Study looks at Asians, Hispanics

Hispanics given some preference in admissions; Asians almost none

ATHERVN LENKER
news editor

Second in a series.

A slight, but significant preference is granted to Hispanic students while little, if any, preference is given to Asian students in college admissions, according to a study conducted by a private non-profit organization released Wednesday.

The Center for Equal Opportunity, a Washington, D.C. organization designed to “promote colorblind equal opportunity and racial harmony,” produced the study titled, “Preferences in Virginia Higher Education.” The report is based on student SAT scores and grade-point averages and uses 1996 admissions data.

The study looked at several issues in the admissions process, including differences in the median SAT scores and grade-point averages, graduation rates and odds of admission.

One of the study’s key findings was that Hispanic students at JMU were 1.74 times more likely to get in as equally qualified white students.

Colleges around state dispute all aspects of Va. admissions study

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Since the Center for Equal Opportunity released its report about preferences in college admissions Wednesday, schools across the state have vigorously responded to the study’s assumptions and findings.

The schools were ranked in several areas, including odds of admission and graduation rates. The study used SAT scores and GPAs from 1996 admissions data to generate its results.

Schools across the state have joined JMU in questioning the study’s methodology.

“Tears our faith in [the study] is much more limited in its assessments and the way it makes its assumptions,” Louise Dudley, spokesperson for the University of Virginia, said.

Larry Hincker, associate vice president for university relations at Virginia Tech, said, “It was a stretch to try to make these kinds of arguments that the [Center] is trying to make.”

William Walker, director of

‘99 Days’ changes venue; old traditions stay in tact

TINA MONTEFUSCO
assistant news editor

If the beer can’t come to the 99 Days Dance, then the 99 Days Dance will go to the beer.

Senior class president Chris Neff said the party will now be held at Main Street Bar and Grill, and alcohol will be served for those of legal age. Because of an Alcohol Beverage Control policy, no alcohol could have been served if the party was held at PC Ballroom, the original location. ABC prohibits alcohol at any public event other than Homecoming, Founders Day and alumni events, Stanley Meador, special agent for the Virginia Department of ABC, said in the Jan. 28 issue of The Breeze.

The party is still being held on Feb. 3, and the doors open at 7:30 p.m., Neff said. Emmet Swimming and T.J. Johnson will still perform.

The deal was made Thursday night after Neff and fellow SGA members met and made the decision to move the event.

Although the ABC policy was new to the 99 Days Dance, the creation of the policy was not a recent event.

ABC public relations specialist Suzanne Horsley said in the Jan. 28 issue of The Breeze that the policy doesn’t allow alcohol at certain campus events has been around for years. ABC agents have been taking a closer look at events and enforcing the law more, she said.

Neff said he found out about the policy Jan. 20, when Meador told Director of Special Events Steve Hermann serving alcohol was not a possibility. At that point, Neff planned to keep the event at PC Ballroom, but let underclassmen in. Since he expected many seniors would not go if alcohol wasn’t being served, he opened the event to all students to make up for the anticipated loss in revenue. Tickets would only be served to seniors before the event, but underclassmen would be allowed to buy tickets at the door.

“We were committed to making this a senior event,” Neff said. “We hoped we could keep it in PC Ballroom, but because of the alcohol policy it just wasn’t a feasible possibility. It just wasn’t making people happy.”

Senior class treasurer Amanda Folcomer said the alcohol policy was a major concern for the SGA.

“A lot of [seniors] were concerned that there wasn’t going to be alcohol,” Folcomer said. “Class council decided to meet the needs of the students.”

Folcomer said Meador said Main Street Bar and Grill agreed to shut down and make 99 Days a private party, meaning seniors will have to have a ticket to get in.

“Main Street is really working with us,” Folcomer said. “The owner is really excited about the opportunity.”

Tickets are now $7 before the party, and $8 at the door. Neff said that the senior class will provide pizza, but seniors will have to buy alcohol at Main Street’s...
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**POLICE LOG**

**STEVEN LANDRY**
Police reporter

**Possession of Marijuana**
- Matthew Polini, 19, of Virginia Beach, was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana on Jan. 29 at 3:45 a.m. in Potomac Hall.

**Grand Larceny**
- Unidentified individuals allegedly stole a Gateway 2100 laptop computer, a black leather chain drive wallet, and company credit cards from an unsecured and unattended room in Potomac Hall on Jan. 27 at 4:30 p.m.

**Underaged Possession of Alcohol**
- Matthew Polini, 19, of Virginia Beach, was arrested and charged with underaged possession of alcohol on Jan. 29 at 3:45 a.m. in Potomac Hall.

**Dean Oberholter, 19, of Lutherville, Md., was arrested and charged with underaged possession of alcohol on Jan. 29 at 5:05 a.m. in Potomac Hall.**

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**DUKE DAYS EVENTS CALENDAR**

**MONDAY, FEB. 1**
- Campus Assault Response Helpline, 6:30 p.m., Jackson 18, call Melanie at 438-8053
- College Republicans Meeting, 8 p.m., Taylor 400, call Stephanie at 438-3160
- Senior Class Challenge Kickoff, 6 p.m., Shenandoah Room of Chandler Hall, call x825
- UPB Cinematic Events Publicity Meeting, 6 p.m., Taylor 233, e-mail Matthew at staleyjm@jmu.edu

**TUESDAY, FEB. 2**
- Bible Study, 7:15 p.m., Canterbury Episcopal Campus Ministry, call Jason at 432-0302
- Circle K Meeting, 6 p.m., Taylor 404
- “Every Second Counts,” 7:30 p.m., Grafton-Stovall, sponsored by the Campus Assault Response Helpline, call Julie at 438-9222
- Harmony Meeting, 8:30 p.m., Taylor 311, call Chris Dolce at x6000
- SGA Meeting, 5 p.m., Highlands Room, call x6376
- Students for Camp Heartland Meeting, 7 p.m., Taylor 309, call Sarah at x6322

**WEDNESDAY, FEB. 3**
- Evening prayer, 9:30 p.m., CCM House (1052 S. Main St.), sponsored by the Campus Assault Response Helpline, call Christine at 574-0534
- Habitat for Humanity meeting, 5 p.m., Taylor 402, e-mail questions to habitat-for-humanity@jmu.edu
- Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship Large Group, 7 p.m., CFW room in ISAT, e-mail Sarah at usuere02@jmu.edu
- JMU Keyboard Association Duets, 8 p.m., Anthony-Seeger auditorium, call x4381
- Junior Class Council meeting, 9 p.m., Ashby Clubhouse, call Erin at 564-0976
- “Let’s Talk About Sex,” 9 p.m., Zane Showker G5, with speaker Marajen Denman, call Lisa at x7107
- Madison Mediators Meeting, 6 p.m., Taylor 402, call Jessica at x4194
- Mark Warner speaking, 7 p.m., Zane Showker G5, sponsored by PRSC
- UPB Issues and Cultural Awareness Committee, 6:30 p.m., Taylor 233, call Filli at x7824

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**WHITEOCK**

**WEATHER**

**TUESDAY:** Mostly cloudy, high 54°F, low 34°F. **WEDNESDAY:** Mostly cloudy, high 50°F, low 40°F. **THURSDAY:** Showers, high 49°F, low 33°F. **FRIDAY:** Partly cloudy, high 50°F, low 32°F.

**CLASSIFIEDS**

How to place a classified: Come to The Breeze office weekdays between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Cost: $2.50 for the first 10 words, $2 for each additional 10 words; boxed classified, $10 per column inch. Deadline: noon Friday for Monday issue, noon Tuesday for Thursday issue. Classifieds must be paid in advance in The Breeze office.
Students wishing to become business majors may find it a challenge this year with recently added requirements.

Beginning with the 1998-'99 Undergraduate Catalog, the College of Business will require all students interested in the business major to complete an application before taking upper-level courses within the major. This is different from previous years when students could simply declare the major.

"There are several issues which have caused COB to convert to the application process," Associate Dean for Academic Programs Charles Pringle said. "It's primarily a quality issue. However, at the current time, there are too many students and not enough faculty."

Business majors currently constitute 24 percent of JMU's undergraduate population with 3,401 students enrolled in 12 concentrations, according to figures compiled by the Office of Institutional Research. In 1997-'98, 700 students declared the business majors making it the largest COB class ever, Pringle said. The COB is currently operating at 1,350 capacity.

The COB is second in enrollment only to the College of Arts and Letters, which has 3,752 full-time undergraduate students in 19 majors.

Students can declare a major in the COB, but won't be able to declare a concentration until they've taken all core 100 and 200 level courses, Pringle said. The core business classes include 29 credit hours from the COB and 3 math credits.

Core classes include COB 191, 202, 204, 218, 241, 242, as well as ECON 201 and 202. Pringle said these classes can usually be completed by the end of the sophomore year.

After students have completed the core business classes with a 2.5 grade-point average or better, they will be required to complete an application before taking any upper level courses. Once the application is approved, business majors can declare one of 12 concentrations and take upper level courses in those concentrations.

"The application is a simple yes or no," Pringle said. "If you have a 2.5 and you've completed the core classes you are guaranteed permission to move on to upper level classes.

Pringle said those who complete the core classes without a 2.5 overall GPA won't be allowed to take upper level classes. He suggested these students continue to take lower level COB or GenEd courses to boost their GPA, then apply next semester.

SAEA DOUGHERTY graphics editor

Pringle said if a student has completed the application process and decides to switch from one concentration to another, they will have to apply again.

"We are in the process of developing a form that the student will need to complete in the event of a change of major," Pringle said.

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SGA lobbies for addition of bicycle paths on campus

ANGELA HAIN
Staff writer

With an increase in bicyclists on campus, two groups are collaborating to devise a plan so that the university will become more biker-friendly.

"There has been a substantial growth in the number of bikes on campus over the past decade," said Jim Auckland, director of facilities management. "We are recognizing that there is a need for a quicker and safer way for bikers to get between points on campus, without using the sidewalks and dodging pedestrian traffic, is becoming an issue.

The Student Government Association’s Building and Grounds Committee and Facilities Management personnel are working on a comprehensive plan.

The Building and Grounds Committee presented an idea to Auckland that would pursue a study to develop a bike path plan last week.

"We feel it can get dangerous for bikers, as well as pedestrians, with the current sharing of the sidewalks," said Bryan Watts, Building and Grounds Committee chairman. "A great deal of students ride bikes and it is hard to ride and dodge people at the same time. We need to do something to change this."

Once a study is conducted to observe the current pedestrian and bicycle traffic pattern, a sketch will be drawn to outline the most appropriate places for new paths to be built.

"The only paths on campus are currently located on the CSAT campus. As the student population grows, more bikes will arrive on campus as students want to use bicycle lanes," Auckland said.

"When Carrier Bridge was built, bike lanes were added into the plans because we knew that bicycle lanes would eventually be a necessity," Auckland said.

"The problem is figuring out the best ways to find the space to extend the existing lanes, and also figuring out the campus and how to safely get around them," Auckland said.

A possible location for adding bicycle lanes may be along Bluestone Drive. But obtaining permission to widen Bluestone Drive could create problems of its own because the road isn't owned by JMU. It's owned by the state.

"Auckland said he also wants to add more bike racks in correlation with the bike paths so bikers will have more storage areas for their bicycles on campus.

There are currently bicycle paths located at most residence halls and some academic buildings.

Campus police officials said the number of registered bicyclists isn't in a database, and the number wouldn't be available until this week.

The proposal will be presented to university administrators during the next year's budget process throughout the spring, in attempt to obtain budget money that can be used for consulting work toward new bike paths on campus.

Cost is the major obstacle in building the paths. The consulting work alone is estimated to cost about $100,000, Watts said.

"We are hoping by bringing up this idea during the budget planning period, the bicycle problem will not get overlooked for another year," Watts said.

The university has also spoken to Harrisonburg officials about the possibility of constructing bike paths leading to off-campus living areas. But the university wants to make sure that the bike paths constructed on campus will fit with the city plans.

"The plan for the bike paths is going to be a long-term project that will be constructed piece by piece over several years," Watts said. "Whatever the plans, it will be a long process to complete."

Amnesty speaker to evaluate state of human rights tonight

ALISON MANSER
Staff writer

The director of Amnesty International U.S.A. will evaluate the state of international human rights tonight at 8 p.m. in a speech in Wilson Hall.

"Torture, Terror, and Tyranny: The State of Human Rights Today" will be the topic of the discussion.

William Schulz, was invited to JMU by JMU’s Amnesty International Organization.

Rachel Barker, JMU’s Amnesty International president, said students need to be aware of human rights violations that occur everyday internationally and domestically.

"Amnesty International is a world-wide human rights organization that bases much of its work on a letter-writing campaign for individuals who we believe are being mistreated and stripped of their innate human rights," Barker said.

"Dr. Schulz’s speech on the state of human rights today will not only be educational, but as the executive director of the AI-USA branch, he will hopefully be an inspiration to those who wish to stand up and join us in our fight against human rights abuse," Barker said.

Sophomore Amnesty member Emilie Lediou said it’s “a good showing” to have the president of the group speak at JMU.

In the past, Schulz has been a speaker at lectures and seminars at Harvard University and Michigan State University.

HUMAN RIGHTS DISCUSSION

WHO: William Schulz
WHAT: Amnesty International
U.S.A.
WHERE: Wilson Hall
WHEN: Tonight, 8 p.m.

Schulz is a frequent speaker at World Affairs Council meetings, for corporate groups and in international settings.

A Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Oberlin College, Schulz has also received a master of philosophy degree from the University of Chicago, a Doctor of Ministry and a master of Theology degree from Meadville Lombard Theological School at the University of Chicago.

"I'm excited that people are going to get to hear him speak," Tom Emswiller, an Amnesty member, said. "He is an expert on human rights and people will be very surprised to hear all the issues going on around the world.

Schulz campaigns for the rights of women and homosexuals, racial justice and the abolishment of the death penalty, according to a biography supplied by Amnesty International.

An ordained Unitarian Universalist Minister, Schulz served 15 years with the Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations. During his years working with the group, Schulz was involved in a variety of international and social justice causes. He served his last eight years as president of the organization.

In January, 1991, Schulz led the first visit by a U.S. Congress member to post-revolutionary Romania. He spent February of 1992 in India consulting with the Holdeen India Fund, which is dedicated to ending communal violence and to the political and economic empowerment of women and bonded laborers.

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Women’s center offers tips

Oberto O'Keefe, contributing writer

In a combined effort, the Women’s Resource Center and the Office of Academic Advising and Career Development (OACD) offered a seminar titled "Job Hunting Tips for Women," which was held at a brown bag lunch on Thursday, Feb. 11, in the TDU conference room.

"I think internships are a great way to ‘try on’ a career to see if it fits," said Amy Springer, left, and Robyn Palmero, right.

For those who haven’t yet decided on a major, the OACD offers several options. Palmero, 2004 business major, recommends that students who are interested in Individualized Studies (IBS) 200 programs to attend a seminar led by the IBS office.

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SGA begins police panel

SGA, from page 3

SGA begins to assemble a police relations panel, but when the deadline for applications arrived, not one person had applied. Blake said if that happens again, SGA will form a panel with members of the Senate. "I know SGA has a lot of interest in this especially because of the Tim Emry issue," Blake said. "I would rather have the student body involved."

DiBenedetto said students who voice concerns about student-police relations should follow up with complaints with action. "Students want to complain about things, but when it comes to getting things done, no one wants to," she said. "We’re providing the opportunity. It’s a lot easier to write to a newspaper than to meet once a month to work on it."

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In Brief

Claudia Anderson and Jill Felber will perform. Two Shenandoah Valley ensembles, the Winchester Musicus Viva and the Rockingham County-based Daughters of Song, will perform in a festival concert on Feb. 9. The Winchester group will present Larson’s Love Songs, which the chamber choir commissioned her to compose.

For more information, call x6472.

JMU bookstore up for private bid

Bid requests to take over the management of the JMU Bookstore were sent out last week to national bookstore management companies and trade publications.

Citing a desire to serve students better, as well as declining sales in the last several years, JMU sent out a request for proposals to take over the JMU Bookstore, Fred Hilton, director of media relations, said.

"It’s a long general trend, more and more [bookstores] are going to privatization," Hilton said. "They can buy in bulk and provide better service. Students are very sophisticated shoppers. They want variety and good prices. It’s a lot more competitive now than 15 to 20 years ago."

Hilton said a survey conducted last year showed that undergraduates spent $50 less in the Bookstore than the previous year. Large bookstores like Books-A-Million have contributed to the decline, as well as on-line bookstores, which are becoming "huge players," Hilton said.

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COB changes policies

COB, from page 3

"This only shows that JMU doesn’t have the resources to accommodate its rapidly expanding population. JMU needs to reevaluate the student-to-teacher ratio," Brooks said.

In fact, the COB’s faculty-to-student ratio rose from 19-to-1 in 1993-94 to 23-to-1 in 1997-98, the most recent year that data is available. "The application process ensures that you are qualified," said senior marketing major Jamie Colbert.

"It makes us more competitive. Business is not an easy major and the application process ensures that you are qualified," said senior marketing major Jamie Colbert.

Freshman business major Jennifer Blahnik had a similar view. She said she will apply to take CIS courses next spring.

"I think that putting requirements on students will drive them to work harder in the long run. I don’t see a problem with the application process," she said.

Other students, like freshman Jessica Brooks, said the application reflects poorly on COB and JMU.

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Religious tree huggers

Folks of many faiths join effort to save environment

Teresa Watanabe
Los Angeles Times

They are the “Redwood Rabbis,” quoting Torah and Talmud on sacred stewardship to dissuade a Jewish magnate from wiping out some of the world’s most ancient forest groves. They are the “Noah congregations” of evangelical Christians plying conscientious conservatives with biblical passages on why saving God’s creations from extinction is a religious responsibility.

They are rabbis, priests and monks calling out hundreds of thousands of action kits, lobbying in the halls of government and mobilizing their faithful for what many of them regard as the Earth’s most important battle.

The environmental debate, long dominated by a secular conservation movement based on scientific rather than theological arguments, is being dramatically reshaped by the fervent forces of God.

Some activists call it the birth of a religious movement as significant as the battle against slavery: Churches, temples and synagogues across the land are seizing the environment as a top-priority concern.

“You can’t follow Catholic teachings without understanding that we have a significant responsibility for God’s creations, and we’re called on to be stewards, not exploiters, of the Earth,” said John Carr of the U.S. Catholic Conference.

Not all agree. “Who needs to hear about trees?” one disgruntled congregant demanded of Rabbi Lester Schambarg last year.

The retort came after the rabbi devoted the High Holy Days sermon at his synagogue in Arcata, Calif., to the controversy surrounding logging of ancient redwood groves in the area’s Headwaters Forest.

Similarly, among scientists, the mix of environmental concern with religious fervor worries many.

“People turn you down (environmentalism) into an anti-technology religion, you start killing people,” said Bruce N. Ames, director of the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences Center at the University of California, Berkeley.

To attack pesticides and other toxic chemicals without adequate analysis of their impact could jeopardize the poor by raising the price of products known to promote good health, such as fruits and vegetables, argues Ames. He was one of 46 prominent scientists who signed an appeal at the 1992 Earth Summit in Brazil warning of “the emergence of an irrational ideology” opposed to scientific, industrial and economic progress.

Supporters of the movement would deny that sort of label, but their growth does represent a repudiation of one popular interpretation of the Genesis story—an interpretation some have used to justify relentless development as a moral and religious right.

“When a lot of trees disappeared, God didn’t say ‘You’re out of business,’ ” says Santa Monica, Calif., Episcopal priest Peter Gwillam, who resigned from his parish in 1990 to work full-time on the environment.

Religious environmentalists are also pushing open the parameters of the ecological debate to questions of morality and social justice. Does 5 percent of the world’s wealthiest population have the moral right to endanger everyone else with industrial pollution? Is it ethical to place toxic waste dumps near the poor and politically disenfranchised?

Fueling much of the movement is the National Religious Partnership for the Environment, launched in 1993 to enact what executive director Paul Gorman called a “distinctly religious response to the crisis of environmental sustainability and social justice.” Partners include the U.S. Catholic Conference, the Evangelical Environmental Network, the National Council of Churches and the Coalition on the Environment and Jewish Life.

Pope encourages youth to enter priesthood

Steve Kloehn
Knight-Ridder Newspapers

MEXICO CITY — Pope John Paul II made an impassioned plea for young people to consider the priesthood or religious orders last week, taking his case directly to an estimated 1 million worshipers who gathered at an enormous, dusty race track for a two-hour mass.

The worldwide shortage of Catholic priests has become epidemic in Latin America, where some rural churches go weeks at a time without a mass, waiting for the arrival of a traveling priest.

The 78-year-old pope’s voice had quivered early in the mass, the largest event of his visit to the Americas, but he spoke forcefully as he told young people not to be afraid of a life in the church. And his enthusiasm grew as the crowd began to interrupt his homily with applause and cheering.

“Christ is surely calling some of you to follow him and give yourselves totally to the cause of the Gospel. Don’t be afraid to receive the Lord’s invitation . . . follow him to become, like the apostles, fishers of men,” the pope said.

“I also encourage fathers and mothers to be the first to nourish the seed of the vocation in your children,” he continued. “Dear parents, educate your children according to the principles of the Gospel so they can be the evangelizers of the third millennium. The church needs more evangelizers.”

Thousands of people camped out overnight at the site of the mass, despite temperatures that dropped below freezing. Organizers had expected 800,000 worshipers but ultimately said that 1 million crowded onto the track. Priest standing outside the fences said mass simultaneously for thousands more who could not get in to see the pope, while nearby residents brought television sets out to the sidewalk for others who were left out.

In his homily, the pope expressed his feeling for Mexico’s indigenous people, and eloquently criticized both political and religious opponents of the church.

“Sons and daughters of Mexico and the whole of America, do not seek the truth of life in fallacies and apparently novel ideologies,” he said, in what some interpreted as an allusion to fast-growing Pentecostal churches that are eating into the Catholic church’s domination in Latin America.

Facts & Figures

- Religious environmentalists reflect God’s most sublime handiwork in their crusades.
- The movement arrived as a global force last October, when Harvard University brought together more than 1,000 top theologians, scientists and activists in what was billed as the largest interfaith dialogue on the environment in history. Muslims from 17 nations attended; the gathering of Shinto practitioners was the largest ever outside Japan.
- As the movement grows, its members are influencing the language, the parameters and sometimes the outcome of environmental debates.
- They are animating the global ecological lexicon with a poetic new language of the soul. The atmosphere is not oxygen or carbon dioxide but “God’s breath of life.” The seas are the “waters of Baptism.” Ancient groves of redwoods and rain forests represent the Garden of Eden.
- All living creatures, from the common grass to the slimy salamander, are “God’s creations and unique entities that deserve respect for just what they are,” says St. Monica, Calif., Episcopal priest Gwillam Kreitler, who resigned from his parish in 1990 to work full-time on the environment.

Members of several religious groups offer an impromptu prayer at California’s Altamont Pass.
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Dr. Rose has charged the Centennial Commission with helping him to define the characteristics that should describe us, as an institution, in 2008 and offering recommendations the University should consider as it seeks to become the institution so defined.

The Centennial Commission's Academic Programs and Student Support Committee needs your input. We are working on a list of characteristics that we believe should describe JMU in the year 2008. We want to know any goals you think JMU should work toward. Initial suggestions from committee members are posted on the Centennial Commission webpage at http://www.jmu.edu/centennial/programs/progrreport.htm/

You can post your reactions to these suggestions and any additional suggestions you have on our webboard at http://webboard.jmu.edu:8080/~centennial/login/ Please click on the Academic/Student Support conference to post your comments. If you would prefer you can email your suggestions to benninkp@jmu.edu or fill out the form below and drop it in campus mail.

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The study has also drawn attention from the state’s leaders.

Secretary of Education Wilbert Bryant said, “The Governor is fundamentally opposed to racial discrimination of any sort, but he believes colleges should actively recruit minorities.”

Bryant said the governor has a copy of the study and will issue a statement on it in the future.
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Main Street will host ‘99 Days’ celebration

MAIN STREET, from page 1

prices. T-shirts will be on sale for $5 each.

“We’re hoping between the slightly raised ticket prices and T-shirt sales, we’ll have an event that benefits the seniors and keeps this in our budget,” Neff said. “We’re not making money, we’re breaking even. This isn’t about money, it’s about giving the seniors a good night.”

Folcomer said that although the senior party has traditionally been held at PC Ballroom, the party did not have to be held there every year.

“There really wasn’t a reason to have it at PC Ballroom,” Folcomer said. “The senior class will be much happier if there’s alcohol.”

Many seniors agree that the party will be better with alcohol and without underclassmen.

“I’m definitely much more excited now,” senior Erica Clifford said. “I was upset it was going to be open to everybody. It was supposed to be something special.”

Senior Megan Schilpp said, “I think it’s a good idea, because everyone I talked to decided they weren’t going to go because there wasn’t going to be alcohol there.

“That’s not necessarily a good thing because people should be able to have fun without alcohol, but I was looking forward to being with all my friends and then no one was going to go,” Schilpp said.

Beginning Monday, tickets will go on sale at the Warren Box Office, Neff said. Since the party is being held at a bar, seniors have to be 21 to get in.

With the enforcement of the ABC policy, Neff and Folcomer agree that holding events at off-campus locations is an option that will be used more often.

“I do think that because of the policy, it’ll be a resource that more and more people use,” Neff said.

“Because of the new enforcement of the ABC laws, JMU clubs and organizations will have to look for other locations if they want alcohol at their events,” Folcomer said.
ABC out-of-control with regulation

The Breeze, the ABC prohibits alcohol at any public event other than Homecoming, Founders Day and alumni events. While it seems a bit extreme that an exception couldn't be made for the 99 Days Dance, what is even more ludicrous is that this policy has been in effect for quite some time — the ABC just has not enforced it.

"This policy has been in the books for years," ABC public relations specialist Suzanne Horsley said.

If that is the case, why is this only being observed now? This seems rather arbitrary when examined closely. Actually, what really seems like is the ABC is out-of-control and determined to destroy any sense of social enjoyment JMU students attempt to stage.

This is a controlled, SGA-sponsored event in PC Ballroom complete with sober drivers, taxis and SGA party staffers to make sure there aren't any problems.

But don't tell the ABC that. It will never admit that it is the party at fault, in this or any situation. Horsley said the 99 Days violations had not been caught in the past due to a miscommunication between the caterer and the ABC.

Was the caterer supposed to do the ABC's job? The ABC was properly informed of the event in the past, and there can be no denial from the ABC that it was unaware that alcohol was being served at the event. Such denial would only further prove the ABC's refusal to accept its role in this disaster.

Thankfully, the SGA pulled off a last minute adjustment and moved the event to Main Street Bar & Grill, which, while more expensive and further away, may still be able to salvage some sense of the tradition.

The ABC has a job to do, and there is a definite need for such a body. Yet the fact still remains that ABC must accept responsibility for its role in this debacle. Is the ABC a necessary body? Absolutely.

But has it gone beyond doing its job and started harassing the JMU community? The answer seems clear to us, but it's doubtful the ABC has the vision to see it as well.
When the beer flowed like wine...

Gabe Uhr continues his series with 'A Beer Runs Through It: Part II'

By popular demand, here is the sequel to my under age drinking column: legal drinking in the 'Burg. I thought the bar scene was getting a little better all the time, but now it can't get much worse. Long ago when I turned 21, the 'Burg reached what will later be known as the "Golden Age of Insobriety", when the beer flowed like wine. My weekends started at the Biltmore or the Blue Fox on Wednesday nights. On Thursday nights there was JM's, and on an occasional weekend night I would end up at Main Street or another bar to hear a band.

Those days are gone, crushed by the Gestapo forces of the Virginia ABC. The Blue Fox shut itself down after alleged ABC violations, and JM's faces possible punishment for other alleged violations. No matter who is to blame (ABC), the fact is that as soon as one bar opens in Harrisonburg, for allegedly serving beer to an underage dog. Neither the bar owners nor "Spot" have the rest of the bars in Harrisonburg for alcoholic beverage control have officially changed it's name to ABENFFA (Alcoholic Beverage Elimination Or No Fun For Anyone) or ABE for short.

ABE announced that it's been misinterpreting a policy that allowed JMU to serve beer at the Grad Countdown. No offense to underclassmen, but what was planned as a party for seniors was opened to all classes in an attempt to break even.

I was ready to skip class for the 99 Days party. I really had no choice about missing class (Sorry, Professor Cote). The Grad Countdown would have been an opportunity to celebrate all of my experiences and hard work with all of the friends I've made in the last three-and-a-half years. Now I could get some finger-food and hear about the new ping-pong table in White Hall? No thanks.

This just in: ABE has just named deceased Puritan preacher Jonathan Edwards, of "Sinners in the Hands of an Angry God" fame, as its Harrisonburg representative. In his press release, Edwards announced, "The sword of divine justice is every moment brandished over [JMU students'] heads, and it is nothing but the hand of arbitrary mercy, and God's mere will, that holds it back."

On a lighter note, when I think back on all the good times I've had at the bars in the 'Burg, it's a wonder I can remember any of them.

During one of JM's "last nights," I was standing in line waiting to get in. There was a girl in front of me with two guys; she could be described politely as slightly less loud than a pile driver. So I was by now means eavesdropping when I heard her talk about her fake ID.

Anyway, as we neared the door, the line was getting longer and slower, and I thought I might not make it in. Then and there, I decided that if it came down to me or this girl getting in, I was going to sell her up the river, but I didn't have to. For you underage drinkers, the moral of the story is that bar lines, liquor stores and Quik-E Marts are the wrong place to talk about your fake IDs.

This just in: ABE has closed down the rest of the bars in Harrisonburg for allegedly serving beer to an underage dog. Neither the bar owners nor "Spot" have any comment. ABE has decreed that it is still legal to buy wine coolers and ZIMA, but they must be consumed alone, in a dark closet, while listening to the Monkees.

That was close. Another great memory was my friend Jon's 21st birthday, when he threw-up right at the bar, but it was so crowded that no one noticed. Jon noted, "I luv burfdaes!"

This semester has been a lot of fun because all my friends are now legal, although my friend Horse has been kicked out of every bar in Charlottesville (on numerous occasions) and he is currently working on being thrown out of every bar in Harrisonburg.

Luckily, people can still go out on Wednesday nights to listen to TJ Johnson and friends at the Biltmore. Not many of TJ's fans know that TJ almost left the Biltmore to be a replacement player for the Chicago Bulls before the NBA lockout was resolved.

This just in: ABE has uncovered a new prohibition law, which they previously misrepresented. No alcohol may be sold or consumed in Harrisonburg.

Umm... I've got to go. If anyone needs me, I'll be in my closet.

Gabe Uhr is a senior English major who plans to host the Grad Countdown party in his closet.

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**Darts & Pats**

**Dart...**

A "please-review-the-First-Amendment" dart to the people who criticize simple, fun enthusiasm in the Zoo Cage.

Sent in by a newly-censored fan who wants to point out that the comments are all in fun and that the players know that.

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**Dart...**

A "we-almost-had-to-eat-milk-and-cookies" dart to the Alcoholic Beverage Control board for enforcing an obscure rule just before the 99 Days 'Til Graduation party.

Sent in by a senior who thinks your new name should be the Out-of-Control Board.

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**Dart...**

A "how-greedy-are-you?" dart to the Madison Project for keeping over half the proceeds of what was supposed to be a benefit concert for the alternative spring break to Oaxaca, Mexico.

Sent in by a student who donated five times her ticket price because she thought the money was all going to a good cause.

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**Pat...**

A "you-rock" pat to the Madisonians for making the Phantom's Masquerade Ball a huge success. We couldn't have done it without you.

Sent in by senior hospitality and tourism majors who appreciate your contribution to their senior capstone project.

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**Pat...**

A "thanks-for-understanding" pat to my SCOM professor, Lee Mayfield, for understanding my heartache and excusing me from class.

Sent in by a girl who used that time to mend her heart and is feeling much better thanks to you.

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**Pat...**

A "thanks-for-the-ride" pat to the JMU postal worker who saw me miss my bus earlier this week and gave me a ride home.

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JMU dating: Games of Olympic proportions

"P"layers in the JMU Dating Game was the title of the center spread article in The Breeze on Jan. 25. I've never read a more honest or hilarious account of life at this vacation resort, and it's rumored that I read this paper rather carefully on occasion.

The article was an attempt to define dating at JMU. The consensus was this: dating does exist at JMU, it's just a little illogical, and there are several levels: hanging out, hooking up, seeing each other, dating and going out.

The levels of the Game overlap, as dating and going out both generally mean that a man and a woman are "seeing each other" on a regular basis. Hanging out and hooking up both essentially mean you're getting some action without having to put the "dating" label on it. Then there's seeing each other, which basically means you're hooking up on a more regular basis without having to commit to anything, if I interpreted the definitions my peers offered correctly.

Everyone knows the deal here, so I won't go into the technical terms. But I have another element to add to the JMU Dating Game to throw out. The author of the story went into the stages of "the Game," but what about the games within the Game itself? JMU students — both male and female — play ALL the games.

If you've seen "Swingers," you know what I'm talking about. Phone tag, e-mails, parties, drinking and waiting the right amount of time to act. Maybe they have a class together. Maybe boy has seen girl checking her e-mail at Taylor Down Under or recognizing her from the post office. Boy casually asks if girl is seeing anyone — testing the waters for the boyfriend. No boyfriend? Light green! (Not that the chances were great she would have a boyfriend because, according to JMU students, you just don't see that much around here.) Girl obliges, gets all cutsey, maybe her voice even gets a little higher as boy's voice gets lower.

"Ramble On"

Courtney A. Crowley

Event no. 1: Harassing flirt. Boy and girl have mutual attraction and talk at a party. Maybe they have a class together. Maybe boy has seen girl checking her e-mail at Taylor Down Under or recognizing her from the post office. Boy casually asks if girl is seeing anyone — testing the waters for the boyfriend. No boyfriend? Light green! (Not that the chances were great she would have a boyfriend because, according to JMU students, you just don't see that much around here.) Girl obliges, gets all cutsey, maybe her voice even gets a little higher as boy's voice gets lower.

Event no. 2: Physical contact. We've covered the first four events, inevitably, there has to be a hook-up. If things don't go right, the party could be a break up. "Break up" means you're not going; you're not progressing. Take advantage of South Africa speaking at JMU to a packed Wilson Hall...

"The Other Side"

Chris Carter

People talk about the millennium and what is to come. What we don't realize is that we have control of what is to come. We control our own destiny. We decide how JMU is going to be. This is our campus. We need to start supporting our organizations because they work toward the development of the JMU community and the extension outside of it. Join a club or organization even if it's just one. This is also a way to network with people you don't know now but eventually will know and help fight the millennium.

Chris Carter is a senior sociology major.
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Games go nowhere; gamers should wise up

GAMES, from page 17

NOT THE "R" WORD!! See, the problem here is that event no. 5 can be dragged out because of a miscommunication — maybe boy thinks girl wants to see boy on regular basis and girl just wants to hang out and watch the Duke/Carolina game. Or maybe girl assumes boy could never be interested, so she does her best to blow him off as a defense. Again, what we have here is the omnipresent possibility of more games — mind games — spinning off of event no. 5 and looming ominously overhead. Points are given for the creativity with which one performs event no. 5; however, this is where points can be taken away with vigor. Like I said before, event no. 5 is pivotal. So if you’re going to play this game, you better do it right.

Event no. 6: E-mail tag. A contingency plan used if phone calls don’t work. Just another method of communication. But you get more points for the phone because it’s more direct and you have a better chance of actually talking to boy/girl.

Event no. 7: Round two. Made it through the other events? Congratulations, but no medal for you. You may attend the closing ceremonies of the JMU Dating Olympics. You can see the doves, fireworks, and all the other pomp and circumstance, but you can’t touch any of it.

Now you get to start over again if you’re a game player. Train your best, get that endurance built back up because you get to keep going around in the same circles. Will you get instant gratification? Possibly. Will you enjoy that? Certainly. But you will get tired and old after awhile (around your 21st birthday or shortly thereafter). Just like any athlete, your body will break down from excessive wear and tear, and your mind will cry out for a rest. You’ll want to find someone, settle down and be done with the games. But it’s easier to say you want to stop than to actually do so. There are those people at JMU eventually learn the obvious — games don’t get you anywhere — and take steps to have a “game over” moment. And you know what? They are those happy people at JMU you’ve heard of.

So be direct. Take a chance. Break the JMU Dating Game rules. Tell he/she exactly what you want. You might get burned, but it’s a hell of a lot easier than playing these asinine games. It will probably get you further, too.

Chances are if you’re playing games, the person you’re playing games with is a better JMU heptathlete, and you’re going to lose.

Besides, nobody is worth snagging if you have to play games to get them.

Courtney A. Crowley is a junior SMAD major and the editor. She prefers Trivial Pursuit or Chinese checkers to dating games.
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A radio reading service run from the public radio station, WMRA, in Anthony-Seeger Hall, the Valley Voice brings local news and information into the homes of blind and print-impaired area residents each day.

Most of us take for granted the ability to read a local newspaper, or shopping circulars, but for the more than 6,000 visually impaired local residents and thousands more print-impaired who are unable to hold, turn the pages or focus on print material, it is impossible.

The Valley Voice helps fill this void, by keeping them connected to community news and events. The emphasis is on local news that is not carried on commercial radio stations. “Visually impaired people cannot read the local grocery circular to find out about a sale on oranges,” said Terry Ward, the Valley Voice director. “That stuff is important to them, and we read it for them.”

Valley Voice volunteers read full news stories from local newspapers, periodicals, and magazines, as well such things as obituaries and shopping advertisements. “Volunteers read newspapers, emphasizing things that would not be on the evening news,” Ward said. “We want to give our listeners more localized information—things that seeing people would take for granted.”

“We transmit from 5 a.m. to midnight every day. Most of the day we have a satellite pumped in from New York,” Ward said.

“Other times, Valley Voice volunteers read live or make prerecorded readings. The Valley Voice currently serves approximately 600 print-impaired, according to Ward. “However, we could easily serve a few thousand,” he said. “But it depends of the donations, the fundraising and the volunteers.”

At the station, there are two part-time employees, one student employee and about 75 volunteers, in addition to Ward. Volunteers range in age from high school students to senior citizens well into their 80s. Volunteers are essential to the Valley Voice’s production, and there are hundreds of ways to help.

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Terry Ward
operations director, Valley Voice

Junior SMAD major Tony Taylor volunteers at the Valley Voice three days a week. Taylor began volunteering last semester, and also works for the WXJM, JMU radio station. At the Valley Voice, Taylor works the radio board, controlling the volumes and changing prerecorded tapes. Knowing the program is essentially run by volunteers, he thought his radio knowledge could help.

“It brings me a lot of enjoyment when people come in to pick up their receivers,” Taylor said. “They are so appreciative. It’s a really good feeling.”

The Valley Voice transmission reaches listeners on a subcarrier signal only audible through a special receiver. The Valley Voice purchases these special radios and lends them out to those who are referred to the station. All that is required to receive a radio is certification from a doctor to verify their impairment. The Valley Voice will even deliver the radio to the person’s residence if someone cannot pick it up.

Photographs: (top) Harrisonburg resident, Vickie Simmons has been volunteering at the Valley Voice for 11 years. (bottom) A man reads over the air at WMRA located in Anthony-Seeger Hall.
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took shape in 1981, when Jane Fuller was hired as the founding director. The radio station was awarded a grant to begin a program to assist those who are blind or print impaired. Along with the grant, the Valley Voice was given 100 special radio receivers to lend out to those in need.

Fuller said, “I was hired primarily because I have management skills as well as fund-raising skills. I really had no background in radio.”

Fuller’s main job was to find volunteers and spread the word about the new station. Fuller remained at the Valley Voice for two and a half years. In that time, she developed an advisory board, recruited more than 60 volunteers who read, worked the radio board, and performed fund-raisers. She also sent out over 90 percent of the initial receivers to print-impaired citizens in the Harrisonburg area.

The Valley Voice began programming in July 1982. “In the time that I was there, we were on the air about six hours a day,” Fuller said. Volunteers read local papers and programs from Richmond were transmitted into the radio station.

“There is certainly a need for assistance. Being blind, what would you do all day?” Fuller said. “People need assistance and this is a wonderful service,” Fuller said.

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Valley Voice relies on donations of time and money to keep running. “Right now, we are hoping for individual, civic and business generosity,” Ward said. Many local businesses and organizations help fund and run the day-to-day operations of the Valley Voice and they are always looking for volunteers, whether to do on air reading or operating audio boards.

Photos: (top) A women reads sale advertisements over the air for print-impaired Valley Voice listeners. (bottom) Senior CIS major Joel Purcell volunteers as a audio board operator.

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Flipmode Squad T-shirts. Busta was flamboyant and dynamic as usual, and kept up his high energy level for the duration of the show. They took the stage to a less familiar song, and Busta spoke to the audience after it was over. He explained that he loved all the members of the audience no matter what their race, and then said that he had just performed at Virginia Tech and wanted to see if the JMU crowd could be louder than the Tech crowd. The JMU crowd answered his challenge and screamed with any voice they had left to muster.

The show continued with several songs including those from the Flipmode Squad release The Imperial Album, as well as songs from Busta Rhymes’ three solo albums. The crowd seemed particularly fond of the older more popular songs; “Woo-ha” got quite a reaction when it was performed early on. When Busta performed his hit track “Dangerous,” he and Spliff Star stripped down to their boxers. Female members of the audience seemed to enjoy the display.

After several songs, Busta introduced the Flipmode Squad members which include himself, Spliff Star, who appeared with Busta in the video “Dangerous,” Rampage, Baby Sham, the female member Rah-Digga, and finally Lord Have Mercy, who is to release a solo album in the near future. Busta also pointed out DJ Scratch as a member of his crew, then took off his shirt and pretended to throw it into the audience. When the endless sets of hands flew into the air to try and grab the shirt, Busta shouted, “I’m not giving YOU my Flipmode shirt!”

The show continued with more famous Busta hits. “Its a Party” from Busta’s first album The Coming was a favorite of the crowd as they sang along with the well-known chorus. Songs also heard were “Cha Cha Cha” from the Imperial Album, Busta’s hit single “Fired Up,” and even Busta’s track from the new film “Psycho,” which features the theme from the movie. The songs from When Disaster Strikes seemed to be the favorites of the crowd, and the Convo was most excited and alive when the beat from “Put Your Hands” started up. The Squad started up the beat, then leaned the crowd by asking whether or not they were ready, then played the song in its entirety. Busta and crew even performed some songs by other artists. The Convo jumped to the beat of A Tribe Called Quest hit “Scenario” near the middle of the concert.

After all of his songs had been performed and the Flipmodians were ready to leave the stage, Busta politely thanked JMU and left the stage in a flash. The crowd definitely wanted an encore, unfortunately, neither Busta nor any of the Flipmode Squad reappeared. DJ Scratch was left on stage and spun a few songs as the crowd wound down. The glaring lights of the Convo flicked on signaling the show was really over.

There was a rumor that Busta was signing autographs outside, however, when DJ Scratch was asked as to the whereabouts of Busta, he explained, “Did you see how sweaty he was? He is not coming back out here!”

The concert came to an abrupt end, but Busta Rhymes and crew definitely went out on a high note. A hazy fog filled the halls of the Convo as tired fans filtered out, and the cold air outside was wonderful for anyone who had been inside. Overall the night was summed up well by junior Patrick Graham. “The concert was not worth 21 dollars, it was worth 22,” he said.

Photos clockwise from top: (1) By photo editor Dylan Boucherle: Spliff Star of the Flipmode Squad looking tough. (2) By senior photographer Alex Vessels: Rah-Digga, the female member of the Flipmode Squad performs. (3) By photo editor Dylan Boucherle: Busta Rhymes raps flamboyantly on stage. (4) By photo editor Dylan Boucherle: DJ Scratch spins some popular hip hop tunes before the show.
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Songs in the air at JMU

The Singing Sergeants sing popular numbers from various genres

JENNIFER SIMMONS
senior writer

What travels in a flock, has silver wings, blue bodies, and can sing beautifully? If you guessed the United States Air Force Band's Singing Sergeants, then you're good at riddles because most people would have guessed a blue jay or something of the like.

Or perhaps you were among the approximately 150 people fortunate enough to hear this famous choral group sing in Wilson Hall auditorium Friday.

Despite scattered attendance, the Singing Sergeants gave a rousing and inspired performance that brought the audience to its feet by the end of the night.

The Singing Sergeants, directed by 1st Lt. Daniel Price, performed songs from a variety of musical genres such as opera, oratorio, spiritual, musical theatre and jazz, as well as pieces from pop-culture favorites. The majority of their songs were sung a cappella however, during songs such as "Movin' Out" from a Billy Joel Medley and R Kelly's "I Believe I Can Fly" a trio on bass, drums and piano joined the act.

At one point in the evening, the group performed selections from Georges Bizet's opera "Carmen." Senior Master Sgt. Patricia Wolfe dazzled the audience with its audiences for the past 54 years. The majority of their songs were sung a cappella however, during songs such as "Movin' Out" from a Billy Joel Medley and R Kelly's "I Believe I Can Fly" a trio on bass, drums and piano joined the act.

The Singing Sergeants ended the night singing together unofficially as a glee club decided to form an official choir for the United States Air Force.

In 1973, the Singing Sergeants were the first military chorus to hire women to join the group, coinciding with women being allowed to serve in the armed forces. "We saw an opportunity to make the choir better [by hiring women] and decided to take full advantage of it," Price says. Now, not only does the choir perform as a whole, but they have also established The Singing Sergeants Women's Chorus as well as a Men's Chorus to match. While the sound of the two groups are superior, the Women's Chorus goes a step beyond toward impeccable, singing a madrigal-like piece showcasing not only their beautiful sound, but also their technical mastery of music.

The singers come from many different musical backgrounds; some have masters degrees and even doctorates in music. "You can join Singing Sergeants through an audition process which is very challenging," Price says. "You have to be musically accepted first and after that you just join the Air Force like anyone else.

"You have to go through basic training and once you've completed that, as soon as you join the Singing Sergeants, you get promoted to Tech Sergeant," Price adds. Chief Master Sgt. Donna Abraham has been with the Singing Sergeants for almost 20 years and says of the auditions, "The talent we're looking for is not in an 18-year-old but rather in someone who has done their four years of college and has musical training. It's a very competitive audition process."

After their mind blowing performance, Friday, there are some in the audience who think of the Singing Sergeants as a prospective career.

Junior Sam Birchett says, "The Singing Sergeants is a group I had considered as a possible career choice in high school. And seeing this remarkable performance, I realized that Singing Sergeants is still a possibility after my college years."

The Singing Sergeants have performed all over the world, although their primary function is entertaining military and government leaders in Washington, D.C. where they are based, as well as supporting and performing for the president and vice president of the United States.

The group has two, three-week-long tours they do throughout the year, in addition to the summer concerts at the Sylvan Theatre and the U.S. Capitol and holiday concerts at Constitution Hall that are open to the public. This is the first time they have included college performances in their tour, according to Master Sgt. Carol Wiley.

The Singing Sergeants ended the night with "The U.S. Air Force," more commonly recognized as "Off we go into the wild blue yonder..." with the audience clapping time and the group singing with patriotic gusto after Price, as a final note of inspiration, took to the microphone and said, "At times we need to realize that we do need to dream, dream grandly."
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Beatty's 'Bulworth' wins votes

BRENT BOWLES
Breeze film critic

Warren Beatty's had his share of hits and misses, and his newest comedy, "Bulworth," ranks as simply one of the biggest successes of his career. This acidic political satire, probably born of decades at the mercy of the Hollywood system uncompromising in the memory of notorious flops like "Heaven Can Wait" and "Ishtar," bristles from its very outset with the kind of fresh and buoyant comedic edge seemingly blunted by a country's political apathy.

The film's visual edge, a jarringly lit, bleached palette courtesy of Beatty's frequent cinematographer Vittorio Storaro, promotes the former, and through Beatty's splendid lead performance we come to realize he's not just out to try to be hip. "Bulworth" is a complex film, certainly not to be taken lightly, but at the same time quite an amusing comedy (a subplot, concerning Bulworth's attempts to elude the hitman he himself hired, doesn't work quite as well despite its necessity to the plot). There are a number of performances in the cast that are utterly hysterical (notably Platt, comedienne Helen Martin and CNN staple Larry King in a great cameo), but far too many of the jokes carry a weighted laugh; Bulworth's advo- cation of "procreative racial deconstruction" is an outrageous yet uncomfortably adroit observation, and just the kind of trumpet blast a country lost in itself needs. As Berry's Nina takes Bulworth to her South Central Los Angeles home and into a confrontation with "substance sup- plier" L.D. (Don Cheadle), we're given a blistering view of urban life that seems at first a broad joke but is soon discovered unsettlingly truthful.

And that's probably the perfect way to describe "Bulworth." It's a film of staring truth. Beatty, perhaps not quite firm in the goal of his film but tapping with unaccustomed ease into the turn-of-the-century political zeitgeist creates a razor-edged parody that is one step ahead at every turn.

At some points "Bulworth" seems a morality play; there is, after all, a chorus figure commenting surrealistically on the action. The firmity of its political message is somewhat cloudy, but ultimately the film works in a way few politically-themed films can. It's unashamed of its craziness, unearcing of controversy it might raise, and in the final, most simplistic sense, unflinchingly right.

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VCU, ECU take it to JMU
Dukes have Hope, but Rams have win, 70-63

In the locker room before Friday night’s women’s basketball game against East Carolina University, JMU head coach Bud Childers stressed three key points to his team. He figured the Dukes needed to out rebound the Pirates, cut down on fouls and play with intensity. JMU didn’t do any of these things, and ECU came away with a 65-62 victory.

Things didn’t get any better for the Dukes Sunday as Virginia Commonwealth University took advantage of poor JMU play down the stretch to win 70-63.

Senior Hope Cook led the Dukes with season high 18 points and career high 16 rebounds. Cook came alive in the second half, scoring all of her points after half time. Senior Kish Jordan also contributed a double-double, going for a season high 19 points and 11 rebounds.

Unfortunately it wasn’t enough as JMU lost a first half lead and then was forced to battle back in the second half. A Jody Williams three pointer gave JMU a short-lived lead before the Rams pulled away as JMU center Hollee Franklin was again saddled with foul problems.

“We didn’t respond to the opportunity tonight,” Childers said. “We came out without any intensity, we fouled entirely too much, and we didn’t shoot the ball well. All of that added up spells trouble.”

JMU got out of the gate well, building a 28-18 lead before settling for a 29-24 halftime advantage. Franklin gave JMU an offensive spark by getting free in the post for 10 first-half points. Franklin was held to just one basket and only two shots in the second half before fouling out with 2:08 left.

Fouls and shoddy interior defense caught up with the Dukes after the intermission, as ECU senior Beth Jaynes continually buried JMU in the paint on her way to a career-high 20 points. Danielle Melvin worked free for a layup at the 14:06 mark to give ECU a lead it didn’t relinquish, 36-35.

On offense, JMU had trouble putting points on the board, as the Pirates’ pressure defense forced the Dukes into numerous turnovers and missed shots near the basket.

Following the game, Childers was visibly disappointed. “It’s frustrating,” he said. “Missing a ton of layups is tough to deal with. We missed the open shots inside, and you’ve got to make those shots in tight games.”

The Dukes didn’t make many shots as they shot 34 percent from the field. Junior guard Mistiza Colebank struggled with her shooting touch as she finished 1-10 from the field and 0-3 from three-point land.

Three Dukes fouled out of the contest, as the Pirates marched to the line 42 times, 15 more attempts than the Dukes.

Sophomore guard Becky Wollenberg was the one JMU player that was able to knock down the open shot, including a pair of three-pointers, and finished the game with a team-high 17 points on 7-15 shooting.

Wollenberg came off the bench to play 29 minutes. A Kish Jordan layup 20 seconds into the second half gave the Dukes a seven-point lead, however, Jaynes led the Pirates back as they chipped away at the lead.

A foul shot by sophomore Mandy White at the 15:00 mark was the last JMU basket for three minutes as Melvin scored six points for ECU in that span allowing the Pirates to take a 41-35 lead before Stacey Todd swished a foul shot to stop the Dukes bleeding.

JMU would not lead again, although they closed the gap to one point with 7:13 left.
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Dukes turnover win to Mason

JASON McINTYRE

The JMU men’s basketball team ended a week of highs with a low while squaring off with the top two teams in the CAA has to offer.

After committing a season-low six turnovers Wednesday in a victory over conference leader Old Dominion University, the Dukes turned the ball over a season-high 23 times Saturday while making only 22 field goals in losing to second place George Mason University, 82-78, before the seventh-largest crowd in Patriot Center history.

A crowd of 7,251 watched a sloppy game that saw both teams combine to shoot 88 free throws and commit 35 turnovers. In the end, the Patriots were able to stave off the late game heroics of Dukes’ swingman Chatney Howard and point guard Jabarri Outtz.

Howard scored 29 points, tying a career high, hitting 15-20 free throws, a record for most attempts in school history, and Outtz finished with 25 points and seven rebounds, but it wasn’t enough to keep the Dukes from dropping back to 500 in the CAA (5-5), 12-8 overall. The loss prevented the Dukes from tying the Patriots for second in the league and ended their modest three-game winning streak. Instead the Dukes now sit in fourth place in the conference.

Howard and Outtz combined to score 15 of the Dukes final 17 points, helping them overcome a 13-point second-half deficit and draw within three on three Howard free throws with eight seconds left. GMU point guard Jason Miskiri (15 points) keyed the game with a free throw after being fouled on the ensuing in bounds pass. "I thought Chatney was very aggressive," Dukes’ head coach Sherman Dillard said. "He’s essentially a marked man. He’s got to be able to put the ball on the floor and create opportunities, and I thought he did a much better job doing that Saturday."

While Howard and Outtz led the Dukes offensively, JMU’s obvious weaknesses in rebounding and bench depth were exploited by the bigger and more physical Patriots, who swept the season series from JMU. GMU (10-10, 6-4) won the CAA opener for both teams on Dec. 5, 83-81 in overtime.

The Dukes were repeatedly beaten on the glass, as the Patriots grabbed a season-high 19 offensive rebounds, leading to numerous second chance opportunities for their big front line of sophomore George Evans (15 points, nine rebounds) and seldom-used Nsilu Abraham (season-high 12 points in 14 minutes).

"On the rebounding situation, the stat sheet says we out rebounded them by one, but I don’t know who kept those stats," Dillard said. "It looked ugly. I thought they completely dominated us inside. Their offensive rebounding was what hurt us, and so did the stick backs."

Dillard, completely disgusted with the team’s interior play by freshman Tim Lyle (0-1 shooting, one point and two rebounds in 23 minutes) and junior Rob Strickland (two points, seven rebounds, two blocks in 19 minutes) said, “If you look at our team, with the exception of Rob Strickland, we’re not a very big team. It looked like a pinball machine on the rebounding; the ball was just bouncing all over the place. We have to go to the weight room and get a little bit stronger in the off season. We’ve got to get some bigger bodies in there.”

Strickland said, “Rebounding hurt us the most. We had our hands on so many balls, we just didn’t come up with the rebounds.”

Another glaring weakness the Patriots exploited was the lack of JMU depth. With backup point guard Ned Felton out of the lineup indefinitely after knee surgery, GMU went to a full court press most of the second half, generating numerous turnovers.

“They had a great press, but it was a lot of poor execution on our part,” Outtz said. “We were dropping balls. I just lost the ball, it was just poor execution. Ned is still out and that really hurts us. (Eugene Atkinson) was doing a good job, but we had trouble getting into a few of our sets.”

Dillard added, “Our lack of depth became a factor. [GMU] is so intense with their defense, the full court press bothered us, we had way too many turnovers against them. I’m disappointed in that fact. In the other games, the press has not bothered us. The other reason was that Jabarri got in foul trouble early. We didn’t have a backup point guard.”

Outtz picked up his fourth foul as Miskiri (15 points, 9-16 FT) attempted a three-pointer with 16:40 left in the game. He went to the bench with JMU down two, and when he returned, the deficit was seven.

While Outtz was on the bench, the game turned on a wild series. Following an acrobatic baseline reverse dunk by Howard, the Dukes had a chance to draw within one, but Lyle was called for traveling. Following a missed three-pointer by Miskiri, GMU had possession, still down 51-48. JMU forward Kevan Johnson was stripped of the ball near midcourt, and Evans broke ahead of the pack for a thunderous dunk and was pushed in the back in the process by a trailing Johnson. The referee called an intentional foul on Johnson, awarding Evans two free throws. Although he missed both of them, GMU retained possession, and Abraham rebounded a miss and was fouled in the paint. He converted both free throws for a 55-48 lead, forcing Dillard to bring Outtz back in the game.

Abraham, a transfer from Loyola, (Md.), came in averaging 3.4 minutes per game, but in an interesting move by second-year GMU coach Jim Larranaga, he was inserted into the starting lineup.

“Our first unit, with some of the recent losses, was beginning to feel a little bit strained,” Larranaga said. “They were playing a lot of games and a lot of minutes, so I told them we were going to reverse the roles and get our green team (second five) out there.”

The Dukes get a chance to climb back over .500 Wednesday when they travel to East Carolina.

SHANE ROGERS/contributing photographer

Senior Eugene Atkinson and the rest of the Dukes had a hard time containing George Mason center George Evans (21). Evans led Mason’s inside attack with 15 points and nine rebounds as he took advantage of JMU’s undersized post players.
to the JMU students, faculty & staff who supported us so boisterously in our win over ODU. We couldn't have done it without you!

- Sherman Dillard & the JMU Basketball Family

P.S. Hope to see you at the next home game against UNC-Wilmington on Saturday, February 6.
N.C. State topples JMU, 22-9
Dukes taken out of game plan, record drops to 1-3 in dual meets

MIKE GESARIO
assistant sports editor

NORTH CAROLINA STATE 22, JAMES MADISON 9

JMU heavyweight D.J. Hockman (right) tries to take down North Carolina State's Billy Noble Saturday in Godwin Hall. Noble defeated Hockman 7-4 to tie the meet at three. N.C. State went on to defeat JMU by the final of 22-9. The Dukes travel to Norfolk Friday to face Old Dominion University and Norfolk State University.

"I don't think the score reflects how close the match really was," JMU 197-pound junior Elliot Williams said. "For the most part, everyone went out there and wrestled pretty tough. Everything just fell their way."

JMU assistant coach Doug Detrick said, "I was very pleased with the way we wrestled. The score doesn't really indicate how good our guys wrestled. If we won two of those close matches the score is totally different."

JMU jumped out to a 3-0 lead after the first match of the evening when Williams defeated sophomore Josh McClure 8-3. Williams, however, was not totally pleased with his performance.

"I should have wrestled a better match," he said. "I probably should have gotten a little more prepared. I was a little older than them, I slowed the pace down and forced the Dukes (1-3) to go on the offensive."

"We are a scrappy team," JMU head coach Jeff "Peanut" Bowyer said. "When we go against a team that is a little more experienced, a little older than us, they slow us down. They slow us down to the point where whoever makes the least amount of mistakes is going to win. Our guys haven't realized yet that we are starting to wrestle into our style as opposed to making them wrestle our style."

The match was closer than the final tally indicates, as JMU lost three matches by three points or less.

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Men sweep, women split final meets before conference championships

The JMU men's swimming and diving teams geared up for the CAA Tournament this weekend by defeating the University of Richmond and West Virginia University and establishing a new JMU record for winning percentage. The women's team defeated Richmond, but fell to West Virginia.

The men defeated Richmond by a score of 141-82 while the women won 137-106.

"We are a team and, because we have such a great team, that will help us in the CAAs," senior Missey Schofield said. "We are really coming together and that has showed the last two days. For the first time in three years, we beat Richmond."

On Saturday, sophomore Samantha Smith made a splash for the Dukes by winning the 200-yard individual medley (2:10.89) as well as the 100-yard breaststroke (1:07.71). Smith was also a part of the Dukes' winning 200-yard medley relay (1:50.22).

The women were also led by freshman Shannon Smiley. Smiley took first place in all of the distance events. Smiley won the 500-yard freestyle race with a 5:06.54 time as well as the 1000-yard freestyle race (10:29.10).

In diving, senior co-captain Cathy Girouard secured points for the Dukes with a first-place finish in the three meter. On the men's side, JMU took advantage of an undermanned Richmond team by posting nine straight events with nine different JMU swimmers taking first-place points. Sophomore John Kilmartin took first place for JMU in the 1000-yard freestyle (10:29.37).

"Everyone is stepping it up because we had many challenging meets as of late," Kilmartin said. "Our confidence has been built the last couple of meets."

Freshman Rob Roy also helped secure the Dukes victory against Richmond by taking first-place points in the 500-yard freestyle. Roy posted a time of 4:53.76.

"We are trying to keep our spirits up going into the CAAs," Roy said. "We are getting ready to win in the CAAs."

On Sunday, the Dukes took on WVU. The JMU men's swimming and diving team won by a score of 141-94 while the women lost 132-111.

The win gives the men an 11-1 record against Richmond and West Virginia.

"It is the senior meet and all the seniors are excited. Hopefully we can end our season with a win," said Roy.

After the past weekend, men's and women's assistant coach Mike Mahlstedt had good reason to be excited considering the Dukes success.

“Our swimmers are looking real last right now and we have had the best dual season since 1992," Mahlstedt said. "We are ready to capture our seventh title at conferences."

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“We are swimming really well right now and we have had some good swims before conferences," the Dukes hope their depth, strength and rest will equal success when the CAA conference tournament begins Feb. 17.

The men finished second last season at the CAAs after winning six consecutive conference titles. The women's team placed third a year ago.

The JMU women's swimming team dives into action Saturday in Savage Natatorium. The Dukes defeated the University of Richmond Spiders 137-106.

Women's gymnastics

Rutgers University edged JMU 188.150-184.125 Saturday in women's gymnastics.

Sophomore Allyson Betar registered JMU's best all around score. Betar scored a 36.600. Rutgers' Dawn Campbell won the all around with a 37.225.


Two other Dukes captured a top five finish in the balance beam. Senior Kate McClintock earned fourth place with a 9.350 while sophomore teammate Rachel Malinowski placed fifth with a score of 9.200.

Junior Betsy Hernandez compiled JMU's best score in the vault. Hernandez's 9.475 was good for fifth-place tie with Bokara.

JMU's top score in the uneven parallel bars belonged to junior Kathleen Bellino. Bellino scored a 9.450 in the event. Senior/Mara Clamage earned sixth place in the bars with a 9.350.

The Dukes host the College of William & Mary Friday. The meet begins at 7:30 p.m. in Godwin Hall.

Fencing

JMU went 3-0 at the Dual Meets at John Hopkins University Saturday. JMU defeated Drew University 21-11, Haverford College 21-11 and Johns Hopkins 17-15.

JMU went 34-14 overall in the foil. Freshman teammate Allison Schwartz was 10-2 in the epee.

Sophomore Laura Webb was 9-3 while freshman Katie Maliloux went 5-2 in the foil competition.

The Dukes were 25-23 in the epee. Sophomore Vicki Karouso lost only once in the epee and compiled an 11-1 record. Freshman teammate Allison Schwartz was 10-2 in the epee.

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“We are swimming really well considering we had two meets last week and two meets this week," freshman Matt Kenney said. "We are swimming well."

Sophomore Jessica Carrano said, “Our depth and strength has helped us the last two days and that has been a big key for us. We want to get in some last good swims before conferences.”

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To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

**Aries (March 21-April 19)** — Today is a 7. Curb the urge to be impetuous today. Your lesson to be learned right now is to have structure, discipline, and obedience. If you choose that on purpose now, the rest of the week will be a lot easier. Become a strategist instead of firing from the hip and you'll certainly have more to show for it by the time the week is over.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20)** — Today is a 5. Don't take no for an answer, especially if it's the first answer you get. You're known for your persistence, and today that's your winning virtue. A partner will also come in handy. He or she will be able to get through where your path is blocked. But don't give the valuables to somebody you can't trust, if you're not sure, just hold onto them.

**Gemini (May 21-June 21)** — Today is a 6. There's something at home you could do yourself and save a lot of money. If you only knew how. You can learn, and soon. Today, you get a book on the subject. Odds are good what ever you're thinking about doing is not going to be easy, but it is going to be possible.

**Cancer (June 22-July 22)** — Today is a 6. You're getting a tailwind concerning your career. A friend could give you a push in the right direction. You'd never ask for it, but you might as well accept it if it's there. You'll have to make an investment in your own future, possibly to get the education you need. This is a bold move, but it could be a very profitable one.

**Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)** — Today is a 6. The competition is so tough today, you may want to compromise. Perhaps you can enroll your competitor into helping you. Sheer flattery could work wonders. The other person is apt to fall for just about anything you say, as long as it promotes and extols his or her ideas.

**Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** — Today is a 6. You're better than most at keeping to your schedule, but complications beyond your control could prevent that from happening today. Try not to let somebody else's emergency get you ruffled. The best you can do is exert your influence to make sure that everyone stays happy. That's your modus operandi anyway.

**Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** — Today is a 6. There will be lots of competition for your time today. Somebody you care about would love to dominate it, and you wouldn't mind that either. But there's work to be done. How about delegating some of your responsibilities instead? If you've got a really good team, you could do it, and this is certainly one way to find out.

**Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)** — Today is a 6. It looks like just about everybody wants to tell you what to do. A little of that goes a long way with you anyway, but today you'll be in a rather testy mood. Who do they think they are, anyway? Who do they think you are? You'd better think twice about acting like a servant? You'll be wise to keep a civil tongue in your head, but it may not be very easy.

**Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)** — Today is a 6. There could be a slight difference of opinion today between two people you respect.

**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** — Today is a 6. Watch your money today. Don't let somebody talk you out of it without getting the very best possible deal. The better fight you put up, of course, the more likely that is to happen. Don't feel like you're going to make enemies by driving a hard bargain. Just the opposite is more likely true.

**Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** — Today is a 6. Confer with your partner today about a purchasing decision. Figure out what you'd like, what you need, what you can do without, and ask your friend to do the same. By the time the meeting is through, it'll be clear what you can afford and where you should go next, which is the objective, of course.

**Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)** — Today is a 6. Your work may seem overwhelming today, but don't despair. You're learning lots of important things that you'll be able to use later on, and something you're learning is going to lead to a lot more income. It's tough in the beginning, but the more you practice, the better you'll get at it.

**SOAP OPERA UPDATES**

**All My Children**

Gillian is forced to confess to Ryan that she slept with Gillian just to get his bail money. Ryan isn't going to forgive this anytime soon. Hayley is released from prison when Ryan is arrested and she doesn't like Raelle's June Cleaver act. Adrian forces Palmer to sign those divorce papers and give Opal half his assets after Palmer'sfratricide article caused him to lose his job.

**Another World**

Amanda and Cameron get home and can't forget that horrible looking man who was watching her as she slept. Cameron leaves Ali and Amanda alone to work out their differences and Ali agrees to give Cameron a chance. Jordan watches Cameron and Josie in his crystal ball and he now knows how to get Cameron out of Amanda's life. Cindy uses information on Josie's pregnancy to bribe her to find the tape in Marley's possession at the Bay City Police Department.

**As the World Turns**

James has proof that Holden murdered David thanks to a weapon and a mysterious note he received. Lucinda threatens to leave him if he doesn't stop threatening her family. Eddie and Katie blow off the dance and Georgia who went alone was upset that Eddie didn't attend. Andy tells Molly he still wants her to be his roommate. Ben arranges for Camille's physician to take good care of her during her extensive re-construction surgery.

**Guiding Light**

Michelle and Danny learn Carmen has hired Jesse with room and board. Danny tells Michelle they must prove their love to Jesse in a way she can't deal with. Michelle and Jesse impersonate Fr. Thomas during their Pre-Canan session and she softens up over some of his responses about love. Drew is crushed that Jesse has a new job and she says that she will let him out of his contract if he makes love to her.

**One Life to Live**

Viki gets Mel to fill in as Editor in Chief at the Banner and they take a flight to the Bahamas. Dorian books a flight for her and Cassie to hit Switzerland, but Kelly tips them off about this. Kevin goes to see Dorian in a close, Mel and Viki hit the airport to catch their flight and release Dorian from the close.

**Port Charles**

The Cardenos' agree to allow Neil to go back to the US with Joe and Courtney. Joe does tell them that they will always be a part of Neil's life. Courtney wants Joe to legally adopt Neil and he has no problem with this one. Frank gets drunk and is released in Karem's custody. He kisses her and doesn't remember doing that. Karen says a blackout could signal a serious drinking problem.

**Sunset Beach**

Gregory's DNA test on Trey doesn't give him the results he wants. Course, Annie rigged the test to make her more attractive to the gorgeous Gregory. Gregory is offering her a cool five million! Cole tames Annie with his investigation of Dr. Brock and doesn't remember doing that. Karen says a blackout could signal a serious drinking problem.

**The Young & the Restless**

Paul watches home movies with his dad and Ruth doesn't like this. Mary finds a listing for a Perkins Party at a local motel. Jill hires her the results she wants. Course, Annie rigged the test to make her more attractive to the gorgeous Gregory. Gregory is offering her a cool five million! Cole tames Annie with his investigation of Dr. Brock and doesn't remember doing that. Karen says a blackout could signal a serious drinking problem.
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