The three-day trial for the former Harrisonburg Police Department officer Bethany Jones, recently found out how hard it was to move around Huff man, where he lives when he fell into a gopher hole and sprained his ankle. Now, with a leg brace and crutch, it takes him twice as long to move around the Village Instead, he still has to worry about his other ankle, which often makes it hard to move around the Village even without any structural obstacles.

On Nov. 3, Jones will face a suppression hearing where her defense attorney will be trying to convince the judge that there is not enough evidence to try her case in court. Jones was arrested in May and has been charged with misdemeanor reckless driving and misdemeanor obstruction of police. She is also now being charged with misdemeanor reckless driving and misdemeanor obstruction of police.

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By SCOTT EINSMANN

The Breeze

**Carter May Bring Full House at High Costs**

As of now, more than 3,000 people will attend the Mahatma Gandhi Gala at Monument Mall Monday. However, one staff member of the Secret Service will know the preparation it took to put on this event.

Bringing high-profile individuals such as the House Speaker and local to Harrisonburg will require months of planning as well as the cooperation of multiple departments and agencies.

From Feb. 21, a committee of rep- resentatives from Harrisonburg and neighboring communities began meeting to discuss the logistics of the event. The Mahatma Gandhi Gala honor the Carters with the Mahatma Gandhi Global Vision Award.

"With the controversy that you have to have a representative from all areas that impact the event," said Glenn Rooney, chair of the event committee. "Making sure everyone is on board with the events and the committee addressed.

Our budget fluctuated between $150,000 to $200,000 in total costs, said Keith May, chair of the event board. "It is required for this year’s event is for organizational purposes, and so that people moving from far away can be guaranteed a seat.

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**Execution Date Set For D.C. Area Sniper**

**WASHINGTON** — A Maryland state judge has set Oct. 22 as the execution date for sniper suspect John Allen Muhammad, who has rejected all efforts to review his case and sentenced to death for killing 10 people in the Washington area.

Joseph W. Kaplan, the judge who held a three-day capital trial last month, ruled Tuesday that Muhammad will be executed in the same方式 and for the same crimes he has already been convicted of.

Kaplan also rejected Muhammad's last-minute effort to request a separate trial for a sniper killing in Manassas, Va. The judge ruled that the real estate of the two crimes are not sufficiently different and has not been prejudiced by the prosecution's two trials.

**Gaza War Crime Inquiries Rejected**

**JERUSALEM** — Israel on Wednesday rejected a U.N. panel's call for an independent investigation into its war crimes in Gaza, saying any such inquiry could prejudice its case against Palestinian militants.

The U.N. Security Council, which voted unanimously to set up the inquiry, hopes to probe the brief but devastating conflict that left 1,417 Palestinians and 13 Israeli soldiers dead.

Israel's assertion that no international body can investigate its conduct in Gaza was also rejected by the United Nations, which condemned Israeli military responses to Palestinian rocket fire into southern Israel as a "systematic and widespread" war crime.

"There is no international body that can investigate the events in Gaza without being influenced by the political context," the U.N. rights chief said Wednesday. "Israel has the right to protect its citizens, but it is absolutely essential that any investigations into the events be conducted by independent bodies."
Tales From the Trail
Classes Present Summer Semester-Long Projects to Audience at Clementine Café

By Aaron Neepee

In May, professor Kate Korchnoi challenged students to plan a summer seminar that would become experienced hikers out in the Appal-
achians with a unique perspective on the very foreign environment of the AT that is so essential to develop-

In some of the experiences, some students had the opportunity to travel to their own region to plan projects that they proposed to Harrisonburg’s chapter of the Sierra Club at the start of Clementine Café.

The hike itself consisted of these short hikes and overnight trips, which took them from Fishcamp Gap to just north of the Big Meadows entrance of Shenandoah National Park on the Appalachian Trail.

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“After the whole thing, said Korchnoi, who teaches in the school of Writing, Rhetoric and Dis-

For Justen computer science major Steven Lachlan, he took the video “Justen Projects” of which he spoke in the formal presentation at Clementine Café.

The first presentation at Clementine was on Tuesday night at Clementine Café.

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“These was a major moment in blur the lines between reporting and journalistic ethics in a monumental way,” he said. “At that time it was pouring. I was so impressed with

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Locked-Up Letters

Students Urge Others to Hike Appalachian Trail Themselves

By Lauren Grayson contributing writer

At the end of a long, hard week, some students just want that letter from home to relieve their homesickness. However, the simple task of picking up a letter has become an all-out battle against the mailboxes in Warren Hall.

“It’s frustrating because I’ve had problems with my mailbox since one day;” said Steve Williams, a freshmen social work and criminal justice major. Tina Custer, customer operations manager for JMU Mail Services, explained that much of the problem stems from new students.

“They are encountering new things everywhere they go,” said Sami Noble, an international affairs major.

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“Prictoe believes that the cause of the problems is the large amount of new students,” Noble said. “For these locks you have to turn the lock in different directions and sometimes it gets confusing,” said tense.

“One box fixed twice and all [the post office] workers are confused,” said Prictoe said.

“The majority of new students have not utilized a post office or encountered mailboxes with combination locks,” Custer explained.

“According to Custer, out of the 5,724 locks that are maintained, only two this year.

“Confusing, “Smith said.”

Mail Services wants to teach students how to properly open the mailboxes during the beginning of next year.

Morris said. “While the Executive Council cares for us, and they are an important part of the organization, they are guests at our meetings.

The second rule limited Finance Committee members to two absences from committee meetings and or senate meeting the entire year. “There are no consequences to missing a meeting,” said committee chair. “If a member who attended a meeting,” said committee chair.

So while it deals with contingency funds, Martino said students with academic conflicts from SGA meetings. “We do students with academic conflicts from SGA meetings. “While one committee where we act on what we hear and then pass it on,” said Martino said.

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**Greek Strike Targeted Al-Qaeda Suspect**

**The Washington Post**

WASHINGTON — The U.S. military strike in Somalia that killed a top al-Qaeda leader and a численность of his lieutenants was a major blow to al-Shabab, an insurgent group that has been targeting American interests in the Horn of Africa for years.

The operation was conducted in an area that was previously controlled by al-Shabab, according to officials.

The strike targeted two high-profile targets: Abdullah al-Somali, the leader of the al-Shabab movement, and his deputy, a senior operative named Abu Musab al-Somali. Both were killed in the attack.

The strike was carried out by a team of American commandos, who landed in Somalia on Tuesday night and launched a joint raid with Somali forces.

Al-Somali had been on the FBI’s Most Wanted List since 2004 for his role in planning and carrying out terrorist attacks against American interests in the region.

The strike follows similar operations in recent months, including a deadly attack on a U.S. military base in Niger in October that killed four American soldiers.

The operation also comes amid growing concerns about the spread of the Islamic State in Africa, which has been expanding its influence in the region.

The strike is likely to have significant implications for the future of the conflict in Somalia and for the broader fight against terrorism in the region.

The US military says it will continue to target al-Shabab and other terrorist groups in Somalia and other parts of Africa.

**You absolutely horrible and that is what usually drives people to the emergency room.**

**TERRI HUFFMAN**

Director of Primary Care Services

**Rockingham Memorial Hospital**

**Rochester Memorial Hospital Opening Clinic for H1N1 Patients**

By ANY PASSARETTI

The Boston Globe

WASHINGTON — The growing concern over the H1N1 virus, also called swine flu, has prompted Rockingham Memorial Hospital to open a clinic aimed at treating patients over the age of 20. The clinic is designed to limit the spread of the virus and provide treatment for patients who are at risk.

The clinic will be open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and will be located in the Emergency Department on the first floor of the hospital.

**If we should reach critical numbers of patients going to the emergency room, the hospital’s ability to treat them will be limited.**

Huffman said.

**Sediment-Gates of the French**

WASHINGTON — The French military has been on the ground in Somalia for several months, and it has been working to strengthen the transitional government.

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It’s funny to say this in this feel-good, politically correct age. People usually think of拾 up proverbs more often when they are hurt, but I firmly believe we, as a society, don’t apologize enough. Whether it is a public figure or someone you know personally, it is never too late to apologize. From a sympathetic onlooker to the guy who bought it from me at the used book fair on campus smoking a pipe.

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Your friend who also bought two new books online because she had received a free book with her credit card.

The dude that found it at the bookstore and walked out with it.

A sympathetic onlooker at the event.

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For senior Ashton Brown, hanging a large Bob McDonnell banner from her Sunchase apartment balcony seemed like a fun way to participate in the political process. For Sunchase, however, Brown was violating the "unsightly furniture," clause in the apartment complex’s policies manual. Sunchase often enforces this leased area policy more forcefully than the more permissive "certain types of decorations, etc." clause.

Shortly after hearing this, I personally drove around the Sunchase complex hoping to find someone to talk to. In one of the few apartments with a balcony displaying too- colorful banners, clothes or beer pong tables. Instead, I found a woman who had not received an eviction notice. She had not received an eviction notice or similar concern about her color scheme. Instead, Sunchase deemed the banner "unsightly" by a property manager, claiming it was "large and conspicuous." As Brown, Sunchase inconsistently enforces its policies, especially concerning the beer pong tables. Instead of trying to tweak it.

Before this, I had the opportunity to speak with the property manager, who informed Brown that if she didn’t have the banner off by 5 p.m., her parents would be asked to evict the roommates. The note never mentioned that, nor the possibility of Brown being evicted from her apartment.

Brown immediately removed the banner from her balcony. She asked the property manager why there was such an issue with it, and she was told that it had been advertised as "unsightly." But it had been advertised for nearly three years. In response, the property manager told Brown she was lucky that Brown had not received an eviction notice earlier. When I moved out of Sunchase this summer, I knew I would miss living there. I hired more people to manage it. As someone who didn’t think it was a buzzword, I encourage the management to sit down and explicitly interpret the current clause and surprise any others to its constituents. So if the banner isn’t so offensive, what is the point of evicting the use of the banner?

2. Write what you mean.

The banner is not just some political tool that should be nixed. A system that can influence the country’s terror level and former President George W. Bush’s approval ratings in 2006. No direct correlation between increases in the terror level and former President George W. Bush’s approval ratings in 2006. No known public criteria for its threat levels. Terrorism is the least popular topic of that of political manipulation. The system does nothing to protect Americans and only hinders public understanding of the complex issues that make up homeland security.

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Vigil Addresses Hate Crimes Through Actions of Awareness

By BRIONY HYAM and PETER SCHECHTEN contributing authors

There it is again.
The short, commanding statement was seen Friday night, both in pictures of the Crime Vigil, “Giving A Voice To Those Mutilated by Hate,” hosted by Madison Equality on Tuesday night.
A small group of around 45 people went to Grafton-Steel Dorm to view “Journey to a Hate-Free Milwaukee,” and to hear quotes and stories from students affected by hate. The film presented the story of the families of students killed in the Columbine massacre and the murder of Wyoming teenager Matthew Shepard.
Technical difficulties throughout the film did not distract from the night’s key event where students, including the club’s publicity director sophomore Rody Buffington, shared stories and thoughts about hate and its effects.
Buffington’s poems, “The Transformation of Hate” served as the theme for the vigil.
“For this event I was going for an individua-
lar basis… to give [people] a sort of medium to speak up and protest against hate,” Cowd said.
Candles lit a path from Grafton-Steel to Gib-
son Hall for the concluding vigil.
The vigil brought conversation from the 30 ministers who attended. Those left discovered new and local expressions of hate such as the violent April 2009 assault of a UVA student and his guest by Hate, “ and to hear poems and stories from people our age can read about in our language.”
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“Hate Campus”
Senior Cassie Pote \ senior

“Her Campus is a place where people our age can read about our world, written in our language.”
— CASSIE POTLER

I felt honored and excited to be considered as one of the writers for our first issue from schools such as Cornell, Yale, and Fordham University. Many people would be quivering at the idea of their work not being posted on the Internet for all to view.
“Her Campus” is a platform where women our age can read about our world, written in our language. 
— CASSIE POTLER

Senior Cassie Pote writes for both humanitarian causes and a fashion column for “HerCampus.”

Student Makes Mark With HerCampus.com

By VINCENT CASTELLANO contributing author

She may not be a household name, but Cassie Potler has already carved out a name for herself at James Madison University. A senior at JMU, she has been allotted a space in a new online magazine called HerCampus.com.
Potler is no stranger to the world of written communication. She is a journalism and Spanish major who has studied abroad in Ireland and interned with major bridal publications such as Bridal Guide magazine, in New York City, and Wedding Connection, Baltimore. She’s working on a concentration in print journalism, as well as a minor in women’s studies.
During her free time she enjoys writing about love and personal pronouns. Potler is currently working on the Internet in search of her true self. That is precisely where she came across HerCampus.com. “I am always looking for a way to build my portfolio and gain experience in my field,” Potler said.
In order to get a position with HerCampus, Potler had to submit a résumé and three samples of her work. The second round involved sending through pitch ideas for potential articles. After a series of interviews, she was completely

What have you overheard this week? Submit to Overheard @ JMU: breezemujo

MICHAEL LARRICK

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How Could You Be So Heartless?

All right, Kanyes Werner, we got you. We don’t want to talk about any of your buzz in three of your four albums in reference to the “School’s Out” lip sync. We know you have the way too much fun with, shall I say, the Gap. What can I say, you are Kanyes Werner.
Let’s keep that up, we won’t play by J-Dilla for you. You are not the only one who should be upset. Real hip hop n***** had one of the last fouls of their teams at the annual game.
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Starting today, group of Virginia's Military Institute cadet and James Madison University ROTC cadets will catch the football ball from Lexington to Harrisonburg in time for kick-off at Bridgeforth Stadium.

The Nittany Lions have already scored the Dukes have faced yet in Penn State.

Jonathan Smithgall has anchored a group that has given up a mere two

The freshman out of Modbury, England has also taken steps to curb sagging.

The group is made up mostly of juniors and seniors who are required to have a

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What is your favorite sports team?

Your dad actually made me golf in

The Pittsburgh Steelers

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Freshman forward Paul Wyatt was sidelined in the second half of the Richmond game Sept. 6 due to a head injury. From page 11

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coming off bye weeks before playing JMU, expect both teams to be ready to avenge losses from last year.

As for the VMI game, the crowd will usually be loud and streamers will be thrown around like confetti after every touchdown. But anyone who thinks that VMI has a chance, no matter where the game is played, is fooling themselves. In essence, it’s a second home game: Which is not a knock on the football team. They’ve earned the right to beat up on teams like this. But the outcome would be similar on the road.

Now we come to the only game where the Dukes will most likely have a distinct home-field advantage, the Nov. 7 game against Maine. The Black Bears will not be coming off a bye week, it’s a Colonial Athletic Association game and Maine will most likely be national-ranked and traveling more than 10 hours to Harrisonburg; the crowd should be out in full force, right? Not if the team has four or more losses, knocking it out of the playoff hunt.

And the last game is against Towson, who hasn’t beaten JMU since roughly before Jimmy Johnson was president. If Madison manages to fight through all of these deterrents and make the playoffs, it won’t even have a home playoff game to look forward to. The schedule on the stadium renovation is so tight that construction will begin the day after the Towson game. Don’t fret though, the national championship was won without the aid of a home game.

After watching JMU come this close to knocking off a decent ACC squad in Maryland, I fully expect them to be in the playoff hunt late into November. But don’t expect Mickey Matthews to be clicking red bedazzled heels together and wishing, “there’s no place like home, there’s no place like home, “ because this season, there isn’t one.

Dan Dobell is a sophomore media arts & design major and sports editor at The Breeze.

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Richmond game, required more than a dozen stitches. His British upbringing has well prepared him for tough match-ups like the team he will face this Sunday. “The main difference over in England is that it is more physical, and I think that has helped me,” Wyatt said. “We practiced against Duke we can get the three points a challenge to that’s aren’t any reason we can’t win this game and go away and prove ourselves a little more.”

With chemistry and confidence peaking for the Dukes, it clear that they are looking forward to this match-up against a national power.

“Not the way they play, probably not the 1-2 team, they're the very big, very good technically, very deep,” Martin said. “We know we're going to have a tough game to us.”

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Ronald Bryant joined the JMU field hockey team from Bulawayo, Zimbabwe. The 13th-ranked Dukes will play Michigan State and American this weekend on Saturday and Sunday, respectively. The team is 3-2 for the season since its opener Aug. 29.

Freshman forward Paul Wyatt was sidelined in the second half of the Richmond game Sept. 6 due to a head injury. From page 11

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The main difference over in England is that it is more physical, and I think that has helped really,” Wyatt said. “We practiced against Duke we can get the three points a challenge to that’s aren’t any reason we can’t win this game and go away and prove ourselves a little more.”

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Your guide to local living
The 2009 Off-Campus Life special section is a guide to help readers familiarize themselves with off-campus living around Harrisonburg, including locations, leases, amenities and living with roommates.

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A visual breakdown of Harrisonburg with off-campus complexes highlighted. Includes those featured in this guide and others.

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Katie King contributed to this compilation.
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WHAT MAKES A GOOD ROOMMATE?

No one gets through college without sharing a living space for at least one year. We hit campus to find out what students are looking for, and hoping to avoid, in a roommate.

“You don’t want to have a messy roommate, someone who’s really clingy, or someone who never leaves the apartment.”

PATRICK WILLIAMS, a sophomore in North 38

“Me and my roommates decided to live together because we’ve all been friends since freshman year.”

DANA PELOSI, a junior in the Commons

“A good roommate makes it comfortable to lay down certain rules so it’s not awkward to talk about things. They should also have the same partying habits as you.”

NATALIE MANCINI, a sophomore in Stone Gate

“I wouldn’t want my roommates to smell bad, not pick up after themselves, eat other people’s food or be really loud.”

PATRICK KUNZ, a senior in Stone Gate

“Someone who has the same personality, habits and pet peeves as you.”

TRACY CARTER, a sophomore planning to live off-campus

“It’s good to have similar interests and to be able to relate to that person, in terms of whatever you’re going through and with your own schedule.”

JESS MILLER, a grad student living with six other girls

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New Lease Terms Available at Ashby Crossing
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By NATALIE STRICKLAND
contributing writer

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How to Lose a Roommate in 8 Days

By ALEX BURNS contributing writer

Living with a roommate is an essential college skill. Let’s face it; it’s also a pretty essential skill for the years after college when we’re too poor to afford a home all on our lonesome. You want to be best friends with your roommate. You want to be best friends forever and invite them to your wedding. But weddings are crowded, and if you’re short on space you don’t want a subpar roommate taking up a chair. So, how do you get rid of less-than-perfect living companions? (In a handy and easy-to-use list)

Sex-ile
Kick your roommate out while you get your lovin’ on. It doesn’t matter if you kick he or she out by a phone call, cheeky text message, tie on the door, or a tie drawn on the door in dry erase. It’s no fun to be sexiled. And even worse is the aftermath of the whole ordeal. Who knows what you were up to during that time. Bobby pins sprinkled liberally on your roommate’s bed? Is all of the strawberry jam mysteriously missing from the fridge? It’s an emotionally draining ordeal to keep thoughts of weird bobby pin-strawberry jam fornication from crossing the mind.

“Borrow” Belongings
It starts out innocently enough, by borrowing simple things from your roommate, like pens or notebook paper. And then one day they walk in and you’re parading around in their underwear, with their bed sheets tied around your neck like a cape. And then it happens again. Every day.

Improper Hygiene
I heard a story once of a guy whose roommate spent 17 hours in front of his computer, playing World of Warcraft. No shower, not even one. Invest heavily in activities that allow you to stay in the room for long periods of time. Remember, spraying on Axe is just as good as a real shower.

Invite Friends
Ask your roommate if you can bring a friend over. When he or she agrees, open the door to reveal the friend, the friend’s friend, and the friend’s friend’s death rock cover band. It helps if all the guests appear to be over the age of 35.

Hide Pets
Many apartments have strict no pet clauses. This shouldn’t stop you from being rebellious and having pets anyway. Just hide the little guy in a spare closet or the cupboard under the stairs.

The Creep
Instill your belongings with a demonic life of their own, and send them in creeping slowly across the floor, threatening to consume the entire room like a mutant college version of the Blob. Keep a broom handy to beat back the advance if they get rebellious.

Bodily Fluids
Again, self-explanatory. Had an excessively wild night of drinking? Throw up on your roommate’s bed. Really have to use the bathroom? The other roommate’s side of the room is basically one big impromptu john.

Really Bad Music
If your idea of an excellent musical experience is rocking out to LeAnn Rimes, just crank that music up. And if it’s not, well, it’s never too late to learn.

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