**Police relations panel set up**

**BRAD JENKINS**  
**news editor**

A Student Government Association committee finalized its list of members for a police relations panel that will hold its first meeting Feb. 17.

About 20 students applied for the panel, panel coordinator Sen. Pat Blake said. Students of all class levels and from all areas of campus life applied.

"That was something I really wanted and I was glad to see this," Blake said. "It was nice to see it wasn't just leaders of the school. Members of the student body were interested." Blake selected students to serve on the panel.

Panel applicants expressed several concerns and had various questions about police relations, Blake said.

For instance, one applicant wants to know how police are trained to deal with college students. Another wants to discuss the process for investigating noise complaints.

"People are writing me a lot of stuff," Blake said. "There are a lot of people really interested in these things."

The format for the first meeting is still unclear, but Blake said he has several ideas. Mostly, Blake said he wants the meeting to be "conversational," with police and students entering into a dialogue about their concerns.

At the first meeting, Blake also said he hopes to "make people comfortable with one another."

Erin Uyterwaal, SGA Student Services chair, said the panel meeting won't focus on specific incidents. "Students will be encouraged to use instances as support, but they won't be the focus," she said.

**Dukes elude Spiders' web**

**SETH BURTON**  
**sports editor**

The grease board in the JMU men's basketball locker room read, "Bring on the Spiders" after Monday night's 78-60 win over American University. Coming into Wednesday night's battle for second place at the Convos, the University of Richmond Spiders had beaten JMU in seven straight games, dating back to the 1995 CAA tournament semifinals. JMU seniors Eugene Atkinson, Ned Felton and Chatney Howard had never beaten the Spiders.

With 16:00 left in the second half and the Dukes down by 17, it appeared the seniors would not be able to get that elusive win.

But an amazing 19-0 second half run wiped out a 42-26 Richmond lead, and the Dukes held on for a 71-61 win, vaulting them into a second-place tie with Old Dominion in the CAA.

"I'm glad to finally get that monkey off my back," Atkinson said about finally beating the Spiders. "It couldn't have come at a better time."

The comeback was the largest deficit overcome by the Dukes (15-6, 9-5 in the CAA) for a win since the 1994 CAA championship game, when they beat ODU and went to the NCAA tournament.

Felton said, "It means a lot. Especially to the fans — the zoo cage." A crowd of 4,572 witnessed the game.

A crowd of 4,572 witnessed the comeback, which is adjacent to Godwin Hall and next to the police station. The vehicle that allegedly hit and run struck an occupied vehicle, which is adjacent to Godwin Hall.

The vehicle that allegedly struck an occupied vehicle sustained a back injury and was transported to Rockingham Memorial Hospital.

"Basically, I wasn't playing from behind to beat UR last night in the seniors' last home game."
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Wednesday, Feb. 10, 1999

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To the press alone, chequered as it is with abuses, the world is indebted for all the triumphs which have been gained by reason and humanity over error and oppression.
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POLICE REPORTS

The subject was described as a white male with a large build, shoulder length hair and wore a light blue shirt.

CURSE AND ABUSE
Peter J. Staples, 22, of Centreville, was arrested and charged with underage possession of alcohol on Feb. 5 at 10:50 p.m. in front of Hoffman Hall.

RESISTING ARREST
Peter J. Staples, 22, of Centreville, was arrested and charged with resisting arrest on Feb. 6 at 1:47 a.m. in front of Hoffman Hall.

CHARGES
• An unidentified subject was described as a light-colored Ford.
• Aggravated Assault
  • An unidentified subject allegedly forced his way past a doorman and punched a student in the face, breaking his nose, at the Sigma Nu fraternity house on Feb. 6 at 2:31 a.m. The subject then reportedly left the scene.

THE VIOLATIONS
• Hit and Run with Personal Injury
  • An unidentified driver struck an occupied parked car in G-lot on Feb. 7 at 10:30 p.m.
  • An occupant in the back seat of the parked vehicle sustained a possible back injury and was transported to Rockingham Memorial Hospital.

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Where's the beef?
Asbestos removal to force Steakhouse closure in April

J INA MONTEFUSCO
Assistant news editor

Students will soon have to go beyond campus limits to have a steak dinner.

The Steakhouse on the fifth floor of Warren Hall will close April 2, said Dwight Campbell, University Center dining director. The fifth floor of Warren is being renovated as part of the Student Success Center project. The second floor was renovated this year and third floor renovations will be finished this year, he said.

"The Steakhouse will be closed for the remainder of this semester and next semester," Campbell said. "We plan to reopen in spring 2000."

Campbell announced last Thursday that the Steakhouse would be closing before spring break at a dining services meeting.

Rick Larson, senior director of dining services, announced Wednesday that the closing date had been pushed to April 2. Larson said the change of date was due to confusion as to when asbestos removal would be taking place.

Plans to close the Steakhouse as part of the Warren Hall renovations have been in place "for quite a while," Larson said.

"We've known it was going to have to close for fall [1999] semester," Larson said. April 2 was the original closing date that Dining Services agreed on in January, he said.

The Steakhouse is closing early this semester to remove furniture and kitchen equipment, and to remove asbestos from the building, Larson said.

"We have to dismantle the operation, tear the kitchen equipment out and get asbestos out," Campbell said. There is asbestos throughout the entire building, as well as in the floors. Asbestos was removed from the ground floor last summer, he said.

Larson said the removal of asbestos will begin May 17.

"That [the asbestos] has been known about for quite a while," Larson said. "I would think that isn't a good thing for you to ingest or breathe."

Larson said the Steakhouse have a different atmosphere, menu and name when it reopens. He said it will have an American bistro motif and a more diverse menu.

"The Steakhouse is going to see STEAKHOUSE page 9

JUNIOR ROPER
contributing photographer

Junior Emily Roper dines with some friends at the Steakhouse. The sit-down dining experience won't be available much longer, though. It closes April 2 due to renovations in Warren Hall to remove asbestos. The Steakhouse will re-open in spring 2000 as a bistro.

Honor Code violation hearings decrease

ALISON MANSER
Staff writer

Due to two major changes in the Honor Code, 13 of the 15 reported Honor Code violations last semester were settled without Honor Council hearings.

I think [the changes] have given a lot of faculty members the motivation to deal with honor code violations that they were reluctant to deal with in the past," said Honor Council Coordinator Robert Roberts, a professor of political science. "Some faculty members really didn't want to pose a suspension for a first offense. With the new system, they don't have to."

The new "informal resolution" procedure allows for the professor and the student to try to come to a decision about a punishment that fits the violation, Honor Council President Blair Brown said.

The decision is then reported to the Honor Council, which meets with the student to confirm the penalty and sanctions that penalty.

But the Honor Council can't change the agreement. "We don't have the authority to say it's inappropriate," Brown said. "We just approve the penalty."

If the student and professor don't come to an agreement, the matter will be brought directly to the Honor Council and presented to the hearing board.

The range of penalties that the professor and the Honor Council can sanction is another recent change to the Honor Code. Multiple-sanction penalties have created "more congruent penalties" for violators, Brown said.

In the past, the minimum penalty for a violation was an "F" in the course and suspension for the semester. Now the maximum penalty for a first violation is an "F" in the course. An "F" in the course can still be implemented when appropriate, along with expulsion when necessary. A student's second Honor Code violation requires a sanction of an "F" in the course and a semester's suspension.

"Teachers are more likely to report incidents because suspension is not the only option now," Honor Council Vice President Debby McClelland said. "Informal resolution has been a really big part of helping the enforcement of the Honor Code."

Faculty response to the new system has been mixed.

As with all department heads, Michael Galgano, the history department head, was informed of the Honor Code

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SICKNESS

Flu-like sickness is viral, Health Center says

JULIA F I L Z
Senior writer

A recent rise in illnesses across campus has been attributed to a viral infection, not influenza.

Most students complaining about the flu recently have been infected with a viral infection with flu-like symptoms.

This infection differs from influenza

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**LET'S EAT!**

**this week in d-hall...**

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Center hosts spirit-lifting fair
Event features activities used to treat seasonal depression

TARA HAFER
staff writer

Hundreds of JMU students and faculty filed in and out of PC Ballroom Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in an effort to beat the winter blues.

The Counseling and Student Development Center’s third annual “Beating the Winter Blues” fair provided a wide variety of speakers and programs for students.

Each program lasted about 30 minutes and had anywhere from 15 to 40 people involved in each.

Programs included stress management, dream interpretation, pet therapy, fencing demonstrations, massage therapy, yoga, meditation, hypnotherapy, aromatherapy and several other self-management exercises.

Students who attended the fair had the opportunity to hear speakers, eat numerous health foods being served (including tuna wraps, bagels and fresh vegetables), listen to relaxing music and release stress by beating up a clown punching bags.

Musician predicts themes of music in next century

KAREN PLACE
contributing writer

This year’s guest composer at JMU’s Contemporary Music Festival examined the changes in music during the past century and proposed ways it could change in the 21st century Monday.

Libby Larsen, the first woman to serve as resident composer with the Minnesota Orchestra, first talked about the aspiring musician as a student — someone who must make a decision on the paths which are available regarding music.

“If you don’t have a passion for music, don’t make it your life’s work,” Larsen said.

Music is also a culture’s way of “studying themselves,” therefore change is not only acceptable but inevitable, Larsen said. “Poets and musicians … try to understand what it’s like to be alive,” she said.

Larsen cites Rock ‘n’ Roll, early Country and Gospel music as examples of “the music of the American Language.”

Larsen also discussed the role of the audience in the world of music. She addressed the electronic age, in which most of the music that contemporary audiences are exposed to is engineered, produced or recorded in a studio.

Nearly all of the instruments and sounds in contemporary music is “plugged in,” she said.

Providing an example, Larsen talked about the use of the guitar in music. Originally, the acoustic guitar was popular, but now the electric guitar is the standard, she said. “It is the age of electric music and mass media … the piano, stringed instruments,” Larsen said. “Orchestral instruments sound weird to kids of today.”

Because of this, Larsen said she believes musicians are on the verge of a new period in classical music.

Larsen said this century is only the just the ending of the romantic period, and a new period in classical music is just around the corner.

Modern music is simply a "fudge period," in which the face of music is adapting for a new age — a historical event that appears to have happened between every other major shift in musical style.

There are five key changes that occur when there is a shift in a musical period, Larsen said.

First, the instruments change and adapt, and new ones are invented. Second, the ensembles, or groupings, of instruments and players, shift and form new combinations. Third, the venues themselves change, thus altering the sound. Fourth, the system of musical notation adapts to be more akin to the new instruments, thus more practical. Finally, the composers must begin to change their writing to fit the new parameters.

With regard to these five changes, Larsen reiterated her earlier point about the contrasts of
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Stray cat hut

Dayton woman takes cats in, finds foster parents

ISA ROSATO
Senior writer

DAYTON — Furry, frisky, friendless and homeless are just some of the characteristics that describe the growing numbers of stray cats in the Shenandoah Valley.

In an effort to control the population, Dayton resident Pat Rossi has started up Cat’s Cradle, an organization that attempts to spay and neuter the cats and tries to find homes for the kittens.

“We are not a shelter ourselves,” Rossi said. “Our immediate goal is to adopt out homeless cats.”

Sophomore Laura Dougherty said the organization tries to find the cats foster parents, who take the cats in and domesticate and socialize them. However, the foster parents do not necessarily have to keep the cats.

Dougherty, who works with Cat’s Cradle, said the goal is to keep the felines out of shopping centers because people feed them.

Cat’s Cradle is working with colonies of cats in the Boston Beanyer shopping center, Dukes Plaza shopping center, in the Weyers Cave area and in Augusta and Page counties, Dougherty said.

“People call and tell us about the colonies, so we go and trap them, mostly females,” Dougherty said. “Then we put them back into their colony spayed or neutered, or we relocate them.”

The organization began operations last summer and has spayed and neutered 69 cats, and placed as many, if not more, kittens in homes.

“The SPCA kills the cats, but that is not the solution,” Dougherty said. “They can go back to the wild as long as they are spayed and neutered. You don’t have to kill them.”

Cat’s Cradle runs programs in conjunction with the Dayton Veterinarian Hospital and the Heartland Veterinarian Hospital which provides for discounted services, Rossi said.

Dougherty said it costs $50 to spay or neuter a cat, administer a rabies shot and test for feline leukemia. Cat’s Cradle helps foster parents with the vet bills, as well as costs for food and litter supplies.

One of Rossi’s long-term goals is developing a low-cost spay and neuter clinic and no-kill animal shelter in the Valley by the year 2001. These types of shelters exist in other parts of the country, but there aren’t any in the Valley.

The organization is sending out radio announcements, petitions, and holding adoption fairs to inform and gather interest from the community.

In addition, Cat’s Cradle is looking for students who can’t commit to owning a cat to become foster parents.

Dougherty said students can get involved through donations, adoptons and foster parenting.

“The foster parenting will expose the cats to humans, so they can be loved and cared for and eventually become pets,” Dougherty said.

Charles Dubenezic, associate professor of library sciences and educational media, is also helping Cat’s Cradle become better known in the community.

“I am helping out with their web page and to identify what people would be interested in knowing about the organization,” he said.

Dubenezic said he wants to get students more involved and aware of the group’s philosophy.

If you are interested in adopting a cat or becoming a foster parent, call Pat Rossi at 879-2415. This Saturday, Feb. 13, an adoption fair will be held at the Farm and Fleet in Dukes Plaza from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

SGA discusses pig roast, new bills

HEATHER NELSON
SGA reporter

Robert Scott, vice president for institutional effectiveness, discussed the role and effects of the office at Tuesday’s Student Government Association’s Senate meeting.

The office of institutional effectiveness was launched at the beginning of the year.

“Essentially, institutional effectiveness is something that is quite new in higher education,” Scott told the Senate. “What we’re seeing is that our constituencies . . . are increasingly placing expectations on the university that they be accountable for their resources.”

The new office ties together several offices of the university, such as human resources and assessment and research.

“Our job is to bring all of these together and provide a focus,” Scott said.

Scott said his office is also responsible for providing consulting with and reporting to JMU President Linwood Rose. Scott told senators JMU has been noted for its efficiency and effectiveness in regards to students’ education.

“We’re not afraid to look at what we do and assess what we do,” Scott said. “It’s all about change . . . we’re managing and working with change.”

Also at the meeting:

• Senate passed six resolutions presented by the legislative action committee, concerning its upcoming lobbying trip to the state legislature in Richmond.

A resolution authored by committee chair Sen. Matt Conrad gave the lobbying team approval from the senate to lobby in support of Senate Bill 1001, a bill that would keep endowment and foundation funds, which supplement state funding, from being considered during the university’s budgeting process.

The Senate also approved that the lobbying team support Senate Bill 1164, which would distribute 100 percent of lottery revenues to public education, including public institutions of higher education, according to the resolution written by At-Large Sen. Chris Fortier.

The Senate also gave its approval for the team to lobby in support of House Bill 385, a bill which would provide in-state tuition for spouses and dependents of military personnel, according to a resolution authored by At-Large Sen. Jeanie Barnes.

In addition, the team was given approval to lobby in support of a variety of bills which will create several scholarships for in-state college students, according to a resolution written by At-Large Sen. Stephen Moss.

The Senate approved, with a standing vote of 40-8-4, a resolution authored by Conrad supporting Governor Gilmore’s requested 20 percent in-state tuition decrease.

With a standing vote of 34-13-6, the Senate approved that the lobbying team oppose House Bill 2509. This bill gives the State Council of Higher Education the right to release student records, course selection changes, disciplinary acts, and scholastic achievement to people providing financial support to the student, according to Conrad.

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Musician visits JMU for festival

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acoustic and recorded sound. There is no replacement for acoustic sound, which she called “concert-hall sound.”

But there are benefits to both, she said. Even when audieces are exposed only to recorded sound, they are in danger of losing their musical passion to the mixing engineers who determine which sounds are important and which are not, Larsen said.

Larsen said she is concerned that audiences will learn to prefer engineered sound over acoustic, thus leading to the extinction of creativity.

She encouraged audiences to become “trained listeners” who can identify and appreciate the differences between recorded and acoustic music. “Listen to live performances of music to learn to hear the differences between it and what’s heard on a recording,” she said.

Junior Daniel Giffen said he enjoyed the lecture. “I thought the points she made were very interesting,” he said.

“She spoke about our changing tastes in music and how that affects what composers are composing and what performers are performing.”

Freshman George Morris said, “I thought the lecture was interesting. It helped me recognize the changes and evolution of music through culture and how music is a reflection of our society.”
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SGA lobbies for new bills

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Frederikson Hall Sen. Kristen Vetri. President Tim Emery began debate on the bill, saying that if the Senate opposed releasing “disciplinary acts,” they were going against their previous support for the parental notification bill that allows parents to be notified of your course changes and records. "It would be scary to think that just because a company provides you with funds for your education, they can get information about you without your permission," Conrad said.

Flu season hits JMU hard

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because of the difference in intensity, how quickly the symptoms begin and the length of the illness, Harper said. She said the virus lasts three to five days while "it may affect someone for up to two weeks."

Students who have recently been infected said they thought they were experiencing the flu.

Junior Sean Hanrahan said of his recent illness, "I wanted to roll up and die over the cough." Just recently, the council hired eight new representatives whose jobs include acting as liaisons to students and student organizations, sitting in on the hearing board and contributing to the Honor Code and the Honor Council.

Junior Mordecai Anderson said his experience and it is the one I still support," he said.

With the changes now in effect for a semester, Honor Council officials said they have had to increase education and awareness about the new procedures.

"The changes have increased the job of the Honor Council in terms of educating and informing faculty and new law students," Roberts said.

"I think it is our job to make sure we inform students of exactly what the Honor Code is," he said. "One of our goals this year is to educate students.

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changes earlier in the year. But Galgano said he isn't completely supportive of the new system.

"I come from a single-sanction tradi- tion in my own education and expe- rience and it is the one I still support," Galgano said. "The university opted to go in another direction. I see it as creating some potential problems. With more options, there is a greater possibility for confusion.

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HONOR CODE VIOLATIONS

To find out more about honor code violations and changes in the Honor Code, visit the Honor Council's web site at www.jmu.edu/honor.

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on honor and its importance on col- lege campuses.

During the week, members of the council will also be on the commons.

"We will be sitting out on the commons so that people are reminded of the honor code and the honor council," McClelland said.

Senior Brit Gillette was unaware of the changes made to the Honor Code. "If the professor is out, I don’t work it out, it sounds okay to me," he said, after being informed of the changes.

Junior Jennifer Humphrey was also unaware of the changes to the Honor Code. "It sounds like it was a little bit harsher before," she said.

Currently, there are no other changes in the works for the Honor Code.

At the end of the year the Honor Advisory Board will review the Honor Code and make changes that they see fit through student and faculty input.

"An Honor Code ideally makes you more aware of the degree worth more," Brown said. "Hopefully we are showing that it is something that matters and worth sticking to..."
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Panel will address problems

Included on the list is SGA Sen. Kristen Vetri said she is looking forward to playing a role on the panel. "I want to see what we can do to gain a respect for [the police]," she said. "They are policemen. We should respect them. They're out to help us."

Also in attendance at Wednesday's meeting will be Donald Harper, the city's chief of police.

The panel meeting will be closed to the public, but Blake said he anticipates the media will be invited so the public will understand what the group discusses.

Professor recognized nationally

MacDonald was one of 60 professors selected from 1,122 applicants for the PECASE award. She will receive $500,000 a year for five years to further their research and educational efforts, according to the press release. The PECASE award was established by Clinton in 1996 to recognize the nation's finest scientists and engineers and to maintain U.S. leadership in scientific research, according to the press release.

"These talented young men and women show exceptional potential leadership at the frontier's of scientific knowledge," Clinton said. "Their passion for discovery will spark our can-do spirit of technological innovation and drive this nation forward and build a better America for the 21st century."

MacDonald joined the chemistry department in August 1996 because of its emphasis on undergraduate research and teaching, its excellent research equipment, as well as being a place where she could continue her research on a protein that repairs DNA, she said.

Working closely with two students, senior Scott Brewer and graduate student Steven Cressaw, MacDonald has received two "start-up" grants from the American Chemical Society and the Research Corporation. These grants helped her secure a $370,000 NSF grant last June for the project, "A Difference Infrared Spectroscopic Study of a Nucleotide Binding Protein."

MacDonald earned her bachelor of science degree in biophysics at the University of Connecticut in 1989 and a Ph.D. in biochemistry, molecular biology and biophysics at the University of Minnesota in 1994. She was a postdoctoral research associate at Los Alamos National Laboratory prior to coming to JMU.

Dukes get 1st win in 4 years over UR

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the first half," Howard said. "I was tentative, and I wasn't taking my shots. I wanted to take the game over."

After Richmond (12-10, 8-5) came out of the locker room and jumped to the 17-point lead, junior center Rob Strickland (five rebs, five blocks) said, "It was gut check time. We knew, somehow, someway, we had to get at them."

The Dukes didn't score a field goal until the 15:50 mark of the second half. That was when junior point guard Jabari Outtz began a scoring binge, hitting for 11 of JMU's 19 points in the decisive run, including noise and alcohol violations.

Police arrested four students, including two SGA officials, at the party for various charges, including noise and alcohol violations. Emry was present, but not arrested.

As for Emry being on the panel, Blake said he is pleased about his presence. "Tim's a great speaker," Blake said. "He's good at analyzing a situation for all sides. He was the kind of person I was looking for."

Emry said he wants to move on from the complaint he filed to move in a positive direction. "My case won't be discussed," he said. "Aside from the incident, in the aftermath, people have come to talk about situations with the police."

Emry didn't apply for the panel, instead he personally asked to be considered, Blake said.

Uyttewaal said there "is no animosity" between police and Emry, so his presence on the panel shouldn't be problematic.

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Lee Shifflett, JMU's chief of police and a representative of JMU's Alcohol Task Force.

Harper and Shifflett have both expressed interest in the panel. Harper has said he thinks the Emry panel is needed even if the Emry complaint hadn't been filed.

SGA tried to form a panel last semester, but no students applied. Senators revived the idea this semester following the Emry incident.

"I think the incident was definitely a catalyst," Uyttewaal said.

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"To the press alone, chaperoned as it is with abuses, the world is indebted for all the triumphs which have been gained by reason and humanity over error and oppression."
— James Madison

EDITORIAL

Hussein's death shifts political stage

Jordan's King Hussein, who cheated several assassination attempts during his life, lost his battle with cancer Sunday. At his funeral Monday, more than 30 heads of state, scores of dignitaries and former presidents, as well as one million Jordanians, showed up in Amman to pay their final respects to a king who reigned for 40 years.

Many of the heads of state present are hardly on speaking terms with one another. Some in attendance, like Syrian President Hafez Assad and Palestinian Authority President Yasser Arafat, are among those who tried on more than one occasion to kill King Hussein. But they all came to mark the passing of a great leader whose presence on the world stage will be sorely missed.

King Hussein's reign allowed him to bear witness to, and be a part of, modern Middle East history. As a young man, King Hussein got just as wrapped up in the violence and tumult in that region as did every other Arab and Israeli leader during the 1950s and '60s. During the Six-Day War, Jordan lost the West Bank, East Jerusalem and its entire air force to Israel. However, as the years wore on, King Hussein fought harder for peace than he ever did in war.

He became a galvanizing and pivotal figure in world politics, and a-steadying influence in the Middle East peace process.

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The worldly and peace-minded ruler had a calculated interest in peace and stability due to Jordan's position on the geopolitical stage as a fragile buffer state between Israel and other Arab nations. However, King Hussein's motives were pure; he always looked out for the good of the world instead of attempting to set himself apart.

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Topic: How could UREC increase security to protect students' belongings?

Rick Miller: "They shouldn't need to increase security. All you need to do is to get a locker in a quarter."
Becca Church: "Work out naked and hang your keys around your neck."
Dennis Carter: "Bags could be checked upon entrance and exit to UREC."
Lauren Bowen: "They should offer lockers that you don't need a quarter for, and could just pick up a key at the desk."
**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

**Madison Project deserves many thanks for benefit concert**

To the Editor:

We would like to thank Madison Project for such an amazing display of generosity by performing Jan. 15. We can't express to you our gratitude for putting on a concert in order to raise money for our alternative spring break trip to Mexico. The amount you have raised for us will be used in a number of wonderful ways that will touch the lives of the poor members of this third-world country we are visiting. We hope that if there is any way we can return this most altruistic of favors that you will let us know. Again, thank you for such an inspiring display of love and compassion for your fellow man.

Beth Pedigro
junior biology

and members of the Oaxaca, Mexico spring break trip

**Racial preferencing won’t produce unity, equality on campus**

To the Editor:

While reading *The Breeze* I often stumble over opinions that I don’t agree with and some that make me ill. However, in the Feb. 4 issue of *The Breeze* I had an old flame ignited. I try not to focus on one particular issue most of the time, yet somehow every February it’s dredged up again. So what’s my grief? It’s Black History Month, or Black Awareness Month, as some like to call it.

Though I’m sure it was necessary when first instituted, I feel the need for Black History Month has diminished. I’ll be the first to admit racism is still alive, but does a whole month dedicated to the sole purpose of specifically pointing out that there are differences in color between historical persons help to eliminate that problem? It would seem to me that some other, more tactful measures could be taken.

How many people do you see attending rallies and holding marches celebrating March 1 as the beginning of 11 months of white history? Sounds ludicrous doesn’t it? Furthermore, what kind of reaction do you think there’d be to a month or even a day dedicated to southern pride. Did these people not contribute to the history of our nation? You never hear southerners mentioned by name unless it’s in context with the Civil War.

If I’m correct, rebel soldiers also gave their lives, their freedom and their families in defense of their way of life, as much as African-American martyrs. They don’t get a day, but wait they do — correction, did. It was Lee-Jackson Day. You see how well that went over. How many college-age Virginians know that it was Lee-Jackson Day here before Martin Luther King Jr.’s birthday was declared a national holiday? Not many. How many of those know that in Virginia it’s still Lee-Jackson-King Day? Probably less.

With holidays aside, however, allow me to touch on some other common misconceptions students quoted in last week’s *Breeze* article on the racial preferencing study seemed to have. I’m under the impression some feel that JMU doesn’t show bias toward minorities in the admissions process. I unfortunately would have to disagree. If race weren’t an issue, it wouldn’t be a question on the application. Also considering that there are quotas that must be filled it is a fair assumption to make that race does play a role.

Perhaps the thing that sticks in my mind most when I think about the blatant separation of the races at JMU was the minority career day hosted by the Center for Multicultural Student Services. Never have I been so insulated in all my life. To think that anyone would get a job just for being a minority. If that doesn’t promote racism and separatism, would someone please tell me what does? In the nearly three years I’ve been here, I haven’t seen how the university, the Center for Multicultural Student Services or the minority population on campus has done anything to “unify our campus.”

Quite frankly, I have to wonder if that is truly their intentions at all. While I do feel it’s important to remember the past and honor those who gave their existence for you, I feel it’s equally important to do it without living in the past, and without contributing to the retardation of our growth process. Maybe true racial equality will only come when we all stop looking at the color of skin, when quotas no longer matter, when a month dedicated to one race ceases to exist and when character above all else is the only focus of historical recognition.

I’d like to add, for anyone wondering, that I’m of mixed race, white and black. Myself and other bi-racial children are the product of the true fight for racial equality and love. If we were all to learn from my parents what it means to truly be colorblind, perhaps men like Martin Luther King Jr.’s life will not have been in vain.

Fatimah Kirby
junior psychology

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**DARTS & PATS**

**Dart...**

A "so-much-for-gentlemanly-conduct" dart to the guy driving a car with a fraternity sticker who passed four cars waiting for parking spots and pulled into one that opened up as he breezed by.

*Sent in by a student who wants you to know what goes around, comes around."

**Pat...**

A "thanks-for-returning-my-identity" pat to whoever picked up my JMU wallet/keychain complete with every identification card needed for survival.

*Sent in by a grateful girl who would’ve needed her driver’s license to get a new JAC card and would’ve needed her social security card to get a new driver’s license, etc."

**Dart...**

A "could-you-spare-it?" dart to the Modular building copy center for charging 6 cents per page on computer lab print outs.

*Sent in by an underprivileged student who needs to save all the money he can so he can finally buy his own computer."

**Pat...**

A "you-deserve-several-rounds-of-applause" pat to the Contemporary Gospel Singers for the inspiration they share with all those they encounter and perform for.

*Sent in by an appreciative student who enjoys your presence on campus and in the community."

**Pat...**

A "you-changed-my-life-forever" pat to the green-eyed angel who lifted my spirits Monday evening during our talk on the Quad.

*Sent in by a guy who would’ve been much worse off without your inspirational advice."

**Pat...**

A "congratulations!" pat to Kevin Knight for being chosen by the New York/New Jersey Metro Stars in Sunday’s Major League Soccer college draft.

*Sent in by an avid soccer fan who is excited that a JMUer will play in the MLS and wishes you good luck."

**Dart...**

A "someone-has-to-pick-it-up" dart to everyone who tosses mailbox flyers on the ground in the mailroom instead of in the garbage can.

*Sent in by a student who thinks it’s insulting to the maintenance staff, not to mention lazy, that you can’t take three seconds to dispose of your paper properly."

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Preferences, smereferences: Race study stinks

There’s no concrete formula that determines who gets in and who doesn’t because so many factors are involved. In fact, I could make an argument that I received gender preference, economic preference and geographical preference (I was within 10 miles) over your acceptance to this fine institution. Was I admitted because I played soccer in high school, because I was the editor of my high school newspaper, because I have one brother and not two? Or was it because my ears aren’t even on my head and my sunglasses look funny when I wear them? Maybe JMU thought it was cool that my relatives and friends put me in there.

No wait! I know. I was preferred because I’m a south paw. That’s it. JMU needed to fill its quota of left-handers. Did you know that a lefty is 32.69 times more likely to get into JMU than an equally qualified right-hander? That’s one of JMU’s dirty little preference secrets. I wonder why that wasn’t in the study!

So much of the admissions game is subjective. I don’t want to speak for the admissions office, but they seem to look for well-rounded students. We have an interesting mix of students here, and we seem unique as to how collectively well-adapted we are. JMU students aren’t typical bookworms, most of us don’t drink our grades down the tubes either. We find a balance and manage to do tons of activities also. That balance is what got us in here, whether we’re white, African-American, Asian, Hispanic, purple or green. And that balance can’t be measured by empirical data like SAT scores.

More blatant, though, is that the authors of the study must be blind — not just “colored blind” like they stated in this story, but completely blind. Does JMU really look like a campus that discriminates against racial preference occurs? If it does, admissions should get on the ball and preference some more and shake up this homogenous school.

Students know what the truth is. I was particularly moved by junior Christian Jones’ reaction: “If [minorities] are receiving special treatment in our campus, saying it’s ‘flawed’ is like it does,” according to the Feb. 8 Breeze.

I’m moved because he’s right, and because that was my initial gut reaction to the study. My friends have heard me rant and rave about this place being a loaf of Wonder bread since August 1996 when I got here and realized I was a world away from home. I only live two hours away from my Northern Virginia, but this ain’t NOVA. I came out of a high school of 1,300 where the class of 1994 thought it would be a cool idea to buy flags to represent all the nations our students came from. It never anticipated having to buy 69 flags. (True story.) I didn’t go to an international school — I lived in the real world.

If anything, JMU is not culturally diverse enough. Do you realize there is a significantly higher percentage of Greeks than minorities? An 11 percent minority population is unfortunate. It robs us of some aspects of real-life experiences and richness true diversity can add to one’s education. But what diversity we do have is beautiful, and we should celebrate it and focus on enriching it.

The study is irresponsible and disheartening and The Breeze has taken hits for reporting on it. People say reporting on the study because it crept in and therefore adds to the problem. But how can we solve problems unless we can read the stuff that makes us angry as well as the stuff we want to read just to “cool off”? Like they stated in this story, but completely blind.

I firmly believe that “Congress shall make no law . . . abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press . . .” The CEO can publish what it wants. Censorship isn’t an option. However, I also believe what John Milton and Oliver Holmes said about truth and freedom: Instead of censoring something, you should get everything out in a public forum so it can be debated and the truth will always win out. If the truth isn’t always an easy thing to find, it often takes some effort to sift through the bull first.

I’m angry with this ludicrous study, but the truth will strike down any fallacies. It will indeed disprove the inaccurate conclusions in this study eventually. Go with me on this one.

Courtney A. Crowley is a junior SMAD major and the editor. She wonders if those think tank people who put out studies like this actually have brains to think with.

Hell hath no fury like a SMAD major scorned

A perfect example of this new breed of overlooked concentrations is SMAD. Though it’s been tough, I’ve realized that it is not unfair to blame the department itself — that would be killing the messenger. Still, I’m not sure that everyone realizes exactly how dreary things are on the other side of South Main Street. Contrary to the university belief, the dismal building that is Anthony-Seeger cannot be hidden behind a corner. SMAD major and the editor. She wonders if those think tank people who put out studies like this actually have brains to think with.

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— Michael Olson

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One ‘Mel’uva flick
Gibson thrills in latest garb in ‘Payback’

BRENT BOWLES
Breeze fan critic

“Payback” is cool, and not in that numbskull “whoa dude, Mel shot up a bunch of other dudes” way. Joyously barreling through every cinematic niche ever carved by that loosest of film genres, film noir, Mel Gibson and co-writer-director Brian Helgeland craft a hyperactive caper flick as subtly nostalgic as it is excessively violent.

REVIEW

“Payback” is an expedient film, its hero just as brutal and unflickering as every hearty male iconoclast that’s ever stomped across the screen. Trading in the trench coat, fedora, and pistol of the Bogart detective for a leather jacket, a Magnum and an extremely short temper, Gibson plays Porter, a vicious, generally unlikable thief. You want the $70,000 stolen from him. It’s that simple.

Porter and Val (Gregg Henry) relive a group of experiences with a $40,000 in laundered money, but unfortunately that’s a take far below the thieves’ expectations, and Val is left with a 50-50 chance of surviving the money he needs to become a member of what is cryptically referred to as The Outfit. In a double-dealing partnership with Porter’s wife, Val rides Porter with bullets and steals the whole bundle. A few months later, of course, Porter is back. His best friend is now one of the Outfit’s finest, and his wife is dead from a heroin overdose. After a bit of petty theft (and an amusing confrontation with bumbling David Paymer), Porter acquires a gun, and yes, kids, he’s mad as hell.

Mad enough to rip out a drug dealer’s nose ring? Yep. Mad enough to send a van full of Outfit thugs up in flames? Yes, siree. Mad enough to kidnap the teenage son of the Outfit’s honcho (Kris Kristofferson)? You betcha.

Figuring out what comes next doesn’t prove difficult; various obstacles prevent Porter from getting to his money, but eventually he shoots and maims his way to it. Based on Richard Stark’s novel The Hunter (which John Boorman loosely adapted for his 1967 film “Point Blank”), “Payback” works from a relatively conventional and completely predictable screenplay by Helgeland and Terry Hayes. Helgeland amassed much praise (and an Oscar) for his contribution to the brilliant script of “L.A. Confidential” and much scorn for his work on the Gibson-Julius Roberts vehicle “Conspiracy Theory” and Kevin Costner’s disaster “The Postman,” but his most significant work here is his direction.

Clearly channeling the atmospheres of film noir-cum-action classics from 1960s detective pictures like Howard Hawks’s “The Big Sleep” to 1970s cop flicks like Don Siegel’s “Dirty Harry,” Helgeland pumps up his black and white with a retro-70s funk and buckets of nihilism. He’s also able to milk a wickedly on-target performance from Gibson, whose searing eyes and deceptively homicidal features are absolutely perfect for the role, a sort of emotionally diluted Martin Riggs of the “Lethal Weapon” franchise.

We meet a less violent side of Porter, however, in his affection for Rosie, The Outfit’s prized prostitute (beautiful “ER” alum Lucy Alexis Liu), with whom Porter once served as chauffeur. You can’t quite call him a teddy bear, but he certainly has a soft spot for her, and it’s at first a bit disconcerting; he is, after all, a cold-blooded killer. But there’s something immeasurably enjoyable about him. He’s Shakespeare’s Richard III, or Satan in “Paradise Lost” — the morally repulsive and irredeemable villain who keeps us in the know about his dastardly schemes, forcing his audience to become his unwilling sidekicks and vicariously enjoy it all. The film’s slogan, “Get Ready to Root for the Bad Guy,” is apt, because it’s impossible not to like Porter.

We’re privy to just enough information about his private life to understand what motivates him, and his quest for that exact amount of money (in criminal circles seventy grand is a laughably small amount), recalls that oft-quoted maxim “honor among thieves.” The screenwriters deftly balance character and carnage, giving us just enough time to remember how much we’re rooting for Porter before we’re thrown into another bloody shootout. Although director and star quarreled over the final cut (without Helgeland’s involvement Gibson himself directed a number of reshoots intended to “soften” Porter), both manage to deliver cracking entertainment.

Emphasized by Ericson Core’s jarring photography, achieved through especially harsh on-set lighting and an expensive post-production process of actually bleaching the negative, “Payback” basks in the metallic glare of its baroness.

From the bright red opening credits to the cliche-ridden, hard-boiled narration to composer Chris Boardman’s jazzy score (which counterposes tunes from Dean Martin and B.B. King, among others), Porter’s bloody quest for renumeration revels in just the kind of hip brutality that Quentin Tarantino attempted to capture in the equally violent, more amateurish “Reservoir Dogs.” Although it’s at its mildest the kind of violence the 1940s Hammett-Chandler mysteries would have shown if the Hayes Code allowed it, in “Payback” it’s as oppressive as the film’s washed-out color. The latter is difficult to adjust to, but once you do its existence in the film’s out-of-time environment makes perfect sense.

The violence, however, seems in many places completely unnecessary (Lucy Alexis Liu’s role as a dominatrix case in point), while in other scenes absolutely necessary. The sort of hero-audience relationship of films like this demand at least a mild amount of generally shocking violence. The audience is otherwise left disconnected, and perceives the violence as entirely perfunctory and controversially repulsive. For the most part, “Payback” integrates the violence into this symbiosis, but there are moments when even its darkly comic aspects blare with an off-putting brilliance. It’s an interesting paradox, one which “Payback” unfortunately never quite solves.

But then again, it doesn’t have to. “Payback,” in the end, delivers all that its pop-comines promises. For those familiar with the film noir tradition, it offers an aly tip of the hat after another. For those looking for a short and violent action film, “Payback” provides exactly that. For those looking for another assured performance from Gibson, “Payback” has that too. It’s a bleak movie, to be sure, but one with a handful of gems smartly hidden somewhere in the darkness.

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Weekend Diversions
AN UPDATE OF EVENTS IN THE 'BURG

This weekend in Harrisonburg is packed with tons of opportunities for every JMU student to get out and stop stressing over the first rounds of tests.

The Artful Dodger will welcome any and everyone to perform for Open Mic Poetry Night tonight, as they do every other Thursday. On Friday, the Artful Dodger will welcome Vira at 9 p.m. Vira is a band with a talented alternative rock theme. Evening manager John Gawthrop is expecting quite a crowd for the event. “[W]e expect a big night... Friday’s always a big night,” he said. This Wednesday, Feb. 17th, those at the Artful Dodger can enjoy the talent of Thea, who usually draws a large crowd. Thea plays “sort of an Indigo Girl, folky kind of rock,” according to Gawthrop.

Every other Wednesday is Acoustic Night at the Artful Dodger, and Thea is their “biggest crowd-getter,” according to Gawthrop. The Artful Dodger never charges a cover and people of all ages are welcome.

Finnigan’s Cove also has a band playing this weekend. Java Soup will begin at 10 p.m. on Saturday and is known to play all types of music. You must be at least 21 to see the band, though, so don’t forget your IDs.

Main Street Bar and Grill, as always, has planned a weekend full of events for JMU students. Tonight is Main Street’s “huge ladies night... it’s the biggest thing in town,” according to the bar’s general manager, Tom Hall. Friday, Main Street will welcome a Q101-sponsored night featuring DJ Joey Morgan, and will offer free pizza from Channello’s from 10-11 p.m.

Saturday, “Fighting Gravity” will perform at Main Street, and the bar is expecting the band to pack the house. “[Fighting Gravity] has been here three times over the past year, and it’s a sellout every time,” said Hall. Tickets are $7 in advance, and $9 at the door.

The Biltmore Grill is getting geared up for this month’s theme party to be held on Tuesday — you guessed it — Mardi Gras. Only those with invitations will be allowed into the party, and you must be at least 21. Up to 300 people usually come out for the Biltmore’s theme parties, so expect the night to be full of beads and fun memories. Biltmore is a beehive of activity during the week with Jazz Night on Mondays and acoustic nights on Wednesday.

Dave’s Taverna also hosts more relaxed entertainment throughout the week. Every Tuesday is Jazz Night at the Taverna, and Dave Miller, owner of the downtown Harrisonburg spot, said that “Tuesdays are always [a full night].” Get ready to eat some good food and listen to some good music: the live entertainment starts at 9 p.m., and there is a $5 cover to hear the band, and a $3 food and beverage minimum. Every Wednesday night at Dave’s is Acoustic Night, and the artists begin at 8 p.m. There is no cover on Wednesdays, but donations are encouraged.

Compiled by contributing writer Katie Plemmons

Look for “Weekend Diversions” each Thursday for a thorough update of local weekend events.

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These three are no crowd

Slim cast of a few actors excel in nine character story

JACOB WASCALUS
Senior writer

The latest play at JMU's Experimental Theatre challenges both its cast and its audience. Senior Jennifer Simmons' production of "Rashomon," a work of fiction by deceased Japanese writer Ryunosuke Akutagawa, uses an ambitiously slim cast of only three actors to relay the nine character story.

The result is entertaining and effective. In her directorial debut, Simmons successfully conveys the psychological and philosophical dilemmas proposed by the play's original author.

"Rashomon" is a murder mystery told from the perspectives of four different witnesses. A samurai is killed and his wife raped. The plot's goal is to discover under what circumstances these crimes are committed and who performed them.

Accounts of the crime are told by the samurai, his wife, an accused villain and a woodcutter. All four explain the same scenario differently and consequently leave the audience with the decision of choosing what really happened. Essentially, "Rashomon" lays the framework for an exploration into truth — what it is and how one finds it.

Simmons chooses to present these questions through senior Marlin Kann and juniors Samantha Birchett and Michael Minarik. Kann assumes the roles of the monk, the mother of the wife and the villain; Birchett portrays the roles of the wigmaker, the samurai's wife and the medium; and Minarik undertakes the roles of the woodcutter, the deputy and the samurai.

Kann, a first-time actor in Theater II, maintains his character's personalities surprisingly well. As the plot unfolds, scenes shift rapidly from one to the next and with little notice (lights generally shift to indicate a scene change). Though these segues are quick, the actors execute them smoothly and assume their new characters naturally.

What is noteworthy of Kann's performance is his ability to maintain the villain's weaselly persona with these scene shifts yet at the same time show the subtle changes in each story. His character portraits are believable and often humorous.

Likewise with Birchett. As the four different accounts are told, the wife's character changes almost completely, ranging in personality from despicably devious to charmingly innocent. Birchett's roles are challenging because of the swift shifts in disposition. In one scene she will be weeping and in the next (in a matter of seconds) will be full of rage. She meets the changes energetically and assuredly.

Minarik gives the strongest performance with the samurai and the woodcutter. "Rashomon" opens with a dialogue between the woodcutter and the monk, then gradually moves to a reenactment of the crime scene. With two of Minarik's roles, the woodcutter and the samurai, the audience sees his natural and convincing performance. He does this through controlled animation. In the opening sequence Minarik shows the disparity, weakness and timidity of the woodcutter; then turns to display the confidence and strength of the samurai. Both Minarik's body movements and facial expressions complement the timbre and depth of his voice. His roles are composed and his acting sound.

Introducing additional actors might have been helpful in determining the different roles each actor assumes, but Simmons's decision to use only three works nonetheless. The three work well together and the play unfolds naturally.

The set on which these actors perform is essentially clear of ornate design. Besides a soundtrack of rain and a scattering of foliage and bamboo, the set is reliant on key lighting changes to indicate scene changes. A more detailed set might have added effect to the overall production, but it is not altogether necessary; the production does not seem unbalanced.

By the production's end, the question of truth is readily asked. The audience has seen all four perspectives of the crime acted out and is to choose which scenario, if any, is correct. Who killed whom and why? What is the truth? "Rashomon" examines the fundamental human condition of conscience. In no way is this task easy for anyone, but Simmons's production succeeds.

"Rashomon" is good. It is a test of the actor's versatility, the director's choices in cast and set and the audience's understanding.

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A tale of two races on 'Ally'

GREG BRAXTON
Los Angeles Times

In a season where series ranging from CBS' "Everybody Loves Raymond" and ABC's "The Hughleys" to Lifetime's "Any Day Now" and NBC's "ER" are openly tackling race relations, tensions and hardships, "Ally McBeal" executive producer David E. Kelley is giving prominence to one of television's rarities — a blossoming romantic relationship between a black man and a white woman.

Kelley has managed to create an environment ripe for a culture clash — but in Ally's world, the clash is not only silent, it's invisible. Yet Kelley is not going about telling this story quietly.

For instance, in Monday's episode, there was no mistaking the hypnotically sensual gleam in Ally's eyes. The music is casting a romantic spell and the lighting in the club is low.

"I have a New Year's resolution," says Ally (Calista Flockhart) in a sultry tone to her friend in childhood and adulthood, Nicole Carson. "I'm going to make love to a black man."

"But Ally, you can't just — "

"You know why?"

"Because I'm not going to be any racial differences."

"That's a good point."

"And I'm going to do it before I go to work tomorrow."

"I have a New Year's resolution," says Kelley in an interview last week. "In the history of the show, we have never mentioned their racial differences.

"The subject has never come up at Ally's predominantly white law firm, and no eyebrows have been raised whenever Ally and Greg dance or kiss on the street or in the mostly white nightclub that is the after-hours hangout for the firm.

Most notably, Ally and her single black roommate (Lisa Nicole Carson) have never brought the subject up in their girl talk.

Race also is not mentioned in the subtly kinky interaction between the obsessively litigious client Ling Woo (Lucy Liu) and law firm partner Richard Fish (Greg Germann). "But that has not stopped fans of the show from speaking out on the unspoken. Some praise Kelley for making race a nonissue. Others say he is irresponsible and setting an unreasonable precedent. Racist messages have popped up on "Ally" Internet boards. Kelley said he realized that the tactic might provoke some reaction — pro and con — from viewers.

"Race not being an issue makes it an issue," he said. "Here, it's conspicuous by its absence. But this has never been a show that has clung too tightly to reality."

Kelley said he was just described as a black man and a white woman. "But Ally McBeal" executive producer David E. Kelley said he is not going about telling this story quietly.

But race does matter, and it pisses me off that what they're doing on 'Ally McBeal' is a boldface lie," Toussaint added. "When you're in an interracial relationship, you deal with that every day. I've been involved with white men, and society still looks upon it as an oddity. It is something to embrace, not ignore. We should be able to stand tall, look each other in the face and say, 'We're different, and some of those differences scare the hell out of us.'"
"What's your favorite Valentine's Day memory?"

Ryan Haynes
Junior FIN

"Four years ago I took my girlfriend to New York City. We went to see 'Les Miserables' and out to dinner at the Hard Rock Cafe."

Becky Blasier
Senior PSYC

"Last year when I had to decide whether to go with Ben Affleck or Matt Damon. I hate it when guys fight over me."

Matt Porter
Graduate CPSY

"Last year I took my girlfriend to the Shoney's buffet."

Julie Hard
Junior PSYCH

"Three years ago my boyfriend and I went on our first date on Valentine's Day."

Ryan Downey
Sophomore SMAD

"Two years ago I took my girlfriend to Nags Head for the weekend."

It's Feb. 11 - only three days until the most heart-tugging holiday of the year. Couples everywhere are preparing for the day when they can show their significant other just how much they care. Some students are even preparing to tell their crushes what's been on their minds.

The question is, though, have you planned something unique? Will it be something he or she brags to their friends about? Are you going to do just what they would want? It is hard to know what men and women today want, but many JMU students agree thoughtfulness and an element of surprise create 'A Valentine's Day to Remember.'

For example, as beautiful as long-stemmed roses are, and as sweet as Hershey's or Godiva chocolates may be, most girls say they would prefer something more distinct. Sophomore Preet Bajwa, would love enjoying the recent spring-like weather by sharing a picnic with a special someone.

Sophomore Eileen Choi agrees she appreciates a well thought-out day. A good Valentine's Day would include "Something sentimental and unique, like if he were to cook me dinner or something," Choi says. "Knowing that he spent time like that would make it so special."

When she was a freshman, Jennifer Noble's boyfriend did plan a unique day, making for her the best Valentine's Day at JMU. Even though Valentine's Day fell on a Thursday, it didn't stop her boyfriend from taking time out of his week to drive here from Richmond to surprise her. Not only did he plan his trip so that she would be in class when he arrived, but he also managed to get a key to her room from her RA to fill her room with balloons, teddy bears and a fresh batch of homemade cookies.

Although her hallmates all knew of the surprise that awaited her, they kept his secret. She was shocked when she opened the door.

"It was so sweet," Noble, now a senior recalls, "He was standing there with a teddy bear, and he was like, 'Happy Valentine's Day, I love you.' It was the best way to come home after being in a long class."

Another option for a unique holiday is reliving a special moment from your relationship. Sophomore Anthony Gammage did just this that by taking his girlfriend to the Outer Banks in North Carolina on Valentine's Day. "Our first kiss had been during sunset on the beach at Nags Head. So I brought her back to the same spot that evening," Gammage recalls. "As the sun set, I gave her the heart and Kim Aslen share a speci
Breezing Around the 'Burg

A Breeze guide to Dining, Excursions and Shopping in the 'Burg and beyond
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Dear readers,

Some of the most valuable lessons can't be learned from a textbook. There is no real substitute for hands-on experience and this supplement fits the definition of a work in progress. As part of our SMAD 320 newspaper production class, we created this supplement to provide students with alternative adventures in the 'Burg and beyond.

As we were "Breezing around the 'Burg," we uncovered little-known treasures of the Valley and also rediscovered some old favorites that were right under our noses.

Not only did we learn about the Valley, we also learned a little about our own strengths and weaknesses. What started out as a class project turned out to be much more than just a letter on a grade report. Many thanks to all who have contributed countless hours, inspiring ideas and have adjusted to our changing styles. You should be as proud of this supplement as we are.

In conclusion, we hope that you as readers enjoy this venture of ours as much as we have enjoyed creating our guide for you.

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Spanky's: The ultimate college food experience

Unique sandwiches in a casual atmosphere

Ryan Murray
managing editor

College is full of new experiences, thrills and adventures. It is literally a different world. The same could be said of Spanky's Restaurant and Delicatessen in downtown Harrisonburg.

From the outside, Spanky's looks like a small, ordinary restaurant. However, once you step inside the door, you step into a different realm. Everything from the decorations to the overstuffed sandwiches make Spanky's one of the unique eateries within the JMU community.

The legacy of Spanky's started with an idea from owner Shakie "Ma" Macher. "We were originally from Wayne, N.J., and my husband was a professor at Blue Ridge Community College." Macher said. "When we moved down here, we came to find out how hard it was to get good deli meat. When my son graduated from Madison College, we asked him if he would run a deli and he said 'yes.'" Thus began the legacy of Spanky's.

This legacy didn't happen overnight. In the beginning, Spanky's was used as just a deli. "We used to sell only cold cuts and some hot food," Macher said. "Now Spanky's is more of a restaurant than a deli. Now we have 14 or 16 stores. This has become a lot bigger than we ever expected."

Spanky's sandwiches are the bomb!
—junior Wes Lindquist

Even the Spanky's menu conveys the one-of-a-kind atmosphere of the restaurant. With names such as Mickey to describe a meatball sub and Eiffel Tower to depict a chicken sandwich with tomato sauce and provolone cheese, the college aura of Spanky's can't be mistaken.

"I was taken in by the atmosphere and enjoyed how laid back it was," junior Amol Bankar said. "When I walked in and absorbed it all for the first time, I thought to myself, 'Wow, I'm in college now.'"

The combination of great food and great atmosphere makes Spanky's a place all students must experience. "Spanky's sandwiches are the bomb," junior Wes Lindquist said. Not only do the customers agree about the atmosphere, the staff at Spanky's concur as well. "I like to work here because the atmosphere is fun," waitress Kara Copmick said. "The employees get along here, too. If you go to JMU, it is just a place you have to come to. It's just a real college place."

Manager Lara Shipe said, "If I had one word to describe Spanky's, it would be fun because the people you work with are all friends and we all hang out together."

Waiter Sean McCarthy agreed. "It's really fun to work here. It's a unique atmosphere and it's a really funky place to work," he said. Every successful restaurant has certain intangibles to go along with the quality of food that they present. Spanky's goes above and beyond the call of duty when speaking of tradition. Not many restaurants around town allow their customers to write on the furniture.

Macher said, "I think the best tradition of Spanky's is the writing on the tables. People come back 20 years later and see their name on one of the tables."

Junior Danielle Pesce said, "I loved the relaxed atmosphere and reading the writing on the tables."

Junior Jeremy Jackson agreed. "I had fun carving my name on the tables. I also liked all the cool sandwich names."

Macher said, "It's just fun to come here. It isn't sophisticated and the kids enjoy it. You just have to be here to experience it."

One of the first things a college student learns is how soon money disappears and how quickly D-Hall and PC Dukes get old. At Spanky's however, neither of these poses a problem. "People keep coming to Spanky's because of the quality of the food," Macher said. "The sandwiches are overstuffed and the price is right."

The price is definitely right at Spanky's. The average meal for two costs under $20.

Senior Angi Hurst said, "I went my freshmen year with all of my friends. It was a big deal because it was our first Spanky's experience. The price is great for a college student and their sandwiches rule, too."

Senior Greg Falk said, "You can't beat Spanky's combination of price and quality of food. Spanky's is a one of a kind place that everyone should go to while they attend JMU."

College truly is a different world. From meeting new people to having to live on your own, college presents new and exciting adventures everyday. To make that JMU experience even better, Spanky's is a place everyone must go to and experience. Spanky's Delicatessen and Restaurant is located on 60 West Water St. in downtown Harrisonburg.
Joshua Wilton House a hit
Bed and breakfast inn owned by JMU alumnus

Marcia Apperson
copy editor

To escape the daily stress of classes and step into a fairy tale, head towards downtown Harrisonburg. A couple of miles from campus on the right side of South Main Street lies the Joshua Wilton House, a Victorian mansion that has been used as a bed and breakfast inn and restaurant for 10 years.

Guests go to dine in the formal dining rooms, eat in the cafe or stay overnight. Visitors are allowed to eat at the inn without staying overnight, Innkeeper Rick James said.

Sophomore Peter Swerdzewski’s parents took him to eat in the formal dining room for his birthday this past October. He ate the Grilled Summerfield Farms Veal Chop.

“It was incredible,” Swerdzewski said. “I didn’t think anywhere in Harrisonburg offered such fine cuisine as the Joshua Wilton House.”

The menu in the formal dining area changes periodically. Some other entrees include Grilled Tuna Loin, Grilled Filet Mignon and Pistacho Crusted Redfish.

The last course of the meal is a sampler of five different desserts. This was Swerdzewski’s favorite part of the meal because he got to try so many different flavors, he said.

The two front rooms of the house comprise the formal dining area. The tables are set with bone China silverware. Dinner includes a five-course meal that costs $40. A glass of wine is included with each course of the meal for an additional $15.

“Without a doubt, it is worth the money,” Swerdzewski said.

A similar dinner in Washington, D.C. would cost at least $60, he said.

The restaurant opens at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Reservations are accepted for parties of six or more. Smaller parties are served first come first served basis, James said. The restaurant doesn’t serve breakfast to the public, but it does provide breakfast to overnight guests. There is no lunch served to the public or guests, James said.

Not only was Swerdzewski impressed with the food but he also liked the atmosphere. “They [the Moores] did an excellent job decorating,” he said.

Prices differ based on the size of the room. The three larger bedrooms cost $105 a night and the two smaller rooms cost $95 a night.

Each room has a queen size bed and a private bathroom. The cost includes breakfast for two people, James said.

Most guests are traveling through and stay for one night. The Joshua Wilton House doesn’t demand that guests spend two nights like many bed and breakfast inns, James said.

The busiest seasons at the house are fall and winter. Travelers from up north such as New York and Canada stop to stay for a night. Many guests are traveling south for the winter and are stopping to look at the pretty leaves, James said.

“Summerfield Farms Veal Chop,” James said.

Blose also enjoyed the atmosphere. “It is peaceful and elegant,” he said.

Blose recommends this idea to other students, especially for anniversaries and birthdays, he said.

“I thoroughly enjoyed it,” Blose said. “I was blown away by the presentation, the food, the atmosphere and the service.”

The wood trim, parquet floors and front door surrounded by leaded glass are all originals from when the house was built in 1888. However, the second floor had to be gutted and renovated, James said.

Wilton was a Canadian who moved to Harrisonburg after the Civil War.

He opened a hardware store and sold tools. Wilton built the house as his family’s private home, James said.

The house was the first one in Harrisonburg with electricity. Wilton was one of the founding board members of the Harrisonburg Electric Commission so he got the first house with electricity, James said.

In the 1970s the building was used as the TKE fraternity house.

Later it was divided into six apartments. In 1987 Craig and Roberta Moore bought the house.

It took one year to renovate it and in 1988, 100 years after it had been built, the house opened as a bed and breakfast inn, James said.

Now there are five managers and 25 other staff members.

Owner Craig Moore, Innkeeper Rick James and Head Chef Mark Newsome all graduated from JMU.

For more information or to make reservations call (540) 434-4464.

Located on South Main St., the Joshua Wilton House is a bed and breakfast inn and restaurant.
Valentine's Day — not just

A look at past Valentine's moments to melt your heart

Jennifer Simmons
co-articles editor

The Scene: A guy and a girl are sitting close together on a couch. They are obviously in love and enjoying some time alone. As the night wears on the two start a conversation. The girl speaks first.

Her: "Ooh, I love you so much." (kiss, kiss)
Him: "I love you too, baby." (kiss, kiss)
Her: "We have so much fun together, you make me feel so special." (deep, meaningful eye contact, kiss, kiss)
Him: "I'm glad, baby. You make me feel special, too." (smile sweetly, kiss, kiss)
Her: "I can't wait to see what you have planned for that special day." (kiss, kiss, meaningful gaze)
Him: "Uh...ya. I know you'll love it." (panic, panic...anniversary was last month, birthday...crap, when's her birthday? panic, kiss, panic)
Her: (sigh) "You're sooo romantic." (snuggle, snuggle)
Him: (nervous laughter) "Yep, sure am." (panic, panic, snuggle, kiss, panic)
Her: "This is going to be my best Valentine's Day ever." (big sigh, oozing sentiment, oblivious to boyfriend's cold sweat)
Him: (relief relief! comprehension achieved!) "I hope so, baby. I hope so.
Her: "I love you." (kiss, kiss)
Him: "I love you, too." (sigh, kiss, cuddle, thank goodness the birthday wasn't forgotten, sigh, just have to get her...VALENTINE'S DAY PRESENT!...panic, panic, panic......)

Is this a familiar scene? Has it happened to you or someone you loved? If so, please continue reading and hopefully, we can help you prepare for...VALENTINE'S DAY!

February 14 is only a few days away and unless you want to be the poor schmuck buying 7-11 edible underwear roses to tell that special someone how you feel, you better start planning now. Of course, you're thinking, "What can I possibly do in Harrisonburg that would be romantic enough for the love of my life?" (Or at least that's what you should be thinking.)

Well, luckily for you, there are articles like this one to guide you on your way to V-Day bliss and answer all, or at least some, of your heart-filled concerns. In the following article you'll be clued into the most romantic spots, the best restaurants, the perfect presents and even learn from other people's Valentine's Day dreams and nightmares.

Harrisonburg may look uneventful, but if a romantic Valentine's Day is what you're looking for, you can't go wrong in the Shenandoah Valley if you're willing to plan ahead and use some initiative.

Scouring for the perfect way to say "I love you," why not learn from the experience of others. Some of these stories will melt your heart and get those creative juices flowing. And the other ones...well, let's just call those life's little lessons and vow never to repeat the mistakes of others.

Junior Matt Cunningham recalls a memorable Valentine's Day from his high school days. It was his senior year and he was taking his girlfriend to the Valentine's dance at school.

He had wanted to do something "out of the ordinary," and so he began making secret plans for his date.

"The night of the dance we were supposed to go out to dinner before, but I called her and asked if we could just skip dinner because I was running really behind schedule," says Cunningham.

"She was really cool about it, but I could tell she was annoyed. When I finally picked her up and we went to the dance, I acted like a jerk....I kept complaining about how I was hungry and asked if we could just go to McDonald's and ditch the dance."

"By this time she was pretty mad, but we left the dance anyway. And I had a picnic dinner made by a restaurant waiting for us. I wanted to take her up into the mountains but it was too cold. She had a really nice garden at her house, so we ended up having a midnight picnic in her garden."

"She was surprised and I think she really liked the picnic. It was pretty romantic."

Graduate student Maria Stylianou recalls a Valentine's many years ago that made her mother wonder if her boyfriend wasn't something to worry about.

"I got home from school around two and there were a dozen roses waiting for me, 11 red and one white. My boyfriend knew my favorite flower is a white rose, so I just thought that they didn't have enough white roses, so he had to get mostly red," says Stylianou.

"Half an hour later another bunch of flowers were delivered. This time there were seven red roses and four white."

"We were supposed to go out to dinner at 8:30 and from 2 o'clock on, flowers just kept coming. Some were wild flowers or whatever, but each bunch would come with one or two more white roses."

"I called his house around 6:30 when the last bunch came and his mom said he was in the shower and he'd pick me up at 8:30. By this time my house was bursting with flowers and I had 11 white roses and my mother, she was like, 'I know you two are serious but is this guy alright?'"

"At 8:30 he came to pick me up and when I opened the door he was standing there with one white rose to com-
another cold February Day

Senior Katie Bane didn't have such a rosy (excuse the pun) Valentine's story to share. But hopefully you can learn from her pain. 

"We'll go to North Carolina, South Carolina, Philadelphia, Washington, D.C. We'll just go to a city that neither of us knows and walk around and find a nice restaurant to eat."

"Instead of something like the traditional candlelit dinner at home, why not go have dinner in Charlottesville? Just getting away from Harrisonburg and going somewhere new with someone you can hang out with and have a fun time...I think that's a romantic thing to do."

Although sophomore Paul Frydrychowski has no Valentine's stories he can take credit for, he does recall a V-Day surprise he helped pull off for a friend's girlfriend.

"It was my senior year of high school and my friend was a band leader at my school and his girlfriend was the band leader at another school," Frydrychowski recalls.

"He wanted to do something special for her and he asked me if I could set off the lights in the theatre. On Valentine's Day he led her into the blacked-out theatre blindfolded.

"He was a saxophone player and he got up on stage with his sax along with three other people playing instruments and told her to take off the blindfold. I brought up the pink lights and the quartet played 'My Girl' for her. My friend took the lead vocals on his sax."

"She really loved it and the amusing thing was that he thanked me the most the day after. I suppose she really liked her present."

(Wink, wink, nudge, nudge...)

"So apparently I can be romantic when it comes to other people's girlfriends."
Hot meals, cool deals
Local eateries you won’t want to miss

Kline’s Dairy Bar specializes in gourmet ice cream. The Dairy Bar offers a seasonal product and seasonal operating hours. The Dairy Bar opens for the year around the second week of November and closes around the second week of February, just in time for Valentine’s Day. The Dairy Bar offers a “drink of the day,” with about five flavors of cream cheese to choose from. Hot and cold deli sandwiches are also available made to order, all for under $5. The deli offers a daily breakfast and lunch special usually consisting of a breakfast or deli sandwich with a side of potatoes or a salad for around $4. The dining room is spacious with a New York City motif.

Mr. J’s atmosphere is casual and ideal for a quick and inexpensive breakfast or lunch. Mr. J’s Bagels offers an average of 14 varieties of bagels daily, as well as a “bagel of the day,” with about five flavors of cream cheese to choose from. Hot and cold deli sandwiches are also available made to order, all for under $5. The deli offers a daily breakfast and lunch special usually consisting of a breakfast or deli sandwich with a side of potatoes or a salad for around $4. The dining room is spacious with a New York City motif.

As you enter Brooklyn’s Delicatessen, the owner, Greg Pfaff gives you a hearty welcome. Brooklyn’s offers authentic New York City cuisine at favorable prices. Specialty subs, hot and cold deli sandwiches and favorites created by present and past employees are on the menu for around $5. The deli also offers breakfast items as well as a children's menu and desserts. Deli meats imported from around the world are offered by the pound. The deli is decorated with memorabilia given to the owner by customers, such as a 150-year-old postcard of New York City and other mementos of the city. The Delicatessen delivers with a minimum order of $8 and accepts major credit cards, including your parents’.

The Artful Dodger specializes in sandwiches and salads, as well as a children’s menu and desserts. The Artful Dodger welcomes the weary student inside for respite from a hectic day. There is an array of artwork displayed on the walls and plenty of comfortable seating for studying or a relaxed meal. The café offers a wide variety of specialty coffees and drinks, including a “drink of the day.” They also offer sandwiches, salads and desserts for a reasonable price. The café provides a “Book Nook” for those looking for a quiet place to study, as well as a “News Stand” with magazines and newspapers for an update on current events. The café also occasionally hosts musical shows.

Indian-American Café offers an intimate dining room where guests can sample a variety of Indian specialties as well as American favorites. The lunch menu is available until closing and an entree is around $5. Dinner entrees range in price from $6-10, with Indian specials around $13. The Indian-American café offers an intimate atmosphere and a friendly wait staff provides a relaxed dining experience for the student who appreciates diverse foods but is low in funds. The café does not accept credit cards.

Fairly new to Harrisonburg, Calhoun’s is a restaurant with a fresh spin: The owner brews his own beer. Owner Eric Plowman offers five varieties of beer on tap and the beer vats are visible from behind the bar. Calhoun’s food includes a wide range of appetizers, salads, a children’s menu and dinner entrees ranging in price from $10 to $15. The restaurant has an extensive wine list and a cigar menu. There are seats and tables at the bar, a spacious dining room, outdoor seating and a banquet hall. Calhoun’s offers an unconventional dining experience to those looking for a fine meal at a fair price.

With a friendly staff and inviting couches, The Artful Dodger welcomes the weary student inside for respite from a hectic day. There is an array of artwork displayed on the walls and plenty of comfortable seating for studying or a relaxed meal. The café offers a wide variety of specialty coffees and drinks, including a “drink of the day.” They also offer sandwiches, salads and desserts for a reasonable price. The café provides a “Book Nook” for those looking for a quiet place to study, as well as a “News Stand” with magazines and newspapers for an update on current events. The café also occasionally hosts musical shows.

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Nightlife in the 'Burg

Jason McIntyre checks out the 'Burg's bar scene

Jason McIntyre
co-articles editor

You 've got JMU's two newest hang outs at Main Street Bar and Grill and the Biltmore Grill. Toss in Key West Beach Bar and Grill and you've got the JMU bar scene.

Five seniors, one night, two credit cards, lots of girls and a minivan. I'm in hot pursuit.

*all names in this story have been changed to protect the innocent.

THURSDAY, The Biltmore Grill
7:30 p.m.

While most kids are watching Seinfeld and getting pumped for Friends, our heroes are all about a good time at one of the newest bars around, the Biltmore.

The crew find a booth where they can sip on expensive beer to get the night started. Conversation ranges from girls to food to sports, as the TVs around the bar preview the upcoming college football game.

9:15 p.m.

Our deep pockets crew (short arms they remind me) is nice and toasty and scattered around the bar. Danny appears to be running the pool table, until he takes a cute redhead as his partner. After their first loss, they proceed to the bar, where he buys her a drink.

Dirk pulls out what may be the line of the night to the hottest female in the bar. She is wearing tight black pants and a half sweater.

"You're the best looking girl here. Come with us to Main Street," he says. Danny wisely orders a round of tequila shots for his victim and her friend.

"Body shots are fun, I promise," Richard reassures her. It works. The boys look like they'll make it to the next bar unscathed. Nothing bad has happened so far, specifically no vomiting or fighting. Until they get the bar tab of $159.

Main Street Bar and Grill
10:25 p.m.

Main Street is relatively new on the JMU bar scene, but crowded on this night. There is a line stretching out the door, but our heroes aren't fazed. Eric spots a leggy brunette from one of his classes and strikes up a conversation.

"What are you doing out here when we have a test tomorrow?" he asks her with a puzzled look on his face.

"We have a test tomorrow?" she shoots back, nearly freaking out. Apparently, she didn't get his joke. "I'm just playin," he laughs back.

11:28 p.m.

It's still relatively early and our crew is well on their way to a night of boozing, obscene behavior and asinine acts.

Getting a beer is almost a chore. Luckily, the boys utilize their female friend bartender (quite a looker) to drop the credit card and call for shots.

"Beer before liquor, you're in the clear," Danny slurs. The group bursts into laughter and orders two more pitchers.

Bar tab: $48.

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Larry meets the crew at Main Street.

"I have a test tomorrow, so I won't be drinking tonight," he says.

Fifteen minutes later, he's downing his second Heinekin, talking to a short, dark-haired vixen none of the guys have ever seen. She screams twomien.

Every table in the place is packed and the dance floor is packed, too.

12:15 a.m.

The crew is in luck. Dirk meets a girl who has a friend celebrating her 21st birthday. She's not quite incoherent, but that's the group's goal.

"We're not hazing you, we're helping you," Larry laughs at her.

1:23 a.m.

Anticipating last call, the group looks for a late-night gathering, but when they are unsuccessful, they begin to promote their own.

"Yea, we'll be at our place, and if you can't make it home, it's ok, we have two of the softest couches in the 'Burg," Larry says to the girl he has been working on all night.

"The only problem is that we don't have any early classes, so don't expect a continental breakfast," Eric jokes, as he braces for the end-of-the-night surprise (bar tab) and prepares for tomorrow's nasty hangover.

Bar tab: $48.

THE BILTMORE GRILL
is located on
221 University Boulevard
MAIN STREET BAR AND GRILL
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153 South Main Street
A long time ago in a
Some of the best restaurants

Right down the road, Staunton has great food and great prices

Katie Ludwig
excursions section editor

McCormick’s Pub and Restaurant
(540) 885-3111
41 North Augusta Street,
Downtown Harrisonburg

McCormick’s offers a casual atmosphere, but is also appropriate for fine dining and nice evenings out. Entertainment includes local bands and open-mic night. Private dining rooms are available to accommodate up to 125 people.

There are 15 different types of appetizers ranging in price from $2.95 to $10.95. These items include Artichoke-Cheese Dip, Cajun BBQ Shrimp, Angels on Horseback (oysters wrapped in bacon), and Snow Crab Legs. McCormick’s also has eight varieties of salads ranging in price from $2.95 to $8.95. These salads include a Mediterranean Salad, Crab Louis, and Wilted Spinach Salad.

The pub includes six kinds of sandwiches, as well, ranging in price from $5.95 to $6.95. Some of the sandwich items are Prime Rib Sandwich, Thousand Island Chicken-Salad, and Oyster Po’Boy.

Six kinds of pastas are offered ranging in price from $10.95 to $14.95. The types of pastas are Baked Crab and Asparagus Gratin, Spinach and Mushroom Lasagna, and Fettuccine Alfredo with grilled chicken or shrimp.

As for entrees, McCormick’s offers 14 varieties costing $10.95 to $18.95.

The pub also boasts seven desserts priced from $2.75 to $3.50. Among the best are the Heath Bar Crunch Pie, and Chocolate Truffle Cake.

Prime Rib is grilled with cajun spices and served with a choice of two side dishes.

Specialty Ribs, priced from $11.75 to $18.75, include St. Louis Ribs, Baby Back Ribs, and Beef Ribs. Patrons have their choice of one side and cole slaw.

New York Strip, Filet Mignon, and Delmonico are among the grilled steak specialties. They come with a choice of two sides and range in price from $12.95 to $17.95.

Six choices of Chicken and Seafood are offered, ranging from $11.75 to $12.75. Items include Artichoke Chickpeas, Crystallized Sardines, Smoked Tuna, and Yellow-Fin Tuna. All come with a choice of two sides.

Four pastas, from $10.95 to $14.95, include Cajun Chicken Fettuccine, Chicken and Shrimp Marinara, and Grilled Portobello Primavera Alfredo.

A wide variety of beer and wine is also offered.

Sunday brunch is served from 11:30 am to 3:00 pm.

The Pullman
Middlebrook Avenue, Staunton

Located in the train station, The Pullman is fine dining at its best.

The Pullman is open for lunch and dinner, but closed on Mondays.

There are nine appetizers, from $4.00 to $8.00, including Tuscan Bread, Baked Brie with Spiced Pecans, and Cornmeal Crusted Select Oysters.

Seven entrees, from $12.00 to $18.00, include Sautéed Pecan Coated Local Rainbow Trout, Mixed Grill of Shrimp, Beef Tenderloin, and Chicken, and the fresh fish of the day.

The Pullman presents four pastas, from $9.00 to $12.00. Items include Saute of Gulf Shrimp, Crab and Meat Penne, Pan Roasted Seasonal Vegetables, and Baked Linguini.

Espressos and cappuccinos are priced from $1.25 to $2.25.

A variety of milkshakes, malts, and floats are also popular, along with 12 flavors of gourmet ice cream. In addition, there is an extensive wine selection by glass or bottle.

If you can eat Sunday brunch is served from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Adults are charged $11.95; 12 and under are charged $5.95.

The Depot Grille
(540) 885-7332
Middlebrook Avenue, Staunton

Located in an old train station built in 1902, the station was used into the 1960’s and then abandoned. In 1989 the station was renovated and is now two restaurants and an antique shop. Amtrak still uses part of the station for loading and unloading.

The atmosphere is casual and is also nice for an evening out as well as business meetings.

The Grille is open seven days a week for lunch and dinner.

A wide variety of appetizers are included such as Jumbo Lump Crab Quesadilla, Hot Crab Dip, and Seven Layer Dip.

These appetizers range in price from $4.95 to $13.95.

The Grille has eight salads from $3.95 to $7.75. Among the best is the Heath Bar Crunch Salad, a blend of milkshakes, beer and wine.

Espressos, lattes, and cappuccinos range from $1.95 to $2.95.

Several appetizers, ranging in price from $5.95 to $7.75. Stuffed Artichoke Hearts, Shrimp and Bacon Quesadillas and Pepper and Jack Cheese Sticks are included.

Six salads with homemade dressings adorn the menu. They range from $3.50 to $7.25. Among the salads are Grilled Cajun Shrimp Spinach Salad, Grilled Tuna Salad, and Chicken Plate Salad.

Sandwich items include the Mill Street Burger, The New Street (Prime Rib), and the Middlebrook (Backfin Crab Cake). All are served with steak fries. Sandwich prices range from $4.95 to $6.95.

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town not so far away
are just a stone’s throw away

Roanoke offers good food and good times

Emily Nichols
design editor

As with any decent size city in the U.S. today, you can find your typical dining options: Ruby Tuesday’s, Applebee’s, Texas Steakhouse, and the obligatory McDonald’s chain-type restaurants. If you are going to travel out of town, on the other hand, you might as well go all out for an incredible, or at least different, dining experience.

The city of Roanoke, Virginia (located about 1 hour, 45 minutes down I-81S) has some truly unique places to satisfy your appetite.

Arzu International is a Mediterranean restaurant which specializes in extravagant foods, including venison, duck, swordfish and escargot. Prices on average are about $16 per entrée, and about $6 for appetizers. Arzu International is located in downtown Roanoke.

You may be in for a culture shock when visiting The Library Restaurant. This restaurant requires coat and tie for the men and ladies should dress accordingly, as well. Even the waiters wear white tuxedos. Hosts standby your side, poised to pull out your chair as you get out of your seat.

Typically, you should look to spend about $40 per person. Remember, however, you are not just paying for the food; you are paying for the atmosphere, as well. The Library features American cuisine at its finest.

Everybody loves Italian cuisine, and Mantaldo’s has some of the best. Also located in downtown Roanoke, this restaurant is so popular that while reservations are not required, they are greatly suggested. This restaurant serves truly wonderful Italian dishes. Again, look to spend approximately $16 for an entrée per person.

All feast, no famine in Fairfax, Va.

Casey Kaleba
contributing writer

The Northern Virginia area offers more than its fair share of dining possibilities. Due to the high population density, clusters of good restaurants are just a few minute’s drive from each other. But if you’re prepared to do a little work, there are some secret food gems just waiting to be discovered.

Five Guys
6541 Backlick Road
Springfield, Va.
(703) 913-1337

5235 Columbia Pike
Arlington, Va.
(703) 685-1151

107 N. Fayte
Alexandria, Va.
(703) 549-7991

Five Guys offers a burger lover’s dream and a calorie counter’s coronary. Consistently voted the best hamburgers in the area by major metropolitan newspapers, Five Guys prepares and cooks burgers right in front of you to your specifications. Fresh-cut french fries and a sack of peanuts are served while you wait. Service is quick and friendly, and the food, while on the greasy side, deserves all the acclaim it receives.

Warehouse Bar and Grill
214 King Street
Alexandria, Va.
(703) 683-6868

A few short blocks from its prom- filled neighbor the Charthouse, Warehouse Bar and Grill in Alexandria offers ambience, service and character that are difficult to beat. The walls are decorated with Washington-themed caricatures, the waiters are conversational and the food is exceptional. Reservations are recommended. Leave time to wander the waterfront arm-in-arm.

Tau Tau
6413A Shiplett Blvd.
Burke, Va. 22015
703-866-7900

$$1/2

Everyone seems to have their own opinion about which restaurant serves the best Chinese food, but for a sure bet that’s guaranteed to satisfy even the most fickle, try Tau Tau in Burke. The menu is full of variety, the service is friendly, pick up and delivery are speedy, and the food is so good that the modest prices are a steal.

Price Ranges
$5 and under
$$5-9
$$5$$10-14
$$5$$15-20
As JMU senior Rich Bailey scaled the peak of Ottercreek Mountain, he stumbled upon a bobcat sunning itself on a rocky outcropping. Enchanted, he simply stood and stared until, exhausted by the sun, the bobcat stole away to find shade.

Area Day Hikes

Twenty minutes to an hour from JMU, students can be immersed in woodland, never knowing what will be around the next corner: a panoramic view of an entire mountain range, a doe nuzzling her speckled fawn, a lone wildflower defying the onset of the autumn frost; a glistening pool of water, a canopy of multicolored leaves.

Harrisonburg is flanked by the George Washington National Forest and Shenandoah National Park, both generous with hiking trails to offer an invigorating day-hike for the overworked student.

"I feel serene when I'm hiking," says Rich Bailey, a climbing wall assistant at University Recreation Center. "It's truly enjoyable." In just a 30-minute drive you can get to Ramsey's Draft Wilderness where "there's no human impact and there's a virgin stand of hemlock trees that have never been timbered. They're like a cathedral, absolutely huge! The river has fresh drinkable water, if you're bold, and trout in the streams. You see all sorts of stuff [in the George Washington National Forest]: occasionally a bear, lots of deer, skunks, raccoons, opossum; even a bobcat, but that's sheer luck!"

Bailey's love of the outdoors dates back to his childhood when his mother strapped him on her back and hiked parts of the Appalachian Trail.

For those with less experience, new to the area or just interested in joining a weekend excursion, the Adventure Program at UREC offers seven to 13 trips per semester.

Christina Bertelli, a trip leader for the Adventure Program, encourages everyone to take a day hike.

"Take advantage of the beauty of the Shenandoah Valley because it's a wonderful way to escape the stresses and monotony of the JMU campus. It's also a chance to commune with nature and spend time with friends; but you can also hike alone."

"Fridley’s Gap is a trail I recently discovered that's really close to campus. It's just a 15-20 minute drive," Bertelli continues.

"There's a distinct change as you pass through the rolling countryside of shacks and little houses. The hike, alongside a peaceful stream, is a gradual incline that sometimes gets rocky."

This semester Bertelli will lead two day hikes for the Adventure Program in Fridley's Gap, each with a different theme. One, planned for this month, will be "winter ecology" where Bertelli and the group will study local flora. While she's still debating on the second theme, she wants to include the "sensory experience" of having a photographer along.

"We'll have a photographer teach us how to shoot nature in a beautiful environment," she says. "Not only will we have a great day hike but we'll get photographic instruction."

Returning recently from an adventure program trip to Massanutten East Trail, Olivia Lelong, UREC equipment center assistant, had no regrets.

"I had to pay $22 but because of the expertise and good company, it was definitely worth it. The group had different levels of experience with hiking so everyone had to compromise. It was a pretty strenuous hike."

Another rewarding hike which offers a spectacular 360 degree view at its 3291-foot summit is Old Rag in George Washington National Forest. After an invigorating climb of varying intensity, Lelong found herself struggling through a rock scramble of massive ancient granite.

"You don't need any gear but you'll be squeezing through and climbing over joints and ledges in the granite boulders," Lelong says. "Once you get up there, it makes it all worthwhile."

On longer hikes such as Old Rag and Ramsey's Draft, beware of the shortened day-light hours in the winter. While doing a solo hike one afternoon this autumn, Stephanie Marks, a junior philosophy major, lost track of time. She watched the sunset from the peak and forgot about the darkened trail she would have to maneuver down.

"I did the rock scramble while the sun was going down," Marks says. "But by the time I got to the windy trail, it was pitch black. I thought, 'I'm going to die—an animal's going to eat me or I'll wander off a cliff! I was shaking and tripping over roots.' Then she told herself to relax, just follow her intuition and she finally made it down safely.

"It was one of the scariest experiences I've ever had, but it was exhilarating that I did it and was okay," Marks says. "I would suggest giving yourself a few hours of leeway to get lost, especially if you're alone! For a hike in the winter, leave your house by eight in the morning."
A look at area trails and your guide to equipment and resources

by Marguerite Daniels, contributing writer

TOP FIVE AREA HIKES

1. Ramsey's Draft Trail
   7 miles, moderate-difficult
   take 425, 250W to the Mountain House Picnic Area on the right; go through the rear parking area (about a 35-minute drive)

2. Rawley Springs
   self-determined length, easy, although must cross stream on rocks periodically
   take 33W until you reach the town of Rawley Springs; there will be a small sign off to the left, follow that road to the trail (about 20-minute drive)

3. Crabtree Falls
   2.9 miles, steep and strenuous at times, but overall moderate
   take 56E (about 55 miles)

4. Bearfence Mountain
   0.8 to 1.2 miles, fairly easy that it's short
   take 33W through Stanardsville, take a left on 29N, left on RTE 231 for 12.7 miles, then follow RTE 602 @ 4 miles, dead ends into trail head after town of Niers (about 57 miles)
   fee: $5 per person

5. Old Rag
   7.1 miles, easy-moderate
   take 33W through Stanardsville, take a left on 29N, left on RTE 231 for 12.7 miles, then follow RTE 602 @ 4 miles, dead ends into trail head after town of Niers (about 57 miles)
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While Old Rag is a full-day investment, those on a limited time budget may be able to afford a trip to Bearfence Mountain on Skyline Drive. Lelong describes the rough mile-and-a-half trail as breathtaking.

"You look around and all you see is a sea of colors," said Lelong.

The name Bearfence reportedly came from the palisade-like rocks, resembling a fence, which surround the summit.

Lelong doesn't seem to mind the length or the context of her hikes, she just enjoys getting out of her apartment and appreciating nature.

"When I hike, I just clear my head. I feel detached from all my obligations. I feel I'm actually doing something good for myself."

Many students merely enjoy a casual walk though the woods. ISAT major Jason Sajko usually goes to the "relatively secluded" Dry River District to relax.

"It's a really old pass in the mountains, so it's pretty historic. If you go to the top of the ridge and look to the west, there's an awesome view of West Virginia. It's not old growth up there, mainly hardwood with a lot of mountain laurel."

Sajko says you may encounter bears, groundhogs, foxes, raccoons and deer in the area. In the warm summer days, many students jump off the tower into a lake created by an earthen dam.

A popular spot for students is Crabtree Falls in the George Washington National Forest. Ferns, mosses and wildflowers run rampant along the Tye River and five major cascades. The water from the ponds under the falls is easily accessible to drink, according to Allen de Hart's The Trails of Virginia. However, this trail is perhaps the most dangerous due to the slippery rocks.

Crabtree Falls, falling a total of 1,200 feet, are among the longest falls east of the Mississippi, says Bailey.

"You can see them during the long stretch through the Blue Ridge Mountains on route 56 E. They fall right off the mountain."

When they're visiting, junior marketing major Heather Bittner takes her parents and her puppy Maggie to Crabtree Falls.

"It's a long, but moderate hike with beautiful waterfalls and trees all around," she says. "There are also plenty of rocks to sit and rest on."

Equipment

Christina Bertelli recommends that everyone wear boots for ankle support and bring raingear because there's always a potential for rain. Use layers, wear a fleece or sweater and a synthetic waterproof shell.

After years of hiking, Rich Bailey has collected a list of necessities for his day hikes. He suggests carrying a sturdy backpack, packed with a high energy lunch: gorp (a mixture of dried fruit and nuts), a peanut butter and jelly sandwich, chocolate or granola bars and at least two bottles of water. Also, bring a topographic map of the region, a compass, flashlight, first aid kit, and a pocket knife.

Resources

Carl Bolyard, the Adventure Program Coordinator says there's a fairly regular traffic of students that come to UREC for information. Located in the equipment center, "we have a resource center, library of information with maps and guidelines, fieldbooks for trips in the area, and a National Parks Index so people can plan their own trips. Mapblast.com and mapquest.com are helpful because folks can look up a hike for a road map to get the location. There are also tons of links on our website. On the Bulletin Board in UREC we publish an outdoor tip of the week and a map of Virginia to use in planning trips."

Bolyard suggests picking up the latest issue of Backpacker Magazine for additional guidance on your outdoor adventures. Also, Outside Magazine offers the top ten hiking trips of the year, fitness tips for hikers, and the best new outdoor equipment.

"We also have a program listing our six or seven instructional clinics which teach skills to run your own outdoor trip," said Bolyard. They consist of a "map and compass clinic so you can find your way in and out; a wilderness cooking class because people like to eat and they can find out what's good to eat when hiking. But there's many other clinics for all your outdoor needs."

These programs are especially designed for people new to JMU so they can learn about the area.

"We serve as a guided resource for their initial experience so they can launch their own adventures," says Bolyard.

Anyone can pick up a hiker's guide to trails in all national forests for free from forest service rangers as well. Call 540-828-0400 for George Washington and Jefferson National Forests information and 540-999-2243 for National Park Services.

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Massanutten: In-depth ski report

Skiing & Snowboarding

Over the past 25 years, Massanutten has evolved into one of the south's premier snow resorts. Phoebe Conway, group sales director explained, "The mountain is no longer just a ski area, it also offers snowboarding, skiboarding and snow tubing."

Boasting a 1,110-foot vertical drop, the largest in Virginia, Maryland and Pennsylvania, Massanutten has 14 trails, a challenging snowboard park, a new snow tubing park, and a state-of-the-art snow making system. Massanutten does not offer cross-country skiing due to the fact that the "area simply does not get enough natural snow necessary to cover the trails," explained Brinkman.

As February has come upon us, many JMU students have difficulty finding activities to keep them occupied and entertained. Students' activity levels tend to decrease during the winter months as they curl up in front of the television and hibernate for the winter. These students are unaware that the Shenandoah Valley has plenty of interesting activities to offer its residents, even when the wind is whipping between the mountains.

In the midst of its 25th year, Massanutten Resort is not a new phenomenon, but has changed steadily over the years. June Brinkman, director of resort relations and marketing, described Massanutten as a private, time-share vacation resort that also offers skiing, snow tubing and 27 holes of year-round golf, open to the public. On February 10, 1973, Massanutten opened as a four-season resort. Located 12 miles east of Harrisonburg, just off of Route 33, the slopes and fairways are a 25-minute drive from the 'Burg.

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"Steve Showalter, the ski area manager, the ski season is expected to begin on December 18 and usually lasts into mid-March or, "until the snow is melted."

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Ben Kottke and Johnny Dunn, both senior SCOM majors from Virginia Beach, frequent the Snowboard Park each winter. "The runs aren't that great, but the park is pretty cool," Kottke said.

Many JMU students like Massanutten simply because it is so close to campus. Dunn said, "It's definitely not like the big resorts out west, but it's so easy to get to, and with all the specials, it's pretty cheap too."

The resort's annual snowboarding competition, Massanutten's Intergalactic Race of Champions, takes place this season on five different Sundays in late December until early March. Snowboarders of all ages, genders and ability levels can qualify to compete. An entry fee of $3 is required upon registration in the Snowboard Park, on race day.

A wide range of equipment including skis, snowboards, poles, boots and locks are available in the Ski Lodge. Prices for ski or snowboard rental range from $13 to $33 for weekday or weekend sessions. Equipment can be rented separately. Helmets are also available for children and adults for $5 during any lift session.

Another place to ski that is fairly close is Bryce resort. Bryce is located 11 miles west of Interstate 81 on Rt. 263. It is much smaller than Massanutten with only a 500 foot vertical drop, but it offers a nice change of pace.

More geared towards beginning skiers, Bryce has only eight slopes nearly all for beginner or novice skiers.

"I'm a beginner skier and I like the relaxed atmosphere of Bryce mountain," sophomore Bruce Klaber said.

If you are looking for a place to relax and just enjoy being on the slopes, Bryce is for you.

Specially priced lift tickets are available every day of the week. "Monday Night Madness" is the most popular. Brinkman explained that the Monday night special sometimes draws close to 800 people to the slopes.

"A lot of young people come out on Monday nights, so you're with a pretty cool crowd," said Brinkman.

The $10 lift ticket price for Monday Night Madness is the only ski price that did not increase this year.

Another special is "College Days" which take place on Wednesdays and Fridays. With a valid college I.D. card, students can purchase a discounted lift ticket for $20, during any lift session.

Luke Sevorino, a senior from Manassas appreciates all the specials at Massanutten.

"Monday Night Madness and College Days are awesome. I don't have the cash to fly to Colorado, but I can ski with all my friends at Massanutten for 10 bucks each week."

A number of discount tickets are available. Frequent Skier Discount Booklets contain six lift tickets and are offered in a variety of forms, depending on the session time and day desired. Massanutten also offers Multi-Day Tickets, which consist of two or more days of consecutive skiing or snowboarding. With the purchase of regular priced "Day" session lift tickets for the desired number of days, night skiing and night equipment rental is included for free. Season passes are offered for truly dedicated skiers and snowboarders. Season passes range from...
More on Massanutten continued

$225 to $425, based on a five or seven day session. Student season passes cost $350 for unlimited skiing, seven days a week.

Ski & Snowboard School

Massanutten’s Ski School offers lessons and programs for all ages and every ability level. The Ski and Snowboard School is a member of the Professional Ski Instructors of America and offers group and private lessons. There are a number of programs individually designed for first-time skiers as well as for those who want to work on the skills they already have. Massanutten’s Ski and Snowboard School makes a special effort to focus on younger skiers and snowboarders. The SKIwee (ages 4-12) and MINIriders (ages 9-14) programs are day-long lesson programs which include lift tickets, lessons, rental equipment, lunch and activities designed to start children off on the right foot.

National STAndard Races (NASTAR) is an exciting program that introduces skiers to the fast-paced world of ski racing.

Other skiing programs available at Massanutten are the Adaptive Skiing program and the Junior Race Team. The Adaptive Ski School is a nonprofit educational organization “dedicated to promoting alpine skiing instruction to help individuals of all ages overcome a variety of challenges.”

The Junior Race Team is open to advanced skiers and snowboarders under the age of 18, who are interested in being involved in a snow sports team, and have the opportunity to take part in unlimited skiing or snowboarding at Massanutten.

Learn-To-Ski/Learn-To-Snowboard

One of the best deals at Massanutten is the Learn-To-Ski/Snowboard program. The Learn-To-Ski program was developed 22 years ago, and snowboarding was added in 1996. Until 1997, the program was offered as a four-credit kinesiology class through JMU. Since then, the number of students involved in the program has dropped from almost 500 each season to about 70 last year. The Learn-To-Ski/Snowboard is now organized through JMU’s University Recreation Center. The program lasts for six weeks and consists of weekly lift tickets from 5 to 10 p.m. on either Tuesday or Thursday nights, as well as an hour-long group lesson each week. If rental equipment is necessary the cost is $102, if not then the cost is $90.

“Most people are interested because it is a cheap and easy way to learn the basics of either skiing or snowboarding,” explained Showalter.

Snow Tubing

The newest attraction at Massanutten is the Snow Tubing Park, which was built in 1997 and opened on January 1, 1998.

“It’s enormous fun. Everybody loved it when it opened last year,” said Brinkman. Massanutten’s Snow Tubing Park is Virginia’s first. For $10 during a two-hour session, people of all ages can slide down the 900-foot hill on an innertube and then take the handle tow lift back to the top.

Snow Tubing is extremely popular among those who don’t ski but still want to take advantage of the slopes. “It’s open to anybody, from 3-month-old babies to 90-year-old grandparents,” Brinkman said. By the end of last season 30,000 people had experienced Massanutten’s tubing hill.

Bethany Toalson, a senior SMAD major from Richmond said, “We had a great time tubing last year. It’s like sledding down a big mountain, instead of your backyard.”

Toalson’s roommate, Tara Coleman, a senior ISAT major from Reston warned against tubing on the weekends.

“It’s impossible to get tickets for Saturday afternoon, but we went on Monday, and didn’t have to stand in any lines,” said Coleman.

Tickets for snow tubing are hard to come by, particularly on the weekends. “We strongly encourage people not to come on the weekends,” said Brinkman.

Tickets are sold on a first-come first-served basis, for all two-hour sessions.

On the weekends “people are in line at six, we open at eight, and we’re sold out by nine,” said Brinkman.

The resort guests are at a great advantage because they are only a few minutes from the ticket counter and they can go right back to their unit if they get a ticket that is good for the 3 to 5 p.m. session.

Last year was described as “a monster.” Brinkman added, “We had to learn a lot, because we were the only ones around here who offered tubing.”

There are 250 tubes at Massanutten, but after learning a few things last season, only 175 tickets are sold for each session.

“We could sell more, but then you’d only get one ride an hour,” said Brinkman.

By limiting the number of tickets sold, tubers can usually get in eight to 10 rides in each session.

According to Brinkman, Massanutten is running a number of promotions with local radio stations, such as WKCY’s “Tubing Tuesdays”.

“We want to build up our Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday business because it’s never full,” said Brinkman.

Golf

Massanutten resort maintains two golf courses, with a total of 27 holes of golf, year round. Mountain Greens Championship Golf Course is a challenging 18-hole course surrounded by beautiful mountain scenery and natural wildlife. Nearby is Woodstone Meadows Executive Golf Course. Woodstone Meadows is nine holes of generous fairways and greens, perfect for golfers of all ability levels.

Massanutten’s trained golf pros provide private lessons and clinics on the driving range. Club and cart rental is available at each of the three pro shops, where equipment and apparel are sold as well.

Future Growth

The resort is definitely expanding. According to Brinkman, Massanutten has a 12-year build-out plan for the current construction of time-share units. “We will be building for a long time,” Brinkman said. Somewhere down the road another golf course is in sight as well as another recreation center. “As we continue to add time-share units, we need to make sure we expand the amenities to handle the increased number of guests.”

If you ask anyone at Massanutten why the resort is so popular, the most likely response will be the beauty of the area. “The scenery is what draws people here,” said Brinkman. “We didn’t make the scenery, but we’re taking full advantage of it.”
Intrawest’s president of Snowshoe’s adjacent ski area, Silver Stone, said Hugh Augst, Snowshoe’s president. “This shows Snowshoe’s renaissance has begun in earnest,” said Steve Rice, Snowshoe’s president.

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“The village will give Snowshoe a much-needed year-round attraction that will draw people from the entire mid-Atlantic and Southeast,” said Lorrie Bassell, senior vice president of resort development.

A number of improvements were made to all aspects of the resort. Additional lighting was added at Snowshoe’s adjacent ski area, Silver Stone. The Village of Wildcat will have the advantage of the mountain’s activities.

Snowshoe Mountain Reserve:
Information - (304) 572-1000
Snow Conditions - (304) 572-4636
Internet - www.snowshoemtn.com

Canaan Valley Resort:
Information - (304) 866-4121
Snow Conditions - (800) 622-4121
Internet - www.canaanresort.com
Directions - From Washington, D.C. I-66 west to Strasburg, Va. then Route 55 west to Route 32 north

Timberline Four Seasons Resort:
Information - (304) 866-4312 or (800) 766-9464
Snow Conditions - (304) 866-4828 or (800) 225-5982
Internet - www.timberlineresort.com
Directions - From Washington, D.C. I-66 west to Strasburg, Va. then Route 55 west to Route 32 north. Timberline is 35 miles north of Elkins, W.Va.

White Grass Touring Center - Davis, W.Va.
If cross-country skiing is more your style, White Grass Touring Center in Davis, W.Va., is the closest park in the region. Located in the Canaan Valley, about 120 miles west of Washington, D.C., White Grass provides skiers with 50 kilometers of maintained cross-country ski trails.

“There is no better place to ski cross-country within driving range of Washington,” said Lyle Rosbotham who has been skiing at White Grass for over 10 years. White Grass offers two kilometers of trails for night skiing, as well as “Moonlight Madness” headlamp tours.

Canaan Valley Resort and Timberline Four Seasons Resort - Davis, W.Va.
Breathtaking mountain scenery and great snow conditions make Canaan Valley the perfect winter getaway destination.

Canaan Valley is the highest valley east of the Mississippi River and receives an average annual snowfall of 160 inches.

Canaan Valley Resort and Timberline Four Seasons Resort offer a combined 69 slopes and trails. This resort is famous for its two-mile Salamander Run, the longest ski run in the region.

The trails at both resorts are divided almost equally between beginner, intermediate and expert, and both offer night skiing.

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Wintergreen - Wintergreen, Va.
Wintergreen truly is a family ski resort. Wintergreen’s 18 slopes and trails feature a terrain garden for kids, a Learn to Ski area with its own chair lift, and one of the region’s finest lighted terrain parks. The Highlands, Wintergreen’s expert slopes, have a variety of black diamond terrain with 1,003 feet of vertical drop.

Wintergreen’s recommendations for learning to ski or snowboard, but want to take advantage of the mountain’s activities. The fee for the resort’s tubing park is $10 per hour.

Bryce Mountain - Basye, Va.
Bryce Mountain can be found just 12 miles off of Interstate 81, in the Shenandoah Valley. With a mere 500-foot vertical drop, Bryce relies mainly on local crowds who want the excitement of winter sports but don’t want the hassle of driving to West Virginia.

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The Homestead - Hot Springs, Va.
Nestled in Virginia’s Allegheny Mountains, The Homestead has offered visitor’s a gracious and beautiful atmosphere since 1766. The Homestead’s luxurious accommodations and year-round recreational activities offer its guests all they could desire at one mountain resort.

Although its 700-foot vertical drop is considered a small mountain, The Homestead boasts nine slopes and one spectacular run of 4,200 feet.

Matthew Wysong, a skiing enthusiast for 15 years said, “I wouldn’t necessarily go to the Homestead for a skiing vacation. But, it’s a beautiful resort with an added bonus of maintaining its own ski slopes.”

This year’s newest development at The Homestead is the two-lane tubing park which has opened the ski area to guests who can’t ski or snowboard, but want to take advantage of the mountain’s activities.

This year’s newest addition is the lighted terrain park. Its features include quarterpipes, tabletops and funboxes. And with increased snowmaking capabilities, perfect grooming and snow contours are expected to receive plenty of praise from snowboarders as well as skiers.

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Kelly Newton - contributing writer

Dozens of winter resorts are scattered throughout western Virginia and eastern West Virginia. These resorts are often overlooked by national standards, but among them are some of the region’s highest valleys, largest vertical drops and longest ski slopes.

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Nestled in Virginia’s Allegheny Mountains, The Homestead has offered visitor’s a gracious and beautiful atmosphere since 1766. The Homestead’s luxurious accommodations and year-round recreational activities offer its guests all they could desire at one mountain resort.

Although its 700-foot vertical drop is considered a small mountain, the Homestead boasts nine slopes and one spectacular run of 4,200 feet.

Matthew Wysong, a skiing enthusiast for 15 years said, “I wouldn’t necessarily go to the Homestead for a skiing vacation. But, it’s a beautiful resort with an added bonus of maintaining its own ski slopes.”

This year’s newest development at the Homestead is the two-lane tubing park which has opened the ski area to guests who can’t ski or snowboard, but want to take advantage of the mountain’s activities. The fee for the resort’s tubing park is $10 per hour.

Bryce Mountain - Basye, Va.

Bryce Mountain can be found just 12 miles off of Interstate 81, in the Shenandoah Valley. With a mere 500-foot vertical drop, Bryce relies mainly on local crowds who want the excitement of winter sports but don’t want the hassle of driving to West Virginia.

Bryce Mountain features one long run, 3,000 feet which is perfect for beginners. “It’s a great place to take my young nephews and nieces who are just learning to ski,” Augst said.

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What does your future hold?

Two students explore the psychic realm of Ms. Nicholas

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Have you ever wondered about your past lives? Would you like to decipher your dreams?

There is someone in Harrisonburg who can help. Ms. Nicholas, located on 2750 S. Main Street, specializes in tarot card readings, palm readings, psychic readings, past life and dream interpretation.

Prices for these services vary. She said her tarot card readings and palm readings are 99 percent and 90 percent accurate, respectively.

Ms. Nicholas said that her most frequent customers are those who were most skeptical on their first visit.

Nicholas has been doing readings for people all her life. She is from Paterson, N.J., but has been in the Harrisonburg area for two years. Nicholas lived in California until her husband transferred to Harrisonburg for business.

Harrisonburg has been good for business, Nicholas said, and she has a lot of regular customers as well as many people who come just for the sake of curiosity.

Nicholas said that her grandmother was psychic and she provided Nicholas the means to develop her abilities as a girl.

She refers to these abilities as a "gift" rather than a power. Because Nicholas was raised as a strict Catholic it is important for her to stay "on the good side of things."

She talked about Wicca, a modern-day witch religion and about good and bad witches.

She feels that television is helping this misunderstood religion, explaining that in the past people would be hung or burned at the stake for these religious convictions.

Television has demonstrated and explained different religions of the world and has inspired interest in Wicca as well as psychics.

Furthermore, Nicholas said that people in the 1990s are becoming more aware of their spirituality.

She also supports meditation and explains that people can reconcile negative emotions through this outlet.

In order to better understand the gift of Ms. Nicholas, two staff members went in for readings.

One went for a tarot-reading and the other for a palm-reading.

Ms. Nicholas said she picked up on their auras, which is a spiritual sense of personality that surrounds a person, immediately as they walked in the door.

She reads each person separately, talking 20-25 minutes per person.

For both staff members, Nicholas discussed their personalities, offering a more spiritual analysis than a good friend may give.

While some things did not exactly apply to the staffers' lives, other descriptions of experiences were uncanny.

A tarot-card reading is a more in-depth reading than a palm-reading.

Nicholas said that anything she reads from the cards will apply somehow at sometime in life.

She can predict future happenings, right down to how many marriages and children one will have, when someone will meet their soulmate, and how happy they will be in their career.

If you are interested in having a reading done, or even if you are skeptical about psychics in general, it is recommended that you let Ms. Nicholas awe and persuade you.

For a small fee you can have fun learning about yourself, your life and the psychic world of Ms. Nicholas.
The sheer rock wall seemed to touch the heavens as Michelle Otmar followed the formation to its peak. "I want to get to the top," Otmar almost said out loud. She studied the rock for toeholds, no matter how small before readying her equipment and beginning her ascent.

"It's a rush," Otmar says about scaling a difficult peak. "You're really coming into nature. You have this natural rock formation and you're attempting to be a part of it. It gets people excited."

Whether you want to experience the same "rush" as Otmar or just go for a long canoe trip, it is easy for JMU students to come into nature and get involved in almost any type of outdoor adventure activity they desire. This spring. The UREC Adventure Program and the Outing Club are two groups on campus that provide students these opportunities.

UREC ADVENTURE PROGRAM

The UREC Adventure Program started in 1996 and has been headed by Karl Bolyard since June 1998. It's a program that not only offers students opportunities to explore the great outdoors of the Shenandoah Valley, but provides free detailed instruction and training in many areas.

"Almost any sport that you can think of, you can do in the Shenandoah Valley," Bolyard says. "Harrisonburg is close to a lot of opportunities."

Some of the opportunities the Adventure Program is offering this spring include hiking in February, canoeing in March and rock-climbing in April.

"It's good to have a lot of variety like that," trip leader Michelle Otmar says.

"I think folks are excited about these things," Bolyard said. "It's easy to get excited about the trips available, especially since they won't leave much of a dent in your wallet. Fees vary depending on which trip is selected, although everything including transportation is provided."

"The trips are very inexpensive," Bolyard said. "The fee only goes to paying trip leaders and transportation. We are one of the better bargains in town."
plan trips and hone their skills using these resources.

For more information on the Adventure Program call 568-8713.

OUTING CLUB

It's Wednesday and it's beautiful. Sixty-six degrees, sunny — and supposed to continue into the weekend. Gazing up at the distant mountains as you walk to class, you would like nothing better then to be out there, far away from the manicured lawns of JMU. The Outing Club can help you.

Every weekend the club provides some sort of excursion activity into the natural areas of the Shenandoah Valley. This semester, the club is looking to provide skiing, sky-diving, hiking, white-water rafting, paintball and camping trips.

If any of these weekend trips interest you, the best thing to do is email club president Lauren Carter at Carterle@jmu.edu or attend the club's regular meetings in Kezel 105.

One does not need to be a member to enjoy the Outing Club trips, although a fee is usually required depending on the trip.

"It's a nice group," Club Vice President Tim Borto said. "I really enjoy just getting to know these people, hanging out with similar people."

This spring the club will give new meaning to the term "hanging-out."

For the first time in several years, the club will provide students with a chance to go sky-diving through a Valley company. The date has not yet been established.

"We haven't done this in the past couple years," Carter said. "I really want to do it though."

One of the most enjoyable outings has been the white-water rafting trips, which usually travel down the New River in West Virginia.

"White water rafting is my favorite," Carter said. "That's the one that's really good in the spring."

The club unexpectedly spent a full day at the paint ball facility last semester. After planning on playing a few games, the group had so much fun they never left, instead closing the place down.

"I thought it was going to hurt," Carter said. "It stung a little, but it was so much fun."

Other events Carter is looking forward to this spring include weekend hikes on the Blue Ridge Parkway, Old Rag and a camping/hiking excursion to Seneca Rocks.

"We try to go every weekend," Carter said. "It's great in the spring. We have a lot of fun and it's really enjoyable."

Upcoming Outing Club trips are usually posted on the sport club board at UREC and are advertised on flyers placed around campus. All the equipment students would need for any Outing Club trips can be borrowed from UREC at no cost. For some items a flex deposit on a JMU JAC card is required.

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EXTREME SPORTS LINKS

Skydiving

Lake Anna, VA  http://www.skydive-virginia.com

West Point, WV  http://www.skydiveathpoint.com/direct.htm

Rock Climbing

Virginia Climber's Guide http://www.gorpbooks.com

Lynchburg, VA http://www.lynchburgclimbingclub.com/

Indoor Climbing in VA http://www.climbing-gyms.com

White Water Rafting

Wildwater Expeditions WV http://www.1wildwater.com/location.htm

Virginia Beach http://www.wildriveroutfitters.com

Mountain Biking

West Virginia  http://www.vmhoey.com/wwtrails/default

Lewisburg, VA http://www.hometownamerica.com

Appalachian, VA http://www.ccycles.com

In Line Skating

Virginia Guide http://inlinehockeycentral.com

Prince William County VA http://pwcweb.com

Virginia Beach http://vabeach.com

-compiled by Jonathan Finkel
Parental supervision: Where to take your parents when they visit

Jennifer Baker
contributing writer

When senior Lesley Comfort accidentally forgot to make hotel reservations for her mom and step-dad last weekend, she ended up with some unusual accommodations.

"Don't worry about it," Comfort had been assuring her mom for weeks. "It will be no problem finding you a place to stay. I've got it under control."

That was, until she realized there wasn't a hotel room left in the greater Harrisonburg area for the popular weekend.

Fortunately, Comfort located a Mennonite family who rented one of their rooms during such occasions. Although many of Comfort's friends chuckled at the idea, her parents enjoyed their stay, relishing it as an opportunity to witness a bit of Valley life first-hand.

During their weekend stay, Comfort's mom and step-dad, natives of Connecticut, not only took part in the typical JMU parents' activities, but also got a chance to eat at a local diner, go "leaf-peeking," drive in the countryside and sightsee on the Blue Ridge Parkway.

Carrol Noyes, Comfort's mom, describes the Shenandoah Valley as "absolutely beautiful. The countryside is very scenic with all the farms." The mountain views and foliage added to the picturesque weekend, she says.

Although many JMU parents confine their visits to football games and trips to Wal-Mart, those who venture into the valley are rarely disappointed with the array of available activities. Quaint bed and breakfasts, antique shops, historical sites, museums, wineries, and the mountains, help secure places for the Shenandoah Valley in magazines' lists of great weekend excursions each year. Valley destinations always earn mentions in the Washington," "America's Great Getaways" issue, as well as frequent feature articles in Southern Living.

Senior John Beakes' parents have discovered there is more to do in the Valley besides just visiting their son.

"My parents come not only to see me, but also to do things—spend time together, relax, go sightseeing," Beakes says.

After having an older sister who attended JMU, Beakes says his parents have already done a variety of valley sightseeing in the past, but still look forward to visits. One of his mother's favorites trips was to the P. Buckley Moss Museum in Waynesboro, just over a half-hour's drive from campus.

P. Buckley Moss, a famous living American artist, draws inspiration and much of her subject matter from the scenery and way of life in the Valley, especially from the simple lives of the Mennonites. The museum exhibits Moss' artwork and offers guided tours daily, free of admission.

"My mom's into artwork so she really enjoyed the museum and bought some art," Beakes says.

From horseback riding in the mountains to golfing at Massanutten Resort, Beakes says his parents "are able to find a lot of different stuff to do, whether historical, shopping, or enjoying the outdoors."

Staying at the Joshua Wilton House was one of his parents' favorite experiences, Beakes says his parents liked the atmosphere, but "jokes his dad was a little disappointed with the antique furnished rooms, came without a television."

Beakes admits it is interesting that type of atmosphere which draws his parents to spend time in the valley.

Coming from Columbia, MD, Beakes says his parents enjoy escaping the hectic pace of city life by spending time in the Valley. "My parents enjoy the Valley because they can relax, not worry about anything," he says. "It's more laid-back here, a different way of life than major cities."

Comfort says her dad and his fiancée from Connecticut see visiting as a chance to absorb some country culture. During one visit last year they witnessed for themselves why Harrisonburg is called "the friendly city" when they went country-line dancing. Comfort says they go line-dancing in Connecticut, but their "Burg experience was more authentic, having "country charm.""

The two also stayed in a bed and breakfast about 45 minutes from campus and went bird watching in the Shenandoah National Park.

Comfort says her dad's fiancée likes the "rustic, quieter atmosphere" of the valley.

For parents who enjoy birding or the outdoors, the valley offers many options less than an hour away from campus. Popular day excursions include visiting Shenandoah National Park and driving its Skyline Drive or touring Luray Caverns and Natural Bridge, two geological wonders.

Senior Whitney Sodl's parents, from New Jersey, have visited both the caverns and the bridge. "My mom felt with JMU being so close to so many natural wonders, they should take advantage of the opportunity to visit them while I was still here," Sodl says. Natural Bridge, a huge rock bridge spanning a 215-foot deep canyon, is one of the "seven natural wonders of the world." Luray Caverns, a U.S. National Landmark, features huge stone columns in rooms with ceilings more than 10 stories high and the world's only "Stalacpipe Organ."

Sodl's parents enjoyed both trips, but her dad was a little disappointed he couldn't drive their car over the Natural Bridge.

Although the fall and spring are the most popular times for parents to visit, sophomore Mike Alfonso's parents enjoyed the valley in the summer. The two also stayed in a bed and breakfast in the Shenandoah Valley. "My parents also visited Skyline Drive, the P. Buckley Moss Museum, and went bird watching in the valley. We also went hiking in the mountains."

Senior Kim Miller says she has the most fun when her parents come to campus and went bird watching in the Shenandoah National Park.

"It was a lot of fun. We got to tour the vineyard and taste the wine," Miller says. "I think my parents would enjoy it because it's scenic and different."

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Tysons, Galleria, Fair Oaks offer shoppers limitless possibilities

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shopping section editor

If you are looking for a better shopping selection, Tysons Corner Center, located about two hours away in Northern Virginia, provides shoppers with more than 230 stores. Tysons has been voted "Best Shopping Mall" every year since 1990 by Washingtonian magazine.

Tysons provides a combination of department stores, specialty stores, restaurants and entertainment centers.

It offers department stores such as Bloomingdale's, Hecht's, JCPenney, Lord & Taylor and Nordstrom. Other popular stores include Abercrombie & Fitch, American Eagle Outfitters, Banana Republic, Express, The Gap, Victoria's Secret, Britches Great Outdoors, Eddie Bauer, Guess? and Tiffany & Co.

Tysons offers a variety of specialty stores which cater to many different interests. The Disney Store, Eastern Mountain Sports, Natural Wonders, Bath & Body Works, Warner Bros. Studio Store, and Wicks 'N Sticks are stores which cater to many different interests. The Disney Store, Eastern Mountain Sports, Natural Wonders, Bath & Body Works, Warner Bros. Studio Store, and Wicks 'N Sticks are a few examples.

As you stroll through Tysons you will also notice specialty carts set up throughout the mall, including Bowtique, Celestial Gardens, Craftsee, Cuddly Critters, DC Legends, Music Now and Mad About Bears.

For hungry shoppers Tysons offers a variety of restaurants and specialty food stores. Restaurants include California Pizza Kitchen, Baja Southwestern Grill and Bar, Bar, Frank and Stein (specialty hot dogs), Luciano's Restaurant and Pizzeria, Rainforest Cafe, Silver Diner, Vie de France Bakery and Cafe as well as many others.

Candy Heaven, Auntie Anne's Soft Pretzels, The Coffee Beanery, Lee's Ice Cream, Godiva Chocolatier and Mrs. Field's Cookies are a few of the specialty food stores.

Mall hours are Monday to Saturday 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Tysons is located at 1961 Chain Bridge Road in McLean, Va. To get to Tysons from JMU take Interstate 81 north to I-495 north and follow that to Exit 108 or Exit 11B.

Tysons is also accessible by the Metro. Take the Orange Line to the West Falls Church Metro station. For more Metro information call (202) 637-7000.

For more information about Tysons Corner Center call (703) 893-9400 or 1-888-2TYSONS.

Located near Tysons Corner Center is Tysons Galleria with over 100 stores.

The Galleria stores tend to be more expensive than the stores at Tysons Corner Center.

The three department stores located in the Galleria are Macy's, Neiman Marcus and Saks Fifth Avenue. Other stores include J Crew, Versace Jeans Couture, Ann Taylor, Laura Ashley, Limited, Express and Hugo Boss.

There are also stores that cater to special interests such as FAO Schwarz, The Edge in Electronics, Things Engraved, World of Science, The Franklin Mint, Gallery and Eden Spa.

Shoppers will not go home hungry. There is a variety of restaurants, a food court and specialty food stores.

Restaurants include the Corner Bakery, Daily Grill, Legal Sea Foods of Boston, Maggiano's Little Italy, Ruby Tuesday and the Saint Germain Cafe.

Located in the food court on the upper level is Burger King, Chick-fil-A, Hunan Lion, Sushi Bar, J. Chow's, Jerry's Sub Shop, La Pita and Sbarro the Italian Eatery.

Specialty food shops include Gloria Jean's Coffee Beans, Godiva Chocolatier, Starbucks Cafe and T. Cinnamons Bakery.

Follow the same directions to Tysons Corner Center to get to Tysons Galleria.

From the Galleria there is a shuttle that provides service to the West Falls Church Metro station every 20 minutes. The shuttle only runs between 6:40 a.m. and 4:20 p.m. The fare for the shuttle is 75 cents. For more information about the shuttle call (202) 548-4545.

Also available from Tysons Galleria is Metro Bus Service to Tysons Corner Center.

For more information about Tysons Galleria call (703) 827-7730.

Another option for shoppers in Northern Virginia is Fair Oaks Mall. Also located about two hours from JMU in Fairfax, Va., Fair Oaks boasts more than 150 stores.

The department stores at Fair Oaks are Hecht's, JCPenney, Lord & Taylor and Sears. American Eagle Outfitters, Champs Sports, Eddie Bauer, Abercrombie & Fitch, Banana Republic, Britches Great Outdoors, County Seat, The Gap, Structure, Express, Georgetown Leather, The Limited and Talbots can also be found in Fair Oaks.

If you are looking for stores that cater to specific items or interests there is a big selection of stores to choose from. Bath & Body Works, The Body Shop, Brookstone, Learningsmith, Nantucket Candle, San Francisco Music Box Company, Saturday Matinee-The Movie Store and The Zoo Store are but a few.

If you are looking for decorations or furnishings for your dorm room or apartment, stores like Art Works, The Bombay Company, Deck the Walls, Koenig Art Emporium, This End Up, and Williams-Sonoma offer a good selection of art work, posters, furnishings and knickknacks.

Shoppers at Fair Oaks have a selection of food options such as Bennigan's, Chi Chi's, Hunan Gourmet, Mick's Restaurant, Mozzarella's Cafe, Pizzeria Uno and Sun Japanese Restaurant.

Food specialty stores include Gloria Jean's Gourmet Coffees, Gourmet Pantry, Koh Bros. Frozen Custard & Twist Again Pretzels, Surf City Squeeze, and Zack's Famous Frozen Yogurt as well as many others.

Fair Oaks store hours are Monday to Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. and Sunday 11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Fair Oaks is located at 11750 Fair Oaks Blvd, Fairfax County, Va. 22030. It is accessible by the Metro via the Silver Line.

For more information on Fair Oaks call (703) 359-8300.

To get to Fair Oaks Mall from JMU take 1-81 North to 1-66 east, to Route 50 west, which exits right at Fair Oaks.

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The Breeze

SHOPPING

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Appalachian Equipment offers a variety of metal and plastic signs, traffic cones and caution tape to choose from.

For ONE WAY to get your message across, in at Appalachian Equipment

Kelly Whalen
co-editor

If you're looking for an inexpensive and creative way to accessorize your dorm room or apartment, consider decorating with street signs. Not only are they durable, but they are available in various sizes and colors too.

At Appalachian Equipment in Harrisonburg, you'll find an assortment of metal signs to choose from.

Most students opt for the 12-by-18-inch metal signs displaying messages like "Duck Crossing" or "Yield," said employee Robin Baker, whose husband owns Appalachian Equipment. These signs cost $10. Other messages include "Speed Limit 10," "Do Not Enter," "Permit Parking Only. Loading Zone," and "Exit Only."

Twenty-four-inch stop signs cost $26.30. Stop signs and street signs with first names are especially popular with students, said employee Sirena Baker. Twelve-by-six-inch signs cost approximately $8. For signs with reflective lettering, the cost is about $13. Most signs are sold without poles, but signs with poles cost $23.

Street signs aren't the only decorating option available at Appalachian Equipment. Construction vests, hard hats, fluorescent orange traffic cones, stickers and tape are also purchased by students.

At the beginning of the school year and at Halloween are the most popular times when JMU students purchase signs, Baker said. Mainly JMU students frequent the store, although Virginia Tech students stop in periodically.

Baker says four JMU female students recently purchased construction vests and hard hats for Halloween costumes.

Hard hats cost $8 are available in solid and tie-dye styles.

"Those aren't sold too often unless as a gag gift," Baker said. Fluorescent lime green and orange construction vests range in price from $4.45 to $18.

Fluorescent orange traffic cones are sold in five different sizes. Small cones are priced at $2.75 and the largest cones, at three feet, cost $14.75.

Small stickers with phrases like "Wear Hearing Protection" and "No Smoking" have been popular with students, Baker says. Small stickers range from $1 and above.

At Appalachian Equipment you'll also find a variety of caution tape. Caution tape costs $10 for a one-thousand-foot roll.

Orange triangular signs as seen on farm equipment are also available.

In some cases, street signs serve as furniture instead of wall-hangings.

A four-foot "Construction Site Ahead" sign becomes a coffee table for junior Brad Schreiber, a student at Virginia Tech. A large orange and white striped barrel with a stop sign resting on top is his end-table.

"I needed some furniture, so I had to make do with what I had," Schreiber said.

Appalachian Equipment is closed Saturday and Sunday. For more information, call 434-8336.
Local treasures discovered

Bookfair, jewelry shop, antique mall offer enticing shopping possibilities in close range

Marcia Apperson
copy editor

There are several places to go shopping in Harrisonburg that many JMU students have never heard of. These local treasures have great stuff for reasonable prices.

Many people enjoy curling up with a good book during cold weather. Green Valley Bookfair has about 500,000 copies of books available. The books are separated into over 40 categories. Some of the most popular categories for students are literature, computer books and history books, said Michael Evans, who buys and advertises for the fair.

"The only thing we don't have are textbooks," Evans said.

The book fair offers this wide variety of books at low prices. The store attempts to have everything discounted 60 percent below retail price, Evans said.

"Most books are between 65 to 75 percent off," he said. "This is below what chains usually pay for their books."

Sophomore Brett McNamara went to the book fair for the first time last October. He bought a large Webster's Dictionary for $5 and a coffee table book with pictures of musicians for $7.

"I liked it," McNamara said. "It's like a bookstore except it's cheap."

Many of the customers are students. "Most students are sophomores or juniors before they make it out here," Evans said.

Students need transportation to get to the book fair, which can be a disadvantage for freshmen. McNamara heard about the fair by word of mouth from other students. He said he even saw students he knew while shopping there and he would recommend other students to go to the book fair.

"It's really cool because the books are really cheap," he said.

The fair started in approximately 1917 by selling used and antique books from the old barn that still remains on the property. The fair expanded in 1985 with the building that houses children's books and cookbooks. The two-story building that holds the majority of the books was built in 1990. Now the book fair sells only new books.

The book fair is not open all year. Six fairs are scheduled for this year. The fair will be held on the following dates during 1999: March 13-28, May 15-31, July 3-11, Aug. 7-15, Oct. 9-24 and Nov. 26-Dec. 12. On these days the book fair will be open from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

To get to Green Valley Bookfair take Interstate 81 to Exit 240 at Mt. Crawford. Turn east on road 682. Go one and a half miles and turn left on road 681 at the book fair sign.

For more information check out the book fair website at www.gvbookfair.com or call 434-0309.

If reading is not your favorite hobby, you can go to Rolling Hills Antiques Mall located on Market Street.

About 50 dealers have booths set up where their items are sold. Products range from vintage clothing to neon signs, clerk Mary Rexrode said.

"It's a total combination of everything from little to big," Rexrode said.

Other items include hats, dresses, shoes, jewelry and furniture. The prices start at $2 for small collectibles but the store likes to sell most items for $20 and above, Rexrode said.

Most of the customers are travelers since many locals don't even realize the mall is here. Travelers see the signs on I-81 that are located on the north and south ends of town. "We have a lot of students come in here to buy," Rexrode said.

The students come in groups of three to five people usually, she said. If you leave from campus, get on Cantrell Street and turn left onto Route 33. The mall is only two blocks from there. It's about 50 dealers have booths set up here.

"We sell everything at discount prices," Zullig said.

The store sells items at low prices because it sells close out items for stores going out of sale. The store also buys jewelry in large volumes, which allows them to sell a lot of merchandise at lower prices. Some sterling silver jewelry is sold as low as $2, Zullig said.

Jewelry isn't the only thing you will find at low prices in this store. The Gold & Silver shop also sells tea sets, candleholders, flatware and even liquor labels. Parents of JMU students often buy picture frames and jewelry, Zullig said.

"We always have a huge selection of things to suit everyone," Zullig said.

Parents and students are not the only customers. Customers come from as far as Roanoke and Richmond.

The store sells to local customers, other states and internationally. "We sell to 50 states," Zullig said. "It's a broad based business."

Jewelry dealers from Germany come once a month.

Jewelry dealers will buy jewelry at the shop and then resell it at higher prices, Zullig said.

"It's a place you can't visit just once," Zullig said.

"You've got to come back."

The mail order business is very popular. Sterling silver flatware is often ordered by phone.

Unfortunately, the store doesn't sell jewelry over the phone, Zullig said.

Customers can order by phone at 1-800-296-8676. February through May the store is open Tuesday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

During the summer the store is open on Mondays, too. During Christmas the store is open for regular hours and on Sundays from noon to 5 p.m.

The store is located at Weyers Cave. Take Exit 235 off I-81. The store is located on Route 11 about two miles off the interstate.

For more information call (540) 234-8676 or check out the website at rockysilver.com.
From a Star, A King is born

Intriguing sights in Roanoke

Emily Nichols
design editor

Roanoke's one-of-a-kind outdoor monument to Elvis Presley, a miniature version of Graceland, has attracted thousands of Elvis' biggest fans. It is located on Riverland Road at the home of Donald and Kim Epperly.

While viewing this mini-Graceland, one can hear the King's greatest hits being played. There are even scaled down versions of the gardens at Graceland around the Epperly's creation. There is no set tour schedule and it is requested that visitors leave donations at the site.

The Roanoke Star, one of the world's largest manmade stars, is the reason why Roanoke is called the "Star City."

As soon as you pull off highway 220S down the Center in the Square exit, you will start seeing blue signs with stars on them. If you follow these signs, they will take you straight up Mill Mountain to the Star. You can look down from the overlooks and see the entire city below. It is especially impressive at night when the city is lit up and you can see for miles.

Newseum makes headlines with journalism exhibits

Visitors produce broadcasts, simulate role of editors at interactive museum

Christie Messina
co-editor

"Freedom of speech is better than sex," Madonna once said. Those who have visited the Newseum, the only interactive museum of news, may develop the same appreciation for our First Amendment rights.

Located across the Key Bridge from Washington, the Newseum transforms passive viewers into active participants by giving them the opportunity to produce their own newscasts, make real-life ethical decisions and electronically put themselves in the role of an editor or journalist in the Interactive Newsroom.

"I liked how the Newseum allowed you to take the perspective of a journalist and provided you with feedback based on your decisions," said junior Allyson Hofer.

Dr. Charles Turner has taken his SMAD 200 class every semester since the Newseum opened in the Spring of 1997.

He is impressed with the way that the Newseum "links into the historical dimension of SMAD 230." Turner adds that the Newseum "vivifies a lot of important media events of the century."

The exhibits at the Newseum are much more than art work or dinosaur bones. The News History Gallery has hundreds of news-related objects, newspapers and magazines and award-winning photojournalism and cartoons on display.

Visitors also have the opportunity to watch footage of original broadcasts from famous events. Another exhibit provides historical background from the days before the invention of the printing press.

Among the best features is the Video News Wall. Breaking news from around the world is broadcast via satellite across a 126-foot-long wall. Directly above the screens, current headlines from the Associated Press are scrolled across a "zipper." Beneath this panorama are 70 newspapers from different cities, states, and countries which are updated daily.

The Newseum improves with every visit. You can attend a live taping in the broadcast studio, or view a traveling exhibit of photographs of presidential families.

There is no cost for admission, studio tours or media discussions. The Newseum is open Wednesday through Sunday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. every day, except Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's.

The Newseum is funded by The Freedom Forum, a nonpartisan, international foundation dedicated to free press, free speech and free spirit for all people.

Excerpts from 'Exorcist' legend lives in Georgetown

Christie Messina
co-editor

I saw the stairs one day by accident. Looking for parking on M Street, I had driven too far. And there they were, all 75 of them, standing placidly next to an Exxon station—the infamous Exorcist Stairs. Everyone from Northern Virginia has seen them, or at least heard the rumors. Were these hidden stairs really the scene of chilling deaths in the 1973 film that is reputed to have caused reactions of fainting and vomiting?

I was intrigued to learn that the staircase at Prospect and 36th Streets that leads down to M Street was not the only Georgetown landmark in the movie. Numerous other Georgetown locations, including the Key Bridge, Georgetown University, Dahlgren Chapel and the house near the top of the steps on Prospect Street were also used in many unforgettable scenes, according to the Washington Post Online.

"There's a light at the top of the stairs that flickers sometimes. It's very creepy," said junior Tammy Hill.

The miniature version of Graceland is a notable attraction in Roanoke.

EMILY NICHOLS
STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

The famous 'Exorcist' stairs in Georgetown are a popular site.

Looks can be deceiving. In 'The Exorcist,' it appears that the steps are adjacent to the house. In reality, however, they are about 75 feet away. A false front helped to create this illusion. No scenes were actually filmed inside the house. All interior scenes were shot on a stage in New York.

Do you think the citizens of this sophisticated Northwest neighborhood let horror stories scare them? Not a chance. Those in search of a good workout use the path over the C & O Canal or run up and down the stairs on Prospect Street. Hill's high school crew team ran up the stairs as part of their workout.

Now the 46th highest grossing movie of all time, 'The Exorcist' is based on the best-selling novel by William Peter Blatty, a Georgetown graduate who once lived on Prospect Street. He was inspired by an alleged exorcism of a young boy in Maryland decades earlier.

But the people of Washington have nothing to fear. They have survived a presidential scandal, a mayor on crack and a shooting at the Capitol. A little girl with a spinning head and projectile green vomit doesn't scare anyone.

Intriguing sights in Roanoke

Emily Nichols
staff photographer

The Roanoke Star, one of the world's largest manmade stars, is the reason why Roanoke is called the "Star City." As soon as you pull off highway 220S down the Center in the Square exit, you will start seeing blue signs with stars on them. If you follow these signs, they will take you straight up Mill Mountain to the Star. You can look down from the overlooks and see the entire city below. It is especially impressive at night when the city is lit up and you can see for miles.

The miniature version of Graceland is a notable attraction in Roanoke.

The famous 'Exorcist' stairs in Georgetown are a popular site.
Although a drive to the beach from the Valley might not be convenient, it is possible to find romantic ways to celebrate Valentine’s Day in the ‘Burg.

Often simple gestures can mean the most. Freshman Jessica Pilot fondly remembers her favorite holiday. “The best Valentine’s Day I had was when my boyfriend showed up at my door with a Winnie the Pooh teddy bear, he knew it was my favorite,” she says. “The bear was holding flowers, and it had a necklace on, and a ring on its finger. It was the sweetest thing...”

Although it may be easy to melt a woman’s heart, some guys think maybe the roles should be reversed on this annual day of affection. Instead of the traditional “guy makes all the plans” type day, junior Mike Scott says he would like it if a girl took him out instead. “I’d like for a girl to take me to a high-class restaurant, with candles and a bottle of Moet.”

Fellow junior Issac King, agrees. “It’s something men aren’t used to, being wined and dined by women, so it would be a change for the better.”

Many males admitted they would definitely make for an incredible evening. Many students said they feel this day in mid-February is overrated. If you love someone, shouldn’t there be little ways to show him or her everyday? Leaving little notes where they will find them, surprise them with cookies or bring them some coffee you know they’ll like. Valentine’s Day, perhaps, should be filled with sweet gestures like this.

Sophomore Evan Lewis-Gay says he thinks it should be a day mainly geared toward the girls, but less expectations should be placed on guys. “I think that more girls should give what they take all the time in relationships, and not put so much pressure on us, especially for Valentine’s Day,” Lewis-Gay says. “We don’t want to feel guilty if we don’t think you like what we planned.”

There are always ways to express how much you care for someone, and perhaps Feb. 14 is the time to go all out and spoil a significant other.

Studies show February and March are the most depressing months of the year. Many admit they could use a little romance to lighten up their lives. Something as simple as a flower or card can put a smile on someone’s face.

“Last year we went to Georgetown and out to dinner.”

“If a guy gave you a rose on Valentine’s Day with a diamond inside the petals.”

“When my ex-boyfriend asked me to marry him, but now we’re not together.”

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Sticking it to the competition

Dukes crush Sweet Briar, 28-4, host Hollins Monday in final home meet

Freshman Tara Saddig goes on the attack in the foil competition against Sweet Briar College Monday night in Godwin Hall. Saddig went 3-0 as the Dukes defeated Sweet Briar, 28-4. JMU faces Hollins College Monday night in their final home meet of the season.

DAVID BUCK
Contributing writer

The fencing team won the first of their two home meets Monday night in a 28-4 beating of Sweet Briar College, a club team that co-captain Susan Loeser calls "beginners." The novice level of the SBC team showed again at the state championship. We whooped them tonight."

Many Dukes had very strong showings in the meet. Vicki Karousos, Allison Schwartz and Kim Roberts all had perfect nights, going 4-0 in the epee event. In foil, Katie Mailloux went 4-0, Tara Saddig in JMU's victory.

"We had excellent execution on the parts of all our fencers tonight. It was a team effort. A couple of fencers had shaky starts, and we kept each other going. We were even trailing at the beginning, but we were able to turn it around and win our bouts."

Their win Monday brought the Dukes' record to 13-6, with five of their six defeats coming at the hands of teams who finished in the top 20 in the nation last year. The win keeps them on the right track heading into the home-stretch of the season.

"There are 15 teams in the conference, and we hope to finish on top," Campbell said. "We finished second last year. This year we hope to win it, or at least finish in the top three."

The team also has the state championship meet coming up which will pit JMU against Hollins College, SBC, The University of Virginia, Virginia Tech University and Mary Baldwin College.

"There's not a lot of competition at that meet," Campbell said. "Hollins and us are the only varsity programs, but the meet is good to promote the sport of fencing in the state of Virginia."

JMU is the defending state champions, and they are hoping to defend their title this year.

After totally outclassing Sweet Briar, the next challenge for the Dukes is their next meet on Monday night in Godwin Hall against Hollins who, as the only other varsity program in the state, is the main threat to unseat JMU as state champions.

The Hollins meet will be the final home meet for JMU. They then move on to their championship meets, and the Dukes look poised to fulfill their championship dreams.

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Dukes searching for answers
JMU heads into the home stretch hoping for brighter future

When the JMU women's basketball team tipped off their 1998-99 season against Radford University Nov. 13, second-year head coach Bud Childers had lofty expectations for his club. And why not? He had virtually every member returning from last year's 17-11 squad, as well as five highly-touted freshmen.

With the core of a talented and mature team coming back, not to mention a year under Childers' belt, things looked pretty promising, right?

Oh, how times have changed. Following a season-long struggle to find an offensive rhythm, suspensions, a tough road schedule and a constant battle with injuries, the Dukes find themselves at the bottom of the CAA with a 9-15 record and the coaching staff looking for answers.

When Childers arrived from the University of Louisville to take the helm at JMU, he found some big shoes to fill following the departure of the highly-successful Sheila Moorman, who compiled a 362-134 record over her 15-year career. This is the time I've taken over a winning program. The other places I've coached have all been rebuilding tasks," Childers said. "You definitely feel some added pressure taking over a program as successful as JMU."

The first place to look when trying to find the root of the Dukes' problems this season has to be on offense, which has had trouble scoring points all year.

Despite the return of their four leading scorers, the team finds itself dead last in the league in scoring, with not a single player averaging in double figures. Kish Jordan, the team's leading scorer, is averaging a modest 7.9 ppg.

"This year has been a huge disappointment for myself and the team," Childers said. "We've been dismal offensively, and I can't understand why. Last year we were near the top in almost every offensive category, and the cast hasn't changed from last season."

So why has the team had so many offensive troubles? Junior point guard and team assistant leader Mistiza Colebank thinks it has been a problem with simple execution.

"Coach Childers' system is pretty diverse, and it can be confusing sometimes," she said. "We haven't executed the offense correctly a lot of times, and we haven't taken the open shot when it's there."

Senior guard/forward Hope Cook agrees. "Sometimes we try to make the extra pass and end up turning the ball over a lot," she said. "We need to keep the intensity up and knock down the open shot."

Just when it seemed like things couldn't get any worse for JMU, it did. Last Saturday, the Dukes lost valuable leadership and the majority of their offensive output when Colebank and Jordan, the team's top rebounder and scoring leader, along with sophomore guard Becky Wolenberg and freshman center Hollee Franklin were suspended indefinitely for violating team rules.

As if a horrific offense and suspensions weren't enough, team injuries have kept the coaching staff guessing all year long. There have been a total of 18 different starting lineups this season and there hasn't been a single game when every player on the roster was available to play.

"It's been like a M.A.S.H. unit around here all season," Childers said. "You can never count on injuries occurring, and since mid-December, we've had more than our share."

Another obstacle JMU was forced to deal with this year was an extremely demanding road schedule, particularly early in the season. Thirteen of the Dukes' first 17 contests were away games, during which JMU posted a 6-11 record.

Over winter break, while most JMU students went home to relax, the basketball team was playing in holiday tournaments all over the country.

"Our early season schedule had a major impact on our record," Coach Childers said. "Flying wore us out, and we're like a different team on the road. It's hard to win college basketball games on the road if you're not playing well."

As a tumultuous season winds down, Childers remains unshakably optimistic. "The thing I like about this team is that we have continued to work hard in the face of a disappointing season," he said. "I haven't seen any signs of players quitting or giving less than their best on the court."

Childers, who amassed a 324-199 record in his 17-year coaching career before coming to JMU, is excited about the prospects for next season after landing five solid recruits during the November early-signing period.

"I'm pleased with how the early recruiting season went," he said. "We've got some kids coming in that can really help us.

With the departure of five seniors, the Dukes will be an extremely young team next season, but Childers says it will still be one to keep an eye on.

"We'll be playing with 10 freshmen and sophomores, but we'll have a lot of enthusiasm and energy," he said. "We'll make a lot of young mistakes, but we'll be pretty entertaining and fun to watch."

But don't write off the 1998-'99 JMU Dukes just yet, there are still some games left to be played. And anything can happen in the conference tournament in March.

"We're gonna have to win the CAA tournament to get an NCAA bid," Coach Childers said, "but you never know what can happen."

ROBERT NATTI/staff photographer
JMU guard Mandy White takes the ball to the hoop against Old Dominion University Friday. The Dukes are 9-15 this season.

MU senior forward Manika Herring concentrates on hitting a free throw. The Dukes host William & Mary tomorrow at 7:30 p.m.

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JMU women's basketball coach Bud Childers

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"Will the 20-year-old Bryant be allowed to celebrate with champagne?"

I figured to wait at least a week to throw my two cents in for this abbreviated NBA season. It took me that long to figure out who's playing where.

Being the basketball addict I am, it won't be hard for me to memorize the Lakers' roster. Actually, it won't be a challenge for many NBA fans — L.A. has replaced this year's No. 1 pick with former Bull B.J. Armstrong to backup David Wesley this year in the back court. It's all a moot point, because the Hornets' Glen Rice is out for eight weeks. Anthony Mason is out for the season, Matt Geiger is a Detroit Piston and the Hornets will be bad.

The Pistons are my sleeper in the East. If you think they're solid now, wait until Christian Laettner returns from injury. Grant Hill, who team with Laettner to win two titles at Duke University, is in the last year of his contract and will have a huge season. If you want to find the Rookie of the Year, you have to go West. I guarantee you right now, Jason Williams, the Jazz new guard in Sacramento, will take home the award. He has a solid supporting cast of Chris Webber, Vlade Divac and Corliss Williamson, and if you didn't get to see Williams at the University of Florida last year, you missed out. He is a passing wizard and can shoot the lights out. He lit up Rupp Arena last year in a win over Kentucky, before getting kicked out of school for allegedly smoking marijuana. Anyone care to guess who his high school hoops teammate was? Williams teamed with Randy Moss of the Minnesota Vikings at DuPont High School in West Virginia. The Kings are my top sleeper in the West, but a pick that will have everybody scratching their heads is the Denver Nuggets. They have Nick Van Exel at point guard (the Lakers gave him up on him, which could cost L.A. the West), and a solid bunch of youngsters, starting with $70 million man Antonio McDyess. Guys like Chauncey Billups, Danny Fortson and Rafe LaFrentz round out a young bunch. This squad could sneak into the playoffs.

Crazy prediction time — Toni Kukoc will lead the NBA in scoring. The Jazz will bow out in the second round of the playoffs, and completely diabolically following the season. They will build their franchise around Shandon Anderson, a vastly underrated backup forward. Dennis Rodman will sign with the Lakers. If Jerry West can't sign him, The Worm will end up in the WWP. The Wizards will sneak into the playoffs as the 8th seed. Mike Bibby will be the biggest bust of this year's rookie class.

Last season, I dubbed Steve Smith the best trash talker in the NBA, taking the title from John Starks (who has been sent to purgatory in Golden State). Smith, who was fined in the opening weekend for yapping and then getting in a fight with Kendall Gill, will lead the NBA in fines for fighting.

How do we know the season is officially underway? Sir Charles Barkley has already been fined. The NBA front office slapped the MVP of the all-interview team with a $5,000 fine for "directing obscene language toward fans" in an opening night loss to the Lakers. If you missed that game, there's no need to worry, you'll see L.A. and Houston square off in the Western Conference Finals. The Lakers, who made the best move in the off season by inking Kobe Bryant for six more years, will take the West and then the NBA title. The question is, when do the Lakers win the title in July, will the 20-year-old Bryant be allowed to celebrate with champagne in the locker room on national television?

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Cavaliers avenge title loss
UVa. beats JMU after handing over state championship

Tuesdays morning was a time for celebrating for the JMU wrestling Dukes, as they were awarded their first state championship since 1986. But the celebration was short-lived, as the University of Virginia — the team forced to hand the championship over to the Dukes that morning — defeated JMU 24-13 in Godwin Hall Tuesday night.

The Dukes were named state champions for only the second time in school history after officials recounted the team scores from the Virginia State Championship tournament held Jan. 22-23 in Lexington. Originally, JMU finished second at the meet with 129 points, eight behind UVa. However, JMU head coach Jeff "Peanut" Bowyer discovered an error in the scoring. After tournament officials recalculated the points, the final score read: JMU 137, UVa. 135.

The fact that it took a recount to establish the Dukes as state champions didn't bother the team at all.

"We worked really hard to accomplish it," junior co-captain Mike Coyle said. "That was one of our goals."

The announcement meant that the Cavaliers would bring more than just their equipment to Harrisonburg Tuesday — they were to bring the championship plaque as well. The Cavaliers were none too happy about giving up the award, and they came to Godwin Hall seeking some revenge.

"They came to prove a point," Bowyer said. "They brought the trophy and did their talking on the mat. They have a better dual meet team, and they were better today."

JMU sophomore Nathan Rickman, the state champion at 174 pounds, defeated senior John Qualter in the first match of the evening. Rickman upped his record to 20-8 with a 6-2 decision. But the 3-0 lead was the first and last lead of the night for the Dukes.

UVa. won the next two matches, earning four points for a major decision at 197 pounds, and jumped out to a 7-3 lead.

"I thought D.J. did a nice job," Bowyer said. "That was a nice match, especially after the Hockman then won his bout against sophomore Ryan Painter 4-2 in overtime. Hockman tied the match at two in the third period and won the match with a takedown in overtime.

"I thought D.J. did a nice job," Bowyer said. "That was a nice match, especially after the way the kid [Painter] was going the whole time."

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It's been a wild and woolly week in the world of intramural basketball, but once again, The Breeze's advanced ranking system has been able to keep up with the action. This week promises to be huge as No.1 ranked Trouble faces No.2 GMSM Feb. 15 at 8 p.m. at UREC. No. 2 ranked Pi Kappa Phi "A" will have its hands full with the No. 3 ranked SAE "A" team. As always, all rankings are based primarily on record and for recreational use only. —Compiled by Bobby Forst and UREC Staff

Last Week's Intramural Highlights
Antoine Lucas put on an impressive offensive display while Nigel Jackson led Digital in steals during their 75-48 win over Le Coque. Aces. Martin Scarborough of Def Squad hit two foul shots with 2.9 seconds left to tie the game after $mrvk$ of SACS hit a three-pointer with four seconds left. J.J. Jenten and Keith Fronczek helped The Straight Guys to a 80-37 win over the Washington Generals. Trl-Sigma came back from a 13-16 halftime deficit to defeat FC Ambassadors, 26-22. Ryan Nelson iced the game for the PI Kappa Phi "A" team with a three-pointer down the stretch and a pair of free throws. T-Latane Meade helped SAE team defeat EN 'A', 68-41. Unchay Fleishman hit the game-winning shot with three seconds left as Team Debonair defeated Team Enterprise by one. Warren Keays and Josh Schmiesng led Chi PI "B" team 67-21 over KA "B" team, holding KA to only one field goal in the first half. CCM 92 played valiantly against Maximum Narcotic as they put up a fight with only four players. The basketball captain's playoff meeting is Feb. 22nd at 5 p.m. in the Instructional room at UREC.

—Design by Rebecca Dougherty

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Dukes win state title

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ed, as they were awarded bonus points in their victories at 125 and 133 pounds.

Coyle's win at 141 pulled the Dukes to within 16-10.

"I just did what I had to do," Coyle said. "I just did my job. I would have liked to pin him though."

But the Dukes won only one of the final three matches, with freshman Seth Cameron shutting out Cavalier sophomore Greg Francesca 4-0 in the 157-pound match.

The loss marked the 12th time UVa. has beaten JMU in the teams' 16 dual meets.

"Everything pretty much went as I expected it," Bowyer said. "We had to wrestle an exceptional match to able to beat them, and we didn't wrestle that way."

Only one of UVa.'s four seniors failed to win his match.

"There were several situations were we had freshman versus seniors," JMU assistant coach Doug Detrick said. "I don't think we wrestled that bad, for having four freshmen in the line up."

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**Today's Birthday (Feb. 11)** What starts out as a game with friends could turn into a serious project. The difficulties you run into in solving it will make you all stronger, and more closely bonded. You're lucky in March, especially where money is concerned, so if you are going to spend, buy the very best. You should be able to afford it. In April, study is required, so you can lead your friends through a maze. Delegate in August to a person who thinks a tough job is easy. Your best leader in November doesn't talk much, but December is full of fun and games. Just make sure you don't spend too much.

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 6 — Something you learned in the past is going to be very useful today. If a situation comes up that you've seen before, go back to the previous time. Look at how it worked out then. If you did catch the job, put in the correction. This is how true learning occurs.

**Taurus** (April 20-May 20) — Today is a 6 — You're worried about money again, and the anxiety you're experiencing may actually be getting in the way of having the problems dissolve. Isn't it funny how this happens? Sometimes worrying about a thing makes it stick in place so we can't ever get past it. Today, if you can possibly relax, you and your friend can find a way.

**Gemini** (May 21-June 21) — Today is a 5 — A bold move today could be in order. It's important to have all the facts, but you don't need to tell them all yet. Somebody once said that discretion was the better part of valor, and today's that's certainly true. Be discreet, and advise your partner to do the same.

**Cancer** (June 22-July 22) — Today is a 5 — If you notice your job is no fun anymore, maybe that's because you've taken on too much. There are no extra points to be gained for working yourself to death. Do the things you're good at, and delegate the rest to somebody else.

**Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is a 7 — You might be tempted to take a risk. There's a great opportunity there, but one consequence you hadn't considered: Something that seems abundant will turn out to be scarce. So, if you're betting on there being more of it, you'll lose.

**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept 22) — Today is a 6 — Beware of a deal today that looks too good to be true. It is. There's a barrier in the way.

**Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Today is a 5 — You've just about learned enough to put new skills to work on a household project. This could be fun, especially if you've got a partner with a little more experience. Don't think you have to think of the whole thing today, however. Concentrate on the demolition phase now, and you can get into the reconstruction over the weekend.

**Scorpio** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Today is a 6 — Your losses today could be even greater than yesterday, so take care. Concentrate on bringing money in, rather than spending it. One thing you'll gain plenty of today is experience. You don't have to learn everything the hard way. Pay close attention to what's going on around you, and you can learn from other people's mistakes.

**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is a 5 — You could be wondering where you'll get the money to take the vacation you're planning. The conditions in effect right now are most likely keeping you stuck at home for a while. Instead of being frustrated, use this to your advantage. A home business could help you generate the cash you want.

**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is a 6 — Today, you're going to go through a bit of a cleanup phase. Get rid of whatever you don't need so tomorrow you can get new stuff. If it's emotional baggage you're carrying around, just dump it. You'll be amazed to see how much fun life can be. At least try it for a half hour, to see if you like it.

**Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is a 6 — Be careful today with your money. You could be surprised at how fast you wind up going through it. Once there was plenty of it, but soon enough there won't be enough. Be extremely careful with your checkbook, and leave your credit cards at home.

**Pisces** (Feb. 19-March 20) — Today is a 5 — Remember to be respectful today, even when you don't feel like it. It'll earn you points. If somebody else doesn't understand where you're coming from, don't let it bother you. What this person is missing is something that's pretty obvious to you, and to some of your friends. Be gentle when you point it out.

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**Soap Opera Updates**

**All My Children**

Tad gives Dixie the word that Junior is fine. Junior tells Dixie he doesn't want her to die and Tad finds the Dixie video. Liza shows up before he can watch it and tells Tad Dixie is seriously sick. Tad tells Jake he still loves Dixie and Liza watches Dixie's video after picking it up at Tad's place. Hayley exits Wildwind and Matoe agrees to join her after the custody hearing. Gillion points a piece at David and is ready to pump the lead into him for ruining Ryan's chances. Jake stops her.

**Another World**

Cindy and Grant romp through the sheets and Marley wants Tryone to get her out of the hospital. Joe finds Tim in the restaurant after closing, but Paulina bails him out. Remy wants to know why Tim is hugging at Carlino's. Tito cringes when Remy claims all she ever wanted was a mother. Paulina gets the DNA test results and discovers she's got a son. Joe is on to Tito and sets out to prove that he is a son. Cass wonders what Lila is so afraid of. Jordan continues to threaten Lila with the safety of her child.

**As the World Turns**

Lucinda and Georgia square off over Eddie. Lucinda finds the letter James got and realizes it was Holden who murdered David. Denise charms Big Ben and thanks him for letting her hang out at his place. Sara Bath doesn't like the fact that Ben didn't visit Camille after her surgery. Jack asks Julia to stop popping the pills. Carly goes to Jack for help again.

**Guiding Light**

Jesse finds Michelle with Danny at the Lighthouse. She manages to convince Jesse that she loves Danny. He leaves totally rattled and Michelle falls apart. Dinah causes a scene at Lark's birthday party. Victor will be a star in Lucy's new video. Frank causes a scene at Lark's birthday party after Chris spikes his drink. Lark is totally upset by Frank's act. Lee discovers that Julie will be placed in Fencliff. Chris orders up another prescription of Demerol for Frank and Frank is called to take a drug test.

**The Young & the Restless**

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**Sunset Beach**

Olivia confronts Francesca about her desires for Cole. Francesca tells Olivita to back off or she will call Caitlin about her affair with Cole. Olivita just threatens to take Francesca out of the picture, and Bette walks in. Francesca grabs the 5 mil from Gregory and sets out to seduce AJ, but things don't go so well. Cole walked in as she was kissing AJ.

**The Young & the Restless**

Rush goes to visit May and hears that Jim is feeling under the weather. Olivia gets word that the swelling in Malcolm's brain has grown but she's upset that Malcolm knows. Olivia is just as upset that Malcolm knows. Malcolm is in the hospital, and Bette is helping to take care of him. Megan gets the key to Tony's apartment to throw him a surprise party. Megan asked Ryan to get Tricia to lighten up about her and Ryan. Ryan didn't like seeing her kiss Nina goodnight.
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ONE NIGHT, MUFFIN SPENT HOURS WORKING ON A SCHOOL PROJECT.

C'MON, C'MON... GRRRR.......

BUT IT JUST WAS NOT HAPPENING FOR HER. ALL YOU'VE GOT HERE IS YOUR NAME CROSSED OUT 20 TIMES. WHY DON'T YOU DO THIS AFTER YOU'VE HAD SOME SLEEP?

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Jesus Christ was a liar.

Either that or a complete raving lunatic. Oh yeah, there's one other option (and only one): He was and is God, just as he claimed.

Many people prefer to think he was a good moral teacher, but if you think through it, that's not logically possible. Jesus, in the midst of a fiercely monotheistic culture, through his actions and overt statements claimed to be God in the flesh.

If the claim was false, then either Jesus knew that, or he didn't. If it was false and he knew it, then by his intentional deception he has scammed the world with the greatest hoax ever conceived. Liars don't tend to make particularly good moral teachers.

If, on the other hand, he honestly was convinced in his own mind that he was God (and wasn't) then it's pretty clear that he was a lunatic. If your roommate really thought she was God, what would you think of her?

The only remaining possibility, as implausible as it sounds, is that the claim was true: Jesus really is God. He really does love you. And he really can forgive your sins.

Liar, Lunatic, or Lord. Can you think of another option?

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