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Half-keg proposal killed

By Lisa Jennings
news editor

Despite receiving pressure from the SGA all semester, JMU's director of residence halls has decided not to allow half kegs at dorm parties.

Jim Krivoski told SGA legislative vice president-elect Dave Harvey Friday of his decision to rule against an SGA proposal. In an interview Sunday, Krivoski gave the following reasons for his decision.

► Students would drink more if a half keg is used.

If two quarter kegs are bought and beer is left, students can sell the beer to friends or a distributor, Krivoski said. Because half kegs are more difficult to sell, students would be inclined to finish the entire keg. He said the increased alcohol consumption could lead to related vandalism.

► Because half kegs are perceived as more beer, they usually mean bigger parties, which are more difficult to control, Krivoski said.

► JMU's policy is liberal enough now. It is more liberal than the policies at most state colleges and universities.

The trend in Virginia is toward conservative alcohol policies. This is expressed by recent bills in the state legislature to raise the drinking age and the emphasis on tougher penalties for those convicted of drunken driving.

"I'm not sure it would look good for us to make policies more liberal," Krivoski said.

Virginia Tech, Mary Washington College and Virginia Commonwealth University prohibit any kegs in dorms. George Mason University allows kegs only on special occasions. The University of Richmond allows only one quarter keg.

Radford University allows only quarter kegs.

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Up and over — JMU pole vaulter Brad Williams performs in Thursday's meet with Virginia Military Institute. Williams' best vault Thursday was 14-6.

(Photo by Yo Nagaya)

By Ian Katz
editor

► **First of two parts**

One of three secondary education teachers denied tenure last year was granted a rare decision reversal this year.

Dr. Elizabeth Ihle was granted tenure in February after being denied tenure in January, 1982.

Drs. John Sturm and Charles Schindler were denied tenure at the same time as Ihle. Both are leaving education.

All three and Dr. Thomas Stanton, vice president for academic affairs, have said the

denials were necessary because of decreasing enrollment in the secondary education department.

In 1981-82, 113 students received teacher certification. In 1977-78, 199 received teacher certification, according to JMU's statistical summary. This is a decrease of about 43 percent.

Although Stanton would not comment specifically on Ihle's case, he said a tenure decision can be reversed if a faculty member in a department with decreasing enrollment teaches some classes in another department.

Ihle taught JMU English 101 and 102 for

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Rare decision gives teacher tenure here

Camp Convo

Students turned the Convocation Center into a giant party last week during housing sign-ups. Inside, page

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State champs

The women's track team won the state outdoor title held here this weekend. Sports, page

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Kegs

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But Old Dominion University and The College of William and Mary allow half kegs, Krivoski said.

"If we were really in the dark ages about this maybe there is something wrong, but it doesn't appear that we are — we are fairly liberal."

Krivoski had delayed making a decision because he wanted to discuss the proposal with residence hall staff members and contact other

universities to compare policies.

The SGA proposed that JMU policy be changed to allow half kegs at dorm parties. Currently, JMU policy allows only quarter kegs, with one on tap at a time. Half kegs are permitted only in a dorm's designated party room.

A survey conducted earlier this semester showed that two quarter kegs are consumed at 80 percent of dorm parties. Of 64 registered parties, 13 used only one quarter keg.

Harvey supports a change because one half keg costs less than two quarter kegs.

Mike Spencer, manager of Midway Market near campus, said two quarter kegs of Budweiser cost \$47.98, and a half keg of Budweiser costs \$38.99.

Krivoski said he understands students' concern with money. But policies cannot be based on keg prices, he said.

"My question was, what if we went to half kegs? How long would it take before half kegs are as expensive as two quarter kegs?"

Krivoski suggested Harvey ask beer distributors to lower their prices.

Harvey said Krivoski did not ask other schools how their policies affected student drinking habits. Harvey said the five-member SGA Executive Council plans to find out.

Krivoski said the decision was not concrete, but he does not foresee a change in the next few years.

Harvey said he will ask the SGA Senate Tuesday if it wants to appeal the decision to Dr. Robert Scott, vice president for student affairs.

"All the students have supported the half keg vote before, there should be no problem with them supporting an appeal," Harvey said.

Tenure

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the first time this year and also taught secondary education classes. She will teach English 101 next semester.

Ihle has a master's degree in English, which qualifies her to teach 100- and 200-level English courses, according to English department standards.

She said that after she was denied tenure, Stanton asked her if she would teach in the English department this year.

"I think there was a desire on the part of the administration to work something out," Ihle said. "But there never was any connection made between my teaching in the English department and receiving tenure. No mention of that was made."

Ihle said she likes teaching English. "I like freshmen. I like reading the literature. I would like to teach it again."

When asked why she was granted tenure, Ihle said, "You'll have to ask the vice president."

Although Stanton continued to refuse comment on specific cases, and noted, "Tenure decisions are seldom, if ever, reversed," — he explained the tenure process and how a reversal could occur:

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"In general, there are two impor-

tant ways a person denied tenure could subsequently receive it," he said. "One is teaching in another department. The second is when the person denied tenure can show that an important aspect of his or her credentials was overlooked."

The changing of a tenure decision usually is initiated "by myself or a dean. Not usually the faculty member," Stanton said.

Teachers usually are reviewed for tenure in their sixth year here. Teachers cannot reapply for tenure, but can appeal a decision, Stanton said.

In the tenure process, recommendations are made by the faculty member's departmental personnel advisory committee, department head, dean, Stanton and President Ronald Carrier. JMU's Board of Visitors has final approval of tenure candidates. But it usually follows Carrier's recommendation.

When a teacher receives tenure, he or she virtually is guaranteed a job for life. When a teacher is denied tenure, a one-year contract is offered. When the contract expires, the teacher must leave that position.

"We don't really have a policy on that (reversals) because it doesn't happen often enough," Stanton said. "But as a rule of thumb, it goes to the level at which the first denial occurred."

"Hypothetically, if it was first denied by the committee, the case would go all the way through again," he said. "If it was first

denied by the department head, it would go back to the department head. Then it would go to every step after that where tenure was denied."

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Twenty-four faculty members were granted tenure last year. Ihle, Schindler and Sturm were among four denied tenure. Stanton would not name the fourth faculty member.

Ihle said she did not appeal the decision or threaten to take legal action against the university.

Ihle, 37, receives a 10-month salary of \$22,600. She said she did not apply for other jobs after her tenure denial. "I'm married and my husband has a job (as a chemical engineer) in this area. My contract is in effect until June 30, 1983, so I had some time to look around. Besides that, in January, 1982 I had a 5-month-old child, and then I (later became) pregnant again. I had more than enough to keep me busy."

"But if all that weren't so, I certainly would have applied for anything that would be suitable at JMU or elsewhere," said Ihle, a Harrisonburg resident.

"I was informed Dec. 14, 1982 I would be recommended for tenure," Ihle said. "I was in the hospital with my second child, so I remember it well when Dr. Stanton called to tell me."

"I had hoped earlier that (a decision reversal) would be the case, but I knew nothing," Ihle said.

When Ihle was denied tenure, it caused faculty concern about job security, according to Stanton and several secondary education teachers.

Last year, when he was Faculty Senate speaker, Dr. Cameron Nickels of the English department said, "Ihle was visible. A lot of people knew her and knew her work." He said untenured faculty thought, "If Elizabeth can't get it, then how am I?"

Ihle has taught at JMU for seven years. From 1980-82 she was co-director of a Southern Association for Colleges and Schools self-study. "It was a long, involved study," Stanton said. "A lot of work."

Ihle taught for three years as a graduate assistant at the University of Tennessee, where she received her doctorate in 1976.

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Ihle said her opinion of the tenure process here is the same as it was two years ago.

"At JMU I think it's conducted fairly. Although it had some distressing results for me, I thought it was fair and thoughtfully considered," she said.

"The reason for tenure is to protect academic freedom. So he or she can teach in a way that they think is morally responsible. But sometimes I think long-term, renewable contracts would do the same."

Ihle said she does not know how long she will stay at JMU. "I'm just very happy the tenure question is over. I want to put it aside and work on being a very productive faculty member."

► **Next Issue:** The future of the secondary education teachers denied tenure.

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Pay raise: State employees to receive increase in take-home pay

By Denise King
staff writer

All state employees — including JMU faculty — will receive an increase in take-home pay beginning Oct. 16, 1983.

Earlier this year, no raise was expected because of statewide budget cuts proposed by Gov. Charles Robb. But the House Appropriations Committee and the Senate Finance Committee found \$86 million the governor had overlooked.

State employees previously contributed 5 percent of their salaries to a retirement pension fund. The money was automatically subtracted from their paychecks.

Instead of a raise in gross pay, the state will pay the employees' 5 percent contribution. This will result in an estimated 6 to 8 percent increase in take-home pay, depending on the individual's tax bracket.

President Ronald Carrier stated in a memo to JMU faculty, "I regret that state revenues were not sufficient to support increases in gross salary; however, this plan will provide additional salary resources during the 1983-1984 fiscal year."

This year's increase is comparable to last March's 5.6 percent salary increase.

University Spokesman Fred Hilton said this plan is more profitable for employees than a raise in gross pay. An increase in gross pay would also cause an increase in taxes. The new plan increases actual take-home pay, but will not raise taxes.

For example, Hilton said a single employee with one tax exemption and an annual salary of \$15,000 will have a 7.2 percent pay increase. His twice monthly salary would be raised from \$430 to \$461.

A married employee with two tax exemptions earning \$15,000 annually will have a 6.8 percent increase. His twice monthly pay will be raised from \$458 to \$489.

Glen Pond, director of the Virginia Supplemental Retirement System said state employees with no VSRS service credit prior to April 1, 1980 will have the 5 percent the state will pay starting Oct. 16 credited to their account.

For state employees with VSRS service credit prior to April 1, 1980, the employer paid contributions will be credited to the state's employee account.

An employee who did not work for the state before April 1, 1980, will be able to withdraw those contributions. Pond said, "If a member remains in

state service until retirement, it will make no difference (in the benefits) to which account the contributions have been credited."

Hilton expects the faculty response to the change to be favorable.

Dr. Tim Carter, associate professor of sociology and state employee for seven years, said he is generally satisfied with the increase in take-home pay. He said the increase is the best pay raise he has had.

But Carter said he expects inflation to increase more than five percent, and he subsequently will lose money, as he has in the past.

Carter said, "It could hurt (state employees) in 25-30 years." A problem might arise if employees retire and the state lacks adequate funds for the retirement payments, he said.

Dr. Robert Roberts, assistant professor of political science, is also in favor of the increase.

But Roberts said funds not taken out of the employee's checks won't be available for retirement.

If employees' salaries are not increased, other schools might offer better pay and faculty members might consider other institutions for employment, Roberts said.

Ten faculty members to leave at semester's end

By Val Hulce
staff writer

JMU will lose 10 faculty members at the end of this school year.

Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Thomas Stanton would not name those faculty members who are leaving. He said they comprised six academic departments.

But *The Breeze* learned of six of those who will be leaving: Bruce McKinney, instructor of communication arts, Dr. David Tucker, assistant professor of communications arts, Dr. Stephen Fairchild and Dr. Barbara Perry-Sheldon, assistant professors of education, Dr. John Sturm, associate professor, and Dr. Charles Schindler, assistant professor, of secondary education and school administration.

The number of faculty who left last year was not available, but Stanton said this year's 10 out of 437 faculty members constitutes only a little more than two percent.

"There's nothing unusual about this pattern," he said. "We have an environment here that enables faculty to improve, and that is to be plowed back into JMU. It's not unusual for them to eventually go somewhere else."

McKinney taught for two years in graduate school and two years at JMU.

"I'm tired of teaching, and I've gotta get out of Harrisonburg," he said. "I like to travel ... and do different things."

McKinney is interested in public

relations, university admissions and working in some type of educational administrative position.

Tucker has been at JMU six years, but now will go to work for Arbitron T.V. ratings service in Laurel, Md. He will be a senior research project engineer which engages in internal research — to devise new survey methods and new ways of improving present rating methods.

Tucker said, "This is a career change and if I like it ... I may stay with it for the rest of my life; then again, I may not."

He said it is "highly unlikely" he will come back to JMU to teach.

Fairchild will leave JMU after four years of teaching because of cuts in his department's budget. His

contract expires after this school year.

He plans to remain in teaching and has applied to Harrisonburg city schools as well as to Hood College in Maryland.

Perry-Sheldon will also leave because of department cutbacks.

She has been teaching at JMU for five years and she plans to remain in teaching locally, since her husband is employed here.

Sturm is retiring at age 55 because he did not receive tenure. "So, I think it's time to step down," he said. He plans to start writing. He will move to the Midwest; probably Ohio, he said.

Schindler was unavailable for comment.


Hardee's

Tom Murphy put a new twist on Murphy's Law. Murphy, a freshman computer science major from Woodbridge, Va. was the 1,000th customer at Hardee's Grand Opening Friday. On his birthday, he ordered a burger and received \$250 change.

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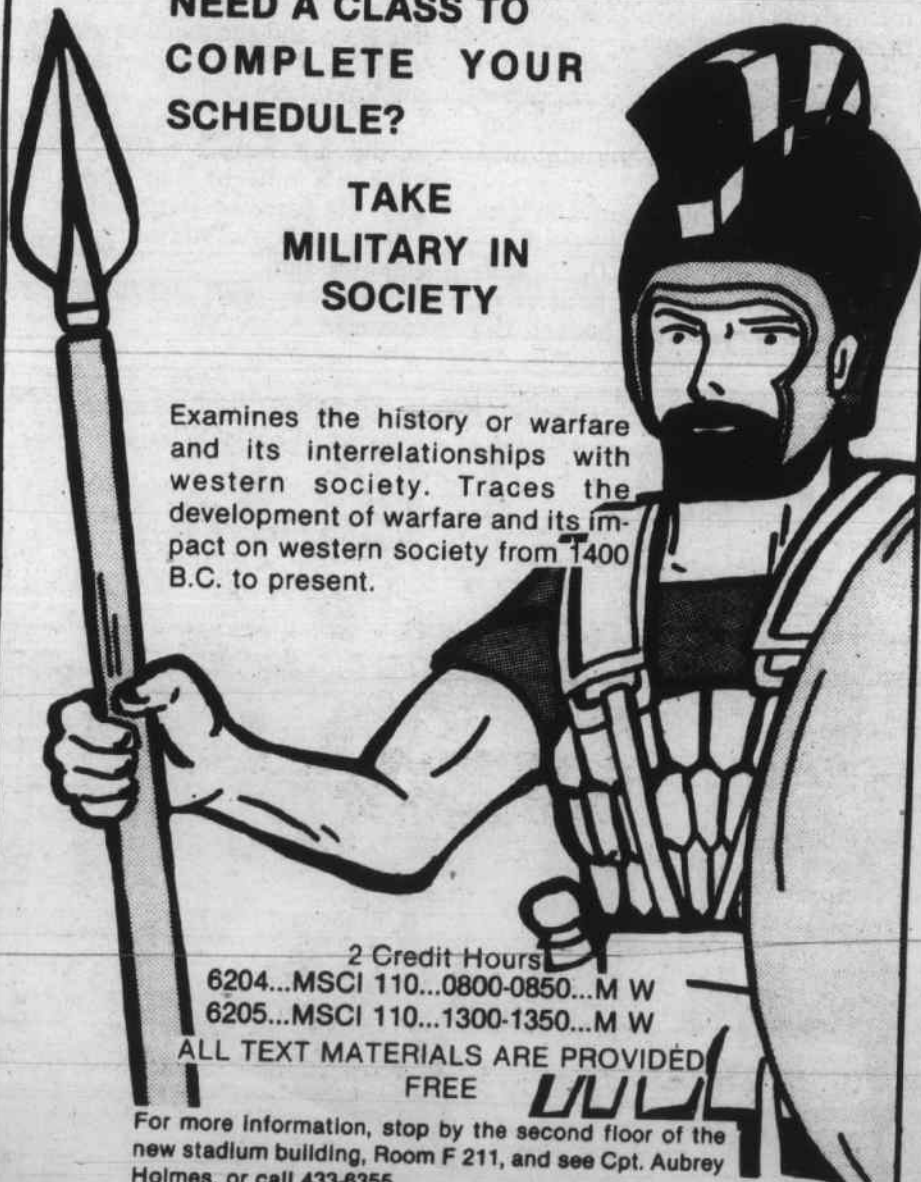
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Menard named acting director during search

Dr. Al Menard, associate dean of students has taken over the duties of student activities director until a replacement has been found.

Menard assumed responsibility for the position April 2 after Christian Sachs resigned to work for United Service Organizations in Frankfurt, Germany.

Although Menard assumes responsibility for two positions he does not receive double pay.

Menard said, "All of us assume a professional position. There is an expectation that we do what has to be done. When one of us is out, whether illness or resignation, then someone else has to do his job. We call this 'peer coverage,'" he said.

A national search for a replacement is currently being conducted. Teresa Gonzalez, chairman of the committee conducting the search, said, "Advertisements have been placed in several educational publications, both statewide and na-

tional. We have sent out mailings throughout the state."

Applications are also being solicited through the American Council on Education Network. The position should be filled by July 1, she said.

—Becky Sandridge

Library hours differ during exam week

Library hours will be increased for exam week beginning Friday, April 29.

The new schedule is as follows:
 Friday— 7:50 a.m. - midnight.
 Saturday— 9 a.m. - midnight.
 Sunday— noon - 2 a.m.
 Monday - Thursday— 7:50 a.m. - 2 a.m.
 Friday— 7:50 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Carrier appointed to slurry commission

Dr. Ronald Carrier was appointed membership to a commission by Governor Charles Robb to study the feasibility of a coal slurry pipeline in Virginia.

Robb announced Carrier's membership Friday to the three member commission, according to Saturday's Daily News-Record.

The debate over the practicality of

building a slurry pipeline, which moves coal in a water mixture, pits the utilities against the railroads.

Virginia Electric & Power Co., which wants to build a pipelines to serve its generating plants, insists it would be efficient and inexpensive. The Norfolk Southern Corp. and CSX Corp., both major coal-hauling railroads, argue it would be far more expensive, said the Daily News-Record.

The study was established after a proposal allowing coal interests to take land from owners by invoking the privilege of eminent domain was not passed in the Virginia General Assembly 1983 session.

Associate dean position added

The business school will have both a dean and an associate dean next year.

Dr. Paul Kipps is now serving as acting dean of the business school. Dr. Robert Holmes, of Austin, Texas will assume responsibility as Dean of the School of Business on July 1. Kipps will then hold the position of associate dean of the business school.

Kipps said, "This is simply a reorganization or shifting of personnel."

Kipps has worked with the accreditation of the school of business.

The school was accredited last spring by the American Assembly of Collegiate School of Businesses. Kipps has been working with this project for the last several years.

Currently, the School of Business has no associate dean.

—Becky Sandridge

Coors' bottles, cans available today

Coors bottled and canned beer will be available today.

Adolph Coors Co. has announced Coors Premium, the flagship brand; and Coors Light, the low calorie product will now be available.

Coors draught beer has been available since March 21.

Coors has purchased 2,000 acres of land in Elkton as a potential site for a second brewery. But construction plans are on hold as they consider the economic feasibility of building the brewery.

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Students strive to recruit minorities

By Becky Sandridge
staff writer

About 50 students are working specifically to help JMU reach its goal of minority recruitment set by Virginia's affirmative action plan.

The Minority Recruitment Committee is an outgrowth of the Black Student Alliance and was formed to assist the minority recruiter in coordinating, planning and carrying out special recruiting efforts.

President John Roane explained the function of the group. "Before the students are accepted at JMU

and before the prospective freshman come in the fall they (the committee) work with these students informing them about JMU and answering any questions they may have concerning the school."

JMU has to meet the goal of enrolling 129 black first-time students this fall. The goal for 1984 is the enrollment of 175 black first-time students and for 1985 it is 225.

Both the Minority Recruitment Committee and the BSA attend a training program to learn techniques on recruiting.

The committee is in charge of

organizing Black Freshman Weekend, held March 25-27. About 300 prospective black students visited JMU and were hosted by the committee.

Roane said in dealing with the prospective students, one of their main concerns was being a minority in a predominantly white university.

Committee members dealt with this issue mainly by sharing some of their own experiences.

The committee serves as an advisory to Forrest Parker, minority recruiter. They offer suggestions as to where large volumes of prospec-

tive minority students could be contacted.

Parker keeps a mailing list of all prospective black students and invites them to BSA events, and on-campus activities, as well as keeping them up to date on clubs, classes and academics. His goal is to get black students on campus so they can see for themselves what JMU is like.

Parker said, "If blacks come here the university will profit. We make great strides to try to close the gap between blacks and whites. By living in the same environment, we will learn from each other and about each other."

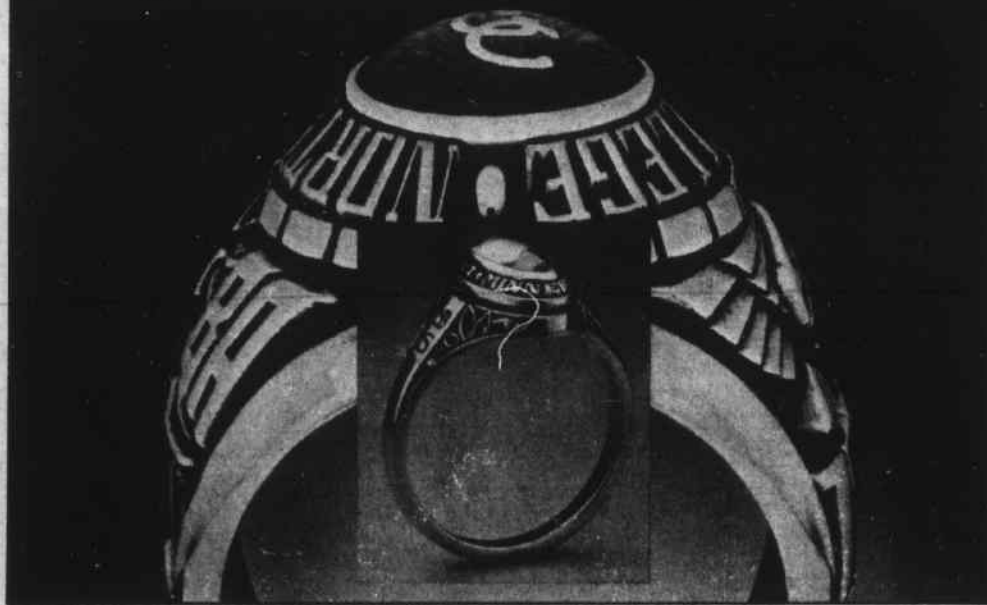
Roane said, "I am not pro-black. I am pro-people. I see myself as helping people who are underprivileged and who don't have the same opportunities as many others do."

Parker said the first Minority Recruitment Committee consisted of a few black students who met three years ago to plan the first Freshman Weekend. Since then, the committee has structured itself into subcommittees to be responsible for recruiting projects. The committees take care of the correspondence, housing, food, and program of Freshman Weekend.

Elections were held last week for new officers. Vice President Glenda Martin and Roane ran unopposed for their same offices.

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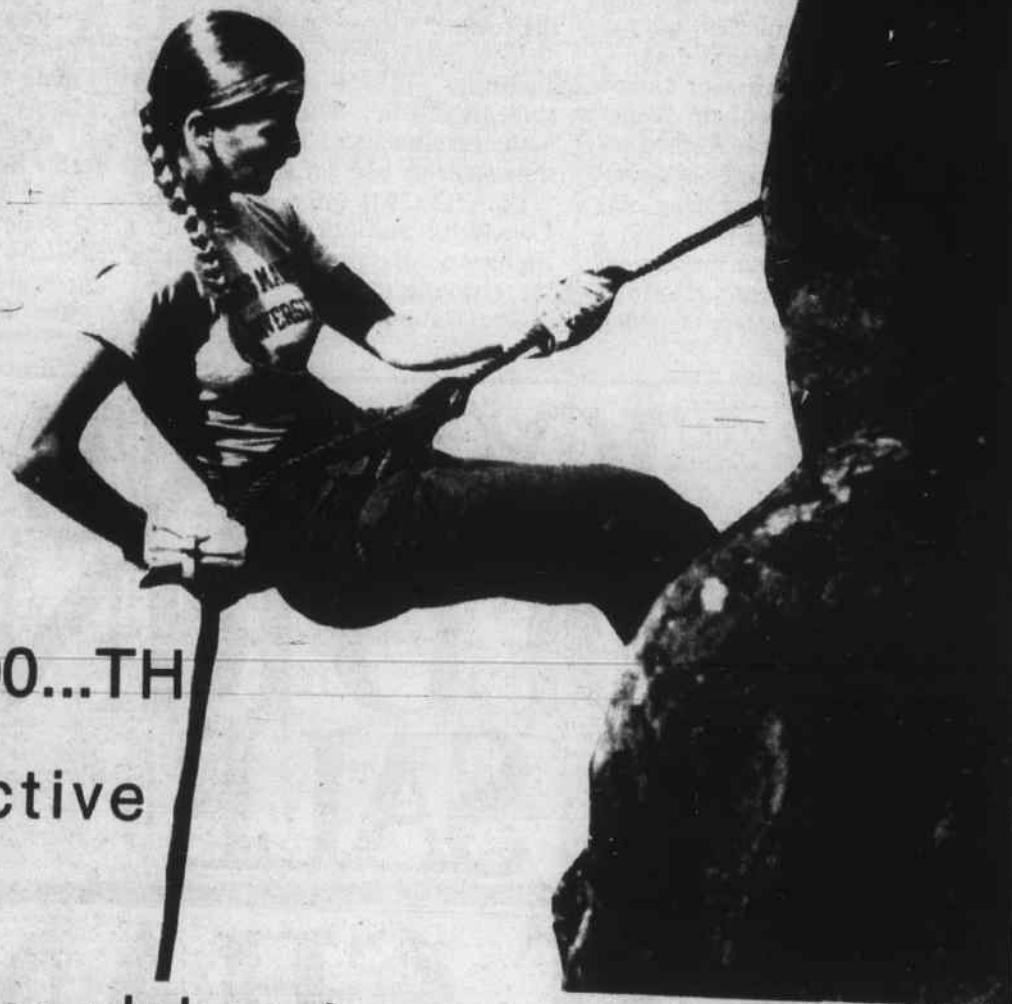
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Specialist hired to interpret Optimal Health Inventories

By Becky Sandridge
staff writer

A new health education specialist has been hired to inform students on preventive medicine.

Rose Miller was hired last month by Dean of Students Lacy Daniel. Her job has two major responsibilities: to give interpretations for the Optimal Health Inventory and to compile a self-help pamphlet for the students.

The Optimal Health Inventory is an option for third year students who do not feel they need or want to take a physical exam. Students take a written test, the results of which are compiled and analyzed by a computer.

Miller meets with students who have taken the test to interpret the computer's results.

"It is basically a lifestyle survey which will indicate signs of lifestyle diseases, such as stress, which may cause heart attacks. It is something they (the students) may never have the chance to do again," Miller said.

"Most universities use the survey. The response has been really good," she added.

With a goal of doing 750 interpretations during April, Miller works about 15 hours each week. She conducts three one-hour meetings, two days a week.

Miller will continue to give the interpretations up to the time of registration.

Miller is planning a self-help brochure on wellness and how to stay healthy. She said, "Students indicate they want more information on how to stay healthy. The pamphlet will describe different illnesses, symptoms for them, and ways to help yourself and the time to seek the aid of a physician."

Miller is working with the Health Center and Office of Student Affairs on the project. She meets with the Student Advisory Health Committee once a month to get ideas for the pamphlet.

She has collected other pamphlets from other universities, but her aim is to shape the pamphlet to meet the needs of JMU students. She plans to have it completed by next fall.

"The job will take most of the summer. We should make it as comprehensive as we can," Miller said.

"The thrust will be on preventing illness," she added.

Some of the student's major health concerns are how to prevent the common cold, dietary needs, safe weight loss methods, how to deal with stress and venereal disease, Miller said.

Her job will also entail arranging films, guest speakers, special health programs and giving dorm lectures.

Miller said she was optimistic about the future of the health program. She said, "I welcome the challenge of the new job. I hope to learn a lot. It will be refreshing and I'm excited about it."

"I really enjoy teaching people how to help themselves," she said.

Miller, a native of Ann Arbor, Michigan, started out running a business office in a hospital. She became interested in the medical side of the field, and began taking classes in medical terminology and medical science.

In 1976, Miller graduated from the Ann Arbor Nursing Center. She worked as a nurse at King's Daughters Hospital in Staunton, Virginia.

Miller also worked for Holly Farms Poultry, as an industrial nurse, supervisory nurse, and personnel manager.



Rose Miller interprets Optimal Health Inventories. (Photo by Yo Nagaya)

Treating lacerations and teaching patients how to take care of the wounds to speed the healing process was a major part of her work at Holly Farms.

Her husband, Peter Miller, teaches guitar at JMU. They have two children.

Miller is also a member of the Harrisonburg Junior Women's Club, and does volunteer work at the Pleasant View Home in Broadway.

She also counseled for Planned Parenthood in Ann Arbor.

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Home away from home away from home

Spring housing sign-ups

By Charles Taylor
features editor

They came armed with everything from 16-inch televisions to coolers to poker sets. The atmosphere rivaled that of a mild Spring Fling — from a bedroom community sort of view.

Instead, spring housing sign-ups were the cause of one of the largest annual student gatherings, though this year's system was different from that of past years. Students camped for one — or two or three — nights in the Convocation Center to secure numbers for campus housing. Room reservations then took place in the Warren Campus Center ballroom Tuesday and Wednesday nights.

In past years, the number reservation process took place outside of the Warren Campus Center.

The circus began by 12:30 p.m. Sunday, almost two days before the allotment of numbers 8 a.m. Tuesday.

"It was cold, freezing cold," said Michele Belcher, a freshman who held the first place in a line that would eventually hold 380 women. "When they let us in around 9 (p.m. Sunday), we said, 'Thank God.' It's been pretty quiet so far," she said around 5 p.m. Monday.

"We really didn't mind it at all," said Belcher's 1983-84 roommate, Marlene Lyons. "It was something different to do, something we'd never done, so it was pretty exciting to be stuck over there like that."

Others, however, felt differently. "We're pretty mad," said Jeanie Tassinari, a sophomore who arrived at the Convocation Center 6:30 Monday morning. "They said they weren't going to open this place last night, then they did. Had we of known, we would have come then."

But according to Jim Krivoski, director of residence halls, "We didn't make any promises it would open any certain time. And as soon as I'd



More than 600 JMU students camped at the Convocation Center Sunday, Monday and Tuesday waiting for housing numbers for spring sign-ups. (Photo by Jeff Frederick)

turned them away, they'd have come back. I can't tell them where to stay on campus."

Students have begun hibernating earlier and earlier in the past several years for number distribution. "When I was a freshman, we went out five hours before sign-ups," said junior Debbie Gavin. "We're farther back now — 25 hours before (sign-ups)."

For some women, however, the wait wasn't worth the benefits. Sharon Wobie, a freshman and the last female in line said, "I've got my roommate and we get along great, so it doesn't matter where we live, we'll be happy. It's not the building that matters to us."

Most women made the best of the situation and socialized among friends, packed coolers with drinks, and took books or magazines to help the hours pass.

University vending services provided free soft drinks Monday and Tuesday nights, and set up tables around the center for studying. Bathrooms were only steps away. Radios remained low and things stayed basically tranquil through the night.

"Students were well-behaved. They cooperated fully," Krivoski said. "The Convocation Center is

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Lottery system could end Convo camping

By Charles Taylor
features editor

As campus housing reservations become more of a challenge for students each year, the possibility of another lottery system continues to be a prime solution for the near future.

According to Jim Krivoski, director of residence halls and commuter student services, "generally students are not as opposed to the lottery once they understand how it works."

Krivoski stresses that "at this point, the lottery is just being considered. There's nothing definite."

The lottery Krivoski has in mind would eliminate the camping-out process in which students spend at least one night

in the Convocation Center to reserve a number for room sign-ups. The system would not choose dormitories for students and no one would be denied a room.

On the housing reservation card sent to students before housing sign-ups, a number would be printed at random by computer. This number would determine, by class priority, when students sign up for rooms. The student with the higher number among roommates can sign all two or three into a room.

"The main problem I see with the system is that you can't do suite reserving in the Village," Krivoski said.

"I think a lottery would be good — better," said freshman John Payne, "because then you don't have to go through the hass-

le of camping out. Some people can't get over as early because of classes. Everyone would have a fair chance (with the lottery)."

Krivoski also favors the lottery system — but only if students are supportive. "I would love to do the lottery. It'd make things easier for the administration and for the students. But I want to do something that students are interested in."

"I think this way (the current system) seems fair," said freshman Sharon Wobie. "People who really want a place can get it."

Marlene Lyons, a freshman who waited over 24 hours for a room this year, said, "I don't think it (the lottery) would be fair. If you're willing to stay out two nights, you should be able to

get something for it."

But even after waiting several hours in line, some students still don't get the rooms they want. "It seems ridiculous being a junior and not getting a room you want to," said junior Debbie Gavin.

If the student body and administration decide on a lottery system for JMU, it would require little adjustment. Computer numbers are already printed randomly on housing reservation cards in case a lottery is enacted.

Reflecting on the changes made this year compared with last year's treacherous procedure, Gavin commented, "It's better having it inside, but I think some limitations should be set. People will be in here a week early next year."

Harmony

Madisonians sing and dance to the language of friendship

By Constance Walker
assistant features editor

Wilson Hall was alive with the sound of music Friday and Saturday night as the JMU Madisonians celebrated their tenth anniversary.

The theme and title of the vibrant show, Brothers and Sisters, complimented the occasion as Madisonian alumni attended the show Saturday night and joined the current members on stage in the final song, "If You Believe In Music." The number brought everyone together said Sandra Cryder, director of the Madisonians.

"This year's show holds the idea that music brings people from different cultures together," said Cryder. "Our first show was at the World's Fair, so I needed a theme that would encompass a lot of different life styles and people."

The program did just that as the Madisonians performed something for everyone. Melodies included everything from New York to Nashville, from the 30's to the 80's.

Next year's theme will involve stardom and music by popular ar-

tists. Though the new Madisonian group has not been chosen, Cryder said, "There are some wonderful soloists in song as well as dance. I will have to choose music to showcase their talents."

The Madisonians began in 1973 when the Madison singers combined with the Jazz Ensemble to perform modern music shows.

This year's group is comprised of 18 singers and dancers. The Madisonian band has 10 members.

"About one-third of the Madisonians are not music majors. Anyone can audition as long as they are a JMU student," Cryder explained. Singing, dancing and minimum of sight-reading are some of the audition requirements. Ability to work as a group member is also an important trait of a Madisonian.

Cryder said, "The greatest characteristic of the group is the care they show for each other. They are talented, outgoing, warm and loving, which is very important when we are on the road. They always leave a good impression of JMU."



Kurt Negaard jumps to the sounds of country music during the Madisonian show Friday night (Photo by Yo Nagaya)

'Copy art' questions life's basic assumptions

By Constance Walker
assistant features editor

Original art by duplication. This new art form, using the modern technology of photocopiers, was explained and demonstrated by Rita Dewitt Thursday afternoon during a workshop with 15 art students.

"I'm a collector," said Dewitt. "I weave images together to create a fabrication of reality."

Dewitt began the workshop by explaining the works and techniques of the photocopier. The copier is like a camera except with a "shallow depth of field." "Copying is photographic in that it is formed by light," Dewitt said. Collage techniques were explained including kinds of paper used, lighting and texture quality.

"Though you can't actually see what is on the glass since you are looking at the back of it, one nice advantage of the copier is the immediate feedback you get," said Dewitt.

"You have much variability with copiers, however they only see value, so the artist must be careful not to choose items too close in value, such as hair, since the machine cannot make the distinction."

The machine only "sees" when the image is in contact with the light of the copier, thus the height of the objects partially determines the light quality of the image printed. This concept of light also is used to create motion.

Experimenting with motion in the "kinetic sense" is another of Dewitt's traits. Motion in the prints is an "extended time record," according to Dewitt. Time elapses when the motion begins until it is finished, but the end product appears to have been taken in an instant.

"I literally play with the machine and collage until it looks good to me." Then through selective coloring with oils and pencils, the black and white forms are brought to life.

Sources for her work come from dreams however no specific script is used. "I don't plan my work," said Dewitt. "I discover the work and

the color as I do it. It's largely intuitive."

Dewitt describes her work as "copier generated images, hand-painted." Her art is not defined by subject matter. She uses the copier and camera as tools to explore herself.

"I wonder what life is all about. It (her art) is a personal explanation, a combination of fiction and reality," Dewitt said. "Maybe I'm trying to understand life without explaining it."

Steven Zapton, assistant professor of art at JMU, describes Dewitt's "copy art" as "extremely personal imagery." Her strong sense of organized religion influences the themes of her work. Dewitt questions religion, discrimination, gender, the basic assumptions of life and "possible realities".

"I take things that happen to me in real life and create visual fiction with them," Dewitt said.

'Maybe I'm trying to understand life without explaining it.'

Dewitt uses an unusual technique by combining words with her pictures. "The words are as much a part of the piece as the art," explained Dewitt. "While I color the prints, the visual art stimulates the creation of the messages."

"They are structurally important. The art alone gives one message, the words another, and when put together, still another meaning is expressed. The meaning of the whole picture happens somewhere in between the print and the words."

Many times her messages below the prints are posed as questions leaving it up to the viewer to choose the answer or supply his own because "I don't know the answer or there is more than one answer," explained Dewitt. Her words, however, tend to be answered only by more questions as Dewitt's investigation of life is given to and accepted by her viewers.

"Some things I don't have an explanation for — they are just pleasing to me," Dewitt said.

Dewitt uses old photographs of the same people in many of her prints. "I treat them like actors on a stage put in different situations and becoming other characters."

Although they are not her own family, she has to come to know them as though they were. "I've learned that we make our own choices — we become the people we choose to become," Dewitt stated.

Contrast is another aspect Dewitt employs in her art. The difference between reality and illusion is exemplified through contrast of old versus young, still-life versus motion, one-dimension versus three-dimension and drawing versus photograph.

Dewitt's work with collage and copy art seems to ask "what is reality?" Her art distorts what we have come to believe as reality or what we perceive to be real.

Color Xerox is another field Dewitt experiments with. Since the colors are not accurate with color copy, Dewitt still draws and paints her prints. Like the black and white prints, Dewitt hand-colors the color copies to extend or add continuity to the print.

Although the "boundaries are confined with the color Xerox" Dewitt expresses an interest to obtain more experience with this process.

Cleda Frankel, a JMU art major, is "very intrigued with her (Dewitt's) work. "I like the rapid approach and the use of color and drawing elements — it's fascinating to me," said Frankel. I can see her art as the end product and also as a tool to work with other forms of art."

With all art, each individual seeks their own personal meaning to the work as well as contemplating what the artist had in mind when creation of the piece took place. However, like killing a joke, explaining the print takes something away from its meaning. Once when trying to explain what she does for a living and what her art meant, Dewitt was answered with, "You do what honey?"

Superdance snaps out big bucks

By Val Hulce
staff writer

"How (do)I feel? Give me a couple of days to calm down and I'll tell you about it."

"I feel like my knees are going to collapse."

"Quite tired . . .I don't know what I just said."

At the stroke of midnight Saturday, after 28 consecutive hours of dancing, these kinds of responses circulated among the 54 student dancers who donated their weekends — and bodies — to the first annual Muscular Dystrophy Association Superdance marathon. The marathon was held in Godwin Hall and was sponsored by the Interfraternity Council.

By the end, the tote board revealed that \$3,775 in pledges and donations had been raised for the MDA.

During 15-minute breaks, introduced by Kool and the Gang's "Let's Go Dancing," the Superdance also featured door prizes for the dancers, a dance contest, a toilet paper wrap contest and local and student singing talent.

Co-chairman Tom Vance said, "The highlight for me was seeing the money people (were) willing to spend on activities." One Alpha Gamma Delta member paid \$50 to throw a pie in the face of Assistant Dean of Students Donna Harper. Another student paid \$100 for a 14-karat gold-plated club.

Another highlight was the appearance of Elena, a girl with muscular dystrophy who served as a constant reminder of why students were there.

According to popular response, waking up from the 4 to 6 a.m. nap and dancing through Saturday afternoon were the two hardest parts of the marathon.

But, "the worst time for me was about 9 (a.m.) to 1 (p.m. Saturday)," said Karl Schnurr.

"I thought about quitting once or twice, but I knew I wouldn't. It was about the halfway point and you were already tired, but you still had a long way to go."

To break the monotony, Schnurr said, "We invented new dances and did line dances where you were able to meet a lot of people." Other dancers, however, found variety in different ways.

Paul Cramer and Zane Neff played leap frog,

did aerobic dancing, played volleyball with balloons while dancing and sung after inhaling helium balloons.

Cramer said "only my calves, feet, shoulders and knuckles — from snapping to the music when dancing — ached after the marathon."

Overall, participant Lori Clark said she "had a good time. . .and met a lot of people."

And after the dance? "After 28 hours, you just keep dancing to anything — no matter what," Cramer said.

Sign-ups

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so large, it can accommodate everyone with reasonable comfort."

The men, however, might not have been as comfortable as the women, who camped on the center's somewhat soft rubber floors. Because men were arriving long before the women had cleared out, they started their line on the cement floor below. Usually, the basketball court fills this space.

Males were not supposed to be allowed with the women after 5 p.m. Monday, but according to Krivoski, "the weather fouled that up. I couldn't justify letting the females in and keeping the males out in the cold. We didn't seem to have any problem with it."

Mark Daniel, a junior, was the first of 210 males to line up in the Convocation Center, arriving at 3 p.m. Sunday. "We want to get in the Bluestone enough, so we figured this was the best way. It's sort of like a basketball game. The people who

want the tickets are going to stand in line for them. I figure the people who want rooms badly enough are going to try for them."

John Payne, a freshman, found the timing for sign-ups bad. "The middle of the week's not too good. I don't know when would be better though. It's kind of tough to camp out and study with people playing frisbee."

Freshman Tom Conway, the last male in line, agreed. "The timing is bad near the end of the semester with finals and papers. Some people consider it a choice."

Overall, however, the situation remained quiet through Tuesday night as well. "The guys were calmer than the girls," Krivoski said. "It was like the library over there."

But now that housing sign-ups are complete for another year, the Convocation Center can bring down the tent poles and return to being JMU's athletic center — at least until next spring.

"If we continue with the priority numbers, we'll do it the same way (next year)," Krivoski said. "But we'll let vending know ahead of time, so we can have hot dogs."

Either way, tranquil or rambunctious, the spirit of JMU's "Electric Zoo" continues.

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Sports

Track team captures state title

JMU women run past Tech

By Eddie Rogers
staff writer

The JMU women's track and field team gave an outstanding performance to overcome several key injuries and win the Virginia Intercollegiate League Championships here Saturday.

The Dukes tallied 178 points, beating Virginia Tech and George Mason University, who finished with 166 and 148 points respectively. Mason trailed throughout the meet, but Virginia Tech stayed ahead of JMU for almost half of the meet.

Despite the rain and wet track conditions, the meet was extremely competitive. "There were a lot of personal bests and really good performances," said JMU coach Lynn Smith.

The Dukes dominated the field events beginning with the javelin throw to open the meet.

JMU took the top three places with senior Beth Lippard winning the event with a throw of 140 feet that broke the JMU record of 135 feet. Lippard also placed fifth in the discus.

Denise Klugh placed in two events as well, gaining third in the discus,



Lisa Diggs (far left) set a JMU record in the 100-meter hurdles Saturday. (Photo by Gary Smith)

and leading a group of the three that placed in the shotput, finishing second.

The Dukes controlled the jumping

events as well. Lisa Diggs won the long jump with an 18-8 effort beating the second place finisher by more than six inches. Amy Riopel

placed fourth with a jump of 17-5. Sylvia Mall, Carol Vogt and Gina

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Dukes' streak ends at nine

The JMU baseball team ended a nine-game winning streak and took the first step toward starting another one Saturday.

The Dukes (25-7) lost to Georgetown University in the first game of the doubleheader 7-6 but came back to win the second game 2-1.

Thursday, the Dukes crushed Virginia Military Institute 12-2.

One of the forces propelling the Dukes lately has been freshman Todd Whittaker.

Whittaker, in the last seven games, is batting .518 with 14 hits, five doubles, a home run, and 20 RBI's.

Saturday, Whittaker had a two-run double and an RBI single in the Dukes' loss, and he had one of the four hits the Dukes managed in their victory.

In the win, Dennis Knight (4-2) struck out eight batters as he threw his second one-hitter of the season.

Jim Knicely knocked in the winning runs with a fifth inning double.

In Thursday's game against VMI, Whittaker knocked in five runs with home run and a double.



Freshman Todd Whittaker continued his hot hitting over the weekend. (File photo)

Lacrosse team third in state

The JMU lacrosse team defeated Old Dominion University 5-4 to take third place in the Virginia Intercollegiate League championship tournament Sunday.

William and Mary won the tournament by defeating the University of Virginia 23-16 in the championship.

On Saturday, JMU lost to William and Mary 13-9 in the semifinal round.

In the ODU game Robin Dunn led the Dukes with two goals; Sarah Heilman, Sue Peacock, and Dorothy Vaughan each scored one goal for the Dukes.

Goalkeeper Chris Bauer had 18 saves in the contest.

In the loss to William and Mary, Sue Peacock scored three times, Joyce Metcalf and Gina Kuta scored twice. Heilman and Dunn each added a goal.

JMU came into the tournament as the number two seed behind UVa. The Dukes, now 9-7, will finish their season on Wednesday when the host Virginia at 3 p.m.

Archery: JMU's most successful sport

By Mark Norton
staff writer

What's the most successful sport at JMU?

Baseball is a good guess, as is basketball, but neither is correct.

That honor belongs to the JMU archery team.

Last year the women's team won the school's first national championship, and both the men's and the mixed team finished second nationally.

The success has continued into this season as the men's, women's, and mixed teams have swept each of the six tournaments they have entered.

According to coach Margaret Horn, this year's group of men has the potential to produce a championship.

"I'd take my weakest archer and put him against nearly any other school's top one," Horn said.

"I'm really hoping our guys are going to put a scare into Arizona State this year. We have about as strong a group of archers as I could hope to put together."

Arizona State won the national championship in the men's and mixed competition last season and finished second to JMU in the women's finals.

According to Horn, attitude, as well as talent, has been a big plus for the men.

"These guys have been terrific," Horn said. "I have 12 of them working, and even though only five can travel, everyone has really stuck with it."

Recruiting for archery is not always relied upon to field a team, but it does help to get a few experienced shooters.

"This year you could say that we have two women recruits," Horn said. "The other new archers have come from my (archery) class."

"Each year lately we seem to get a couple of people with some background in it."

Two of JMU's top archers illustrate the fact that while experience helps, it isn't always necessary.

Before coming to JMU, sophomore Randy Edmondson had never shot an arrow, but now he is one of team's top archers.

"When I came up here I saw the targets on the field, and shooting seemed like a good way to kill some time," Edmondson said. "Johnny Grace (JMU archer) saw me and could see that I was interested, so he told me to talk to Coach Horn."

"She must have thought I had some experience, because she gave me a bow. From there, I made the team even though I had no real experience."

He made the traveling squad as a freshman and this year, he has finished in the top six in every tournament, including a first place finish in the Eastern Regionals.

Edmondson said his freshman season was a "good experience. Getting used to shooting in tournaments last year has helped me a lot this year."

"The people on the team, especially—Rob (Kaufhold) and Johnny (Grace), have really been helpful. They've done a lot for me."

In addition to the experience and the help of his teammates, Edmondson feels there other reasons for his success.

"I guess the biggest reason for it is in my mind," he said. "I just try to set it in my head every time that I'm going to shoot well."

Also, the lack of experience has forced Edmondson to do some extra work.

"Last semester I tried to shoot every day. I don't mind because for me it's not really work — it's fun. I like to shoot as often as I can."

While Edmondson was a novice when he arrived at JMU, junior Cindy Gilbert had plenty of experience.

Gilbert, who has been shooting competitively for about 10 years, transferred to JMU last year after shooting on the 1981 national championship team at Arizona State.

"I transferred to be closer to home and also because of the program here," said Gilbert, who lives in Pennsylvania.

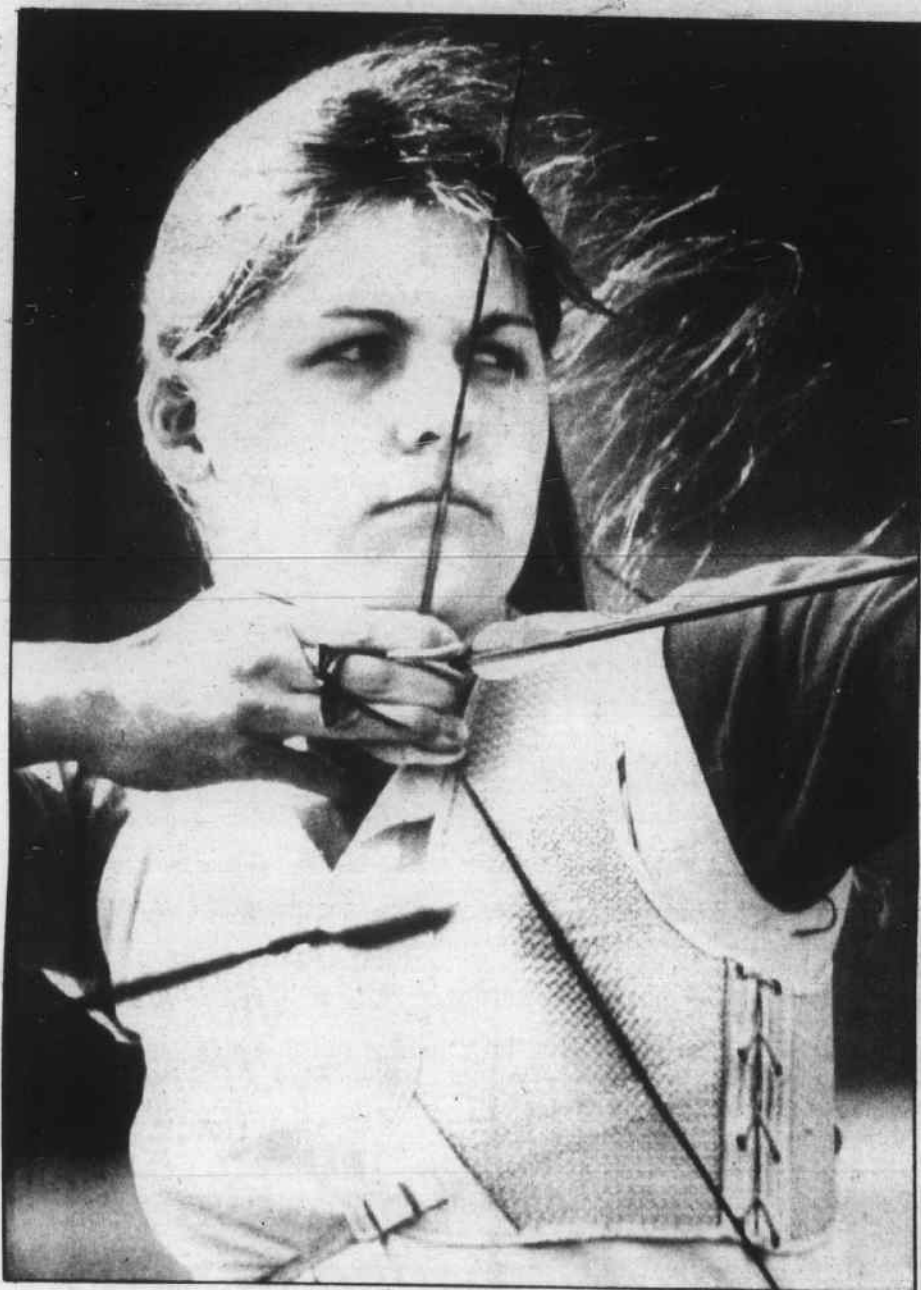
In five matches this year, Gilbert has captured first place three times, including the Eastern Regional title.

Gilbert says the reason for her success goes back to her early days in archery.

"I owe a lot to my Dad, who has been my coach and second hand since I first started shooting. Lots of people have had faith to prepare me mentally for the tournaments."

"Personally, my goal is to make a world or Pan Am team and shoot abroad."

Gilbert and Edmondson, as well as the rest of the JMU team will be shooting at home this weekend this weekend when JMU hosts a FITA tournament on the field next to Godwin Hall.



Since transferring from Arizona State last year, junior Cindy Gilbert has become one of JMU's top archers. (Photo by Yo Nagaya)

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Archery

The JMU archery team swept the Philadelphia Invitational Sunday, winning the men's, women's, and mixed competition.

JMU's men scored 2,443 to beat out Millersville State College.

The women scored 2,171 to top East Stroudsburg College.

In the mixed competition, JMU's 3117 beat out East Stroudsburg.

JMU had all five of the top-five men scorers. Rob Kaufhold was the highest individual scorer with 836. Randy Edmondson finished second; Tom Wilson and John Grace tied for third, and David Darnall finished fifth.

Sue King won the women's com-

petition with a score of 756.

Cindy Gilbert and Libby McConnell finished third and fourth respectively.

Women's tennis

The JMU women's tennis team lost to Penn State 8-1 and beat Rutgers University 6-3 Sunday at University Park, Penn.

Number two seed Lee Custer was the only JMU player to win in both matches.

In the Rutgers match, Susie Peeling was a 6-3, 6-4 winner. Ingrid Hetz were both 6-1, 6-3 winners in their matches, and Sharon Sylvia won her match 7-6, 6-2.

The JMU doubles team of Gerndt-Hetz won 6-3, 6-0.

Track

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Progar finished third, fourth and fifth respectively in the high jump to negate a first place finish by Donna Girtler of Virginia Tech.

In the running events the Dukes' injuries were a key. Sprinter Noel Deskins and distance runner Denise Marini were out of action entirely, and distance runner Cindy Slagle could compete in only one event.

With Marini and Slagle limited, Virginia Tech rolled in the distance events, taking the top four places in the 10,000 meters and first, third and fourth in the 5,000.

The Dukes did manage to take two places in the 1,500 due to personal

bests by Nina Carter and Julie George.

"The 1,500 was an important event," Smith said. "The personal bests and places got everyone else excited. They started to think that we could do it, even short-handed."

While Virginia Tech dominated the distances, JMU did likewise in the sprints.

Angie Russell won the 100 meters in a new JMU record time of 12.0. Wani Saunders placed sixth.

The Dukes were more impressive in the 200 as freshman Rhonda Mason won the event in 24.6 and Saunders finished third.

Senior Suzi Shreckhise placed second in both the 400 meters and the 400 meter hurdles. She also teamed with Russell, Mason and Diggs to win the 4x100 relay.

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Two roommates for summer in Ocean City. Call Denise, 5757.

Capable guitarist to join rock band immediately. Call 4779.

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Roommate(s) or sublet wanted, May-August, two-bedroom house, across from campus, utilities included. Rent negotiable. Call 434-7922.

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Personals

PAB, You're as tempting as seniors come. The rendezvous in the plane at Purcel Park was especially hot. Affectionately, Ziggy.

Have you seen it yet? The controversial Humorist Manifesto is now being distributed at Midway Market, and it's free!

Nick — You're a great big brother! See you on the row next year and Happy Birthday! Love always, Melissa.

Mom — Congrats on Gamma Gamma. I knew you would do it! Melissa.

Alpha Gamma Delta congratulates their new Gamma Gamma members Millie Markels, Dee Dee Moriarty, Margaret Donaldson and Susan Mayer.

To the sisters of Zeta Tau Alpha — I'll think of and miss you all so much. All my love, Sue.

Beth — You've been the best big sister! Zeta love, Sue.

Lisa and Ginny — You've been the best roommates! Love, Sue.

Cumberland — Thanks for the friendship and love this year. I'll miss you. Love, Lisa.

Sus, Happy Birthday Cutie! You're finally legal — enjoy your last two months! Party down! Wuv, Anne, Julie, Jeanne and Les (GDI's).

Hubev — Later on "Deek"! Stacey.

Haircuts, styles, perms. Coupons in the Yellow Pages of your Campus Telephone Directory. Offers end soon. Clip today!

Qil: If Zane's the dinosaur, what are you, the caveman?

Trisha — Thanks for making this year so special for me — especially the second semester. You're a wonderful friend and partner. Thank you so much for not giving up. Have a nice summer — I'll miss you! A Nice Guy.

Eric Esch — I've done enough watching this year, now I'm ready for a little one-on-one. Your No. 1 Fan.

Fourth floor, Eagle, C-Wing: It's been real! Stevie and Amy.

Alicia — Thanks for a great semester! We love ya! D-Wing.

Batt — who's gonna dance to Michael with me now? Moo.

G. Sweets — Easter eggs will never be the same, and you my dear are one helluva dame. Love ya, MMQC.

Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., Godwin Hall, be there. (Bring \$1; you could win a windjammer cruise!)

To all the men who made my freshman year "quite an experience": Have a nice summer! Stevie, The Red Lady.

B-Wingers: Wow! What a year! We've lived through many a "grotesque condition", but one thing has remained stable — our friendships! We love you and we'll miss ya! Lisa and Jen.

Brian — Thank for the best and happiest 6 months ever. Love forever and 2 days; together forever and 1 day! Love, Karen.

Madisonians — Thanks for a great year! You've made my freshman year special! And remember... "I'm Loving You"! Lisa "Lip-Nodes".

Bored? Tired? Come to Godwin Hall, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday and see "The Challenge".

SEC — Thanks for a super year. Late night discussions, surprise party, good times — you're the best roomie ever. Looking forward to another year of good times. Take care, Mom.

Congratulations to the new brothers of Delta Sigma Pi! You're a fantastic group of people! Brothers of Delta Sigma Pi.

What goes busch, busch piss, busch, busch piss? Somebody with a weak bladder on a long road trip. Get it? Wait, I got another one. What's invisible and smells like worms? Bird farts. Cy Koels.

Pafrdw — I can't tell you how much I've enjoyed spending many fun and special times with you the past two months. I'm gonna miss you lots and you better come visit me in S.C. I love you. BEW.

Daddy — We've been through some rough times, but many great times too — all along we've kept making it and continued loving. Maybe there is something in there for the future. Here's to fun, both independently and together, this summer at the beach, and a wish for the future. All my love, Daddy's Little Girl.

Gay Fagots — I'll miss you guys next year! Love, Pipequake.

announcements

Events

Wildfire suppression seminar — presented by the U. S. Forest Service, Department of Agriculture from 8:50 p.m. to 8:50 p.m. Mondays and Wednesday from September 7 to October 3 in Burruss 14. Students must attend this course and pass physical test to participate in forest fire suppression activities on the George Washington National Forest. Sign up in Burruss 312, or call 433-6225 before September 7.

World of Winners — a Special Olympics basketball game, will be played at 7:30 p.m. April 27 in Godwin Hall. Tickets are \$2 for general admission and \$1 for children, students and senior citizens. Proceeds will go to Virginia Summer Olympics.

Public Administration Society — presents Ms. Regina Williams, director of the Virginia State Department of Personnel and Training at 7 p.m. April 25 in the political science department in Maury Hall. Ms. Williams will discuss the civil service system in Virginia and the criteria needed to land a job in the public sector. A reception will follow.

Student crafts — will be displayed from noon to 4 p.m. April 28 in Moody lounge.

Latin American Studies — will present Francisco Campbell, the first secretary of the Nicaraguan Embassy, speaking on "U.S. Intervention in Central America" at 7:30 p.m. April 26 in Blackwell Auditorium.

National Direct Loan — exit interviews for graduating seniors and non-returning students at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. April 26 and 27 in room B of the WCC. Attendance is required, and appointments can be made by calling 6509.

Special Olympic Huggers — are needed for the area Special Olympic games being held at JMU. Anyone interested should attend a meeting at 11:30 a.m. May 1 at the track field, or contact Debby Lung at 433-3513.

Wesley Foundation — New Life Singers "Sing in the Spring" at 8 p.m. April 26, WCC ballroom. Admission is free.

Marching Royal Dukes — is accepting applications for the fall of 1983. Information can be obtained in Wampler 23, or by calling 6656.

Catholic Campus Ministry — Mass schedule: Saturday, 5 p.m., WCC room Q; Sunday, 10:30 a.m. and noon, WCC ballroom.

Visiting Scholars — presents Mr. Arthur Lundahl, founder of the National Photographic Interpretation Center, speaking on "Photography — Sumer Servant of Science and Society" at 1:45 p.m. 4-26 in Blackwell Auditorium.

Art Exhibitions — The following art exhibition can be seen in the Sawhill Gallery of Duke Fine Arts Center Monday through Friday from 8 p.m. to noon, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., and on Saturday and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.: "Bluestone Hill to JMU: Madison Memorabilia" April 25 to May 5. An opening reception will be held in the Gallery at 8 p.m. April 25. The following exhibitions can be seen in Zirkle House Monday through Thursday from noon to 4 p.m. and Sunday from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.: New Image Gallery — "Photographs by JMU Students" April 25 to 28. Artworks Gallery — "Fourth Annual Nebraska Pig Picture Traveling Student Photo Show" April 25 to May 5.

A stained glass exhibition by students of Dr. Jay D. Kain is hanging at the United Virginia Bank at the corner of Port Republic Road and Main Street, and is open to the public from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. weekdays until April 28.

International Relations club — presents James Nelson, director, Canadian Desk, U. S. Department of State, speaking on U.S. — Canada relations at 4 p.m. April 28 in Blackwell Auditorium.

PELL Checks — are available at the cashier's window in Wilson Hall from 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Music performances — A student recital featuring Jim Bracey playing the piano will be at 8 p.m. April 25 in Wilson Auditorium.

There will be a University Concert Band concert at 8 p.m. April 26 in Wilson Auditorium.

Mary Dalton will sing in a student recital at 8 p.m. April 27 in Anthony-Seeger Auditorium.

Kathy Brown will sing in a graduate recital at 8 p.m. April 28 in Wilson Auditorium.

There will be student recitals featuring Brooks Bozman playing the cello at 3 p.m. and Mac Lambert singing at 8 p.m. on April 29 in Wilson Auditorium.

The Tri-State Jazz Festival will be held all day April 30 in Latimer-Saheffer Theatre.

A graduate recital featuring Claudia Jones playing the piano will be at 3 p.m. May 1 in Wilson Auditorium.

Meetings

Caving club meeting — at 8 p.m. every Thursday in Jackson 18.

General

The University Writing Lab offers individualized help to students working on papers or reports, studying for essay exams, writing letters or applications, reviewing grammar or preparing to take the GRE, LSAT or GMAT. For more information call Mrs. Hoskins at 6401 or stop by Sheldon 209, Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Counseling Center — The Counseling Center offers personal study skills and vocational counseling for individuals and groups. Call 6554 for more information or come for walk-in service between 3 and 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday, in Alumnae Hall. No appointment is needed.

Notice from the post office — Mail incorrectly addressed will be returned to the sender if known, otherwise it will be placed in the Dead Letter Box and discarded after 30 days.

Surveys must comply with the procedures established by the vice president for student affairs.

Campus mail sent to students must have the correct post office box number.

Student to student mail must be in a 6 3/8 x 3 5/8 or larger envelope.

Campus mail will not be used to advertise personal or other business ventures.

Candy or food items cannot be sent through campus mail. Items of this type will be discarded.

Escort Service — The fraternities of Alpha Chi Rho and Theta Chi are offering a free escort service. The operational hours are as follows: AXP, Monday through Thursday from 9 p.m. until midnight, phone 5394; Theta Chi, Friday through Saturday from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. and Sunday from 9 p.m. until midnight, phone 5798 or 5867.

Library schedule — for final exam week: April 29 — 7:50 a.m. to midnight; April 30 — 9 a.m. to midnight; May 1 — noon to 2 a.m.; May 2 through 5 — 7:50 a.m. to 2 a.m.; May 6 — 7:50 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Disciples — Disciples sponsor a Bible study on the book of Acts every Monday at 7:30 p.m., room E, WCC.

Traffic fines — The JMU office of police and safety has issued a reminder to students that any unpaid traffic fines or towing fees must be resolved prior to advanced registration for classes. Students with unpaid fines are requested to stop by the campus police office between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. weekdays.

Last chance!

If you've been waiting to send a personal, get on the ball — the last issue of *The Breeze* is Thursday, April 28. Deadline for personals is noon Tuesday.

Admissions suggestions — The following suggestions are offered by the admissions office to JMU students taking summer courses at other colleges to transfer credit to JMU: Secure a "Permission to Take Courses for Transfer Credit" form from the records office, Wilson 104. Receive approval from records on all general studies and elective courses. Have your department chairman sign the form if you are taking a course in your major or minor, and return to records. When you complete the summer course, leave a request with the registrar of the visiting college or university to send an official transcript to the JMU admissions office. An evaluation of credit will be sent to you by JMU admissions when the official transcript is received.

Fail registration — April 21-29. All account balances to include tuition, fees, music, tuition deposit, overload, and fines must be paid prior to registration, if not covered by pending financial aid except GSL. Account status may be verified at the cashier's window, Wilson Hall.

Roth Theater tickets — are available in the Commuter Information Center for only \$2.50. Tickets are good for any movie and are valid for one year at any Roth Theater in the area or in Northern Virginia.

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Viewpoint

By Derek Kistler

Colors

Purple, gold clash with bluestone

Let's face it — JMU's school colors are unattractive.

Purple and gold are obnoxious alone, but together they are a combination only Lisa Birnbach could love.

Purple and gold deserve no respect. They make a growing university look like a peanut butter and jelly college.

Even the spirited purple and gold trashcans get kicked around on Friday nights.

Maybe there was a local epidemic of bad taste when the colors were selected back in 1909, but someone really laid a curse on future generations of Dukes when they picked purple and yellow.

An attempt to disguise their offensiveness was made when yellow was labeled "gold." Gold actually is worse than yellow since it is defined as a bright yellow. But still, gold sounds better. Purple, though, is too loud to hide.

Indigo or violet would be better, but a football team wearing "violet and gold" is at a disadvantage before it takes the field.

Even at basketball games, where Dukedom reaches its most feverish pitch, few students come adorned in JMU colors.

Red seems to be fashionable this year — all the teams in the NCAA final four wore red.

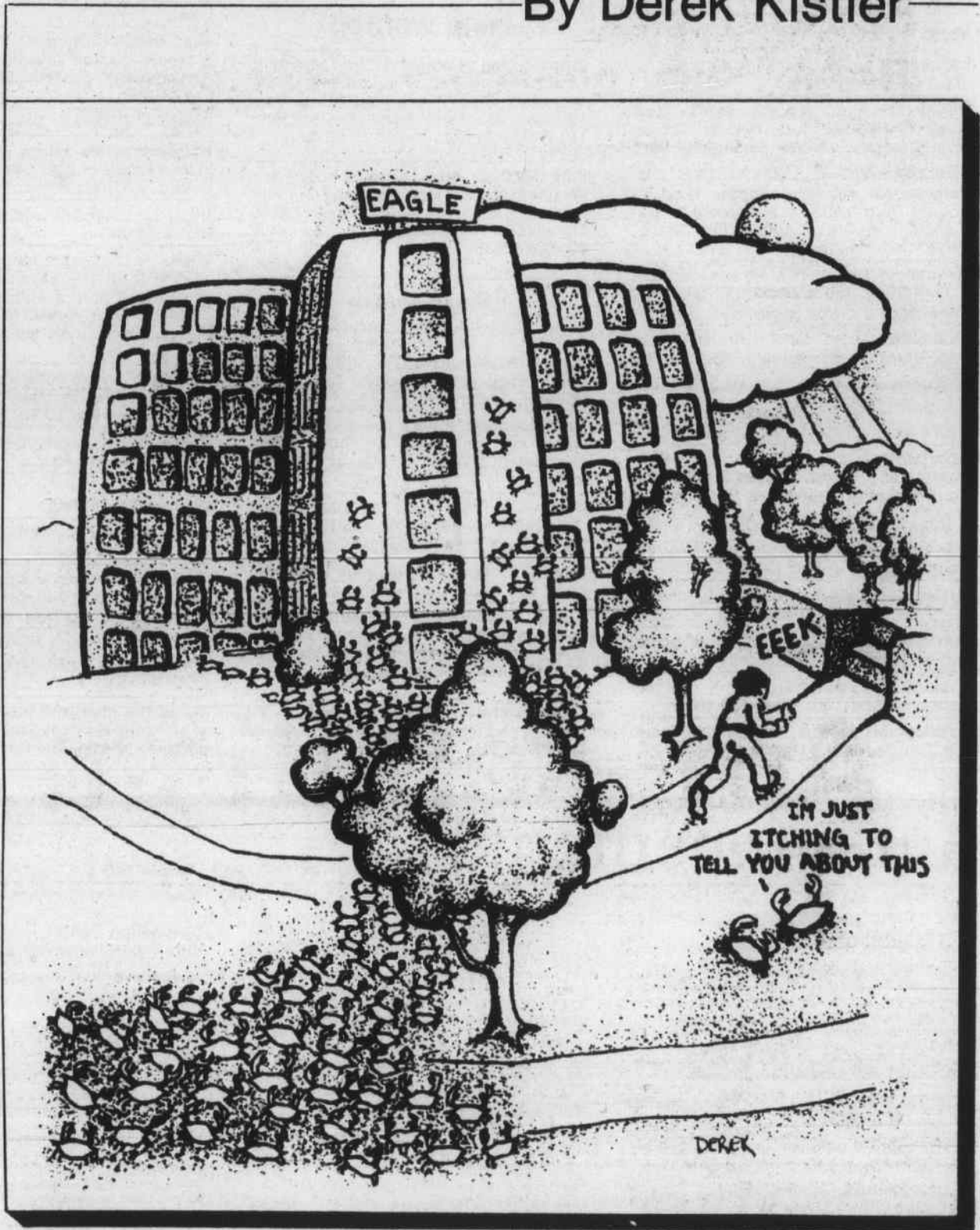
Maybe red uniforms could finally take the Dukes past the second round of the NCAAs.

Whether you like the purple and gold or not, one thing is clear — purple and gold don't match a bluestone campus.

We think tan would be the appropriate school color for JMU. At least it would reflect the casual attitude of the students.

The above editorial was written by Ross Richardson, *The Breeze's* editorial editor. It is the opinion of Richardson, Editor Ian Katz, Managing Editor Daniel Finnegan and Assistant Editorial Editor Cay Fultz.

Opinions in Viewpoint and Readers' Forum are those of their authors and not necessarily those of the students, faculty or staff of JMU.



Polyester gown crowns college career

By Lisa Jennings
staff writer

Four years and a fortune spent on my college education — and I am expected to graduate in a polyester gown.

There is something inconsistent about marching through what is supposed to be one of my life's proudest moments wearing purely synthetic fibers.

I have gone through college to gain dignity — and to wear 100 percent cotton with head held high — not to mention getting a job to afford it.

Last-semester seniors are not given enough respect. Not only must we all wear identical plastic robes, but we must endure an endless ceremony only to be handed a fake diploma.

Underclassmen almost treat graduation like an unmentionable disease. A few weeks ago, one

friend of mine began to ask me what classes I had signed up for next year. She stopped herself and blushed, as if she just found out I had muscular dystrophy after she had made fun of Jerry's kids.

"Oh, I'm sorry . . . I forgot you were graduating," she said, almost whispering the fateful word.

Granted, I'm no valedictorian, but I am graduating from college and proud of all I have achieved.

Completing four or more years of college is no easy task. At great risk of physical and emotional breakdown, I have successfully traveled the long road from freshman to last-semester senior.

I have experienced my share of all-nighters, footnotes, cumulative essay exams, and pointless lectures.

I have lived long enough with community bathrooms, noisy neighbors, cafeteria-style meals

and a plastic card as my assurance of an identity.

After all we have gone through, seniors deserve no less than preferential treatment. Last-semester seniors should not be required to hand in assignments on time, or even to go to class after midterm.

They should be able to go to the front of the line at Duke's Grill. They should be treated to free drinks at local bars. They should be brought breakfast in bed.

But all I really want is a little respect before I have to replace my school supplies with office supplies.

It's not that I mind paying \$27 for a black gown I'll only wear once and have no shoes to match. But couldn't they at least make it in a cotton blend?

Lisa Jennings is senior ready to face the real world.

Readers' Forum

Uncovered

Breeze has 'no legitimate excuse' for lack of CSC coverage

To the editor:

We of the Commuter Student Committee were extremely disappointed with the lack of *Breeze* coverage of Commuter Awareness Week and especially the opening of the Commuter Information Center.

Commuter Awareness Week was THE biggest and probably most important project the CSC has worked on this year. The opening, which was attended by Dr. Carrier and many of the top administrators, marked the dedication of the new Commuter Information Center to ALL JMU commuter students. Dr. Carrier also officially declared the third week in March as Commuter Awareness Week.

It is a well-known fact that the commuter population constitutes over 40 percent of the student body. This figure certainly warrants commuter student events attention in a school newspaper.

We feel *The Breeze* has no legitimate excuse for non-coverage of this event because:

a)The CSC notified *The Breeze* in advance of this event.



b)The CSC *Breeze* reporter was aware of the event.

c)The CSC ran paid advertisements of Commuter Awareness Week in *The Breeze* prior to its occurrence.

When confronted with this issue, the editor of *The Breeze* gave us the explanation that at the time of the event the staff was in a period of transition. We were then told that there would be a follow-up story in a later issue. Unfortunately, we are still waiting for it to come out.

We feel *The Breeze* has an obligation not only to

inform but to cover campus issues and activities such as ours because of the fact that it is the sole student newspaper on campus and is a recipient of Student Government Association funds.

Many students depend on this paper as their complete news source of campus activities. If *The Breeze* does not feel it is obligated to present major campus events in its publication, then we ask, who is *The Breeze* published for?

Judi Watterson
James C. Snitzer
10 other signatures

Editor's note: *The Breeze* erred in not having a reporter at the Commuter Information Center opening. This was a mistake in planning. After the event, several CSC members met the editor to discuss the lack of coverage. They were told *The Breeze* would try to publish an after-the-event article. But the members were not guaranteed an article would be published.

Breeze policy prohibits guaranteeing news coverage of any event.

An article assigned and written after the event was erroneously left out of the paper.

Anti-semitism

'Israeli Night' not a political statement

To the editor:

The recent letter by Rob Hatch in the April 14 issue of *The Breeze* condemning "Israeli Night" at D-hall spent a good deal of verbiage on sensation list adjectives and very little on facts.

Mr. Hatch attacks Israel as though its people were its policies. He thus attacks its people simply for living in that country — in short, for being Jews.

This is a clear example of irrational hatred and ignorant prejudice — anti-Semitism by any other name.

Mr. Hatch accuses "Jews" of being "into genocide." I assume he is not referring to the majority of Jews who live outside Israel, but to the Israeli citizens — an important distinction.

It is unclear whether he is referring to the Lebanon war or to the massacre in the Palestinian camps. I will assume the latter since the Israelis have not engaged in a wholesale slaughter of Lebanese civilians. Nor were the Israelis the ones doing the killing in the camps.

I would like to call Mr. Hatch's attention to the Israeli commission of inquiry formed to investigate Israeli compliance in the massacre. It condemned Israeli involvement in the tragedy and made very clear that this type of

behavior is unacceptable to the people of Israel.

I might add there has been no similar inquiry or condemnation in the United States, although there are strong indications that American intelligence knew about the massacre very early but chose to say and do nothing about it.

Israel is a true democracy, the only one in the Middle East. Begin is currently in power, but he is not the embodiment of Israeli feeling and opinion any more than Reagan is in America.

The strong condemnation of the massacre by the Israelis shows that Israelis have no intention or desire to commit "genocide."

"Israeli Night" was not intended as a political statement. A conscious effort was made on the part of the organizers to keep the evening as it should be: an opportunity for students to be exposed to another culture.

The "real flavor of life in Israel today" is that of a country literally struggling for its life. It was

given the right to exist by the world community in the 1930s and has since been faced with the constant threat of extinction by hostile neighbors — represented mostly by the terrorist PLO.

Israel has made mistakes and will undoubtedly make many more. That is the fate of being a nation composed of human beings. Can Mr. Hatch condemn them for this?

Linda Beltz

Sarcasm, intolerance not justified

To the editor:

The letter written by Mr. Rob Hatch in *The Breeze* on April 14 protesting JMU's Israeli dinner was ignorant and offensive.

I am not concerned with the dinner per se, although Mr. Hatch says that is his "main point." Rather, I am disturbed by his turning such a tragic event as the Lebanon massacres into an object of sarcasm and a justification for intolerance.

The September massacres in Lebanon must be understood, condemned, and not forgotten. But one does not prevent further

massacres from recurring by attacking Israelis and Jews.

Many people bear the responsibility for what occurred, not only Israelis and not all Israelis. Remember, many thousands of Israeli citizens also protested their government's actions.

Your reaction, Mr. Hatch, is angry, irrational, and immature, but, worst of all, you are responding with racial prejudice — and that is more than regrettable, it is dangerous.

I know it is difficult to react to the daily violence in the Middle East calmly, but massacres such

as occurred in Lebanon will be repeated, as they have throughout human history, unless we all try to analyze contemporary events critically and rationally and learn to distinguish between the evil acts of government and military officials and an entire nation of people.

I advise you to remember the words of James Madison which are the motto of this university: "The diffusion of knowledge is the only guardian of true liberty."

Dr. Mary Louise Loe,
associate professor of history

nation

Five months: No inflation

Despite soaring food costs, consumer prices edged only 0.1 percent higher in March to leave the economy inflation-free for the past five months.

Private economists joined the White House in hailing the news Friday as "extraordinary."

For the first three months of the year, consumer prices rose at an annual rate of 0.4 percent, the smallest one-quarter advance since 1965, the Labor Department reported.

President Reagan, in a brief meeting with reporters, said the March figures represented "welcome relief" for Americans after the double-digit inflation of three years ago.

But Reagan said "zero inflation cannot last

forever," especially with fuel prices showing signs of firming again.

Fuel prices have risen this month, spurred partly by the nickel-a-gallon increase in federal gasoline taxes that took effect at the start of April.

In March, however, gasoline prices fell a full 1 percent to an average level 17.4 percent below their peak of two years ago, the government said. Fuel oil prices were down a record 5.2 percent, the fourth straight monthly decline.

Food prices climbed 0.6 percent in March, driven by a 4.4 percent boost in fruit and vegetable prices caused by rainstorms in California and Florida that reduced supplies.

Senate repeals withholding

The Senate agreed to repeal President Reagan's plan for withholding taxes from interest and dividends Thursday.

The 91-5 vote approved a so-called compromise drawn up by Republican senators. The compromise was designed

to save face for the president. Technically, it leaves the withholding law on the books — but prohibits its use unless Congress adopts it again in 1987.

Republican leaders hope the president — who has vowed to veto any repeal of the withholding bill — will view the compromise as a

postponement, not repeal.

But before the bill even gets to Reagan, it will have to win House approval, and Democratic leaders in the House favor withholding.

Withholding of 10 percent of interest and dividends for tax purposes was enacted last year to slow the cheating on such income in tax returns.

state

Oil leases delayed until court ruling

The sale of leases for offshore drilling along Virginia's coast will be delayed until a lawsuit filed against Interior Secretary James Watt is decided, according to an agreement approved Friday.

The state had planned to seek an injunction blocking the sale at a hearing before U.S. District Judge Walter E. Hoffman.

But lawyers from the Virginia attorney general's office and the U.S. Justice Department reached an out-of-court agreement Thursday. Hoffman approved the agreement Friday.

On April 15, Virginia filed a lawsuit contending that drilling on the 192 tracts within 50 miles of its coast would harm the state's fisheries and tourism. Some of the tracts are as close as 17 miles from shore.

Navy wants Chesapeake Bay for testing

The Navy is looking at the Chesapeake Bay as a site for testing how its electronic equipment handles a pulse of energy that appears after a nuclear explosion.

In performing the tests, the Navy will bombard its ships with high energy radio waves to simulate the effect of EMP — electromagnetic pulse.

— Associated Press

by the way

Polka Mass celebrated in St. Peter's

St. Peter's Basilica bounced Saturday to the sound of a toe-tapping polka Mass celebrated by a Minnesota priest who declared, "We'll polka our way to heaven."

Hundreds of curious tourists gathered for the Mass said by the Rev. Frank Perkovich, who brought Joe Cvek and The Polka Masters to the Vatican for a first-ever "polka Mass" complete with accordion, drums and vocalists.

The music ranged from a lively entrance hymn to a cymbal-crashing communion song.

The band also performed last Wednesday in a general audience for Polish-born Pope John Paul II, who congratulated Perkovich and accepted a recording of the music.

world

Soviet spacecraft fails to dock

Three Soviet cosmonauts returned safely to Earth Friday after failing to dock their spacecraft with an orbiting laboratory.

It was the Soviets' first unsuccessful space venture in four years and presumably marred celebrations of Lenin's 113th birthday for prestige-conscious Kremlin leaders.

First signs that the docking was in trouble emerged late Thursday. Western groups monitoring the mission said the Soyuz spacecraft and the orbiting 40-ton Salyut 7 station had passed within yards

of each other, but failed to hook up.

The mission had been announced with some fanfare as an evident prelude to the cosmonauts sending greetings to their comrades on earth on the occasion of Lenin's birthday.

Solidarity leader arrested

Poland's government announced the arrest of a key Solidarity strategist Sunday.

The arrest was the latest in a series of detentions aimed at undercutting the union's call for May Day protests.

Jozef Piniar, one of five

fugitive Solidarity leader who met with former union chief Lech Walesa on April 9-11, was taken into custody in his hometown of Wroclaw, according to a dispatch by Poland's official news agency.

Chinese repel 'infiltrators'

Chinese frontier guards killed 16 Vietnamese infiltrators in two clashes, the official Chinese news agency reported Thursday.

Chinese leader Li Xiannian warned Vietnam it will face worse actions "if it continues to play with fire."

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