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Program offers sober fun

BY RACHANA DIXIT
staff writer

One of the main ideas behind a new campaign called "Late Night. Early Morning. No Regrets." is to attempt to change the culture of campus by helping students realize there is an alternative on campus to Thursday night partying.

"There's always something available," said Chris Stup, the assistant director of Student Organization Services and the head of LNPC.

The campaign created by SOS and the JMU Late Night Programming Committee, is coming on Thursday nights this spring.

The campaign is designed to give late-night entertainment options on Thursdays, and will include games, food, shirts and entertainment.

The event to kick off "Late Night. Early Morning. No Regrets." is the \$1 Late Night Breakfast on Feb. 3 from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. in the College Center. Safe Rides, SGA class councils and Student Ambassadors will host the event. Junior Keith Mann, president of Student Ambassadors said that the programming during the event will follow a winter theme.

In the past, there have been similar events, such as the Late Night Breakfast last April sponsored by the University Program Board. "There are going to be three different Late Night Breakfasts throughout the semester, one in February, March, and April," said Jeremy Paredes, director of media and public relations. "UPB will be sponsoring the [Late Night Breakfast] in April." UPB also does Midnight Movies every Saturday, and TDU has Late Nights every Thursday and Friday.

This year, however, Stup said there's a more concentrated effort, and SOS has a staff and a budget for this campaign to hold the late night events. The LNPC, a part of SOS, is comprised of students and faculty from various organizations who brainstorm ideas for potential events.

Mann said, "I feel this is a great opportunity for JMU students to hang out and enjoy themselves in a substance-free environment. Ambassadors along with SGA and Safe Rides looks forward to helping create this environment for students who may be looking for an event like this to come out to on Thursday night," Mann said.

More information can be found at the campaign's Web site, www.jmu.edu/noregrets.



CASEY TEMPLETON/staff photographer
Junior Chris Torre, president of club paintball, is looking forward to the competition the team will face at its first intercollegiate tournament. The club currently is looking for new recruits.

aiming higher

BY SHARON SCHIFF
senior writer

JMU club paintball knows the challenge that it's going to face next month.

"It's going to be tough," said senior Chris Torre, president of club paintball. "We are going up against some of the top-20 teams in the nation."

The club will participate in its first intercollegiate tournament on Feb. 12, hosted by the National Collegiate Paintball Association, where it will play teams from the mid-Atlantic area. This tournament gives the club the opportunity to be nationally ranked.

"We are looking past this tournament. This will be the start to a really good program. We are incredibly stoked and we are really trying to get our name out there."

senior Chris Torre
club paintball president

Torre said the team is not concerned with immediate success in the upcoming tournament, but with creating a foundation for a successful paintball program at JMU.

"We are looking past this tournament. This will be the start to a really good program," Torre said. "We are incredibly stoked and we are really trying to get our name out there."

Drills to improve aim, shooting and sliding techniques have been the focus for the team. Torre said the group is at a disadvantage because paintball is a sport that relies heavily

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Starbucks coffee machines test around campus

Where are they?

Showker Hall

A-2 building
(by ISAT)

Warren Campus
Center

University
Services
Building

BY JENNIFER DROGUS
contributing writer

Vending machines dispensing Starbucks brand coffee are being tested at JMU.

The plans for a real Starbucks barista are coming along, said freshman Hunter Rush, chairman of the Student Government Association's food services committee.

"PC Dukes is going to be renovated to include the Ballroom upstairs as well as a full-service Starbucks," Rush said. "Construction should be completed by early August." Rush is responsible for bringing specialty food and beverages to JMU and fielding students' concerns and complaints.

"The machines will offer caffeinated and decaf coffee and Starbucks' hot cocoa," resident district manager Clete Myers said.

"We are a test pilot location for this concept," he said. "JMU and UVA are the only schools in the country with this program. Starbucks will review the program based on this pilot series and determine if this is a concept they will continue to develop."

The machines take Dining Dollars, Dining Dollars Gold or FLEX. They will not take cash.

"I love Starbucks coffee and the fact I can now get it in a vending machine makes it that much more convenient," sophomore Ashley Fennig said.



CASEY TEMPLETON/staff photographer

Starbucks coffee machines, which are being tested in various places around campus, accept Dining Dollars, Dining Dollars Gold and FLEX. A full-service Starbucks is being planned for the PC Dukes renovation.

VA21 lobbies for cheaper textbooks; SGA focuses on other issues

JMU fortunate to have variety of bookstores, SGA says

BY MARIA NOSAL
SGA reporter

The Student Government Association's legislative action committee (LAC) has decided not to lobby for a textbook reform bill on a lobbying trip to Richmond in early February. The bill is being supported by Virginia21, a congregation of representatives from Virginia colleges and universities. SGA instead will focus on more pressing matters for JMU students.

"The legislative action committee decided not to lobby on textbook reforms and focus on other items on our agenda for Richmond," said sophomore senator Stephanie Genco, a member of the LAC.

The proposed bill, the Textbook

Market Fairness Act, has two parts. The first says professors cannot receive "kickbacks" or incentives from publishers to use a specific textbook.

The second says professors must place their classes' textbook lists online, giving students an opportunity to buy books elsewhere.

All Virginia public colleges and universities are included in the legislation.

The first vote regarding this bill will be on today in the House of Delegates' education committee.

"This bill is meant to prevent the bookstore from becoming a monopoly," VA21 spokesman Dave Solimini said. "This is something

that we can do that will help the students, by helping them save now.

VA21 will perform a year-long investigation to locate other methods to help students find cheaper textbooks.

"Right now our goal is that the representatives in Richmond know how we feel about this subject," Solimini said.

However, JMU students feel since there is a good relationship with the bookstore, there is no need to lobby on the topic, senior senator Beth Rudolph.

"Since JMU students currently have access to two off-campus bookstores, and required textbook lists are available in advance

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Free legal assistance program back on table

BY MARIA NOSAL
SGA reporter

Members of the Student Government Association's Executive Council have been working on bringing back a free legal assistance program for students.

The program, originally conceived by former Student Body President Levar Stoney ('04), puts a local attorney at the disposal of JMU students.

"We're all very excited to get the free legal assistance program up and running again here at JMU," said senior John Alex Golden, vice president of academic affairs. "It's important that students recognize and are aware of their rights and have access to legal assistance in a variety of areas of everyday life."

"We're in the process of drafting up what we'd like to see from the program

and are hoping to put it into effect as quickly as possible."

Five bills of contingency were passed to the Student Government Association finance committee Tuesday. The bills will be represented to the SGA in two weeks with any amendments made by the finance committee.

The Beta Beta Beta Biological Honor Society proposed a bill asking for \$750 from contingency. They will use \$500 for the Ian Kincheoloe Memorial Scholarship and \$200 for the Tri-Beta Induction Ceremony.

Intervarsity Christian Fellowship proposed a bill asking SGA to allocate \$3,000 from contingency to be used for conference fees, which would pay for about 70 students.

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DUKE DAYS Events Calendar

Thursday, Jan. 27

Massanutten Thursday Night Ski Spree will be tonight, Feb. 3, Feb. 10 and Feb. 17. Stop by UREC to pick up your coupon for an \$18 lift ticket and a \$12 rental for each of these nights. For more information visit the UREC Web site at www.jmu.edu/recreation.

Submit your Duke Days of 50 words or less to breezenews@hotmail.com

Sunday, Jan. 30

"Forbidden Broadway Shoots for the Stars" Musical Revue will be at 3 p.m. in Wilson Hall Auditorium. The comedy show, billed as "31 Broadway shows in 97 hilarious minutes," spoofs Broadway shows and stars. Tickets are \$10, \$15 and \$18; for reservations, call the Masterpiece Season box office at x8-7000.

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POLICE LOG BY SHARON SCHIFF/ senior writer

Grand Larceny

A JMU student reported the theft of a digital camera, while a second JMU student reported the theft of a camera dock, both from unsecured rooms in McGraw-Long Hall between Jan. 13 and Jan. 21 at unknown times.

A JMU student reported a black and silver bike stolen while locked to a bike rack outside of Carrier Library between Jan. 10 and Jan. 11 at unknown times.

Petty Larceny

A JMU employee reported the theft of a stapler from Wilson Hall on Jan. 8 at an unknown time.

A JMU employee reported the theft of a winter jacket from Keezell Hall on Jan. 24 between 10:15 and 11 p.m.

Property Damage

An unknown person discharged a JMU fire extinguisher onto the floor of the Willow House on Jan. 21 at 10:38 p.m.

A JMU student reported that a non-student broke a window in McGraw-Long Hall on Jan. 22 at 4:25 a.m.

A JMU student reported damage to a JMU water fountain on Jan. 23 between 12:01 a.m. and 11 a.m.; the water fountain was torn from the hall in Elm House.

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AROUND CAMPUS

School of music hosts contemporary festival

The 25th annual Contemporary Music Festival will be held Sunday through Wednesday, Feb. 6 to 9.

Composers Robert Dick and Ofer Ben-Arnots, pianist Carsten Schmidt and the Chester String Quartet will participate in concerts, informal presentations, master classes and lectures as guests of the school of music.

The festival will highlight the interaction between composition and performance, according to Jason Haney, an assistant professor of music.

Dick is a member of the New York University faculty, and has recorded 20 CDs of original solo and chamber music by fellow composers and performers.

Ben-Arnots teaches music composition and theory at Colorado College. He is the recipient of many awards for his compositions.

Admission is free for all lectures and the Student Composers' Recital. Admission for all other concerts is \$2.

Madison Dance to hold tryouts for spring

Madison Dance will hold auditions for membership this semester.

The try-outs will be held this Saturday at University Recreation.

Lyrical dance will take place from 9 to 10:30 a.m., hip hop will be from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m., street will be from 12 to 1:30 p.m. and jazz will be from 1:30 to 3 p.m.

Both men and women are welcome to try out.

Take Back the Night begins semester with concert

BY MIMI LUI
staff writer

Several new adjustments will be made to the 10th annual Take Back The Night schedule. The organization will first kick off the semester with its upcoming benefit concert Feb. 8, at Grafton-Stovall Theatre from 8 to 10 p.m.

Tickets for the concert are on sale Feb. 1 and 2 on the commons from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tickets cost \$5 each pre-

paid or \$6 at the door.

"I'm looking forward to the benefit concert because it's the first thing major that we've advertised for, gotten under our wings," said sophomore Ann Nason, advertising committee head.

TBTN is a worldwide organization dedicated to helping both female and male victims of sexual assault and abuse. Each year, the JMU chapter enlists two keynote speakers who bring personal stories and per-

spectives on sexual violence.

About 50 to 60 JMU students are involved with the coalition on campus. Planning for the event started as early as November.

Senior Christine Spilman, assistant coordinator for the Women's Resource Center said, "I'm looking forward to seeing the planning and really knowing what the outcome will be; getting excited about other people getting excited about it."

This year, the TBTN coalition

will do something different by having a "secret" guest speaker appear at the end of the concert.

For the TBTN finale, scheduled for March 29, a few changes will be made to the order of the night's events.

A candlelight march follows the concert. After the march, students are welcome to a post-TBTN reception in the WRC office.

"Anyone or everyone who feels that they might want to talk to somebody after all of

this or just really isn't feeling like going home yet because it is such an emotional night is welcome to come up here to the center," said sophomore Sarah Smith, TBTN co-head.

Another change this year is that the TBTN coalition will set up a prevention booth on the commons March 30. Contact information and pamphlets will be available to students who want to learn more about sexual assault prevention and how to obtain professional help.

CLUB: New org. recruits members

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on teamwork and the team only has been practicing together since last semester.

The eight members also have scrimmaged on local and regional non-collegiate circuits. One such group is Rogue, the home-team of club paintball's sponsor, Skyline Paintball.

Sue and Chris Haynes, owners of Skyline Paintball, have been working with the club.

"We do what we can to help them out and we look forward

to seeing them progress," Sue Haynes said.

Junior Matt Langan, club paintball vice president, said he was impressed with the team's efforts in a previous tournament.

"In one of our first events we placed second," Langan said. "It was a good sign for the progress of such a young team."

The club is focusing on recruiting good players. "Our main goal for the semester is to get a solid club membership," Langan added.

SGA: Groups ask for money

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Madison Project submitted a bill asking for \$4,000 from contingency to cover the cost of studio fees, including mixing, tracking and the making and production of a Madison Project CD.

The Madison International Association and La Unidad Latina proposed a bill asking for \$4,000 from contingency for speaker fees to bring Alina Fernandez, the daughter of Fidel Castro, to speak.

VA21: SGA helps other colleges

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online, we felt JMU students have options when it comes to buying books," Genco said.

Although JMU is not supporting the bill, representatives are making the effort to help the other public colleges in the state lobbying for this issue.

"We are supporting other schools trying to make sure they have the opportunity to look at books online," Rudolph said.

Putting on a show



EVIN SHOAP/senior photographer

Members of New & Improv'd perform during their Improv Bowl VI on Tuesday in Grafton-Stovall Theatre. The group provided free improvisation for the audience.

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HOUSE EDITORIAL

Proposed bill damaging to rights

A Harrisonburg lawmaker's attempt to eliminate the Gay-Straight Alliance from Harrisonburg High School is hopelessly misguided and potentially damaging to students' rights.

Republican Del. Glenn Weatherholtz has introduced a bill into the General Assembly that aims to deny any groups or clubs that advocate support, assistance or justification for any sexual behavior access to public schools, or the right to distribute material within them.

Apparently Harrisonburg's Alliance, which was formed last fall to support all sexual preferences, doesn't even merit history's "separate but equal" status. Weatherholtz thinks it just plain should not exist.

Weatherholtz's bill is an ignorant attempt at sending this society back to the days when the term "diversity" meant men with different hair colors. It's ridiculous to say that a group of teenagers, who have followed all the correct steps and rules in the club-approval process, cannot form because of its harmless subject. And, yes, it is harmless.

The ban on sexual preference clubs promotes and is motivated by intolerance — the exact thing that teenagers, or anyone, never should have to face. Weatherholtz is missing the issues that should really be addressed to today's youth: teen pregnancy, peer pressure, family problems, drugs and discrimination. Weatherholtz is promoting discrimination more than he is addressing it as a problem.



This bill will exacerbate the wounds created by this discrimination by eliminating a support structure for students of different sexual preference. Some of those who favor Weatherholtz's bill call the Alliance a "homosexual advocacy group" that promotes sexual behavior. Far from promoting homosexuality, the club aims to help a set of minority students develop a positive self-image.

Weatherholtz's time would be better spent helping reduce teen pregnancy, the spread of sexually transmitted diseases, curbing rampant drug use or just keeping kids from dropping out of school. These are greater threats to the community values he claims to be upholding than a few empowered homosexual teenagers.

Weatherholtz may even be sabotaging the health education system itself — a health class is useless if it doesn't advocate, support, assist or justify sexual behavior — safe sexual behavior, but sexual behavior nonetheless.

If passed, this bill will completely sabotage students' equal rights. This bill would create a dangerous precedent for limiting freedom of expression and speech in Virginia's public schools as well as damaging the self-image of students who have waited too long to be accepted by the community. It's time for those who follow Weatherholtz to come out of the closet and realize there are more important things to do than bash homosexuals.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Duke Dog support appreciated

We would like to thank you for your overwhelming support of Duke Dog during his campaign for Mascot of the Year. You made him the most popular mascot, and for that we congratulate you.

Unfortunately, we did not win the overall competition. The mascot competition is a two-part process: online voting and entry judging. We won the online vote and were named "Most Popular Mascot" by Capital One, but we had no involvement in the judging portion of the process. We do not know the results of the judging portion of the contest so that the online voting is not influenced.

We were well aware of the process for determining the winner of the contest before we entered, and signed an agreement before entering to that end. Like you, we are disappointed that we did not win, but we would hope that you as fans and wonderful representatives of JMU would take great pride in the fact that the portion you could influence was won by your constant and overwhelming support. We will be working hard this year to develop a great presentation to make the team again next year, and to try again to make Duke Dog the Mascot of the Year.

We look for your positive support during this process, and your overwhelming support again if we make the team next year. Thank you for your support, and for making Duke Dog the most popular mascot in the nation. You should be very proud.

Brad Edmondson
Director of Athletic Marketing

should be doing a much better job of getting the information out there. Give us descriptions, sketches, times and places; ask us questions, we might have the answer.

Meredith West
junior, dietetics

Demonstration poorly supported

On Friday, the face of anti-abortion took the form of four males, all dressed as the Grim Reaper, standing silently on the commons holding massive signs that contained undocumented anti-abortion statistics.

Students have the right to know where the statistics came from. When I asked one man where he got his statistics, he refused to reply.

I asked them, "Do you know anyone who has ever been faced with the decision of whether to have an abortion?" "How has having an abortion affected your life?" No replies. Apparently being male and contemplating an abortion had left them speechless.

This brings me to my second reason to oppose the protest. Was the protest tasteful, successful or appropriate in representing the belief of anti-abortionists? The answer was an overwhelming "no" by anti-abortion males and females alike. Although their use of visual rhetoric was alarming, the protest did little for the anti-abortion cause.

Their choice to remain anonymous and refusal to answer questions consequently failed to persuade me that abortion is about anything other than choice. Being pro-choice is not about the morality of abortion or neglecting life, but rather having faith that women will make responsible decisions. It is about respecting a woman's right to life and choice. As my grandmother once said, if God had given men a uterus, abortions would never have been challenged. If the Grim Reaper is the face of pro-life, then a compassionate Lady Liberty is the face of pro-choice.

Kate Griending
freshman, pre-political science

Police, JMU should provide crime facts

The article titled "Winter break-ins preventable" in the Jan. 24 edition reiterates the obvious by telling students to lock their doors and windows if they don't want to be robbed. It is nice for us to all be reminded of that fact, but shouldn't we all also be able to take a proactive role in catching this person?

WHSV, local news channel 3, reported that there have been 93 robberies in the Harrisonburg area since November, and that over 90 percent of those have taken place in the JMU community. We, as a community, not only should be concerned with locking our doors but we also should be concerned with catching this person so we can stop living in fear.

A robbery took place last week in my own apartment building and I was notified of this by a passerby — not by the police to warn me or to ask me questions about seeing anything suspicious. I know another person who was robbed in another complex who gave the police a clear description of the assailant which matched many of the other victims' descriptions. Why aren't we informed of this description so that we can be more aware and help in the search?

I think the police and the JMU community

Editorial policies

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New Iraq lacking religious toleration

ANDREW CHUDY
contributing writer

Despite all the Iraqi democratization rhetoric President George W. Bush has been spouting recently, it seems that at least one tenet of democracy, the freedom of religion, has been on the wane in that country. This week saw the frightening news of Archbishop Basil George Carmoussa's kidnapping.

Though the unfortunate religious leader was eventually released, this event, seen in the light of other anti-Christian attacks and threats in Iraq, paints a grim picture for the once free and accepted Iraqi church.

There are an estimated 650,000 Christians in Iraq. Even before Iraqi hostilities began, Christians in that country had vocally protested against a U.S. invasion of Iraq, foreseeing possible threats by Islamic militants. Before the fall of Saddam's regime, Iraqi Christians had enjoyed a relatively large degree of religious freedom.

Many Iraqi Christians were even allowed prominent roles in the country's government, with Tariq Aziz, former Iraqi Deputy Prime Minister, perhaps being

the most notable. Though he can be condemned on many accounts, Saddam was welcoming towards Iraq's Christian community, allowing them to finally prosper after a history of persecution dating back all the way to Ghengis Khan.

Any thoughtful person could have foreseen this series of events. To topple a country's government without any plan to replace it with a solid and functioning one is a recipe for violence and political turmoil. In the Islamic world, the solution for these two evils has often been the same for centuries — oppressive theocratic governments built on Islamic law.

It was for this very reason that the Vatican, and George Bush's own United Methodist Church, openly opposed the Iraq invasion. Both communions were deeply concerned about the possible negative outcomes an Iraq invasion could have for Christians in that country. President Bush, who apparently feels no obligation to obey the leaders of his own denomination, cavalierly ignored these warnings.

The results are now becoming clear. Religious freedom



has been seriously hindered in Iraq, with its small and long persecuted Christian minority paying the price. This will be a considerable setback to any hopes for democratic freedom in Iraq's future. Even if successful elections are carried out on Jan. 30, trends indicate that it is unlikely that anything but a strict Islamic state will result. Islamism and religious toleration rarely flourish together.

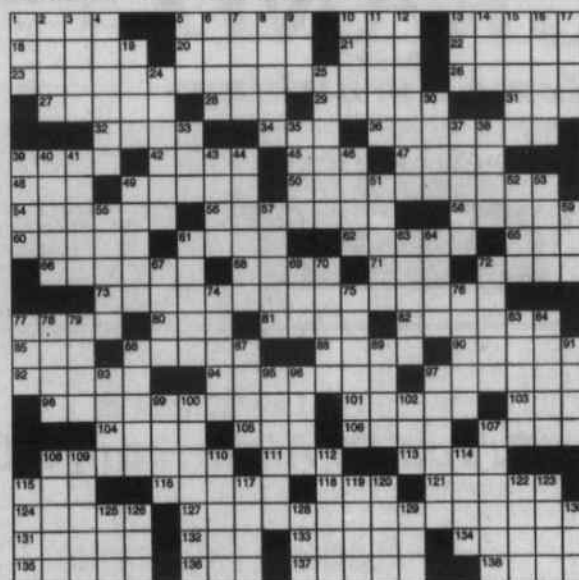
Following a controversial election that centered a great deal on Bush's supposed Christian zeal, the question must be asked — how are the president's democratization goals benefiting his fellow believers, and helping to insure their continued religious liberty? In Iraq, at least, it seems very little indeed.

Andrew Chudy is a senior IDLS major.

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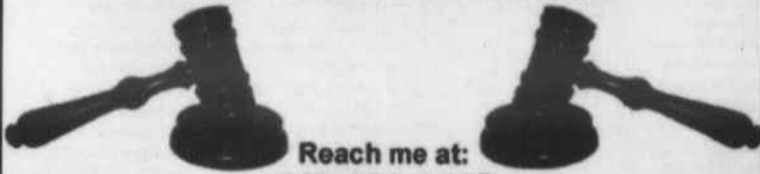
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Emery leads JMU tennis into 2005

By DANNY CHRISTIANSEN
senior writer

The JMU men's tennis team opened its spring season this weekend at Colonial Athletic Association conference opponent, Virginia Commonwealth University. The young lineup lost all five matches to powerhouse VCU.

"VCU is a tough team," JMU coach Steve Secord said. "But I was impressed with the effort from our guys."

In other competition this weekend, the Dukes picked up one win in singles play from senior David Emery in five total matches against East Carolina University while sweeping the Drexel University Dragons in all five matches.

Emery transferred to JMU in the spring of 2004 from Virginia Tech to take the leading role on the team. He quickly brought a strong performance to the court for the Dukes winning fourteen matches with just nine losses.

"I was on a scholarship over there while I was playing the number five and six spots," Emery said. "Sometimes I wasn't even in the lineup, and because of them having scholarships, they have a tougher schedule."

"But that is in no way putting down this team. It's just the way it works when you compare scholarship to non-scholarship teams."

The addition of Emery has given JMU a more positive approach to the season but there are still a few glitches in trying to put together their best lineup possible.

"Our season should be more difficult this year," Secord said. "We've lost our No. 2 guy, junior John Snead, to an injury to his right shoulder, our No. 3 and No. 5 players graduated, and our No. 4 was an exchange student."

Emery said, "Our team is pretty young right now, so that will be tough. However, I'm the only senior on the team, so I think with the guys we have now, next year will be a great year."

Emery doesn't want to leave his team without capitalizing on his senior season while setting the goal of making the all CAA first team.

"Being the No. 1 player, the only senior and the captain has its pluses and minuses."

"I think that sometimes the pressure is nice, and it's a good feeling to have some of the younger guys look to you for advice and leadership. But I know when we play, the guys expect me to go out and perform at a level I sometimes might not bring to the table."

Secord said, "Having a player like Dave is great. He's not on a scholarship anymore, and can still go out and win against anyone." Emery is no longer getting money to play tennis but still finds a drive to win and help his club become better.

"I think playing for a school such as Virginia Tech always puts you on the bubble where you never know if the coach will play you," Secord said. "And I think playing at JMU gives Dave more of a relief to get out there and just do his thing."

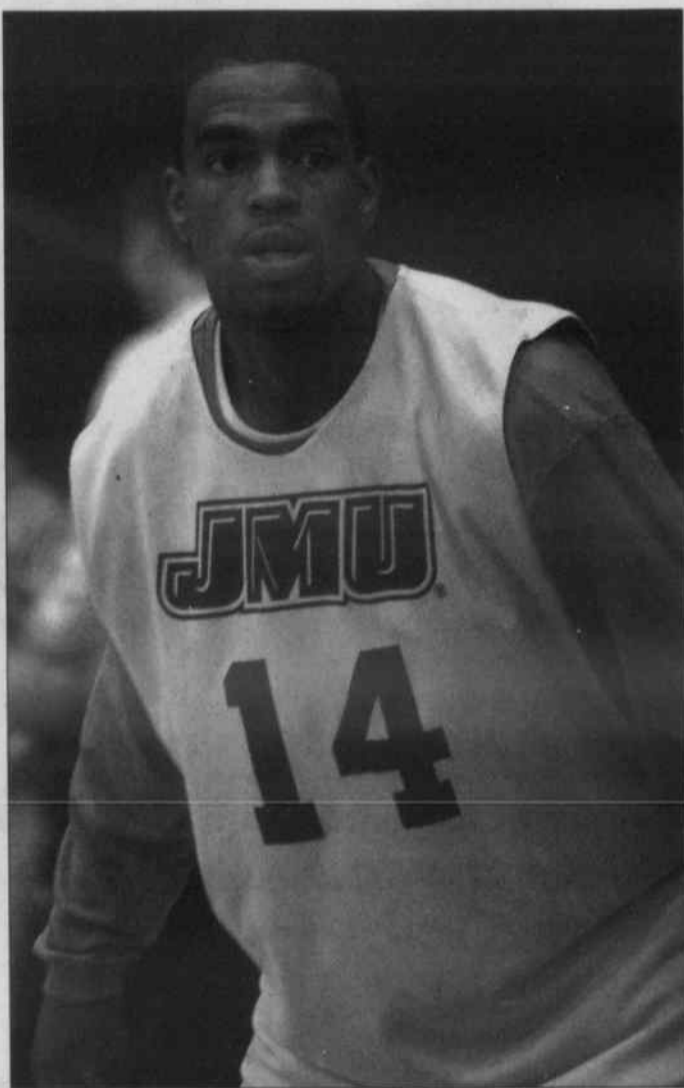
Emery is joined on the team by up-and-coming key players freshmen Jesse Tarr and Carlin Campbell. Tarr joined Emery in doubles play this year, while picking up a big win at the University of Virginia last semester.

"Campbell has a lot of natural talent and needs to believe in himself while minimizing errors," Secord said. Campbell picked up his first win on the season last weekend in doubles play against Drexel along side sophomore Brian Clay.

The Dukes face George Washington University next on Jan. 28 in Montclair.



CAROLYN WALSER/in. photographer
Jomo Belfor is averaging 9.1 points, 4.6 rebounds and 2.7 assists per game for JMU this season.



Belfor's road to JMU as intense as his game

Journey Man

Story by James Irwin, sports editor

Jomo Belfor pumps a fist and lets out a short yell, eyes burning holes in the Convocation Center floor. The junior point guard's 3-pointer with 10:57 left in the first half has given JMU a 13-10 lead over in-state rival George Mason University.

The shot ends up being nothing more than 3 extra points in the box score. The Patriots go on a 10-0 run late in the first half and beat the Dukes 77-58. But Belfor's intensity is crystal clear.

"Jomo is aggressive," JMU coach Dean Keener said. "He's a guy that's going to compete every minute."

Hence Belfor's nickname.

"Coach Keener calls me Mo," Belfor said. "Means I can give more effort maybe, more intensity."

And the intensity Keener speaks of doesn't just appear in games. Belfor is known to be a fiery player at practice, a player who stirs the dust. He's not afraid to speak his mind.

"We were in conditioning and he kicked some water bottles because some guys weren't making their times and he was," Keener said. "That showed early on that he was about working hard and trying to do things right."

That probably has something to do with Belfor's long road to JMU. His journey covers more than 3,000 miles and three programs, and its roots are in a basketball-crazed community, 17 miles north of New York City.

The Beginning

In Mount Vernon, NY, basketball is king. "You know how Philadelphia is known for its cheese steak sandwiches?" Belfor said. "Mount Vernon is known for its basketball."

And Mount Vernon High School is where Belfor played high school varsity basketball, in a town where everyone knew his name.

"It was fun to me," Belfor said. "I loved it; everybody knew you by your first name, and everybody knew you played basketball."

Everyone also expected wins. "You have to uphold that rep that you're a Mount Vernon basketball player and you come out of a traditionally great program," Belfor said of his high school team.

In Belfor's high school tenure, he upheld that tradition admirably.

Belfor helped Mount Vernon go 83-10 in his varsity years. The Knights never lost a home game in those seasons and they reached the State Final

Four three times. In 1999-'00, with current Chicago Bulls guard Ben Gordon leading the way, Mount Vernon finished 28-0, winning both the state and federation championships.

It was during that title run where Belfor's toughness took center stage.

"We were in the County Center, playing Poughkeepsie in the section finals," Belfor said. "I got three teeth knocked out of the back row of my mouth from an elbow. My nerves were hanging. It was crazy."

"I wanted it bad. I figured, 'I'll go to the dentist later. I can play basketball now.'"

In the two seasons following Mount Vernon's state title, Belfor's future skyrocketed. In 2000-'01, he averaged 9.6 points and 6.0 assists per game. In his senior year, he averaged just under 18 points per contest.

Both seasons he led Mount Vernon back to the State Final Four.

"You have a good understanding of how hard you have to work," Belfor said of Mount Vernon's basketball program. "The day after we won State in 2000 we weren't celebrating, we were back on the court."

And while Gordon was finding his niche at the University of Connecticut, Belfor's hard work had him being actively recruited by Division I programs. He chose Texas A&M, seemingly destined to play point guard in the Big XII conference.

But Belfor never made it to College Station. In the world where basketball was king, his path to the throne was blocked.

The Journey

"In high school I had good grades," Belfor said. "But I was never good at taking tests — it used to kill me. I was on the border of 800 [SAT], and I did that three times."

Belfor needed an 820 to play for Texas A&M.

"I was going to go there and lead that program," Belfor said. "But I just never got the score."

Belfor opted to attend junior college.

"It didn't go downhill," Belfor said. "That's where the learning began. Along with being a good basketball player, you have to be a great student."

Still, Belfor clung to the hope that he would get a second chance at playing Division I basketball.

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Dukes attempt to find rhythm against Tigers

By MATTHEW STOSS
assistant sports editor

Tonight, the JMU women's basketball team will attempt a feat it hasn't accomplished in a month — winning two in a row.

"We're close to that," JMU coach Kenny Brooks said. "We've had three games that could've gone either way, and five out of our next seven are at home."

The last time the Dukes won two in a row was Dec. 28. However, those two were at the back end of a seven-game winning streak that ended the following day in a 98-52 loss to the University of Virginia Dec. 29.

"We're still trying to get back into the rhythm we were in early," Brooks said. "Now, we are trying to get comfortable with our roles and what positions people are playing."

One thing the Dukes haven't been comfortable with is their health. Of late, the squad has been a victim of flu season — especially sophomore center Meredith Alexis.

"The big thing bothering us is that the flu is running through the team," Brooks said. "Meredith is still 70/75 percent, but she rooms with Andrea [Benvenuto], who got sick at halftime during the Wilmington game, so we had to limit her minutes."

"Shirley McCall is also battling a cold."

Tonight, the Dukes play host to Towson University in a Colonial Athletic Association matchup. Towson currently claims fourth place in the CAA behind the University of Delaware (7-0, 14-2), Old Dominion University (5-1, 9-6) and Drexel University (4-2, 10-5). JMU (3-4, 9-6) is sixth place behind George Mason University (4-3, 8-8).

JMU and Towson have played seven common opponents — six of which were CAA teams. Both squads lost to Old Dominion and Drexel — however, Towson defeated Virginia Commonwealth University, GMU and Hofstra University — all teams that beat JMU.

"That doesn't mean a thing," Brooks said. "It's going to be a totally different game. It's just a matter of what team shows up and plays."

Some would call the Tiger's play a surprise. Towson was picked to finish last in the CAA, but now boast an overall record of 11-7, including a 4-3 mark in conference. Brooks is not included in the category of "some."

"A lot of people are calling them surprise," Brooks said. "I picked them to finish fourth or fifth, and Joe Mathews is really good coach. We played them three times last year and beat them all three times, but it got increasingly closer each time."

This year, Towson is doing it with transfers, raiding the Big East and procuring players from Villanova University, Syracuse University and Virginia Tech — who joined the Atlantic Coast Conference in July. The Tigers picked up guard Brandi Harris from the Wildcats, forward Tierra Jackson from the Orange and guard Kacy O'Brien from the Hokies.

Jackson only became eligible Dec. 18, after sitting out a year due to an NCAA regulation that stipulates a player sit out a season after transferring to a Division I program.

So far Jackson has played in 11 of the Tigers' 18 games and is averaging 13.3 a game, good enough for the team lead.

"They have lots of transfers and [Mathews] has sprinkled in some recruits and it worked out," Brooks said. "It's not a surprise to me that they are sitting where they are."

Tonight at the Convocation Center, JMU will aim to sit the Tigers a bit lower. Tipoff is 7 p.m.

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Student Marine balances college, military life

Story by staff writer Erin Weireter • Photos courtesy of Brandon Call

It's early Monday morning and junior Brandon Call is nowhere near ready to face classes yet. He wipes the sleep out of his dark-brown eyes and swats at the snooze button as his alarm buzzes obnoxiously nearby. Silence is restored as he rolls over for a few more minutes of uninterrupted sleep, which after his weekend, are desperately needed.

Unlike many JMU students, Brandon hasn't spent his weekend partying all hours of the night. While his friends have been drinking beers and watching football, this 21-year-old communications major has been standing watch, running fire exercises and learning hand-to-hand combat methods at drill weekend with the U.S. Marine Corps.

"It's rough," Brandon said. "You're sleep-deprived, dirty, uncomfortable and dead tired. But you're also motivated."

Motivation is the driving force behind Brandon's passion and dedication to the Marines. From an early age in Poquoson he was fascinated with World War II stories, frequently watching the Discovery Channel's "Wings" and "G.I. Diary" programs and playing war games with his cousins in the backyard.

But the real spark behind Brandon's desire to join the armed forces came from watching the movie "Saving Private Ryan."

"I had just gotten home from work and my parents were watching it," Brandon said. "When they were done, I watched it again. That movie made me realize just how much I had, and how so many people had given up their lives so I could have mine. It just didn't seem fair that I wasn't doing anything."

So Brandon delayed his enrollment at JMU and enlisted in the Marines. The next few months at boot camp were some of the hardest of his life, he remembers.

"The day I graduated Parris Island and received my Eagle Globe Anchor, that was the proudest day of my life," Brandon said. "I had been through hell and back, but at the graduation ceremony, my commanding officers shook my hand and finally addressed me as a Marine. I knew then that all I had been through was worth it." Brandon has been a reservist for the past three years, and will be until 2009, when his term is up.

Following graduation, Brandon finally was able to enroll in JMU and become a full-time student. Yet, his reserve Marine duties were never far behind. For the past three years, Brandon has balanced a full course load with monthly drill weekends, which often interfere with his studies.

"Drill weekend completely messes me up during the week," he said. "Sometimes I have to miss classes, and then I end up missing work and have to dig myself out of this hole. Add to that my exhaustion after drill, and I have to be really careful not to get behind."

But Brandon has a support system that helps keep him focused. His parents, whom he lovingly describes as "standard blue collar" people, are very encouraging and dedicated to helping him succeed.

"My family is incredibly supportive of what I'm doing,"

Brandon said. "They realize how demanding school and my commitments to the Marines can be, and even though they're worried for my safety, they do everything they can to stand by and support me."

Brandon leans on their support more than ever now. The war in Iraq is a constant reminder of what he has been trained to fight for, yet his unit has been passed over for duty three times now, most recently in November. However, Brandon said the fact he hasn't gone to war in the past three years is astonishing.

"It's really only a matter of time before I go," Brandon said. "My unit has been prepared for this, and I know that when we're told it's our time to go to Iraq, we'll be ready. There's always a fear of combat, but as long as you put your faith in God, trust the Marines you're with and focus on your task, you'll be O.K."

His attitude epitomizes the Marine motto. Brandon lives by the expression "Semper Fidelis," which means "Always Faithful," in every aspect of his life. He describes himself as someone who values honesty, trust and loyalty and prides himself on maintaining these qualities.

"Brandon has always been such a stand-up guy," senior Kyle Dolph said. "He's always there for his friends when they need him, and is always there to offer advice. He's someone you can truly call a real friend. The Marines are lucky to have him."

Senior Brian Weireter echoes those sentiments. "I've never met a more loyal person," he said. "Brandon will have your back for life without question. I'd trust him with my life in a second."

While his friends see these qualities in Brandon, he feels the most important thing joining the Marines has done for him is make him a better man.

"The Marines have made me appreciate integrity so much more," he said. "I never take anything for granted anymore, and I truly understand the beauty of perspective. I'm so thankful for the life I live."

So while Brandon's commitments weigh heavily on him, he firmly believes he made the right decision.

"I have absolutely no regrets about joining the Marines," Brandon said. "It's completely worth it. Every time someone shakes my hand, buys me a beer, pats me on the back and thanks me for what I'm doing, I know I was meant to do this."

Brandon rubs his short black hair with his hand, his piercing eyes deep in thought. "You know, I really am blessed," he said. "Every time I'm up at four in the morning, scared about some test I have and how I'm not ready for it, I think about where I've been. I think about how I was filthy, exhausted, running around with 60 pounds of gear on my back, getting run into the ground, being yelled at, not eating and hating everything, and I realize just how good I have it. I wouldn't trade my life for anything, and the Marines taught me that."

Brandon Call (left) and Chris Evans (right) are both JMU students and are Marines in the same unit.



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Historical fiction meets imagination

BY ERIN WEIRETER
staff writer

I've always appreciated the complexity of a historical fiction novel, and especially the work of Tracy Chevalier. So, when my good friend offered me her copy of Chevalier's "The Virgin Blue," I was eager to read the novel. What I found not only was a complex and fascinating modern-day story, but also a paralleled, eerie and intense look into the world of 16th century France — where Protestantism and Catholicism violently were colliding with each other.

Ella Turner has just moved from coastal California to the sleepy French town of Lisle-sur-Tarn in, where her husband has accepted a job in an architecture firm in nearby Toulouse. Feeling completely out of sorts in her new environment, Ella hopes she can ease her anxiety by returning to her roots, which include practicing midwifery and researching her French Huguenot ancestors.

Among the faded pages of the town's library, Ella discovers ties to past residents of Lisle-sur-Tarn, the Tournier family. Yet as Ella dives into her history, disturbing dreams and images of a mysterious blue color begin to haunt her.

As soon as Ella experiences these visions for the first time, Chevalier immediately transitions into a new chapter, where 16th century France comes alive among the Tournier family, most notably with Isabella du Moulin, a farm girl and midwife who bears a striking resemblance to Ella.

Isabella and her husband are members of a radical Calvinist sect that violently disapproves of the Catholic religion. Among the community, this religious group has banished all images of the Virgin Mary, who consistently is portrayed with flowing red hair and a blue dress. Unfortunately, Isabella's red hair and midwifery make her a prime target among a group looking for a scapegoat. Isabella's relationship with her husband grows increasingly strained and her life becomes more threatened by the people who surround her.

Intrigued by the similarities that she and Isabella share, and desperate to know why these images of blue continue to haunt her, Ella becomes nearly obsessed with learning about the Tournier family. She convinces herself that somehow in the remnants of her ancestor's history she will find relief or comfort from her own life.

As Ella and Isabella's stories reach their respective climaxes, women's ties become glaringly and frighteningly apparent. Their two seemingly separate worlds clash together and the novel ends much like it began — with an eerie sense of mystery and curiosity hanging over you.

This book is amazing. Chevalier's characters are captivating; her two lead women have such strong personalities and wills to protect themselves that one can't help but be drawn into their worlds. For anyone who appreciates thought-provoking suspense and imaginative storytelling, this book is a must-read.



Balancing Act

BY HALI CHIET
staff writer

The life of a student can be busy, stressful and challenging — just ask Tim Howley, a graduate student who is working on a Master's degree in teaching. For Howley, however, attending classes is only a small part of his day.

"JMU is probably the best place I could have spent the last five years," he said. "I was a little nervous and apprehensive about this fifth year, but it has been great so far."

Besides taking classes at JMU, Howley currently is student teaching to complete his degree. He also spends part of his day working as a graduate assistant for the office of health promotion.

"I really enjoy working with adolescents and helping them make the right decisions," Howley said. "That is also why I've specifically gone into health and physical education. It's so important to teach kids a how to make good choices and attain a healthy lifestyle."

Howley's day begins when his alarm rings at 6:15 a.m. Howley prepares for the day and arrives at Thomas Harrison Middle School by 7:30 a.m.

The school day begins promptly at 7:55 a.m. with a homeroom period. Throughout the course of the day, Howley teaches four classes in health and physical education — two with eighth graders, one with sixth graders and one with seventh graders.

Howley's role as a student teacher usually ends at 2:45 p.m.

Howley's after-school schedule varies but always is jam-packed. Usually he goes directly to the office of health promotion, where he spends a few hours doing work for Potty Mouth and other office of health promotion events.



CAITLIN FRIEL/staff photographer

As an instructor for Potty Mouth, a graduate student and a student teacher, Tim Howley does not have a minute to waste — even at his desk.

Howley is known to be a prankster around the office. Senior Danielle Wynn, who has worked with Tim for three years, appreciates his sense of humor.

"Tim's a lot of fun," Wynn said. "He keeps things light around here, especially when it gets kind of stressful."

Howley's main role in the office of health promotions is instructor for Potty Mouth. The class meets every Monday night.

Besides his role as an instructor, Howley also attends classes a few other nights during the week. He somehow even manages to fit in a weekly meeting with his "little brother" — a local 12-year-old boy — as part of the Big Brothers/Big Sisters program.

When Howley finally is done

for the day, he looks forward to going home and cooking a quick dinner. The rest of his evening is spent working on lesson plans, doing work for his night classes, working on his resumé, and applying for prospective teaching jobs online.

Howley is unsure of where he wants to teach next year, but hopes to work with students of low socioeconomic backgrounds.

Howley's previous experiences influence future job requirements. "I have worked with children from low socioeconomic backgrounds on several Alternative Spring Break Trips and really enjoyed it," Howley said. "So I'm hoping to find a job that enables me to do so."

Babysitting gives JMU students additional money-making option

BY KATIE FLANAGAN
contributing writer

At one time or another, most young girls dream of being one of Ann M. Martin's characters in "The Babysitters Club." A few go out to advertise their services, while others babysit family friends. Many girls have already experienced the stinky diapers and screaming children. But some are still so captivated by young

children that they make a part or full-time job out of babysitting.

One student, sophomore Stephanie Barnhardt, has been helping her sister and mother babysit for 10 years. Barnhardt's mother, a day care provider, hires Barnhardt during the summer months to help her care for ten children and pays her \$200 a week for her help. Barnhardt likes watching children and plans to become a pediatric nurse.

"I enjoy watching kids for money," Barnhardt said. "It's an easy job and since I have a lot of patience, it's enjoyable."

Barnhardt makes a steady income in the summer babysitting, but plans to have an additional part-time job this coming summer to help satisfy her spending habits.

Other students don't have a steady paying babysitting job. Freshman Jessica Moore babysits during

the summer months as well. Moore doesn't advertise and only babysits for people who have been referred to her. Her mother, a teacher, often refers Moore to parents. Although babysitting is fun, "Sometimes you don't get paid very well," which can be frustrating, said Moore.

Unlike Barnhardt, Moore isn't paid a set salary each week. "I don't have a set rate — usually whatever they can pay," Moore said. "I babysit

kids who have divorced parents, so I work for less."

Some girls choose to take a different career path, especially when they come to school and have a lot of expenses they must take care of.

"When I was younger I babysat, but I didn't like the inconsistency of it, besides I like knowing that I am getting a paycheck every two weeks

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BELFOR: Travelin' man ends up in 'Burg

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 "The journey," Belfor said. "I've been to Florida, from Florida to Kansas and from Kansas to Virginia. That prepared me for life, being in a different environment. It just made me stronger mentally as a person, that I can get through a lot on my own."
 Belfor's collegiate career started in Tallahassee, Fla., where he played point guard for Tallahassee Community College, earning conference All-Rookie honors.
 The one-year stint in Tallahassee led him to Salina, Kan., where Belfor led the Ravens of Coffeyville Community College to a No. 5 national ranking. Belfor averaged 8.9 points and 1.9 assists per game as Coffeyville finished the season 31-7.
 A few weeks later, halfway across the country, Dean

Keener was announced as the new men's basketball coach at JMU.
 Keener wanted a point guard to replace graduating senior Chris Williams and help set the foundation for rebuilding the program. Belfor wanted in.
 "He's straightforward," Belfor said of Keener. "He believes we can win; he sold me on that during my visit."
 Belfor packed his bags one more time and left for Harrisonburg.
Playing with Purpose
 Jomo Belfor steps out of the locker room inside the Convocation Center in street clothes. Practice is over, but Belfor still is thinking about basketball and winning.
 "I've played on great teams in high school and

JuCo," Belfor said. "I have a good understanding about what it takes to win at certain levels."
 Decimated by injuries, JMU sits at 3-12 overall and 1-6 in the Colonial Athletic Association. But Belfor is optimistic.
 "We haven't found it yet," Belfor said. "I think if we have all the pieces, we'll put JMU back on the map."
 His tough nature is as evident as it was in high school. Belfor's game is intense, fast-paced and headstrong. He plays not just for the present, but also for his past.
 "When I go on the court, I'm not just playing for JMU," Belfor said. "I'm playing for Jomo Belfor, his family and Mount Vernon basketball."
 While that may seem like Belfor is carrying extra weight, his teammates think it adds fuel to his fire.

"Jomo Belfor's a very confident kid," junior forward David Cooper said. "If there's one thing I love about Jomo, it's that he doesn't care who you are, he's going to take it to you."
 That stems from Belfor's pride more than anything.
 "It comes from your soul and your heart," Belfor said. "It's playing with respect, that's where all my emotion and intensity comes from."
 Cooper said there is one other source for Belfor's intensity. It's the same thing that willed him to play after getting his teeth knocked out at the County Center five years ago.
 "His goal is to beat you in whatever he's doing," Cooper said. "He can live with his mistakes as long as he beats you. He just wants to win."
 And no matter where Belfor plays, winning is something he's familiar with.

Babysit: Money

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 instead of having to depend on a family going out for the night," said Estock, who now works breaks and summers at a golf and country club and works at the bookstore during the school year.
 Responsibility is also important in babysitting, so some people prefer to avoid taking chances.
 "I like being able to interact with other people, knowing if an emergency came up I could leave work early or come in late if I had to — you can't do that if you are in charge of a child," said Estock.
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