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Information analysis major created

BY ASHLEY HOPKINS
news editor

Since Sept. 11, national security has reigned supreme as one of the nation's greatest issues of debate.

Students in colleges across the country have staged demonstrations, recruiters have worked to enlist soldiers and flying in an airplane will never be the same. JMU has dealt with the aftermath in a different way — creating a major that will train students to protect themselves, their country or their corporation through information analysis.

The information analysis major was created in the fall of 2007 and teaches students how to employ an information-centric approach to problem solving by looking at data and using technology. Classes prepare students for jobs within and outside of the government, as graduates will be trained to work in one of the country's 16 intelligence agencies like the CIA, the FBI, the NSA and the DIA, or a major corporation.

"Essentially you will be prepared to find the answer to some urgent, real work question by gathering information, analyzing with technology and creating realistic inferences from it using reasoning," said Noel Hendrickson, advisor for the major.

While the information analysis major is new to JMU, it's been in the works for three years. Advisers spent a lot of time meeting with specialists and designing a curriculum that would benefit students.

"As our committee worked at developing this program, we worked with representatives from various agencies, including the FBI," said Kenneth Newbold, director of research development.

Hendrickson said there were many benefits to working so closely with these agencies.

"We want to make sure we're doing what [intelligence agencies] want, but of course we try to put our own JMU spin on things," he said. "We believe we got a really special spin by taking on the new cutting edge techniques and making them available to undergraduates."

The major, which has yet to be advertised extensively, has pulled in 15 students so far, each of whom can choose to concentrate in either national security or competitive intelligence. The program can take up to three years to complete, so anyone planning to attend JMU for the allotted time may apply.

Those interested in applying must have a 3.0 grade point average and be in good standing with the JMU Honor Code. As the major

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photos courtesy of HILARY JACOBSON

JMU students traveled to Joumave, a city in northern central Mexico during winter break. The students set up medical clinics every day at local churches or community centers. Since most didn't have previous medical experience, students performed basic medical tasks like taking vitals.



BY KATIE THISDELL
staff writer

The man raised his enlarged foot for the student medical team to examine.

Because of an infection below the skin, he has developed a disease called Mycetoma, which looks similar to elephantiasis. He came for years to the visiting health clinics in rural areas of Mexico to receive antibiotics. His doctor suggested amputation, but the man couldn't because he needed to work.

This was just one of the hundreds of patients that nine JMU students met during a medical service trip to Jaumave, a city in northern central Mexico. From Dec. 26 to Jan. 6, they joined four students from other universities through the organization International Service Learning.

The team worked with Dr. Adrian Mendoza, a licensed physician in Mexico. The cost of the trip was \$1,500 plus airfare, and several students in the group fundraised in different ways, such as with their local doctor's offices.

"This reaffirmed that I want to do something with medicine," senior Phil Carron, a pre-med biology major, said. "This trip opened my eyes and mostly changed my ideas of international healthcare. It emphasizes how different people live."

The students rode in a van, filled with donated pharmaceutical supplies, down dusty roads to rural towns. They drove past mud huts and cacti until they reached a church or community center, the site of the medical clinic for the day. At each of the five clinics, they set up areas for registration, triage and vitals and pharmacy.

Since most did not have previous hands-on medical experience, Mendoza taught them basic skills on the first day. This included how to check patients' vital signs, including blood

pressure and heart rate.

"We learned pretty much by trial and error," Carron said. "We'd try it again if we couldn't do it the first time, like reading the blood pressure cuff. Just because we're not completely trusting in our own capabilities yet we'd ask for help a lot."

Mendoza also taught the students about the most frequent ailments in Mexico. Many people had parasites because they lived closely with their animals. Colds and bronchitis were also common because it was winter. Other diseases included scabies, lice and herpes.

"For the first patient you're kind of nervous, but once you keep doing it, it gets easier," Gina Cavallo, a sophomore health science and pre-med student, said. "They were so patient, too. Even if they had numb fingers from holding their arms out, they'd keep waiting."

Cavallo found the hands on learning experience reaffirming to her studies.

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ONCE UPON A TIME IN MEXICO

College Republicans adopt ... a platoon, that is

BY KALEIGH MAHER
news editor

With lows in the 20s, it was freezing on the commons Tuesday. In fact, the College Republicans were the only group out there.

"Support the troops," senior Erin Leonhardt called to passers by. "Every little bit helps."

Students and faculty stopped to stuff money into the decorated box as they hurried by, bundled up in scarves and coats. Tuesday was the kick-off day for the College Republican's new Adopt-a-Platoon service project.

"It's been encouraging to see people stop and resonate with the cause," Leonhardt said.

First vice chair of College Republicans junior Tom Connolly

created JMU's chapter of Adopt-a-Platoon. He hadn't seen anything going on around campus specifically geared toward the troops and had heard from College Republicans that they were interested in giving back.

Adopt-a-Platoon appealed to Connolly because unlike other charitable armed service organizations that focus on individuals or one-time contributions, participants in Adopt-a-Platoon sponsor an entire platoon of U.S. troops, sending letters and care packages once a month.

"With the size of our club and the resources of our club I didn't think it was out of our reach," he said. "It was something we could do since they do so much for us."

College Republicans submitted its application around the second week of December and received their delivery letter Jan. 7.

"As soon as we got the platoon we were ready to get out there and give back," Connolly said.

While they aren't allowed to reveal the specific location of the platoon, they can say it's in Iraq. The platoon sent a list of requested items as well.

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CAROLINE DAVIS/staff photographer

Junior Sammy G. checks out the College Republicans table on the commons Tuesday afternoon.

WANT TO HELP?

WHAT TO DONATE: Fly swatters, sticky fly paper, insect repellent, white athletic socks, black or green boot socks, snacks, all size batteries, DVDs, books, current magazines, stationery, hand sanitizer and baby wipes.

WHERE TO BRING DONATIONS: The commons, every other Tuesday between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. or Mondays at 7 p.m. in Taylor 400.

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POLICE LOG

BY SHELLY NEEL/copy editor

Harassment

A JMU student reported receiving threatening/harassing instant messages over the computer by an acquaintance on Jan. 11 at 4:41 a.m.

Vandalism

A JMU employee reported a vehicle covered in silly string Jan. 15.

Threatening Note

A JMU student reported a threatening note left on a vehicle by an unknown person on Jan. 8 between 3:00 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Number of drunk in publics since Aug. 27: **60**
 Number of drunk in publics at this time last year: **50**

Number of parking tickets since Aug. 27: **11,278**
 Number of parking tickets at this time last year: **11,066**

CORRECTIONS

In the Jan. 14 issue of The Breeze the article "Get Dirty" incorrectly stated that there are 1,031 viruses and not 10^31, which is the correct number.

In the Jan. 14 issue of The Breeze the article "JMU unveils plans for stadium" incorrectly stated that the new plan will increase seating from 12,778 to 40,000. The new plan will actually increase seating from 15,778 to 24,878.

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MLK Formal Program
Monday, Jan. 21st 7:00 P.M.
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The formal program will honor the life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. through a candle lighting ceremony, litany, musical selections, and keynote speaker Julian Bond. Current Chairman of the NAACP, Mr. Bond has been an active participant in the movements for civil rights and economic justice since 1960

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CANDIDATES CUT CAUCUSES



As candidates drop out of the election, students discuss their presidential options

BY KELLY CONNIFF
senior writer

As presidential election coverage begins to saturate the news, students are becoming increasingly tuned in to the slowly shrinking list of major party candidates.

The political season kicked off with the Jan. 3 caucus in Iowa and the Jan. 8 primary in New Hampshire. Results have been across the board and currently there is no clear frontrunner in either party.

Political junkies aside, students are treating the media coverage and the primary and caucus process with caution as they work on forming their own opinions.

"I haven't paid much attention to the primaries," junior Aaron Jeschke said. "Most of the coverage is just about numbers."

Other students are eager to participate but are wary about the current choice of possible candidates.

"I'm planning on participating in the Virginia primary," senior Nick Belcher

said. "But overall, none (of the candidates) make me feel great. Now I'm looking for the lesser of two evils."

Other students have been utilizing tools such as the recent presidential debates while trying to make their decision.

"My opinion was formed early on," junior Colleen Mahoney said. "Although, recently I've been hearing about the debates."

A common thread among people at JMU seems to be a lack of allegiance to the major parties for this particular election.

"I think what's interesting is that this election makes me consider both parties," staff member Misty Newman said. "I've never been sold either way."

Students that normally vote a certain way are considering different options for 2008.

"I'm normally more of a Republican," Belcher said. "This election, the lines are getting blurred."

Other students interviewed had a candidate in mind but didn't necessarily seem sold on casting their vote for them.

"I'm independent and have a lot of different views," said freshman Stephanie Parker. "I'm from New York so I'm rooting for Giuliani even though it won't happen."

Belcher originally looked to Giuliani as well but seems dismayed by some of his tactics.

"Giuliani is definitely trying to ride on 9/11," Belcher said. "I want a person who responds well to a crisis but I don't want to always be in a time of crisis for the person to perform well."

Some students confessed a lack of confidence when looking at the wide field of available candidates, which now includes 12 candidates.

"I'm having trouble finding a candidate I like," Jeschke said. "I definitely look at issues when I'm considering candidates. Fiscal and social issues are both important to me."

Issues remained a recurrent theme as students reiterated topics that mean something to them.

"Education is really important to me because my parents are teachers," Belcher said. "The war in Iraq has definitely gone on too long but we can't just

pull out, we need a solution."

Despite his reliance on the issues, Belcher is confident that he will wait until after the nomination process is complete before he picks someone to support.

"I'm not going to pick one now and then abandon them when they don't get the nomination," Belcher said. "I'm going to keep a watchful eye on them, but there's no need to really back anyone right now."

An increasing number of students are joining Belcher, ignoring the media hype and choosing a candidate later in the election.

"This is the first time I'll be able to vote, especially in a presidential election," junior Colleen Mahoney said. "As it gets closer and they decide on the nominees, I'll do more research on the candidates and their issues and choose the one for me."

This article is the second in a four-part series that will examine how members of the JMU community feel about the issues raised in the upcoming presidential election. Check back in the middle of February for the next installment.

SGA Initiatives

The semester has just started, but the Student Government Association is in full gear. Their goals for the spring semester include:

>> **D-hall Dispersion:** Students will pair up with dining services to prepare food in D-hall. They will then distribute the food throughout the community.

>> **Meal Choices:** The SGA is planning to work with dining services to expand meal choices for students. They hope to offer a wider variety of dining options for vegetarians and people with specific dietary needs.

>> **Parking:** JMU President Linwood Rose is set to attend next Tuesday's SGA meeting, where the Senate will discuss the issue of commuter and faculty parking. The group plans to focus on parking near Chesapeake and Potomac.

>> **Construction:** Construction around campus has forced students to park in the arboretum, dodge cars while crossing University Boulevard, and arrive to classes late. Throughout the semester the SGA hopes to remedy this problem.

Summer tuition to increase this year

BY KALEIGH MAHER
news editor

The Board of Visitors approved summer tuition increases for 2008 last week.

This summer in-state undergraduate students will be paying \$28 more per credit hour while out of state students will pay \$83 more per credit hour. Graduate students will be paying \$38 more per credit hour (in-state) and \$110 more per credit hour (out-of-state).

An additional \$2 per credit hour fee was added for all students as a student services fee. The cost of room and board has not changed.

Jim Hartman, chairman of the finance and physical development committee, said this increase will place JMU right in the middle, with the seventh highest tuition out of 15 other Virginia schools for both in and out of state students.

The Board did not discuss changing tuition for the academic year.

The Board of Visitors also approved two budget amendments.

SEASON'S FIRST SNOW



EVAN DYSON/senior photographer

Slight traces of Tuesday's snow remained on-campus as late as Wednesday evening. With temperatures dropping below freezing, the possibility for more snow or ice exists as early as today.

PLATOON: College Republicans work to send practical items to troops fighting abroad

PLATOON, from front

Second vice chair of College Republicans sophomore Juliana Comer said that some of the items they're focusing on for this box are socks, fly swatters and insect repellent.

"It's insect season there, so we're trying to send them really practical things," Leonhardt said.

Senior Mike Sargent said it doesn't take much to make a difference.

"Skip your daily Starbucks two days in a row

and buy half a dozen socks for someone who maybe goes through a pair a day," he said.

Connolly believes supporting the troops is a bipartisan issue.

"The basic idea is that we want to give back to the troops," he said. "They're doing so much for us overseas, it's the least we can do to try and get some supplies over to them."

Leonhardt and Sargent said they saw a lot of support.

"I think it's cool to get the campus involved

because we're not promoting the club, we're promoting a cause," Leonhardt said.

"I'm a Republican, but it's not a Republican or Democrat thing," Sargent added. "There are people who need socks whether or not they're a Democrat or a Republican."

Comer said they'll be sending the packages directly to the platoon, so shipping could be expensive. They're going to try to include 15 of the same items in each package.

"So they don't have to fight over stuff,"

Comer said.

Connolly said that at the end of their first day they collected \$137.

"We're very happy with the results and we really want to continue on," he said.

College Republicans will be on the commons every other Tuesday between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. to collect money or items. They will also be collecting items or money during their meetings Mondays at 7:30 p.m. in Taylor 400.

JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY

JMU places 14 in 2008 Peace Corps ratings

JMU placed 14 in the 2008 Peace Corps Top 25 list for large colleges and universities. This is the second consecutive year James Madison has held this position, with 53 undergraduate alumni serving in the Peace Corps.

A total of 347 JMU alumni have volunteered for the Peace Corps since 1961. JMU is ranked 127 in the third annual graduate school rankings.

Presentation on Pakistan Friday

When: Friday Jan. 18, Noon
Where: Room 309, Taylor Hall
What: Professor Victor Bulmer-Thomas, director of the Royal Institute of International Affairs at Chatham House, will speak on "How Unstable is Pakistan." He will discuss the political events in Pakistan and the effects of the current situation for the U.S. and the International community.

SGA sponsors student T-shirt design contest

Deadline: Thursday Jan. 31, 5p.m.
Where: SGA office Taylor 203
What: SGA and the JMU Bookstore are sponsoring a T-shirt design contest. Any student may submit a hand-drawn or computer designed T-shirt to the Bookstore. The winner will receive a \$200 gift certificate to the Bookstore, where their T-shirt will be sold.

Kaine proposes \$59 million medical school

Virginia Governor Tim Kaine has announced a bond proposal with a \$59 million medical school and research institute planned by VT and the Corlison Clinic, according to the *Collegiate Times*.

If the Virginia General Assembly approves the budget construction on the school is expected to begin early this summer.

VIRGINIA TECH

University returns ancient sculptures

Two ancient Greek sculptures donated to UVA in 2002 and currently on display at the University of Virginia Art Museum will be returned to Sicily in February.

The artifacts were illegally excavated, and their pending return to Sicily has sparked controversy among students and faculty, according to the *Cavalier Daily*.

MARY WASHINGTON

University ranks in 2008 Peace Corps rankings

UMW was named to the Peace Corps 2008 list of "Top Producing Colleges and Universities."

Since 1961, 173 UMW alumni have volunteered with the Peace Corps, 21 of whom are currently volunteering with the group.

Last year UMW was ranked fifth among small colleges.

MEXICO: Medical work in Mexico motivates pre-med Madison students

MEXICO, from front
 "At school, you don't get patient interaction in your classes," she said. "It was a nice break to actually help people. It also gives you motivation to do well in your classes."

The group estimated they saw between 25 to 40 patients at each clinic. Their ages varied from a seven-month-old baby to a 97-year-old woman.

"I loved seeing how happy everyone was when we helped them," junior Hilary Jacobson, a pre-PA biotechnology major, said. "The kids came to get toothbrushes and toothpaste and vitamins, and you would have thought those were the biggest things on their Christmas lists because they were so excited."

Cavallo said she also enjoyed helping out. "All the kids were really cute," she said. "We gave them vitamins, and even though it says to take one a day for fifteen days, they kept popping them in their mouths like candy, so we tried to explain to them not to."

One of the biggest challenges the group faced was the communication barrier. Only one participant was fluent in Spanish, while the rest either knew small amounts or none at all. Since Mendoza is proficient in both English and Spanish, the students were able to learn simple phrases, especially medical terms.

"I learned that communication is the biggest, [most] important, aspect of medicine, not necessarily the treatment,"

Carron said. "I always tried to make my patients laugh. I feel that if they like you, they'll be patient and sit calmly even if they don't understand."

Senior Kunal Patel, a pre-med chemistry major, was able to learn medical phrases in Spanish because they were repeated over and over. He said that fortunately, the patients understood their difficulties with the language.

"I liked interacting with all the people," Patel said. "They were so nice. I didn't actually know what to expect before I got there. I also wanted to learn more about them, but because of the language barrier, I could only really ask superficial questions. Luckily none were really frustrated with us."

Cavallo attributes this sense of patience

to the different culture. Coming from outside New York City, she said that being in such a remote area was a big culture shock for her.

"One girl was 17 and had a miscarriage, but she was only concerned about how soon she could get pregnant again," she said. "It's just a different world there. This makes you more grateful for what you have and changes you, especially coming back here to JMU where so many of us are fortunate."

Before the trip's organizational meetings, none of the JMU students knew each other. However, they quickly formed a close-knit team. Besides working together at the clinics, they spent time together playing card games at the small hotel in the evenings. They also spent a day swimming in a lagoon. Another cultural experience

they shared was eating authentic Mexican food, though Carron said they quickly tired of the distinct corn tortillas.

"We had an awesome group," Cavallo said. "JMU students are so outgoing and are willing to make change. We're actually motivated and here for all the right reasons."

"JMU has a special dynamic," Jacobson added. "Other groups are a little more reserved, and some already had cliques."

Both Cavallo and Jacobson plan to participate in other medical service trips because of this experience.

"To help someone, it's unreal," Cavallo said. "It's a rush to help someone in a place with poverty that otherwise wouldn't get this help."

MAJOR: Students excited about new classes

MAJOR, from front
 is small and open to a limited number of students, all applicants must also talk to Hendrickson before becoming involved.

Sophomore Andrykl Villhauer started taking classes for the major this fall and is very excited so far.

"The thing that really peaked my interest is that I've always loved to think through stuff," he said.

"...[they] are some of the only classes I've taken that teach me how to think."

— ANDRYKL VILLHAUER
 sophomore

"(Informational analysis classes) are some of the only classes I've taken that teach me how to think."

Like the students, Hendrickson is excited about the major and the benefit it could have on their careers.

He said, "I have faith in the JMU students that they also will perform well and, at the end of the day, that will be the most compelling argument of all."

Mass. streaking students exposed

BY CHRISITY MCCUANG
 Tufts Daily

MEDFORD, Mass. — Students who shed their clothes to run in the annual Naked Quad Run (NQR) last month got more exposure than they had anticipated.

The Somerville Journal newspaper posted an online video of the event, which is officially recognized as the Nighttime Quad Reception, and took place on Dec. 10. Students reacted, expressing their dismay in comments on the Journal's Web site and in a group on the social networking site Facebook.com. One student wrote a letter to the editor of the Journal.

The Journal posted the video on its Web site, along with three photographs and a full-length article. The paper also put the video on YouTube.com.

Kathleen Powers, the Journal's senior editor, said that the paper decided to post the video, which includes almost exclusively backside nudity, primarily because it allowed readers to comprehend the "large scale" of NQR.

"A lot of people knew about the naked run but had no idea how large the run was," she told the Daily.

Powers said that a print article without photos and a video could not convey the scale of the event well enough.

"We and the Medford Transcript have done articles like that in the past and folks did not understand the scale of the event," she said.

But many people felt the video was inappropriate, and some ques-

tioned the newspaper's integrity. Many posted comments condemning the Journal's actions on the article's Web site, and hundreds of Tufts students joined "NQR 2007: a Tufts Tradition, NOT a Media Sensation," a Facebook group protesting the coverage.

Every year, the Tufts Community Union Senate writes an e-mail to the student body before the event asking that students not bring cameras. But the e-mail is not sent to residents of Medford or Somerville, many of whom come to watch the event every year.

These local viewers often take photographs and videos. The Journal's coverage marked the first time a professional publication had released photographs or video footage of the run.

Although doing this may be discouraged, it is not illegal, Tufts Spokesperson Alex Reid explained.

"It's on a public street and the participants knew that going in," he said.

Beyond that, it is not the university's responsibility to determine the morality of the issue, Reid said. Reid emphasized that Tufts has taken no stance regarding the Journal's actions.

Powers, the editor, said that she believes it was ethically right to post the video.

"We needed to point out that there were four incidents that our taxpayer-funded public safety officials responded to that appeared to be linked to the event," she said. "These incidents included the hospitalizations of two female students,

one male's fall from the roof of Sigma Nu's fraternity house, and the pulling of a false fire alarm, all of which involved students who were participating in NQR."

She also mentioned NQR's value simply as a local news item.

"It's news when you have dozens and dozens of people running around naked," she said. "A whole bunch of naked Tufts students are a news story."

But some believe that the Journal was simply using the video to get attention.

"This is the worst kind of sensationalism and a microcosm of what's wrong with the news industry as a whole," one reader commented on the article's Web page.

Regarding the issue of nudity from a moral standpoint, Powers said the Journal paper used the "SYPOPTIZ" rule, taken from the television show "NYPD Blue," where the only nudity allowed is shots of people's backsides.

"The video only shows butts to the best of our knowledge," she said, adding that they weren't trying to show any frontal nudity or single out individual runners. But in fact, a small amount of frontal nudity does occur in the video.




Sophomore Jennifer Bollenbacher, who wrote a letter to the editor of the Journal, did not agree with the newspaper's use of the "SYPOPTIZ" standard. "I encourage you to reexamine your journalistic integrity and the ethics that you follow at the Somerville Journal," she wrote. "Please remove the video from YouTube..."

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Out of the Dark | ANNA YOUNG, opinion editor

SLOW TRAFFIC AHEAD

Construction surrounding campus makes for a cumbersome commute

Either I was misinformed about what time the bus arrives at Stone Gate on Tuesday mornings, or the bus was just plain late—an unfavorable habit it has had since the first day of classes this semester. Either way, Route 9 was a no-show after I trekked to the bus stop. After waiting a total of three minutes (I lack patience and a substantial attention span to boot), I made my way back to my third-floor apartment to beg my roommate for a ride. After she grudgingly agreed, we made our way to Port Republic Road.

Even before reaching Devon Lane, we realized a parade of cars was accumulating, a discouraging indication of what the rest of Port Republic Road would be like. My roommate dropped me at the mouth of Ashby apartment complex so she could get to work on time, forcing me to walk the rest of the way to my class—which happens to be on the Quad. Even though I was hastily walking alongside a stagnant flow of traffic, I knew I was still going to be 15 minutes late. As I passed Zane-Showker Hall, the lovely snow started to fall, and I was quickly engulfed in a raging white sea of flurries.

My warmest garment being a thin zip-up hoodie, I was freezing and soaked from head to toe in melted snow. If only Route 9 could have been on time. If only traffic wasn't so dreadful on Port Republic Road.

If only it wasn't about to get worse as the months continue.

Developments around Port Republic Road, paired with the construction around and on JMU's campus makes navigating around Harrisonburg increasingly hectic. Port Republic Road seems to get most congested on weekday mornings, particularly starting around 9 a.m. on Tuesday and Thursdays.

According to Monday's issue of *The Breeze*, a high-rise apartment building called 865 East will spring up off Port Republic Road in the near future. Since the complex's 96 apartments will house three or four residents each there could be as many as 300 or so residents, all of whom need to get to campus. Knowing that carpooling to campus isn't a widespread practice, that could potentially be 300-odd new cars traveling on Port Republic Road at any given time during the week—and this doesn't even include the

volume of traffic the shops included in the complex will produce.

The article quotes 865 East's director of marketing, Jaime Porter, as saying the apartment building will be the first of its kind in Harrisonburg: "higher-end, nicer-style housing." I sincerely hope not. This city doesn't need duplicates of this high-rise popping up all over the place. Higher-end equals higher rent, and since Porter expects to "outdo the competition," other apartment complexes surrounding JMU will have to up the ante of rent, something that slowly but steadily climbs each year already. Porter also said there is nowhere to go but up because the city is running out of land. Why build such a mega-monstrosity in the first place, especially on the corner of two roads that are already heavily congested? I highlight the construction of this high-rise apartment building

because it's going to be an added symptom of Port Republic Road's already aggravating gridlock.

In recent months, JMU has caught flak from Harrisonburg for taking over the city by adding more traffic to the road, in addition to sprawling the school's domain. Why, then, would the city rezone the corner of Devon Lane and Port Republic Road to accommodate more college students and extend off-campus housing opportunities, for the sake of JMU's expanding enrollment?

I've heard countless complaints this semester about the woes of commuting to campus and the flaws of the bus routes that circulate around Harrisonburg. To reduce congestion, I suggest that commuters consider abandoning their cars and instead take full advantage of the buses. This would reduce traffic surrounding campus, which would in turn make the buses run more closely to their schedules. The improved efficiency of the bus routes would encourage commuters to stop clogging the roads with their cars, which saves gas—not only gas from the fuel pumps but harmful gasses that are emitted from our vehicles. This would help us all breathe a little better, knowing we don't have to inhale awful car or bus exhaust as much, and knowing we are reducing the traffic congestion around JMU.

Anna Young is a sophomore SMAD and sociology major.

If only traffic wasn't so dreadful on Port Republic Road. If only it wasn't about to get worse as the months continue.

JESSICA DODDS/staff photographer

A "when-did-you-become-the-man-behind-the-curtain?" dart to the College of Business's academic services center.

From a frustrated business student who can see that despite the college's celebrated reputation, it still cannot take care of its students.

A "Duke-Dog-is-my-hero" pat to the world's greatest mascot and the love of my life who made Saturday's basketball game the highlight of my college experience.

From your absolute biggest fan who wants to escort her down the aisle when she gets married.

A "can-I-have-some-bagel-with-my-cream-cheese?" dart to the employees at Einstein Bros. for putting a mountain of cream cheese on my bagel when I asked for only a little.

From a perturbed junior who thinks it's not that hard to grant a small request.

A "but-we-need-more-student-spots!" dart to the Board of Visitors for expanding the always-empty alumni seating, but leaving the overcrowded student section so small.

From a sophomore who would like to be able to use her free bang sticks without hitting the person next to her.

A "what-comes-around-comes-around" dart to the angry student who ran over the parking attendant at Festival and sent him flying into the bushes.

From a senior who thinks you should invest in some anger management classes and hopes jail time is worth the \$75 ticket you didn't want to pay.

A "you-say-you-want-a-revolution" pat to all the loyal Ron Paul supporters who took the time to write his name and some political messages all over campus.

From a fellow Ron Paul supporter who appreciates you trying to educate the student body and hopefully win him some support.

A "thanks-for-listening" dart to HDPT for reducing rather than increasing service to Memorial Hall this semester.

From a sophomore who has no other way to campus and was foolish enough to think you would read and respond to last semester's online survey.

A "what-time-do-you-have?" dart to the Mr. Chips management who closed the store several minutes early despite the hungry students standing outside.

From two sophomores who are regretting their decision to live on campus.

A "bring-back-the-Electric Zoo" pat to the men's basketball team, who is currently riding a 6-0 winning streak.

From a grad student who hopes you whoop George Mason's butt and hopes all JMU students come out to pack the house Saturday night.

A "thanks-for-the-drive-by" dart to the students who sprayed me with a face full of silly string from their car while I was walking on campus.

From a junior who hopes you had just as much fun cleaning the full cup of smoothie off your back window as you did terrorizing the streets of JMU.

A "thanks,-but-no-thanks" dart to the Ron Paul supporters who decided to chalk about half the campus with his campaign ideas.

From someone who appreciates the thought of political activism, but thinks Paul's single-digit primary results just aren't going to pull him through.

A "this-is-the-last-thing-the-

"Burg-needs" dart to whoever decided to build yet another apartment complex on the already overcrowded Port Republic Road.

From a junior who isn't looking forward to an hour-long commute to the one-mile-away campus.

A "why-are-you-such-a-tease?" dart to Mother Nature for the pitiful amount of snow that has fallen this winter.

From a senior who just wants one last chance to do some sledding down the ISAT hill.

A "YOU-GUYS-ROCK!" pat to all the JMU students who volunteer as Big Brothers and Big Sisters because you're making a difference in the lives of children.

From a staff member of Big Brothers, Big Sisters who is especially appreciative because January is National Mentoring Month and we are thankful for you.



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Junior computer science major Tommy Moomau, left, and senior sports management major J.R. Mondell, right, work the mixer Wednesday afternoon during their loud rock show on WXJM, "Looking a Clown in the Eyes." WXJM is the student-run radio station that can be found at 88.7 FM. Throughout the week, DJs take turns in two-hour timeslots.

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not your average fairytale

Senior Carolyn Stewart uses 'Beauty and the Beast' to explore female roles in new exhibit

BY COLLEEN CALLERY
contributing writer

At first glance, the works of art in room 2104 of The Gallery at Festival seem scarce. Bright track lights shine onto suspended panels, and glass cases house ancient relics throughout the room. However, soon after passing the first corner between the Egyptian bronze statue "Isis and Horus" and the gelatin print of "Los Tentaciones en Casa de Antonio," it becomes clear that much more lies within these pieces.

Senior Carolyn Stewart's exhibit, "Beauty and the Beast: Revealing Sexual Agency and the Female Body," is divided into three sections exploring specific views, interpretations and representations of the nude female body throughout a multitude of cultures.

"In high school I took an A.P. art class and spent my spring break in Italy," Stewart said. "It was then that I realized I wanted to work in those settings and be able to have hands-on experience with some of the most remarkable objects made by man."

Viewers are first met with pieces exploring the parallel of humanity and divinity in "Between God and Man." Divine motherhood connects the engraved copper plate of "Mary and Jesus," Marc Chagall's lithograph of "Antilopa Passengers" and the bronze ancient Egyptian statue of "Isis and Horus." These were chosen to show the glory and power females have in connecting with God, sharing human experience and expending maternal love that perpetuates society.

"In the contemporary college setting, I think we're constantly bombarded with marketing which uses the body and sex to advertise objects which are completely unrelated," Stewart said. "So I became interested in how past cultures used the female body in visual media, and to what ends."

In the title, Stewart uses the term "sexual agency" to

refer to one's personal control of their body and sexuality, and in the context of nude artwork, as how the woman is portrayed.

"More often than not the female body is used to reflect the erotic desires of the patron and artists, and is rarely about the sexuality of the woman herself," Stewart said.

The section called "The Constructed Body" does a wonderful job of contrasting themes of exposure and concealment of the subjects, both physically and emotionally, through renditions of females consciously formulated by the artist. The print from Spanish artist Manuel Alvarez "Bravo" touches on a few surreal elements, with a naked woman partially covered by a white sheet hanging from a clothesline. The contrast of black and white tones reflect the paradox found in the "irony of modesty," which can be found paralleled in classic paintings such as "The Birth of Venus."

The most intriguing section, entitled "Wild Thing," explores cultures that view women's sexuality as dangerous if not regulated. A Japanese woodblock print from the turn of the century called "Yamamba" shows a woman unkempt, and portrayed in untraditional Japanese culture. This woman defies social norms and is shown having several animalistic characteristics that are both threatening and pitiful. An ancient Greek terracotta vase "Nuptial Oinochoe" and an engraved print from a Vatican fresco entitled the "Presentation of Eve" also warn of the evils of women's sexuality and promote the purity and chastity values held in high regard in those cultures.

This is the first time The Gallery at Festival has had a student curate an exhibit since its opening in March 2007. It clearly shows that Stewart's passion exceeds academic success and has translated to a very worthwhile exhibition.

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— CAROLYN STEWART
exhibit curator

JMU to get a 'sweet' taste tomorrow night

'Sweet Honey in the Rock' brings soul music to Wilson Hall Friday

BY ERIN FEARING
contributing writer

Forget all of the Top 40 songs playing on repeat on your iPod and listen to something new this weekend.

The Grammy Award-winning black female capella group "Sweet Honey in the Rock" will perform at JMU tomorrow night.

The internationally renowned septet, founded by Bernice Johnson Reagon in 1973, creates music that speaks out against oppression and exploitation and makes a powerful call for justice.

The inspirational lyrics and rhythms of "Sweet Honey in the Rock" are deeply rooted in black tradition and culture. Influenced by an array of genres, this group offers a wide variety for any music lover.

From reggae to jazz, the audience will hear it all. The show begins at 7:30 in Wilson Hall Auditorium.

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Video games in for a good year

After a banner year in 2007, industry has high hopes for 2008

BY RHIAN HIBNER
Dolly Lobo

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — The video game industry had quite a year in 2007.

The Wii continued to shatter sales records — and a lot of expectations. PlayStation 3 continued to sell poorly — surprising no one. "Halo 3" was released, and it was the biggest opening weekend of all time. "World of Warcraft" got an expansion and increased its subscriber base into the nine-million range. "Portal" came out of left field and created a whole new way of playing a first-person shooter.

The average gamer would say that 2007 was the year the gaming finally broke into the mainstream. The success of "Halo 3" lends a bit of credence to that theory. So far, it is still the top-grossing video game of all time. In its opening weekend, it brought in \$170 million — making it the best opening weekend in entertainment history.

That's real money, even by Hollywood standards. If this trend continues, the pendulum may shift entirely, and the video game industry will outperform Hollywood.

However, change is in the air, which is good and bad news for the game-playing public. With the budgets increasing, the quality of games will increase in general. The length of a game will suffer. The day of 40-hour epic games has nearly run its course.

Likewise, smaller studios will suffer. Either they will be forced to allow themselves to be bought up, or they can go into the self-imposed exile of flash-based puzzle games. Worst case scenario: They simply disappear, all of their developers spread out amongst the big three game developers.

On the subject of game developers, what once was a field full of smaller development houses has been pared down to three with merger of Activision Inc. and Vivendi Games. The new Activision Blizzard — so named after Blizzard Entertainment, easily the most recognizable of Vivendi's many development houses — has joined Electronic Arts and Ubisoft in a new triumvirate of game publishing.

The field shrunk even further with EA's acquisition of Canadian developer BioWare. While the console manufacturers still have a big stake in the software-development side of things, this shrinking of the field of competition could have a big effect on how even Microsoft and Sony do business. Nintendo is a bit more insulated from this, as much of their success is based on in-house game development.

Despite this, 2008 could be as big a year for gaming as 2007. The first real competition for "World of Warcraft" should come out this year, when EA's "Warhammer Online" finally hits the street. Blizzard plans to counter by releasing their second expansion, "Wrath of the Lich King."

"Soul Calibur 4" is coming out this year, with cameo appearances by Darth Vader and Yoda, and to mention online play. LucasArts will be releasing "Star Wars: The Force Unleashed," where gamers will get to fill the shoes of Darth Vader's apprentice.

Finally, the holy grail of role-playing games should hit the shelves sometime this year, when the long-anticipated "Fallout 3" is released.

It should be a good year.

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Madison aims to maintain perfect record at the Convo

BY TIM CHAPMAN
sports editor

Only two starters remain from George Mason's men's basketball 2006 Final Four run, but the Patriots are still one of the most revered teams in the Colonial Athletic Association.

Tenth-year coach Jim Larranaga has kept Mason on the cusp of national prominence with a competitive roster and an even more competitive schedule.

After missing the NCAA tournament in 2007 by one game — a 65-59 loss to Virginia Commonwealth in the conference championship left the Patriots just short of an automatic bid — Mason (11-5 overall, 3-2 in the CAA) scheduled a tough non-conference stretch.

Next on Mason's menu is a Saturday evening stop in Harrisonburg against a much-improved JMU team.

"[Mason has] the most quality wins any team in the league," JMU coach Dean Keener said. "Early season they beat Dayton, and if I'm not mistaken that's Dayton's only loss of the season. They've beat Kansas State. They've beat South Carolina."

The Flyers have improved to 14-1, leaving Mason as the only team to beat them on way to their current RPI ranking of 5. The Patriots' other staple victory was an 87-77 win over freshman standout Michael Beasley and Kansas State at the Old Spice Classic.

Five players scored in double figures for the Patriots against the then-No. 18 ranked Wildcats including seniors Will Thomas and Folarin Campbell, familiar faces from the 2005-06 season.

Thomas, a 6-foot, 7-inch power forward, leads the CAA preseason favorite Patriots with 15.7 points a game.

"He's great to coach," Larranaga said.

"He's as smart a basketball player I've ever been around. He understands how to play his position, but if you ask him what the other guys have to do, he knows exactly what everybody else on the floor is supposed to be doing."

JMU junior forward Juwann James will have the task of matching up against Thomas who averaged over 12 points per game last year in three games against Madison.

James averaged over 13 points in those games and is thriving this year with new additions to the roster.

Forward Terrence Carter began taking double-teams off of James last year, but first-year Dukes Abdulai Jalloh and Dazz Thornton have begun attracting attention as well.

Thornton, a 6-foot-7, 270-pound forward, played a career-high 27 minutes in Saturday's 93-74 win over North-Carolina Wilmington. His size and skill forces opponents to follow him around the paint, thus opening up more opportunities for James.

Jalloh, a 6-foot-2 guard, is the Dukes' leading scorer at 15.5 points per game and has the ability to penetrate any defense and find the cutting big men down low.

Mason can expect to see different looks defensively from the Dukes, as JMU thrived in zone and man-to-man defense against Wilmington. In recent years it has been a "pick-your-poison" scenario for Keener on whether to man up and be undersized in the post or to play zone and risk being a victim of Mason's consistent 3-point shooting.

The Dukes have defended the perimeter better this year, holding opponents to 32 percent from beyond-the-arc.

Offensively, JMU will be without one of its top shooting threats in junior forward Kyle Swanston. Swanston suffered an avulsion fracture last Wednesday at William & Mary and his return is still unknown.

"It's certainly worrisome," Keener said. "A team that shoots a lot of threes and makes a pretty good percentage, but also had a player like Thomas inside...when a team has shooter like that you feel you can pull out but you can't."

The in-state conference matchup tips off at 8 p.m. and will be aired on Comcast Sportsnet.

Dukes search for swagger on the road against Patriots

BY MATTHEW MCGOVERN
assistant sports editor

The JMU women's basketball team is anxious to rebound from its 82-57 pounding at Old Dominion, a loss fueled by a 26-0 second half run by the Monarchs.

On the ride home from Norfolk, JMU coach Kenny Brooks received text messages from members of his team apologizing for their most disappointing performance of the season. But he's convinced that his squad is ready to rebound at George Mason today.

"They've all been texting me, they've been apologizing to me," Brooks said Monday at his weekly press conference. "But they don't need to apologize to me, because they're the ones that had to suffer through it. I think they'll be able to bounce back."

Senior forward Tamera Young led the Dukes with 17 points on 8-of-19 shooting at ODU, and leads the conference in scoring with an average of 20.4 points per game. Senior guard Jasmin Lawrence scored 11 points and was the only other player in double figures for JMU.

George Mason is the second of three opponents Madison faces on the road in January, and JMU is still searching for its first road victory against a team with at least a .500 record.

"We haven't won some of the bigger games away from the Convocation Center that we need to win," Brooks said. "We talk about the swagger, we have to have the swagger."

JMU (9-5 overall, 2-1 in the Colonial Athletic Association) beat George Mason twice last year by a combined 58 points, but both teams have changed significantly. GMU (7-7, 1-2) is only one win shy of its total from last season, and has a 6-2 record

at home. Brooks said he's glad JMU has a chance to bounce back on the road.

"Our goals are much higher than just to be a good team at home," Brooks said. "We want to be able to be one of the upper-echelon teams."

Madison may not be the only team trying to regain confidence today. While the Patriots started the season 5-0 at home, they have gone 1-2 in their last three home games.

GMU has also dropped two straight games by at least 15 points. The Patriots lost 69-54 on Tuesday at Liberty, a team that beat JMU 79-66 earlier this season in Lynchburg.

"We're coming off a loss to Liberty that I felt we played very well at their place," GMU coach Debbie Taneyhill said in a phone interview. "I know our kids are glad to be back home and get into being able to concentrate on our CAA schedule."

GMU senior guard Lateisha Wade leads the Patriots in scoring, averaging 14.6 points per game. Wade is the only GMU player averaging double figures, but the Patriots have managed to improve on last year's season with a focus on defense.

"We've really made that an emphasis for our team this year," Taneyhill said. "On nights when your offense may not be going well, if you have that solid defense you can still manage to win some games, and that's what we're trying to instill with our team."

GMU will need stingy defense to contain the CAA's top scoring offense. Madison leads the conference with an average of 74.7 points per game.

But Brooks' players are bent on showing their coach that they are capable of winning anywhere, and Brooks himself advanced his preparation process this week to make sure problems are addressed.

Usually, he uses Mondays to wind down and focus on personal things. This past Monday morning he was already watching film of GMU. His motivation?

"I want to get back out there to erase the [ODU] memory," Brooks said.

If Brooks has his way, there will be no text-message apologies on the way back from Fairfax.

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GMU at JMU
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Women's Basketball

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Athletic director, coach shed light on Bridgeforth expansion

BY TIM CHAPMAN
sports editor

Whenever expansion is proposed and budgets are calculated, whether on a national, state or local level, speculation over the "real" motive follows.

In the latest case at JMU, the discussion surrounds Friday's announcement of a \$52 million plan to renovate Bridgeforth Stadium by the start of the 2011 season.

The plan is still that — just a plan. It includes a \$40 million budget amendment that has to be approved by the Virginia General Assembly.

Assuming the plan is approved, Bridgeforth's 15,778 seats will balloon to 24,878 with the addition of an upper-tier to a lower-tier on the west side of the stadium.

Athletic Director Jeff Bourne and Vice President Charlie King also presented JMU's Board of Visitors with the option of a long-term plan that could expand the stadium to 40,000 seats.

The question that arises is if a

move to Football Bowl Subdivision (formerly Division I-A) for JMU football was an underlying factor.

The answer is a resounding "No" according to Bourne, King and others close to the situation.

"Really, our initiative was to look at the programs at the pinnacle of I-AA," Bourne said. "We want to build a stadium that puts you at the very top of the institutions you compete with."

King echoed Bourne, saying that a move to the I-A level was not a driving force in the decision.

"We've sold out three years in a row," King said. "We need to renovate."

The man who may benefit the most from the proposed plan is JMU coach Mickey Matthews. The ninth-year coach has guided JMU from a mediocre program in the late 1990s to a I-AA perennial contender that boasts a 2004 National Championship.

"When I took the job, I thought

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If the plan to renovate Bridgeforth Stadium is passed by the Virginia General Assembly, its capacity will increase to 24,878 with the addition of an upper-tier seating section.

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BRIDGEFORTH: Move to I-A is not behind plans

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that if we could be successful, we could excite people," Matthews said. "I thought it was a sleeping giant, so no, [the progress] doesn't surprise me."

Matthews is excited to have what he deems will be the "top" stadium in all of I-AA football.

Among the top I-AA stadiums in the country is Montana's Washington-Grizzly Stadium that holds 23,183 fans. On the east coast, CAA rival Delaware's Raymond Tubby Stadium seats 22,000 and current three-time defending National champion Appalachian State has 22,820 seats.

App. State is currently renovating its stadium and Matthews emphasized the importance of keeping up with the competition.

"To attract the top students, an institution needs to make its academic buildings top-notch," he said. "And to attract the top student athlete you need to have the top facilities."

For now, it appears JMU would like to continue being one of the big fish in a smaller pond, no one is ruling out the possibility of the Dukes one day playing with the big boys.

"It's not out of the realm of thinking when it comes to expansion of the stadium," Bourne said. "I just don't see it in the immediate [future]."

Bourne also said the facility will allow JMU to make stronger bids for playoff games and maybe even bid to host the national championship.

First-year GM set the table for Giants' success

BY ARTHUR STAPLE
Newsday

A year ago Wednesday, Jerry Reese was introduced as the Giants' general manager. Within a few hours, he was off to Houston to watch college seniors practice for the East-West Shrine game. Reese was back in Houston for those East-West practices yesterday, but his focus may not have been entirely on the workouts.

"Yeah, you could say there's a lot going on," he said. "But I'm a scout. It's nice to get away and get back to doing my job, watching and evaluating players."

Reese's doing that job, along with his scouting department and pro personnel department, his predecessor, Ernie Accorsi, and Tom Coughlin and his coaching staff, has helped bring the Giants to the brink of a Super Bowl berth. Hardly anyone believed a first-year GM and a coach with the axe poised to fall could produce a winning team, but here they are.

And here's how they got here:

Free agency and cutting veterans. Reese, with a \$108-million salary cap that was a sizable increase from the 2006 season, had plenty of cap room to work with. He added more by cutting linebackers Carlos Emmons and LaVar Arrington and a former first-round pick, tackle Luke Petitgout.

All three were injury-prone, but Petitgout had been playing well at the critical left tackle spot. Reese and Coughlin butted heads over that move, but David Diehl played all season at left tackle and performed as well as Petitgout ever did (better, perhaps, because the durable Diehl didn't miss a game).

"That was huge for them," said Reese's predecessor, Ernie Accorsi. "Diehl really gave them a boost with the way he played."

Reese made a couple of big offers, one to former Cardinals offensive lineman Leonard Davis, but the only veteran free agent the Giants signed was linebacker Kawika Mitchell, who was ignored by pretty much the whole league and signed a one-year, \$1-million deal. He had the pivotal interception return for a touchdown in the Giants' playoff-clinching win at Buffalo.

"You can fall on your face trying to make a splash," Reese said before training camp. "We didn't find a lot of guys who were a good fit for us."

Standing up to Michael Strahan. During the March free-agency period, Strahan visited Reese and tried to "extract more than the \$4 million Strahan was owed for this season. He also suggested that Reese be a big player in free agency, because No. 92 wanted to go out with a winner.

Reese didn't budge, and even gave Tony Agnone, Strahan's agent, permission to seek a trade. Only the Redskins, made an offer: a sixth-round pick.

Strahan ended up holding out for all of training camp, potentially creating an issue with Coughlin, but when Strahan returned, he shook off his rust to have another stellar season, with nine sacks. He's been a monster in the two playoff games and he's been a model citizen, helping the younger players buy into Coughlin's system.

"We always wanted Michael here, and he knew that," Reese said. "We knew he'd be an important part of this team like he always was."

The draft. Reese was in charge of the previous four drafts, but Accorsi had final say. With the 2007 draft, Reese made his mark, not just with the first two picks, cornerback Aaron Ross and wide receiver Steve Smith, but all the way down to the last two, seventh-rounders Michael Johnson and Ahmad Bradshaw.

Waiver pickups / undrafted rookies. Reese said you have to be lucky as well as talented, and finding fullback Madison Hedgecock qualifies as both. The third-year veteran was cut by the Rams after the opening game and the Giants pounced, finding the perfect lead blocker for their running backs. Hedgecock signed a five-year extension midway through the season.

"I said it before the season started," he said. "We had enough talent to get to playoffs, but until we started playing as a team, we'd be out in the first round every year. These guys play hard for each other, whether it's a rookie or a no-name guy or a 15-year veteran. That's a credit to Tom and the coaching staff."

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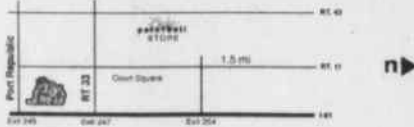
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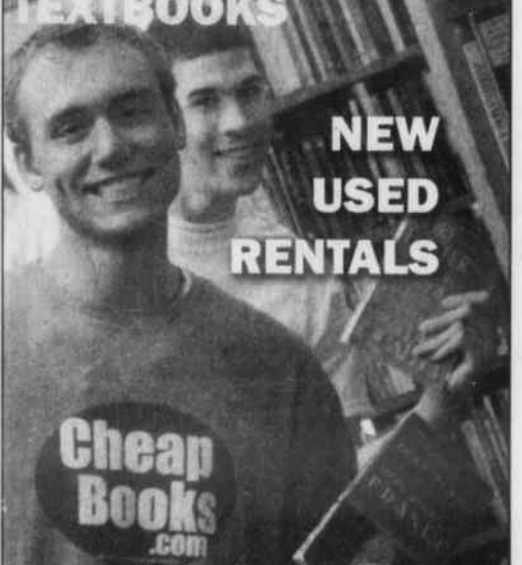
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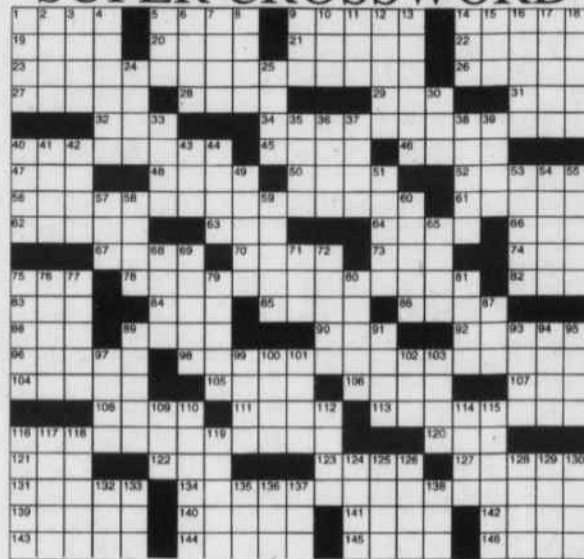
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