Business Building Delayed Until 1989

University Hopes To Reduce Complex's Cost

By Pey Pey Oh

In an effort to save money, JMU's new business building will not break ground until next spring, according to the assistant director of facilities planning.

The date for starting construction on the College of Business building was postponed because of "timing of the competition in the marketplace," said Steve Knickrehm. "A lot of construction is being bid this fall and a big concern is that if everything got bid within a month, the bids will come in high. We don't get the best efforts at bid prices. Generally, there are better prices if it is spaced out.

"There was also concern about how much work could be done in winter (because it is such a big project)," he said. "It would be more efficient to start in spring, probably April."

The new business building is just one of five building projects currently planned by JMU.

The university, which is working on the new music building right now, also plans to build another administration building and renovate Burruss Hall in the fall and Gibbons Dining Hall next summer.

The music building, which had a Jan. 15, 1989 completion date when it was started in January of '87, is still behind schedule and will probably not reach its completion date. This has been puzzling to the school.

I'm not sure we fully understand why we're behind," said Knickrehm. "The contractor said there was more rock than originally thought, so it took longer to actually start the building. They say they can make up time once the building is under roof. How much time is not determined."

The next building to begin construction will be a new administration office, the Sonner Building. The university hopes to break ground on the building named after the executive director of the JMU
Cable TV

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technology available today may allow us to do things better. That's delaying the service."

Some of the university's other uses for cable include education.

If cable is hooked up to educational buildings, departments could hook into it and show programming as a part of instruction. The foreign languages department, which could air shows in other languages, is the most obvious place for such instruction to begin.

But Bonadeo doesn't think that the instructional value of the cable will be used only by foreign languages.

"Right now, the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill is producing a material science seminar and sending it to a satellite," Bonadeo said. "If we had a cable system in, we could deliver it to anywhere on campus."

And it's for this purpose that the first cable will be laid.

"We want to get a system operational, even if it's very small," Bonadeo said. "Then we can keep expanding."

Student housing, however, will probably not be a part of that expansion until next summer.

Cable installation in the ground to the buildings should begin in September, but Bonadeo said it will not be connected to the dorms right after that for two reasons.

First, the installation process involves a lot of work inside the buildings, work that would disrupt student life.

"We wouldn't go into the dorms until kids aren't there," he said. "We'll do that work in the summer."

And Bonadeo said the cable will not be installed until certain cost issues are resolved.

"We're working with student groups right now on costs," he said. "We need to decide what it will be, what will happen if students don't want the system. We won't do anything until we consult with the students on that."

If everything goes smoothly in the coming months, that could mean some dorms could be wired over Christmas Break. That, however, is not likely, according to Bonadeo.

And there's no truth to the rumor that Greek Row will be the first student housing area to be served.

Greek Row and other new complexes have been built with a cable system in mind, but Bonadeo said that would not make them any easier to hook up.

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Foundation, in October.

When completed, the two-story building will house the Career Planning and Placement office and the University Advancement of Alumni Affairs department. It will be situated beside Newman Lake to the left of Chandler Hall, opposite from the TV station.

The new business building will be situated to the right of Chandler Hall. The complex will have two wings: one will be the six stories with offices; the other will be three floors with classrooms and labs.

While the business building will wait for a better bid and better weather, it made sense to start renovations on Burruss this winter because weather won't affect the start of the project, said Knickrehm.

The existing structure will be made into classrooms in the coming months. When that is complete, an additional structure for office space will be added to the front. The project is expected to take two years.

There will not be an addition to D-Hall, but a complete renovation is scheduled for next summer. More bathrooms will be added, the air-conditioning will be fixed, the floors will be carpeted and the ceiling lowered.

The adjustments to D-Hall are expected to make life more pleasant for students; however, some of the other projects should have the opposite affect on both students and faculty.

Burruss' renovation will do the same for the lot that's behind it. Burruss' renovation will also move offices and classrooms to other spots on campus.

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Buyout Will Lead To More Student Products

By Pecanne Condon
features editor

Students shopping at Anderson Brothers Bookstore should notice a big change in the store's merchandise this fall.

The store, which previously sold office supplies and some textbooks, recently sold out to Follett Corp. and will now carry more merchandise typically found at JMU's campus bookstore.

Jill Harris, general manager of Anderson Brothers in Harrisonburg, said students will notice a big difference in merchandise and textbook prices.

"The buying power that Follett has is tremendous," said Harris. "We're going to become a full-service textbook store. In the past we featured textbooks - we didn't really bring in a lot of other merchandise. But now we're going to have the sweatshirts, the sporting goods, the fraternity and sorority wear. We're gearing towards the athletic side of it, too.''

Harris thinks that the corporate changes will make textbook prices go down. "I think it will be a very competitive market now," she said. "It will have everything that a college bookstore has and even more."

According to Harris, Anderson Brothers previously had limited funds with which to buy back books year-round. With the new ownership of Anderson Brothers, however, students will be able to sell textbooks back all year.

"Follett has a used book wholesale division, so we'll be able to have an unlimited number of used textbooks in our stores," said Harris.

The same pricing will be in effect, 50 percent for any book as long as it will be used again at JMU, Harris said.

Anderson Brothers Bookstores, Inc., a chain of 16 college bookstores in Virginia was sold to Follet on July 1, becoming one of 273 stores owned by the Chicago-based educational service company.

Graduation Tomorrow

About 400 students will graduate from JMU tomorrow night on the quad. Commencement will begin at 7 p.m.

Kirby L. Cramer, chairman of Hazleton Laboratories and a member of the JMU Board of Visitors from 1984-88, will give the graduation address.

Cramer has a bachelor's degree from Northwestern University and an M.B.A. from the University of Washington. He is also a graduate of the Harvard Business School's Advanced Management Program. Cramer will also receive an honorary doctorate of laws degree from JMU.

Cramer serves on numerous boards of directors of major corporations. The Kirby L. Cramer Jr. Chair of Business Administration was established at JMU to honor Cramer's son, an 84 graduate.

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Talked Into Olympic Competition?
Wynter Needed Push Before Going To Virgin Island Trials

By Thomas Bergeron
editor

For most athletes at JMU, the idea of having to be persuaded to compete in the Olympics is about as far-fetched as the idea of being chosen to participate. But that was the case with Desi Wynter.

Wynter, who runs the 400 meters for JMU's track team, is a native of the U.S. Virgin Islands - a fact that may make him the first athlete here to compete in the world's largest track and field event.

Although an American territory, the Caribbean islands of St. Croix, St. Thomas and St. John are allowed to field their own Olympic team. And because the Virgin Islands' size is about one-tenth of Rhode Island's (the U.S.'s smallest state), and has a population that is only 10 times larger than JMU's, Wynter changes from a good American athlete to an elite Virgin Islands athlete.

But when Wynter came to the states and saw just how much better American athletes are, he decided to give up his high school dream of competing internationally.

"I just felt that I was not good enough for the Olympics," said Wynter earlier this summer. "I knew that my times were not up to U.S. runners. The athletes in the states run times that I can only dream of."

So Wynter, who felt he was good enough to represent the Virgin Islands at the 1984 Los Angeles Games, decided that he would sit out the territory's trials for the 1988 Seoul Games.

But in May, those feelings changed because of encouraging words from his coach on the islands, Jack Mika.

"He told me that I was born in the Virgin Islands and should be proud of that," said Wynter in reference to the man who had the greatest impact on his running. "He said that every country is sending its best athletes, and from the Virgin Islands that's you. And that I should feel proud to represent them."

Whether he will get the chance to represent the territory and JMU, however, is up to the Virgin Island Track and Field Federation. The federation will make its decision after watching its athletes compete in Puerto Rico Aug. 12-13.

"Because there are only three tracks on the islands - two of which are made of dirt - the trials will be held off the mainland. If Wynter's times are as good at the trials as they've been at here at JMU, he should have no trouble making the team."

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- Desi Wynter

"To date, no one from the islands has turned in a faster time," said JMU track coach Bill Walton, who sends Wynter's times to the federation on a regular basis. "But that doesn't mean he will go. That will depend on a couple of things."

"Mostly money."

Although every country can send at least one entry in each event, the Virgin Islands doesn't have the money to do so. So Wynter, a odds-on choice for the 400 meter run and an easy choice for a 4x400 relay team, won't know whether he has a spot on the squad until the federation figures out how many athletes it can afford to send to South Korea in September.

Ironically, it's this same federation that almost convinced Wynter to give up track.

When he was in high school and a top runner on the islands, Wynter didn't appear bound for the Olympics or anywhere else.

Growing up in St. Croix, Wynter attended a private Catholic school, St. Joseph's. There he trained under Mika on a track that the two of them designed on a grassy field.

Mika, however, was not the person who recommended athletes to the federation. That job went to the coach of the local public school, who doubled as coach of the Virgin Island track team in international competition.

"Caprina Philip, I think. I'm not sure," said Wynter with disdain when trying to recall the spelling of the coach's name.

His negative tone stems from the snubbing Wynter said he got on the island.

"He (Philip) would always nominate his public school runners," Wynter said. "I didn't train at his track so he wouldn't pick me. He only saw me when I beat runners."

Yet those runners, and not Wynter, were the ones chosen to travel until Wynter's senior year. And even then, only once was Wynter chosen.

It was to the Carifita Games, a meet of Caribbean nations where Wynter placed fourth in the 400, but first among Virgin Island natives.

"My senior year, I was like the king of the 400 and everybody knew it," Wynter said in his tropical-flavored accent. "I don't want to sound cocky, but when we stepped to the line I was expected to win the race. And I did."

When his senior year was over Wynter, bored with what many Americans would call a paradise but which he calls a place where all you can do is hang out on the corners, came to the United States for the first time.

He attended Mitchell Junior College in New London, Conn., but he didn't run track. By then, he

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Manns Jumps With World's Best
And U.S. Trials Leaps Convince Duke To Continue Career

By Thomas Bergeron
editor

On the second day of the U.S. Olympic Track and Field Trials in Indianapolis, some of the best leapers in the world gathered around the long jump pit for the opening round of their competition. 1984 gold medalist Carl Lewis was there. So was two-time Olympian Larry Myrick. NCAA long jump champion Eric Metcalf was ready, and so were 28 others - including former JMU long jumper D.D. Manns.

But Manns, it seemed, was out of place. Manns was one of the best athlete's JMU track and field history, but one of the top athletes in the world?

Manns, who finished his collegiate eligibility last spring but who won't graduate until December, showed that he may not be ready for the world's best by not gaining one of the 12 semifinal berths.

But was this a failure? Not so, said Manns.

"I wasn't expecting anything. I was just trying to do my best," he said from his Indianapolis hotel room July 16, the day after the competition. "I got a good outlook for what I wanted to do next year and down the road."

Which is to jump competitively with the same caliber of people.

"I look one day to be on the same level as those guys," said Manns, who wasn't swayed by the company he kept that afternoon.

"It becomes natural (to be around top competitors)," he said. "You train so hard to be at this level, so you expect it."

On this day, however, Manns' training didn't pay off.

Each entry was given three jumps, with the top 12 leapers advancing to the next round.

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Manns, whose personal best is less than an inch below 27 feet, could only manage 25-31/2 inches, good for 19th place but almost a foot behind the 12th-place finisher.
Nevertheless, Manns said his effort helped him feel confident about his future as an international long jumper. "I came out of it with good feelings," he said. "I'll just chalk it up to experience and gained knowledge."
Good feelings aside, now is the time for Manns to prove that he does belong among the world's best.
To do that, Manns will train in Harrisonburg this fall and continue to train after he graduates, with an eye on the 1992 Olympic Trials.
After watching the trials, JMU track coach Bill Walton said he thinks Manns does have a chance at becoming an international competitor.
"It's just a matter of being consistent," he said. "To make the top 10 in the world you have to consistently compete at a high level. It's always difficult to say, but I believe D.D. can jump in the high 26's, low 27's."
To do that, however, a jumper must train for a long time in ideal conditions - something that Manns was not able to do in preparation for the trials.
"We had a very cool and wet spring in the East," Walton said. "We didn't get a whole lot of good training in."
And while Manns was training, they both agreed he was slightly overweight, something that Manns vowed to change.
But that's not the only thing that will change. Walton believes that there will be a sudden turnover of high jumpers. "I think we're going to see a changing of the guard in the long jump," said Walton. And that should help Manns.
When the next Olympic Trials take place, jumpers such as Lewis, 27, and Myricks should be gone. And the 22-year-old Manns should be at his peak.
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At Mitchell, Wynter trained in a sport that many JMU students love - partying. This, however, led to much that he quit the sport he loved. Said, the federation's treatment had disgusted him so much that he quit the sport he loved.
But Wynter missed track, and when he was looking for a university to transfer to, a track scholarship was a must.
When Walton offered him a partial scholarship, Wynter quickly accepted - and spent all of last year getting back into shape.
This year Wynter is better than ever. When he finished fourth in May's IC4A meet, he established a personal best time of 47.16.
The runner who finished first in the 400 at the prestigious Philadelphia meet was also from JMU: Terrence Sheppard, whose chances of making the U.S. Olympic trials are not as good as Wynter's for making the games, won the event.
Sheppard, though, said he's not jealous of Wynter's shot at the Olympics, despite Sheppard being better.
"It was kind of strange when I first heard him and coach talking about it," Sheppard said. "What it really meant didn't really hit me at first, but I'm happy for him. It's not a problem at all."

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