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Graduation moved; new major available

By Kristin Fulcher news editor

Graduation will be returned to Saturdays beginning next May, and a major similar to an engineering degree will be added to the physics department.

JMU's Board of Visitors accepted these proposals at its meeting last Friday, and voted to look into the amount of funding the school receives

Also, graduation will be held an hour earlier to take advantage of cooler morning temperatures and to give students living in residence halls more time to pack.

Commencement still will include picnics for the individual colleges and a candlelight induction for new alumnion the Quad, but these have been moved to Friday.

The Saturday graduation is scheduled for May 4, 1991, at 10 a.m., in the JMU Stadium.

"It's an unusual program for the undergraduate and it will take some marketing to get students interested."

— Dr. Robert Scott

For the past three years, JMU has held its May graduation on Sunday, but because a survey of seniors revealed that almost 80 percent prefer Saturday graduation, the date was changed.

Of the 2,124 seniors who recently graduated, 50 percent responded to the survey and 79 percent said they prefer

The board also accepted a proposal to add an applied physics major. The new major will be similar to an engineering degree, but students who graduate from the program will go directly into an engineering career without having to attend graduate school.

"Students will be able to take more classes in electronics that will enable

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Staff photo by MARK MANOUKIAN

A Real Maverick

Basketball star Adrian Dantley of the Dallas Mavericks made a guest appearance at "Lefty" Driesell's basketball camp vesterday afternoon.

Two bus routes added to ease traffic tie-ups

By Michelle Smith staff writer

Commuting to school and traveling around the city should be easier for JMU students beginning this fall.

The city will provide extra bus service as part of an expanded transportation system approved by the Harrisonburg City Council July 10. The plan includes two new bus routes and extended hours for current routes.

The expanded system, expected to begin Aug. 20, represents a combined effort by the city and JMU to improve public busing. The plan was submitted to the council by City Transportation Director Reggie

The two routes will be added to the current four-route system, providing increased service to campus from off-campus housing units between 7 and 10 a.m. while JMU is in session. A new route, Route F, will operate from September to May, providing service to Hunters Ridge, Squire Hill, Ashby Crossing and JMU every 15 minutes.

Routes A and B will provide added service to campus through Olde Mill Village, Mason, East Market, Reservoir and Eastover streets before going to JMU. From there, each route will go through Hunters Ridge, Squire Hill and Ashby Crossing before making another stop on campus. Routes A and B are "the heart of the system," Smith told the council.

After 10 a.m., bus routes will concentrate on transporting riders to shopping areas around town. All year, Route C will provide service to Hunters Ridge, Ashby Heights, Ridgeville, Valley Mall, Madison Manor, Northfield Court, Valley Plaza, Harris

Gardens, Ashby Crossing and JMU.

Route D will provide service to Eastern Mennonite College and the Pleasant Hill area. Route E will concentrate service in the south end of town, on South Main Street, Pleasant Hill Road, Dukes Plaza, Mosby Heights and South Avenue. The route will continue through JMU and then to Hunters Ridge, Ashby Heights and Ashby Crossing.

A shuttle, which covers most of the city on its one-hour route, will service student housing units, JMU and shopping areas. The shuttle will run 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. Mondays through Thursdays, 7 p.m. to 2 a.m. Fridays and Saturdays, and 1 p.m. to 1 a.m. Sundays. Smith said he still isn't satisfied with the

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shuttle service since he'd like it to run more hours in the early morning.

Buses will run regularly from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday.

By extending weekday service from 6 to 7 p.m. and Saturday service from 3 to 6 p.m., Harrisonburg Transit is adding 5,000 hours to the 15,000 hours now provided each year, Smith said.

Rerouting the buses is necessary to meet the changing needs of riders, Smith said. JMU students now make up about 95 percent of transit bus riders, up from about 75 percent, according to Smith.

JMU's contribution to the city for bus service is

being increased from \$116,000 a year to \$200,000. "Growth is expensive," Smith said, but the increase in revenue covers JMU's share for the service.

About 2,000 JMU students will live on Port Republic Road this fall and about 1,000 on South Avenue, Smith said. If 30 to 40 students per bus trip are taking public transportation, 30 to 40 cars are off the road, easing traffic and parking problems in and around campus.

The city relies on residents and JMU students as consumers and they rely on the city for transportation, Smith said. By increasing service to Hunters Ridge, Ashby Crossing, Squire Hill and Valley Mall, Harrisonburg Transit can "get students out to retail areas."

The one-year contract between the city and JMU is a trial agreement for a more extensive, long-term proposal between the two organizations. The existing contract has been used since 1981 and the existing routes were developed in 1983, Smith said.

The proposal for the restructuring of routes was developed by Harrisonburg's Transportation Department and a consultant firm, Norman & Associates of Arlington. The changes were considered necessary to meet the increasing demands for public transportation between campus, the off-campus housing units and the shopping centers.

Funding from federal and state agencies necessary for the changes has been approved. "We can get federal and state funds," Smith said. "JMU can't."

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them to work in industry," Dr. Dorn Peterson, an associate professor of physics, told *The Breeze* Tuesday.

Included in the major will be a computer programming class that will teach students to design an airplane without actually flying it.

The physics department plans for about 10 students to be enrolled in the major, which will be included in the 1992 catalog.

Since most of the classes for majors are designed to begin in the junior year, students now enrolled as physics majors can change to the new course of study.

"It's an unusual program for the

undergraduate and it will take some marketing to get students interested," said Dr. Robert Scott, acting vice president for academic affairs.

"The graduate will complement well in settings with engineers," he said.

In other business, the board's ad hoc funding and cost containment committee showed that JMU students and faculty receive less than average funding per person from the state.

JMU receives \$2,997 per student compared to the average state spending of \$3,208 per student.

"We are disadvantaged by \$211 per student," Alexander Berry, head of the committee, told the Daily News-Record.

The funding for JMU faculty, \$6,809 per teacher, is the lowest in the state, even including community colleges.

The average state spending for full-time faculty at other colleges is \$13,648 per person.

Berry told the Daily News-Record that the committee must show that the unequal amount of funding the state provides reflects on education and students.

The board also recognized three new members; J. Gray Ferguson, president of JGF Limited, Robert M. Zulandi, senior vice president of Hadson Development Corp., and Peter T. Halpin, senior vice president of World Resources Co.

Elections for board positions were held and H. Daniel O'Donnell was elected rector. O'Donnell has been a board member for six years and served as vice rector for two years.

Berry was elected vice rector and Beverly Noel was re-elected secretary of the board.

The board also accepted a proposal for a new international studies program.

The program allows students from Germany and China to study at JMU next year, but pay tuition to their home universities. In return, JMU students will be able to study in those countries but pay their tuition here.

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Development not a threat for Arboretum

By Brandon Walters production manager

After 26 years in the biology department here, Dr. Norlyn Bodkin is pleased to say his "dream has become a reality." That dream is the JMU Arboretum.

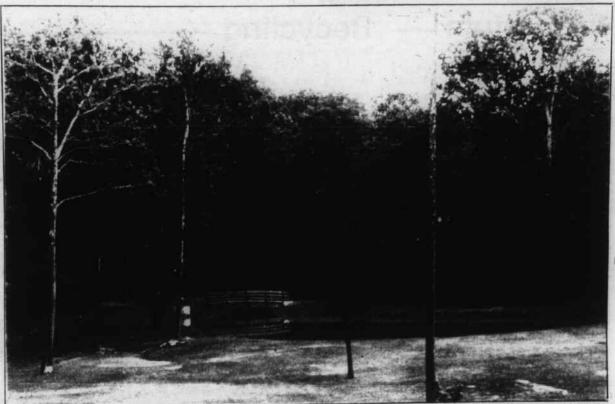
After three years of planning and planting, which began in 1985, the arboretum became the first on a state university campus in Virginia. The thrill for Bodkin was watching the carefully created habitat grow and flourish into what it is today.

Is the arboretum complete?

"Like so many other things in life," Bodkin said, the arboretum "is a changing process of enrichment." It requires attention and maintenance in order to continue to thrive and develop.

The arboretum, which is funded by private donations through the James Madison University Foundation, has gained tremendous support from both the university and the public sector, Bodkin said.

A student who recently graduated from the biology department donated a tree to the arboretum, Bodkin said. The student had been part of the team that participated in the early planning and work. He donated the tree because he wants to be able to come back and see its growth and progress, Bodkin said, and to give to a cause from which he gained so much.



JMU Arboretum radiates with the vibrant life of summer.

Staff photo by BRANDON WALTERS

But whether or not they donate a tree, JMU students can take advantage of a vital resource like the arboretum, Bodkin said.

In addition to a variety of plant and flower species, the arboretum houses a beautiful pond, the highlight of its forest savannah section. A small wooden bridge adds just the right touch to create a pleasant scene of tranquility.

The arboretum is used for a variety of purposes. Last spring, 33 groups were given formal tours through the acres of cultivated landscape.

It's also used as a home base for research and

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Local recyclers turn trash into treasure

By Liz Wilson assistant news editor

It's morning and the summer air is still crisp. A large white house sits off to the side, with a swing-set lounging in the fenced-in yard. Birds chat peacefully as a tiny, gremlin-like dog scurries after amusement. Otherwise it's quiet.

Suddenly the plush hillside behind the main building explodes into activity. Dave and his family have cranked up the shredders to begin another day in the recycling business.

David Fisher owns and operates Dave's Recycling. His work building sits on a hill that stretches back into lavish countryside. But from the front, spilling out from the open building, piles of cardboard, plastic and glass decorate the ground of what appears to be a scrap yard. But there's order in the midst of the chaos.

Everything has its proper place. The cardboard is dumped on the right and shredded in the back, the plastic is grouped and shredded on the left, and the glass, naturally, is collected in the center.

People arrive and unload their goods. Newspapers are dropped out

front underneath a sign that apologizes for not being able to offer money for the papers. "The market's just too bad," Fisher said. The sign ends by saying that Dave's will still take the papers. A massive pile of tied papers sits under the sign.

A large truck arrives and gradually dumps its cardboard contents — to the right, of course.

A man from a local restaurant drives his four-door up and pops the trunk. Out come boxes of glass. Wine bottles, soda bottles and water bottles all are dumped into waiting containers. The man says his boss always recycles his glass.

Cars and trucks are coming and going and Fisher is on the phone. If he isn't helping someone unload, he's answering his phone. He stands in the center portion of the building, cordless up to his ear, pacing underneath another sign.

This one reads off prices: a penny a pound for cardboard; 3 cents a pound for plastic; a penny a pound for glass bottles and jars; and half a penny a pound for unsorted glass. Fisher is quick to remind people about the things he can't take.

Items such as cereal or cracker boxes, china or ceramic, plastic bags, styrofoam, or clear bottles are not accepted.

A small boy with a shy smile asks for more plastic. "You need more to work on, son?" Dave says and points. He moves away and Dave says the young boy is one of his seven. "We all work here and help out. We just want to keep it a family organization."

Although the volume is picking up and Dave's is "getting almost too busy," the boss doesn't want to get much bigger. "We're working on maybe getting some bigger machines. But that's still in the future."

The afternoon has cleared the dew and across town from Dave's Recycling is (get this) Davis Recycling. While Dave's takes cardboard, paper, glass and plastic, Davis gathers aluminum and metals. Here, at Davis, the pace is easy and the talk is heavy.

Rusty ("my hair used to be red")
Davis and David Kirby operate
Davis Recycling, which has been in
business for 18 years. "We pay 30
cents for every pound of
aluminum," Davis said.

Davis dumps in 10 lbs. of a luminum into a monstrous-looking machine and waits for the cans to be spit out

into a half-filled truck. It might take two or three months to fill the truck, but by then the truck holds about 4,500 lbs., Davis says.

The aluminum-crunching machine and the truck it tosses the cans info take up only a portion of Davis Recycling. Other metal is clumped about the area waiting to be collected. License plates, metal shovels and those shiny pie crust pans contribute to the general look of a gathering center.

The things they do have but don't particularly want anymore are car batteries. Davis and Kirby converse about the latest government issue about car batteries that Davis says, "calls them hazardous." The two men go back and forth over the subject. Davis can't understand why anyone would simply "call a thing hazardous, but never give us a way to dispose of the hazardous thing."

Kirby then turns to the topic of disposable diapers. "The problem is there will always be a problem. Without these diapers, we go back to washing cloth and with that comes all those millions of gallons of water needed to wash them. But with them" He lets the

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Arboretum —

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development within the biology department. Last fall the arboretum was the site for a Gypsy Moth seminar. Classes in botany, plant taxonomy and general biology use it in practicum.

The arboretum is a busy place, but despite its frequent use, it remains a place of solitude. "The arboretum's aesthetic objectives are just as important as its educational ones," Dr. Bodkin said. "It's a beautiful and pleasant place for people to come to enjoy themselves, to get away from hassles, in the epitome of a serene environment."

Does anything pose a threat to this tranquil environment?

At one point city planners were considering building a road around Harrisonburg in the area of the arboretum.

The organization EARTH quickly gathered a petition of over 2,000 signatures urging protection of the area around the arboretum. And JMU President Ronald Carrier said at a recent faculty meeting, "There will be no road through the arboretum."

Dr. Bodkin offered a reason why a road should not be built near the arobretum site. "There are five peaks in eastern Harrisonburg," Bodkin said. "Four are already built upon and our arboretum is the last forested peak. We must leave it alone."

Bodkin said he feels reassured, "Younger college students have developed a sound environmental awareness, through arboretum activities and across the board involvement with nature."

For outdoors types who would like to become involved, JMU offers a one-credit class called Arboretum Techniques. It's a great way to get your hands dirty and have some fun.

But if you simply want to enjoy a weekend afternoon and take in a little bit of Mother Nature, the arboretum may be the place to go.

"The success of the arboretum is reflected by student use and participation," Bodkin said. So why not get out and explore the park that's in your own back yard.



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question hang in the air and the mood gets a little more serious.

Davis and Kirby continue their discussion and both express their environmental concerns. "The recycling business works on a system of supply and demand," Davis says. And in this case, he says, the supply will always be greater than the demand.

Kirby cites the newspaper business as one example. There already is a large amount of paper being recycled and sent back to be reused, he says. "But they want what's new, not used."

With companies still cutting down trees for new pulp, even more paper is being poured into the system. The result, these men say, is a greater supply of recycled materials than a demand for them.

The two also discuss solutions. And according to Davis, the Virginia Adopt a Highway Program is "probably working as good or better as anything

Coming full circle, Davis and Kirby return to talking about aluminum and the public's involvement in recycling.

Kirby says that progress has been made "now that it's the thing to do." He stresses that it's a good thing and he wants it to continue.

"But is it just a fad or will we really stick with it?" he asks.

There's silence after that, and then a few sighs that might as well have been the lunch whistle calling them back to work. So Davis and Kirby return to their labor in the metal and aluminum

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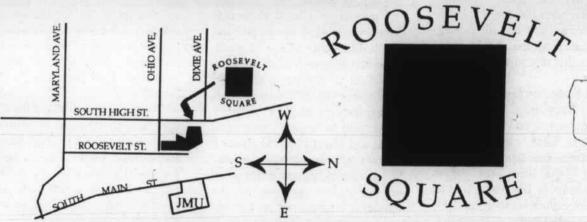
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High school students spend summer at JMU

By Felix Pages assistant features editor

Remember the long lazy summers of our high school years? Some of us worked, others hit the beaches, others just relaxed.

College seemed years away, and few of us were concerned about something so far in the future.

But that's not true for Liz Fisher and Lissa Kramer, two rising high school seniors at Agnes Irwin School in Philadelphia.

Unlike most students, Fisher and Kramer are spending their summer vacation taking classes. And unlike many high school students in summer school, Fisher and Kramer are not repeating a class.

They want to get ahead.

Fisher, from Strafford, Pa., and Kramer, from Valley Forge, Pa., are prospective nursing majors and are taking Biology 270: Human Physiology during the second four-week session.

And they've found adjusting to college life a difficult, but worthwhile, experience.

"I'm amazed at the amount of work we've had for just one class," Kramer said.

Fisher said, "Our entire high school chemistry course is summed up in just one chapter of our textbook."

The girls also were overwhelmed at the number of people they've interacted with in the last few weeks.

"Here in the dorm, we're constantly surrounded by people at all hours," said Kramer. "Having come from a private, all-girls school with a total of 500 students in grades one through 12, that's not something we're really used to."



Lissa Kramer and Liz Fisher are trying to get ahead.

Staff photo by MARK MANOUKIAN

"We're also not used to having guys in our classes and roaming around the halls," Fisher said.

The girls' first taste of college has taught them a lot about being independent.

"Mom's not there to cook for us, do our laundry, and help us with our homework," Kramer said. "It makes me appreciate all she does."

Although Fisher and Kramer are participating in typical college rituals, like eating campus food, "vegging" on the Quad, and doing their own laundry, they realize that their brief stay here isn't a true picture of what it's really like at JMU.

Classes aren't usually as concentrated in the fall and spring as they are during these four short weeks. P.C. Duke's and Gibbons Dining Hall are open regular hours during the year, and the bank isn't located in a trailer.

But despite some inconveniences, the girls say they've enjoyed themselves.

"I've learned so much in the past few days, it's incredible," said Kramer.

Fisher said, "It's going to be hard going back home and getting readjusted to high school life."

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So are they homesick?

"Not a bit!" they said in unison.





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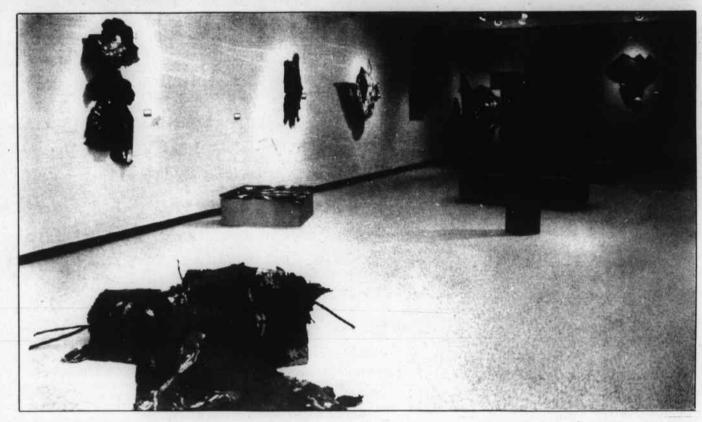
Handmade clothes 'come alive' in art show

A collection of handmade clothes that "come alive," created by the head of JMU's costume shop, is on display at Sawhill Gallery.

The show, which will run until Aug. 3, marks the completion of Pam Johnson's work toward a masters of fine arts degree. Johnson is presenting work in handmade paper and silk wearables. The selected work is a culmination of her efforts over the past three years.

Johnson has been a member of the theatre faculty here since 1974. She has been in charge of the costume shop and has worked with theater design and sets since coming to JMU.

Johnson patterns her silk wearables through dying and hand-painting methods. She also works with primitive pleating, which is non-perfect pleating used in Oriental cultures. "I like it because it's alive," she says.





story by Melissa Reilly

She works with silk for similar reasons. "Silk reacts to the movement of the body so it becomes a part of the person who is wearing it," Johnson says. "It becomes one with the body."

Although the silk wearables can be worn, Johnson will display most of them as abstract forms. "I want people to look at the surface first and realize that it goes into another form on the body," she says.

Her handmade paper pieces are made from linen, flax and hemp, all strong, thin materials that "give a sense of buoyancy and higher dimension," she says. Johnson's art background is in painting, drawing and costume design. Although she just started working with handmade paper over the past few years, she says the process was somewhat familiar to her since manipulating the paper sheets is much like manipulating fabric.

The pieces in Johnson's show will be available for sale, but they won't have a price attached to them. Instead, they will be priced on request.

"I find price tags intrusive," Johnson says. "I want people to look at the artwork and not to consider the price."



photos by Mark Manoukian

Off-campus housing

A concentrated class in 'Living 101'

By Kathryn Peterson features editor

Off-campus life in the summer is more than just playing house for eight weeks.

Added household responsibilities with fewer people to share them make life off campus a delicate balancing act.

Many off-campus students say that it's tough for one or two people to do the work of four. "It's a lot easier for dishes to pile up and the trash to overflow," says JMU senior Sydney Stanto.

But Stanto's housemate Vanessa Alvarez doesn't think so. "Actually I think it's been easier," she says. "When something goes wrong, there's no guesswork involved. I know that that stuff in the living room is Sydney's — and we know whose turn it is to take out the trash."

Shirley Cobb, assistant director of the counseling and student development center at JMU, says that off-campus students are more isolated in the summer. This isolation can be good or bad, depending on the student's perspective.

Cobb says that students who are interested in more than JMU have an advantage over those totally immersed in campus life.

In the summer especially, these students tend to "merge with the Harrisonburg community more," Cobb says. "They don't take on as much of a college identity as they do during the school year."

So for students active outside of JMU, off-campus living is "the next logical step to becoming independent from their parents," according to Cobb.

For people who aren't as apt to become involved with the community, isolation can be a problem. Living here in the summer is always a little scary, Cobb says.

When there aren't many people, life can get lonely. There's no "ready-made community," Cobb says. "There's no residence life staff to plan group activities — you have to take the initiative."

With so many students gone for the summer, strange situations often come up when people sublet their apartments. For instance, some people may not even have met their housemate before they move in together.

And then there's the male-female

Housemates of the opposite sex are becoming increasingly common in apartments all over Harrisonburg. In summer, even more male-female combinations exist, since students often



Staff graphic by ZERRICK PEARSON

sublet, regardless of gender.

Many find the idea of male-female housemates hard to handle, but most students say they have enjoyed the change of lifestyle for a few weeks.

During May session, Stanto shared her apartment with a male, Robert Redd.

"He was a lot easier to live with than a lot of girls I've known."

Sydney Stanto

"It was actually a lot of fun," she says, her eyes lighting up. "He was a lot easier to live with than a lot of girls I've known."

Stanto says that Redd helped her with household chores and even personal matters. "It was neat having a guy's perspective on things."

Cobb says that male and female students generally find platonic living arrangements satisfying because they form a relationship similar to that of a brother-sister relationship. She also believes that the bonds between male and female students are often stronger in a living arrangement than those formed in a dating relationship.

"When you meet someone out on the social scene, you tend to see that person one-dimensionally," says Cobb.

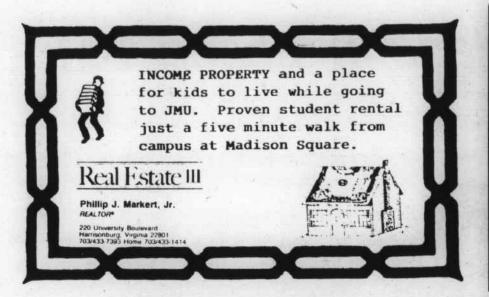
But when people live together, they see each other in a variety of situations. This adds more depth to the relationship.

There are students here this summer with other kinds of living arrangements.

Senior Michelle Smith shares her efficiency apartment with two housemates — her cats. Smith says that the cats have become a substitute for people, except they don't talk back.

She enjoys being alone, Smith says, because she has more time to herself. She likes having an active life on campus, but wants to have a quiet place to escape to once she's done for the day.

So whether they're learning how to live with a member of the opposite sex, adjusting to living alone, or simply perfecting their budget-making and housekeeping skills, off-campus students find themselves in a concentrated course of Living 101 this summer.





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By Elizabeth Oxford managing editor

It's so relaxing to lie back and gaze up at the ummer stars - especially in the comfort of a clining seat in a dark, cool room.

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Yes, it's a room right here on campus, where the limate is controlled and the stars are projected ...

Every Monday and Thursday night this month, at e John C. Wells Planetarium in Miller Hall, you a see a live star show featuring summer skies, and a ecial show about the Voyager space probes, thout the worry of clouds, mosquitoes or streetlights.

The planetarium was built in 1975 to replace a rather antique planetarium that had been located in the attic of Burruss Hall since the 1950s.

The original intent of the planetarium was to provide a laboratory for students enrolled in astronomy classes. But as the staff began getting requests for shows from school and scout groups, they began giving special presentations. The next step was to open the planetarium to the public.

The state-of-the-art system that projects the stars onto the domed ceiling includes a main projector and many carousel projectors all controlled by three computers.

In the center of the planetarium, the main star rojector can project up to 2,000 stars at a time. ome very bright stars, star clusters and the Milky Vay all have their own small projectors attached to he main projector. Around the room, there are 27 arousel projectors.



Staff graphic by COLIN McCORMICK

During the year there are five live star shows one for each of the four seasons and a Christmas

The live show is narrated by Henry Leap, the director of the planetarium. Each show Leap adapts his narration to his audience and answers questions as he goes.

During the current show, Leap points out interesting features in the summer sky, explains where to find each constellation and tells about their origins and the myths that surround them.

Leap points out one constellation often called the Northern Cross. The early Arabs called it a hen, the Babylonians called it a bird, the Greeks and Romans called it a swan, and early Oriental cultures saw in the stars a pair of young lovers.

Leap also points out bodies in the sky - like a double star and the North American nebulas (a cloud of glowing gas) - that you might not see when you're looking for constellations.

The special shows, however, are where the planetarium's state-of-the-art equipment comes in handy — and creates a little work.

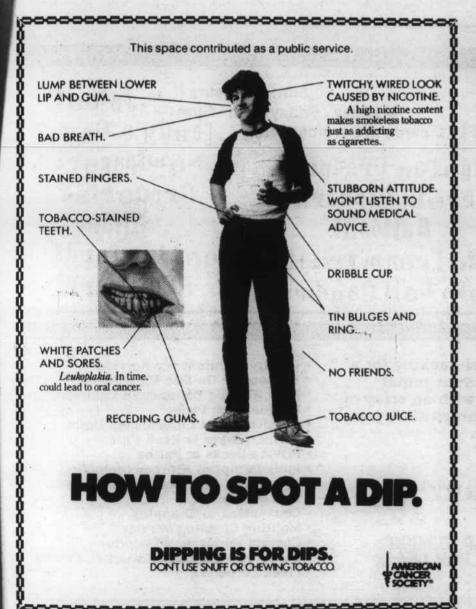
The special show now running is "The Voyager Encounters," a slide show about the two Voyagers' trips through the solar system. It's narrated by Patrick Stewart, Captain Jean-Luc Picard of TV's "Star Trek: The Next Generation.'

Although the narration and slides were purchased, the show had to be customized and adapted to the planetarium's system. Leap, Dr. John Staib and three student assistants put the show together.

Each slide had to be remounted, and many of the slides had to have overlays made and aligned. After the slides were done, each of the three computers had to be programmed with cues for the lights, the audio tape and 14 carousel projectors around the room.

All this hard work resulted in a slide show that's informative without being too technical. And it's a visual wonder.

"Summer Skies" will be shown at 7:15 p.m. and "The Voyager Encounters" at 8:30 p.m., each Monday and Thursday for the rest of July. Beginning in August, "Summer Skies" will be shown at 7 p.m. and "The Voyager Encounters" at 8 p.m., Thursdays



Leisure reading makes bookstore a success

By Shelley Bryant

The success of Books, etc., the smaller, general bookstore adjacent to the JMU Bookstore, has proven to bookstore director Patty Sarb that students read more than what's required in their classes.

"I had seen a real increase in customers asking for books that were not required in classes," Sarb said. So about a year ago when First American Bank moved to Gibbons Dining Hall, Sarb was granted that space to expand general book services. By last fall, Books, etc. "was stocked and going."

Books, etc. carries books suited to leisure reading - best sellers, mysteries and science fiction - as well as philosophy and poetry books. The store also has inspirational and humorous "gift books," magazines, travel guides and foreign language

Besides seeing the need to increase space, Sarb had wanted to "create a different atmosphere." She wanted an area where people could take their time and look around. "It's good to have it isolated" from the main bookstore, Sarb said, "because people feel more comfortable browsing."

Sarb also has used Books, etc. to expand some services. "There are only so many things you could do at the front customer desk," Sarb said.

The store has "made it easier" to buy tickets for the Homerun bus service from JMU to Northern Virginia. And to special order any book in print is "easier here" than it was in the main store, Sarb said, since general book store buyer Gayle Magai now has her office in Books, etc. "This makes her more accessible," Sarb said.

Beginning this fall, Books, etc. will provide a FAX service. Sarb now is "surveying the community for costs" to make sure the price will be competitive. Also, the store will carry the Daily News-Record and The Washington Post, Sarb said.

The success of Books, etc. "has definitely exceeded my expectations," Sarb said. She believes the store could be bigger. "There are not that many bookstores in Harrisonburg," and the campus community would support a larger store.

The SGA bookstore advisory group has input and "good ideas" for other items and services that Books, etc. could provide in the future, Sarb said. But she's open to suggestions from faculty and staff.

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Dorsey will return for 1990-91 season

By Mark Manoukian associate editor

Coach "Lefty" Driesell said yesterday he's "happy" that JMU senior Alan Dorsey has decided to return to the basketball team. Dorsey announced Monday that he will return to the team after missing the 1989-90 season.

"Truth be known I really love basketball," said Dorsey. "College basketball is something that not a whole lot of people get a chance to do. I just didn't want to regret not taking advantage of the chance I had to go back on the team and keep playing because I love being part of the team. I didn't want to pass up that opportunity.

"The thing that concerned me was that I did so well on my grades this semester when I wasn't on the team, which showed me that if I wasn't playing, my grades would go up. Hopefully, I can stay focused enough and be determined enough that I can teep my grades up even though I'm on the team.

"I'd really like to finish with a 3.0. I have a 2.9 now, so it's still a

possibility. I just hope that I can do that while I'm still on the team."

Dorsey is confident that his skills will be up to par when he returns to court. "I've been playing almost every day just because I missed it so much," he said. "I've been lifting weights all summer, and I've had the last month and a half or so since I talked to [Driesell] about it to keep working out. I don't think I've really lost anything.

"He has all kinds of 'trees' inside so I'm going to keep working on my perimeter game. I can't expect a whole lot of playing time, obviously. But if I do get a chance, I'll probably see more time outside because they have such a shortage of guards.

"I don't have any doubts that I can shoot the ball. If I get in there, I'll shoot it."

For the first month or two after he left the team, Dorsey said, he "wouldn't touch a basketball. I was afraid to . . . I didn't want to because the whole incident bothered me so much. After that I started playing all the time.

According to Dorsey, the invitation

to return to the team was initiated by Driesell during the 1989-90 season. "I knew the offer stood," he said. "But I really wanted to wait until after the season and put last season completely behind me, and then sit down with [Driesell] face to face and talk to him about that possibility.

Now, Dorsey says the controversy surrounding his departure from the team is a thing of the past. "I just want to stress the fact that what happened is over," he said. "Both of us kinda had enough of the incident," he said.

"Hopefully, this will be the end of it and we can start all over, Dorsey said. "That's what I'm looking forward to more than anything else.

"It will be a fresh start. I don't want to hold any grudges."

Dorsey finished his first two years of play with experience at the post and on the perimeter. During his freshman year, he was JMU's second best shooter from three-point range, with a 38.3 percent average.

Dreisell had asked Dorsey to leave the team near the beginning of the 1989-90 season.



Alan Dorsey

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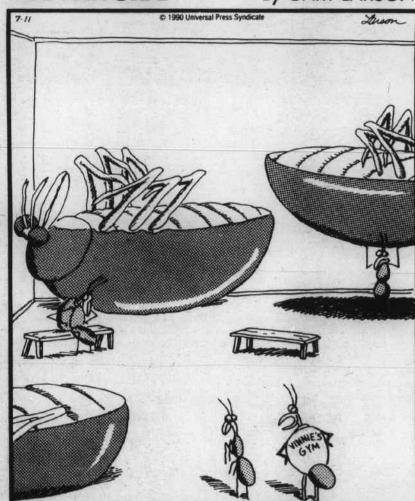
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