Hokies gobble up the Dukes

Va. Tech hands JMU its worst loss in 20 years

By Jason McNytre
assistant sports editor

If JMU was going to have a chance against 11th-ranked Virginia Tech in the season opener for both schools, the Dukes would have had to strike early. And they did.

But that fleeting chance was swallowed by the Hokies' defense so fast that before the Dukes knew it, they had turned a 7-yard run into a 3rd and 50 situation.

On JMU's second offensive series, tailback Curtis Keaton took a hand off at the JMU 6-yard line, and with a block from tight end John Wakley, bounced to the outside, cut back to the middle and sprung to daylight.

As Keaton burst across midfield, it looked like the Dukes were about to strike first. But Hokies cornerback Cory Bird had an angle on about to strike first. But Hokies cornerback Cory Bird had an angle on.

JMU's Charles Berry gets leveled by Tech LB Jameel Smith (46). The transfer QB was under pressure all day.

Band takes command of field when team takes break

The 414-member band showed up to begin practice on Aug. 22, a week before classes began. This year, due to orientation, the band could attend their morning so freshmen band members could attend their evening orientation activities, said sophomore Kristin Stansberry, a flute player. The Marching Royal Dukes, JMU's award-winning marching band, however, dedicate many of their precious hours of freedom to music and standing on their feet.

The 414-member band showed up to begin practice on Aug. 22, a week before classes started to get ready for its season. The group performed its first show Saturday at halftime before 51,907 during the JMU-Virginia Tech football game and was one of the only highlights in the Dukes' 47-0 loss.

"It gives you a chance to learn your music before classes start," said sophomore Kristin Stansberry, a flute player. The MRDs usually use the week to learn the bulk of music, drill and routines for performances before classes begin. This year, changes in the band camp had to be made to accommodate freshman orientation.

"We got through the week ahead of schedule despite the rain and [complications due to] orientation," Pat Rooney, director of bands, said.

"[Band camp] was a little bit different than it was before," senior guard captain Meredith Walkley said. "We front-loaded the week. It was different because we pushed so hard."

Due to orientation, the band began practice early in the morning so freshmen band members could attend their evening orientation activities, Walkley said. Usually, the band stretches the work out throughout the week, but the changed schedule allowed the band to see progress earlier in the week.

"We had the show on the field by Thursday," Walkley said.

Sophomore Matt Shearer, a member of the MRD trumpet section, agreed. "It was a lot more intense than last year and I think we got a lot more done."

The long hours and endless practices the MRDs require members to learn time management skills quickly. Senior Lacey Hansen, one of the MRDs' three drum majors, said balancing life, school and band during the year is "all about time management. But I love everything about it. You play with some of the most dedicated people. I just love making music with them."

Walkley said it does require dedication, but the experience of being an MRD is worth it. "It's a giant family," she said. "I mean, it's 450 of your closest friends, and the MRDs get a chance against I-A teams."

The Madisonians live on as the Essence of Tenacity

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Tuesday, Sept. 7, 1999

**POLICE LOG**

Unidentified individuals allegedly vandalized the cheerleading office area on the first floor of Godwin Hall on Sept. 3 at 3:30 a.m. The vandals covered the door with soda and shampoo.

In other matters, campus police report the following:

**Underage Possession of Alcohol**

- A JMU student was arrested and charged with underage possession of alcohol on Sept. 3 at 12:30 a.m. at the intersection of Bluestone Drive and Duke Drive. The student is a juvenile.

**Underage Possession of Alcohol/Underage Consumption**

- Kelly M. Schneider, 18, of Yorktown, was arrested and charged with underage possession of alcohol and underage consumption on Sept. 3 at 1:25 a.m. at the rear of Cleveland Hall.

**Obscene Conduct/Non-Compliance with Official Request/Personal Abuse**

- Three JMU students were judicially charged with obscene conduct, non-compliance with official request and personal abuse on Sept. 1 at 8:50 p.m. at the rear of White Hall.

**Hit and Run**

- Unidentified individuals allegedly struck and knocked down a light pole on Sept. 1 at 11:35 p.m. at the rear of Bridgeforth Stadium. The vehicle is suspected to be a dark green or blue sport utility vehicle with extensive damage to the rear end.

**Harassing E-mail**

- Unidentified JMU students allegedly sent a harassing e-mail message on Sept. 2 at 12:12 p.m. The matter is under investigation.

**Alcohol Poisoning**

- A Bridgewater College student reportedly had alcohol poisoning on Sept. 3 at 1:50 a.m. in Ikenberry Hall.

**Petty Larceny**

- Unidentified individuals allegedly stole a hang tag from a JMU student's wallet from a JMU student's bookbag on Sept. 2 at 11 a.m. in Carrier Library.

**Multic Fire**

- There was a mulch fire south of Shorts Hall on Sept. 4 at 1:51 p.m. A small amount of mulch was smoldering around a tree.

**The Harrisonburg Fire Department responded to extinguish the mulch.**

**Number of drunk in public charges since Aug. 28: 2**

**Market Watch**

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Friday, Sept. 3, 1999
Schools still face overcrowding

SMAD continues to have hiring difficulties

ISA ROSATO
junior writer

After a summer of searching for and interviewing candidates, the School of Media Arts and Design's search committee was only able to fill one of four open positions.

The new faculty member will start this spring and take over SMAD 250 (script writing) and SMAD 390 (video production fundamentals), according to George Johnson, SMAD director.

Johnson declined to release the new faculty member’s name because an official contract has not yet been signed, therefore she isn’t officially coming to JMU yet. He does not know why the contract hasn’t been returned.

The regular instructor for those courses, Ruskin Greene, will be in Italy for two semesters. Johnson said that the problem doesn’t lie in money problems or a lack of qualified applicants so much as there are other issues beyond the school’s control, such as tenure.

“Finding the right person for the job is always a challenge,” he said. “We can only hope that we can offer the new faculty members the correct set of circumstances that will attract them and keep them here.”

The SMAD search committee, made up of five faculty members, Greene, John Woody, Pauli Fitzgerald, Thomas McHardy, and Johnson as chair, interviewed a total of eight applicants for the four positions. However, JMU couldn’t offer all of them exactly what they were asking for, Johnson said.

Some applicants may have requested tenure upon hiring, which JMU cannot offer. Others may have turned down the position for personal reasons such as the limited job market available for their spouses, Johnson said.

In addition, SMAD received the open positions in mid-April, giving the school short notice to attract qualified applicants. The number of open positions, which can be the result of early retirements or unextended contracts, are determined for each department by Academic Affairs, Johnson said. The College of Arts and Letters then relays the open positions to each department, he said.

According to Dean Richard Whitman, the College of Arts and Letters has hired 29 new faculty total for the 1999-2000 school year, one of those being in SMAD.

Open positions can also be given to the university from the Virginia General Assembly, which meets in January. Therefore, the positions aren’t known to the university until March or April, leaving little time in the academic calendar to find new hires.

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It is not very likely that faculty would leave where they are to come here in the spring,” Johnson said. “We are not sure if we even want the kind of person who can do that anyway.”

“However, generalizations are hard to make about something like this,” he said.

The likelihood of turning up qualified candidates is unpredictable, therefore it is always worth a shot to conduct a summer search, despite the timing.

“For as late a search as it was, it was a better quality search,” Johnson said.

Woody, an associate SMAD professor who was on the search committee in May, said the committee did its best to find faculty under difficult timing issues.

“If you are going to have a search in the summer you need to have some real incentives because it is such a short time period for established faculty members to leave where they are and come here,” Woody said. “They want to offer their department the same consideration as they would ours. They don’t want to leave them short-handed.”

Woody said he thinks if the positions were given to the school earlier, they would’ve had a more successful search.

“The bottom line is accommodation,” he said. “We just need new innovative approaches to finding faculty. Being able to offer incentives can be difficult in today’s budget.”

This difficulty is especially true when JMU is competing against major corporations and large-scale markets for technologically experienced faculty. Woody said. In many cases the only way to lure prospective employees from top market competition is the beauty of JMU’s natural surroundings, like the Shenandoah Valley, he said.

The faculty shortage will result in some losses for both SMAD majors and pre-SMAD majors. Johnson said that currently there are around 300 pre-SMAD majors, of which about 160 are freshmen.

“If those 300 had gotten into the major we’d be at 900, which is 200 more than last year. You can’t hire enough people to handle 200 more students,” Johnson said.

For declared SMAD majors the shortage will result in about two to three years of crunch classes, meaning fewer course offerings and fewer sections. As of now, Johnson is not sure how many of those 300 pre-SMAD majors will be admitted into the major.

Senior Karen Ebbert tried to declare SMAD her sophomore year but missed the deadline by three days.

“I was considering declaring SMAD and then the next week they closed the
Comedy show draws large crowd

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Contributing writer

"Comedy Tour '99," a showcase of rising young comedians, drew a large, diverse crowd of students to Grafton-Stovall Theatre Thursday night.

The event was sponsored by the Center for Multicultural (CMSS) and International Student Services.

Rob Stapleton, a comedian who has appeared on "Def Comedy Jam" and Black Entertainment Television's "Comic View," hosted the show. Stapleton performed and introduced his fellow comedians J.B. Smoove, Michael Shawn and Will.

Stapleton, who hails from the Bronx, N.Y., told jokes about subjects ranging from slang to college life and said he enjoyed performing at JMU.

"Everyone here just wanted to laugh," he said.

The other comedians said they felt the same way.

Will (who goes by one name like Sinbad, another comic) also from New York City, told jokes about weathermen, public bathrooms and cheating in elementary school. Will said he was impressed by the audience.

"They were one of the best audiences I've performed for. There was a lot of energy and social diversity," Will said.

His reasons for choosing to perform at JMU were also diverse.

"I love colleges, I love Virginia and my landlord sent me out," he said.

Smoove, who will appear in a future episode of "Showtime at the Apollo," entertained the audience with fashion critiques and an impression of himself avoiding fights.

Michael Shawn, a comedian from Philadelphia who has been featured on "Comic View," joked about his bad credit and love life.

Students in attendance enjoyed the comedians, laughing loudly throughout the entire event.

"They kept it real about everything," junior Octavia Phillips said. "They talked about subjects that hit home... the issues that relate to college students."

Sophomore Kevin Gregg said, "It dealt with everyday things. It was hilarious all the way through."

Zebulon Davenport, CMSS director, was positive about the event.

"As long as students enjoy themselves, that's the main goal," he said. "Judging by the [reaction of the] crowd, they enjoyed themselves." Davenport said he hopes the evening's success can teach students an important lesson.

"We'd like for students to understand that events sponsored by the CMSS are for all of the campus," he said. "Getting involved in culturally diverse events expands horizons and broadens viewpoints."

E-mail program introduced

Security awareness training required before changing password

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Contributing writer

Changing your e-mail password will take a few additional minutes and a bit more effort due to a security awareness training program established over the summer by the JMU Help Desk.

The security awareness training program was set up to help heighten security awareness on campus and prepare everyone for the upcoming electronic ID.

Sean Cotta, Help Desk consultant, said everyone at JMU has the potential to activate Raven, Simeon and Falcon accounts. The same passwords can be used, if the person chooses to do so, for all three accounts. Faculty and staff also have Novell file server accounts, but it is accessed with a different login and password than the other three.

Eventually, everyone at JMU will switch over to one user ID and one password for all the systems, known as electronic ID.

Before changes can be made, though, the computing department was concerned with enhancing computer security awareness on-campus. The new electronic ID system will be easier, but since it allows a person full access to all of their accounts, it also increases the risk of having more accounts broken into.

Cotta said the increased risk that accompanies electronic ID led the Help Desk to create a program that would require the JMU community to become more educated about computer security. The result was an interactive security quiz consisting of eight multiple-choice questions describing scenarios involving security situations, which must be completed before students can activate their e-mail or change their password.

"The biggest change we've seen at this point is that students go to http://www.jmu.edu/accounts instead of Telnet," Cotta said.

"That's what we've been focusing on right now, to get everyone to know what their Web address is so they can go there and change their password." Every time a person needs to change their password they need to go through the security awareness program. Under the new program, a person will need to change their password every 189 days.

"We figured that was pretty fair," Cotta said. "The questions rotate each time. Cotta said there is a database of 95 questions that randomly selects eight when someone logs in."

"This is a really good program in the long run because soon everything will be replaced by electronic ID, and with that you can do everything because it's more than e-mail," said John Marshall, Help Desk manager. "You can get grades off the Internet, change class schedules and even pay for your tuition."

"We're just encouraging people to have their security awareness [training] and to understand what's going on," Cotta said.

"We're not just doing this to make things difficult, there is a goal behind it so that in the long run things will get easier for everybody."

Marshall said, "When it comes down to money, like paying your tuition, we need to be careful and have security. Although it would be frustrating for those in a hurry, it would be best if people honestly read the questions and try to get much out of it."

Cotta said the new electronic ID program is estimated to begin during the spring semester.

Cotta said he understood both sides of the effect of the e-mail change but determined that in the future this would be a big step for the computing system at JMU.

"In the short term, it's been difficult because people always resist change. In any format, and it's fairly tedious because you want to change your password right away on the spot," Cotta said.

"But not only do you have to wait for the password to be reset but you have to go through the security quiz which takes about eight minutes," Cotta said. "And eight minutes is not much of a lifetime but long enough for people to be annoyed by it."

Some students disagreed that the new program will heighten security awareness.

"I didn't think it was useful," junior Jeanne Barnes said. "I thought a lot of it was basic knowledge."

Junior Rebecca Heitfield said, "It all seemed pretty common sense. I think it's good for freshmen, but for the rest of us, it's all stuff we know."
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Depression afflicts college women

Study reveals nearly half of females face emotional disorder

Almost half of all women making the transition from high school to college will experience depression, a recent UCLA study said.

Uma Rao, a professor at the University of California at Los Angeles, said 47 percent of women entering college will be faced with one or more bouts with depression.

"We did find a high rate of depression, but we were not very surprised at our findings," Rao said. "Overall, we knew that women entering college are at a high-risk period of developing depression."

Rao's procedure — in which 150 women were followed for five years after high school graduation — and findings were published in the July issue of the journal of the Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry.

"One-third of the women we studied developed depression as a new phenomenon," Rao said. "However, people who already had depression were more likely to become depressed."

The idea of coming to college ready to battle depression is not stressed to incoming freshmen, as are the need to study or the dangers of drinking, said University of Iowa freshman Amanda Ball.

"I never thought of depression as a college statistic," she said. "If a lot of women do become depressed in college, you think that — like partying too hard — it would come up."

After puberty, women are twice as likely to develop depression than men, Rao said.

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The shift from high school to college is usually the first considerable change in a young adult's life, whether it's a good or bad experience, it's enough to spark bouts of depression, she said.

"Women tend to focus heavily on their problems and are often times unable to look past them," Rao said. "The introspective nature of women can lead to this behavior and ultimately depression."

Though most freshmen seem caught up in the excitement of their first week of college, Ball said, she can see why depression is prevalent among college women.

"Taking on more than they can handle, boy problems — especially with college guys — not being at home and not being able to find friends are reasons I think would cause depression," she said. "It is a big change."

University of Iowa associate psychologist professor Sam Kuperman agreed with Rao's findings, but, he said, the numbers seemed high.

"Only about 10 to 15 percent of the adult population is depressed — 47 percent is high," he said.

The study may not be completely accurate because the women turned in self evaluations rather than a professional evaluation, Kuperman said.

The percentages are always lower if you actually interview the people," he said. "If they analyze themselves, they might put things out of proportion."

It is best to recognize the symptoms of depression early, such as changes in eating and sleeping patterns, feelings of self-worth, and a lack of energy and thoughts of suicide, Kuperman said.

"Severe depression is not something that you can just snap out of; it is genetic and involvement like any other medical disease," Rao said. "There is definitely help available, especially while in college, where professional help is more accessible."

Nation's first college Breathalyzer study reveals campus drinking habits

Determined to get a different look at student drinking habits at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, researchers armed with Breathalyzers fanned out across the campus, stopping students on their ways home from class, the library and, yes, some pretty raucous parties.

What they found in the nation's first collegiate Breathalyzer study involving almost 1,850 Tar Heels was that on average, a whopping 72 percent of students returned home with a .00 blood-alcohol content.

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Senior Henry Hill, one of three MRD drum majors, conducts the 414-member band during one of the 90 minute daily practices. The band has its home opener Saturday.

Marching Band takes command

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friends out there.”

Hansen said., “I don’t have a lot of free time, but it’s definitely worth the sacrifice. It’s incredible. All the hard work and time . . . it’s all worth it in performance, and I truly mean that.”

Stansberry was inspired to go to JMU because her band director from middle school and high school were both former MRD members. She said dedication, maturity and a fundamental love for music are some of the qualities that separate band at JMU from band in high school.

“We’re all adults and we all love to play,” Stansberry said. “The level of playing and marching is much higher. You work harder and look better, and we don’t get yelled at as much.”

In order to perform in Blacksburg, Walkley said it took nine charter buses and a few mini vans to transport all of the band members and their equipment from JMU to Blacksburg.

Shearer said, “The experience is amazing. The amount of people there just increased the energy level,” he said. “I heard a lot of people were impressed with our performance.”

Highlights from upcoming shows include “Robin Hood,” “ET Fanfare,” “California Dreaming,” and a medley of “Shenandoah,” “Appalachian Spring” and “America the Beautiful.”

Another show will feature a Latin salsa performance led by Victor Lopez, formerly of the Miami Sound Machine. There will be a ’60s and ’70s themed show for Parents Weekend.

The MRDs will also be traveling to the College of William and Mary on Oct. 16.

Senior Class readies to step up to ‘challenge’ again

ARCIA APPERSON
senior writer

Despite the lowest participation rate in five years, the Class of 1999 met and went beyond the fundraising challenge presented to it by the Class of 1998.

The goal was set at $95,099, which represented the years most seniors entered and left JMU. By May graduation, $95,199 had been pledged and was presented to JMU President Linwood Rose.

However, seniors continued to pledge over the summer, and now the total stands at $96,496, according to Lisa Horsch, assistant director of annual giving, who advises the Senior Class Challenge.

Fifty thousand dollars will be used for developing the James Madison Center, $25,000 will be given to the Office of Academic Advising and Career Development for computers and $20,000 will go to the Carrier Library reference center.

“Building class pride and unity is more important than dollars,” Fletcher said.

Applications to be a part of the Senior Class Challenge steering committee will be available around campus in about two weeks.

The committee is comprised of about 20 seniors and one representative from each of the other classes. The team will set this year’s goal and decide how to use the money.

“The students will contact administrators around campus and see where they think the university’s greatest needs are,” Craft said. “From there, we will compile all the data and the steering committee will vote on where they think the seniors can make the greatest impact.”

The steering committee will be selected in about three weeks. By the third week in October, the gift donated to the university will be selected, Fletcher said.

“We want the Class of 2000 to make a statement about how they want to leave a mark on JMU,” Fletcher said.

For private funds.”

When participating in the challenge, the seniors pledge money and then pay the amount pledged over three years, starting with the first November following their graduation. The payment structure is designed to make it as easy as possible for graduates to pay their pledged amount.

“We don’t want this to be a burden on anyone,” Horsch said. “We want them to celebrate their school years and celebrate their successes.”

Students have enough time to get out on their own and find a job after graduation before they make their pledges, Horsch said.

“The Senior Class Challenge is a way the senior class can show their pride in their class and, most importantly, their pride for JMU,” said graduate Nelson Pham, who was the Senior Class Challenge chair last year. “As alumni, I feel we have a responsibility to give back to the place where we spent some of our greatest years.”

Pham said the challenge was a success even though just 23.5 percent of 1999 graduates pledged money, the first participation drop in five years. In 1998, 31.1 percent of the seniors participated in the senior class challenge.

However, the average pledge amount went up, so the 1999 class still raised more money than any class since the challenge started in 1989. The 1998 class raised $87,737. The average pledge was $121 in 1998 and went up to $151 in 1999.

“The challenge is always to raise more money than the previous class,” Horsch said.

The Class of 1999 raised $9,000 more than the previous class.

And now the Class of 2000 faces the challenge.

Senior Keith Fletcher is the Senior Class Challenge Chair, and seniors David Craft and Nick Langridge are Vice Chairs.

“Our goal this year is clearly to pledge the highest amount of money,” Fletcher said.

Horsch said a class generally raises at least $4,000 more than the class before it.

However, money isn’t everything. Fletcher said he wants the class as a whole to have a huge participation rate and for a diverse group of students to express different opinions on the best gift to leave behind.

“Building class pride and unity is more important than dollars,” Fletcher said.
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Student clubs step out tonight

Weather forces Student Organization Night to change date to today

A MANDA CAPP
Contributing Writer

More than 160 clubs and organizations are participating in the student organization fair tonight to recruit new members and answer questions.

The fair was originally going to be held on Monday evening, but had to be postponed because of the weather.

This annual event will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. on the commons and the Warren patio.

Organizations that will be represented include the University Program Board, SGA, the campus a cappella commons and the Warren patio.

The campus media groups will also be there to recruit, including WXJM, The Bluestone, What the Deal, goofy lol, and The Breeze.

The purpose of the fair is to get involved, meet people, get an idea of the various activities offered at JMU, and to give the clubs the opportunity to showcase themselves to the student body. Katie Morrow, coordinator of Clubs and Organizations, said.

In the past, the Student Organization Fair has proved "phenomenally effective," said Morrow, who is in her second year planning the event. "It's the best way for students to get involved.

Several organizations use the fair as an opportunity to make students aware of its services and activities.

Ben Burks, the campus minister of the Wesley Foundation, said the Wesley Foundation has a table there every year because it is "important to get exposure."

His hope is that students will show some interest and then consider participating throughout the year.

Jeff Morris, editor of The Bluestone, the JMU yearbook, will also have a table at the fair.

"We are looking for volunteers," he said. "Basically, anyone who is interested in writing or taking pictures . . . We left staff positions open on purpose so freshmen can get the opportunity to participate in an on-campus writing organization."

Morrow said the event has been very well-attended in the past and she is very optimistic for the fair this year as well.

One of the reasons the fair has been such a success is the laid-back environment in which people can interact with each other and talk with others who have similar interests, she said.

"The organizations will be set up by type, such as academic groups, religious groups and sports," Morrow said.

This is intended to help the students find what they are looking for with greater ease. In addition, the different sections will be marked with signs and balloons.

Freshman Anna Lyn Hoopengardner plans on attending the fair with some friends in order to "see all the organizations there are to get involved with at JMU."

Freshman Jayme Saxon said she doesn't really know what she wants to do, but wants to attend the fair "just to look around."

Some students, such as freshman Cory Rotz know exactly what to look for at the fair.

"I am interested in the Pre-Pharmacy Club," she said. "I am really looking forward to getting involved."
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Student spirit a welcome change

Something great happened over the weekend. The sounds of conversation like "What are your plans for the weekend?...I'm going to Virginia Tech for the football game," were heard all over campus.

School spirit was clearly apparent at the JMU/Tech football game, even if victory wasn't. The high level of student interest in the game helped to create a sense of energy about the campus. It was a foreign, yet wonderful feeling.

School spirit started to go into over-drive last Friday when the football team, decked out in its team apparel, was greeted with supportive comments from fellow students.

Enthusiastic Dukes organized rides to the game and spent the day predicting final scores as they waited on the buses.

A large JMU tent set up across from Tech's Lane Stadium housed several JMU alumni and served as a central location for Dukes fans to gather. In a sea of maroon and orange-clad Va. Tech fans, locating a fellow JMU fan created an instant sense of camaraderie.

Some bolder JMU fans ventured into the Tech stands with their Hokie friends, daring to wear JMU T-shirts. Other JMU fans painted themselves in purple and gold to declare their support.

"School spirit was clearly apparent at the JMU/Tech football game, even if victory wasn't."

For newer students, attending events is a way to get a better feel for JMU.

For the rest of us, it's a way to strengthen our bond as students and support our peers.

But here's the catch: We JMUers have been notorious in recent years for being completely apathetic and unsupportive of our fellow students who take the time to go out and perform for this school.

More than half the time, the 12,500-seat Bridgeforth Stadium is nowhere near full. So let's start supporting campus events (which are free to all students) like we did this one — an event that required paying about $25 and driving approximately two hours.

School spirit is not a fair-weather thing; we can't be like Philadelphia sports fans. School spirit is a 24/7/365 responsibility.

Get out to all games at Reservoir Street fields, Godwin Hall, Bridgeforth and show your spirit by supporting your Dukes.
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Professor poses alternative way to commute

Let’s imagine you are given two transportation options. The first costs tens of thousands of dollars to purchase, costs hundreds of dollars each year to operate, uses tens of resources to build, pollutes the air, runs on nonrenewable energy, provides absolutely no health benefits to the user and can only be parked in certain out-of-the-way places for which you often have to walk. The second transportation option costs hundreds of dollars to purchase, costs essentially nothing to operate, uses only tons of pounds of resources to build, doesn’t pollute, runs on renewable energy, provides significant health benefits and can be parked almost anywhere for free. Being an intelligent consumer, you would choose the second option, right? So why do so many students endure the cost and frustration of driving to campus instead of riding a bicycle? For a large number of them, the answer is: out of habit.

From most locations in Harrisonburg, bicycling to campus is faster than driving. All the people who sit in their cars waiting for parking spots only to then have to walk to class could instead hop on bicycles and be sitting in their classrooms 10 minutes earlier. You will feel better for it now and in the future.

Bicycles tread lightly on the environment, while automobiles trample it. According to the Union of Concerned Scientists, “The manufacture and, more important, the use of [cars and light trucks] cause more environmental damage — especially air pollution and global warming — than any other single consumer spending category.” So using a bicycle instead of an automobile whenever possible is one way each of us can put environmental beliefs into action.

Yes, without a doubt, the bicycle should be your vehicle of choice in the ‘Burg.

Once you’ve decided to become a bicycle commuter, you’ll need something to ride. For those of you who already own a bicycle, a quick tune-up will have you ready for action. For those of you who don’t own a bicycle, it isn’t necessary to buy a top-of-the-line road or mountain bike to get around town. Anything with a few gears and operational brakes will do. A quality used bicycle will generally cost from $150 to $200. Check out bulletin boards around campus or visit any of the local bicycle shops to find your trusty steed.

To help deter thieves, register your bicycle with the campus police and, of course, lock it whenever it is out of your sight.

Now that you have your bicycle, you need to learn how to ride it. Bombing around with neither rhyme nor reason will only infuriate motorists and possibly result in an accident. In particular, you should ride with traffic (that’s where cars will look for you), you should ride on the road whenever feasible, you should generally obey traffic laws and you should ride predictably. In general, the more a bicyclist acts like a car, the safer he or she is.

Always wear a helmet — you only have one brain. If you ride after dark, get a light and as many reflectors as possible; being visible is a key component to safety. A reflective vest is relatively inexpensive and very visible, as is reflective tape that can be found at any hardware store. The League of American Bicyclists (www.bikeleague.org) has an excellent series of pointers on safe bicycling called the Effective Cycling Notebook. Other bicycle-related sites can be found on the Web pages of the Shenandoah Valley Bicycle Club (www.vmtc.nmtjmu.edu/education/bike). Perhaps the best thing you can do to guarantee a pleasant commute is to choose your route wisely. The best route might not be the most obvious or most direct, so experiment with various streets. You might be surprised at what you find.

While this area is generally a pleasant place to ride, there are a lot of infrastructure improvements that should be made to promote bicycling.

JMU should encourage students, faculty and staff to bicycle to campus. Some measures the university could take include: installing a comprehensive bicycle lane and path network over campus, placing bicycle racks in sensible places (covered whenever possible), enforcing speed limits on campus, providing incentives to encourage riding (ride to work days, free soda with a bike helmet, etc.) and introducing an extensive bicycle education program.

Breeze Reader’s View

— Leonard VanWyk

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

Dart...

A “watch-your-language” dart to the group of guys who were swearing loudly in front of little kids the other day at Valley Mall.

Sent in by a student who thinks you should save those kind of words for times when impressionable children are not present.

Pat...

A “learn-to-watch-where-you’re-going” dart to the herd of freshmen that jumped in front of my car Friday night.

Sent in by an angry junior who thinks if you don’t have enough sense to look both ways before crossing the street, you shouldn’t be in college.

Dart...

A “find-a-new-way-to-be-cool-around-your-friends” dart to my ex-boyfriend, who pointed me out to his buddies and proceeded to call me several obscene names.

Sent in by a student who feels that after three years of college, a boy should be man enough to forget childish games.

Pat...

A “thanks-for-making-the-impossible-possible” pat to those volunteers who helped connect 3,400 students to the campus network during move-in week.

Sent in by a grateful CampusNet staffer who doesn’t know how the job would have gotten done without your hard work.

Dart...

A “thanks-for-taking-the-time” pat to everyone who filled out questionnaires for Campus Crusade for Christ last week.

Sent in by a Crusade participant who thanks you for your honesty and feedback.

Pat...

A “thanks-for-saving-me-a-lot-of-money” pat to those who put rocks behind my car tires to stop it from rolling down the hill near South View.

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Gravel pit game gets even worse

O n Thursday, I read the editorial page in The Breeze with great interest. In my year and some change of being a driving student at JMU, I have never really encountered too many problems with parking, and I thought the editorial board was complaining about parking but something trivial about something as trivial as parking. I guess this is because my parents paid for the $10 parking permit, and even if they don’t finish the 520-space parking deck before I graduate, it will still make a nice place to park when I come back to visit someday. However, after trying to park in the Anthony-Seeger parking lot (1 lot) on Thursday morning, I’ve decided paying $140 to park on the campus of JMU is an outrage. JMU should never have packed $140 just to put up with the agony that comes with trying to find a spot and get to class on time.

My morning began as an occupant in the third row in line trying to get into the gravel pit. I was with my girlfriend and her roommate, both rookie drivers, to the gravel pit parking game, who were beginning to worry that they were never going to get a spot before their 12:30 p.m. class. Having done this every day last year, I was as cool as a cucumber. However, the guy in the car in front of us was not and had begun talking to his trumpet, which was sitting shotgun. I watched him get out of his car, look into the parking lot and throw his hands in the air before angrily getting back in his car. They broke the Cardinal Rule of the gravel pit. He rammed his car into gear, spun down to the exit driveway of the lot, and began circling the lot, waiting for someone to come to his or her car, obviously the steady line of cars forming in the road just trying to get into the parking lot.

While this was going on, a member of the parking staff was walking up the sidewalk with a smocking pen and a fresh ticket in hand as he had just given to half of the cars parked in the lot. I rolled down my window and asked her if she might consider giving the ticket writing a rest and try to keep order in the parking lot. By this time, two more knockheads had broken rank and were circling the lot with the trumpet guy, just like vultures flying over a decaying zebra carcass.

The parking lady kind of told me that directing traffic wasn’t her “job” and that a monitor would be there in a few hours to help facilitate traffic. Well, at this point the trumpet guy had found a girl getting into her car and I could see that I was going to have to take matters into my own hands. I was not about to let this girl’s boyfriend to maneuver her car in between the one-way sign and another car. As I approached the trumpet guy, I set up camp in the spot he was eyeing and calmly began to explain to him (using every explosive I have ever known) that he was in violation of parking rules and common courtesy, and he should go back and get in line. Well, apparently he was late for marching band practice, or something and got quite scared when I began to approach his vehicle. So he just rolled up his window and stared straight forward, just like they taught him to do in defensive driving school when dealing with people consumed with road rage.

I decided not to risk my political future by stuffing this guy’s head in his trumpet and began walking back to my girlfriend’s car to help her try and get into a spot that wasn’t large enough for a moped. On my way back, a woman in a sport utility vehicle who had seen all of this go down offered to “kick his ass” with me, but by then the guy had grabbed his horn and high tailed it up to South Main Street.

So, 10 minutes later we had given up on the motorcycle spot and were now waiting for a girl who had just gotten into her car. But instead of putting something in gear and backing out, she pulled down the vanity mirror and began popping zits or something on her face. On the brink of insanity, I rolled down the window and told her, “Lady, you look simply marvelous, now you would mind starting your car and getting out of that spot so I can go to class?” Startled by the look on her face that can only be described as Jack Nicholson from the movie “The Shining,” she pulled out and sped away, leaving a cloud of dust behind her.

Meanwhile, the line of cars wanting to get into the parking lot was now all the way up to Main Street, and I had five minutes to get to class. I’m thinking that wasn’t the last headache I have trying to get to class, and I wonder how much a decent used bike might cost me. They don’t give parking tickets to bikes, do they? All this, and I’m saying to myself JMU actually charges us $140 to park on campus?

Steven Glass is a junior SMAD major.

Why Bush will lose the presidential election of 2000

I might be thinking optimistically (or pessimistically to some readers), but I am convinced that George W. Bush will lose the presidential election in 2000. Bush has no credentials, limited vision and limited intelligence. Bush also appears to have a questionable past. Add that to the fact that Al Gore’s campaign has done little to establish itself yet, and it is easy to assume that the 2000 election will be a horse race that will go nose to nose from July to November 2000.

Until recently, the late night talk show hosts were struggling to come up with anything to label Bush with. Until that is, he did his best Bill Clinton impersonation and strategically denied drug charges that related to his past after saying he would not associate himself with the president’s economic policies and do his best to ride on Clinton’s economic coat tails.

Bush has not made any mistakes in his campaign because he hasn’t said anything of substance. Sure, he smiles and looks pretty in front of the cameras, but what is it about this guy that qualifies him for the most important political position in this country? Is it his experience as governor of Texas? George Sr. had an extensive resume that he spent most of Junior’s life building. Is it evidence that Bush will make some enemies with the right people. Gore has occupied the forefront of the American mind, as evidenced by Newsweek’s cover story from Aug. 26, concerning gun control, and Gore needs to milk this issue for all it’s worth.

The next issue, one that Gore will have to address, is the environment. The National Rifle Association scoffs at even the most reasonable firearms legislation, and from the outset of this presidential campaign, so has Bush. Gore needs to make some enemies with the right people. Gore must show the American people that he is in it for the long haul.

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Although JMU cut the song and dance troupe's funding, The Breeze enthral audiences despite losing the Madisonians' acting president. "It's a matter of successfully surviving — not as a class — as a student organization," Whitman said. "We've all been doing this for years, everything was students. We're ready to step off and handle this on our own."

Mandy Lamb
Madisonians' acting president

Once on campus, the music industry major took her teacher's advice and got involved with the group backstage working on costumes and with the company manager. Later, she auditioned and has performed on stage since her sophomore year.

"I mainly wanted to save this group for the underclassmen and for future students at JMU," Lamb said. "You think after 25 years, people are excited about the next 25 years."

That excitement fizzled when the group learned of its fate a week before finals. "We watched our performance together and then we were told we'd never do it again," sophomore Madisonian Kevin Quillon said. "We had time to be devastated together, but not to organize."

But Lamb found time.

"We've all been doing this for years, everything was students. We're ready to step off and handle this on our own."

The Madisonians refuse to die.

The determination to keep the group alive is spearheaded by senior Mandy Lamb, the Madisonians' acting president.

Lamb first heard of the Madisonians when her high school choir teacher recommended she should become involved with the group when she got to JMU.

"It was one of the hardest things I had to do. It was terrible," Lamb said about her decision to stay with the troupe. "I knew what their reaction would be because it was also mine."

Several factors contributed to the decision to stop funding the Madisonians, said Richard Whitman, dean of the College of Arts and Letters, according to the April 29 issue of The Breeze. One of the biggest reasons was the need to restart. Two important positions needed to be filled — the director and audio specialist. Whitman said the group's audio specialist, SMAD instructor John Fishell, planned to return to the University of Virginia as a full-time graduate student.

According to the April 29 Breeze, Whitman said to keep the Madisonians at a top level, the director job needed to be a full-time position and JMU would have to hire a new audio crew. This in turn would have increased the group's $14,000 annual budget to more than $100,000.

However, Whitman said money wasn't the only issue. "It's a matter of successfully finding a staff," he said in that Breeze article.

Although JMU won't continue to pay expenses like tour buses, hotel rooms and costumes, the Madisonians refuse to die.

The determination to keep the group alive is spearheaded by senior Mandy Lamb, the Madisonians' acting president.

Lamb first heard of the Madisonians when her high school choir teacher recommended she should become involved with the group when she got to JMU.

"It's a matter of successfully surviving — not as a class — as a student organization," Whitman said. "We've all been doing this for years, everything was students. We're ready to step off and handle this on our own."

Mandy Lamb
Madisonians' acting president

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JENNY STROMANN
style editor

Thanks to the love and dedication of its members and supporters, a student song and dance troupe that has entertained fellow students, prospective students, parents and alumni for 25 years will continue to enthral audiences despite losing its funding.

The Madisonians, a coed group that performs with an eight-piece band, no longer exists as a two-credit class.

Instead, the troupe will try to exist as a student organization.

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Once on campus, the music industry major took her teacher's advice and got involved with the group backstage working on costumes and with the company manager. Later, she auditioned and has performed on stage since her sophomore year.

"I mainly wanted to save this group for the underclassmen and for future students at JMU," Lamb said. "You think after 25 years, people are excited about the next 25 years."

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Sniffing the stench of network sitcoms

JANE WERTS
Newsday

PHW-EEE!
What’s that smell?
It’s the stench of network sitcoms. They’re worse this year than ever!
Why do they stink so bad? How come the networks rarely uncork the kind of pungent comedy we once enjoyed in “Mary Tyler Moore,” “Roseanne,” “The Cosby Show,” “All in the Family,” — heck, even “Friends”?
Well, we’ve got some theories. Like evolution, they aren’t 100 percent proven. But we do think they’re worth considering, in Kansas and elsewhere.

Among them: Defining down the sitcom. “It used to be a situation comedy, could be slapstick, like “I Love Lucy,” or political, like “All in the Family.” “It could be character-driven, like “The Andy Griffith Show,” or political, like “I Love Lucy,” or political, like “All in the Family.” “It could even be just gently humorous, like “The Andy Griffith Show.””

But somewhere along the way, this wide-ranging tradition got defined down to today’s singular formula: setup-joke, with a studio audience shrieking its approval.

“M.A.S.H.,” which ended its run in 1983, was the last blockbuster exponent of a kinder, gentler, more fimmic and finely textured sense of comedy — one that cared carefully with a single camera, like a movie rather than a play.

Today, too many comedies act like Scooby-Doo panicky pacing, some screaming audience, same glib stereotypes, the same derivation. Which brings us to another problem . . .

The stand-up source. Enough already with turning nightclub comedians into TV stars, OK? Here are some names: Sue Costello, Richard Lewis, Sinbad, The Mommies, Gerry Red Wilson, Pauly Shore. All were rushed into sitcoms in the ’90s.

Blame it on “Roseanne.” The networks raced to sign stand-up quips after Roseanne Barr’s 1988 success with ABC’s scripted version of her domestic-goddess routine. Seems logical.

Wasn’t Bill Cosby’s family humor still going strong on NBC’s No. 1-rated “Cosby Show”? Why not just grab an established big? You might find a “Seinfeld.” But you’d also get “Pauly.” For every “Home Improvement” with Tim Allen, you’d be stuck with Jackie Mason’s “Chicken Soup.”

Casting. How important is it. It takes real actors to make character a star. Work in and out of Dick Van Dyke did Broadway and movies for a reason landing “The Dick Van Dyke Show.” TV was the only medium left for “3rd Rock from the Sun” star John Lithgow to conquer.

The sitcoms that thrive for years are filled with deft thespians — “Cheers,” “Friends” (no stand-up “Frasier” (ditto), “The Cosby Show.” Even Cosby, a one-time club comic, had serious acting chops; he’d won three drama Emmys for “1 Spy.”

Producers sign the star; then they puzzle out a show. Wrong. Better to have an actual idea, then cast to fit the concept. Otherwise, you’re building around stiches, quips and name recognition, which tend to wear thin. Which brings us to . . .

Follies rather than foibles. A consequence of all that naive and noise is that humorous gestures have become big, exorbitant, preposterous. Not much character, not much story sense.

The sitcoms that last do a fine balancing act, with humor and humanity. Even the farce of “3rd Rock” is sophisticated at heart. The shenanigans on “Frasier” are actually intricately constructed. Which brings us to . . .

Writers today: spread too thin, rose too fast. This fall’s six-network schedule contains 46 prime-time sitcoms (counting six animated series, which employ comedy writers). Fifteen years ago, when “The Cosby Show” arrived in a three-network universe, there were just 22 — less than half as many. And hardly any competition from cable, which now boasts everything from HBO’s Emmy-nominated “Sex and the City” to TBS’ “Chap’s Channel.”

With the call for comedy writers now so vast, it takes only a season or two on a lower rung of an established show before you’re invited to run your own series. Many writers aren’t ready. Which brings us to . . .

The youth movement. Nobody says young can’t be good. The writers of such early TV classics as “Your Show ofono sitcoms see SITCOM page 23

MADISONIANS, from page 19

afternoon concert Nov. 6 at the elite Homestead in Hot Springs as part of the resort’s Big Band Weekend, a performance at the quaint McCoy Theatre in Moorefield, W.Va., and on stage at a few high schools. In July, Lamb sent a newsletter to fellow Madisonians to share the news.

“I feel strange about having done so much already without consent from the entire group, but it is important that we keep moving forward,” Lamb states in the newsletter. “We are only limited to our own imaginations.”

And funds.
Since JMU is not supporting the group financially, the Madisonians now must fundraise. The troupe started collecting donations — including $500 from a Charlotteville woman who saw the Madisonians for her first time at April’s Home Show, Quillen said.
Anyone who wants to make a donation can send a check payable to The Madisonians at JMU Box 8170.

While the group has several concert dates set, it doesn’t have one scheduled on campus. To Lamb’s dismay, the Madisonians aren’t performing at the Parents Weekend Pops Concert.

“This is a chance for students to show their support. It’s a happy outcome for everyone.”

Richard Whitman
Dean of the College of Arts and Letters

“[JMU] cut the group and didn’t think we’d continue,” she said.

But Lamb said she hopes they’ll be able to book another venue on campus that weekend and have more opportunities to perform in front of JMU students.

Besides money, the group also needs members, especially men. The Madisonians will hold auditions Sept. 9 in the Music Building at 7 p.m. All students are encouraged to audition.

“We know there’s more talent outside of the Music Building, so come out,” Lamb said.

Students who audition need to bring sheet music or a tape of music to accompany the song they’re singing. A piano and an accompanist will be provided. Also, students who audition must be prepared to dance.

Returning Madisonians are excited about this year.

Senior Michael Minarik has been a member of Madisonians for two years. “[Being cut by JMU] made the group prove how much they really care,” Minarik said. “It really shows that students can do something without the university.”

Whitman agrees that being a student organization is a good experience for the group and for other students. “This is a chance for students to show their support,” he said. “It’s a happy outcome for everyone.”

Tryouts for The Madisonians

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Older may be better

SITCOM, from page 21
"Shows" and "I Love Lucy" were no oldsters; many are still around now, nearly 50 years later. Yet too often now, older is automatically considered not better.
So kids come out of college and cruise right onto sitcom staffs, while experienced writers can't grovel a gig.
Is it any wonder new shows look so ragged and rushed? It's not talent that's missing (at least not always), it's the sense of craft, distillation and discernment you develop by trial and error. Which brings us to...
TV's frantic frenzy. Error isn't much allowed anymore, is it? Sitcoms debut and die in a matter of minutes.
Now, competition is boiling, and the pressure is on. Networks have little patience to be daring or trust anybody's instincts. It's safer for writers to stay employed by copying what works, keeping within the established lines, following the crowd, than for them to propose an audacious concept or an eccentric style. So, we get more of the same-old, same-old. And each season, more sitcoms fail.
Imagine. The writers of "The Honeymooners" once concocted 39 episodes a year. Same with "I Love Lucy." And 40 years later, those myriad episodes are (mostly) classics. Unbelievable. Look at the bright side: At least we've got TVLand to keep us laughing.

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As albums like Outkast's *Aquemini* and A Tribe Called Quest's *The Low Movement* continue to take the music scene by storm, three JMU seniors are putting a spin of their own on the local hip-hop industry. After years of talking about launching their own record label, seniors Neal Beggan, J.J. Jensen and Kevin McConnell finally put the finishing touches on a collective lifelong dream.

"I was interested in hip-hop in the second or third grade - all my life, I've always wanted to be a musician," said McConnell (stage-named DouJah Raze), who now owns a third of Trilogy Records, JMU's first student-run hip-hop record label.

According to Jensen (aka DJ Double J), among Trilogy Records' goals are "to be well-respected, produce legitimate hip-hop and not be commercial sellouts."

"Our long-range goal is to have national distribution, possibly through a major record label. But our short-term goal is to have a single out by 2000," he said.

The trio founded the company last July, after a year and a half of performing at parties, mixers and special events. Recently, the trio performed at Orientation 99's Late Night at the Convo Center, where they managed to get the thousand-person crowd out of their seats and dancing in the aisles.

According to production manager Marty Anderson, who is also the director of hospitality for the University Program Board, "the whole point of [their performance] was to get people pumped, and they definitely did that. They accomplished what we wanted - everyone had a good time," he said.

Currently, Trilogy Records is working to promote themselves in every way possible, such as by sending mass e-mails and information to potential artists, getting advertised in magazines and contacting several different Web sites in hopes of retrieving as much talent as possible. They hope to not only discover talent but to welcome as much talent as possible that comes to them through demo tapes. In the works is a deal with JMU juniors Sidney Wiredu and Alvaro Rodriguez (known as EMP or The Empire), who are ready to put out their first hip-hop album. EMP has performed at the Student Minority Outreach's Prospective Student Weekend in 1997. Although no formal contracts have been signed yet, Wiredu and Rodriguez are eager to work and grow with Trilogy Records.

"We're really looking to put our music out, Wiredu said. Like Jensen, Beggan (aka DJ Indellable) and McConnell, the two artists have very positive
Hits Home

By CONTRIBUTING PHOTOGRAPHER MATT CARASELL

JT Miller/STAFF

Senior J.J. Jensen (DJ Double J) and Kevin McConnell (a.k.a. Doujah Raze) interned at WPGC 95.5, an urban-contemporary station that serves the Washington, D.C. area.

McConnell said his "true passion" has always been hip-hop, so he wanted "to seize the opportunity" to help form Trilogy Records.

In addition to the work he does for Trilogy Records, senior Kevin McConnell (a.k.a. Doujah Raze) spends a lot of time writing lyrics. "I like to tell stories in my lyrics. . . . a lot of hip-hop is about money, violence, [and that kind of thing], but my lyrics are more about spirituality and raising consciousness," McConnell said. Here is an example of "Doujah Raze" at work:

Yo I was brought into this world no I didn't have a choice
But now I got a choice, made it to use my voice

No more swearing on the curve of life - yo God, I'm yearning
I gotta go out, get my clout, win the bout

I won't sweat it too much, & even if that evil seems to have me in a clutch
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Budalich nets two in victory

Despite harsh weather conditions, Dukes win battle of Dukes, 2-0

KEITH FEIGENBAUM
senior writer

The wet weather conditions at Reservoir Street Field on Sunday set the tone for a relatively slow final game for the Dukes in the JMU/Sheraton Four Points Hotel Invitational.

For the Dukes of Duquesne University, that is.

Conversely, for the JMU Dukes and junior forward Niki Budalich, the disagreeable conditions were effectively a non-factor, as JMU soundly defeated Duquesne 2-0 behind Budalich’s two goals.

“Today, with the weather the way it was, the way to get it done was to play very direct,” JMU Coach Tom Martin said. “We had a couple of chances early and they had a couple of chances.”

JMU had Budalich to capitalize on those chances, netting what proved to be the decisive goal 23:16 into the contest on passes from Atle Rognerud, an impressive junior from Lillestrom, Norway, and junior midfielder David Wood, who was credited with the assist.

“I felt I played much better today than I did Friday, but it was more of a team effort today,” Budalich said. “It’s a little bit easier playing when it’s wet [for the offense] because the defenders can’t move as easily. We just played more direct.”

For JMU, it seemed like only a matter of time in the first half before they beat the barraged Duquesne goalkeeper Terry McNelis, who saw shots on goal like others saw rain drops.

Despite the muddy alley stretching goal-to-goal, Wood, Budalich and junior forward Brandon Wright fired eight of the team’s 22 shots at McNelis in the game’s opening half, with Budalich’s left-footed shot eventually skirting by.

JMU senior goalkeeper Billy DuRoss, who made three saves on the day, and has yet to allow a goal through two games this year, saw the victory as a triumph over the elements, as much as over Duquesne.

“We did a good job, considering there was so much water on the field that sometimes the ball would just stop,” DuRoss said. “In those situations you’d just have to be safe with it.”

Said Martin: “We’re real happy with the results. Any time, early in the season, if you’re one and one you’re pretty happy because you’re still looking at players . . . but we got two [wins]. The big thing was we adapted to two different types of games. With the conditions today, it’s almost like survival.”

If Sunday’s effort was survival for JMU, then a flourishing Dukes’ team could be frighteningly good. Despite the loss of team leader and perennial all-CAA performer Kevin Knight, now with the New York/New Jersey MetroStars of MLS, the Dukes are fairly solid all-around.

DuRoss was 18th in the nation in goals against average last season and is hot with two straight shutouts. The defense is anchored by 1998 team defensive MVP, junior Seppo Jokisalo.

Offensively, JMU could wreak havoc on CAA goalies behind Budalich, Wright and junior captain Randy Steeprow.

Despite JMU’s strong balance, its overall youth cannot be ignored and, though not a factor this past weekend, could become more evident as the season matures. Of the 17 players used in Sunday’s contest by Martin, DuRoss and substitute forward Ivar Sigurjonsson were the only seniors, while five freshmen saw significant playing time.

But, at the same time, the Dukes know the show must go on and feel that the weekend’s tournament may have ended most of the uncertainty.

“We didn’t have the greatest preseason,” Martin said. “What we always want to have is 15 to 20 players who, when the situation arises, are ready to take care of their opportunities. And we’re still sorting out who those 15 to 20 are. We did get some answers to questions this weekend.”

The Dukes will continue to search for answers and victories on Friday against the University of Pennsylvania at the George Mason Classic in Fairfax at 2 P.M.

STEVE GLASS/senior photographer

Freshman defender Lars Haslested steals the ball from a Duquesne attacker in JMU’s 2-0 win over the Dukes Sunday in a rainstorm at Reservoir Street Field. JMU improved to 2-0 on the season behind two goals from junior Niki Budalich. Senior Billy DuRoss earned his second straight shutout.
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**Collingwood named MVP as Dukes claim third straight Days Inn/JMU Classic**

JEFFREY CRETZ

**Contributing writer**

The JMU volleyball team claimed its third consecutive Days Inn/JMU Classic without losing a set, crushing Tennessee, Illinois-Chicago and Providence College.

Behind the dominant serving of senior outside hitter Lindsay Collingwood, the Dukes steamrolled Tennessee, 15-10, 15-7, 15-10. Collingwood matched her career high of seven aces, which she set against Howard University in the Days Inn tournament two years ago.

Collingwood leads the team in kills per game with an average of 5.33.

"Our coach (Chris Beermann) tells us where to serve," Collingwood said. "We just try to aim for the gaps."

Another big reason for the Dukes' success was the play of senior setter Christina Gianino. She compiled 55 sets against the Lady Vols and had 134 for the tournament, averaging 14.89 sets over the course of the two-day tournament.

"We have an all-around team offensive this year," Gianino said. "I try to set where their blockers won't be."

Sophomore starters Larissa Daily and Danielle Heinbaugh also played well. The two combined for 22 kills, 10 defensive digs and one block against the Lady Volunteers. In the tournament, they combined for 57 kills, seven sets, two service aces, 36 digs and 14 total blocks. Daily came up with the match-winning kill.

"Our goal for the season is to win every match, one at a time," he said.

Beermann said a victory over a strong team like Tennessee is a definite confidence booster for his squad.

Daily and Gianino were included in this year's all-tournament team, while Collingwood received the most valuable player award — her first in three years playing in the tournament.

The Dukes' next seven contests, including three at St. John's Classic and two at the Pittsburgh Invitational, will take place on the road.

JMU’s next home match is Sept. 24 against the College of William & Mary.

**Volleyball cruises to tournament win**

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The JMU field hockey team began Sunday's game against the Duke Blue Devils in a downpour that soaked the turf at Bridgeforth Stadium.

Early in the first half, the Dukes unleashed a downpour of their own on the Blue Devils defense, jumping out to a 3-0 lead by the time 12 minutes had gone by. It was a lead that the 11th-ranked Blue Devils would find to be insurmountable as the Dukes cruised to a 6-1 win.

The first half barrage was lead by junior Liz Sanders who scored the first two goals for the Dukes, the first coming on an assist from junior Theresa Dinallo and the second from a power play assist by team captain senior Katrina Hunter. Sanders and Hunter then reversed roles as Sanders assisted Hunter on a power play chance 22 minutes into the first half.

"That [power play advantages] is something we really focus on as a team as well as putting a lot of time into that in practice this week especially," senior captain Katrina Hunter said following the game. "Everyone just put it together and it worked really well today."

The power play opportunities were in fact key for the Dukes as three of their six goals came on the advantage, something that the Blue Devils couldn't seem to take advantage of as they converted on only one of several power play opportunities they had. Senior Corey Cec
colin of the Blue Devils scored her team's only goal 33:20 into the first half on a power play opportunity assisted by junior Courtney Sommer and sophomore Angie North.

It would be the only highlight for the Blue Devils who managed only five shots on goal the entire game.

The Dukes added a forth goal by senior Julie Weiss at 30:04 on another penalty advantage, assisting on the goal was Hunter.

The Dukes added two more goals in the second half, the first from senior Sara Perilla assisted by Hunter and the second and final goal for the Dukes was put in by junior Julie Martinez with an assist going to sophomore Traci Forchetti.

Yet aside from those two scores, the momentum really swung over to the Blue Devils in the second half.

"I think that in every game you're going to have lulls on both sides and I think that we just maybe went through a lull in certain places in the game," Hunter said. "We need to be able to bring that up as a team and I think at points we did that as well."

The momentum swing to the Blue Devils was the only such lull the Dukes experienced, something Coach Christy Morgan was very happy about after being disappointed in the level of play she saw in the season opener against Towson.

"It was a totally different game today," Morgan said. "We definitely possessed the ball well, we were very aware and working together. The fact that the field was wet really helped us out a lot too because we could utilize our speed and the ball wasn't bouncing so much. I was very pleased with the way that my team played. There were moments that weren't great, but for the most part they played very well."

Coach Morgan and the Dukes will need to continue to improve in preparation for a tough 1999 schedule that includes seven of the top 10 teams in Sports Illustrated's pre-season rankings.

JMU's next opponent will be Ohio State who it hosts on Thursday at 1 p.m.

JMU 6, Duke 1

JMU STATS
First half scoring:
JMU-Sanders (Dinallo) 28:41
JMU-Sanders (Hunter) 24:20
JMU-Hunter (Sanders) 23:24
JMU-Weiss (Hunter) 4:56

Second half scoring:
JMU-Perilla (Hunter) 22:51
JMU-Martinez (Forchetti) 15:58

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VT destroys Dukes, 47-0

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While Berry’s numbers didn’t come close to matching Vick’s — 9, 17, 71 yards — he won’t have to worry about scrambling for his life against Atlantic 10 defenses the way he did Saturday.

"I’m definitely disappointed," Berry said. "We knew it would be a tough stretch to come in and beat them. We just wanted to come here and play hard and have a good showing."

Defensively for the Dukes, end Chris Morant was a bright spot, picking up where he left off last year, registering two sacks and six tackles. Linebacker Mike Luckie led the Dukes with seven tackles, but missed an opportunity to stop a reverse that resulted in a touchdown.

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While the secondary struggled, safety Ron Atkins was everywhere. The junior transfer finished with six tackles and delivered several punishing hits, including a fourth down stop. He also leveled Vick in the first quarter, jarring his mouthpiece to the field. Linebacker Zeb Clark, the team’s leading returning tackler, played a good game, and was also responsible for a fourth down stop in the second quarter.

But what about that 78-yard run that resulted in no points?

"I didn’t finish the run. The way I wanted to — ideally I would have liked to put six on the board," said Keaton, who finished with 108 yards on 14 carries. "Initially I didn’t see it as a bummer, but they pushed us back and then scored, and us coming up empty-handed, it hurt us."

Despite being shut out, Keaton remains optimistic about the rest of the season.

"I’m not going to get down on myself or my teammates," he said. "We’re going to do some things this year. As far as we’re concerned, don’t count us out. Last year, we were 3-8, and that’s not going to happen this year."

Atlantic 10 Football Scoreboard

Saturday, Sept. 4

New Hampshire 37  (1-0)  Rhode Island 14  (0-1)
American Inti. 7  (0-1)  Northeastern 44  (1-0)
Maine 21  (0-1)  Colgate 28  (1-0)
James Madison 0  (0-1)  Virginia Tech 47  (1-0)
Villanova 13  (0-1)  Air Force 37  (1-0)
Connecticut 17  (0-1)  Hofstra 56  (1-0)
Virginia Military 6  (0-1)  Richmond 42  (1-0)

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Aries (March 21-April 19) — Today is an 8 — Home is definitely where your heart is. Set up something special for tonight. If there's somebody you want to know better, have him or her over for dinner. Your home cooking could be downright magical. It'll work if you're already married, too.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Today is a 7 — You're in the mood for love, no doubt about that! There's still much work to be done, though. Sorry, you can't spend all day playing. Instead, lower the line, lift that ban and resist temptation. At least for about eight hours, anyway.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) — Today is an 8 — If you're not in love yet, watch out. You could be by the time this day is over. This might even be with someone you've known for ages. If you don't have anyone in your life right now, get out there and mingle.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) — Today is a 7 — There's plenty of work coming in, and that could mean an increase in your paycheck. Volunteer if extra help is needed, but make sure you get time and a half. Maybe you'd better get something in writing.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is a 7 — Be careful with machinery today. Something you do could create a problem that takes a while to repair. Also, try not to tweak an older person who's under a bit of stress. The good news is that everything turns out fine.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is an 8 — They say that if you turn and face your worst fears, sometimes you're pleasantly surprised. That could be the case again today.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Today is a 7 — If you're in the market for romance, maybe you've been shopping in the wrong places. An old friend, someone you may not have thought of, could become the perfect mate. If you have a mate, you may rediscover the value of a good old friend.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21) — Today is an 8 — Step lively again today, and you'll make a good impression. You may also get a bonus of some kind. There's treasure out there. All you have to do is figure out what needs to be done and do it. That shouldn't be too hard, not for you, anyway.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is a 7 — Something you've been studying could have a direct and highly positive impact on your career. Not only will it help you do your job better, but it'll make a good impression on your boss. Let people know what you're learning.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is a 9 — They say that a fool and his money are soon parted. Well, you certainly don't want to be that person. They also say that love and money shouldn't mix, but that may not be true. Love and money are closely linked together, so don't be foolish.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is an 8 — Neither of you want to let on how deeply your convictions are held, but both of you know the chances for compromise are slim. But, wait! Is that a light at the end of the tunnel? It'll only happen if one, or both, of you admit to being wrong. Any little thing will do just to get it started.

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