Dukes surprise all season, but can't break through against Trojans

Mike Gesario
Sports Editor

Unable to mount any kind of offensive attack and down to their fifth quarterback of the season, the JMU Dukes were eliminated from the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs by fifth-seeded Troy State University, 27-7, on Saturday.

JMU ends its season with an 8-4 record. The Dukes won the Atlantic 10 conference championship for the first time in school history this season, but hit a snag towards the end of the year, losing three of their last four games.

Troy State will move on to the second round of the playoffs to face 13th-seeded Florida A&M, who upset No. 4 Appalachian State on Saturday.

"We felt like our kids had good energy for this game and prepared well," Troy State Coach Larry Blakeney said. "I am very proud of them and what we were able to accomplish today."

Troy State's defense, led by 6-foot-2, 290-pound senior tackle Al Lucas, stuffed the JMU running game through out the afternoon. The Dukes accumulated only 55 yards rushing in the game. Redshirt senior tailback Curtis Keaton carried the ball 22 times for only 40 yards, while sophomore fullback Robert Carson had 45 yards on 10...
Injuries prompt quarterback problem
Forget the Super Bowl Shuffle, Matthews shuttled in five different QBs this year

MIKE GESARIO
sports editor

It just wouldn’t be a JMU football game without having some kind of story surrounding the quarterback spot.

The Dukes’ final game of the year lived up to JMU standards as sophomore Chris Paquette, making his second start of the season, injured his collarbone when he was sacked inside the Troy State 20-yard line in the second quarter.

Freshman Mike Connelly gave it a go, but was experiencing discomfort in his arm due to a separated shoulder he suffered two weeks ago.

JMU Coach Mickey Matthews didn’t have a choice, so he turned to redshirt freshman wide receiver Jason Thompson.

“We put Jason in because he’s a competitor,” Matthews said. “If we stayed in the game, I knew Jason would compete.”

Thompson was a three-year starter at Damascus High School (Md.), and threw for more than 4,000 yards in his career. He joined JMU as a quarterback and was named the 1998 team’s offensive scout team player of the year, but hadn’t worked at quarterback this season up until two weeks ago when Connelly was injured.

The redshirt freshman held his own during Saturday’s game. He completed 6 of 16 passes for 66 yards against Troy State on Saturday. DeFilippo was given a chance to show his stuff.

“I thought Berry had been having a rough week,” Matthews said after the Villanova game. “I thought John needed an opportunity.”

DeFilippo was 0-3 at Villanova, though, and was 3-5 in the first half when he started for the Dukes in game six at William & Mary. Berry and DeFilippo were a combined 6-10 (32 yards) against the Tribe.

Matthews then stunned many JMU followers (and conference) when he started DeFilippo the rest of the season. He played the opening kickoff against the Huskies on Oct. 23.

Connelly was 2-5 for just 8 yards and ran for 22 yards on 8 carries during the first half against South Florida. His second half was all about turnover, making 3-5 in the first half when he started for the Dukes in game six at William & Mary. Berry and DeFilippo came 2-5 for just 3 for 18 yards and an interception.

“Thought about them. They are backup quarterbacks now. Mike obviously won the starting job today. He’s going to be our quarterback the rest of the season,” Matthews said after the loss.

Finally, the revolving door made its last turn of the season on Saturday as Thompson was thrown into the fire.

“I’m frustrated with the quarterback situation,” Matthews said after the loss. “Our whole team is.”

Said senior tailback Curtis Keaton. “Our quarterbacks are pretty much all on scholarship. We’ve had our backs against the wall all year long. Jason Thompson stepped in and played well for us.”

Redshirt freshman Jason Thompson became the fifth quarterback to play for JMU this season. He completed 6 of 26 passes for 66 yards against Troy State on Saturday.
Dukes make clean sweep in A-10 awards

JMU followed up its amazing regular season turnaround by racking up three of the four major Atlantic 10 All-Conference honors.

First-year head coach Mickey Matthews was tabbed the coach of the year, senior running back Curtis Keaton took home offensive player of the year honors and junior defensive end Chris Morant was named defensive player of the year. It was second-time in league history the offensive and defensive players of the year have come from the same team.

Matthews, a lifelong defensive coach, was named head coach of the Dukes on March 19 and instantly brought a winning attitude to the team. Matthews guided the Dukes to an 8-3 regular season record following 1998’s 3-8 mark under former coach Alex Wod. The Dukes by improvement matched the best turnaround in team history. Matthews was the third coach in Atlantic-10 history to win his first league game, and the first since Maine’s Tom Lichtenberg in 1989. Matthews led the Dukes to a share of their first-ever A-10 title.

Matthews is a finalist for the Eddie Robinson Award, given to the nation’s top coach in FIAA.

Keaton, who transferred from West Virginia in 1998, rewrote the JMU record books with a magical season, highlighted by three consecutive 200-yard games in October. He missed his fourth by four yards.

He set the JMU single-season rushing record with 1,719 yards on 316 carries, also a school record. Keaton also finished his two-year career at JMU as the top single-season scorer with 120 points. The Ohio native also became the single-season touch-

Dukes lose finale, 27-7

JMU’s only score came in the fourth quarter. Thompson had his pass intercepted by free safety Chris Archie on the TSU 10-yard line. Archie returned the ball to the 25, where JMU redshirt junior left tackle Mike Dealy punched the ball loose. Junior wide receiver Marcus Baccot recovered the loose ball.

Five plays later, Keaton put JMU on the scoreboard, 24-7.

Blakesey said, “James Madison is a team that can really run the football, so we had to set up our game plan to stop the run. Keaton is a great back. I know he didn’t have very good day, but the more things out there today, and I’ll tell you, he has some tremendous skill.”

TSU added a 22-yard field goal to cap off the scoring.
Dishing out the football awards

So the season is over. It was a good run, though, wasn't it? I mean, on the way home from Alabama, people were talking about the JMU football fans who came out of a three-season-long hibernation this year and the possible expansion of Bridgewater Stadium.

People were talking about this season being a jumping off point. A new beginning, if you will. Not bad for a team that went 3-8 last year. I remember this time last season. I think a lot of the guys were happy the season was over.

Not so this year. I think the Dukes realized they got beat by a better team on Saturday and, yeah, they lost three of their last four games, but I still think most of the players are sorry to see the season end. The fans feel that way too I think.

Anyway, there are many reasons for the Dukes' turnaround from 3-8 to 8-4. You probably know the reasons by now. If not, you either live in a cave, don't know the reasons by now. If not, you probably aren't reading this right now.

We would like to end this season by recognizing those players that have made a difference this year. So here are the recipients of this year's Breeze superlatives. (If you agree with a pick, chances are it was my selection. If you disagree, complain to J. Mac.)

Offensive Player of the Year:
Is there really any doubt? Can it be anyone other than Curtis Keaton? He won the conference's offensive player of the year after racking up 1,679 yards on 292 carries in the regular season. That's 5.7 yards per game. He also scored a team-high 19 touchdowns. He set the JMU record for most touchdowns, points, rushing yards and all-purpose yards in a season this year.

Defensive Player of the Year:
By far the toughest category. The nominees: Linebacker Derick Pack (a team-best 132 tackles), safety Ron Atkins (88 tackles and a team-leading two interceptions), linebacker Mike Luckie (83 tackles) and defensive end Chris Morant (a JMU-single season record tying 11 sacks). After a long debate, we give the nod to Luckie. He's the player opposing coaches usually talked about after the game. He had two sacks, two fumble recoveries, and one interception to go along with his 83 tackles in 10 games this year.

Special Teams Player of the Year:
We'll go with Delvin Joyce, even though his numbers may not compare to last season's. A 19.9 kickoff return average and a 14.3 punt return average is still worthy of this award. Besides, fans in Bridgewater get excited every time Joyce goes back to field the kick. He can bust loose for a touchdown at anytime. He did once this year.

Runner up for this award is kicker/punter Mike Glover, whose 14 field goals was third on JMU's all-time list. He nailed his career tying 11 sacks. After the season this year.

Most Quotable Player:
This is an important category for us reporters. And there is little doubt that Keaton deserves this one. Keaton has said things like "you could have a picnic in it" when describing holes created by his offensive line and "you can't get you panties in a jiffy" when falling behind early.

Coach Mickey Matthews also came up with good lines every now and then, including saying the Dukes are so small, most of them can't even make shadows.

Biggest Play of the Year:
I think equipment manager Dan Roland, Daily News Record reporter Tom Stevens and I talked about this several times with the road this season. Remember Zeb Clark forcing a fumble against Northeastern in game two? The Dukes were trailing 14-0 in the first quarter and the Huskies were threatening to score again and perhaps put the Dukes away early. Instead, Clark caused a fumble on his own 20-yard line. Luckie recovered the loose ball, JMU drove for a field goal and the Dukes were down only 14-3. And instead of starting the season 0-2, JMU evened its record at 1-1 and began a seven-game winning streak.

Biggest Hit:
Pack on Villanova's 6-foot-7, 240-pound tight end Joe Kasaleigh. The 6-foot-1, 205-pound Pack leveled the NFL prospect, who was not a factor for the rest of the game.

Team Comedian:
Linebacker Jeremy McConnel who ran for 120 yards against South Carolina in the season opener. He had six sacks. Ulrick Edmonds made three sacks and 61 tackles. On offense, of course, there was chairman of the board Mike Connelly who ran for 120 yards in his first college game.

Too many choices, so we'll have to give this one to the entire team. Afterall, was there a bigger surprise than the Dukes winning the A-10 title?

Mike Gesario is the sports editor and prefers Maine to Alabama.

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NCAA Division I-AA Football Championship

First Round
Nov. 27
#1 Tennessee State (11-0)
#2 Georgia Southern (9-2)
#3 Hofstra (10-1)
#4 Appalachian State (8-3)
#5 Troy State (10-1)
#6 Illinois State (9-2)
#7 Furman (9-2)
#8 Montana (9-2)

Second Round
Dec. 4
N.C. A&T, 24-10
Youngstown, 30-27
Troy State, 27-7
Florida A&M, 44-29
Hofstra, 27-15
Illinois State, 56-13
Ga. Southern, 72-29

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SPORTS

The Breeze
Police investigating sexual battery report

3 peeping tom incidents also reported

BRIAN WESTLEY assistant news editor

Campus police are investigating an incident of sexual battery that allegedly occurred in Garber Hall on Nov. 20. Also, peeping toms were reported on campus Nov. 20, Nov. 21 and Nov. 30.

Sexual battery is a sexual act that stops short of rape, said Alan MacNutt, JMU director of public safety. He would not comment on how far this reported sexual act had gone before it was stopped.

The accused and victim are both JMU students and are acquaintances, MacNutt said. "This is not a situation where the general community is at risk," he said.

The accuser hasn't decided if she wants to file criminal charges, but at the minimum the perpetrator will be judicially charged by the university, MacNutt said.

If criminal charges are brought by the victim, the alleged perpetrator would be tried by the state's Commonwealth Attorney's Office.

Hillary Wing, assistant director of the Office of Sexual Assault and Substance Abuse Prevention couldn't be reached to comment on the sexual battery incident as of press time last night, but in the March 4 issue of The Breeze she said that society, unfortunately, tends to place blame on victims of sexual abuse if it's done by an acquaintance.

"Society . . . blames the victim, such as, it's your fault you were in their room, it's your fault you were drinking," Wing said. "Victims often feel a great deal of guilt and responsibility."

In addition to the sexual battery incident as of press time last night to celebrate World AIDS Day by holding a remembrance walk around an illuminated Quad.

Beacons of light shone out from crisp white paper bags placed at the perimeter of the sidewalks lining the Quad and across the Wilson Hall steps.

The third annual World AIDS Day celebration at JMU, the event was the culmination of months of planning to promote HIV/AIDS awareness and remember those who've died from the disease.

"Today what we've done, with the help of a lot of people, is illuminate the Quad," said Ann Simmons, coordinator of health education and wellness promotions. "Around the world, countries and cities are doing a lot of different activities to remember this day. . . . We have decided to illuminate the Quad [because] it's a visual symbol and it helps us remind people that we need to keep AIDS on our radar screen."

AIDS Day remembered on Quad

KELLY HANNON news editor

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New admissions director is named

Shabazz successor to take over in April

JINA MONTEFUSCO news editor

A new director of admissions was named Tuesday after a five-month search.

Michael Walsh, currently the director of admissions at Bowling Green State University in Ohio, will take over at JMU April 1, 2000. Walsh wanted to finish the admission cycle at Bowling Green, said Vice President of Student Affairs Mark Wamer, who participated in the hiring process.

Jim McConnel will continue in his position as interim director of admissions until Walsh takes over and will then return to his position as director of campus life and judicial affairs.

"I'd be nice to have Mr. Walsh before April 1, but McConnel has done an incredible job," Warner said.

Walsh said, "I'm very excited about it. I've always had a very high respect for JMU. It has a fine academic reputation and a reputation of delivering to the students what it claims to offer."

Warner said Walsh brings a broad array of knowledge to the Office of Admissions.

"Walsh brings a breadth of experience," Warner said. "He brings some impeccable credentials. He has an extensive
DUKE DAYS EVENTS CALENDAR

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2

- Bible Study, 8:15 p.m., 690 S. Mason St., sponsored by Wesley Foundation, call Ben at 434-3490.
- Fellowship Dinner, 5:30 p.m., 690 S. Mason St., sponsored by Wesley Foundation, call Ben at 434-3490.
- JMU Breakdancing Club, 6 to 8 p.m., Godwin racquetball courts.
- JMU Chorus Concert, 8 p.m., Wilson Hall Auditorium, $2 admission, call x3481 or x6663.
- Young Democratic Socialists, general meeting 8 p.m., Taylor 302, call Aaron at 433-6411.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3

- InterVarsity Large Group, 7 p.m., Miller 101, call Sarah at 574-4980.
- JMU Breakdancing Club, 6 to 8 p.m., UREC aerobic studio.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5

- Holidayfest, 4 p.m., Wilson Hall Auditorium, JMU Chorale, Symphony Orchestra and Brass Ensemble perform seasonal music, lighting of Christmas tree to follow, tickets are $3 and $5, call x7000 for reservations.
- JMU Chamber Music Ensemble Concert, 8 p.m., Anthony-Seeger Auditorium, call x3481 or x6663.
- JMU Wind Symphony Concert, 3 p.m., Wilson Hall Auditorium, tickets are $6 and $8, call x7000.

POLICE LOG

MELISSA FORREST
POLICE REPORTER

Nathaniel M. Johnson, 23, of Mount Tabor, N.J., was arrested and charged with a felony assault on a police officer by motor vehicle on Nov. 22 at 7:16 p.m. at Entrance A to the Convocation Center.

The student allegedly recklessly and wantonly caused injury to a JMU police officer directing traffic at a basketball game.

The campus officer was examined at Rockingham Memorial Hospital and released.

In other matters, campus police report the following:

Sexual Battery
- A student reportedly sexually assaulted another student in Garber Hall on Nov. 20 at 3:17 a.m. The alleged perpetrator was an acquaintance of the victim.

Alcohol Poisoning
- A Virginia Commonwealth University student reportedly suffered from alcohol poisoning on Nov. 20 at 12:49 a.m. after being found unresponsive in a resident's room in Eagle Hall.
- The subject was transported to Rockingham Memorial Hospital Emergency Room for treatment and observation.
- A JMU student reportedly suffered from alcohol poisoning on Nov. 20 at 12:49 a.m. in McGraw-Long Hall, after found to be heavily intoxicated and unresponsive.
- The subject was transported to Rockingham Memorial Hospital for treatment and observation.
- A non-student reportedly suffered from alcohol poisoning on Nov. 20 at 12:36 a.m. in Chesapeake Hall after found lying in a pool of vomit with a cut toe.
- The subject was transported to Rockingham Memorial Hospital for treatment and observation.

WEATHER

Today

Sunny

High 57, Low 31

Friday

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63  41

Saturday

Mostly cloudy

62  42

Sunday

Mostly sunny

60  38

Monday

Partly cloudy

57  37

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Madison Grill fires up in 2000

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After months of construction and renovation, the Madison Grill is scheduled to open on Jan. 10, 2000.

Previously known as the Steakhouse, the Madison Grill will offer a completely different dining atmosphere and menu than any other dining facility on campus.

"We are going to have new foods, from sandwiches and hamburgers to steaks and pasta," Steve Mangan, JMU executive chef, said. Mangan has been overseeing the renovation project from the beginning.

Once opened, the Grill will operate to serve students and faculty for lunch and dinner.

"The Grill is here to stay," Mangan said. "We will be open from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. for lunch and 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. for dinner. If we find that customers want something different, we will add.

The Grill will also boast waiters and waitresses, the view from the top floor of Warren Hall and an open kitchen for diners to watch their food being prepared.

"We are going to bring the diner into where the food is being produced," Mangan said. "Diners can interact with their cook if they want. We want to bring excitement to the food we are serving."

Dwight Campbell, director of University Center dining, said the Steakhouse was popular but he thinks the Grill will be just as popular, if not more.

"The Grill provides established service, a nice view, atmosphere and good food," Campbell said. "It's sit down and like going downtown to a restaurant. It's a nice option for students."

Although the menu still has not been finalized, Mangan said he thinks the food will please everybody.

"I'm envisioning a lunchtime with soup, salad, sandwiches, pasta and vegetarian options," Mangan said. "Also a nice dessert selection."

Campbell said there will be more selections than the Steakhouse as far as the menu is concerned.

"From what I have seen and heard, it is going to be quite nice," Campbell said. "It will be food with a flare."

The finalized menu is hinging on how the students' meal plan will fit into the dining facility. Mangan said he is not sure how the payment plan will work for the Grill, but plans to make the facility accessible to everyone.

"We will incorporate the meal plan into the Grill in some fashion, but exactly how, we do not know yet," Mangan said.

Mangan said the food will be a better quality at the Grill than it was previously at the Steakhouse. He plans to provide students with more menu options to make the dining experience more enjoyable.

However, with the added menu options, the price for dining will inevitably have to rise.

"Last year, students had a punch for the Steakhouse but could only choose from a limited selection of entrees," Mangan said.

Mangan said with the new menu proposal, the Grill will not be able to continue accepting only a punch; however, students will be able to utilize their meal plan in some manner.

"Even though the Grill might be more expensive, the value will be there for customers," Mangan said.

Sophomore Megan LaSalle said she would not want to spend more than a punch at the Grill for lunch, but dinner is different.

"For dinner, I would not mind paying a bit more at the Grill," LaSalle said. "It's an off-campus feel for an on-campus price, which I like."

Sophomore Dawn Bonker said, "Last year, the Steakhouse was a place to go for a treat. It sounds like the Grill will have the appeal of a real restaurant as well. As long as they bring back that chicken, I'm fine with any other changes."

Similar to the Steakhouse, calling ahead to make reservations at the Grill will be an option encouraged for diners. However, if diners don't make reservations, the Grill will still accept walk-ins on a first available basis.

"Hopefully we will see faculty and staff staying on campus for dinner, and see students who live off-campus coming back for dinner as well," Mangan said.

Mangan said he also hopes the Grill can be a place to bring parents who are at JMU visiting students, or will become a place to have birthday parties and celebrations.

Mangan has some ideas for nightlife at the Grill as well.

"I am also seeing a possibility of using the Grill for a coffeehouse at night," Mangan said. "We could get some jazz, or a comedian or something."

Mangan said all of these ideas are still in the planning process, but through the Madison Grill, dining services now has the possibility to offer a very unique dining experience.

The Grill is looking to hire 20 people to fill server positions, up to six people to fill cook positions, and up to eight people to fill utility positions prior to their opening in January. The Grill will offer standard student wages in dining services for employment, however, different positions will receive different wages. All servers will receive tips in supplantation to their standard pay.

"We hope to have some students working for us," Mangan said. "We are hoping to make the Grill a learning area for hospitality students and hoping to hire some of those students as well."

Mangan said he is looking forward to the grand opening.

"I am excited! I think we are going to have fun with it!" Mangan said.

A new major option for future teachers

Education minors can major in Interdisciplinary Liberal Studies beginning next fall

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A new major option for education minors has recently been approved and will go into action fall of 2000.

Beginning in fall 2000, the state of Virginia is requiring that Interdisciplinary Liberal Studies (IDLS) be offered as a major to education minors to meet the new Virginia teacher requirements for licensure. Students planning on minoring in early childhood education, middle education and special education will now fall under the IDLS major. Students who are seeking teacher licensure must also complete the professional education minor program as well.

Currently, students who wish to teach at any level after graduation must major in an approved major and minor in education. With the IDLS program, students who desire to teach early, middle or special education can only pick from two major content areas. These areas will be humanities/social sciences and mathematics/sciences.

The students will then also minor in the professional education program. Students minoring in special education will major in one content area, but they will also adopt the professional education minor.

"IDLS is going to be a good program . . . it should serve elementary, middle and special education students . . . "

Alvin Pettus  
interim assistant director of the school of education

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Knowledge and information related to those areas they will be responsible for teaching," said Alvin Pettus, interim assistant director of the school of education.

The new major is being mandated because the state of Virginia has changed requirements for teacher licensure. This major is designed to meet those new requirements.

This program will provide depth and integration of content areas required by the state of Virginia.

Students pursuing a career in education will now be exposed to a number of disciplines and types of content represented in this major.

All IDLS majors will be required to take core course work. The core classes fall into four categories: English/language arts, history/social sciences, mathematics and natural sciences.

Students will then move into their upper-level course work, where they will choose either the humanities and social sciences content area or the mathematics and sciences content area.

Several education minors agreed IDLS will be beneficial to future teachers.

"IDLS is a good idea," sophomore Catherine Durvin said. "It is a better program for students pursuing a career in elementary, middle and special education. Before [we] would major in subjects such as English and mathematics and these subjects would be taken to a level that was way above the level at which we would actually be teaching. This new program, with its specific levels, will better help us teach.
### LET'S EAT!

**this week in o-hall...**

#### Sun. Dec 5
- **Grill**: Cream of Broccoli Soup, Chicken Nuggets, Sloppy Joe Sandwich
- **Lunch**: Grilled Chicken Breast, Potatoes au Gratin, Corn, Romaine Lettuce

#### Mon. Dec 6
- **Grill**: Cream of Broccoli Soup, Chicken Nuggets, Sloppy Joe Sandwich
- **Lunch**: Grilled Chicken Breast, Potatoes au Gratin, Corn, Romaine Lettuce

#### Tues. Dec 7
- **Grill**: Cream of Tomato Soup, Cheese Steak Subs, Beef and Chicken
- **Lunch**: Grilled Chicken Breast, Potatoes au Gratin, Corn, Romaine Lettuce

#### Wed. Dec 8
- **Grill**: Cream of Tomato Soup, Cheese Steak Subs, Beef and Chicken
- **Lunch**: Grilled Chicken Breast, Potatoes au Gratin, Corn, Romaine Lettuce

#### Thurs. Dec 9
- **Grill**: Chicken Noodle Soup, Blue Cheese Steak Sandwich, Turkey Broccoli Divan, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans
- **Lunch**: Grilled Chicken Breast, Potatoes au Gratin, Corn, Romaine Lettuce

#### Fri. Dec 10
- **Grill**: Beef Vegetable Soup, Ham and Cheese Sandwich, Fish Sandwich, Spanish Rice, Corn
- **Lunch**: Grilled Chicken Breast, Potatoes au Gratin, Corn, Romaine Lettuce

#### Sat. Dec 11
- **Grill**: Oatmeal, Scrambled Eggs, Hashbrown Potatoes, Bacon, French Toast, Maryland Clam Chowder, French Dip Sandwich, Mexican Fried Rice
- **Lunch**: Grilled Chicken Breast, Potatoes au Gratin, Corn, Romaine Lettuce

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Carrier makes cameo at SGA
Treasurer also announces no financial increases for front end budgeted organizations

TOM STEINFELDT
SGA reporter

More than 100 senators and representatives turned out to hear the guest speaker Student Government Association President for in-state status introduced as “the reason this university is what it is.”

JMU Chancellor Ronald Carrier shared his humor, experience and advice with the student leaders, beginning by reflecting on his time in student government.

“My relationship with student government goes back a long, long time,” said Carrier, who was president of his student government as an undergraduate at East Tennessee State University in 1952.

Carrier expressed the true joy he gave and received during his 27 years as JMU president.

“I had one goal and a mission and a goal when I came here,” Carrier said. “The student is at the core of everything we do.”

Carrier said he told his faculty and staff to keep in mind that students’ thoughts and opinions could be right.

The former president praised SGA members for using their time at JMU to learn negotiating skills that are imperative in today’s world. Carrier recognized the SGA’s role of expressing viewpoints through a student perspective. In a business world where his business has been replaced with greater equality, Carrier said students need to enter the field with knowledge combined with the ability to negotiate.

Carrier said presidents of governing boards face great challenges, pressures, stress and must continually please constituents. But a position like that gives you the chance to make an impact, he said.

“If you ever get a chance to be president of a university, take it,” Carrier advised. “If you get a chance to be chancellor, jump at it. Because I don’t have to worry if the registration system goes down.”

After Carrier spoke, SGA unveiled news that may be unwelcome news for some student organizations. SGA Treasurer Mike Parris said that due to a lack of increase in the budget of the Special Advisory Committee, which funds SGA, the SGA will not be able to offer significant increases in funds for the nine front-end budgeted groups, which are Student Ambassadors, Black Student Alliance, Panhellenic, Interfraternity Council, Honor Council, NAACP, Sports Club Council, SGA, University Program Board, or in the contingency account for other organizations for the next fiscal year.

The lack of money is largely attributed to the lack of an increase in the student body and the cost of new buildings.

Also at the meeting:
Senators reached an influential decision rather quickly by passing a bill of opinion by unanimous consent requesting the administration support Campus Assault Response (CARE) by increasing funding for the University Health Center.

CARE is designed to educate students on issues of sexual assault with the use of a helpline for survivors and victims of assault, group presentations and see SGA page 7

Admissions hopes in-state tuition for D.C. residents benefits JMU

JEN BONDS
Senior writer

JMU could face an increase in enrollment of students from the District of Columbia next fall in result to a new House bill that was passed and signed by President Clinton earlier this month.

The bill will allow students from D.C. to be considered for in-state status for tuition at both Virginia and Maryland public colleges and universities.

Jim McConnell, JMU interim director of admissions, is heading a recruitment program that will give prospective students in D.C. better knowledge of JMU as they begin sending in applications.

“Right now, there is a very small number of students attending JMU that live in Washington, D.C.,” McConnell said. “Even though students have until January to get their applications in, we only have one on hand from D.C. Since many of our students are from Northern Virginia, we are trying to increase the awareness of the university to D.C.”

The Office of Admissions is in the process of taking several steps to market to college-bound students of D.C.

“We have sent packages with applications and brochures to all D.C. high schools, and we also have a 1,500 student database with the names of college-bound seniors that we plan on mailing information to,” McConnell said.

The Office of Admissions is also planning a visitation day on Dec. 16 for counselors at D.C. high schools to visit JMU.

“We want them to come down and see the campus and get acquainted with the programs that we have to offer,” McConnell said.

The office is also planning a visitation program to send current students and Northern Virginia alumni to D.C. high schools to talk about the JMU experience.

D.C. students will still be considered out-of-state in the admissions office, and will have to go through the Mayor’s Office in D.C. to obtain the $5,100 difference in tuition rates. The refund is guaranteed.

The government is giving the Mayor’s Office $10,000 per college student, which in turn will be used to pay for tuition differences in Virginia and Maryland schools,” McConnell said. “This is definitely an advantage for the District because now they don’t have to spend huge sums of money to build more college facilities for the students.”

Freshman Alexys Feaster is a resident of D.C., and thinks the bill will be beneficial for D.C. high school students that would otherwise not go to college.

“I think it’s a great way to give D.C. students the opportunity to attend college who otherwise would not have been able to afford it,” Feaster said. “After the bill goes into effect I think a lot more people will go to college.”

“The only public school in D.C. is the University of the District of Columbia, which is not even an accredited college,” she said, “and the other colleges in D.C. are private and very expensive.”

Junior Centreville, Va. resident Mona Khan also agrees with the passing of the bill.

“I think it’s perfect,” Khan said. “D.C. students live in such a small district that they are limited to the number of schools they can choose from without paying such exorbitant tuition fees. I think that this bill will give D.C. students more incentive to go to college, now that it is being made more affordable for them, and they can still be close to home.”

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Holiday Week @ JMU
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**Sponsor a Family for Christmas**
Harrisonburg - Rockingham Social Services is having their annual Family Sponsor Project. This is an opportunity to purchase gifts for both needy families and individuals.

**Christmas Wrapping**
New Directions shelter is looking for people to help wrap and distribute donated gifts to current and former clients of New Directions during the first two weeks of December.

**Toy Drive**
The Human Development Center (in Roop Hall) would like to have a toy closet where children can choose a toy to play with. They are looking for a group that is interested in having a toy drive to collect and wrap toys for boys and girls of all ages.

**Warm a Winter Wish:**
Sponsor a child from the Valley AIDS network whose life is affected by AIDS. Child’s sex, age, sizes and desired gift are placed on candy canes and hung on the Christmas tree by UREC’s front doors. Students can take a candy cane, buy the gift and place it (unwrapped) under the tree. The presents are then distributed out to the children before Christmas. Last day to give presents to UREC is THURSDAY, Dec. 16th. Staff and volunteers are then welcome to join us at 3pm for a wrapping party!

**Support local families this Holiday Season**
Lacey Spring Elementary has identified 155 children from 36 families in the community who are in need of food and gifts for the Holiday Season. Please help by sponsoring a family, donating food, or buying gifts to put in family baskets.

**Sunday, December 5**
Annual Holiday Fest
Sponsored by: JMU School of Music (Part of Masterpiece Series. Brass Ensemble, James Madison University Chorale and the Symphony Orchestra)
Wilson Hall, 4pm
Ticket Information: 568-7000

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**Monday, December 6**
A Cappella Concert
Notoriety and UWA a capella
Taylor Down Under, 8 pm
Reconciliation Service
Sponsored by: Catholic Campus Ministry
CCM House, 7 pm

**Tuesday, December 7**
Holiday Open Mic Night
Taylor Down Under, 8-10:30 pm

**Wednesday, December 8**
Asbury Bell Choir
Sponsored by: University Centers
Warren Hall, 3rd floor, 2:30 - 3:00 pm
Luke Leyh on Acoustic Guitar
Taylor Down Under, 8 pm
Open House!
Sponsored by: Multicultural Student Services
Warren Hall, Rm. 245 11:00 - 2:00 pm

**Thursday, December 9**
Music of the Season (by Rick Hill)
Ornament Decorating
First 50 students get a free ornament to decorate for the TDU tree!
Taylor Down Under, 12:00 - 1:00 pm
Story/Tradition Telling
(people of different backgrounds and faith share holiday traditions)
Taylor Down Under, Evening

**Friday, December 10**
Hanukkah Party
Sponsored by: Hillel Counselorship
Time and Location TBD, call Tammy: 568-4828

**Saturday, December 11**
Children's Holiday Celebration
(Christmas Programming for Children and Grandchildren of Employees)
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Student Ambassadors keep member's spirit alive

Group raises funds for scholarship named for Carrie Kutner

EMILY NICHOLS
Contributing writer

Carrie Kutner was at JMU for only one year before she died of cancer, but she made quite an impact. So much of an impact that the Student Ambassadors are creating a scholarship in her name. They have been actively raising money for the endowment since fall 1997 and are now wrapping up their final push, Kutner Week.

Kutner attended JMU before passing away from leukemia, but in that year she made a tremendous impression on JMU and on all of those who knew her. She was actively involved with both Student Ambassadors and Hall Council, said senior Erin Uyttewaal, who is one of the scholarship's co-chairs.

Junior Student Ambassador Swati Mittal said, "I never knew her, but I've heard from those who did that she was always smiling, always happy, and always had a sparkle in her eye. Apparently she just lit up a room, and everybody loved her."

Mittal learned that she had cancer just before coming to college for her freshman year, Mittal said. She decided to go ahead and lead a normal life and attend college. She did her best to get involved in many aspects of JMU life and had an intense love for the school. People remember Kutner for her JMU spirit and pride and her infectious smile.

In order to apply for the scholarship, which will be approximately $1,000 every year, Uyttewaal said, "The scholarship will be based on exceptional service to the university, true love for JMU, positive attitude, enthusiasm and somebody who embodies the values and traits that Carrie embodied. It will not be based on academics, although you need a GPA of 2.5 to apply. Student Ambassadors will not be eligible for the scholarship." At first, just one student a year will receive the scholarship and eventually multiple students will receive it.

A little more than $20,000 has already been raised and only about $5,000 more needs to be collected before the endowment can be set up, Uyttewaal said. The scholarship will be given out from the interest that the endowment collects while in an account.

The Student Ambassadors started this project on their own, but they are now receiving some additional support from other organizations on campus like Students for Minority Outreach, Junior Class Council, University Program Board and Alpha Phi Omega. (See more information on those groups have been donating money for the seminar and other events.)

Senior Jennifer Morse, APO's vice president of service, said they got "a very large response from people," including 400-500 people who went to the acoustic concert at Taylor Down Under. Immediately following the concert, there was a candlelight vigil in remembrance of Kutner on Hillside Field.

On Friday, the junior class and Student Ambassadors are co-sponsoring the third annual Jingle Bell Jog. This is a 5K event and the first 150 people who sign up get a T-shirt. Half of the money raised by this event will go to the Carrie Kutner Scholarship and the other half will go to the soup kitchen at the Little Grill.

On Friday and Saturday, UPB and Student Ambassadors are co-sponsoring the movie "Runaway Bride." Half of the money raised will go toward the scholarship and the other half of the money raised during the showings will go toward UPB's general purpose fund.

To donate money, pledge cards can be downloaded off the Student Ambassador Web site at http://www.jmu.edu/orgs/ambassadors.

Uyttewaal said that Student Ambassadors and members of the JMU Foundation are also accepting donations.

"The last of the people that knew Carrie graduated last year," Mittal said. "They were very concerned that people wouldn't continue working on the scholarship, but people have been working very hard to pull this off and everybody is very excited.

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Swati Mittal
junior Student Ambassador

Class Council, University Program Board and Alpha Phi Omega is a service fraternity. Senior Jennifer Morse, APO's vice president of service, said they got involved because Kutner's older sister, Ali, was an active member of APO and they wanted to get involved out of respect for both Ali and Carrie.

Uyttewaal said they are hoping to complete fundraising by the end of this month so that the first scholarship can be given out for the 2000-2001 school year.

Mittal said several alumni and campus groups have been donating money for the endowment.

"The Madison Project has been wonderful and they've held several benefit concerts in honor of Carrie Kutner and all of the money they raised went towards the endowment," Mittal said.

Starting on Nov. 29, the Student Ambassadors are sponsoring Kutner Week. During this week, Ambassadors will be on the commons accepting donations and selling raffle tickets. The ambassadors have also raised money for the endowment by creating a program in which local businesses, campus organizations and many others have placed ads.

On Nov. 29, the Franklins had an acoustic concert at Taylor Down Under. Immediately following the concert, there was a candlelight vigil in remembrance of Kutner on Hillside Field.

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Senators pass CARE bill

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organized programs. Currently, CARE receives no funding from the UHC, but the author of the bill and CARE member, Psychology and Education Sen. Salba Kamal said she was guaranteed that these additional funds would go to CARE by Donna Harper, Associate vice president of student affairs, who oversees the Health Center.

In a madam support of the bill, College of Arts and Letters Sen. Mark Sullivan said, "It's an opportunity to help a very beneficial and very needed organization on this campus." The new funding would have no effect on current services provided by the Health Center.

- Adams stressed the need to educate the student body on JMU's alcohol policies based on his meeting with the Alcohol Management Team. Adams discussed the three strike policy, which allows students to have three chances at intoxication, and result in suspension. Adams said 36 students currently have two strikes and two students have recorded three strikes since the policy went into effect. One of those students was suspended.

- The JMU Bookstore will be giving out prizes when classes resume in January. SGA Vice President Heather Herman said, "Next semester there is going to be about $18,000 to give out in raffle money. Each prize will be a $200 gift certificate toward textbooks."

The bookstore in the College Center will go out of business in May 2000 and the bookstore in Warren Hall will move to a new building sometime in the next several years. SGA Adviser and University Center Director Dave Barnes announced at the meeting that he is taking suggestions for what should replace the bookstores in those spaces.

Suggestions offered at the meeting included a hair salon, a CD store and a travel agency.

New major for education minors

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the children we will be working with." The implementation of this new major has been in progress for the past five years. It was originally started under the direction of Jerry Benson, then the dean of the college of education and psychology. Benson now serves as the interim dean of the college of integrated science and technology. In 1998-99, the proposal for the new major was approved by three of the four colleges involved in administrating the major. The last college gave their approval this fall.

"We are extremely pleased that IDLS has been approved," said Elizabeth Morie, interim director of the school of education. "We are recommending that our elementary, middle, and special education students look at this as a major. It is a wonderful new offering for education students."

Freshman Emily Moore said, "IDLS helps to decide what major to choose because it offers such a broad base of material and the program specifically goes along with the minor."

One of the education minor (otherwise known as the teacher preparation program) is also changing to meet the new teacher licensing requirements. One way the teacher preparation program is being modified is with additional practical experience within the school systems.

Once this major is installed, all students pursuing a career in education will become part of a five-year program. Five years may seem a long time to some, but at the completion of this 5-year program, students will graduate with a master's degree in addition to their bachelor's degree.

"We strongly encourage this major for interested students," said Sharon Lovell, the associate dean of the college of education and psychology. "[It is an] excellent opportunity to select a major that not only meets the new licensure requirements, but also makes the students well-prepared teachers."

However, Lovell said while the IDLS major is "the major of choice" for education minors, they could enroll in a different major program by working with their advisor.

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Three peeping incidents reported

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battery report, students living in Village area residence halls said they are alarmed by the two peeping incidents that were reported just before the holiday break.

They are the latest of several on-campus peeper incidents that have been reported in this area. On Nov. 20, a non-college-aged white male, about 5-feet-8, was reportedly observed at the rear of McGraw-Long Hall, possibly engaged in a perverted act, according to police. The alleged perpetrator was wearing a dark baseball cap, light colored shirt and very short shorts.

On Nov. 21 a female student in Hanson Hall was taking a shower when she reportedly observed a white male peering over the shower door.

MacNutt said he is involved with the Office of Residence Life in looking into measures to deal with the problem of peepers entering women’s bathrooms. He said the halls are locked 24 hours a day so residents need to be diligent in who they are letting into the building, if the peepers are not residents of the hall.

“We need more security,” sophomore Chappelear resident Amanda Adams said. “Other universities … have locks on shower doors,” she said.

Hanson Hall residents Sarah Skuchas and Erin Bliss, both sophomores, said they are afraid to take showers in the residence hall.

“I think [peepers] are totally disgusting,” Skuchas said. “It’s the worst invasion of privacy ever, because it’s the least expected.”

Freshmen Victoria Berry and April Wilmink said they both saw the peeper behind McGraw-Long Hall and are worried about it.

“I feel like I can’t even walk around my room without feeling like someone is looking in my window,” Berry said.

On Tuesday a white male, about 5-feet-8, wearing a dark baseball cap, was reportedly peering into the Alpha Phi sorority house, while standing outside the south side entrance door and watching a resident studying. He was possibly engaged in a perverted act.

Police reporter Melissa Forrest contributed to this report.

AIDS victims memorialized on Quad

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each other today and then, throughout the year, that there are people for who AIDS really does impact their life, just like a lot of other illnesses that there is no cure for.”

The theme for this year’s event was “AIDS in the Silence,” and volunteers handed out ribbons and literature continuing the theme in the Warren Hall Post Office earlier in the day. Free ribbons were also available for students before the walk, and many pinned one on their jacket before falling in line for the trip around the Quad.

Simmons encouraged students interested in promoting HIV/AIDS awareness or interacting with those affected by the disease to contact Valley AIDS Network (VAN).

“The Valley AIDS Network is the only organization in this area that works directly with individuals,” she said. Simmons also promoted Students for Camp Heartland, a JMU organization that sends children affected by HIV/AIDS to camp. Camp Heartland is devoted to working with children who either have the disease, or have a family member or close friend with the disease.

“I encourage you to look for different programs that are around, to educate yourself and help out in your community in any way you can,” she said.

Planers of the event began coordinating last night’s vigil in the spring, Simmons said. Different campus groups are recruited to assist with World AIDS Day each year by the planners. This year’s volunteers, who set up and disassembled the luminaries, primarily came from students enrolled in General Education Health classes who hadn’t completed the physical portion of their Wellness Passport yet. Students enrolled in GETH 100, a basic health class, are required to attend events and get their passport stamped, validating they attended the activity. The passports are due tomorrow, and well over half the crowd clutched a purple passport notebook as they silently trudged around the glowing windows.

Regardless of the reasons that brought close to 250 people to the event, Simmons said she believes they left enlightened about the disease.

“Even if they were here just for class, I think the response we’ve gotten in the past is that when they leave, they’ve left with a little bit more understanding of the issue,” Simmons said. “The illumination is in whatever spiritual way people observe events, it’s a way to do it in silence. On the walk around [the Quad] everyone was so quiet. It really made you take time out to think about the lives of people and how HIV has affected them.”

Some attendees were not scared away by the cold, or inspired by a class assignment, and were present simply for the cause.

“I’m here because I’m aware,” junior Harris Parnell said. “I know the devastation AIDS has caused, not only in the entire world but also in Harrisonburg.”

Senior Debby McClelland, a volunteer at VAN, said the illumination can help spread awareness beyond the attendees.

“I think [tonight’s event] is good because people who are just walking by, and maybe they don’t really know about it, but they see it, and they’ve heard ‘Oh, well, it’s World AIDS Day’ and it sparks the awareness indirectly,” McClelland said.

“Maybe they don’t understand the full impact of AIDS in the world, but they can see people put a lot of time and effort into this.”

Freshman Josh Coder, who confessed he was attending for a class assignment, said he thinks the event promoted awareness.

“It will spread the word, let people know [about the disease] and hopefully they will go back and tell their friends.”

Walsh will take over in admissions starting in April

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admission background.”

JMU President Linwood Rose said, “We were looking for someone with a combination of analytical and marketing skills.”

Randy Mitchell, associate vice president of student affairs, said Walsh’s dedication to involving all the university in the admissions process at Bowling Green helped him get the job at JMU.

“The Office of Admissions really needs to be integrated into campus,” he said. “The entire community needs to be involved in recruitment.”

Walsh said he won’t have definite goals in mind until he’s been at JMU for a few months. University administrators come up with a long-term vision for the school and the admissions director and office coordinates those ideas with reality and tries to fulfill the goals. Until he is familiar with JMU, Walsh said he will spend his time absorbing information about the school.

“I’m going to be doing a lot of listening,” he said. “I need to learn as much as I can about JMU.”

While Walsh acclimates to his new job, some administrators and students have more definite goals.

Warner said a goal for admissions is “geodemographic research” — finding potential pools of students who can be recruited more effectively.

Walsh’s background in admissions marketing could help make that a reality. Warner also said he would like to see JMU’s out-of-state students come from more diverse backgrounds. He said most out-of-state students come from either Maryland, Pennsylvania, New York or New Jersey.

Mitchell said the admissions process will now be more scientific and based on research.

He said he wants to improve minority recruitment and attract new populations of students. This may be more possible since Washington, D.C. students now pay in-state tuition at Virginia schools, Mitchell said. He agrees with Walsh in involving all of campus in admissions.

“We want to have colleges more involved in process, to feel like they have a role and a stake in campus,” Mitchell said. “We will be creating a relationship, that for whatever reasons, hasn’t been as strong in the past several years.”

Only two more issues left this semester. Catch THE BREEZE while you still can.
Holidays On The Quad

Sunday, December 5
For the Harrisonburg and JMU Communities

A celebration that begins with:

• Seasonal concert in Wilson Hall at 4 p.m., preceded by the brass ensemble on the quad.

• Tree lighting ceremony and carol singing with the Contemporary Gospel Singers at 6 p.m.

• Enjoy hot drinks and desserts afterward.
Court to decide if FDA can regulate nicotine as a drug

Tobacco companies concerned cigarettes may be banned

"This is the big tobacco case. The big one."

Paul Billings
American Lung Association

thought that Philip Morris would stand up and say, "Nicotine is an addictive substance?"

Still, the tobacco industry is working on the central question before the nation's high court this week: whether the FDA has the power under the 1938 Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act to regulate nicotine as a drug and cigarettes as a drug-delivery device.

Tobacco lawyers say in legal briefs the agency does not have jurisdiction. They argue that giving the FDA the authority to regulate tobacco as a drug would lead to a total ban on cigarettes — hurting American smokers and the economy and circumventing the will of Congress.

The companies are not refuting health issues raised by government lawyers. Instead, the case turns on the question of whether Congress ever intended the FDA to regulate cigarettes. In August 1998, a three-judge federal appeals court panel handed the tobacco industry a major victory by ruling that Congress did not.

In that 2-1 ruling, the U.S. 4th Circuit Court of Appeals wrote that there was "strong evidence that Congress has reserved for itself the regulation of tobacco products rather than delegating that regulation to the FDA."

The case went to the Supreme Court on an appeal by the Clinton administration. It is the biggest tobacco case before the court since 1992, when, in a 7-2 ruling, the justices said that a federal law requiring warning labels on cigarette packages did not shield the companies from liability lawsuits.

In recent years, health advocates have viewed FDA regulation as the most potent weapon against cigarette use, which is blamed for 400,000 deaths in America each year.

Activists on both sides will be watching closely during oral arguments scheduled before the high court Wednesday. A ruling could come in the spring.

Said Paul Billings, a top lobbyist for the American Lung Association: "This is the big tobacco case. The big one."
The most wonderful time of the year?

It's the most wonderful time of the year — the end of the semester. No wonder Thanksgiving and winter breaks are scheduled on both ends of this two-and-a-half week period — students would surely go crazy without the break from the time of year that is notorious for driving students to the brink of sanity.

By the time December rolls around, everyone is sick and tired of the seemingly endless stream of assignments. We're wiped out. Keeping grades up is particularly challenging because of the risk of burnout. It's easy to get frustrated and turn in assignments to cram for the final grade. But doing so sabotages the most wonderful time of the year — the end of the semester. No wonder December is a hectic month to begin with, with schoolwork hanging over our heads. Winter break is truly the month to begin with, with schoolwork hanging over our heads.

But for other students, it's a case of having too many time-consuming assignments to cram into too short a period of time. Professors whose classes got behind early in the semester are now scrambling to cover required material.

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Less time to study items in-depth probably means a lower degree of comprehension for students. Confusion coupled with projects worth significant portions of the final grade leads to frustration. It's not so much feeling overwhelmed because one or two projects are due. That's normal at any point in the semester. It's the combination of having major projects due at the same time.

Extra time devoted to projects, papers, presentations and exams often means less sleep. Less sleep means less energy and less patience. Crowded computer labs full of sleep-deprived students have the potential to create lots of campus tension.

The chilly weather doesn't improve things either, since students are tempted to stay snuggled in their warm beds instead of venturing into the bitter wind. And who always remembers to allow extra time to scrape the car windshield before driving to class?

December is a hectic month to begin with, with shopping, travel and seasonal employment to be worked out before heading home for the holidays.

But hang in there...there are only two weeks left to go. Don't let a whole semester's worth of work slip now. Winter break is almost here.

For three weeks we will have no schoolwork hanging over our heads. Winter break is truly the most wonderful time of the year, and it's around the corner.

Topic: What's the one food on campus you just can't live without?

CAMPUS SPOTLIGHT

Nick Faber
sophomore, SMAD

"The chicken wrap at Dukes because you can never get enough rice."

Jeni Hackenberg
sophomore, biology

"Dukes' frozen yogurt because the little lady layers the sprinkles just right."

Levon Young
sophomore, CS

"The pickles that you get on the side when you order a sub at The Festival because they are good and crisp."

Jeremy D'Errico
junior, CS

"The chicken wraps at Dukes because they are big and taste good."

The Breeze
A 20 year old's thoughts on growing old

I think I'm getting old. The other day I was thinking about what my life will be like in a year and a half. I left to come here. As I sat contemplating this, I began to think just how "grown up" many aspects of my life seem to be.

The other day, while in a squabble with a friend, I realized how minute my once dangerous arsenal of "your mama" jokes has become when my best response to "Your mama's so fat she uses a VCR as a beeper" was "Your mama's so fat she's gotta iron her pants in the driveway."

Physically, I have an ankle injury that will probably be with me for the rest of my life. I can tell you it's going to rain 10 minutes before it happens because my foot always falls asleep.

My roommate, who I play racquetball with, has a shoulder condition that once a year, causes his shoulder to pop out of socket which keeps us off the court for a good month.

I used to watch the "Real World" on MTV religiously, but in the past few years I have become so incensed with the banality of the characters that I had to quit watching it.

Now I watch shows like "Jeopardy", so that I may impress people with my vast knowledge of foreign cuisine and presidential birthplaces.

I also play a lot of Scrabble and try to do the crossword puzzle everyday, which scares me because my father does the crossword puzzle every morning with his cup of coffee.

He also takes 10 minute naps everyday, which I used to make fun of him about until I passed out for two hours in the middle of the day last Friday.

And lately, I haven't been able to sleep past noon on the weekends anymore, which is disheartening considering my parents used to have to call me at 2 p.m. every Sunday to wake me up.

But now it just seems like a waste of a day to sleep that late. Plus, I go to Mr. J's every Saturday and Sunday morning to get a bagel, which is frightening because it shows that I have the capacity for routine, a concept I only associate with old people. But I think the reason why I wake up so early is because I don't stay out partying all night like I did my first two years of college.

There is something about going to a party that is so packed you can barely breathe, while having beer spilled all over you that doesn't sit well with me.

Sad, a good book used to be "Calvin and Hobbes," and I don't mean the philosophers, I mean the yellow haired kid and his stuffed tiger.

But now I read books by Albert Camus and Ernest Hemingway, and suddenly I really have started reading Playboy for the articles. OK, maybe that's a stretch.

The other day I went to the Gap to buy a pair of pants and almost passed out when I saw that the pair I was looking at cost $42.

Somewhere in the last couple of years my desire to be sensible has overcome any inking to shop at the Gap, at the expense of being fashionable.

I've also started doing things that require a lot more practice.

Last spring during May session I bought a model airplane and followed the instructions to a "T", right down to the little stickers you have to cut out, one by one, and soak in water and cleaning detergent before applying them to the model.

But the most tell-tale sign of my advancing years might be the fact that National Public Radio occupies the third preset station on my car stereo.

The other day in class my professor was talking about media eras and said that 30 years is like no time at all in history.

The scary thing is, I've only been around for two thirds of that time, and I already feel ancient.

If I feel this old at 20, I'm scared to think how old I will feel when I'm perfecting my comb over in the mirror and putting Viagra in the morning while my dentures are soaking in Polident.

But I hope that's a long way off, and after all, being 20 years old isn't so bad, even though come two years from now I'll be living in my parents' basement and sneaking girls in through the storm window.

Steven Glass is a junior SMAD major.

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Cruelty to animals or medical necessity?

This column is simply my response to a story printed in the Nov. 5 issue of *The Washington Post*. In it, the controversial issue of animal rights is discussed, focusing primarily on the University of Minnesota and one researcher's use of monkeys in the study of drug addiction and abuse.

I will try to focus on the philosophical side of the coin — whether such animal research is "right" in the ethical sense of the word, and whether such aggressive tactics and motives are "right" in the pragmatic sense. Research has been taking place on primates for almost 20 years at the University of Minnesota, which the *Post* refers to in a highly-respected center of animal study and the animal rights group referred to in the column is known as SOAR (Student Organization for Animal Rights), whose leaders and members are proponents of the release of "captive" primates. Someone, as we proceed through life, we learn and accept a certain sense of what is right and what is wrong. Most often, it develops as a function of the social experiences we have, combined with the "wisdom" we read of as part of our intellectual growth. Society and its leaders have taught us to respect the moral stance — what we, deep down, hold to be ethically absurd or ethically sensitive.

First the article and try to understand if it holds any relevance to life at JMU, I can't help but notice that the leaders of this "stand-off" (between their sense of morality and "immoral" science) are confused as to what the nature of the issue is all about. The true issue is not the harm that comes to these animals. Not many people shudder at the thought of introducing mild electric shocks to rats to study brain-wave patterns.

After considering it for a moment, the clinical use of these rodents may even seem acceptable not to the general public, then at least to college students whom society holds to be better informed and more knowledgeable.

The real question, and the question plaguing the minds of the anti-fur and vegetarian activists, is whether or not we humans should treat animals as fellow humans. This may sound strange, but by that I mean giving to them the same level of respect we reserve for every other creature as equal.

As their moral choice, we must accept as certain what most of us think is right and what we believe is wrong. We realize that we are no better than the animals we treat as pets or experiments. In other words, if we are morally adept enough to conduct all tests to our fellow humans.

One could also say that humans share a great deal of genetic material with primates so we should treat them as less developed beings, but brothers nonetheless. I counter with the fact that we are also made up of the same organic and inorganic compounds and molecules as the sun, grass or dirt. I'm not about to regard these objects as kindred spirits just because we share the same basic building blocks.

The fact remains that we are a highly developed species of animal and that we have to put our own needs above those of less intelligent species, when our ability to survive can come only through relatively unproblematic interaction with these less developed animals.

By no means do I support animal brutality, yet I do support medical research on animals. I don't see this as a brutal act, because I define brutal as "to cause unconscionably vicious and unwarranted act. In no way are these tests unwarranted, for we see disease spread from individual to individual with remarkable speed and humans of all ages look to us into acting for our own self-defense.

I wonder how many card-carrying members of SOAR would volunteer to be tested by a drug and potentially die. Or how many would knowingly sacrifice a family member to cancer or AIDS because their actions had led to legislation outlawing such ostensibly "barbaric" practices?

We humans are simply not technologically adept enough to conduct all experiments via computer simulations. Perhaps in time we will be, but until that day comes, are we really doing the best we can with the only means we know.

Don't ask us to advance morally if we cannot advance scientifically to keep pace. I suppose in our politically correct culture we have to say, "to each his own" and ignore causes worth fighting for because we spend all our time defending these "moral" activists. How ethical is that?

Dan Maurer is a sophomore political science major.

JMU professors' knowledge is inadequate

College. The place where budding minds soak in four years of knowledge all fed to them by wise and educated professors during courses chosen by these eager students. Or that is what I thought anyway. After three and a half years at JMU, the professors that are permitted to continue to teach here baffle me. If I don't get many things right, JMU will be leaving me with a tremendous amount of memories, stories and knowledge, but I am disappointed with too many of my so-called wise professors to not say anything about it.

I have frequently wondered why certain teachers are allowed to teach here (after being exposed to their mediocrity), but I was driven to my breaking point after spending an entire class period asking the three little words we all dream about hearing, "test review session." In the most helpful of these that I have come to realize there are three types of classes here at JMU. The first is the kind where you do the work and don't seem to get any feedback or help from the teachers. For example, I took an English class in which all of the papers I turned in were returned unmarked with the same grade of a B every time. Not much possibility for improvement if the professor can't tell you what was incorrect.

Another type that falls into this category is "the overhead class." You wake up early to attend and find yourself listening to a narrative of the overheads. I can read, for that is all you were going to do, pass them out and send me back to sleep.

The second type of class is the one where you don't have to attend because the teacher makes it so incredibly easy; some I could have passed in elementary school. I hate to complain about these classes because I hope to have some next semester. They do do after all, pump up my GPA. (I'm giving up, I just can't help it.) The last type of class is the one where you do the work and don't get an A just for the congratulatory look from your professor. The class you spend hours studying for and can remember questions about the syllabus because the teacher was so good.

I know this may seem a little nerdy to be so upset about not learning enough, but my parents have spent a lot of money here! Classes are not usually the most important part of the week for students, that would be who is buying the beer this weekend. But as graduation approaches and I begin the interview process, I am asked questions like, "Did you learn about this important function that you would have to be extremely familiar with in order to get a job with our company in this class that you took?" I feel a little silly saying, "Uh well, my professor didn't really stress that part of the class, or the class, or the course subject for that matter. But I am a fast learner... wait, really I can do it!"

So my suggestion, increase the criteria for hitting. Give annual evaluations for professors, after department heads must give serious consideration to what the students say in their evaluations. We do pay to come here, and after all the alcohol dries up, we actually have to go out and use some of our knowledge. Someone should be making sure we are getting it.

Lauren Palmigiano is a senior marketing major.
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The Breeze

Before I get started I would just like to say that lately The Breeze has received an undue amount of criticism, and although the content was controversial, that shouldn’t give people a reason to denounce The Breeze as some second-rate paper simply because it is not and never could be labeled as such. The Breeze is exceptional with years of quality articles and insights. I am a freshman at JMU this year so unfortunately I cannot speak from experience, but from what I’ve seen so far, I feel very fortunate to have such a newspaper at my disposal.

My response deals with an article I read in last Monday’s issue of The Breeze. It was titled “Why women will win the battle of the sexes.” I am not sure if it is because of my English class’ ideals or from personal experience that compels me to write to you today, but regardless of the reason I feel that I must stand up for good female nature.

The article is very good in that it evoked emotions from me I never really thought I had. I will not generalize by saying that all men who read this article felt the same way, but I know that all of the males I talked to about this article agreed with me in that this article defined some women they knew to a T.

The article also helped the male readers who didn’t realize what some women are capable of to finally come to the conclusion that in most cases, women are more devious and conniving (no offense) than males. Finally, the article did somewhat that moved my otherwise lackadaisical body to the keyboard to set my feelings on paper — it brought up important questions that had no set answers. I’m hoping to give you my two cents on what I feel are the correct ones.

The first question on my mind while reading the article was well, couldn’t most guys be just as conniving or sly as women? First of all, there’s the obvious. When was the last time that you heard of a female stalker? You’re always reading horrible stories about male stalkers and how frightened these innocent women get when they know they’re being stalked. Aside from the initial sex you turn to when you hear the word ‘stalker,’ there’s the fact that a normal guy will do those same errands listed in the article.

Things like finding out class schedules, discovering what kind of car she drives, where she eats and where she lives are all common activities for the average male. While males may find out all of these things and commit them to memory rather than studying for the big science test, our biggest effort will be to act as if we have no idea you even existed.

Personally, I like it much better to play this character because then you make the woman come clean with her true feelings. For instance, if she wants to know if you like her, she will come up with some foreign slang that will only reveal her true feelings for you, like “Give me a call,” or “So when are you going to call me?” Playing it cool and acting naïve will pay off. For when she asks this, all you have to say is, “I’m very busy this week, so I may not be able to give you a call right away,” or something to that effect. This will not only give her the impression that you are in charge of this relationship from the start, but it will hide the fact that you really want to call her the second you get home. Then the article brought to my attention the amount of preparation a female goes through to get ready for a public appearance. To a guy this appears to be a colossal waste of time and although some males take their time in the bathroom, they aren’t even close to the complex hygiene regimen females appear to naturally possess.

To me this seems like a weakness — while the females are getting ready to go out, males are thinking about their personality for the evening. Finding out which one will attract the most prospects. So are all males oblivious to the idea of self-empowerment? I don’t think so. Both females and males possess the same urges — it’s just that females try to hide it while males don’t really see the use. It’s all going to come out in the end anyway.

Finally, and ironically, the biggest question on my mind was who would really win the battle of the sexes? While I believe the article’s attempt was to answer that question, it didn’t answer it for me. I think that it merely opened up some women’s personalities for the world to see, and frankly, men already knew this. It’s just that nobody put it down on paper — it’s more of a ‘common knowledge’ thing for men. Who will win? My answer: there will never be an answer.

Let’s face it — women and men have their strengths and weaknesses. We’re both good at different things and that is needed for our society to successfully move into the 21st century. It’s not just the idea of finding an answer.

There shouldn’t be an answer to that question, because the answer would devolve one of the sexes, permanently depressing everyone to the point that nothing would get done. The more competition the sexes have, the more our society will learn from our mistakes and progress to something better.

So while the article made a good effort, there really is no way that women will win, because without men, they’d be nothing. Without women, men would be nothing.

We complete each other, and so to say one is better than the other is to disrupt the natural order of things.

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It's time to get into the holiday spirit and the annual Holidayfest featuring Christmas vespers kick off the season Sunday.

The Symphony Orchestra, the Chorale and the Brass Ensemble will perform in Wilson Hall Sunday afternoon before the lighting of the Christmas tree on the Quad.

"What's fun [about the Holidayfest] is it gets everyone in the mood for the holidays," said senior Sherry Montgomery, vice president of the Chorale. "It usually gets really full. It's a nice opportunity for the school and community to get together and celebrate."

The Chorale, comprised of 74 singers, will sing three pieces for the audience and then perform Bach Magnificat with the 60-member Symphony Orchestra. During the second half of the show the audience can sing along with the choir and orchestra to familiar Christmas carols like "We Three Kings," "O Holy Night" and "O Come All Ye Faithful."

The sing along continues when the Symphony Orchestra and Brass Ensemble join in the holiday cheer. "The program will feature a wide variety of pieces, some traditional and some that are fairly new on the scene," said Kevin Fenton, the newly appointed director of Chorale activities. "The voice faculty of the school will be performing the solos for Bach the Magnificat." Senior Dan Hoy is the president of the Chorale. "I think the Bach piece with the orchestra will be really exciting," he said. "They will also perform some culturally diverse pieces. Among them are the African carol "Betelehemu," The Nigerian "Olatunji" and the Spanish carol, "A La Nanita Nana."

Participants of the Holidayfest will trim the Christmas tree with handmade 60-foot-long garlands on Saturday.

General admission is $5 per person. Jac card holders will be charged $3, along with children and seniors.

A warm welcome

Fans, gourmet dinner greet Guster

Since they first met in 1991, Guster has released three CDs, played at Woodstock and, most importantly, performed at JMU.

They rock Wilson Hall Monday night with their pop-rock unique sound. Fans and new listeners alike crowded by the stage yelling out songs and throwing shirts on stage for the band to wear.

Band members made their entrance by throwing bread out into the crowd. Pardon me but do you have any Grey Poupon?

The crowd seemed pleased song after song, and fans remained after the show in hopes of autographs and meeting the stars. And they did.

Not only did I get an autograph, but before the show, we did dinner.

They showed up at 6 p.m. and ate in the Shenandoah Room, better known as Mrs Green's.

The band and their entourage experienced a

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Third Eye Blind has fans singing 'til Blue

STEWEN LANDRY
Senior Writer

Just when the "doot, doo, doo" of Third Eye Blind's "Semi-Charmed Life" began to escape everyone's heads, the band returned with their second major label album, Blue, which was released last Tuesday.

3EB made Blue everything a sequel should be, exploring new musical sounds while not forgetting to write a few songs bound to appeal to a mass audience.

Look for "Never Let You Go," "Anything" and "1000 Julys" to be the band's songs.

"Never Let You Go" sound straight from the '70s, musically with its thick guitar sounds and lyrically with "I remember the stupid things/The mood rings/The bracelets and the beads." Lead singer Stephan Jenkins' falsetto in the song's chorus just begs listeners to sing along.

The two-minute punk rock "Anything," fueled by Brad Hargreaves' drumming works well as the album's first track, despite the music's resemblance to Pearl Jam's "Corduroy." Guitarists Kevin Cadogan and Arion Salazar's riffs make "1000 Julys" one of the catchier songs on the album.


With the exception of "Never Let You Go," it's unlikely that many of Blue's tracks will end up on Top 40 radio or on MTV (maybe a name change to the Third Eye Boys would help them get some air time).

"Deep Inside of You" hits the mark as the album's best ballad. Its contradictory lyrics sound like the thoughts of a nervous teenage boy ("And I would say that's how I'm going to be/If I were mine you would give me the answer/But I don't want to call you/Then I don't want to call you/But I like feeling you").

Although the band sounds the best when it plays what it knows best, fast and driving guitar rock anthems, that are perhaps better suited for live shows than radio albums. Blue's ballad "Darwin" is a slow way short of its predecessors on Third Eye Blind.

The random lyrics of "Darkness," "Darwin" and "Camouflage" act only to disjoint what could be a few decent songs.

Yet the album still satisfies. A few hits could arise from Blue, and Third Eye Blind fans will take interest in the band's exploration beyond itself with new sounds.

3EB's energy-infused songs will carry over well during their tour for the album, which will probably begin early next year.

Although the band takes a major chance by creating a new sound on a highly anticipated follow-up album, Third Eye Blind's risk could help the band establish itself as a permanent rock 'n' roll fixture.

Crowns count 'Four Days' of 'Hanging Around' in This Desert Life

TEVEN GLASS
Staff Writer

A funny thing happens when bands put out a really good debut album the way the Crowns did with their August and Everything After album in 1993. They can't recapture the same magic in later albums, and critics start to label them has-been's and bands that never really lived up to their full potential.

The Crowns second studio album, Recovering the Satellites, which was released in 1996, sounds very rough and undone compared to the flowing and effortless every song off of August sounded, and had many fans labeling the band with these adjectives.

While Recovering gave the Crowns a hit single in "A Long December," the album lacked a real great rock song like August's "Mr. Jones," and overall lacked the preciseness and perfection of the first album.

The Crowns bring us their third studio album, a collection of 10 songs, called This Desert Life. In it, the Crowns have a real catchy radio hit with "Hanging Around" and may find another in "Four Days" and the Bob Seger-ish "Mrs. Potter's Lullaby," if they can edit it from its seven-and-a-half minute playing time.

However, one gets the sense that for Adam Duritz, the Crowns' songwriter and lead singer, that it's not so much about radio play as it is the music itself.

In fact, Duritz can't stand being famous. He actually took a job as a bartender in Los Angeles after the success of the first album just to get away from being a "rock star." You can hear this sentiment in the third song, "Amy Hit the Atmosphere," one of the two slow, whiny songs that are standard fare on a Counting Crows album (the other song, "Cradle," makes you want to cry more than August's "Sullivan Street").

The opening lyrics of "Amy" are: "If I could make it rain today / And wash away this sunny day down to the gutter / I would / Just to get a change of pace / Things are getting worse but I feel a lot better." This is one of the few, if worst lines that Duritz complains on the album, and to his credit he has quit crying about being famous as much as he used to.

He has finally realized that being famous comes with being in a rock 'n' roll band, and this realization has made the Counting Crows sound much better by comparison to some of the whining Duritz does on Recovering and the double disc live album Across the Wire that preceded their latest album.

Yet, while This Desert Life holds its own and gives us a couple of pretty good songs ("High Life" is one of the best songs the Crowns have ever done), and is far superior to Recovering, it still lacks the punch of August.

However, I don't think we should blame that on Duritz and the rest of the Crowns; I think we should be blaming ourselves for all holding our collective breaths and waiting for another August and Everything After, because it just isn't going to happen.

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The KLF's work is more organic in nature as compared to Aphex Twin. This makes a great album to listen to while you write a paper or study. It won't sting your nerve endings as much as Aphex Twin or 2001 possibly could.

Stand-out selections include "Wichita Lineman" as a song I once Heard and "Elvis on the radio, steel guitar on my soul." An African-American preacher's sermon is used to build to the song's climax. It creates a driving force of wonderment and humanity. Sheep, Locomotive, Motorcycles. Elvis, Police Scanners and Crickets.

Airplane take-off: Waves at high tide. These are just some of the sounds you can hear on Chill Out.

Albums offer an Essential Odyssey of Selected Works to Chill Out with

BRIAN SHOWALTER
Staff Writer

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Several musicians today do not possess clean, clear tones in their songs. They choose to use distorted, fuzzy licks with the presence of production to "better" their sound. Here you have Atkins showing that he is a great musician, as well as a great producer.

If you like B.B. King, Stevie Ray Vaughan, or Django Reinhardt, take a chance with this one.

2001: A Space Odyssey

This is the 13 song soundtrack from the Stanley Kubrick's film. Chances are, you have heard selections from this soundtrack before. For instance, if you have seen the Tiger Woods driving range commercial and listened to the music, then you know one of the pieces from 2001. This is "The Blue Danube," a waltz by Johann Strauss.

Another well-known piece is Richard Strauss's "Also Sprach Zarathustra," which serves as the movie's main title opening.

Along with these examples of classical music, are eerie, imaginative pieces like "Jupiter and Beyond." In "Jupiter and Beyond," voices are used that whisper softly and laugh loudly in order to create a surreal atmosphere. The rest of the soundtrack is closer in relation to Gyorgi Ligeti's "Jupiter and Beyond" than the classical works of Strauss.

You could listen to this while you write a paper or do homework, but the experimental pieces might disrupt your peaceful state of mind.

If you want to surprise people, just put this soundtrack in at your party and see if the audience digs the noise.

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Gobble up these holiday leftovers

Gore-soaked ‘Sleepy Hollow’ may be Burton’s most accomplished flick

BRENT ANDREW BOWLES
Breeze film critic

Although Disney’s 1949 “The Adventures of Ichabod and Mr. Toad” still contains the definitive adaptation of Washington Irving’s 1820 classic “The Legend of Sleepy Hollow,” Tom Stoppard’s new stage play reconfigures its plot into an updated millennial tale of skepticism and faith.

“Sleepy Hollow” is much more supernatural than I was expecting, but the aloof manner of which Burton approaches even its most fanciful elements is immediately endearing. Most criticism surrounding this film focuses on its melodramatic excesses, but I would argue that everything from the ham bone acting to Danny Elfman’s soaring score is intentional.

The director’s affection for the campy horror films churned out by the likes of Roger Corman and the Hammer studios is well-documented while his biography “Ed Wood” sentimentally approaches schlub director Edward D. Wood Jr. as an heroic artist of independent means, “Mars Attacks!” is a rehash of 1960s space invader flicks with Arnold Schwarzenegger’s muscles are not big enough to save ‘End of Days’

BRENT ANDREW BOWLES
Breeze film critic

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Schwarzenegger’s muscles are not big enough to save ‘End of Days’

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Contributing writer

Arnold Schwarzenegger in all his ass-kicking, rocket-launching glory.

The plot of this gory action flick is to be composed of Satan has his evil finger in the mix somehow. Even a perfunctory study of the film’s most overwrought elements reveal not an ignorance of good film making, but an embracing of pomp and circumstance. Burton’s “Sleepy Hollow” may not be his best film, but it’s certainly his most ambitious. It is well-paced and complex, lush and delicious.

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Satan and the girl. But little does Arnold know that guns won’t solve everything this time. Cane is forced to battle his own personal inner demons and in the process Arnold actually has to act a little! (There is an Arnold crying scene in this one.)

The mediocre acting of Arnold can’t save this doomed picture. As with so many big-budget Hollywood action films, the script is bad. The film just feels like it is a rip-off of actual scary films. There are hints of “Rosemary’s Baby,” combined with “Omen,” but the film never gets like those films did.

But script aside, Arnold does get a chance to kick ass. The best scene in the film is one in which Arnold, armed with giant rocket launching machine guns, gets stuck on a screaming out of control subway train with a very pissed off Satan. Arnold gets shot up and just pull the trigger.

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The last movie Miller saw was “Being John Malkovich.” Miller’s face glowed, he said it was amazing and recommended that I see it.

The band has a bright future ahead of it. The goals of the band, according to Miller, “is to reach as many fans as possible to spread the word.”

Gardner said he feels that as long as they are making music and are continuing to grow career wise they will be successful.

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The Br'eezt writers Andrew Kevin Walker and Tom Stoppard (the latter unilled) craft a rapturous new version based extremely loosely on Irving's original text. Burton brings his devilish aesthetic to the classic tale of a Headless Horseman who raves the Dutch colony of Sleepy Hollow, energizing its romantic supernaturalism and reconfiguring its plot into a millennial tale of skepticism and faith. "Sleepy Hollow" is much more supernatural than I was expecting, but the aloof manner of which Burton approaches even its most fanciful elements is immediately endearing. Most criticism surrounding this film focuses on its melodramatic excesses, but I would argue that everything from the ham bone acting to Danny Elfman's soaring score is intentional. The director's affection for the campy horror films churned out by the likes of Roger Corman and the Hammer studios is well-documented while his biography "Ed Wood" sentimentally approaches schlub director Edward D. Wood Jr. as an heroic artist of independent means, "Mars Attacks!" is a rehash of 1960s space invader flicks with Arnold Schwarzenegger's muscles are not big enough to save 'End of Days'. Schwarzenegger's muscles are not big enough to save 'End of Days'. 

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JMU feels impact of nationwide trend in increasing religious activity

**STORY BY FOCUS EDITOR MEGAN ROSS**

Rachel S. Hymowitz

Unless there's a hot band, free food or a combination of both, attracting hundreds of college students to an alcohol-free event is, to put it mildly, a challenge.

But according to a news article in the Nov. 18 issue of The Breeze, a handful of students managed to do exactly that in an event they called "All-campus Prayer and Praise." For the first time in JMU's history, more than 900 students from Christian organizations across campus united in Wilson Hall's auditorium with one common goal: to "come together as the body of Christ."

One organizer of the event called it "a dream come true," a chance for people "to come out of comfort zones and pray with people they never met."

Another student said it was "an awesome opportunity to have various campus ministries get together and worship one God with their whole hearts."

Praise aside, the event raises some interesting questions. Why the high turnout? Is there an increasing trend in religious activity on campus? Why?

Although all the answers aren't all clear, some of them are surprising.

"James Madison has always had a pretty high rate of activity," said Rev. Rick Hill, coordinator of Interfaith Ministries at JMU. About 15 to 20 percent of JMU students are involved in religious organizations, a percentage that's "very high for the school" and has stayed that way for the past few years, he said.

Hill attributes part of the reason to simple geography. "This is a very religious part of the country — the Shenandoah Valley is loaded with churches," he said. Although churches are mostly Christian, a Muslim mosque and "fairly good-sized" Jewish population add an element of diversity that "plays into why religious activity at JMU is so high," he said.

The number of professors involved in religious organizations is also high, a fact Hill said he thinks makes students feel more comfortable when dealing with religious issues.

"Professors are more tolerant of discussion in class," he said, "and they're interested in spiritual aspects of life." For the first time in JMU's history, more than 900 students from Christian organizations across campus united in Wilson Hall's auditorium with one common goal: to "come together as the body of Christ."

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Coordinator, JMU Interfaith Ministries

In addition to "a state university enrolling nearly 30,000 students; a Lutheran liberal arts college with about 3,000 students; a private, historically black university with fewer than 1,500 students; and a Roman Catholic university with more than 8,000 undergrads."

Results revealed that "although each campus had a distinct religious ethos," students had some similar impressions. Students are more likely to consider themselves 'spiritual' than religious, for example. Students "felt that spirituality connoted a quest, a journey, something not yet completed." Ralph said "something complete, fixed, handed down."

Authors also said "religion classes are extremely popular," and "students often use the intellectual study of religion to sort out their own beliefs."

At the state institution, "which had no religious ethos," authors speculated that "religious pluralism thrived" because no single denomination dominated the campus. As a result, many different religions flourished.

The study did not report a significant boom in participation in religious organizations or attendance at worship services, "but such head-counting isn't an accurate reflection of students' interest in religion."

Overall, JMU's 15 religious organizations have not reported a significant increase in membership, although some groups have seen some growth.

JMU's chapter of Campus Crusade for Christ (CCC) has seen a constant increase in membership over the past 10 years, said Judi Jany, a CCC staff member. Bible studies typically attract 15 to 20 percent of students. Weekly meetings draw between 250-300 students, 60-100 more than last year's.

**If you're interested in joining a group or have questions, the following organizations have contact information available on their Web sites.**

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**Catholic Campus Ministry**
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**Baptist Student Union**
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www.jmu.edu/fraternity/chialpha/
Representatives from the Hillel Counselorship, Lutheran Campus Ministry and Muslim Student Association all reported increases in membership.

Eshan Ahmed, adviser to the Muslim Student Association, said there has been significant growth in the local Muslim community. He attributes the growth to a steady increase in the flow of international students, the addition of the Muslim mosque in Harrisonburg, and an open Muslim community.

"In '97 we had about 25 families [joining the Mosque] and now we have about 80," Ahmed said.

Latter Day Saints Student Association adviser Dan Hailing said he’s also seen "huge growth in the local congregation." Hailing said he thinks this is partly due to an overall growth in religious activity across the country and the increase of people moving to the Valley.

But nailing down answers to the question "why" is difficult. "We see more and more people coming to college with no background in church experience," Jany said.

“They know there is a higher reason for being and are trying to find out what that is.”

Hill said, “There’s a real desire to pursue spiritual aspects of life. Students are thinking, maybe life isn’t about material things, maybe there’s some sense of a larger purpose or vision.”

While curiosity plays a part, Hailing said it’s tough to guess at exact reasons.

“In some sense the Y2K thing has people thinking about religion," he said.

Regardless of the reasons, it is important to keep an open mind, said sophomore Corey Fields, Baptist Student Union Outreach Team member.

“If there’s one thing . . . organizations need to consciously and continuously put an effort into, that’s to present ourselves as open to anyone,” he said.

Concluding writer Lynette Diaz contributed to this article.

Study Finds Religious Activity “Thriving” on Campuses Across the U.S.

Last December, The Chronicle of Higher Education ran an article about a study that sought to clarify generalizations about students’ religious habits. Researchers visited four college campuses, spoke with dozens of students and professors, sat in on religion classes and observed religious services. They found that although each campus had a distinct religious "ethos," the students shared some common traits:

- Students are much more likely to consider themselves ‘spiritual’ than ‘religious.’ Students felt that “spirituality connoted a quest, a journey, something not yet completed, while religion signified something complete, fixed, handed down.”

- Participation in religious organizations and attendance at worship services is low. However, authors said “such head-counting isn’t an accurate reflection of students’ interest in religion.”

- Religion classes are extremely popular. Students often use the intellectual study of religion to sort out their own beliefs.

- Students may be individualistic in their approach to religion, but still consider public service a central form of religious expression.

- Religious Pluralism “thrived” at the state institution included in the study.

“Researchers speculated that by not allowing one religion to dominate, the university in effect enabled many different religions to flourish.”

- Religious expression on all campuses was “sufficiently intense and inviting.”

Campuses were not named, but included “a state university enrolling nearly 30,000 students; a Lutheran liberal arts college with about 3,000 students; a private, historically black university with fewer than 1,500 students; and a Roman Catholic university with more than 8,000 undergrads.”

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'Toy Story 2' has best Thanksgiving weekend of all time, Lucas to play Santa next weekend with 'Star Wars' re-release

ANTHONY MARCHEGIANO

To infinity and beyond!” Disney’s “Toy Story 2” followed this motto over Thanksgiving weekend as it easily snagged first place at the box office.

James Bond and the return of Arnold Schwarzenegger to the big screen could not stop this animated hit.

With the voices of Tom Hanks and Tim Allen, “Toy Story 2” had the best Thanksgiving weekend of all time.

Over the weekend, the critically praised success raked in $57.7 million, bringing its five-day total to $80.8 million.

The Disney-Pixar production had a $24.945 per screen average, as it was played on 3,236 screens.

Left over from last week’s stellar opening, “The World Is Not Enough” dropped to second with $24.3 million this weekend.

The latest 007 flick starring Pierce Brosnan and Denise Richards pushed its total gross to $76.3 million.

Arnold Schwarzenegger made his return to the big screen this weekend as a cop trying to save the world from Satan's hands in "End of Days."

The critically trashed thriller opened this weekend with mediocrity, as it was only able to muster a third place finish.

"Days" earned $19.8 million over the weekend, bringing its five-day total to $31 million.

Tim Burton's "Sleepy Hollow" starring Johnny Depp and Christina Ricci fell from its second place open-
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I can twice out of their three meetings this year the Eagles knocked the Dukes out of the CAA tournament last year, and looked close to doing it again this year. JMU however was victorious, 10-15, 15-2, 15-7, 15-13.

"We were losing 11-1 in the championship game to the defending champs," senior Christina Gianino said. "That is a big downer right away, and the fact that we came back to win is a great feeling." Kirk said even when the team was losing badly to American, everyone still knew they were going to win.

"We've pushed the envelope, so to speak, by winning the CAAs," Kirk said. "We want to win the first round of the NCAAs, but we're still going to be satisfied just getting this far."

The previous success of the Dukes during the three-year tenure of Coach Chris Beerman has been palpable with two second-place finishes, and one third-place finish in the CAA. But this year was the official breakthrough year for the Eagles.

"There was nothing he could say to get us more fired up," Collingwood said. "Everyone was ready to win. The younger players definitely had their best games against American."

During the regular season, the Dukes enjoyed an overall record of 26-6. In the CAA the Dukes had a record of 13-1. The Dukes had finished first in the CAA regular season before Beerman got to JMU, but had never won the conference tournament.

"It's like a new beginning," Kirk said. "We have something else to focus on. We had one goal for the entire season, and now we have a greater goal in the NCAAs."

The Dukes' challenge now lies in Lincoln, Neb., where the San Diego Toreros await them.

The Toreros are ranked 25th in the country and enter the tournament as the sixth seed in the Pacific bracket.

Coming out of the West Coast Conference, they earned an at-large bid with their 22-5 record. This is the fourth straight year they have made an appearance in the NCAA tournament.

The NCAA field consists of 64 teams, which are divided into four regions (Central, East, Pacific, Mountain) of 16 teams. Included in the Dukes' bracket are Virginia and Davidson College.

Volleyball team faces 25th-ranked San Diego Toreros in first-round action today

SPORTS

Dukes prepare for NCAA tournament

Andrew Tufts

For the past three seasons, the JMU volleyball team has been on the brink of greatness, each year coming up just short of a long sought after CAA Championship.

On Nov. 22, the Dukes finally made it over the proverbial hump, knocking down defending champion American University in the process. As a result, they secured themselves a bid to the NCAA tournament and will play the University of San Diego in a first-round game today.

"It was the most awesome feeling you can imagine," senior Taryn Kirk said of her team's CAA title. "To be able to run out and hug each other after the win was just an incredible feeling."

Senior Lindsay Collingwood said, "Just winning championships in general is a great feeling, and we especially never like to lose to American."

"Just winning championships in general is our one championship. Winning some-thing like this gives you a lot of confidence, and that should help them keep the crown."
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**Tech-JMU look to break series tie**

**KELLY GILLESPIE**

Staff writer

Tonight may be one of the biggest games of the season for the JMU women's basketball team as it takes on the 24th-ranked Virginia Tech Hokies at 7:30 p.m. at the Convocation Center.

The Hokies (3-2) won last year's battle, 72-54 at Cassell Coliseum. The overall series is even at 15, with JMU winning three straight before last year's loss.

The Dukes (2-2) won their first two games of the year at home, before dropping games to Northwestern State and DePaul at a tournament in Chicago.

JMU is led by sophomore Allyson Keener, who has come off the bench to lead the team at 16.3 points per game. With Coach Bad Childers still tinker- ing with his young squad, 10 Dukes see an average of over 15 minutes per game, with Keener averaging a team leading 29 minutes on the floor.

Freshman Nadine Morgan has been a pleasant surprise for the Dukes, averaging 10.5 points and five rebounds per game. She was named to the Moran Realty Classic All-Tournament Team.

Freshman Jess Chicowicz has been JMU's primary point guard, and is second in the team in minutes. She is averaging 7.5 points per game, but as is the case with most rookies, is struggling with her shot (32 percent) and turnovers (21 to 20 assists).

Sophomore center Hollee Franklin, with seven blocks this year, has moved into eighth place on the JMU career shot block list with 44.

In her third year as head coach, Bonnie Henrickson has guided the Hokies to two conference championships, two NCAA tournament appearances and an overall record of 50-13. Though the Hokies, like the Dukes, are quite young, they are full of talent. The Big East school has been ranked as high as 21st this season.

After a banner 1998-'99 season that saw the Hokies make it to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA tournament and finish 28-3, they suffered heavy losses to graduation. Their slow start can be attributed to the combination of a young lineup and a rigorous schedule. Their losses are to No. 3 Georgia and No. 16 Oregon.

Among their leading returners were two of the Hokies' two scorers from the past season.

Junior forward Tere Williams led Virginia Tech in scoring last year with 15.6 points per game and was named an honorable mention All-American as well. Senior Jabari Outtz, who had 16 points and five steals, was given honorable mention All-American honors.

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"I have a pretty good read on [JMU] and I could tell right away we were going to see DUKES page 33

**Cooke earns All-American honor**

**PAN BOWMAN**

Staff writer

The saying goes, "When it rains, it pours." For Coach Dave Rinker and the men's cross country team, that statement can exemplify the NCAA championships.

JMU finished 27th out of the 31 teams competing in Bloomington, Ind., scoring 544 points at the meet. Arkansas had a meet-best 54 points.

JMU finished ninth at last year's NCAA meet and had two runners earn All-American honors.

Only junior Ben Cooke was able to attain All-American status for JMU this year, finishing 31st out of the 254 runners with a time of 31:11:10. Cooke, who was able to burst into the NCAAs because of a fifth place finish at the NCAA Southeast Regional Cross Country Championships with a time of 30:00, felt that he ran a cautious race.

"I didn't go out to slay any giants this time," Cooke said. "I didn't start off fast this time, something I learned from last year's tournament [when he finished 68th overall]. It probably cost me about 10 to 15 places, but that could go either way.

Rinker said he thought Cooke's performance was good, but also felt that the long season had something to do with the overall team performance in the NCAAs.

"Ben ran a good, safe race," Rinker said. "He did a nice job. He didn't take a lot of chances, and was able to finish as an All-American. As for the rest of the team, it was simply the end of a very long season where everyone was tired. And when you get to the level that we were at, there is a very fine line from running well and running poorly. There's just not a lot of room for margin of error."

JMU's other top finishers were seniors Mike Fox, who placed 119th overall at 32:18:80, and Eric Post, who finished with a time of 32:32.10 and wound up 133rd overall.

Rinker said he thinks his team performed well, but not to the best of its abilities considering the circumstances.

"I felt that we had a top 12 team this year, we just had some bad luck," Rinker said. "Junior [David] Spiller [who finished 211th] got sick, which cost us between 120 and 140 points, and [sophomore Mike] Smith was disqualified for supposedly cutting a cone. Eric Post and Smith ran fairly well at the back of the race. The team ran well, but just not to its potential."

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Along with Cooke's fifth-place finish in the meet, Spiller placed sixth with an identical time to Cooke at 30:00, and Smith finished 13th with a time of 30:38.

JMU's women's cross country team also enjoyed a successful year, but was denied an at-large bid to the NCAA tournament after finishing fourth in the regional meet.

Leading the women's team in the regional tournament were seniors Heather Hancsom, who placed ninth with a time of 17:35, senior Bethany Eigel, who placed 17th with a time of 17:52, and junior Keisha Banks, who placed 21st with a time of 17:58. All three earned all-region honors.

"We accomplished good things this year, we just fell short of our goals," Rinker said. "They [the NCAAs] took 13 at-large bids, and we were number 14. This season let's us build for good things for the indoor and outdoor seasons, though."

**Road bumpy for Dukes**

**JASON McINTYRE**

Assistant sports editor

For the second straight game JMU was unable to find their outside shooting touch and lost their first CAA conference game of the season to Richmond, 68-58, at the Robins Center Wednesday night. The loss was the seventh straight for the Dukes at UR dating back to the February 1993.

JMU (3-2, 0-1 in the CAA) struggled from the field, hitting 38 percent of their shots, including 3-for-18 from three point range. Senior Jabari Outtz led the Dukes in scoring with 20 points on 9-for-15 shooting. Sophomore Tim Lyle chipped in 12 points and 10 rebounds. UR is 2-1, 1-0.

Liberty 79, JMU 70

The Liberty Flames used a 21-6 run over an 11-minute span to build an 11-point lead and held on to beat JMU, 79-70 Monday night in Lynchburg for their first win over JMU since 1994 and first win over a Division I opponent since the 1997-'98 season.

"Our previous three games, we came out and set the tone in the game and we were aggressive," Coach Sherman Dillard said following his team's first loss of the season. "Tonight, that was not the case. I thought Liberty set the tone with their defense, we pressure and we broke down. We started to force shots and really too much on perimeter shooting."

While perimeter shooting helped the Flames win their first three games, it cost them the game against the Flames.

JMU (3-1) shot 35 percent from the field (11-31 in each half) and 6-for-29 (20 percent) from three-point range. Coming in, the Dukes had been hitting 34 percent of their three-point shots.

The game was a marked turnaround from last year's 111-74 JMU rout, a victory in which the Dukes shot 63 percent from the floor. It's also a game the Dukes didn't want to talk about.

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Said Dillard: "I'm a firm believer you can't judge any team based on what happens one year to the next. Things this year may not have been ideal. I have a pretty good read on [JMU] and I could tell right away we were going to..."
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Wrestlers begin title defense
With nine returning starters, team heads into season thinking repeat

MIKE GESARIO
sports editor

Last season, the JMU wrestling team won both the Virginia State Championship and the CAA Championship and four Dukes advanced to the NCAA Championships. But that was last year.

This year's Dukes know they can't rest on the success of last year's team. As a result, the members of the 1999-2000 squad were on the practice mats and in the weight room starting at 6 a.m. on Tuesday, getting in shape for the new year.

"We're starting off on the right foot," senior co-captain Mike Coyle said. "We are getting there. Everyone is working hard."

Many of the faces from last year's team return to the Dukes roster this season. The list of returning wrestlers includes two defending CAA champions in Coyle and senior co-captain Dave Vollmer and three CAA runner-ups in sophomore Jonathan Huesdash (125 lbs.), senior Elliot Williams (197 lbs.) and junior D.J. Hockman (heavyweight). Junior Nathan Rickman finished third at the CAAs and was the state champion, while sophomore Jim O'Connor (149 lbs.) and Seth Cameron (157 lbs.) surprised some people last year by capturing third at the conference championships as freshmen last year.

This year, though, the Dukes won't catch anyone by surprise. They have turned from the hunters into the hunted.

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The Dukes participated in the Penn State Open, held Nov. 21 in State College, Pa. Top finishers for the Dukes included sophomore Allison Schwartz who finished 6-8 for 15th place out of 58 fencers in epee competition. In foil, sophomore Tara Saddig placed 28th out of a field of 51 fencers.

On Dec. 4, the Dukes will travel to North Carolina in a match featuring North Carolina, Penn State, Duke, Rutgers and NYU.

WOMEN’S SWIMMING

JMU fell to 10th-ranked Virginia on Nov. 19 by a 164-119 margin. Sophomore A.C. Cruickshanks set a JMU record by winning the 400-yard individual medley with a time of four minutes and 26.53 seconds. The previous record of 4:29.19 was set last year by current junior Meghan Penn.

Junior Samantha Smith won a pair of events for the Dukes including the 200-yard breaststroke (2:21.69) and the 100-yard breaststroke (1:05.61).

The Dukes will next participate in the Penn State Invitational on Dec. 2-4.

FIELD HOCKEY

Senior back Katrina Hunter has been named to the 1999 All-America Field Hockey Team. Hunter was named to the second team and received All-American honors for the second time. She was a third-team selection in 1998.

FOOTBALL

Senior tailback Curtis Keaton was named the Atlantic 10 Offensive Player of the Year. Junior Chris Morant was named the A-10 Defensive Player of the Year while head coach Mickey Matthews was named the A-10 Coach of the Year.

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While J. Mac is envisioning a ballroom filled with beautiful bombshells, the dog fight for second place rages on. Mike G. and Marshay put aside any Breeze love early on in the season and have acted like bitter enemies ever since. Now their intense rivalry comes down to the final two weeks. Will the kid from Jersey show Ms. Buckingham that Northern guys are the cream of the crop or will the South rise again?

Courtney’s record-breaking “Iron Man” career at POTW is finally coming to an end. But, have no fear. We are petitioning next year’s staff to have only three permanent members on the POTW panel. This way we can leave the Chief’s picture next to the guest predictor for the rest of time. After all, it’s hard to imagine anyone other than the Chief in last place. It would be like the Red Sox winning the World Series or Shaquille O’Neal hitting a three pointer. It just shouldn’t happen.

Senior Sean MacCarthy joins us this week. The Boston U. transfer worked at the Skybar in L.A. this summer and has cool parties in his room. See him at Massanutten.

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Daily rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19)
Today is a 7 — You could take a supportive role today and let somebody else stand up for you. Generally it's the other way around, but you can make an exception. Pick a smooth talker to present your side.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)
Today is a 6 — People turn to you for advice. It may seem they don't have enough sense to figure things out for themselves. Different people just have different skills. You're practical.

Gemini (May 21-June 21)
Today is an 8 — You're good at talking and getting people to open up, too. That's your assignment today. A long drive would be perfect if you can find an excuse. Your friend will be more chatty in private.

Cancer (June 22-July 22)
Today is a 6 — Do you have a house full of family? They're probably having fun, but it may be at your expense. If they don't remember to help with the cleanup, remind them. Don't just sit there and stew; speak up.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)
Today is a 9 — You look good, and you're drawing attention. You either learn something that will be useful, or you might be angry. An opportunity could open up soon, so be prepared. Start by figuring out what it'll be.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
Today is a 6 — Don't take off on your adventure yet, but you can prepare. Get your goal firmly in mind. Travel posters help. Luxury is not out of the question. Plan on pampering yourself. You've earned it.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)
Today is an 8 — You might finally do something that you've always wanted to do, but haven't. All it takes is faith, courage and a total lack of "common sense." Congratulations! You score three out of three!

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)
Today is a 6 — Your hopes, dreams and fears take top priority now. Something you've worried about can't be put off any longer. Get it done as early as possible so you can relax tonight — finally.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
— Today is an 8 — You're going through an interesting phase. You're changing into a new you. To make sure this change is for the better, rely on friends for support. They'll be glad to tell you what to do.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
Today is a 6 — Something that you feared might happen could come true. Lucky you, it might be anti-climactic. You worried all this time, for what? Well, no point worrying about that! Get on with life.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
Today is an 8 — You and your friends are most likely in the mood to try something new. Push yourselves to the edge — and over! You've had enough of the same dull routine. Make something interesting happen.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)
Today is a 6 — You learn well by doing. This is a good day to practice, and that's OK with you. If you can spend all day at it, you could advance a couple of levels. Picture yourself performing flawlessly.

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Is it too late to try to sublease my room for the spring? I am graduating in December. - T.K. '99

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