students and their parents.
Professors and COB students were also on hand to assist the prospective students with questions and tours.
"I enjoy interacting with people, this experience is rewarding," Phil Dubose, professor of management said.
"It is a good opportunity to make people informed of the good things we've got going here," he said.
Senior management major Dave Hutton said it's good for current College of Business students to interact with prospective students.
"It is a good way to represent my business fraternity," he said.
Prospective student Michael Walden said he attended to aid in the college decision-making process.
"I'm looking for the strongest business school," he said.
Prospective student Melissa Moss of Wilmington, Del., said about College of Business Day, "It definitely helped me to make my decision in a positive way."
Some parents also said the day was helpful.
Hall added, "After attending business day, we realize not only is it an outstanding school, but a school with its priorities in order."

Taking a stand
Freshman Josh Cohen (in back) and a student who declined to identify himself (in front) sit on the hill at the commons in protest of an anti-abortion event taking place at the same time. The commons was filled with 400 crosses, which represents the number of abortions per minute throughout the world. Voices for the Pre-Bom Children placed the crosses yesterday. The group plans to be at the commons again today. Look for a story about the event in Monday's Breeze.

You're closer to home than you think.
Editorial Policy

Carrie McCabe is a junior mass communications major.

Carrie McCabe is a senior English major and past president of Delta Gamma sorority.

Hazing destructive; demonstrates lack of respect for pledges, old members

— Barbara Blanset

Hazing is an act I will never understand. Why would members of an organization looking to increase numbers treat new members with such lack of respect and even malice?

For many students, the decision to pledge a Greek organization is a difficult one. The act of hazing could cause these students to drop out of an organization. Hazing can basically cost an organization its members. In addition, hazing is illegal.

Pledges, or new members, are official members of fraternities or sororities. They deserve as much respect as any other member of the organization. They should experience a welcoming environment, one which makes them belong to a family.

New members should feel like they are special, as if every brother or sister is happy they're there. Pledges shouldn't be forced to perform errands for brothers or sisters, go without sleep or memorize endless lists of information, such as where every brother or sister is from. Above all, pledges shouldn't be physically beaten or verbally abused. It's important for new members to learn about the basic ideals of brotherhood and sisterhood and tears at the roots of the organization.

Hazing tears down self-esteem and has no positive effects on the organization's well being. Every time a pledge is made to feel less of a person and less of a member of the organization, it makes them belong to a family.

If you want quality people to join your organization, why treat them as if they are subservient and not worthy of respect?

Barbara Blanset

Dart... A “you’re-f@&king-crazy” dart to two students who risked their lives climbing Bridgeforth Stadium’s lights just for a rush. Sent in by well-grounded student who values life and thinks your adventure was too extreme.

Pat... A “long-overdue” pat to the Office of Residence Life for its hardwork, time and dedication to JMU students. Sent in by two ORL student assistants who truly appreciate your ability to treat everyone with such kindness, even when your job is stressful.

Dart... A “check-your-prescription” dart to the student who left a note on my car that said my compact car was too short to see, and you’ll hit it if I don’t move it.

Sent in by the owner of the “short” car who didn’t realize vehicle discrimination exists.

Pat... A “thanks-for-your-honesty” pat to the professors who filled out our survey about nonverbal communication. Sent in by some novice communication researchers who appreciate your constructive criticism.

Dart... A “don’t-fix-it-if-it’s-broke” dart to D-hall for toying with our appetites twice by promising chicken with stuffed broccoli and providing poor substitutes. Sent in by two CWSB-zealots who demand their favorite be brought back.

Pat... A “thanks-for-all-you-do” pat to Pam at Lakeside Express for making our visits extra special. Sent in by nightly visitors who really admire your kindness and generosity.

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.
**JMU should get better, not bigger**

Take a second to close your eyes and imagine your favorite spot on campus. Maybe it's on the Quad watching people play frisbee or sitting on a bench in front of the Kissing Rock with your significant other. Maybe it's sitting on the stairs of Wilson Hall looking at the mountains in the distance, or by the lake under a weeping willow tree. Maybe it's sitting on the hill that overlooks the common, listening to whichever group is out playing music. Maybe it's sitting on the yard that you consider your personal backyard, not in the middle of a bustling campus.

Imagine your spot is, how long is it going to last? That day promoting its even But wherever your spot is, it's going to be taken by someone that you can't take it back. With every student who arrives, more residence halls, and parking decks and parking fees, a new student body says, "Wait a minute — that's not what we want."

"We need more money, so we'll take more students. But we'll need somewhere to house them and teach them, so we'll need more buildings. Looks like we are going to need more money."

JMU shouldn't focus on being a good, huge university. Rather, it should take what it has now and become an outstanding medium-sized one. More and more students apply to JMU every year, but that doesn't mean JMU has to accept them all. It simply gives the university more room to be selective so it can become a more prestigious school.

JMU can gain national recognition in one of two ways — becoming the largest undergraduate institution in the state, or becoming the university that produces the most well-rounded undergraduates that possess a unique blend of academic refinement, leadership skills, knowledge of technology and appreciation of the arts.

I want to attend an urban university with parking decks and campus grounds separated by miles and miles throughout Harrisonburg. It's time to tell the administration, "We don't want to get bigger, just better."

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**Breeze Reader's View**

Think about what attracted you to JMU in the first place. It's a university with a small-school feel, remember? I loved all the open spaces and the feeling of community. Everyone was walking to their classes because the campus was connected by sidewalks, not streets full of cars. The grounds were beautiful, and it made me feel like I was at home in a park or my backyard, not in the middle of a bustling metropolis.

It seems to me that JMU is now caught in a dangerous and never-ending cycle. The administration seems to be saying, "We need more money, so we'll take more students, but we'll need somewhere to house them and teach them, so we'll need more buildings. Looks like we are going to need more money."

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**Meredith Walkley is a sophomore economics major.**

**Alumni Weekend memories**

Some of my friends are on the verge of graduation. As they make their post-graduate plans, I'm forced to sit back and watch. Powerless to their inevitable departures from my life, all I can do is trace back the years of our friendship, laugh at the good times and shake my head over the more questionable moments.

Alumni Weekend is one of those times when everything comes flooding back in a torrent of nostalgia. Although my ties only stretch back one year, this was a weekend when my past experiences, good and bad, returned to stare me in the face from April 17 to 19. For the most part, I looked forward to all the familiar faces that greeted me with renewed bonds of friendship and excitement. But there are those few people whose reappearance at JMU made me cringe.

We all have these moments in our lives, whether or not we choose to admit them. I'm willing to bet money that every student has breathed a sigh of relief when they watched another student receive a diploma and take off down Interstate 81, unlikely to return, at least until Homecoming. I get a little edgy because certain alumni &&&&&

In hope that other people can avoid this irrational fear of Alumni Weekend, I've accumulated a few suggestions. For one thing, try to think about the consequences of your actions.

I remember one instance last year on a late April weekend when, in the basement of Anthony-Seeger, I watched some of the brothers take turns sliding across the floor without any clothes on. Those are images that will probably stay with everyone who attended that party, and I wouldn't want to be remembered as one of the naked people on that disgusting floor.

The other thing about Alumni Weekend is that it reminds me of how short our time as students is at JMU. Although many stick around for an extra year or so, this time is still relatively short.

So what does it all come down to? Overall, I love Alumni Weekend and truly appreciate the finite amount of time it allows me to spend with friends who've moved onto another stage of life. Without this time, I'm sure we would drift apart.

I spent half of Alumni Weekend with graduated friends. We browsed through photo albums, caught up on gossip and hit all the favorite entertainment spots in Harrisonburg.

By contrast, I spent the other half darting glances over my shoulder, avoiding the obvious places my nemesis will surely turn up.

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On a chilly Saturday (for April), I spent the day in Charlottesville with three patient friends who have learned to kindly humor my weakness for bookstores. If Richmond is the state’s political capital, then Charlottesville is most certainly the book capital, and many of its used shops have congregated in the Downtown Mall area.

In fact, Downtown Mall is actually Charlottesville’s old Main Street, bricked over for pedestrians and planted with trees. It has become a cultural and commercial center for the town with a number of locally-owned restaurants and coffee shops, antique and other specialty stores, a cinema, an ice-skating rink and yet, bookstores. Lots of them.

Blue Whale Books, located at 115 West Main St., is owned by Scott J. Fennessy, who built and told wood constructions himself. On Saturday, the woman behind the desk is none other than his mother, Deborah Brewer, who tells me, “I’m not a book person — I’m a psychologist, actually.”

The bookstore is cozy, furnished with chairs and a deep leather sofa which belonged to Fennessy’s father. There are glass cases holding rare books and first editions and a back room for art books and prints; the ceiling in this room rises three floors to a skylight high above.

Blue Whale has also shared its space since November with Seanchai Books, owned by Krista and Patrick Farrell. Seanchai specializes in books about Ireland.

Down the mall in York Place, a small indoor collection of shops nestles Oakley’s Gently Used Books, co-owned by Chris Oakley and Frank Cardella. “We consider ourselves very general but we seem to have a large interest in history,” Cardella said.

Cardella, who is involved with Downtown Mall issues, talks about the spirit of cooperation among area bookstores. “The customer is more interested in their buying at our store,” he said. “We all send customers to each other all the time.” Oakley encourages young readers with programs like its yearly Kid’s Book Swap.

On the corner of 4th Street, Daedalus Books, owned by Sandy and Donna McAdams, occupies three levels of an old red brick townhouse. A sign on the door greets customers in “to explore the labyrinth” and once inside, they understand. The small rooms are crammed with bookshelves, creating narrow, winding passageways. On the top floor, there are 30 shelves of poetry alone.

A weekday attraction to the store is the McAdams’ Saint Bernard, Ben. Employee Howard Huggins said on weekends “children come in, look disappointed [as if thinking] ‘What kind of stupid place is this’ — lots of books, no dog.”

Customer Julie Laskaris of Richmond has found three books: a biography of Georgia O’Keeffe, a history of the Boer War and a book on the American Civil War. She will be teaching at the University of Virginia, in the classics department this fall and a fellow professor recommended Daedalus to her. “I wish we had a store like this in Richmond!” she said.

Around the corner from Daedalus, almost hidden and easy to overlook, is The Avocado Pit, owned by Andrew and Robin Guterman. The shop is small, but has a sizable collection of new and used vinyl (priced $60-$200) and somewhat mythological volumes among the paperbacks.

The Avocado Pit, more than other shops on the Mall, has adopted a more technological approach to its work. “The walk-in business pays the rent,” Andrew Guterman said, “but we sell most of our books online.” The Gutermans are also designing inventory software and a mailing database for book dealers and collectors.

If any doubts remain as to the competition between Downtown bookstores, Robin Guterman also spends time working at Read It Again, Sam, the newest shop on the Mall, owned by Eugene W. Ford and Dave Taylor. It is furnished with chairs, book presses, potted plants and scattered peppers of peppermint, as well as bookshelves made by the owners.

“My partner is a big Humphrey Bogart fan,” Ford said. “There are prints of Bogart on the walls and a Maltese falcon in the display window. The screen legend also graces the shop’s business card. Half a wall in the shop is devoted to mystery, including first and signed editions.

An older presence on the Mall, The Book Cellar, is housed under the Hardware Store Restaurant. I can remember browsing there at a much younger age after lunch upstairs with my mother. Today, a small girl wanders past me with her mother, exclaiming, “There’s an awful lot of books here!”

“Put in there that we’re all great people here and our prices are the best,” owner Tom Tiede said as he rings up my coffee mug and a copy of the 1978 Star Wars Storybook ($3.25).

By the end of the day, I’ve not done too badly. Besides the storybook, I also picked up what seems to be an advance copy of J.R.R. Tolkien’s “Roverandom” and an 1874 copy of Alexandre Dumas “La Reine Margot,” published in Paris (never mind that I can’t read French, the binding’s beautiful). I also knew about a town in Wales devoted entirely to bookstores, thanks to book shop owner Eugene Ford and North Carolina customer Allen Taylor.

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Ska lovers gather, unite for good cause

Ska Against Racism concert features seven bands, draws enthusiastic crowd

by Jacob Wascalus

contributing writer

Music has always been a universal language, and what better way to get across issues that are continually addressed but never resolved?

Ska lovers flocked to JMU's Godwin Hall last Saturday to attend the benefit concert Ska Against Racism, sponsored by WXJM 88.7 FM and the University Program Board. Judging by the audience reaction to most songs, the evening was successful, as the bands and concert attendees played and listened with enthusiasm.

With a line-up of seven bands — Edna's Goldfish, Mike "Bruce Lee" Park, Kemuri, MU 330, Five Iron Frenzy, the Toasters and Less Than Jake — dedicated ska fans were in for a six hour event. The majority of the bands played 20 minute sets with the crowd responding energetically to each.

From the first act, Edna's Goldfish, to the last, Less Than Jake, crowd members grew closer to the stage and could be seen frantically scurrying around a mosh pit while stragglers toward the crowd's circumference could be seen happily "skankin." The mood was good and the atmosphere was generally warm.

The night's most memorable moments, among others, were when the lead singer of Kemuri invited members of the audience to jump on stage and dance despite obvious resistance of the security; when tour originator Mike Park of the band Mike "Bruce Lee" Park stopped during the middle of a song to form a ten-person pyramid, and finish the song after the pyramid's collapse; when more than ten brass players from all the other bands joined the Toasters on stage to perform a song and when Less Than Jake played.

After the more traditional, slower Toasters finished their 45 minute set, the speedy, steroid injected songs of Less Than Jake filtered throughout the audience's ears. The hour-long set had its own memorable moments and people. A clown blew fire from atop the drummer's riser; many audience members jumped up on stage to dance, and WXJM managers Jon Roth and Buddy Paulet did stage dives.

When asked his opinion of the show, 13-year-old Brian Parcells, of Thomas Harrison Middle School, said, "The bands played well." Although he slightly injured himself in the mosh pit, he "really enjoyed it."

WXJM manager Brian Lips also enjoyed the show. "It was fun just watching the crowd react to Less Than Jake. I couldn't believe the energy — the moshing; the dancing. It was amazing."

Besides the music, the Ska Against Racism tour was performing to promote awareness of the growing racism problem plaguing the United States. They began the tour March 26 and plan to continue through May 10, with JMU being one of the few universities to host one.

"We were really lucky to get SKAR [Ska Against Racism] here," WXJM manager Tony Weinbender said. "Usually tours of this caliber perform in large cities, like Washington, D.C. and Philadelphia." WXJM and the UPB were fortunate enough to jump on the opportunity and book the show.

For each tour date, the nearest chapter of Anti-Racist Action, Artists for a Hate-free America and the Museum of Tolerance attend the show to offer pamphlets discussing racism problems in the United States. One of the organizations present at Saturday's show, Anti-Racist Action, was handing out its newsletter that included articles and essays about the most recent hate-crimes in the country.

Though results cannot be expected overnight, Wink Donut of the band the Blue Meanies wanted the message to have a permanent impact. "I hope that after the people at this concert learn something, they educate themselves more by going out and seeking the problem — to rectify it. I want them to think about and understand the injustice that is occurring in this country," Donut said.

Mike Park, who created the Ska Against Racism tour, believes the concert provided one of many steps people had to take to combat racism. In an effort to do something similar to the 2-Tone ska era, a musical movement that attempted to bring black and white people together through music, he set up the tour intending to help the anti-racism cause.

"I think that the tour is definitely achieving its goal," Park said. "I understand that I can't conquer the world, but at least I'd like to make an indentation. The people come mostly for the music, but we give them music and facts. The combination seems to be working well."

The bands would often reiterate their anti-racism messages during their performances. "I hope everyone here believes in peace and unity," Park said between one of his songs. "That's our mission. Let's help end racism."
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Madisonians Homeshow—a thriller from the past

by Garret Piekney
staff writer

If you defensively declare you’re not a "song-and-dance" fan, you may need to put yourself to the test. In fact, after witnessing the Madisonians’ performance, you may need to make a formal retraction.

The Madisonians are a group of 17 students (nine women and eight men) who have been working on and performing their dance and music show all year. This ongoing project has developed and been refined into two hours of worry-free fun.

Their final offering of the year is a synthesis of their work this year, plus recent additions to their repertoire. Since returning from a tour during spring break which took them to New York City, they have added another half hour of material to their show.

Billed as "From Broadway to the 80s," the two-hour show does include a variety of musical styles, from simply sung Broadway ballads to dance-pop standards. There’s even a dash of sassy country added. A rock band backs the Madisonians as they sing and dance through a thoroughly entertaining performance.

The show is a well-executed product of collaboration and sustained practice over many months. Spending countless hours rehearsing and traveling along the east coast has created a level of intimacy among the troupe.

“We when go on tour, we all get on one bus, and we stay on that bus. We’ll get off at a high school, perform, get right back on the bus, go to the hotel, hang out, and get back on the bus, and so on and so on,” Madisonian senior Sarah Pramstaller said.

“We’re like a family. We absolutely love and absolutely hate each other!” junior Gillian Coe said.

Kevin Lauder, director of the Madisonians, was quick to emphasize the collective efforts of himself, his assistants and the students in the final production.

“The Jackson section in particular, that is start-to-finish a student production. Everything from arranging and recording the music, choreographing blocking and teaching the steps is student run,” Lauder said.

"Oh, that’s cool!” Pramstaller said.

However, for many, it may still be a toss-up between groaning or gyrating after the third Michael Jackson song. The bright enthusiasm, energized movements and shear vocal gusto of many of the Madisonians will prove difficult to resist.

Even the skeptical may find themselves involuntarily toe tapping to songs they wouldn’t admit to liking in a court of law. Indeed, after the encouragement from the Madisonians, many in the audience will be helpless to resist participating themselves.

This weekend, JMU students can treat themselves and punctuate the end of the semester with a smile and a finger-snapp... even if they have to later deny having sung along to “Beat It.”

The Madisonians perform April 24-25 at 8 p.m. in Wilson Hall. Tickets are priced at $4 with JAC and $6 without, and can be purchased at the Harrison Box Office or by calling 703/755.

Members of the Madisonians and soloist Sarah Pramstaller rehearse on Monday night. The Madisonians’ Home Show is a conglomerate of items from Broadway to music from the 80s.

Fashion with da funk

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NEW YORK (AP) — "After 16 very successful shows, a fresh way was in order," designer Todd Oldham said, who abandoned the usual runway approach at this season’s fall fashion collections.

Oldham’s show was among the last to make an appearance during the week-long parade of designer preview known as New York’s Fashion Week, which ended April 3. And for weary media and retailers, it was a refreshing change of pace.

Guests were invited to Webster Hall, a hip East Village nightlife, for the premiere screening of an 11-minute film, "Chandra’s Daydream," directed by Oldham and starring model Chandra North. The film was shot “during a 24-hour period on a Saturday in Queens,” Oldham’s office said.

North appeared in several different scenarios, including one scene that was interspersed with clips from the TV show, "The Price Is Right."

Before and after the film, North, Alek Wek, Karen Elson and several other models appeared on stage, wearing clothes representative of Oldham’s fall collection.

By flaunting fashion faux pas — evening gowns with golfers, anyone? — Oldham has drawn a dedicated following among the young and hip.

He excelled in head-on fashion collisions, such as funky pearls with banker pinstripes. Or a crystal-trimmed snake gown with a neckline inspired by coat hangers.

Last season, his show was held at a 1950s trucking garage once used by a garment industry shipper. Also an exercise in the offbeat, it included a photo-print lip dress in a design resembling shredded paper and 18th-century east Indian prints on midriff tops. Always eager to tweak a classic, he also transformed ballskirts by casting them in rafia, a straw like fiber.

Oldham said the most nerve-racking aspect of preparing for Fashion Week is making sure all the clothes arrive on time.

"Just to get it all to arrive in one place at the right time is like a military maneuver," he said. "We’ll design the print in America, ship it to the Far East for printing, then it comes back to New York, then to India to be re-embroidered or beaded. Hopefully, our sample ends up back in New York. And then you do the charade all over again, multiplying it by a lot."

As for his own wardrobe, Oldham said, "I don’t dress as loudly as I used to. I really love wild patterns, but as my face got plastered around more, it became more complicated for me to maneuver."

"I wear lots of jeans and corduroys," he said. "It’s easier to dress to disappear. I’m very comfortable in ‘clown-school’ clothes, but it makes it harder to move around."

Oldham has directed two music videos, appeared on the TV sitcoms, “The Nanny” and “Roseanne,” and has done guest spots on MTV’s "House of Style."

"I was even to have a pre-Fashion Week nightmare. "Until my last show, about five weeks before the show I’d have a nightmare that everything went wrong. It was like clockwork," Oldham said. "I’m not nervous about any of it anymore. After 16 shows, in a row, at this point I should know what I’m doing."
JMU pets take the spotlight...

There are a variety of pets at JMU, ranging from canines to reptiles. Jackie Cisternino takes a look at the benefits and drawbacks of caring for a pet at school. Photos by Ashley McGinniss and Jennifer Baker

It is Friday night at JMU, and in the hundreds of apartments surrounding campus, stressed out students relax and unwind with friends after a hectic week. At junior Danny Williams' apartment, people are packed inside, ready for a good party. There is one party-goer though, that roams around the place on all fours sniffing clothes and licking fingers. Cassidy, a rottweiler that belongs to Williams, is always eager to join in the fun.

Cassidy is one of numerous pets owned by JMU students. JMU is crawling with pets of all types, some more unusual than others. Williams has a conventional pet, yet an unconventional breed.

"People have biases about rottweilers. My neighbor thought Cassidy was the killing type, but she wouldn't hurt a fly," Williams said.

Williams got Cassidy from his hometown pound. He wanted a pet at school because he was used to that type of companionship at home. He had reservations about adopting a rottweiler, but when he met Cassidy, he had to have her.

"I had no intentions of getting a rottweiler, but when I took her outside to play with her, I knew she was my dog," Williams said. Williams adopted Cassidy for much the same reason other students make the decision to own a pet.

Sophomore Katy Otto adopted her kitten, Madison, mainly because she missed her cat at home and wanted to love and care for one at school. Madison was a prize; Otto rewarded herself for attaining an academic goal.

"I said if I got a 75 or higher on my Organics test, I would get myself a kitten," Otto said. Needless to say, she did pretty well on her test.

After persistently shopping around for the perfect pet, Otto finally found Madison, and like Williams, knew the kitten would be hers.

She adopted him from the Animal House, located behind the Valley Mall. "I fell in love with him," Otto said.

Sylvia's Pets, located on University Boulevard, also sells kittens, among other pets. That is where sophomore Lora Barthmus bought her kitten, Leo. Sylvia's offers a complete "kitten package" for $29.99, which includes the kitten, a carton of kitten food, a vet certificate, a mouse toy and two shots. According to employee Jenny Dunsmore, the kittens are the most popular pet Sylvia's offers.

"The cats sell really well with JMU students," Dunsmore said. Barthmus felt Sylvia's provided efficient service in helping her choose and purchase Leo. "[Sylvia] was so helpful," Barthmus said.

Barthmus loves having Leo, along with her roommate's kitten, Jack, around for companionship. The two cats are best buddies according to Barthmus, and although they require some work, she wouldn't trade them for the world.

"It's a bigger responsibility than I thought it would be, but it's worth it to have the cats to come home to," Barthmus said. "Our cats get a lot of love."

Both Otto and Barthmus take their cats to Valley Pets, a vet clinic in Harrisonburg that also has boarding and grooming facilities. Valley Pets also puts kittens up for adoption periodically. According to receptionist/technician Autumn Peaule, about 40 percent of people who adopt are students. "When the students come back from summer vacation, the adoption rate is higher," Peaule said.

Dr. John Daly and Dr. Vicki Stryckland are the veterinarians on-staff at Valley Pets. Daly has administered medical care to...
Hershey, an 8-year-old dachshund owned by senior Tracy Barrios. Barrios thanks Daly for helping to save Hershey's life by successfully fixing his health complications.

Unlike most student pet owners, Barrios brought her little "hot dog" from home. "Hershey goes to college," was the big joke in her family when she decided to bring him to school. Barrios reflected back to her freshman year with Hershey.

"We all used to joke that Hershey was going off to get his education," Barrios said.

Barrios described Hershey as an attached yet intelligent pet that is extremely protective. She went on to thoroughly explain just how intelligent her dog is; he can do math.

"He barks in threes. [My roommates and I] ask him what the square root of nine is and he'll go 'arf arf arf,' Barrios said.

A doggy-genius is a tough act to follow, but junior Dave Smith's pet certainly outdoes any canine when it comes to uniqueness. Smith owns a pot-bellied pig named Willis.

JMU is encompassed by farms, so owning a pig would make Smith fit in with the locals, but he claims he owns a pig to be original.

"It's something different," Smith said. "They make good pets, and they're smarter than dogs."

Smith many not know about Hershey's math skills, but it is widely known that pigs are intelligent animals. Like canines, his pig enjoys affection.

"He'll jump up on the couch and sleep with you just like a dog," Smith said.

There are other pets around campus which may be considered as distinctive as Willis. Among the other kinds of animals that can be found sauntering around JMU are iguanas, snakes, chinchillas and newts. According to Dunsmore of Sylvia's Pets, "Chili the Chinchilla" was bought by a student recently. She also said that newts, which are lizard-like critters, have been purchased recently by JMU students.

What it boils down to is that JMU is a diverse campus, even when considering the pets that belong to students. From pot-bellied pigs to little "hot dogs" to cutie-pie kittens to rottweilers that like to party, JMU students own pets that are each extraordinary in their own way. With the vast number of pets romping around this campus, we might have to start referring to JMU as the "JMU Zoo."
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Dukes outshoot Hoyas, 51-33, but GU goalkeeper Chris Lindsey's record-breaking performance prevails; Dukes host to No. 2 North Carolina Saturday

by Steven M. Trout

senior writer

What could be described as a gloomy day in the skies turned into a gloomy day on the field as the No. 5 ranked JMU women's lacrosse team fell, 12-10, to No. 10 Georgetown University yesterday at Reservoir St. Fields.

Coming off a loss to fourth-ranked Loyola University in Sunday's CAA Tournament final, the Dukes were looking to rebound against the Hoyas, but things didn't go as planned.

"We didn't quite bring everything to the table," JMU coach Jen Ulehla said. "We played like a bunch of individuals. Our strength as a team is to play as a team. We faced a great team and we played like individuals and we know it."

Individually or as a team, either way the Dukes ran into a major obstacle yesterday — mainly in the form of standout Hoyas goalie Chris Lindsey. The senior co-captain repeatedly turned away JMU shots, thwarting the Dukes' offense and frustrating the players.

[Lindsey] is one of the best in the country," junior Megan Riley said. "It was just a bad shooting day altogether. We didn't come out fighting like we should have.

The Dukes fired 33 shots Lindsey's way and she stopped 26 of them, breaking her own school record of 24. Time after time, Lindsey came away with a crucial stop, lifting the Hoyas to their 12-10 victory.

The defeat was the Dukes' sixth of the season and will surely drop them out of the nation's top five.

The action got underway soon after the opening draw as both goalies — GU's Lindsey and the Dukes' Kate Brew — put on a goalkeeping clinic, stopping shots left and right and holding both teams scoreless for nearly seven minutes.

Georgetown senior Lauren Hillsky started the scoring with her 36th goal of the season. Hillsky, a 1997 All-American, seemed to be all over the field yesterday, tallying three goals on the afternoon.

The two teams traded blows the remainder of the half, with JMU sophomore duo Jess Marion and Julie Martinez leading the way. Martinez and Marion each scored a pair of first-half goals, bringing the Dukes back from a two-goal deficit and tying the game at five at intermission.

Sophomore Jess Marion rips a shot past the Georgetown University goalkeeper. The Dukes fell to the Hoyas keeper with 51 shots in the 12-10 loss.

The second half featured more stellar play from Lindsey and a six-minute scoring frenzy from the Hoyas' offense that squashed any hope for the Dukes. Midway through the second period, at the 19:50 mark, GU freshman Sheehan Stanwick spun around a JMU defender and sent a shot past Brew for her second goal of the game. The goal sparked the Hoyas, paving the way for three more unanswered scores in the next six minutes. The scoring run erased an 8-6 JMU advantage and put the Hoyas up for good.

"[After getting the lead], we more or less said 'we got it in the bag,'" Ulehla said. "But [the Hoyas] are fighters. That changed the whole momentum of the game."

Riley rallied the Dukes with her goal at the 9:31 mark but the damage had already been done. After two more Georgetown goals and a late score form JMU's Martinez, the game ended with the lower ranked team coming out on top.

"We knew the pressure of this game," Riley said. "We knew we had to win. It's just we play like we have nothing to lose against a [higher seeded] team but we just put that pressure on us today."

All season, the Dukes have faced the nation's top lacrosse programs (all five of JMU's previous losses were to top five teams) and have consistently fared better against the better teams. Case in point was the March 23 game against Temple University, a game in which the Dukes embarrassed the then-ranked No. 2 team in the country. However, when up against the 10th-ranked squad, the outcome was much different. "We're not yet comfortable with the No. 5 ranking," Ulehla said. "On paper we're playing the No. 10 team but it doesn't matter. It all comes down to who shows up."

JMU's grueling schedule continues when the Dukes will have yet another chance to make a statement against one of the nation's best teams.

Saturday's test: the No. 2 University of North Carolina TarHeels. Game is at 2 p.m. at Reservoir Street Fields. The TarHeels are 12-2 this year.

JMU goalkeeper Kate Brew positions herself in front of a Georgetown University shot. The JMU defense allowed 12 goals on 33 shots.

Garner signs with NFL's Ravens

by Seth Burton

sports editor

After successfully booting balls for the JMU football team last season, senior place kicker/punter Nelson Garner signed a free agent contract with the National Football League's Baltimore Ravens following last weekend's college draft.

Garner will report to training camp as a punter and becomes the fourth JMU player in two seasons to sign with an NFL team.

Garner was recognized as a third team All-Atlantic 10 selection following the 1997 season. Garner's longest punt of the season was a 62-yard bomb.

Garner averaged 43.4 yards per punt while making 12-of-17 field goals. His longest was a 50-yard blast.

Twenty-two of Garner's 66 punts landed inside the 20-yard line during the 1997 season.

Last year, Macey Brooks and Ed Perry were drafted by the Dallas Cowboys and Miami Dolphins respectively, while Jay Jones signed a free agent contract with the New York Jets but did not make the team.
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Diamond Dukes drubbed by Towson, 12-2

by Gene Holson
contributing writer

The Diamond Dukes dropped two non-conference games this week, as they fell to the University of Virginia in a heartbreaking 8-7 game, and then took one on the chin, 12-2, against Towson University. JMU now stands at 20-24 on the year, but remains in third place in the CAA standings with a 7-5 conference record.

"We've been losing a lot of tough, close games lately," junior Bob Smoker said. "But I think we will regroup and be ready to go this weekend."

Sophomore Nic Herr got the start against Virginia (25-18-1) on Tuesday, allowing five runs, four of which were earned, over four and a third innings. The big rally for Virginia came in the fourth, when it scored three to go up 5-2. In the inning, the Cavaliers scored on a homer by Luis Giraldo and a two-run double by Brian Sherlock following a Dukes error.

JMU rallied in the seventh however, and tied the game at 5-5. An RBI walk by senior Greg White, a single by senior Kevin Razler and a sacrifice fly by sophomore Eric Bender provided the runs. The Dukes followed with another rally in the top of the ninth to go ahead 7-5. Singles by White and freshman Rich Thompson plated the runs.

The Cavaliers answered back in the bottom of the inning, however, and scored three runs for the win. After an error to lead off the inning, the Cavaliers put three runs for the win. After an error to lead off the inning, the Cavaliers put three runs for the win. After an error to lead off the inning, the Cavaliers put three runs for the win. After an error to lead off the inning, the Cavaliers put three runs for the win.

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"We haven't done anything during the week," said freshman Greg Miller. "We seem to play at the level of our opponents."

JMU coach Spanky McFarland agreed, saying, "The priority has been the conference for us all year. When the conference games come around, we feel like we can beat anybody."

The Dukes will try to step it up once again for conference play this weekend as they face UNC-Wilmington (6-11 CAA) in their last home CAA series. The Dukes will send junior Aaron Sams to the hill in game one, followed by White in game two, and barring further back problems, DeHart on Sunday.

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by Kathleen Reuschle
contributing writer

"The 110 highs" is characterized as the following: Exactly 110 meters to clear ten hurdles, all three and a half feet high, without breaking stride. The "400 intermediates," however, is a little different. It is exactly ten hurdles, .914 meters high with a linear movement."

According to a description provided by the International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF), "Hurdlers must always reach for a fluidity that is impaired neither by the act of hurdlng itself. This event is both for rhythmic speed between hurdles, nor can they seem to play at the level of our opponents."

JMU coach Spanky McFarland said, "It was not that we lost, but the fashion that we lost it in that was so tough."

Junior Ryan New (2-5) took the loss despite giving up only one hit until the ninth. In the game, Razler became the 12th player in JMU history to earn over 200 career hits. He joined teammate White, who did it earlier in the month.

Sophomore Peter McFarland (18-15), sophomore Blair McFarland was slated for the start until back problems kept him out of the lineup. With recent injuries to junior Jason White and sophomore Nick James, McFarland looked to his freshman to get him through the game.

Sophomore Brandon Cornwall (0-1) made his first career start, but lasted only one inning, giving up five runs. The big blow was a three-run homer by Towson slugger Liam Hanly.

Fellow freshmen Curtis Smith and Wesley Howell didn't fare much better, yielding seven runs over a combined three innings of work.

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Childers inks four more recruits

by Keith Feigenbaum

senior writer

After completing phase one under new head coach Bud Childers this past winter, the JMU women's basketball team, which finished 17-11 in somewhat of a rebuilding year, has now all but completed phase two.

The Dukes recently signed four top-notch high school recruits to augment a team which returns all of its starters — and then some. The signees include both the California and West Virginia State Players of the Year, to go with previously signed 6-foot-5 inch center Hollee Franklin of Lynggborg's Rustburg High School.

Highlighting JMU's high profile list of incoming freshmen is 5-foot-8 inch All-American point guard Allyson Keener. Keener, out of Lafayette, Calif., garnered the state's top individual honor as a junior and averaged 18.8 points per game as a senior. The Dukes' first recruit via the Internet, she is a proven winner, having led her Campolindo High School team to three state championships.

"[Keener] is our first 'cyber-recruit,'" Childers said. "She is the type of point guard who can run the show. She can defend. She has the ability to score and she has grown up playing in a program that is used to winning and winning a lot. I think she brings a very solid game to JMU and should contribute immediately."

Also joining an already packed and relatively young backcourt is prolific scorer Jody Williams, a 5-foot-9 inch guard from Nichols County High in Summersville, W.Va.

Williams will arrive in Harrisonburg following a senior campaign in which she averaged a mind-boggling 29.4 points and 6.5 rebounds per game — statistics which earned her State Player of the Year Award by both the West Virginia's Sports Writers Association and the Gatorade Circle of Champions.

"[Williams] is the type of player that is only going to get better over the course of the year," Childers said about the two-time All-State performer. "She is an instinctive scorer and plays the game with a lot of passion. I think she will fit nicely into our system here."

"Fitting the Dukes' wide-array of guards contently into their system should prove quite a challenge for Childers and his staff in 1998-99."

At the two guard, JMU will have sophomores-to-be Becky Wollenberg (the team's second leading scorer and top three point shooter in '97-98) and the versatile Mandy White returning, in addition to Williams.

"JMU will also dress three point guards in its upcoming season. 1996-97 CAA Rookie of the Year Mistiza Colebank, who capitalized on her late season starts this past winter, will return as a junior. She will again compete for this vital starting spot with freshman Kia Cole, who teamed with her fellow freshmen to pace the Dukes throughout much of the regular season."

With Keener now in the mix, it will be interesting to see who takes the reigns as JMU's floor general come Midnight Madness.

Another signee who could possibly see minutes next season is 6-foot-1 inch forward Katie Hardbarger of Millboro, Va. This Bath County High standout averaged 18 ppg to go with an impressive 10.8 rpg in her senior campaign.

She also will attempt to break into a well-established lineup. The Dukes frontline includes all-around top performer, Kish Jordan, the team's leading scorer, and the steady Akousa Demann, Hope Cook and Stacey Todd.

"[Hardbarger] has great versatility," Childers said. "She has size and strength that will suit her well in our system. She can play the power forward and small forward positions equally well."

Rounding out the Dukes' impressive recruiting class is Audubon, Pa.'s Sarah Skuchas, an unpolished center with a great upside — height. This 6-foot-3 inch three-time Suburban I Conference all-star from Pa.'s Methacton High will be JMU's sixth player above six feet tall.

Though her all-around skills are rough at-best, Childers is concentrating on the flip side of the coin.

"[Skuchas'] energy and enthusiasm for the game is contagious," Childers said. "What she lacks right now in skills and experience I expect her to make up for in her work ethic and commitment to the game."

If it all works out for the Dukes, the second season of the Childers era should be even better than the first.

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Lakers poised to take air out of Jordan's last hurrah

Well, it's April, and that can only mean one thing: the girls shorts get shorter and their tans get darker. Well, that and the start of NBA Playoffs.

Let me get this off my chest early: I don't like the Bulls. Michael Jordan can take his 10 NBA scoring titles, five champion-ship rings and all of his MVP awards and retire. It is boring watching the Bulls dominate.

Eastern Conference
Chicago vs. New Jersey
Keith Van Horn is cool. Bulls 3-0.
Charlotte vs. Atlanta
Check the season series: Atlanta 4-0, winning by an average of 17 points. The best pure shooter in the NBA, Glen Rice, and the toughest guy with the coolest haircuts, Anthony Mason, cannot save the Hornets. Hawks 3-1.

Indiana vs. Cleveland
My upset special for round one is the young Cavaliers to shock the Pacers. Don't sleep on Brevin Knight — he led the Pacers' center to 12-26 shooting, 30 points and eight rebounds. Cavs 3-1.

Miami vs. New York

When the Heat and Knicks mix it up, expect fireworks. These two teams just hate each other. The pick here is the Heat, but just because the Knicks don't have Patrick Ewing.

Heat 3-2.

2nd Round
This sets up an intriguing Bulls/Hawks rematch from last year's second round.

The Hawks are no pushover — they sport the league's top trash talker, Steve Smith (he has taken the title from John Starks). The Hawks' weakest link is Tyrone Corbin Simply put, he isn't good. He couldn't check Scottie Pippen with a marker.

Bulls 4, Hawks 2.

Miami-Cleveland is kind of tough to predict, because, well, it's feasible Indiana could advance. A healthy Jamal Mashburn makes the Heat a deep club.

Heat 4, Cavaliers 1.

Eastern Conference Finals
In a rematch from last year, the Bulls will battle the Heat. A year ago, Miami appeared to be scared of the Bulls.

Only a major injury or suspension prevents the Bulls from getting to the finals.

Bulls 4, Heat 1.

Western Conference
I'm no Los Angeles Lakers bandwagon fan, I've backed them since I started to watch hoops as a tyke.

As much as I hate the Bulls, I hate the Utah Jazz worse. I'd rather watch paint dry than see another Stockton to Malone pick and roll. Effective, yes. Exciting, no.

Utah vs. Houston
I will be rooting heavily for the Rockets against Utah in round one, but it's doubtful even the return of Charles Barkley will matter.

Clyde Drexler, it's been real dude.

Utah 3-0.

Phoenix vs. San Antonio
The best first round matchup.

The Spurs' "small ball" against the Spurs' "three towers."

Here's a slice of trivia: where did Spurs' shooting guard Jaren Jackson go to college? Give up? Georgetown. It's funny that he's playing an integral part in the Spurs' playoff run, while former Hoyas studs like Reggie Williams and Victor Page are MIA. The loss of Danny Manning is the difference.

Spurs 3-2.

Los Angeles vs. Portland
The bad news for the Lakers is Shaquille O'Neal is a terrible interview. He swears the dribble he sprouts is profound. Kobe Bryant won't win the 6th Man of the Year award after having a terrible second half.

The good news is Nick Van Exel led the NBA with a 4:1 assist to turnover ratio. The Lakers have won 22 of their last 25.

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Second round
Expect a physical series between the Jazz and Spurs since the Mailman's cheap shot at David Robinson two weeks ago.

Utah 4, Spurs 1.

The Lakers are simply more talented than the Sonics. Who is gonna stop Shaq, Jim McMillian? He is the biggest waste of $35 million ever. And who will try to guard Kobe Bryant? He will break down Horsey Hawkins like a math equation.

Lakers 4, Sonics 2.

Western Conference Finals
I am not sure if anyone remembers, but before the season opener between the Lakers and Jazz, Shaq walked up to Utah center Greg Ostertag and dropped him with an open handed slap. The Lakers took the season series, 3-1.

Lakers 4, Jazz 2.

The Finals
And now we've all been waiting for — a Lakers/Bulls finals.

I hope nobody thinks Luc Longley can stop Shaq. That up and under move — Johnnie Cochran couldn't defend!

I know it's going out on a really long limb, stretching from here to NOVA, but the Lakers will upset the Bulls, four games to two.

But if the Bulls lose, will Jordan not want to go out a loser, and come back?

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I'LL BE IN THE GIFT SHOP BUYING SAUSAGE!

Tuba Man

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