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STUDENT LIFE

"James Madison U.P.B Rejects"
up, down, fast, slow . . . the roller coaster of college winds around the
tracks of life: social, academic, traditional and innovative. Some hurl
toward the edge leading the way, while others come to sudden stops,
altering their lives to better find themselves. Our coaster's momentum is spirit,
proving to alumni, parents and others that we will always be found at the top of
the hill. At the top we prepare to speed into the next century with campus changes.
Distance has been put between the present and the past, yet we build on estab-
lished foundations each day. We are riding on the coaster of student life, up and
down and all around in a full circle: we begin and we end here.

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Graduation was a day filled with overwhelming emotion as the Class of 1997 turned their tassels. Some cried, some laughed and some just smiled as they completed their college careers. As they got their diplomas, these alumni made their full circle at JMU to begin the rest of their lives.

The rain and wind didn't affect the spirits of the thousands gathered in Bridgeforth Stadium. Many students glued decorations or drew pictures on their graduation caps for their families and friends to admire.

The main ceremony included speeches from Dr. Carrier and Congressman Frank Wolf. Both wished the Class of 1997 well in beginning their careers and offered insight from their past experiences. “Congressman Wolf emphasized the importance of family above all other aspects in your life,” said junior Brannen Edge.

The first doctoral degree was presented at the ceremony. After the ceremony, everyone parted and went to the individual college ceremonies where they walked across the stage as their names were called. “As the degrees were conferred, you could hear the ripple of excitement move through the Class of 1997,” Edge said.

The rest of the afternoon was spent celebrating the day. It was a chance to visit with families, friends and other graduates and talk about plans for the future and college memories.

The mixture of emotions was expressed on graduates' faces. From the happiness and excitement of having obtained a degree to the sadness that came with the realization that the time had come to move on, graduates took this day in stride and recognized it as threshold to their futures.

Kristy Weeks
Standing out in the crowd was this graduate’s plan. Seniors decorated their caps with anything from personal messages to Marvin the Martian.

Donating a check for $68,011, representatives from the Senior Class Challenge of 1997 present their check to Dr. Carrier. Each year, the Challenge strived to surpass the previous year’s earnings.

Enjoying a final moment before becoming alumni, these graduates await their walks to the podium. Graduation brought many smiles as well as tears.
Left to Right: Junior Malinda Layman and mother Sandra Layman (Class of 1975); alumni Mr. and Mrs. John Jenkins, grandparents of freshman Sarah Hanson.

Left to Right: Junior Krista Valz and mother Denise Valz (Class of 1975); Junior Allison Kidd and mother who attended JMU in the 1970s; Allison’s aunt, who graduated shortly after her mother.

Left to Right: Freshman Karen Boxley (Class of 2001), with grandmother Edna Thomas, left, (Class of 1936); Allison Kidd’s great-aunt Stella Mallard Kidd, on campus in 1944; Alumnae grandmother Sally Rusher Kidd with great aunt Thelma Olson Kidd.
Bridging the Gap

College as a Family Tradition

When it comes to college, traditions of all kinds consume the atmosphere. Whether it's finding true love on the Quad's kissing rock, toilet papering Greek Row or strutting to the sounds of the band during a football game, campuses across the country invite students to dive into a little college culture. But when it comes to James Madison University, tradition is all in the family.

Freshman Lindsey Pack has reason to believe her entire family will end up at JMU over time. “I’m the oldest of five girls, and we’ve all grown up at JMU,” she said. “My parents met here and then decided to stay in the area. JMU’s been part of my community.”

Her mother, Martha (class of ’73), now a professor at Blue Ridge Community College, thinks her daughter’s decision to go to JMU provides “the best of both worlds. She lives close, so if she needs us, we’re here, and she’s starting her life in the same place her parents did.”

Freshman Brian Cooke feels the same way about following in his parent’s footsteps by going to their alma mater. “They told me stories about how they met here and loved the campus. Plus, I went to basketball camp here for a few years, so I was familiar with everything.”

Mrs. Victoria Cooke (class of ’76) said, “It’s hard to believe the amount of time that has lapsed. It’s as if we’re still in the seventies when on campus.” Brian said this young-again attitude was definitely visible when his parents joined him for the campus tour. “They totally acted like students again because so much has changed. They were going on more of a tour than I was,” he laughed.

Although the college campus and the atmosphere may be different a generation later, senior Andrew Hurda has connections to this college that reach far beyond those of any other student or alumnus. He was actually born on the third floor of Wine Price Hall when it used to be the maternity wing of Rockingham Community Hospital. “It’s kind of neat to be close to your birth place, even though it’s eerie too,” he said.

Andrew has also had the privilege of being taught by a few of the same professors that his parents had. “My mom and I had Dr. O’Meara for philosophy and my dad and I both had Dr. Kline,” he said. “It’s funny because my dad gives advice to my friends about teachers.”

Whether it’s sharing a similar teacher or reminiscing about the sun-covered Quad, there are tons of legacies tied to this college. Freshman Sarah Hanson is part of a family legacy. Her grandparents met here and ended up getting married shortly after graduation. “My mom was the rebellious type so she didn’t come here,” Sarah said, “but I thought it was a nice school with a good curriculum, so I came.”

Now only a month into her first year of college, Sarah has a great time sharing stories and memories with her grandmother, Geneva Jenkins (class of ’50). “She tells me about how my grandfather proposed on the rock on the Quad and she always talks about lying in the sun on campus. We compare places to eat, too.” Sarah enjoys learning about how things were different socially back then. “My grandmother was like, ‘In my day, males were only day students. I’m glad guys can go here with you now.’”

It seems students of all types, young and old, have found this campus and college experience perfectly suitable for all their individual needs. Family tradition among alumni is no longer just about parents. The university’s growing legacy is about grandparents, cousins, aunts, uncles and the future.
Fields of Dreams
Food, Fests & Fun

With good weather, good music and good food, field festivals were a time for students to gather with friends and celebrate. Festivals included the 1997 Senior Pig Roast, the 1997 First Year FunFest, Homecoming 1997, the Valley Cookout and pre-game blowouts, and every Saturday before football games fans gathered at Godwin Field.

For freshmen, the First Year FunFest was a great way to make new friends, introducing them to an unfamiliar college environment. It took place at Godwin Field on August 23. Activities included a giant boxing ring and a bungee run. Each freshman received a free sports water bottle. Live music was performed by Spilling Dew and sponsored by the University Program Board.

"The First Year FunFest was a great way for me to get involved on campus since I live in Blue Ridge Hall," said freshman Kerri Eissing. "It allowed me to meet other people who live in Blue Ridge as well as other new freshmen. It was a great activity."

The 1997 Senior Pig Roast gave seniors one last chance to hang out together. This annual event was held at Godwin Field. BBQ and beer were supplied by the university. The Senior Class Challenge Steering Committee gave away free gifts to seniors, and students enjoyed playing frisbee and listening to live music performed by acts such as Rob Conklin and Slack Jaw. "It was a day for outgoing seniors to say goodbye and hang out one last time over food, drink, and music," said 1997 junior class president Chris DiSano. "Two major contributors to the Pig Roast were Senior Class Challenge coordinator Lisa Horsch and Geoff Polglase, a member of Alumni Relations."

Eliza Copelan

Performing for the seniors at the Pig Roast, Rob Conklin provides entertainment on a beautiful day. Live performers were a key element to all field festivals.
Running the Senior Pig Roast, 1997
Junior Class President Chris DiSano and Jason Maede take a break. Although the festival was for seniors, a number of juniors attended as well.

Recent graduates Marsha Hazelwood and Candice Parker grab some snacks at the Senior Pig Roast. The Pig Roast offered a break from studying for finals.

All decked out, this freshman makes sure that he has as many "First Year FunFest" mugs as he can carry. "Free stuff" was a main attention-getter at field festivals.
After a long-awaited opening, the CISAT building finally holds classes on a daily basis. The 91,000-square-foot building was the first of four planned for construction through 2010.

Greek Row also sees frequent changes. Chi Phi’s move down to the end of Greek Row and the addition of Delta Delta Delta were other significant changes near the Lakeside Area.

Located at the edge of campus, Rockingham Memorial Hospital undergoes construction and receives a new addition. The hospital has seen renovation and changes for the past few years.
Moving Ahead

Innovation Invades Campus

For returning students last fall, the campus was a little bit different from the last time they were here. The changes, from the new grill at Dukes to the opening of the CISAT building, awaited their arrival.

The new Integrated Science and Technology building replaced the modular building where CISAT majors attended classes until this year. The newly constructed building appeared majestic. The interior was just as impressive as the exterior. “It’s a lot more spacious, and one of the best things about it is the public computer lab because last year the modular building didn’t have one for general public use,” said junior Alina Martin.

Academic changes also occurred last year. Freshmen began the new cluster program for general education. This program replaced the liberal studies program from previous years. “The administration views the new general education program as a more efficient, more effective way of preparing students for the outside world,” said sophomore Lori Gunn.

In addition to some of the academic changes on campus, other differences equally affected returning students. The computer help desk moved from Miller Hall to the Frye Building.

More changes were considered for the future, including a parking deck. The addition of a parking deck, for many, would alleviate what continues to be one of students’ biggest complaints. “Putting a parking garage next to Newman Lake will definitely hinder the area’s serene atmosphere,” said junior Ed Render.

“One of the best things about it [CISAT] is the new computer lab.”

Kimberly Hayes

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Natural Wonders

In Time of Silver Rain

In time of silver rain
The earth
Puts forth new life again,
Green grasses grow
And flowers lift their heads,
And all over the plain
The wonder spreads
Of life,
Of life,
Of life!

"The earth puts forth new life again, Green grasses grow And flowers lift their heads"

In time of silver rain
The butterflies
Lift silken wings
To catch a rainbow cry,
And trees put forth
New leaves to sing
In joy beneath the sky
As down the roadway
Passing boys and girls
Go singing, too,
In time of silver rain
When spring
And life
Are new.

Langston Hughes

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Making the transition a little easier, upperclassmen answer residents' questions. Checking in was a tedious process.

Starting the trek into Eagle Hall, parents wait to enter the eight-story building. Most students brought more than they needed the first time around.

Moving furniture into a village residence hall often takes more than one person. Students checked into their halls during the last weekend of August.

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The residence halls rattled with noises of lofts being built, boxes being unpacked and students moving furniture around the room.

Anyone traveling along Interstate 81 that weekend probably anticipated the chaos that was awaiting them upon arrival. Traffic was heavy as cars headed for one place, college. Although it may have taken a while for people to actually get to their halls once they had arrived, everything seemed to be organized. "I couldn't believe how crowded the campus was, but at the same time, it all seemed to run pretty smoothly," said freshman Katherine Julian about her move-in experience.

The move-in was eased for many students through the help of club members of InterVarsity, Campus Crusade for Christ and ROTC students as well as many other volunteers. Freshman Heather Griffin, a resident of Huffman Hall, said, "I was very thankful to the ROTC student who helped me move in by carrying all of my cinder blocks to my room."

One convenience of that weekend was that cars, trucks and U-Hauls were able to park right next to the halls.

"It was quite a physical as well as an emotional day," said freshman Crystal Shrewsbury, a Weaver Hall resident. For many, the day of settling into "home away from home" was exhausting, yet exciting. There were new people to meet, new rooms to inspect and new locations to be surveyed, but by the time classes started, students felt right at home.

Casey Quinn
Stylin’
Dressed to Impress

Style: it’s been defined and redefined over the years. What used to be out is now in, and what once was in is now out. Style is constantly changing with the times. The way people dress, talk and act are all reflections of style. The sixties and seventies were perfect examples of this. During a time period of free love and unrest, people expressed themselves through bright tie-dyed colors. It was not only through their clothes that style could be seen, but through their hair, music and speech as well.

Things have changed a lot since the sixties. Jeans have changed from tight bell-bottoms, to loose-fitting Levi’s. When asked what could be found in her closet, senior Jennifer Davide said, “Lots of sweaters, lots of jeans.”

Students have many perspectives about style. “Even though everyone tries to have their own style, many people still dress like one another.” Instead of creating their own looks, many times people wind up copying everybody else’s ways of dressing,” said freshman Chrystal Jones. “I think of khakis and collared shirts, for guys at least,” said freshman Joelle Leader.

Freshman Kevin Grobe had a different take on style. “It is the pattern you develop that is unique to you,” he said. “In everything you do, its shape is affected in a different form. Without you it would be one-sided, just another name and face.”

One group has made a name for itself in terms of style on campus. The Breakdancing Club was created in the spring of 1997. Its membership grew to over 100 members within a year as the breakdancing fever was caught by students. Club members strutted their stuff in front of audiences at Grafton-Stovall and performed on the commons.
Clockwise, from top left:
sophomores Chrystal Knight and Alicia Weinstein;
Juniors Kevin Samhat, Rodney Roberts and
Deborah Palley; sophomore Michael Treiber; freshman Guyon Griggs.
Braving the pain, this student tattooed himself on the chest. As body art has become more popular, more students are learning the techniques for themselves.

Showing off his personal and permanent style, sophomore "T" Leggett expresses himself through piercings and tattoos. Many individuals considered the permanence an advantage.

Getting her tongue pierced, this student takes advantage of the services offered for several days by TG Dermographics in Taylor Hall last April. The services offered included body piercing and tattooing.
Grin and Bare It

I'd really hate to get a cold with a nose ring,” said freshman Mary Rogers. Perhaps this idea is what has kept her and others with vivid imaginations from taking the plunge into the wide world of permanent body art. For others, it offers a way to express themselves.

Although tattoos and piercings have become more mainstream, they can still be a good way for someone to show his or her individuality. Sophomore Kristen Williams got a butterfly tattoo. “I've always really liked butterflies, so when I decided to get a tattoo, I chose a butterfly since they were such a big part of my life.”

Junior Jay Lawton said, “If I was going to get a tattoo I would get a black ink design of infinity symbols in a circle on my shoulder blade to symbolize my infinite wisdom.” Some who debated getting a tattoo decided against it, mostly because of the pain involved. However, it was easier to have one put on than to have one removed.

Peter Stanmeyer, a freshman, thought about having one done, but finally decided against it. “I decided that I didn't really want a tattoo because even though I may like it now, I know that I won't want it when I'm older,” he said.

Sophomore Statia Molewski said, “I like my tongue ring, but after first getting it I had to reteach myself the basics of eating and talking.”

Like Stanmeyer, many people who have considered having some form of body art done have eventually decided against it for reasons ranging from safety concerns to worries that it would look “tacky.”

Many people do agree, however, that if done in good taste, body art can be attractive and a great way to express oneself. Sophomore Tori Johnson said, “Body art can be an exotic and unusual way of enhancing your body's natural beauty, but if you overdo it, it can take away from it.”

Naomi Johansen
Keeping it Real

The True Story

Lounging in the simulated living room of the Wilson Hall stage, the members of the Real World Reunion Tour (sponsored by UPB and the Office of Residence Life) waited patiently as screams for Lars, Heather, Julie and Joe slowly died down. After the initial excitement of their presence wore off the audience, the guests each explained their individual experiences as members of the Real World casts. They expressed mutual feelings of wariness toward media and questioned the ulterior motives of MTV in rerunning the shows so many times.

"Be real careful of what you sign," Joe said. After learning some new information about one another, the speakers elaborated on their caution. According to Julie, the contract for the first Real World was about six pages long. But by the time the fourth season rolled around, Lars said, the contract was up to 14 pages. The London cast was also the first to have surveillance cameras in their house in addition to the cameramen who circled 24 hours a day.

The crowd had question upon question about events following each season, or about what really happened in the houses. "What was the real deal with Julie and Eric?" "What happened in the shower in Miami?" "Would you ever do it again?"

When asked which cast member intrigued her most, Julie replied, almost instantly, "Heather." The two obviously remained close friends after the show's end, despite the fact that Julie moved to Florida while Heather remained near New York City.

Some of the students had more nerve than others; Lars actually answered someone who yelled out for him to get a Green Card. "I need a Green Card, yes," he said. Although much of the interaction would have been confusing to anyone who hadn't seen every episode of The Real World, those who had (just about everyone there), were quite comfortable voicing their opinions of cast members who were not there to defend themselves. A voice from the audience seemed to shout out of nowhere, "Flora sucks," referring to one of the somewhat abrasive personalities to earn a spot on the show. Without much hesitation, though, Joe seemed to agree.

It appeared to the standing-room-only crowd that this spunky group had "stopped being polite," and started "getting real."

Rachel Roswal

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Representing the Real World IV cast from London, Lars speaks about his experiences since his show ended. The Real World has had six seasons so far.

Julie Oliver, from the Real World I cast, explains that things weren't always as they seem on camera. The casts were each taped constantly during their stays in the respective cities.

Heather B. gives an adoring fan a big hug after he asks a question. Audience members waited patiently through the show to ask questions at the end.
Conducting the halftime show, Drum Major Kristin Eckels takes center stage. The MRDs were also led by three other drum majors: Chris Summers, J.R. Snow and Wesley Colton.

Showing off the Color Guard’s new uniforms, sophomore Meredith Walkley enjoys an afternoon performance. The Color Guard had nearly 50 members, including alternates.

Ray Casey concentrates on his performance. The MRDs played for halftime and post-game at every home football game.

Student Life
Marching with Royalty

Virginia’s Finest Take the Field

As the music of “Hey Baby” sounded from the end of the football field, the crowd sang to the tune of the Marching Royal Dukes. Some audience members rose and danced along with the cheerleaders and the Dukettes. This display of school spirit was not only demonstrated at the first football game against East Tennessee State but at every game thereafter.

The Marching Royal Dukes took hold of the audience’s attention at halftime and during the post-game show when they performed with even more energy. Their impressive sound ranged from “Music Man” to “Phantom of the Opera” to “Rocky,” and even “The Wizard of Oz.” As a sign of welcome, the marching band performed toward the visiting team’s side during the halftime but performed the post-game show toward the home side. This enormous group included about 400 students.

Freshman trumpet player Annette Scott said, “It’s such a rush to perform.”

Mason Eoyang, a baritone student, described being part of the MRDs as “definitely worth it because of the respect we earn.” Although many of MRDs were music majors, over half studied other disciplines. Their work began a week before the rest of the student body arrived. During the week of Band Camp, the band members learned the music and individual field placing for their first show.

These students dedicated countless hours to perfecting each of their halftime shows, including an hour and a half on weekdays and two hours on Saturday mornings before performances.

Over Winter Break, the MRDs traveled to Monaco to perform in commemoration of the 700th year of the Grimaldi Dynasty. Members of the 1996-97 and 1997-98 MRDs were all invited to participate.

Kelly Sch

Marching Royal Dukes 35
As most people agreed that there was more to college than academics, students found a number of ways to enjoy their free time.

For many students, the best things to do on the weekends were right on campus. Freshman Amanda Klein found that her favorite activities were "campus related." Without leaving the boundaries of campus, anything from a movie to a dance was a good way to enjoy the evenings. The University Program Board brought large-scale entertainment such as Widespread Panic and former cast members from MTV's *The Real World* to campus.

The city of Harrisonburg also offered students ways to spend their free time. Cosmic Bowling, at Valley Lanes on Main Street, provided glowing bowling pins, laser-lights and loud music. "I finally have a reason to bowl," freshman Janel Chou said.

Bars including JM's Grill and The Blue Foxx Cafe, and coffee shops including The Artful Dodger and Simple Pleasures were some of the most popular nighttime destinations. Students could hang out with friends and listen to live music; however, strict enforcement of the drinking age limited bars to the 21-and-over population.

Of course parties were a major part of nightlife as well. "Greek parties are really great, but home parties are also cool," freshman Chris Holloway said. Although Greek parties were considered prime weekend events, the university changed its policies concerning alcohol on campus. "I like going to see the bands at the Artful Dodger. There's plenty of space, good coffee, and you get to see your friends," junior Julie Nozynski said.

**Peter Swedzegowski**

Located at the corner of Water St. and South Main St., Dave's Taverna is the destination of many students on the weekends. Dave's, formerly known as Guo's, served sandwiches and desserts, but was best known for its pizza.
Sipping frozen drinks through 
crazy glasses, 
sophomores Lauren 
DePerri and Kajsa 
Divie enjoy the 
evening partying 
with close friends. 
Students under the 
drinking age found 
creative ways to 
spend their nights.

Lighting up the 
night, Cosmic 
Bowling provides 
students with a 
late-night partying 
alternative. Valley 
Lanes also offered 
other activities 
such as billiards 
and arcade games.

Senior Dave 
Lambert plays 
trombone at Dave's 
Taverna. Jazz 
artists, Gunnar 
Mossblad and 
Friends often 
performed at 
different locations 
in Harrisonburg in 
the evenings.
Donning a silver suit and orange hair, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. member Gracia Walker, a junior, performs at the Homecoming Step Show. The Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. won the competition.

Junior Scott Ferguson includes his dog in the Homecoming festivities. Students and alumni celebrated by visiting friends and spending time at Greek Row.

Wearing an outfit similar to those of the cheerleaders, one of JMU's youngest fans tailgates with her family. For some, Duke vitality ran through all generations.
Homecoming 1997 was a week filled with activities, student participation and lots of fun. The theme was “Year of the Duke Dog” and everyone went all out to show their school spirit.

Ten committees including student spirit, alumni, food and major entertainment organized Homecoming. The week started off with the annual banner contest; 37 clubs, organizations and residence halls turned in banners that they had painted with a design that incorporated both their logo and the Homecoming theme.

Senior Sarah Agnor planned the event. “We had a great turnout this year,” Agnor said. “Groups were enthusiastic and put a lot of effort into the banners.”

Students also got free prizes all week if they knew how many days until Homecoming. One of the members on the Homecoming committee, Tracy Pitera gave out prizes during the week.

“We gave away frisbees, keychains, buttons and towels with the Homecoming logo on it.”

By the time game day rolled around, students were more than excited about the game. Madison Project and Eddie from Ohio performed on Godwin Field just hours before kick-off. At 3 p.m., Mr. and Ms. Madison, seniors Brock Leonard and April Roberts, respectively, were announced and the Dukes took on the Delaware Blue Hens. “Everyone seemed excited about the activities we planned,” Pitera said.

For alumni as well as students, the week included events including Talent Jam ’97, the Homecoming Golf Tournament and the Dukes 5K Fun Walk/Run. Homecoming and Alumni Relations Graduate Assistant Tracey Kellogg said, “The Field Festival was a good place for alumni and students to come back together.”
Entertaining the spectators, the Dukettes display spirit through dance. The Dukettes performed with the marching band during the halftime show and throughout the game.

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With balloons as hats, Chad Brown ('95) and Brad Farrar ('96) sport their game attire. Many alumni and students participated in pre-game activities such as tailgating.

Preparing for the next play, JMU’s offensive line members take their places on the field. The Dukes were defeated by the Delaware Blue Hens, 49-27.

Cheering from line and center, junior Nelson Pham makes his support of both men’s and women’s basketball teams known. Midnight Madness kicked off the 1997-98 basketball season.
Taking a sobriety test, senior Andrew Laffinoca participates in a demonstration led by campus police in PC Ballroom. Events were held for Alcohol Awareness Week, October 20 - 24.

Working together, a campus cadet and state police officer patrol the Homecoming football game. Police met with about 30 students each month to discuss common concerns.

Informing students about the bike division of the police department, officers distributed information on the Commons. The plan was implemented in 1995 as a way to make police more accessible to the community.

Student Life
This year's additions and improvements to the Harrisonburg and JMU Police Departments went unnoticed by few individuals. Although many people felt that the police had completely positive intentions, some students begged to differ.

Sophomore Tyler Mickelson and a friend were jailed overnight after a run-in with the police. “We weren't being disruptive. We were just walking home after a party and we were stopped,” Michelson said.

Freshman Sally Jones said, “The police are way out of line. They hide out in bushes and try to catch the people who are drinking.” Students have craved the relationship that many schools around Virginia have with their police. Campus police often made it a common practice to escort their students home safely, and in extreme cases issue citations or make arrests.

Many students welcomed the changes. In a survey of 125 students of all classes, 36 percent of students said that they believed that there was a need to make the police presence on campus more noticeable.

One junior said, “Students are doing more harm than good to themselves by drinking. If your parents aren't here to stop you, someone should.”

Some students who were confronted by police ended up with positive opinions. Freshman Tara Cole and sophomore Melanie Abbot were issued citations for having open containers outside of a house on Greek Row. “Our officer was very nice,” said Cole. “I could have gotten underage possession, but I only got a ticket.”

While the changes took some time for everyone to adjust to, they definitely produced more good than harm.
What's in Newman Lake?

Fishing Around For the Facts

It's the first thing everyone sees as they enter campus, and the last thing they see before they leave: Newman Lake. Although it was obvious that the surface was home to many families of ducks and the fountain in the center, many people wondered what was actually in the lake. Here are the speculations of a few students:

- **Sophomore Andrew Burgess:**
  "I heard that there's lots of furniture. Also one day when I was doing a cadet demonstration, we went walking through the lake, and I saw methane gas bubbles in front of me."

- **Freshman John Smith:**
  "Someone told me that one of the old Duke Dogs is in there."

- **Sophomore Debi Roder:**
  "It's the Lock Ness Monster, I swear."

- **Fifth-year senior Matt LaPorta:**
  "When they drained it a few years ago they found bunch of stuff, I heard they found an old car."

- **Sophomore Erin Gilman:**
  "I have heard of some people doing some crazy stuff in there. I remember hearing of one group of people swimming across the entire lake completely naked."

- **Sophomore Molly Mashack:**
  "I am sure that there are lots of empty beer cans and empty kegs in there, and there has to be trash that people have thrown in there."

- **Sophomore Bill Greenway:**
  "I have heard that there are lots of couches and chairs in there. I remember one day after class I was walking by and I saw three or four turtles sunbathing on top of a television screen. It is unbelievable what could be in there."

- **Kevin Godshick**

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"There has to be lots of D-Hall food in there. There just has to be."

-freshman Aleen Carey

Top right: Sophomores Nate Joyner and Larry Sheppard.
Receiving recognition for her winning essay, freshman Ginnie Wardell, with her parents Mary and Gerard Wardell, accepts prizes from Dr. and Mrs. Linwood Rose. Wardell tied with Senior Matt Cooper in the Outstanding Parents Essay Contest.

Spending time with each other, Stacey Brownstein and her parents, Patti and Alan Brownstein, watch the football game. The Dukes played the University of Richmond Spiders for the Parents Weekend game.

Vendors from the Harrisonburg area participate in a sidewalk sale held on Godwin Field. Parents and students shopped for special reminders of Parents Weekend.
The campus filled with families as they came together to join the many activities that were part of Parents Weekend.

On Saturday, parents and students enjoyed the Godwin Field Festival before the football game. Everyone spent this time visiting with other students, parents, faculty and the administration. Student organizations took advantage of this time to raise money at the sales under the tent on Godwin Field.

The game against the University of Richmond had quite a turnout, as Bridgeforth Stadium was filled to capacity. The Dukes battled it out against the Spiders, and unfortunately, they were defeated 26 - 21. "It was a good weekend for the folks to come down," said junior Steve Raymond. "The weather was great on Saturday. Too bad the game didn’t turn out the way everyone wanted it to, but overall we still enjoyed it."

Academic receptions and tours were held at all six colleges, allowing parents to meet faculty members and administrators. Tours of UREC and the Arboretum were also offered.

Musical events of the weekend included the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame Show, featuring The Platters, The Drifters and The Coasters, The Contemporary Gospel Singers and the Pops Concert at the Convocation Center. At the Pops Concert, the audience shared an enjoyable evening listening to the Madisonians, the Symphony Orchestra and the Jazz Ensemble with guest artists Stephanie Nakasian and Hod O’Brien.

"Being able to see and spend time with my parents was nice because I haven’t been able to see them much," said freshman Adam Rawley.

Sophomore Tanya Simms said, "I realized how much I needed my mom when she came to visit me this weekend."

Kelley Neubert
The Year of the Duke Dog, how great is this? you know with me you just can't miss. Especially when in December this year I turned fifteen, but don't you fear. Maturity is something I'll always lack, so when it comes to trouble you know I won't slack. I've had a great year and lots of fun, but without you I'd be the only one.

Summer ended with a bang, for in Myrtle Beach I shook my thang. An All-American I came back to school, and was reminded that you all rule. You cheered so loud at football games, and even though I don't know your names I call you my friends as we rant and rave. Did I mention the fact that I already gave the Dukettes my number, but no luck there, not one single call—how is that fair?

MRDs kick butt, I'm their number one fan, especially when I get to be Superman. and then the cheerleaders—how great are they? They always make time to come and play. With my silly self—I'm really not drunk, I'm just in a super-hyper funk. But that makes it easy to pimp and strut, as I work the game-kicking mascot butt.

Basketball season was definitely no bore, and check out the new dog on the convo floor! And once again the Dukettes stole my heart, my best behavior I gave, I didn't even fart. But not like I ever do yucky stuff like that, I smell enough already and I know that. My birthday party was a blast, and I promise you it won't be the last time I get down and dirty with friends I wish this year didn't have to end.

Sadly it does, and that I understand, so from the dog just let it stand. I appreciate all your love and support. I'll see you later, you're a great sport!

Duke Dog

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Linne Oxley, the musical events chair for the University Program Board, had her hands full early in the year, coordinating big-name acts like Widespread Panic, They Might Be Giants, and the Joshua Redmond Trio.

UPB started planning for their entertainment and concert series during the summer when most students were just thinking about their tans. The entertainment lineup was usually broken down into three bands and one big-name comedian per semester, with smaller programs presented throughout the semester, as well.

Oxley functioned as a booking agent for UPB, and also helped coordinate the production effort along with Casey Houtz, the technical services director. The efforts to get a large act like Widespread Panic off the ground was enormous, according to Oxley, who got help from one of many UPB volunteer committees.

Preceding a big show, it was not uncommon for Oxley or Houtz to pull a 24-hour day, organizing and implementing the production effort. But according to Houtz, “it makes it worth it to see 3,000 people having fun.”

Many UPB members who help out with the big shows even find themselves mingling backstage with the stars. “At that point you are working so hard to make things come together, that you aren’t even star struck,” Oxley said.

UPB books all entertainment acts with university funds allotted every semester by the SGA. They also rely heavily upon their core of volunteers to help plan the events.

One of the UPB’s tasks was to actively seek out what students wanted as far as entertainment, to ensure good turnouts. Some of the most popular shows from past years included Live and Rusted Root.

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Filling the Convocation Center with laughter, standup comedian Chris Rock displays his humor with outlandish gestures and jokes. Rock cracked up an audience of 3,000 on April Fool’s Day.

Libby Temple
Playing fans’ favorite songs and a few new tunes. They Might Be Giants member John Flinsburgh plays with a “birdhouse soul.” Three Credit Productions and the University Program Board sponsored the concert in Sinclair Gymnasium in Godwin Hall.

Telling of her father’s life, Rev. Bernice King, speaks about Martin Luther King Jr.’s thoughts on how Americans need to come together if they are going to move forward as a nation. This event was held on January 18 at Wilson Hall in recognition of the holiday.

Rocking Wilson Hall with their unique sound, the musical group Bela Fleck and the Fleck Tones perform with soul and concentration. UPB sponsored this concert in the spring of 1997.

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Performing one of over 150 live shows a year, Widespread Panic plays at the Convocation Center on September 21. Over the years, Widespread Panic has acquired loyal followers of all ages.

Presenting their award-winning Solstice Journey Tour, The Paul Winter Consort performs at Wilson Hall. This Grammy-Award-winning group was brought to campus by the Masterpiece Season Encore Series.

Surprising the crowd at Grafton-Sonstill Theatre, Jay Mewes shows his moves during cohort Kevin Smith's question and answer period. Smith wrote and directed Clerks, Mallrats and Chasing Amy.

Showering fans with confetti and shredded money, They Might Be Giants use a cannon filled with surprises to excite the crowd. The band Lincoln was their opening act.
Erin Barah
Cameron,
West Africa
Spring 1997

Adrienne Huffman
and Rebecca
Manor
Ayers Rock,
Australia
Spring 1997

Kari Phillips and
Bridget Crawford
Florence,
Italy
Spring 1997
More and more students each year take advantage of the numerous study abroad and internship programs. The university provides students the opportunity to participate in programs in Europe, Asia, Africa, Russia, Latin America, the Middle East and the Caribbean. While abroad, students study the arts, literature, language and culture of a different country. Senior Nicole Sanderlin studied in Salamanca in the fall of 1996. "It’s just interesting to see how much people have in common, regardless of their culture background or upbringing," said Sanderlin.

A large part of studying abroad involves the educational experiences one receives outside the classroom. Exploring ancient castles and burial grounds, going to national art galleries and museums or attending various theatrical performances are just a few of the educational outings included in the programs. Senior Mike Nichols recalls an organ recital at Westminster Abbey in the fall of 1996 during his semester in London. “It was incredible to be alone with 800 years of English history in one of the most legendary places in the world. Some of the greatest figures in all of Britain are buried there . . . and the feeling I got from that sacred solitude was almost indescribable.”

Many students returned from studying abroad with a newly found independence and sense of self. “There’s something creatively liberating about being in a new place where new surroundings force you to revert into yourself and discover things inside that you never knew were there,” said senior Meredith Bragg, who studied in Ireland during the summer of 1997.

After experiencing a unique and different culture, students returned to JMU with new perspectives on themselves, their culture and the world.

It’s just interesting to see how much people have in common.

Clockwise Left to Right: Heather Freas, Margarita Rozenfeld, Lauren Hendricks, Courtney Carr, Jaime Dritt and Dawn Pollock

Astica, Spain

Fall 1997

Allison Spacek
Spaian Semester
Abroad
Madrid,
Spain
Fall 1997

Left to right:
Erin Royster,
Caryn Knapp,
Shannon
Hendrixson, and
Kristen
Steinshilber,
Venice,
Italy
Spring 1997

France Semester
Abroad
Mont-Saint-Michel,
France
Fall 1997

c/o Jason Glass

Studying Abroad
Taking Time to Study Other Cultures

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Churches located near campus are where many students attend Sunday worship and become involved with other fellowship activities, such as soup kitchens and Bible study groups. Harrisonburg Baptist Church is located on the corner of Main and Liberty Streets.

Located adjacent to campus, The Wesley Foundation makes involvement with its ministries convenient and open to all students. This is only one of 22 campus ministries available for students seeking religious involvement.

Celebrating Thanksgiving dinner with friends from different campus ministries, sophomore Beth Bryarly helps herself to the wide variety of food. Catholic Campus Ministry hosted the dinner the Sunday before Thanksgiving.
Spiritual Growth

Finding Religious Strength

Regardless of whether they take a religion course or not, many JMU students make religion a part of their life by being active in one of the many religious groups found on campus. From Campus Crusade for Christ to Chi Alpha to the Baha’i Association, students find groups that allow them to grow in their faith.

"B’nai B’rith Hillel provides an outlet for Jewish students to get together on social and religious aspects," junior Seth Lieberman said.

To many students, religious groups were appreciated because of the relaxed and welcoming atmosphere. "To me, the Wesley Foundation is a place where I can get away from hectic JMU life," sophomore Alison Flora said.

"The Baptist Student Union is like a home away from home for me," sophomore Lindsey Hodges said.

Junior Betsy Harman said, "Campus Crusade for Christ is a really encouraging environment. The people are so caring and really want to reach out to you."

In addition to growing spiritually, many also experience a great deal of personal growth. "The BSU has been a great way for me to find talents I didn’t know I had," Hodges added.

This growth also seems to be contagious with some groups, such as the Latter-Day Saints Student Association, who have been enjoying an increase in their numbers.

"We’re growing by leaps and bounds," junior Leslie Cosgriff said.

Through it all, students made lasting friendships that they relied on for strength and support. "I wouldn’t have gotten through my freshman year without the Wesley Foundation," Flora said. Spirituality was an integral aspect of college for many students.

Mark Ross
Another Opening, Another Show

The JMU Theatre and Dance Department is responsible for over 80 productions on campus every year. From dance concerts to experimental theater to main-stage musicals, there is always something for everyone. Junior Allison Coleman, a double major in Spanish and theatre, said that she was impressed with the variety of productions. “You can see plays that are mainstream or not mainstream—there are definitely shows to satisfy everyone’s needs.”

At Theatre II, the experimental theater, students had the opportunity to explore new and different styles of drama and dance. This freedom not only brought variety and charisma to the department, but also gave students a chance to take charge and become completely involved in all aspects of the stage. Most productions at the experimental theater involved student performers, directors, designers and producers with little or no professional experience. Sarah Bonadeo, a junior SMAD major and theatre minor, believed that JMU is unique because it offers this outlet for students. “We are encouraged to participate because there is so much to do in the theatre—such as lights, sound, set, costumes—it is really easy to get involved,” she said.

At Latimer-Shaeffer, the university’s main-stage theatre, the productions tended to be a lot bigger as well as more expensive. These performances still required student activity and involvement, but on a different level. Shows including Kiss Me Kate and Sylvia required the expertise of the faculty, which gave the students the opportunity to appreciate performances that were more professional. Senior theatre major Kristin Hathaway felt the productions in this theatre were extraordinary because they were a collaboration of faculty and student-pooled talents. “We are very fortunate in that we get to work so closely with the faculty. It gives us the chance to see them do instead of teach.”

Allison Spack

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Members of the Richmond Ballet, directed by Stoner Winslett, dance at Wilson Hall on Sept 27. The Richmond Ballet’s repertoire included world premieres by Malcolm Burn as well as Colin Connor and a revival of a classic Balanchine ballet.
Holding Audrey II, Seymour (Jim Sluder) talks to Mr. Mushnik (Hunter Hanger) during one of six performances of Little Shop of Horrors at Theatre II. The lyrics and music written were by Howard Ashman and Alan Menken.

Sophomore Matt Cunningham and Senior Alex Cheney star in The Tender Land, an opera about love and life on a Midwestern farm in 1930s. This play was directed by newcomer John Bell.

Shenandoah Shakespeare Express presents A Midsummer Night's Dream outdoors at the Arboretum in September. This was the first performance at the new amphitheater, where audience members were encouraged to bring blankets and lawn chairs for their enjoyment.
Admiring the holiday decorations, Matt Madonna and Anitra Kass spend part of the Christmas holiday away from home in Florida. Madonna and Kass are members of the Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Teams who traveled to Florida for a one-week training session.

Helping cook Thanksgiving dinner, Mrs. Irma Campbell, mother of Catholic Campus Ministry member Mimi Campbell, carves a turkey. Volunteers included parents and students who prepared dinner for about 200 people and roasted 11 turkeys.

Showing off their costumes, Danielle Gulbrandsen, Jean Phillipson, Ed Dyer and Jay Morelock get ready to go to a Halloween party. This year Halloween fell on a Friday, which gave students some extra time to find the perfect costume.
Holidays were a time for students to gather together with family and old friends.

Among the most popular holidays on campus were Halloween and Valentine's Day. Other favorite holidays occurred during Thanksgiving and Winter Breaks, leaving students to celebrate early before leaving.

Catholic Campus Ministry sponsored an early Thanksgiving dinner. Over 200 students of all denominations gathered and shared Thanksgiving dinner the Sunday before the break.

Most students put up their Christmas decorations and held festivities a month early. "We put up a Christmas tree in our suite and decorated it to get in the Christmas spirit," sophomore Erin Foster said.

Junior Sarah Carruth said, "I went to a friend’s cocktail Christmas party. We all dressed up and were served good food.”

With the arrival of February came sentimental feelings of love as everyone prepared for Valentine's Day. Several students living on campus bought gifts for their significant others from Mister Chips or from the bookstore. Mister Chips offered flower and balloon delivery and also had a wide selection of cards and candy. Some students went all out for this holiday, showering boyfriends or girlfriends with gifts to show their love and devotion to one another.

“For Valentine's Day I went out to a nice restaurant. I really wanted to do something special, because last year my boyfriend surprised me with a giant balloon, a dozen roses, chocolates, jelly beans, candles and two cards with romantic messages inside that he had written,” junior Becky Lillard said.

Holidays created an air of festivity across the campus throughout the year. Most importantly, holidays provided an atmosphere that brought students together as a community.

**Kristen Petro**
Safety's More Than a Blanket

Safety. It was an important concern for all students on campus. If students went out at night there were a number of ways for them to stay safe and feel secure.

The JMU Police Department took security to a new level this year. They worked with the Harrisonburg Police Department to assign addresses to specific buildings on campus. If someone called 911, the dispatch would be able to identify the caller's exact location. Also, campus police created a new position, Crime Prevention Officer and more investigators joined the force. Director of Public Safety Alan MacNutt said campus safety is very important. "In my opinion, crime has gone down since last year," he said.

In addition to adding staff members, the campus police posted a new web page which included a Silent Witness program. This program allowed students, faculty and staff to fill out a form over the internet if they witnessed a crime. The information was transferred to the campus Police Investigations Department where it is used to assist in investigations.

Another way to ensure safety was through the services of Campus Cadets. They patrolled campus at night, making sure no one was in danger. Oftentimes, they walked students back to their residence halls at night. "I feel very safe on campus," freshman Lamar Jones said. "I think the Campus Cadets are doing a good job. There are also lots of places with phones to call for help if you are in trouble. Plus all the students seem really nice and friendly, and look out for each other."

With all of the safety precautions that campus police and cadets took, as well as the added security of the courtesy and blue-light phones, students could not help feeling safe on campus.

"I feel very safe... Campus Cadets are doing a good job."

Matt Stephan

Demonstrating safety measures, the Harrisonburg Fire Department and JMU Police inform students on the commons during Safety Awareness Week. JMU Police improved security by adding a new function that allowed them to know a caller's exact location.
Monitoring at a football game, Campus Police and EMTs helped keep the peace. Campus Police beefed up security by adding new staff members.

Ensuring a safe walk home, Campus Cadets sophomore Jerry Morris and junior Kelly Banua accompanied junior Jenny Perepletchikov to her residence hall. Cadets patrolled the campus at night.

Responding to a call, Campus Cadet senior Jeff Menago listens for a description of an emergency situation. Blue-light phones are allowed for students to reach police from campus.

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Clockwise from top left: junior Gretchen Schneider's cat Jazzabelle; senior Melissa Palladino's dog Riley; sophomores Amy Miller and Gabrielle Reilly's turtles Flash and Spot; a student resting on the Quad with her rabbit.
It is commonly said that dogs are "man's best friend," but this could also be said about cats, turtles and even ferrets.

Many students either brought a pet from home or got a new one when they got here to provide companionship, love, and entertainment.

Senior Kristen Steinhilber and her five housemates adopted Journey, an "all-American mutt," last year from the SPCA and have become very attached to her. "She's always the center of attention, very social—a party dog," Steinhilber said.

What type of pet a student had varied widely on his or her tastes. "Fish and kittens are the most popular, closely followed by ferrets," said junior Marisa Chiarello, an employee at Sylvia's Pets. She also said that ferrets are the most expensive in that they cost about $100.

Aime Johnson owns two ferrets, Jasmine and Mickey, and greatly enjoys their company. "They like to play with my feet when I'm studying, and they make nice, quiet roommates."

Even with all their fun-loving antics, pets can be mischievous. For example, Johnson's ferrets got into her backpack one day and carried off her calculator. She got the calculator back from them and hurried off to class only to find out that wasn't all they took. "My regular glasses were missing, so I had to wear my prescription sunglasses to class all day."

For some students, the idea of having a pet was incomprehensible, yet for others, life without their animals seemed unbearable.
What's college all about? Studying, partying... exercising? Students were constantly in motion: working out, biking, walking, jogging or using the exercise equipment at the University Recreation Center (UREC).

UREC, a 14,000-square-foot facility located across Interstate 81 near the Convocation Center, is one of the main contributors to the spirit of fitness. Students could participate in aerobics and cycling classes, use the basketball and racquetball courts, and work out in the fitness rooms.

UREC offered a variety of programs including aquatics and safety classes, adventure clinics, intramurals, wellness programs, fitness programs, and educational programs.

Fear gaining the “freshman 15?” No need to worry, according to freshman Christina Russo. “The atmosphere in UREC is so motivating, especially the first week of school when everyone is there. The aerobic classes are great!”

Getting together to exercise was just as common as meeting for a meal. “Exercising is becoming more of a social event and working out with others keeps you going,” said senior Kristin Wetterhahn.

Students exercised to forget about the stresses of school and to feel good about themselves. Aerobic instructor Britten Blakenship said, “There is no other feeling as wonderful as reaching the top of that last hill or finishing an aerobics class. Exercise frees my mind and gives me a sense of accomplishment with every workout.”

Senior Sara Morgan said, “Students’ lives can’t be all academics, they need to use other outlets such as exercise to create a healthy balance in their lives.”

Jill Stolarik

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Helping themselves to the salad bar, these students get a quick, healthy bite at Last Go. This campus food service offered a low-fat menu to students with meal plans.

Todd Patrick
Keeping fit, this student rides his bicycle every day to class. Rollerblading, skate-boarding and cycling were methods of transportation students used to keep in shape and get to class.

During the Health Fair, different health-related products were distributed to students. The Jeep Eagle Collegiate Health Tour incorporated both fitness and fun.

Crunching his way through a fitness routine, this student gives his abdominal muscles a workout. UREC offered students state-of-the-art fitness equipment.
Jumping off a ski ramp, junior Robert Snyder takes his skiing ability to a spread eagle level. A number of students skied at the nearby Massanutten Resort.

Finishing his sky-diving lesson, senior Edward Ainsworth considers another lesson with his instructor. Planes reach heights close to 33,000 feet.

Filming his caving adventure, senior Matt Miller travels with the Caving Club on weekend trips. The club visited a variety of caverns with varying levels of difficulty.
Living On the Edge

Pushing the Limits

Some individuals were interested in non-traditional sports and activities. They wanted to test their limits and do something different. There was a wide array of adventurous sports to choose from, like scuba diving, caving, sky diving, rock climbing, kickboxing or whitewater rafting.

One of the more popular activities on campus was scuba diving. According to Scuba Club Co-President Paul Walsh, the purpose of the club was “to enable divers to meet other divers and practice diving as well as to educate and train divers to be safer divers.” The Scuba Club held activities to train people interested in diving, such as Introductory Scuba and Training for Beginners. The club did community service projects by holding river cleanups. For fun, they held diving and camping trips and sponsored lobster dives.

The Caving Club went on trips almost every weekend to a number of places, with varying levels of difficulty. “There was one trip that you had to drop down a small hole to get to the cave,” said freshman Christopher Grandjean. In addition to weekend trips, the club also had three major camping trips each year. They included mountain biking, rock climbing and rapelling. Caving Club President Edward Render was excited when he found out about the club. “I joined when I was a freshman. I had been caving in Texas and Mexico when I was younger, and when I found out about the club, I was thrilled to have another opportunity to go caving again.”

Sophomore John Soules decided to try skydiving. “It was unlike anything I had ever done,” he said. “We went up 13,000 feet, and I had my feet dangling there, and with the instructor strapped on my back, we jumped. The 45-second free fall, at 120 miles per hour, was the greatest and most intense experience I have ever had.”

Kevin Gauthier

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Rapelling off a mountain, this student enjoys challenging her mountain climbing ability. UREC offered classes on mountain climbing throughout the year.
Head Over Heels

Falling in Love

Intimate relationships were a part of many students' lives. These relationships included hanging out, casual dating or real, inseparable ties.

First-year students Don Lane and Elana Gabriel had been dating for over a year before they came to school. They were thrilled when they found out they could continue their relationship by attending the same college. However, they soon found out that dating was much different in college than it had been in high school. According to Gabriel, it has been much more casual and she said “I don't have to dress up for him anymore.” Lane agreed about the informality. “There aren't many dates, but you still do stuff on campus together,” he said.

Some students were not quite so lucky to have their significant others attend the same school. Bonny Wong was only able to see her boyfriend once a month because he attended Emory University in Georgia. “It's really difficult having Gene in Atlanta when I’m all the way up here,” Wong said. “It's all right, though, since every night he calls me and wishes me sweet dreams.”

Long distance relationships often posed a problem. “Unfortunately my boyfriend and I went to different schools, so we talked on the phone every night for two hours,” an Eagle Hall residence adviser said. “When we got $200, $300 and $400 dollar phone bills, he decided to make life easier, so now he goes to JMU with me.”

Whether they were separated by a five-minute walk or a lengthy plane trip, students found relationships with others were a big part of their lives.

Peter Swedzowski
Sophomore Lauren DePietro and senior Steve Voss enjoy a romantic moment in the 'Burg. Couples often ventured off campus to find a private place to be together.

On the steps of Gifford Hall, sophomores Philip Rowe and Helen Secret take a break to enjoy each other's company. Co-ed residence halls made for an excellent opportunity to meet that special someone.

Kissing on the Quad, these students show their affection for each other. Public displays of affection were present, but not always obvious, on campus.

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Enjoying his job at Taylor Down Under, sophomore Michael Deku takes a short break. TDU created a relaxing atmosphere for students by offering a snack and coffee bar.

Making sure the food is warm, this student prepares for the onslaught of students about to pour through the doors of Gibbens Hall. A number of students worked prepping food and cleaning the dining area.

Ready with a smile, junior Jennifer Noble prepares for her customers. The bookstore staff was happy to guide students toward books, clothes or supplies.

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The typical college student's day involved waking up for class, eating and studying for exams. For many students though, the typical college day also meant working for a living either in an on- or off-campus job.

Many of these working students chose to find jobs on campus because "it was more convenient than having to go to Valley Mall," said sophomore Kimberly Kim, an assistant in the Language Learning Center.

Though managing their time effectively was a challenge, some students worked up to 20 hours a week in addition to their classwork. What was their reason? "I'm working because I'm poor," explained senior Melissa Fissell, a cashier in the campus bookstore.

Sophomore Jason Yoon, a D-Hall employee, got a job in order to have some extra spending money. "I needed to pay off credit card and phone bills as well as pay for schoolbooks."

In addition to earning extra money, working during the school year was a good way to meet new people. "I get to see a lot of people who come in to get help with the audio and video equipment," said Kim.

For some, the attraction of some extra money was not worth the extra burden of responsibility. Yet for those who chose to work, the incentive of being able to look through their wallets and find the cash to buy new clothes or eat out with their friends was good enough reason to work those extra hours.

Caryn Kim
Before I came to JMU, I wondered what in the world there was to do at night in Harrisonburg. It seems like such a sleepy place." When freshman Julia Kleveki arrived on campus last fall, she was skeptical about the social scene; but as the semester began her worries faded away. "As soon as I got here," she smiled, "I saw tons of things going on, and I was completely psyched!" Kleveki was not the only one who found that there was more to do than she thought. Any given day of the week, students could be found hanging out.

Parties were found both on and off campus, where students gained memories and stories. "The funniest thing I ever saw at a party was a friend of mine diving into a garbage can full of trash," laughed junior Alison Carey.

With a number of things to choose from students found that recreational activities at UREC, UPB events, local bars, coffee houses and restaurants offered relaxation and a great chance to get together with friends, and meet new people. JM's Bar and Grill proved popular to upperclassmen because it was close, inexpensive and an excellent place to spend time with people their age. "The Waffle House is my favorite hang-out for one simple reason. Breakfast 24 hours a day!" said freshman Andy Feagans.

"The Artful Dodger is a great place to hang out after those late night excursions, or just as a stress reliever," said sophomore Jodi Carr. "After a long day of studying, it provides a very casual and cozy atmosphere, with a variety of coffee tastes."

Wendy Hollingshead
Strumming a few lines, sophomores Allison Cowan and Emily Simpson take some time out for themselves. Music was often a release for many.

Handfeeding sophomore Jennifer Banks, junior Jeffrey Marsh serves ice cream at UPB's Bring Your Own Banana event. UPB provided students with a variety of activities.

Taking a break from classes, senior Robert Setty relaxes on the Quad. On sunny days, the Quad was always speckled with people hanging out.
Planning an event for the student body, members of the University Program Board collaborate. UPB sponsored entertaining and educational guest appearances throughout the year.

Keeping listeners entertained, junior Jessica Fry plays music over the campus airwaves. DJs at WXJM were on the air 24 hours a day.

Working hard at The Breeze, senior Andi Metzler, assistant news editor, reviews changes with sophomore Katie Wilmeth for an upcoming issue. The Breeze produced two issues every week.

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Behind the Scenes

Where Students Make Things Happen

I honestly have no idea what goes on in the production of The Breeze,” said freshman Stephanie Scourby as she thumbed through the campus newspaper. Her sentiments echoed the thoughts of a majority of students when it came to the productions generated by all on-campus organizations, especially The Breeze, WXJM, the on-campus radio station, and Theatre II, an experimental theater.

The Breeze had a circulation of 13,000 issues twice a week. Averaging 34 pages, issues came out on Mondays and Thursdays produced by a staff of over 100 people. Kristen Heiss, editor-in-chief, said, “The paper was a great place to boost your resume and an opportunity to meet tons of people and make close friends.”

WXJM also had many individuals working behind the scenes to play music for the audience. A great deal of preparation was in order for students to hear their favorite songs on FM 88.7 WXJM. “I feel like I am giving something back to JMU and to music in general by working at WXJM,” said sophomore Brian Lips.

As for the theatrical side of campus, before a show appeared on stage at Latimer-Shaeffer Theatre, the participants had not only rehearsals but wardrobe development, set design, lighting and additional preparations. Theatre II held open auditions, and cast size ranged from four to 40 participants assisted by about 30 behind-the-scenes crew members such as stage managers, makeup artists, and set designers. “Participants are a mixture of majors,” said Theatre II Director William Buck. “We want to involve all those on campus,” he said. “On average, getting ready for a play took five to eight weeks, but some of the works took as long as five months of preparation before their debut.”

Lateisha Garrett
Every spring, Greeks look forward to and put a lot of work into getting ready for Greek Week. It's a time of celebration, pride and tradition. In many ways, it is a chance for Greeks to band together in the name of sisterhood and brotherhood.

Greek Week took place in March and was the kick-off to Alumni Weekend. "Greek Week is a time for students to celebrate being Greek and participate in friendly competition," said Kristin Radcliffe, the Greek coordinator. During the week, Greeks competed in different activities to earn points and the title of "best overall."

Greek Week events were fun-filled. Events included an eating contest (a representative of each organization is timed for stuffing their face with whatever the judges choose), tug-of-war, dizzy bat, a three-legged-race, a shopping cart race down Greek Row (the more items you pick up determines how many points you receive) and Greek Sing.

Greek Sing took the most time to plan. Each sorority and fraternity created an individual performance medley, combining the elements of song and dance to be presented in front of other organizations and judges. There was a requirement that each organization have a singer, dancers and active members were required to participate in the performance, and Zeta Tau Alpha won the contest.

Junior Joanna Kosmides, a member of Sigma Kappa, loved it. "I was on dance team in high school, and sometimes I miss the applause and doing fun routines," she said. Ultimately, it didn't matter who won, but the fun was in performing and watching everyone's attempt to impress the audience and judges.

Libby Temple
Biltmore Grill

The Artful Dodger
The variety of eateries in the area was broad, ranging from fine dining to fast food. One of the most exquisite restaurants was the Joshua Wilton House, while some restaurants had lower price ranges with delicious food and pleasant atmospheres.

Junior Charity Kovacs tried one new location and found it to be a pleasant experience. “The Key West Bar and Grill is my favorite restaurant because it has great food and a great atmosphere,” she said. “I love it when the whole restaurant sings Margaritaville and Friends in Low Places when they come on the radio.”

Most students found themselves at restaurants which were affordable for occasional dining including Pargo’s, Boston Beanery, Texas Steakhouse, Chili’s and Ruby Tuesday’s. Students were comfortable with the environment, pleased with the food and able to pay the bills at the end of each meal.

Junior Amy McMillan remembered her first visit to Spanky’s two years ago. “My entire hall would go out to Spanky’s to kick off the weekend and get some real food,” she said. “In the middle of the winter D-hall and Dukes tend to get pretty old.”

The Waffle House was popular among students who were up late at night. This was one place in Harrisonburg where breakfast was served 24 hours a day.

The Little Grill was also a hot spot for students. Junior Wendy Coplen enjoyed Mexican food at the Little Grill on Tuesdays. “It’s under $5, it’s all you can eat, and it’s good,” she said. The Little Grill also offered a wide selection of vegetarian food.

Although students were often short on cash, they managed to find a way to go out to eat on a regular basis.

Stacy Sherrard

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And the Bands Played On

Tuning in to Local Bands

The local band scene in Harrisonburg was one which grew with the continual support of students and the community as a whole. In recent years, bands such as Speedwell, Spilling Dew and J in Mary gained popularity throughout the area as a result of performances and word of mouth. Groups played a wide variety of music at locations including cafes and bars in the area. Some bands preferred playing at bars such as JM's Grill and Awful Arthur's while others performed at coffee shops including the Artful Dodger and The Office.

It wasn't unusual to see the colorful notices and signs around campus advertising bands playing at Harrisonburg residences and restaurants. These appearances were particularly popular with students because bands usually played for free or just a few dollars.

"You can't avoid having a good time when you go to Harrison Street because you get to watch your friends that are in bands and you get to familiarize yourself with the friendly, neighborhood HPD," said junior Mary Sherrill. "There's a good time to be had for all."

Some bands traveled to other towns and cities to play shows. Those who have CDs were supported by local record stores such as Plan 9 and Town and Campus Records. These businesses, among others, had special sections for local bands to advertise their new releases. Overall, the local band scene in Harrisonburg was one which included a wide variety of musical styles and offered something to everyone. Sophomore Chris Campbell said, "Lots of these bands have some form of connection with JMU. Local bands give fans and students a new interest to follow."

Wendy Coplen

"Local bands give fans and students a new interest to follow."

Rocking the Kappa Sigma house, "The Dean Dollar Band" brings southern rock to Greek Row. Numerous fraternities invited local band favorites to add to traditional Homecoming and weekend entertainment.
Performing at a Godwin Field festival, J in Mary jammed last April with opening act Madison Project. J in Mary was comprised of students and often performed at local restaurants and bars.

Rocking Godwin Field, Eddie from Ohio provides traditional live entertainment before a football game. Three of the band’s members are JMU alumni.

Entertaining on Greek Row, bands such as Yugo Dudat could be heard from across Newman Lake. Yugo Dudat was one of many bands who performed for Homecoming.
Preparing dinner at Olde Mill apartments, junior Reshma Shetty takes advantage of one of the most popular perks of living off-campus. Many individuals cited having a kitchen as a main reason for getting their own places.

Lounging in their living room, sophomores Chris Congriff and Mike Schutz spend time together on the weekend. The Center for Off-Campus Living helped students locate off-campus housing.

Most off-campus houses were within walking distance of campus.
Adjusting to Life Off Campus

With more than a dozen apartment complexes and a number of houses to rent or lease, there were plenty of places for off-campus students to call "home sweet home."

Space was the main reason why senior Rebecca Breindel decided to live in the newly constructed South View apartments. "The large double bed and full bathroom all to myself is great," she said.

Senior Laura Cochrane decided to live in Madison Square because she thought it suited her lifestyle. "It has more character," she said. "The layout lends itself to a community."

However, she said, it also has its drawbacks. "Because it's an older apartment there is a lot of maintenance that needs to be done from time to time."

Having the luxury of a single bedroom motivated many students to move off campus. Senior Michelle Hill moved to her place at The Commons, which is affectionately referred to as "Planet K."

"I have had bad experiences with roommates," she said. "Having privacy and being able to go to bed when I want to is really nice."

Living off campus also meant new responsibilities. Cooking was one task that was both an advantage and a disadvantage. "I like to have a place where I can really cook my own food and have a real refrigerator," Hill said.

Some found out that cooking for themselves was really the best for them. "I'm vegetarian and didn't have many options on campus," Cochrane said. "I like cooking for myself and find it's healthier and cheaper."

Breindel found out, however, that cooking takes time. "I forget you have to allow time to prepare food," she said. "You just can't walk into the kitchen and pick something up."

Mark Ross

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Cultural Diversity

Creating a United Front

The idea of cultural diversity is not a new one; in fact, it was an important part of students' lives. From international students to guest speakers and events, students had a number of opportunities to learn about cultures other than their own. Nearly 600 international students from 84 countries attended the university last fall to enrich themselves and the campus. The majority of these students came from Germany.

Administrative Assistant for International Students and Faculty Services Liz Heavner said the university’s objective is to educate students about one another. “We are here to educate and inform [American students] about different cultures and inform [international students] about the American culture,” Heavner said. “We are here to help students deal with culture shock, homesickness, and American laws and customs.”

During his interview, Pertruchio Balducci, an international student from Italy in his last year said he loves attending the university. “I do have one complaint, though,” he said, in reference to the campus, “and that is that JMU does not serve Barilla pasta in the dining halls.” Other than that, Balducci could not be happier.

Another aspect of cultural diversity that had a great impact on the students was the Center for Multicultural Student Services. With students and faculty supporting their events, CMSS organized the Homecoming Step Show, presented Edward James Olmos in Wilson Hall and participated in a number of campus-wide activities. CMSS also provided a calendar of cultural events for other organizations which included a discount card for student attendance at events sponsored by the organization.

Noelte Jones
Rosemary Koomson, Fifi Deku, Nana Prempeh and Eric Bediako wear national costumes from Ghana. ISA helped represent the international community with programs including the World Jam Dance.

Representing his fraternity, sophomore Chris Jones of Alpha Phi Alpha, Inc. participates in the Homecoming Step Show. Alpha Phi Alpha, Inc. won first place for the best effects.

Sponsoring the program "We're All in the Same Gang," CMSS members meet with guest speaker Edward James Olmos. Speaking on behalf the Hispanic community, Olmos was the first Latino to lecture at Wilson Hall.
Offering state-of-the-art health and fitness facilities, the University Recreation Center has been a favorite place for students to go ever since its opening in 1996. UREC houses an indoor pool, racquetball ball courts, indoor track, CYBEX equipment and basketball courts.

Shooting pool at The Corner Pocket, freshmen Arlene Page and Colleen Santa Ana make time for a game of friendly competition. Taylor Down Under offered a wide variety of games, such as a video arcade, Foosball, checkers and ping-pong.

Viewing information displayed by numerous student-run clubs and organizations, freshmen became informed at Student Organization Night. Over 200 clubs and organizations participated on the Warren Hall patio.
Love At First Sight

Campus Favorites

With so many colleges to choose from, and most of them offering majors in the most popular fields, high school graduates had only one deciding factor. Where would they be happy? Everyday opportunities to work out or play pool at Taylor Down Under were unique ways to get out and have fun without leaving campus. Activities sponsored by the University Program Board and other organizations kept students busy.

A number of campus ministries were common places to make new friends. Freshman Audrey Wood said she loved meeting new people. "I love the atmosphere, the people, the fellowship and the fact that every day is different," she said.

Senior Melanie Roehm, an international student, had been here for two years. She said the university was the nicest campus she had ever visited. It was nice enough, in fact, to prompt her to leave her exchange program in Germany and apply directly to JMU. "This campus has been just wonderful. I was just an exchange student, but when I got to JMU and discovered how much I liked it, I dropped out of my program and applied here."

Even students who lived off campus found that there were still plenty of opportunities to enjoy the bustling campus life. While each residence hall sponsored activities, there were other campus-wide facilities open to anyone with a JAC card. "I like to go to the campus-wide facilities open to any JAC cardholder. I like to go to the gym because it has so much to offer and I like to stay physically fit by swimming or using the exercise equipment," freshman Sheryl Lewis said.

Freshman Nicole Dussia said, "Not just one thing stands out about JMU. I love the great campus, down-to-earth people and the Honors Program."

"I love the atmosphere, the people, the fellowship and the fact that every day is different."

Relaxing on the Quad during sunny days is an activity every student seems to favor. This open area located in front of Wilson Hall comforts students with a place to study, have picnics, play outdoor activities and gather with friends.

Lisa Putallaz

Campus Favorites
Celebrating 20 years of faces frozen in time, Shoot Yourself gives students the chance to express themselves in a way no one thought possible and of course, ensure themselves a spot in the yearbook. So this is you, up close and personal. Let the pictures speak for themselves.

Amanda Kirby

Ellen Kirby, Amanda Kirby and Kadee Kirby

Noelle Loise, Sarah Nash and Beth Bramer

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Tristie Reed
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Karrin Shelton and Allyson Spacek

Ben Bychener and Carlos Pinto

Kimberly Bell

Shoot Yourself 101
Kristen Smith and Alyson Lemke with friends from Spring Break 1997

Jennifer Lee, Janelle Leavitt, Wendy Bohon, Melissa Morgan

Stephen Pignatello

Jarrod Stiles

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Melissa Palladino, Brian Higgins, Ed Dyer, Jean Phillipson

Kate Huke and Brian Thiele

Eric Bryant and Jarrod Stiles

Pi Sigma Epsilon

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Coming full circle... We began with a naïve confidence soon shot down by new experiences. We graduated with a strong foundation as well as a few new doubts that would carry us into the future. We started by introducing ourselves to the school and nearly 14,000 fellow students only to do it again later to recruiters, admissions committees, job contacts and ourselves. Our years here may have differed greatly from those of the 300 students in the early 1900s, but we were all forced to make choices, figure out who we were, and learn how to change. Although we sometimes wondered what we really had come here for, in the end we discovered it was definitely worth the trip.

Leah M. Bailey
Editor
CLASSES
Enjoying the crisp air and beautiful colors of fall, these students take a break between classes to discuss the night's plans. The Quad was not only a center of learning but also a center of college life. Surrounded by bluestone buildings, the grassy area was often occupied by students studying, sleeping, relaxing or playing games. For many, the beauty of this original side of campus was a selling point in deciding where to go to college, thereby beginning their college careers.
Commencement . . . a beginning. For some of us, a commencement marked the beginning of our college careers; for others, it marked the end of one phase and the beginning of another. While our educations were what brought us here, it was the friendships and memories which brought us full circle to the end of senior year. Whether it was underclassmen hanging out with friends or seniors living up the last of their college days, students made the best out of their college experiences. — Freshmen year was mostly spent forming friendships, academic plans and one’s identity. “College is a whole new experience, being on your own and making your own decisions,” said freshman Janelle Richardson. “It’s such a change from high school, with so many different opportunities.” — The second year was more familiar. Though every year produced new faces and challenges, comfort was found in returning to already established friends and activities. “You’ve established yourself and found your niche,” said sophomore Ashley Rinehart. “During sophomore year, you truly have a home away from home.” — Junior year students found themselves at the halfway point, enjoying the time they had left, while trying to make plans for their future after college. “You think you have all the time in the world,” said junior Erin Screen. “Then you realize you’re halfway through with college and you’ve got to make the best of it.” — The last year before going out into the “real world,” senior year involved a mix of emotions. Many were ready to graduate and move onto something new. “I had my fun, but it’s definitely time to move on with my life,” said senior Jennifer Andrews. Others were reluctant to leave the life they’d known for four years. “A part of me wants to stay in college a little longer because I know I’ll never experience anything like it again,” said senior Meredith Anderson.

by Leah Bailey & Carrie McCabe
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College of Arts & Letters

"All of my friends are in the College of Arts and Letters," senior SMAD major Christy Gourley said. That could be because many departments are affiliated with the College of Arts and Letters. The college encompasses the School of Art and Art History, English, Foreign Languages and Literatures, History, School of Media Arts and Design, School of Music, Philosophy and Religion, Political Science, Sociology and Anthropology, School of Speech Communication and School of Theatre and Dance. Many students got a chance to take at least several classes in the College of Arts and Letters. Senior Alexis Bate, an English major and education minor, said, "One of the best classes I took was a history class that I took my sophomore year and now most of my classes are in the College of Arts and Letters because of my major." The increase in students at the university coupled with the increasing interest in this particular college caused one of the departments to undergo a major change this year. The School of Media Arts and Design, (SMAD), closed its doors in late October to individuals trying to declare it as a major. While students could pick up an advertising minor, other minors offered under SMAD were also closed. Dr. George Johnson, director of the School of Media Arts and Design, said, "This was the first time a department was allowed to close the doors as far as I know." The department opened again temporarily in January and 20 more students were able to declare SMAD as their major. After that time, students who wanted to declare the major had to fill out an application and the department selected additional students at the end of April. Students were selected based on GPAs and how many openings the department had at the time. "It's all number driven," Johnson said. Those who were enrolled in the program enjoyed the classes and the professors who taught them. "I think the SMAD professors are extremely helpful. They make the effort to get to know their students," Gourley said. SMAD students weren't the only ones who felt that way. Senior Erin McManamon, a political science and SMAD double major, said political science professors have...continued on 112

by Kristy Weeks
gone out of their way to get to know students. “I had a professor who used to ask us our opinions on issues and he really valued what we thought.” — The College of Arts and Letters also saw some other changes with the general education program in place this year. One of the college's primary goals now includes teaching students writing and critical thinking skills through classes as part of this new program. — Besides academics, the College of Arts and Letters provided students and the JMU community with many other opportunities. The college sponsored gallery exhibits and many performing art events, such as the Richmond Ballet. Todd Grogan, a sophomore, participated in three plays over the course of the year that were affiliated with the theatre department. “I participated in Director's Fest. There were 15 student plays so there were 60 plus spots for actors, anyone could try out. It was a really inclusive thing.”

Entertaining students with his eccentric approach, Ge Baas speaks to his philosophy class. Baas also taught an aesthetics class.

Boling

Harmonizing as a group, these music students play their instruments of choice—the guitar. The Music building was completed in 1989 and houses classrooms, faculty offices, the music library, a listening lab and practice studios.

Weaving Wonder

Explaining the art of weaving, Professor Barbara Lewis introduces fabric design techniques to junior Kevin Alvey. Duke Hall was home to the School of Art and Art History, the Latimer-Shaefler Theatre and the Sawhill Gallery.
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Great Wide Open

Graduation: with its approach comes the year-long preparation for life after college. Suddenly homework and long-term projects are pushed aside as students look toward graduate schools and jobs in the “real world.” Yet not all seniors are extremely confident about the future. “I think it will be hard to adjust since I’ve been in a pretty controlled environment for such a long time,” said senior J.W. Cannon, a double major in English and kinesiology. “JMU has been a big part of my life, and I’m not so sure I’m ready to go out into the real world yet.” — Upon entering college, students had more freedom to make decisions and make choices for themselves without the ever-present guidance of their parents; however, most still depended on their parents for financial support. Yet as the end of their college careers approached, many students realized that they would soon become completely responsible for themselves. “I am really going to miss having my parents pay the bills,” said senior Jessica Aman, a finance major. — As commencement approached, passing out résumés, shopping for suits and interviewing with potential employers allowed seniors to start preparing for the coming months. Almost all seniors agreed, despite their fear of the future, that they were ready for a change of pace and a new atmosphere beyond college life. In the end, most admitted that they would miss living in such a close-knit community where so many people shared similar goals, problems and interests. Karrie Shelton, a senior health sciences major, felt the friends she has met and their memories beyond college life. In the end, most admitted that they would miss living in such a close-knit community where so many people shared similar goals, problems and interests. Karrie Shelton, a senior health sciences major, felt the friends she has met and their memories together were irreplaceable. “I know that it will never be like this again in my life—I just want to appreciate it for as long as I can before everything changes.”

by Allyson Spacek

Under the watchful eye of April Roberts, Chris DiSano signs his Senior Class Pledge. As in the past, the senior class ran a campaign for their gift to the university, trying to outdo the class before them.
Monday evenings at nine o’clock, students stray from the silent corridors of Carrier Library and the study rooms at Zane Showker and head for couches, recliners or barstools—anywhere with a television. The hype and hysteria that dominate weekends during the fall is transferred to Monday nights, and although they are not conducive to studying or early Tuesday classes, they are filled with fun, friends and of course, football. Monday Night Football airs the premier teams in the National Football League as they go head-to-head on the gridiron, a match-up that sometimes lasts until the early morning hours. Monday nights have become traditionally one of the most watched broadcasts in all of television, beginning with the legendary Howard Cosell over two decades ago. It has evolved through the years and today’s fans are led through three furious hours of football by the commentary crew of Al Michaels, Dan Dierdorf and Frank Gifford. The schedule always includes the most high profile teams and offers match-ups that fans want to see. “Sundays are good days to lay on the couch and watch games, but Monday night games are always better,” said senior Brandon Biondo. Students often traveled to local bars or restaurants, such as Awful Arthur’s, the Blue Foxx Cafe or Dave’s Taverna to watch the games. Many bars offered specials on drinks and food during the game to attract more customers. Other students gathered together with their friends, cramming into living rooms to root for their teams and to share the Monday night experience. “Mondays nights in the fall aren’t exactly prime studying hours, and my 9:25 the next morning usually goes on without me,” says junior Jeff Pond. “It’s all football’s fault.”

by Scott Bayer

Drawing a crowd, Monday Night Football is an event that can't be missed. These students gathered in their apartment at Ashby Crossing with enough food and drink to last through the first half of the game.
Elizabeth A. Merkle, English; Fairport, NY
Jack E. Meyer, Sociology/Spanish; Roswell, GA
Drew S. Miller, English/SecEd; Herndon, VA
Paula G. Miller, Art; Harrisonburg, VA
Mandy L. Minichillo, Eng/SMAD; King George, VA
Elizabeth M. Mitchell, Interior Design; Macungie, PA
Laura M. Moffett, History; Richmond, VA

Noraizah Mohd-Nordin, Mass Comm; Singapore
Amy J. Moler, Art; Charlottesville, VA
Mary E. Mondare, History; Oakland, NJ
Tiffany D. Monroe, Poli Sci; Alexandria, VA
Bryan C. Moran, Speech Comm; Phoenix, MD
Jason L. Morehouse, Music Ed; Denver, PA
Jenna M. Morgan, Music; Tulsa, OK

Melissa H. Morgan, Mass Comm; Warrenton, VA
William T. Morris, English; Harrisonburg, VA
Jessica L. Morse, Int Sci/MidEd; Charlottesville, VA
Mary R. Moseley, History; Williamsburg, VA
Roland E. Nave, Music Industry; Virginia Beach, VA
Lisa J. Neal, Art/Art History; Holland, PA
Lisa A. Newcomer, Interior Design; West Liberty, OH

Michael W. Nichols, English; Richmond, VA
Jerry M. Niedzialek, Mass Comm; Lambertville, MI
Kelly C. O'Connor, Sociology/SpEd; Warrenton, VA
Rachel A. Olenick, Art; Delafield, VA
Jennifer A. Orth, English/French; Gloucester, VA
Melissa L. Palladino, Mass Comm; Succasunna, NJ
Keri G. Pannell, English/MidEd; Long Island, VA

Christine A. Pardew, English/Spanish; Fallston, MD
Jennifer G. Park, Political Science; Bethesda, MD
George M. Parker, Music Ed; Hillsville, VA
Amy E. Parsons, English; Yardley, PA
Michele T. Parsons, Speech Comm; Alexandria, VA
Matt "Vane" Phillips, English; Baltimore, MD
Elizabeth A. Piggott, English; Grafton, VA

Jeffrey L. Pilon, Mass Comm; Parkton, MD
Christina J. Pirelli, MComm/Spanish; Burke, VA
Patrice C. Pleasant, Sociology; Hampton, VA
Mary C. Pontillo, Art; Alexandria, VA
Jocelyn K. Potts, Sociology; McLean, VA
Amanda J. Price, Spanish/Psyc; Fairfax, VA
Dianna M. Priest, Theatre; Manassas, VA

Wendy M. Quinn, Mass Comm; Burke, VA
Elizabeth H. Quirk, Public Admin; Wilmington, DE
Angela J. Rasmussen, Art; Charlottesville, VA
Jeffrey K. Raymond, English/Ed; Smithtown, NY
Tambra A. Reed, Speech Comm; Marietta, GA
Molly R. Reed, Political Science; Sterling, VA
Laura A. Rhoads, SMAD/Mus Ind; Hilton Head, SC

Jennifer A. Ribble, SMAD; Alexandria, VA
Joy E. Richardson, Speech Comm; Williamsburg, VA
Paul M. Richardson, Political Science; Springfield, VA
David R. Ritchie, Public Admin; Lake Ridge, VA
Jill C. Rix, SMAD; Millstone, NJ
April L. Roberts, Poli Sci/Int AFF; Chesapeake, VA
Suean E. Roberts, SMAD; Rural Retreat, VA

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I'm Legal

It's six o'clock on a Thursday night and you come home to an empty apartment. As you sit and eat your dinner in front of the TV, you wonder where all of your roommates are. All of a sudden it dawns on you. Your roommates are at the same place where many other 21-year-old students are—"dime drafts" at JM's. "Man, I can't wait until I'm finally 21," you think to yourself. It is a day that most college students have dreamt about since the middle of high school. While most students turned 21 during their senior year, some were lucky enough to have early birthdays, thus starting their legality while they were only juniors. "I thought it was . . . awesome, because I was the first one out of all of my friends to turn 21," said senior Julie Gass. The glory and splendor of turning 21 often came with its share of responsibilities; being the first of a group to turn 21 could be irritating when it came to waiting for younger friends to have birthdays. Many students eagerly anticipated the advantages of "being legal." Senior Todd Gerecke said, "When all you want is a nice, cold beer, you don't feel like fighting through a huge crowd to get to the keg, only to find out that it is already kicked." There are definite advantages to the whole bar scene. Most people enjoy being able to sit down at a table, have a nice conversation and enjoy a drink with friends. "There is nothing more nerve-racking than walking up to a bouncer and not knowing if he is going to turn you away in front of everyone," said senior Mandy Theobald. Turning 21 is definitely a special occasion. Most people celebrate this exciting day by exercising their right to purchase alcohol and go to bars. While many people may not "remember" their special birthday, the 21st is definitely a birthday that will not easily be surpassed.

by Vanessa Stanger

Enjoying the benefits of their new legality, April Peetz, Steve Bates, Maggie Palmer and Brendan Fraser help Brie Mountcastle commemorate her 21st birthday. With being able to drink legally, buy alcohol and to gamble, the event of turning 21 gave students new freedoms.

In the immortal words of Kool and the Gang, Nathan Risdal and Dave Billingslea enjoy their 21st birthdays with Preston Garcia because it's a "Celebration."
Better Late Than Never

ack in August 1993, the fifth-year students of today settled into life at college. Taylor Hall was in the final stages of completion, there was a crane in front of Carrier Library, one meal plan was offered and everyone had to take freshman seminar. We were different—excited, naive and a little bit thinner. Brian Collier remembers some of those differences. "Classes were much easier, but I got much worse grades." We had different focuses back then: joining new groups, staying up late, talking about weekend parties and figuring out what life was all about. Now, like Wade Hobbs says, "It's all about getting a job." Having spent over 20 percent of our lives in Harrisonburg, second and third-year seniors, like Paul Wash, "can't wait to get out!" Moira McCaffrey said, "It's weird having your close friends off working while you're still in class daydreaming about the future." Carter Robertson said, "It's funny being in school with people who were in the eighth grade when we graduated from high school." So we're going to work 39 years of our lives instead of 40; staying a fifth year is really no big deal. After all, the average student here graduates in four-and-a-half years ... we're just above average. While some of us are anxiously waiting to get out, most of us, like Stephen Jordan, will find ourselves "longing to be back in." Maybe we should have the attitude of Katt, a sixth-year student, who says college "is awesome, I never want to leave." Who knows, maybe some of us never will.

Fifth Year

Grilling out after working hard all summer as Orientation Assistants, grad student Drew Steljes and fifth-year student Kevin Chamberlin enjoy the end of a memorable summer. Staying an extra year gave students the chance to participate in more activities.
Jonathan W. Stewart, Hist/Anthro; Olney, MD
Susan H. Stewart, Music Perf; Silver Spring, MD
Laurie E. Stillman, Public Admin; Richmond, VA
Christy L. Stone, Speech Comm; Martinsville, VA
Judy M. Stone, Mass Comm; Harrisonburg, VA
Patricia M. Studebaker, Art; Herndon, VA
Karen L. Swartz, Interior Design; Richmond, VA
Megan M. Swifth, Anthro/SMAD; Flemington, NJ

Christopher T. Taylor, Hist/SecEd; Chesapeake, VA
Donna L. Taylor, English; Caret, VA
Ellen C. Taylor, Anthro/Geog; Fumville, VA
Jennifer L. Taylor, Mass Comm; Richmond, VA
Katherine L. Taylor, Music Ed; Staunton Draft, VA
Ida L. Tennant, French; Franconia, VA
Brian J. Thiele, Music Industry; Vienna, VA
Ryan V. Thompson, Speech Comm; Weston, CT

Kristyn N. Thurlow, Sociology; Skillman, NJ
Kendra M. Tingle, Art; Fairfax, VA
Brian L. Toalson, English/Psyc; Virginia Beach, VA
Jesse D. Tolleson, Political Science; Burke, VA
Peter H. Toomin, English; New City, NY
Flora L. Townes, SComm; Colonial Heights, VA
Kasandra L. Tranor, English; Randolph, NJ
Mary A. Tsi, English; Fairfax, VA

Jared E. Uetz, Speech Comm; Philadelphia, PA
Bryan J. VanWinkle, MComm; Woodbridge, VA
Neil W. VanRyper, Graphic Design; Wilmington, DE
Michelle A. Vertrees, Music Ed; Annandale, VA
Rebecca G. Viglione, Speech Comm; Earlysville, VA
Alisa M. Wagner, Interdisc Soc Science; Yardville, NJ
David S. Waldman, Speech Comm; Toms River, NJ
Julian T. Walker, MComm/Mas Ind; Richmond, VA

Stephen C. Walker, Graphic Design; Virginia Beach, VA
Christina A. Walsh, Interdisc Soc Sci/Psyc; Dayton, VA
Jessica M. Walsh, Interdisc Soc Science; Dayton, VA
Monica N. Waters, Music Industry; Springfield, VA
Cydania P. Waymer, MComm; North Babylon, NY
Dawn M. Weakley, Int Soc Science; Huntington, MD
Kenneth E. Weeks, Mass Comm; Hockessin, DE

Kristy M. Weeks, Mass Comm; Chesapeake, VA
Claire C. Welch, Music Ed; Springfield, NJ
S. Kyle Wesson, Hist/Public Admin; Midlothian, VA
Charlotte A. Whitesides, Art; Fredericksburg, VA
Katherine R. Wilhelm, History; Burke, VA
Holly L. Williams, English; Alexandria, VA
Katherine M. Williams, English; Leesburg, VA

Lori L. Williams, Socio/ECEd; Locust Grove, VA
Shannon T. Winston, Political Science; Alexandria, VA
Joanne Wolford, Socio/ECEd; Blacksburg, VA
Heather M. Wood, Political Science; Newtown, CT
Rachel C. Woodall, Mass Comm; Frederick, MD
Jessica H. Woodspowers, T&D; Harrisonburg, VA
Erica M. Wrenn, Political Science; Arrington, VA

Bridget A. Wunder, English; Lexington Park, MD
Maria T. Wasinch, Political Sc; Downingtown, PA
Casey Yu, Political Science; Waterford, CT
Hillary K. Zahn, English; Buffalo, NY
Daryl T. Zapoticzny, English; Sayreville, NJ
Benjamin M. Zimmerman, Music Ed; Hanover, PA
Aleksandra Zivotic, Int Affairs; Frankfurt, Germany

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Working Where?

ith graduation just around the corner for about a quarter of the student population, the world of work loomed even larger with each passing day for those foregoing or postponing graduate or professional school. For those who still had no inkling of how to find a job, the Office of Career Services made it easier by bringing the employers to campus with Career Day. Hundreds of employers and students gathered at the Convocation Center on October 25th to discuss employment and internship opportunities. Some companies came to entice the best and brightest CISAT and accounting majors with good job offers. “Half of the accounting majors have jobs before they come back for their last year,” said Kevin Murphy, who gained employment with Ernst and Young. Although business and technology firms constituted the majority of prospective employers, non-technical and non-business majors found several opportunities. The Naval Air Systems Command was recruiting all majors. “We provide an extensive three year training program for all kinds of majors,” said alumnus Jason Lev. Finally for those who weren’t quite sure where they wanted to work, Career Day was an opportunity to look at alternatives. “I’m just window shopping,” said senior CIS major Rick Linthicum. “I want something else besides consulting, and I’m looking at the pros and cons of a large firm versus a small one.”

by Tracey Sanford
College of Business

“I think people in the College of Business seem like they know what they want in life,” said international business major Latasha Brim. “What attracted me was that I thought there would be more job options available to me as a business major.” — For the 2,500 students who are majors in the College of Business, future job opportunities are a powerful attraction. Marketing major Britt Gillette noted that the College of Business "seems to do a good job placing students in jobs after they graduate." — “The quality of education [in the College of Business] translates into the quality of firms that recruit here,” said Associate Dean for Student Services Joyce Guthrie. “There are top firms from across all fields who actively recruit here, and the majority of our students go from here into the world of work before going to graduate school, at least for a few years.” — “Business seemed like it would give me broad enough knowledge to get a job,” said economics major Sean Slevin. — However, there are other benefits to being a College of Business major other than just the job potential. “The best thing about the College of Business? The little swivel chairs,” Gillette joked. “Seriously, I think it’s probably the professors.” — “Most of the professors seem like they’ve had a lot of experience, and they pass on a lot of valuable information to us,” said Brim. “They know their stuff, and they have a willingness to make sure we learn it so that we’ll know it when we get out there in the real world.” — Guthrie echoed this sentiment. “If you come into the building late in the evening or on a weekend, often you will see faculty helping students. These aren’t their office hours: this is their own time.” — “A lot of professors make an effort to get to know their students. I like that, especially in the really big classes,” said Slevin. — The College of Business has seen many recent changes, such as the changes in curriculum at the junior and senior level, and what Guthrie described as “a significant change in the structure of the college itself.” One of the things that came out of this restructuring was the Student Development Center, which opened in July of 1997. The purpose of SDC is to provide a single point of contact for (...continued on 126)

by Stephanie Lucas
College of Business

College of Business majors, other students, and prospective majors to get information about the College of Business, its curriculum, majors and programs. The SDC now provides such services as granting overrides, processing declaration of major and minor forms, pairing students with academic advisers and helping students find internship opportunities. Slevin says he has found the SDC "to be helpful to me the times I've gone to see them." — "The College of Business is one of those entities in the university that will always be changing," said Guthrie. "We're always looking for a better way to deliver the curriculum, a better way to run the college."

Leading

Practicing her communication skills, this student gives a presentation to the class.

Creating projects was one of many ways students prepared for the world of business.

Hanging Around

Getting in a little last-minute studying, Denise Chasseloup takes advantage of the many study rooms in Zane Showker to prepare for her test. No matter the time of day... or night, the study areas were in constant use.

Whether waiting for the bus or making plans with classmates, students spend time in the front lobby of Zane Showker. Many business courses required group work; as a result, the building's lobbies and lounges were often inhabited by collaborating students.
Christopher J. Cook, Finance; Manasquan, NJ
Brian A. Cooper, Accounting; Fredericksburg, VA
Heather A. Cruden, Comp Info Sys; Annandale, VA
Joy M. D’Agostino, Comp Info Sys; Vienna, VA

Michael A. D’Enore, Marketing; New Fairfield, CT
Christina L. Debnam, Accng Info Sys; Sterling, VA
Joseph A. DeCarlo, Comp Info Sys; Annandale, VA
Chirag B. Desai, Accounting; Ringwood, NJ

Kirstin M. Devon, Marketing; Fairfax, VA
Andrew L. DiMauro, Finance; Manassas, VA
Shea A. Dorsey, Management; Timberville, VA
Allyson V. Dostert, International Bus; Guilford, CT

Stephen A. Doyle, Marketing; Norfolk, VA
Daniel J. Duffy, Marketing; Wantagh, NY
Michael A. Evers, Management; Staunton, VA
Kristin A. Eckels, International Bus; Springfield, VA

Thomas R. Edwards, Finance; Fairfax, VA
Jeffrey A. Eggleston, Comp Info Sys; Endicott, NY
Bryan M. Eklund, Accounting; Annandale, VA
Jennifer A. Esser, Accounting; Mechanicsburg, PA

Peter Fagl, Quant. Fin/Econ; Lafayette, CA
Christopher M. Farrell, Econ/History; Hazlet, NJ
Todd A. Fleming, Marketing; Fredericksburg, VA
Micaela M. Foster, Marketing; Wilton, CT

Matthew B. Fragile, Marketing/Ed; Lewisburg, WV
Kara B. Francois, Marketing; Reston, VA
Chase R. Frederick, International Bus; Lafayette, LA
Christopher J. Friedli, Finance; Dinwiddie, VA

Ryan G. Gallagher, Finance; Ocean City, NJ
Robert F. Gallo, Management/Finance; Wyckoff, NJ
Benjamin D. Garbart, Fin/Comp Sci; Columbia, MD
Kevork B. Garmitian, Marketing; McLean, VA
Robert V. Garnett, Marketing; Midlothian, VA
Mark M. Gatesby, Comp Info Sys; Wilmington, DE
Mark C. Gerhart, Finance; Allentown, PA
Darren R. Gibbs, Finance; Yorktown, VA
Kimberly S. Gillette, Management; Manassas, VA
Mark A. Gladke, Marketing; Southington, CT
Kristen E. Glester, Finance; Mechanicsville, VA

William A. Gonzalez, Economics; Miami, FL
Dara G. Goodman, Finance; Montpelier, VA
Travis J. Grandson, Marketing; Chester, VA
Brian T. Grant, Economics; Johnson City, TN
Douglas K. Grantham, Marketing; Olney, MD
Elizabeth A. Hadley, Accounting; Alexandria, VA

Kirsten M. Hanson, Marketing; Springfield, VA
Eric F. Harding, Finance; Leesburg, VA
Jan E. Hass, Marketing; Alexandria, VA
Dennis Alan Haxton, Finance; Winchester, VA
Amy M. Hicks, Marketing; Bumpass, VA
Brandy R. Hilliard, Marketing; Stanley, VA
David E. Hirshman, Finance/CIS; Towson, MD

Marlyne H. Hodou, International Bus; Westbury, NY
Brian M. Holder, Finance; Middletown, MD
Corey R. Holeman, Fin/Econ; Halifax Co., VA
Laura A. Holland, Mktg/LIS; Stafford, VA
Rebecca L. Horst, Marketing; Arlington, VA
Alison J. Horton, Finance; Hamden, CT
Kasey E. Howard, Finance/CIS; Derwood, MD

D. Chadwick Horbe, H&T Mgmt; Front Royal, VA
Cynthia L. Hughes, Accounting; Centreville, VA
Lawrence F. Hunt, Finance; Dumont, NJ
David M. Hutton, Management; Woodstock, VA
Timothy E. Indoe, Management; Warwick, NY
Steven Jakobovic, Finance; Winchester, VA
Steven D. James, Management; Richmond, VA

John A. Jirout, International Bus; North Brunswick, NJ
William G. Johnson, Finance; Sugar Grove, VA
William Allan Jones, Actg/Music; Alexandria, VA
Anne Marie J. Jordan, Comp Info Sys; Springfield, VA
Jeff W. Judy, Comp Info Sys; Forest Hill, MD
Jaime M. Keddie, Accounting; Fredericksburg, VA
Lauretta L. Kozzi, Accounting; Fogelsville, PA

Harry J. Kraeter, Finance/CIS; Smithtown, NY
Whitney E. Kraich, International Bus; Garrett Park, MD
Jason "Bart" Kreps, Finance; Williamsburg, VA
Samrit Kumar, Finance; Alexandria, VA
Allison K. Lacey, Management; Arlington, VA
Stephen M. Lamontagne, H&T Mgmt; Springfield, VA
David E. Lawno, Finance; Oakland, NJ

Olivia P. Lawton, Marketing; Woodbridge, VA
Song H. Lee, Marketing; Dale City, VA
Petra P. Lehtinen, International Bus; Helsinki, Finland
Kristi L. Levin, Bus/SPAN; North Potomac, MD
W. Austin Lewis, Finance/Econ; Richmond, VA
Maria L. Lindroos, International Bus; Virginia Beach, VA
Christopher D. Lively, Comp Info Sys; Hampton, VA

Classes
The Semester in D.C.

This is the story of 21 virtual strangers who were picked to live in Washington, D.C. to see what would happen when people stop being regular students and start being surreal. Well, maybe that's not exactly what happened, but it's pretty close. The Political Science Department instituted its inaugural Semester in D.C. in the spring of 1997 and although the going was tough, most who participated agree that through all the sweat and tears, they would do it again. — While taking a challenging course load which tackled vital issues of the day and was taught by seasoned adjunct faculty and semester adviser Dr. Charles Blake, students also worked at internships, some full-time and most unpaid. Contrary to popular belief, all students who attended were not 'policy wonks' or future politicians. Many students worked on Capitol Hill for various members of Congress, senators and congressional committees, but a few did not. — Senior Carissa Nicely worked for the American Council of Teachers of Russian, a small international student exchange program under the auspices of the U.S. Information Agency. Nicely, a major in political science and Russian language, wanted to learn more about Russian culture and people. Others worked at the Department of Justice, U.S. News and World Report and Public Citizen, a congressional watchdog group. — Most students agreed that these internships were invaluable for the experience they received, experience that they might not have gained otherwise. Dr. Blake agreed, “Our students worked very hard in a wide variety of challenging internships in the District. I was pleased to see that their achievements were appreciated by their work supervisors.” Senior Valarie Makarewicz summed up the experience with the overriding sentiment, “It was the toughest semester I’ve had at JMU, but I’d do it again in a minute.”

by Tracey Sanford

Learning more than she could in any class, Tracey Sanford interns with Congressman Frank Mascera. Participants in the Political Science Department’s D.C. semester interned in Congressional offices, at the Department of Justice, at U.S. News and World Report and with Public Citizen, a congressional watchdog group.
Alcohol and smoking are two of the biggest problems facing college students. As a response to these problems, the university designated two weeks to teach the campus about these issues. Alcohol Awareness Week and the Great American Smokeout forced the community to realize the effects of alcohol and smoking through a wide range of activities. — Alcohol Awareness Week asked everyone to “Get a Handle On It.” The week included various programs to show different aspects of drinking. Activities included a Jaws of Life demonstration, a car smash and the Alternatives to Drinking Fair, two presentations and a block party. Throughout the entire week, information booths were set up as places to give students a chance to pledge sobriety. Students created paper bricks about positive and negative effects of alcohol, building a wall along the inside of the post office area in Warren Hall. Alcohol Awareness Week culminated with the distribution of cups, candy and raffle prizes. The goal of Alcohol Awareness Week was to teach students about the physical and social effects of drinking and the legal consequences they may face if caught under the influence. “We recognize that to drink or not is an individual’s choice,” said Marjorie Podraza, senior chief executive officer of Alcohol Awareness Week. “Our mission is to promote safe, responsible behavior because we care about each other and ourselves.” — “Kick the Butt” this was the theme of the Great American Smokeout. The mission of the week was to improve and protect the health of the community by promoting the prevention and cessation of smoking. The Great American Smokeout included supportive events including a health fair, speakers Daisy VanPelt and Dr. Mark Warner, an adopt-a-smoker program, aerobics activities at UREC and information tables on the Commons. This year’s Great American Smokeout was designed to be different than other smoking awareness programs in that it promoted the prevention and cessation of smoking through positive activities that would support and encourage both smokers and non-smokers who have friends or relatives who smoke. The goal of the Great American Smokeout was to provide alternative activities to smoking and offer smokers support and resources to quit successfully. — Alcohol Awareness Week and the Great American Smokeout taught the college community about the consequences of alcohol and smoking. These two weeks of events were made possible by the hard work of the students in Health Program Planning, the University Health Center, UPB, SGA, the American Cancer Society and the John D. Eiland, Co.

by Shannon Hoard, Tristie Reed & Nicole McHenry
At Ease

After spending years with their noses in books, seniors found that motivation to study became more of a struggle than ever before. Distractions were everywhere, coming from job searches, resume building, and bonding with friends they'd soon be leaving. Some seniors fought through the distractions while others decided to take their final year in stride. — Chris DiSano was a senior who put studying aside, but wasn't worried about his GPA falling. — "Once you're a senior, your semester grades are a lot less likely to bring down your GPA, so you just stop trying," DiSano said. "As long as you get better than a 1.8, then you can graduate." — DiSano seemed confident that he would pass his classes and graduate on time although he said he was struggling to pass his sign language class. — Senior Max Finazzo’s study habits were opposite to those of DiSano. Finazzo, who planned to graduate in December of 1998, studied harder his senior year. — "Now that I’m a senior, I study more," Finazzo said. — Although Finazzo spent less time with his friends and more time in the library, he realized he'd miss them a lot after graduation. — "It [will be] sad to see all of my friends leave," Finazzo said. — Vice president of the student body, Andrew Sorenson was a senior on the ball with his studies, he felt his study habits suited the amount of work he took on. — "I believe my study habits are adequate for the goals and needs that I set before myself," Sorenson said. — So when it came to studying, some seniors were slacking, some were applying themselves even more and some were studying as they had all along.

by Jackie Cisternino and Jen Tota

Hiding away on the stacks, this student does some preliminary research for a paper. Carrier Library provided students with a wide range of studying options from study carrels to isolated sofas to private rooms for grad students and group work.

Soaking up the rays, this student uses his free time between classes to read. On warm days, the Quad was often covered with students studying, yet many students found their own private study area within the nooks and crannies of buildings.

College of Business
Between Classes

Between classes and after a hard day’s work, many students enjoyed relaxing in the unique atmosphere offered by Taylor Down Under. With the newly added computers, donated by Dining Services, e-mail and the internet became more accessible in addition to other services provided by the Center for Off-Campus Living. — Corner Pocket, TDU’s gameroom, offered students a place to shoot pool, play video games, air hockey or electronic shuffleboard. “One option offered to students here are trick-shot demos from time to time,” said senior Tellas Minor, a TDU employee, about the shuffleboard game. — On Tuesdays, Open Mic Night provided the opportunity for students to perform and display their talents. Other live performances also took place, including comedy acts, poetry readings and jazz concerts. — Students could stop in any time and enjoy snacks from the TDU coffee bar. “The maple walnut muffins are my favorite,” said senior James Cosgrove. — Sophomore Jessica Lee said, “It’s a great place to enjoy a hot chocolate with a friend after a long day. I just love the relaxed atmosphere.” — Off-campus students could obtain UDAP contracts, work out tenant-landlord problems and get answers for general off-campus living questions at the Center for Off-Campus Living, also located in TDU.

by Carrie McCabe & Kelley Neubert

Open Mic

Taking part in Open Mic Night, Jason Misterka, Rick Hill and T.J. Johnson perform for a small audience. TDU was open weekdays from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. in addition to weekend hours. The coffeeshouse served as an on-campus hangout with a variety of entertainment in addition to being a place to meet up with friends.

Peace & Quiet

Taking advantage of the quiet atmosphere in TDU, International faculty member Jacqueline Couri grabs a bite to eat while finishing up some work. The coffee bar not only served coffee but also served other beverages and pastries.
During breaks between classes, Elizabeth Hagan and Angela Cabral share some news and conversation. Taylor Down Under was often the site for meeting up with someone for coffee or spend free time.

At Corner Pocket, these students play an intense game of checkers. Corner Pocket offered board games, ping pong, darts and table soccer, in addition to billiards.
ultivating the development of leadership, social and professional skills through a wide variety of programs, the College of Education and Psychology consists of the School of Education, the Psychology Department, the Kinesiology Department, the Military Science Department, and the Bachelor of Individualized Study program. "The main objective of the college is to provide excellent undergraduate and graduate academic programs," said Dr. A. Jerry Benson, dean of the College of Education and Psychology. "Many of our academic programs are professional programs, so the goal there is to prepare individuals for the profession they will be entering." The college strives to simulate a work environment while students are working on their major. This is evident through the field placements and internship possibilities available to students. There are also a number of service centers, including the Educational Media Labs and the Reading Center, which complement the focus of the college's mission.

In order to prepare for professions in various fields, students had to complete certain academic requirements before graduation. Several opportunities were offered by the College of Education and Psychology to give students first-hand experience in their field. As an early childhood education minor, junior Caroline Davenport completed a practicum at a local elementary school. She attended the school twice a week to work with a class and by the end of the semester, she had developed a wonderful relationship with the kids. "The skills I learned were incredible," she said. "But the best thing about the practicum was that it reinforced that being a teacher is what I really want to do." Students involved with the College of Education and Psychology also had the opportunity to partake in student organizations related to the various academic programs. The Student Education Association, Psi Chi (national honor society for psychology), Chi Sigma Iota (national honor society for counselors), Phi Epsilon Kappa (the kinesiology honor society) and the ROTC Rangers were just a few of the options for interested students. "Psi Chi does community service for Mercy House and places around Harrisonburg, as well as things for the..." (continued on 138)

by Carrie McCabe
College of Education & Psychology...

Psychology Department,” said Psi Chi Vice President Danielle Bourgault. Phi Epsilon Kappa is dedicated to working within the Kinesiology Department and with faculty members. “PEK gives you a chance to get to know the professors you will be working with throughout your college career,” said member Suzanne Porter. One thing that sets the College of Education and Psychology apart from other colleges is that it offers the greatest number of graduate programs, according to Dr. Benson. The College of Education and Psychology also emphasizes excellence and development in teaching. “You will find a dedicated faculty who support and challenge each other to always be developing in their teaching,” said Dr. Benson. The College of Education and Psychology also offers the university’s first doctoral program. Just two years old, the program has already been accredited by the American Psychological Association, quite a feat, according to Dr. Benson. The JMU Doctoral Program in Clinical, School, and Counseling Psychology awards the Doctorate of Psychology degree to those who complete it.

T.aking part in a fencing class, one of many kinesiology courses, Eve Drewry prepares for the next attack. Kinesiology majors chose one of five concentrations in addition to the basic core classes.

Completed in 1972, Godwin Hall contains the kinesiology department offices and classrooms. It was also home to intercollegiate athletics offices, Savage Natatorium, Sinclair Gymnasium.

Armed with complex slide presentations, videos, and music, Dr. James Butler keeps his Psychology 101 students awake and interested. While it was one of many choices in the Liberal Studies and General Education programs, Butler’s class proved to be one of the most popular.
Reinée A. Kissinger, Psy/CSC; Virginia Beach, VA
Nicole J. Klein, Psychology; E. Windsor, NJ
Dawn M. Klimmek, Psychology; Charlottesville, VA
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Lauren M. Marcello, Psy/CSC; Hauppauge, NY

Jennifer L. Marold, Psychology; Burlington, MA
Vickie R. Marshall, Psychology; Catlett, VA
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Christina M. Neill, Psychology; Hockessin, DE

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Valuable Lesson

As everyone knows, the lessons that one learns in a classroom are radically different from those mastered from hands-on experiences in realistic settings and situations. The School of Education is well aware of the importance of these experiences in which students can apply, practice and develop their teaching skills. — The early childhood, middle, secondary, and art and music education programs require all students to participate in a student teaching practicum. As senior Keri Rumerman said, “This is an excellent hands-on way of preparing future teachers because the practicum teacher has so much to offer.” — Early childhood education (grades preschool-third grade) students participate in a number of various practicums and student teaching experiences. These teachers-to-be tutor second grade students, and they aid kindergarten, first, second and third grade teachers in their classrooms. Megan McDermott, a senior in early childhood education, said, “My first semester practicum was in a kindergarten class, and I really learned a lot from my experience there. Both the teachers and all the diverse children helped teach me how to run my own classroom in the future.” — As part of the early childhood education minor, each student spends a semester at the Young Children’s Program interacting with preschoolers. During their final semester, these students student teach. The early childhood education students acquire various and extensive practical experiences because their program is four semesters long. — The middle education program (grades four through eight) is similar to the early childhood program in the amount of time the students spend in the classroom with children. Most of their practical experiences are similar and their final semester in the program also consists of student teaching. — The secondary education program, however, does not allow students to spend a great deal of time in the high school classroom before graduating. Students in this program begin with a practicum in a high school class and assist participating teachers in subjects they aspire to teach. — Senior Dena Soled said, “It is a combination of age and knowledge of subject matter,” referring to why secondary education students are involved in fewer practicums than the early and middle education students. — Although most students in the programs student teach in Rockingham County, these future educators will be qualified to apply for positions anywhere in Virginia.

by Audra Fraunfelder

Modern after an elementary school classroom, this room in Roop Hall is where the educators of the future learn their trade. Education students were required to spend one semester student teaching to gain the invaluable experience necessary.
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Chris Ahrweiler, Comp Sci/BIS; Adm; Harrisonburg, VA
Jennifer A. Alexander, Nursing; Savannah, GA
Lauri F. Aikin, Nursing; Harrisonburg, VA
Kristopher J. Andersen, Geog Info Sys; Califon, NJ
Elizabeth H. Bagwell, Social Work; Halifax, VA
Robin L. Bailey, Social Work; Roanoke, VA

John C. Bartus, ISAT; Burke, VA
Gary L. Basnett, ISAT; Manassas, VA
Jan-Henning Becker, Comp Sci; Warburg, Germany
Lori J. Benjamin, Comm Sci & Dis; Sterling, VA
Peter A. Berger, ISAT; Severna Park, MD
Jacqueline T. Berkey, Health Sciences; Myersville, MD
Christopher M. Bibro, Health Sciences; Oakton, VA

Denise M. Blais, Health Sciences; Woodbridge, VA
Dana L. Blankenship, Speech Pathology; Franklin, VA
Kari A. Bonomo, Dietetics; Zelienople, PA
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Andrea Burkart, Comp Sci; Harrisonburg, VA
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Bart C. Delaney, Comm Sci & Dis; Fairfax, VA
Christina DeRose, Speech Pathology; Towson, MD
Michael A. Dimartula, Comp Sci; Arlington, VA
Laura J. Down, Health Sciences; Medford, NJ

Cheryl L. Dunahay, Health Sciences; Centreville, VA
Rebecca W. Edmonds, Nursing; Fairfield, CT
Amy E. Edwards, Comm Sci & Dis; Smithfield, VA
Christopher T. Edwards, ISAT; Fredricksburg, VA
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Christina J. Emerson, Nursing; Severna Park, MD
Shannon E. Emory, ISAT; Burke, VA

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College of Integrated Science & Technology

change: nowhere is this word more evident than in the College of Integrated Science and Technology. In 1989, a report called "A Case for Change" was presented, requesting new ways of implementing innovation for the coming century. Reaching above and beyond this request, CISAT entered its fourth academic year in 1997 with a wide range of majors in the fields of health sciences, communication sciences, social work, computer science and geographic technology in addition to general integrated science and technology. — Although the programs were relatively new, a general feeling of satisfaction was evident around CISAT. Junior Wes Colton, an integrated science and technology major, said, "ISAT has provided me with a wide variety of subjects and interest levels as well as very knowledgable faculty. No other major provides students with so many opportunities and career fields to choose from." — Ray Potter, a junior, agreed. "Not only is the ISAT program rewarding academically, it has provided the chance to build wonderful relationships," he said. — CISAT students got to know each other well as they traveled the long road to the other side of Interstate 81, via bus, foot or automobile. The transition from having classes in trailers to the new building brought with it a sense of pride that was evident at the dedication on October 3. — Junior ISAT major Chris Cosgriff said, "Through the use of teamwork, ISAT students build very strong bonds with each other which last a lifetime. The opportunities which ISAT has created for us are endless." — Within the ISAT major, students gained a broad knowledge of basic science, technology and business. In their junior year, students chose their concentration from six main sectors: engineering and manufacturing, information knowledge management, energy, biotechnology, environment, and instrumentation and management. — Computer science majors gained backgrounds in different programming languages and learned current computing technologies. Graduate courses were offered along with several concentrations. — Through the School of Health and

by Leah Bailey, Becky Lillard & Rachel Roswal

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CISAT Building and Labs

Having officially opened in the fall, the CISAT building completes the first phase of the planned campus across Interstate 81. It housed the offices of the provost and the faculty in addition to classrooms and labs. (...continued on 144)
Human Services, students worked specifically toward Bachelor of Science degrees in communication sciences and disorders, health sciences, nursing or social work. All four departments emphasized hands-on and professional training. The Nursing Department accepted about 45 students at the junior level this year after a competitive admission process, while the Social Work Department accepted majors at any point in their college careers. A major in geography, emphasizing computer-based study, was offered through the Center for Geographic Information Science. The major was designed to correspond with a variety of majors and concentrations to satisfy career objectives. With the continuous change in the technological world, there is a need for individuals who understand the interdependence between specialists and integrators. It is the goal of CISAT to prepare students to fulfill this need.

Whatever their major, CISAT students benefited from the new computer labs and equipment. The computer science major was the most computer-intensive, yet each major in the college used computers extensively.

Looking up through the main tower of the new CISAT building, one gets a different view of the modern structure. Incorporating much glass and many open areas, the building added to the innovative nature of the college.
Sharon N. Estock, Speech Path/Psy: Tampa, FL
Katherine C. Farrell, Dietetics: Mendham, NJ
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Laura M. Fleming, Health Sciences: Ijamsville, MD

Kendal L. Flohr, Health Sci/Pre-PT; Virginia Beach, VA
Stephanie L. Forest, Nursing; Woodbridge, VA
Brandon T. Frank, ISAT; Sellersville, PA
Andrea M. Frederick, Comm Sci & Dis: West Chester, PA

Ellen M. Freisen, Comm Sci & Dis; Westfield, NJ
Randall M. French, Health Services Admin: Lynchburg, VA
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Julie L. Greer, Speech Path/Spec Ed; Columbia, MD
Becky L. Griesse, Health Sciences: Annandale, VA

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Stephanie M. Johnson, Comm Sci & Dis; Wyoming, DE
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Kristen E. McGuirk, Speech Path; Massapequa, NY
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Matthias Menke, Comp Sci; Hildesheim, Germany
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Melissa L. Miller, Social Work; Penn Laid, VA
Neelha D. Miller, Nursing; Bridgewater, VA
Jennifer L. Moran, Hh Sci/Bio; Mechanicsville, VA
Matthew D. Morgan, ISAT; Waynesboro, VA

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Merry Graduation

Although it was cold outside, the thousands of people gathered in the Convocation Center were warm with emotion. Over 600 seniors turned their tassels on December 12, 1997 and joined JMU's 50,000 plus alumni. — These students decided to graduate in December for different reasons. Some completed their college careers early while others stayed for an extra semester to finish up those final classes. — No matter what the reason, it was obvious by the look on the graduates' and parents' faces that this was an exciting time. These students were completing one circle of their lives only to begin a new one. They were moving on to graduate school, families and jobs. Junior Melinda Genua had mixed emotions as she watched some of her Delta Gamma sisters graduate. "I was excited for them, but at the same time [I was] sad because it meant they were leaving." — Dr. Rose, the acting president at the time, delivered the commencement address. He stressed the importance of education in our society and wished the graduates well as they moved on to the next phase of their lives. — After the commencement address, the different colleges announced their graduates' names as they walked across the stage. — For everyone who looked on, there were a lot of intense feelings. Junior Dana Berle passed out programs at the ceremony and had the opportunity to see the excitement that filled the Convocation Center. "I saw alumni come back just to watch their friends graduate." It was an emotional time as these graduates came full circles in their college careers.

by Kristy Weeks

Waiting for their names to be called, these December graduates are full of pride and excitement. Over 600 students graduated as the last installment of the Class of 1997 during the 2 hour ceremony. Being congratulated by Dr. Carrier, this student crosses the stage to receive her diploma. As their names were read, graduates shook hands with the dean of their respective college and Dr. Carrier.
All in a Hall

All first-year students must live in university-sponsored housing their freshman year. After that year, some choose to continue living in the residence halls while others choose the off-campus experience. Those who return to on-campus life do so for a variety of reasons. Some appreciate the convenience of being close to their classes and dining services. Others enjoy avoiding the monthly bills associated with an off-campus lease. But overall, most resident students find it comforting to have a community of peers living with them in their hall. — I chose to live on campus for all four of my years here. Why? I did like the convenience, but, most of all, I enjoyed the company. I was a hall director for the last two years, so I knew a lot about the community aspect of residence life. Every hall staff is given the mission of building a community, which usually happens automatically. Each resident counts, and each has an impact on the sense of community that develops on their floor and within their hall. The role of a staff member is to foster that community atmosphere by encouraging each resident to contribute the best of themselves. — Of course, I may be biased, but I believe hall staff members are some of the most dedicated individuals on campus. Staff members attempt to balance their academic workloads, their job requirements and their personal affairs, working where they live. It is a very challenging yet rewarding opportunity. Looking back on his three years as a hall staff member, Bryan Buser said, “My job has allowed me to foster many relationships with people that I might have missed had I moved off campus. I get paid to meet people and to try to help make a difference in their lives. I wouldn’t have traded my four years on campus for anything.” — Casey Yu, a senior who lived and worked in a first-year hall for four years, credited the energy of staff and residents as the reason she chose to be a part of residence life. “Seeing students develop from the first day to the last and all of the stumbling blocks in between is perhaps one of the most fascinating things there is.” Jaime Lykes said she enjoyed living and working in Shorts Hall because “energy fills first-year halls as everyone meets new people, adjusts to college and figures out who they are.” — Chuck Ainsworth encouraged resident students to take some risks. He took his hallmates on rappelling trips to Luray and Raven’s Roost, on ski trips to Massanutten and on face-stuffing missions to Fat Boys’ Pork Palace in Brandywine, West Virginia. “Interacting with an amazing group of hallmates has made my time here extremely fulfilling,” he said. — Residence hall students are surrounded by peers of different races, religions, personalities and lifestyles. This environment stimulates development within the individual student. Sangita Patel was involved with residence life for five years and reveled in being able to watch the growth and transformation of so many students as they experienced living in an integrated and breathing community. “I prefer being in the loop of change rather than watching it through the looking-glass.” — Keith Humphrey summed up the sentiments of many residence life staff when he said, “We like to see the excited faces on check-in day and the sad faces on check-out day.”

by Bill Fox

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Sara L. Morgan, Health Sci; Severna Park, MD
Jennell D. Morris, Hhs Sci/Adm/Bus; Washington, D.C.
Tamesha D. Morris, Hhs Sci/Biology; Louisa, VA
Katherine A. Mullarky, Health Sci; Dumfries, VA
Stefanie A. Mumpower, ISAT; Columbia, MD
Brad M. Napol, ISAT; Cherry Hill, NJ
Charissa A. Newcomer, Speech Path; Fredericksburg, VA

Kelly M. O’Brien, Nursing; Absecon, NJ
Hope U. Okorenswo, Computer Science; Nigeria
Sacha M. Ostrof, Health Sciences; Newport News, VA
Sacha M. Ostrof, Health Sciences; Newport News, VA

Eric A. Payne, Health Sciences; Waynesboro, VA
Seth K. Peitler, ISAT; Ridgefield, CT
Autumn L. Peraldo, Nursing; Charlottesville, VA
Tara E. Perilla, Dietetics/Pre-FT; Allentown, PA
Tiffany L. Peterson, Soc Work/Theatre; Blacksburg, VA
Brian E. Petrine, Health Sciences; Yorktown, VA
Todd A. Pickens, Hhs Sci/Athletic Trng; Yorktown, VA

Tara L. Powers, Health Sciences; Allenwood, NJ
Nathaniel C. Puffer, ISAT; Kings Park, NY
Kristie G. Pugh, Hhs Sci/Ath Trng; Charlottesville, VA
Ramel S. Pugh, Computer Science; Rausburg, VA
Rosalind B. Puffer, Hh Serv Admin; Williamsburg, VA
Laurie J. Pullin, Comm Sci & Dis; Hockessin, DE
Jens M. Quast, Comp Sci; Wupperul, Germany

Michael R. Radkowsky, Comp Sci; Richmond, VA
Jolanta A. Raraiczak, ISAT; Virginia Beach, VA
Bryan S. Redding, Social Science; Virginia Beach, VA
Tristie Reed, Health Services Admin; Yorktown, VA
Rebecca A. Rehm, Speech Path; Charlottesville, VA
Gary L. Riddle, Hhs Services Admin; Springfield, VA
Drew M. Rodenberger, Hhs Sci/Pre-PT; Reading, PA

Angelica L. Rodgers, ISAT; Dundalk, MD
Amy E. Rohrbough, Dietetics; Reston, VA
Brandon M. Roy, ISAT; Sterling, VA
Martin Rosenau, Comp Sci; Githorn, Germany
Kimberly P. Scarborough, CSD; Matawan, NJ
Erin E. Schaeffer, Nursing; Wilmington, DE
Amanda D. Schell, Soc. Work; Virginia Beach, VA

Douglas R. Schiele, ISAT; Flanders, NJ
Pamela Jo Schirle, Speech Pathology; Allendale, NJ
Tricia A. Schmidt, Public Health; East Northport, NY
Misty R. Schreiner, Nursing; Weyers Cave, VA
John C. Schultheiss, Hhs Sci/Ath Trng; Hampton, VA
James P. Schweitzer, ISAT; Clifton, VA
Amy E. Singer, ISAT; Severna Park, MD

Renee D. Sensabaugh, Nursing; Staunton, VA
Scott C. Sertar, ISAT; Herndon, VA
Jason E. Seyler, ISAT; Chesapeake, VA
Karrie A. Shelton, Health Sciences; Palmyra, PA
Aminah J. Singleton, CSD/Telescope; Chesapeake, VA
Dena K. Slate, Speech Pathology; Front Royal, VA
Douglas A. Smith, Computer Science; Milford, DE

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During their cross-country trip to California, seniors Gail Marhefka, Kristen Daugherty and Anne Bramblett stop to hike and take in the scenery at Ft. Collins, Colo. International and cross-country trips were part of many students' plans during their summer, spring break and graduation trips.

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Yield to Nothing

our bags are packed, you check your watch, your roommate gets out of class in exactly three minutes. “Pick me up outside of class,” you remember her saying. You check your car; you have all of your favorite CDs, a change of clothes and lunch from Dukes. It’s Friday afternoon, and it’s road trip time. As freshmen, we said good-bye to our high school buddies, not with tears in our eyes, but with the anticipation of the numerous road trips we can make to our new schools. Senior Melissa Morgan remembers her first road trip to UVA. “We had been at school for about a month and a half, and five friends of mine who lived in Hillside all had best friends who went to UVA, so we packed up some necessities and headed off to Charlottesville.” Visiting friends isn’t the only reason to embark on a road trip. Many students use weekends or extended breaks to follow their favorite bands. Junior Jed Warlow remembers his trip with his two best friends to see Phish at Madison Square Garden on New Year’s Eve. Even though he insists on it being one of the best shows he’s ever seen, “it wasn’t just the music, it was the people I traveled with that made it memorable.” Road trips aren’t always about destination, though. — Senior Christina Davies commented on going to one of the biggest parties of the year, Mardi Gras. “Road trips have to be the coolest things in the world; good music and lots of good conversation.” Although New Orleans was an incredible city to her, it was the bond with her three companions that she would never forget. — The friendships that we develop during our four, five or even six years of college are intense and everlasting. One way to seal the bonds of friendship is to hop in a car, grab a camera and set off into the sunset. Though this may seem like a romantic notion of a bonding session, sometimes road trips can change people’s lives and bring them closer to knowing themselves and their friends, something four years in college can’t always do. — To every good road trip, there is a sense of anticipation of finally returning home. We take these bonds that we have made with other people, and we take the beautiful scenery of sunsets over Lake Tahoe, the beaches of the East Coast, the parties at other friends’ schools, and savor them. These friends and these moments are what make college life memorable.

by Anne Bramblett

Peking

Performing their rendition of the Rice-A-Roni commercial, Gail Marhefka and Kristen Daughterty ride one of the many trolleys in San Francisco. While most students traveled within Virginia, a few ventured out of the state for different adventures.

Club Outing

In the midst of their rigorous cave exploration, the swim team pauses to rest before going further. Many clubs and organizations took road trips to various locations ranging from Massanutten to Kings Dominion to Washington, D.C.
Sarah A. Agness, Biology; Beavercreek, OH
Jessica I. Alverson, Biology/Med. Tech; Carlisle, PA
Nailla Alam, Bio/Pre-Pharmacy; Harrisonburg, VA
Amanda L. Baharji, Biology/Pre-PT/Newark, DE
Elizabeth A. Bagby, Biology; Reston, VA
Charles N. Ballantine, Chem/SciEd; Norcross, GA

Paul J. Baumgartner, Biology; Centreville, VA
Caspar G. Boekhoudt, Biology; Aruba/Dutch Caribbean
Holly E. Boone, Math; Rock Gap, VA
Linda C. Burnette, Math/Statistics; Chester, VA
Brian A. Carey, Biology; Alexandria, VA
Leann E. Chandler, Biology; Harrisonburg, VA
Karen A. Christopher, Biology; Fairfax Station, VA

Luciana C. Cima, Biology/Med. Tech; Altavista, VA
Theresa M. Coker, Biology; Virginia Beach, VA
Erhan B. Collier, Biology; Stafford, VA
Samantha Conway, Math; Springfield, VA
Jan W. Coulson, Math; Hanover, PA
Keith M. Cox, Chemistry/Math; Roanoke, VA
Anirban Das, Biology; Atlanta, GA

William S. Devers, Bio/Pre-PT/Pre-Phys Sci; Springfield, VA
Emmanuel A. Dimaano, Biology; Virginia Beach, VA
Ahmad R. Ellis, Biology; Fairfax, VA
Todd M. Gerecke, Biology; Marlton, NJ
Dana M. Gorman, Bio/Pre-PT; East Brunswick, NJ
Peter M. Gray, Biology; Woodbridge, VA
Emily B. Guss, Biology; Sinking Spring, PA

Shusei Hamamichi, Biology; Harrisonburg, VA
Anne-Marie Hanson, Biology; Lynchburg, PA
Ashley A. Harchwick, Biology; Midlothian, VA
Andrew R. Hawkins, Biology/Pre-Med; Millisville, MD
Alley C. Jackson, Math; Charlottesville, VA
Brent E. Johnson, Geology; Prince George, VA
Jenniffer L. Johnson, Biology; Fairfax, VA

Brian M. Jones, Chemistry; Richmond, VA
Martha L. Jones, Math; Lynchburg, VA
LaTanya A. Keene, Biology; Hampton, VA
Brian L. Kerns, Biology; Midlothian, VA
Kevin S. Knieter, Chemistry; Medford, NJ
Margery A. Kocckert, Chemistry; Richmond, VA
Kevin R. Kruer, Chemistry; Fort Washington, MD

Jennifer A. Lee, Chemistry; Dumfries, VA
Christian M. Loch, Biology; Virginia Beach, VA
Stefan P. Lucyshyn, Chemistry; Burke, VA
Jason B. Marcus, Biology; Fredericksburg, VA
Ian P. McCrone, Biology; Saddle Brook, NJ
Eric G. Meyn, Geology; Northport, NY
Stacy E. Morgen, Biology; Tabernacle, NJ

Jeffrey D. Nalewanko, Biology; Moscow, PA
Allison C. Necaise, Biology; Seafoad, VA
Bridget E. OLaughlin, Biology; Warrenton, VA
Janet C. Olchowicz, Chemistry; Milltown, NJ
Kerry M. Owens, Biology; Gainesburg, MD
Thomas W. Pendenet, Math; Roanoke, VA
Eugenia D. Puppin, Biology; Mouth of Wilson, VA
College of Science & Math

Composed of the departments of biology, chemistry, geology, physics and mathematics, the College of Science and Mathematics, headed by Interim Dean Dr. Norman E. Garrison, also offered pre-professional programs in dentistry, pharmacy, veterinary medicine and physical therapy. Several student and faculty organizations and clubs were available to students to further both their education and personal growth. The Biology Department grew larger with the declaration of more majors within the department. The Physics Department underwent some trying times in years past but has continued to allow students the flexibility to choose courses which best prepare them for post-graduate careers. The Math Department has taught students that math is a universal language which cuts across all boundaries of class, culture and time. The Mathematics Club promoted interest in math and social interaction among students and faculty. An interdisciplinary honors course entitled “Life Beyond Earth” was taught for the first time in the fall by Dr. Ingham, professor of physics. Senior biology major Amy Schrecengost said, “This course is challenging because it encompasses different fields of science. The class covers a unique academic topic which promotes much discussion.” The Geology Department, although relatively small, has continued to provide an excellent education to both majors and minors. The summer geology field program has been running since 1978, and over 500 geology majors from 60 different colleges around the country have graduated from the program. Dr. Lance Kearns has taught this special program for several years. “The JMU Geology Field Program is a great opportunity to apply classroom knowledge to the natural world and to gain experience for future employment,” said senior Darren Shelhamer, a geology major. The Chemistry Department has provided theoretical and practical instruction in the field of chemistry for its students for many years. This past year, the Chemistry Department sponsored an undergraduate research program for students over a ten week period in the summer. The students worked under the direction of a professor and conducted full-time independent research. (...continued on 154)

by Dan Tarkenton

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Alpha Chi Sigma, the chemistry fraternity, was open to students who wished to participate in the advancement of chemistry as both a science and a profession. The campus chapter of AXΣ was established in April 1991. —

Alpha Epsilon Delta is the pre-medical honors society. Pre-med wasn't offered as a major but as a pre-professional intention only. Ahmad Ellini was the AEΔ President for the past year. Ellini, a biology major, said, "The fraternity has really increased in membership primarily because of the large influx of sophomores and freshmen in the past year." Last spring, AEΔ, in conjunction with the Office of the President, brought in the president-elect of the American Medical Association, Dr. Percy Wootton, to give a presentation. The pre-medical society promotes both scholarship and community service because of its prevalent role in physician's work. — The College of Science and Mathematics continues to thrive due to the interest that students show in the wide range of majors offered through the individual departments. Clubs, organizations and academic fraternities supplement the school by providing students with hands-on experiences and training for careers as well as social activities.

Performing a variety of tests on several chemicals, Evan McCary completes an experiment for a chemistry class. The Chemistry Department offered modern labs, equipment and research opportunities.

Having finished his experimentation, Phil Russell begins to compile and analyze his data. In addition to the biology, chemistry, geology, physics and math programs, the College of Science and Math offered pre-professional programs in dentistry, pharmacy, veterinary medicine and physical therapy.
With students past projects on her shelves, Dr. Dawn Fisher consults with a student from her Nature of Mathematics class. While math is offered as a major, numerous departmental classes are offered as part of other majors, Liberal Studies and General Education programs and for general interest.
Shannon Ackermann
Gaurav Agarwal
Meredith K. Allen

Michael K. Amankwa
Koshan D. Atabaki
Lyndsey G. Atherton

Benjamin R. Ayres
Leah M. Bailey
Chris M. Barius

Mark Barren
Larry F. Bayne
Jessica J. Beck

Elizabeth A. Bell
Grigory A. Belyakov
Jennifer J. Bennett

Philip A. Benson
Dana C. Berle
Kyndra L. Best
Orin Bishop
Brian J. Boder
Henri S. Boffour
Steve Boling

Peggy E. Bollinger
Christine M. Bosker
Brian T. Bouknight
Jason M. Bourque
Erin M. Bozzi
Amanda K. Bradley
Scott H. Brewer

Kurt A. Bridge
Larasha C. Brim
Justin G. Brittle
Jennifer L. Brown
Jenny M. Brown
Melba Y. Brown
Duane M. Bryant

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“It feels like it’s all downhill from here,” said Amy Miller about her junior year. The third year marked the halfway point in our college careers for most of us. We had finally found our place within the campus and, for the most part, were certain of our majors. Returning to school the third year was basically a matter of settling back into old routines, equipped with the exact amount of shampoo, soda cans and highlighters, knowledge gained from the past two years. —Yet for many of us, panic set in as we realized the work world was less than two years away. “[Being a junior] is a lot of fun, but it’s getting scary because you have to think about getting ready for the real world,” said Anne Knox. Many students searched for internships for the following summer in order to gain experience and perhaps a job. —For a lot of us, being a junior meant living off-campus. “I’ve found the off-campus experience to be more work than I thought it would be, but it’s still a lot of fun,” said Melissa Inman. —The Junior Class Council, led by president Will Greco, sponsored a number of exciting activities this year. The highlights included a class ski trip to Massanutten and the organization of the Senior Pig Roast. “Getting Pat McGee to come play at the Pig Roast was pretty tricky, but it all worked out,” said Greco. —With reality fast approaching, we finally began to appreciate the unique experiences of college that would soon be ending.
by Jeff Wade & Alexis Bate

With a capella groups on the rise in colleges across the nation, it didn’t take long for a group to hit the scene here. Founded in the spring of 1996 by senior JR Snow and alumnus Dave Keller, the all-male Madison Project emerged with thirteen performers ready to take the stage. Auditions were held initially in the spring of 1996 and again this year to fill the spots of graduating members. They first performed in early 1997 with a line-up of everything from ’50s doo-wop to ’80s new wave. The group arranged all the music themselves and sang a wide variety of songs including Yesterday, Take on Me and Lady in Red. — In addition to the hopes of future success, the all-female group 7th Heaven, founded by the Presbyterian Campus Ministry in 1994, continued to flourish. They performed at Presbyterian churches in the area and for various events on campus. In the spring, the group sang the national anthem at basketball and baseball games. “There have been a lot of changes, and we want to be a group of singers who perform and enjoy coming together to have fun,” said junior Jean Shim.
Pou1:ing on spaghetti sauce, Kelly Hall makes dinner for her apartment-mates and herself. One of the major advantages of off-campus life was not having to depend on D-Hall and Dukes for every meal.
When students look for their first apartments, they are taking yet another step toward independence. With all of the choices and decisions about who to live with and where, the process can become a hassle and a headache. In the end, however, most individuals ended up pleased with the choices they made. — One of the most talked-about aspects of off-campus living was the new College Park at Ashby Crossing. "The new Ashby [apartments] are cool," said Andy Heflin, "[I like having] my own room and a double bed." — Some of the benefits that most students appreciated about living off campus included single rooms, kitchen, convenient laundry and a sense of independence. Not everyone, however, thought of off-campus life as the best way to go. — Junior Andrea Weinberg said, "Olde Mill is a great place to live, but for some reason my roommates won't do my chores for me, even when I bribe them." — Cleaning and paying bills were part of the downside to this new independence for students, as was finding time to cook and catch the bus to campus. With so many commuter students, Harrisonburg Transit had to increase the availability of buses on certain routes in order to get everyone to campus on schedule.
BYOB

While party-goers are allowed to bring their own beverages, kegs and common containers are now prohibited in Greek chapter houses. As part of the new "Bring Your Own Beverage" policy implemented in February, drinking games were also forbidden.

BYOB policy implemented in February, drinking games were also forbidden. For "Bring Your Own Beverage," is an alcohol policy increasing in popularity across the nation.

Dr. Robert Scott, vice president of student affairs, placed the task of devising a new alcohol policy in the hands of the students. Each fraternity and sorority nominated a representative to serve on a committee charged with the responsibility of constructing a policy that implemented the fundamentals of BYOB yet would still be practical and feasible for the Greek community. The committee had a short time frame (just under two months) to create this policy, await its approval by Dr. Scott and educate students about the new stipulations.

The committee's first draft of the policy was submitted to Dr. Scott and subsequently returned for revision. Under the final draft of the policy, Greek organizations could no longer use chapter funds to purchase alcohol; all parties were to follow the premise of BYOB. Kegs, common containers and drinking games were also prohibited in chapter houses. While the change was significant and many students disagreed with the new policy, it was enacted to reduce the amount of risk and liability that each chapter places upon itself when sponsoring social gatherings.
From the French Silk pie for dessert to the soft rolls at the salad bar, students always found something to satisfy their taste buds at the Steakhouse. Lining the hall outside the restaurant’s door on the fifth floor of Warren Campus Center, students took advantage of the variety offered by Dining Services.

“I like the Steakhouse because you can sit down, relax, and talk to friends without having to worry about the hustle and bustle of going to get food elsewhere,” said sophomore Cammie Surface. “It really offers a nice change from the other dining options on campus,” said sophomore Bryan Watts.

Offering the atmosphere and advantages of a real restaurant, the Steakhouse allowed guests to be formally seated and waited on by student servers. With themes from Carribean to Italian, there was always something new to try in addition to the traditional steak. There were also non-steak entrees and vegetarian options.

The various theme weeks attracted students such as sophomore Denise Pignato. “It is a unique and fun dining option. The different weeks offer variety and allow students to break away from the repetition of Dukas or D-Hall.”

The inclusion of ten meals within meal plans was an added bonus for many. While the Steakhouse was loved for its good food and service, some students found its consistency a favorite attraction. Sophomore Matt Beck said, “I love the parmesan peppercorn dressing they always have at the salad bar. That’s the main reason that I go there.”

Waiting the hall outside of the Steakhouse, these students pass the time with conversation. While the wait was rarely over 30 minutes, the Steakhouse was constantly busy with those taking advantage of its service and atmosphere.
High noon, and it was decision time. PC Dukes, D-Hall, Mrs. Green’s or Door 4 Subs? The choices of what to eat for lunch were numerous and difficult, and a major point to consider was which location had the shortest lines.

When asked about her favorite place to eat, freshman Diana Butler said, “I like Market One because of the great quesadillas! But sometimes the lines are so long there that I find it difficult to get my food and have time to eat it.”

Others also commented on problems with on-campus dining. Freshman Amanda Frazier expressed her frustration over the punch system used at PC Dukes. “Sometimes I wait to eat after 3:00 on Sundays and lose one of my punches because of it.”

Sophomore Chris Bright said, “I love to eat at Door 4 Subs, but I don’t understand why the prices are so high and why they can’t accept punches.” Door 4 Subs management said the reason punches were not accepted was because the facilities were not large enough to handle the crowds that punches might attract.

An alternative to on-campus dining was eating off campus. Junior Randy Weatherly said, “I like to go somewhere in town whenever I can, but it can get expensive and is difficult to fit into my schedule.”

Even though students encountered varied problems at dining facilities, the food itself maintained a high standard of quality. Kelly Olson captured that idea when she said, “There are so many great places on campus that cater to a wide variety of tastes and appetites. No student could ever grow tired of JMU food.”

Noelle M. Pflum
Karen E. Phillips
Jean N. Phillipson
Lisa D. Phipps
Marc A. Piquet
Kimberly A. Plamondon
Sarah C. Pleacher
Brian C. Poillon
Alice V. Poole
Ray Potter
Joseph R. Powers
Carolyn A. Pratt
Maggie E. Priddy
Kathie W. Pulley
Jessica S. Pyatt
Alan T. Quimby
Brent M. Quinn
Stefanie L. Quinones
Edgar J. Raines
Ana C. Ramirez
Catherine M. Ramsey
DELTA DELTA

they can “help ya, help ya, help ya.” Committed to serving Children’s Cancer Charities, a national philanthropy, as well as campus and community projects, the national sorority joined the Greek community in the fall, offering young women opportunities for scholarship, leadership and personal growth. Seeking academic integrity and strength of character, the Gamma Tau chapter of Tri-Delta invited all females to participate in their colonization rush held in late November and attracted over 400 women.

After researching the 26 national sororities not currently represented on campus, the Panhellenic expansion committee selected three sororities to make presentations on campus. As a result, Delta Delta Delta was invited to colonize. The purpose of the sorority is to “establish a perpetual bond of friendship among its members, to develop a stronger and more womanly character, to broaden the moral and intellectual life and to assist its members in every possible way.” As senior Jen Esser said, “Tri-Delta facilitates the formation of lasting friendships.”

With 150 individuals in its founding pledge class, Delta Delta Delta has given women at JMU opportunities to develop new friendships while strengthening Greek life on campus. Junior Courtney Bryant said, “Delta Delta Delta offers new energy and leadership to the Greek community and also has a strong national reputation.”
by Marcia Apperson

Teaching Lessons

Enthusiastic, hilarious, dedicated, inspirational, brilliant and friendly are just a few of the words used to describe favorite professors. Professors like this not only make the class interesting and more valuable but also leave a lasting impact on students. In fact, teachers are a significant part of students' happiness.

"He gets so excited about his presentations that it makes class much more interesting," junior Phan Vuong said of psychology professor Richard West. "Also, you can tell he spends a lot of time out of class to help further our learning."

Not only do students like enthusiastic professors that make classes more interesting and keep them awake during those early-morning hours, but they also appreciate teachers who have unique styles of teaching, setting them apart from others.

History professor Clive Hallman, who retired after this year, received recognition from sophomore Andrew Lehman. "He only refers to people by the state or city that they're from," said Lehman, who was referred to as "Ohio" in history class.

While the majority of students don't mind professors who give easy tests and always joke around, many instructors may not realize how much students actually respect their knowledge.

Sophomore Tim Libeau chose one of his SMAD professors, Dr. Charles Turner, as his favorite teacher. "Dr. Turner had intimate knowledge of the material and used various forms of media to get [his] message across," Libeau said.
Working with a student in one of her algebra classes, Professor Judy Phillipi is known for her willingness to help those who are having trouble in class. Professors were loved for many reasons in addition to their knowledge and love of their subject.
When the sophomore class arrived in the fall, they already knew the ropes. With a year of college already under their belt, they found that the second time around was much easier.

How different this was compared to their arrival for the first time on a college campus last year? “I remember thinking I’d never meet anyone like my high school friends,” said Victoria Davis.

Yet Davis didn’t have that feeling this year. There was no longer the nervousness of meeting new people. Now there was the excitement of seeing friends from the previous year.

Coming back to school was much easier the second year. “The first few weeks of my freshman year were spent trying to adjust,” said Russ Fuchs. “But this year when I came back, I immediately felt like I had never been gone.”

The sophomore year also brought different living situations. Many students chose to remain in residence halls, while others chose to live in off-campus apartments or houses. The option of choosing who to live with was also different from freshman year when the majority of students were randomly paired up with roommates. “Freshman year was tough coming in and never having met the girl you were going to live with for the whole school year,” said Kathryn Barker.

Sophomores had other new benefits such as not having to wait until the last day to register for classes and being allowed to have a car on campus.

With yet another year of experience and memories in the bag, the sophomore class will come back next year with a different perspective. Returning as the junior class, they will be halfway through their college career and one step closer to graduation.
Enjoying their banana splits and banana splits at UPB's "Bring Your Own Banana," sophomore Rachel Curry and friends meet for dinner. An advantage of the second year over freshman year was being able to return to friends and familiar faces.

Jennifer M. Bateson
Scott R. Bayer
Matthew J. Beck
Eric A. Bediako
Jennifer L. Beemer
Kristine A. Beere
Jennifer L. Beisler
Rachel A. Belan
Kim A. Bell
Amy V. Benavitch
Cindy E. Bennett
Elizabeth A. Bernard
Dionna R. Bibbs
Brian D. Bischoff
Heather A. Bittner
Melissa A. Bittner
Adnana Bizocu
Heather N. Blair
Courtney E. Blake
Leslie H. Blanchard
Whitney A. Bloxom
Mary-Elizabeth Boehm
Ayunna V. Bolden
Jamie L. Bomar
Erin M. Boor
Erick I. Borda
Diana M. Borello
Ryan C. Bortner
Empty

Blocked off by rocks and mud, the stream that normally empties into Newman Lake is reduced to a trickle. The lake was refilled within a week by way of the stream and rainfall.

Mud

Drained in mid-January for the first time since the 1970s, Newman Lake becomes a pit of mud and debris. Enough water was left in the lake to sustain its animal and plant life.

Lauren R. Bowen
Courtney A. Boyle
Lisa J. Bradley
Sabrina M. Bradshaw
Rabia A. Brainard
Beth A. Branner
Shontya C. Bready

Christopher G. Bright
Ericka S. Broadus
Annette M. Broker
Keren A. Brooks
Robin E. Browne
Jamie L. Bruen
Holly S. Bryant

KerriAnn Buonamico
Daniel R. Bureau
Danielle J. Burnett
Amanda B. Burton
Kristine M. Buzas
Kirstin L. Busey
Michele M. Butczynski

Jerron C. Byers
Shannon L. Byrne
Lisa R. Calkins
John D. Call
Laura K. Callaway
Robert S. Cameron
Christopher L. Campbell

Revealing the mechanism responsible for the fountain in Newman Lake, the draining of the lake was performed by the Harrisonburg Police Department in accordance with JMU.
The Draining of Newman Lake by Jackie Cisternino

For many years, Newman Lake has been a significant part of the campus. But in early January, the lake became a mud pit filled with debris—not an attractive sight for students and faculty. Heads turned daily to look at what used to be Newman Lake. Harrisonburg Police had been searching for a body, a woman who had been missing since December. It seemed as if people were using Newman Lake as their own private trash can.

"It was disgusting, and it made me hate going to school every day," said sophomore Lora Barthmus. "I thought it was strange that something like this could happen in our safe little town of Harrisonburg." Freshman Monica Hixon thought the situation was a little eerie. "I thought it was a little spooky," Hixon said. "I was relieved when I heard they didn't find anything."

JMU paid several thousand dollars to have Newman Lake drained for the police, according to a Breeze interview with Fred Hilton, director of facilities and media relations. Facilities management rented pumps to remove the water, and it took three days to complete the process.

"I think it's great that JMU helped out the Harrisonburg Police Department," said junior Chris Cobb. "It showed that JMU is willing to work with the community."

The lake remained relatively empty for approximately a week before being refilled naturally. During that time, news spread fast on campus, and the community wondered how long it would take for the lake to be refilled. Surprisingly, it didn't take very long for the rain and Mother Nature to do their job.

"I thought it would take a lot longer for the lake to fill up," said junior Lindsay Curran. "I was worried that we would have to look at that mess all semester."

"It didn't surprise me that there was so much debris at the bottom of the lake," Curran said. Curran thought that it would be beneficial to empty the lake more often to ensure sanitary conditions.

The draining of Newman Lake was definitely something every student will remember about second semester. Luckily, the muddy mess was taken care of by the weather in very little time and the beauty of the landscape was restored.
Jerry and the gang bid adieu, Puffy emerged from Notorious B-I-G's shadow and Rose promised Jack Dawson she'd survive no matter what. The entertainment industry made news and shattered records this year, causing students to shell out cash for tickets, CDs and merchandise.

Seinfeld, the famed sitcom about nothing, drew to a close after its ninth season on the air. Students were forced to get their fix of Jerry, Elaine, George and Kramer from repeats and no longer from the coveted 9 p.m. Thursday time slot.

"The show was great, it didn't follow any formula and had no clichés," said sophomore Matt Stoss. "But it's good that they're ending the show before it starts going downhill. It's very Seinfeld of them to end on a high note."

Re-releases abounded in the movie theaters, bringing back to the big screen former hits such as the Star Wars trilogy, Grease, Dirty Dancing and The Little Mermaid. On the same note, the career of rapper/producer Sean "Puffy" Combs took off, regurgitating memorable hits of the 1980s and making tons of cash in the process.

"It's kind of ironic that every time you walk into a party you hear the same nine songs, and they all come from Puffy," said sophomore Chad Vossen.

Cristin Tuthill shared the sentiments of many others concerning Puffy's lack of originality yet amazing success. "Puffy is the most talented un-talented performer out there," said Tuthill.

Perhaps the biggest event in the entertainment industry was the release of Titanic, the most expensive movie ever made having cost a numbing $200 million. Even the over-three-hour length didn't keep most people from seeing it.

"The movie had everything; it went beyond having just a good storyline," said sophomore Meghan Griffin. "The special effects were meant to be extravagant but really bring you into the plot and feel like you're really watching it."

"Once my girlfriend dragged me to go see it, thought it was a really good movie, but I was so upset when the boat sunk in the end," joked junior Jim McGivney.

Television, music and movies each had newsworth years in 1997, and students were around to catch all of them.
memorable movies
Air Force One
Austin Powers
As Good As It Gets
Good Will Hunting
Grease (re-release)
Men In Black
My Best Friend’s Wedding
Primary Colors
Scream 2
Spice World
The Lost World
Titanic
The Wedding Singer

terrific television
Ally McBeal
Buffy the Vampire Slayer
Dharma & Greg
ER
Friends
King of the Hill
Mad About You
Party of Five
Seinfeld
South Park
The Drew Carey Show
Touched By An Angel

big bands
Erykah Badu
Fleetwood Mac
Garth Brooks
Hanson
LeAnn Rimes
Matchbox 20
Puff Daddy
Spice Girls
Shania Twain
Wu-Tang Clan

lasting lyrics
Barbie Girl, Aqua
Candle in the Wind 1997,
Elton John
Foolish Games, Jewel
Frozen, Madonna
My Heart Will Go On, Celine Dion
Pink, Aerosmith
Tubthumping, Chumbawamba
Virtual Insanity, Jamiroquai

With what little cash they have, students often spend money and time at Valley Mall. Activities ranged from clothes shopping to movie-going to buying music. With its own stop on many city bus routes, the mall was a popular site.

Matthew D. Edwards
Jannika K. Eklund
James M. Elliott
Jennifer L. English
Christopher S. Ernst
Heather M. Eshelman
Bonnie K. Estes
Sarah E. Evans
Jaclyn Evers
Michael M. Favila
Virginia G. Filer
Julia L. Filz
Lindsay H. Filz
Karen S. Finch
Amy E. Fiorenza
Alison M. Flora
David R. Fly
Kimberly A. Fogg
Jill E. Ford
Jennifer L. Furrman
Dan P. Gaffney
Matthew J. Gannon
Kathryn G. Garcia

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Testing costumes and choreography, the Madisonians run through a number, practicing for an upcoming performance. While most of their shows were on the road, the show choir performed in the fall for the Parents Weekend Pops Concert and in the spring for their annual home show.

Susie M. Gaskins
Shannon M. Gars
Kristina N. Geffen
Jeffrey S. Gehrig
Keith E. Ghion
Daniel C. Giffen
Sara L. Gillam

Brian S. Giller
Courtney M. Goldsmith
Kristi L. Gossom
James P. Gould
Kimberly A. Grace
Korinne N. Graeb
Sarah B. Graham

Tracy L. Graham
Christine M. Graves
Lindsay R. Gray
Jeremy Greenwood
Catherine A. Grieben
Danielle Y. Griffin
Michelle S. Griffin

Leah B. Grossi
Christopher A. Grove
Karen M. Gulakowski
Tracy L. Haak
Jonathan R. Hafner
Paul N. Hajjar
Amanda J. Halterman

Sound Check

Monitoring the sound levels at a rehearsal, Shirley Morris and Casey Houtz work to ensure technical perfection for the next performance. Besides the performers and band, the Madisonians also had their own sound engineers and were directed by Carlos Barillo.
The Madisonians by Dana Berle

The lights shine brightly, the band starts to play and the Madisonians are doing what they love: making the stage and the music come to life. Anything can happen when it comes to this show choir, and this year it did. From technical difficulties to a perfect show, the Madisonians consistently pulled together for a successful season. —

The group was comprised of 18 talented dancer-musicians from all academic levels and a variety of majors. Interested individuals auditioned in the spring before summer vacation, and the new members were notified during the break. The competition was fierce, as each performer prepared a vocal piece and was required to learn a dance combination. — Upon returning in late August, the new Madisonians began work on the fall shows including “Schoolhouse Rock” and “The ’80s in Concert.” The Madisonians performed both on and off campus as well as for special events like Parents Weekend. In addition, they planned events for Alumni Weekend and a trip to Nashville for their annual spring tour, stopping at various locations along the east coast to perform.


Lauren A. Hamlin
Rochelle M. Hampton
Mollie E. Hanna
Lacey K. Hansen
Molly E. Hansen
Melanie S. Hansen
Jesse Harleman

Richard A. Harman
James M. Harper
Benjamin A. Harrison
Arianna M. Heck
Jacqueline S. Helm
Jeffrey L. Herman
Lynn M. Hobeck

Lindsey A. Hodges
Allyson L. Hofer
David B. Hoffman
James M. Holladay
Stephen K. Holland
Heather M. Holitz
Kylie B. Hoover

Harmonie M. Horowitz
Amy B. Horn
Elena M. Horvath
Daniel W. Hoy
Larry C. Hricak
Melissa A. Isaacs
Jeremy S. Jackson

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Freshmen weren't the only new faces on campus in August—clutching campus maps and looking a bit lost. Transfer students also had to adjust to life at a new school—for the second time. In some ways, transferring to a school proved easier than the first time around. Transfers arrived more confident, already having at least a year of college under their belts. However, the adjustment to a new school was a much more independent one for transfers than incoming freshmen. “Freshman get all sorts of orientation activities when they come, but transfers really don't,” said junior transfer student Cristine Begeman. “It makes sense, though, because I don't see upperclassmen wanting to go through all those get-to-know-you games again.”

— However, at a school known for its friendliness, most transfers didn't encounter much of a problem fitting in. “I couldn't believe how everyone was on campus and in my classes—so helpful and friendly. It was very easy to meet new people,” said Begeman. — Transfers coming in from community college or a smaller school had different reactions getting used to a bigger university. — Junior Angela Cox said, “I transferred here from a college with a student body of 600 where everybody knew everybody. When I first got here, it was intimidating going to such a bigger school, but that went away as I got to know some people.”

Although transferring into the university took some adjusting, overall most transfers saw it as a beneficial experience. “At first I didn't feel comfortable coming to a new school,” said junior Jackie Azer. “After getting in the groove of things, going to classes, going out and meeting people, everything fell into place. I'm totally glad I transferred here.”
Browsing through the class catalog, transfers Sean Harper and Angela Cox see what JMU has to offer. Not all credits usually transferred from their previous colleges, so many transfer students had to take the same class again.

Making him feel at home, Jessica Waldeck, Brooke Hammelman and Stephanie Guess joke around with Jim McGivney, a transfer from Radford. Since on-campus housing usually wasn’t offered to transfers, they had to take more initiative in meeting people.

Kellie A. Kirstein
Lana J. Kiser
Eugene S. Kitamura
Erica M. Kleinhans
Keith D. Knott
Michael C. Koehne
Rachel E. Krempasky
Elizabeth N. Kulyk
Lisa M. LaLonde
Rebecca A. Lamb
Amy E. Lambert
Christopher S. Larrim
Rumiko L. Lane
Kevin T. Langlais
Nicholas L. Langridge
Erica M. Lanza
Laura E. LaRoche
Gregory M. Lawrence
Kimberly A. Layton
Rachael L. Layton
Emily A. Leamy
Anthony K. Lee
Jessica R. Lee
Raymond C. Lee
Rafeal E. Lernaire
Meredith C. Leporati
Chris R. LeSage
Stephanie N. Lesko

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Y Lot, open to commuters, was susceptible to flooding as noted by the "Park at Your Own Risk" sign. Minimal flooding occurred often after heavy rains due to the lot's low elevation.

Vying for a parking spot in Y Lot, better known as the gravel pit, students often leave home up to 30 minutes before class. With a limited number of spaces, competition was fierce.
Parking on Campus by Tara Newbanks

When asked what they thought was the number one problem around campus, most students answered, with little or no hesitation, "parking." The lack of parking spaces made available to students, restrictions within the parking lots, strict regulations and countless parking tickets made up the bulk of subject matter for most complaints. Parking ticket officers issued between 800 and 1,000 tickets during the year. The designated parking lots for commuters and residents were quite a hike from halls, academic buildings and dining facilities. Many students believed that these problems should be rectified before a considerable student body increase is considered. "It's a difficult walk to get to your car and you're lucky if you can find a spot to park [when you return]," said senior Bryan Buser, Bell hall director. "The school needs to expand parking lots before they expand the population and build more buildings," said Buser. Sophomore Kelly Holliday felt parking posed more of a problem for commuters. "There is a serious lack of parking for commuter students, which seems to be diminishing by the week." One of the most positive results of parking negotiations was the proposal for the addition of a parking deck. While the general idea of a parking deck pleased just about everyone, students expressed some disappointment toward prospects of building the deck beside Newman Lake.

Kristen L. McCausland
Valerie L. McCord
Jennifer N. McDonough
Kristie E. McDowell
Molly K. McElvee
Misty D. McGlumphy
Kelly M. McGrath

Tara L. McGuinness
Greg R. McKenzie
Nicholas T. McMillan
Tara M. McNeely
Caroline L. McNicholas
Brandon J. McTavish
Mark O. Meyerdirk

Tanneca L. Miles
Dana M. Miller
Erin N. Miller
Crystal D. Mitchell
Carlo D. Money
Lindsey E. Monroe
Anna B. Montgomery

Rachel E. Montgomery
Rebecca M. Moody
George L. Moore
Heather L. Moore
Jeffrey C. Morris
Jerimiah F. Morris
Ryan N. Morris
Each semester welcomed the excitement and planning of Greek Rush for interested students to come out and learn about the chapters of fraternities and sororities that JMU has to offer. While sororities held rush only in the fall, fraternities went through the process every semester. Sorority rush was coordinated by Panhellenic Council, the all-Greek, all-women panel of representatives from each sorority. Panhellenic delegate Lori D’Cunto said, “The purpose of sorority rush is to provide a match for everyone.” During the four-day rush period, every rushee was scheduled to attend short get-togethers at each of the eight sorority houses. D’Cunto explained that this process eliminated stereotypes that some rushees may have had earlier and gave everyone a fair chance. Rushees met the sisters of each sorority and learned about the distinguishing characteristics of each organization. Most chapters had minimum GPA requirements, philanthropies and fundraisers. The recent addition of Delta Delta Delta sorority has added a new option for rushees. Their initial rush in November was conducted by national representatives of Tri-Delta. Some of the women selected to be members of the new chapter moved into their new home in what used to be the Chi Phi fraternity house on Greek Row. Fraternity rush worked slightly differently and was organized and run by Inter-Fraternity Council. The three-week long rush process did not require rushees to visit all 14 chapters, although events were planned so that rushees could participate in everything if they chose. President of Inter-Fraternity Council, Hal Dillon said, “IFC organizes rush differently from sorority rush on purpose. We like the fact that our rush is less formal—it gives us more autonomy.”
Students walk through campus on the first day of rush early in the fall. Women rushing met with representatives from each sorority at least once during the week.

Sisters Melissa Sanders and Kellie Kirstein wear their letters with pride. Both pledged as freshmen.
Campaigning for the state election he went on to win, Jim Gilmore addresses a crowd and local TV reporters on the Commons. Many students showed their support for political candidates on the state and local level.

At Student Organization Night, College Republicans campaign for Virginia Governor Jim Gilmore, then a gubernatorial candidate. Student Organization Night was a chance for groups to effectively increase membership.

Heather L. Pound Russell E. Presnell Jennifer M. Preziosi Lisa A. Puzio Ashley C. Queen Shannon M. Radford Christine M. Ragosta

Techera S. Randolph Jessica A. Rath Andy R. Ratliff Steve H. Ravas Adi Raz Kelly B. Reckelhoff Gayla L. Regitz

Carrie B. Reynolds Rudy A. Richardson Ashley T. Riggs Pamela A. Riker Erin E. Riley Jason L. Ritterstein Nicholas A. Rivetti

Michael F. Rodihan Carol A. Rolley Jeffrey S. Romley Jennie B. Rooney Lisa C. Rosato Jessica L. Roy Mary C. Rude

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Campus Politics by Jason S. Miyares

With every new year, schools usher in fall, football, and for some students, political campaigns. Virginia is one of only two states that has an election, be it state or federal, every November. Every fall, all three partisan organizations on campus—Young Democrats, College Republicans and the Young Democratic Socialists—become grassroots activists in the American democratic system.

Young Democrats, the youth auxiliary to the National Democratic Party, attempt to make JMU students and those in the community aware of the principles the Democratic Party stands for and give students an active voice in public policy affairs,” said Young Democrats President Jamie Gregorian. The Young Democratic Socialists, headed by freshman Michael Key and senior Debbie Schoenberg, fight for “peace, solidarity, human rights and economic democracy.” The group firmly believes that socialism is the best hope for the nation’s future. — College Republicans President Dave Rexrode said passing out literature, hanging up signs and attending political rallies are the best ways for students to help end what some consider to be apathy among Generation X. “The only way our generation can let our voice be known is to get involved in the public policy process,” said Rexrode. “Interning, campaigning or becoming a grassroots activist sends a message to adults that we need to be accounted for.” — Some students felt distraught about the low voting records among college-aged students. “In general a third of the campus is conservative, a third is liberal and the remaining students just don’t care,” said senior Bryan Redding. — Other students felt that those who didn’t vote didn’t have a right to criticize elected officials. Junior John Langhans said, “Too many students take their right to vote for granted, and they simply refuse to do so because they claim they don’t know enough about the candidates. Well if you don’t exercise your voting rights you really have no right to complain about the government you have in office.” — To help rectify this growing concern, the College Republicans, Young Democrats and Student Government Association gave students the opportunity to have an electoral voice by distributing absentee ballots in the fall. All three political groups on campus attempted to enable all students to participate in the political process and bring the university one step closer to the ideal of universal public discourse advocated by the Greek philosopher Cicero.

Tara L. Rumberger
Jennifer K. Russell
Jennifer D. Sajko
Kelly Sambuchi
Betsy E. Santi
Melissa E. Saunders
Susan Saunders

Jeffrey A. Schaal
Jeff S. Schellenger
Charlotte W. Schindler
Jacqueline D. Schmitter
Kelly A. Schmidt
Khara L. Schonfeld
Christie L. Schwartz

Meghan G. Schwarzenbek
Marina Seligouckin
Salonika Sethi
Sarah E. Severin
Saurin P. Shah
Katie E. Sharrock
Kendra L. Short

Jessica M. Shorter
Ben J. Sibley
Ebony N. Silver
Christopher J. Simone
Emily B. Simpson
Mark D. Singleton
Jason B. Sitterson

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College is the first time some students ever have to live in close quarters with people they aren't related to. The woes of roommate-dom are many; some are petty, some are earth-shattering. Students went through college living in residence halls, apartments and houses all with one common element: roommates.

One group of roommates included "family dinners," in-house competitions between the top and bottom floors and sitting on a couch in the cab of a pick-up truck and riding around Harrisonburg, senior Melissa Morgan said. Often, the residents of Graffiti House (Kimberly Meadows, Anne Bramblett, Mandy Theobald, Shannon Hendrixson, Shelley Giles, Adrienne Huffman, Kristen Daugherty, Karen Miller and Melissa Morgan) "unintentionally ended up in the same room for a half an hour," Morgan said.

Senior Karen Miller said, "Sometimes it's really pointless for us to go to parties; we just relocate and bond there."

Mandy Theobold elaborated, saying, "We have a lot of inside jokes and language. It's hard to step out of our own world. We go out, and no one understands us."

Other living situation worked out just as well, even under completely different circumstances. Two- to four person apartments provided more privacy and often more convenience. Senior Da. Tarkenton said, "It's cool having one roommate because you have more time to yourself. You can get work done more easily."
Several residents of the Grafitti House sit on their famous wall on Ott Street. The wall was painted by art classes. The nine seniors have been friends and lived together since their freshman year.

Sophomores Rachel Wood and Lisa Yutzler share a room for the second year. The pair chose to remain in Chappelear Hall after freshmen year.
Womens Resource Center volunteers gather to organize the Feminist Convention. The weekend-long event was entitled "Feminism: An idea whose time has come."

Feminist Louise Bernakow addresses an interested audience at the feminist conference last November. Guest speakers were an effective way to attract students to events.

Rebecca M. Vogelmann
Meagan H. Voight
Jessica C. Voile
Punchai P. Vutiprichar
Jeff S. Wade
Brandt R. Wagner
Susan E. Walker
Meredith A. Walkley
Kristen L. Wallace
Suzanne T. Wallace
McKenzie L. Waldhall
Seth L. Walman
Lisa J. Walton
Cathcney Wang
Heather L. Warren
Tara C. Webb
Annie B. Weber
Felicia S. Webster
Dan T. Weiner
Jill A. Weinreich
April M. Weir
Kimberly M. Wehe
Kelly J. Whalen
Kelly D. Wheaton
Brian C. White
Meredith C. White
Catherine M. Whiteford
Ryan S. Whittier
Thanks to a number of programs which took flight during the year, students finally had access to resources regarding women’s issues from the Women’s Resource Center and the Campus Assault REsponse helpline. — A department of the Health Center, the Women’s Resource Center was managed by a graduate student, two paid students and a number of volunteers. As junior Ann Waller said, “It serves as a switchboard for women,” because it directs them to services they might need. According to junior Andrea Casey, the number of women involved has tripled from the 1994-95 academic year. This increase in interest was partly a result of a number of well-publicized and well-attended events. Such events included Take Back the Night, Women’s History Month and Brown Bag Lunches with guest speakers discussing a variety of related topics concerning female issues. One monumental event for the Women’s Resource Center was the Feminist Convention, which took place November 7-9, 1997. The keynote speaker, Louise Bernikow, spoke about women being agents of change in history. —

The Campus Assault REsponse helpline (CARE) was designed to offer support for survivors of sexual assault, as well as friends and families of survivors. Trained volunteers were on call 24 hours a day from noon every Thursday until noon on Mondays. The group educated students about sexual assault by giving presentations to organizations and residence halls. The most renowned of their presentations was RAPE IS NOT SEX, an annual presentation dealing with perspectives of men and women on issues concerning sexual assault. —

Senior Brad Perry said, “[CARE is] the most rewarding organization on campus [because] you get back what you put in.” CARE also presented CARESTOCK, a concert open to the general public, which featured bands including The J in Mary and Boxturtle.

Jonathan W. Wilks
Sarah L. Williams
Stacy A. Williams
Marga E. Wimbush
Galadriel S. Wintead
Jessie S. Wise
Jonathan Wittenberg

Jack D. Wolford
Susan L. Womack
Christiana Woo
Amy L. Wood
Jonathan K. Wood
Sara C. Wood
Kristy A. Woodward

Christine M. Wright
Nicole D. Wygovsky
Carolyn H. Yang
Charles D. Yesiliris
Thea F. Zumwalt
Mary Kay Alexander  
Michael A. Alfonso  
Laurie E. Allen  
Allen A. Amer  
Linda M. Anthony  
Bryan C. Argue  
James L. Armstrong

Joseph C. Arney  
Ashley E. Ashbridge  
Lori M. Ashworth  
Borzou Azadlafzari  
Jessica L. Baker  
Tammy D. Barclay  
Debbie E. Barlow

Richard A. Barron  
Jeffrey S. Bartholomew  
Holly S. Batenic  
Ross E. Bauer  
Mary S. Baumgardner  
Chasity L. Bautista  
Tracy A. Bayless

Gregory M. Beachley  
Ashleigh B. Beam  
Regan E. Beasley  
Anne W. Beavers  
Kristin E. Bennett  
Katie M. Bergfeld  
Jennifer L. Bertram

Kerri L. Bianchet  
Micah K. Bobby  
Megan J. Bicuk  
Nicolette A. Biron  
Sarah J. Bittenbender  
Bridget A. Black  
Stacey L. Black

Devin R. Blake  
Carla B. Blankenship  
Gregory J. Blomstrand  
Megan L. Block  
Daniel K. Boice  
Leah J. Boschman  
Amy R. Bosman

Karen E. Busley  
Frederick D. Boyd  
Keri L. Boyd  
Elizabeth E. Boyer  
Lucy C. Bradshaw  
Harry L. Bredlove  
Kimberly A. Bright
Freshmen usually have mixed feelings about how their first week as college students will go. But once the initial fears subsided and schedules were in order, most freshmen found college life to be better than they expected. "I am having the time of my life as a freshman because everything that happens here at JMU is a new experience for me and it never gets boring," said Todd Yoho. With new clubs to join, classes to take and friends to meet, it was hard for life to get boring as a freshman. — Some aspects of freshman life took their toll during registration. Cary Green said, "Being a freshman is good until it comes time to register for classes. By the time we are allowed to register, all the [late] classes are filled and we end up with all eight o'clock classes." — A few freshmen had more problems with their academic level than others; Vikram Weet said, "I don't like being a freshman because I am at the bottom of the food chain again and I get no respect." — With a more popular attitude, Stephanie DeGraw said, "Being a freshman is something that everyone goes through. We all have to start somewhere." Most students realized that freshman year was a necessary, and usually exciting, step toward the ultimate goals of becoming seniors and graduating.

by Casey Quinn

Fridge

Picking up their rental refrigerators in X-lot, new residents begin the process of moving into their halls. Students received forms in advance so their refrigerators would be waiting for them when they arrived on campus.
Many students may remember being told as children not to play with their food. Dining Services provided the maturing college student with sensible alternatives by means of the activities and attractions available on theme nights at Gibbons Dining Hall. D-Hall theme nights are one of the many highlights that distinguish JMU from the average universities dining facilities, according to Dave Moretti, marketing manager for Dining Services. “They are a favorite among students because they are just plain fun,” said Moretti. The first theme night of the year is usually Carnival Night, which is the most popular and gets repeated a few other times during the school year, according to Moretti. At Carnival Night, students receive tickets at the door when they swipe their JAC cards. The tickets, like at a carnival or fair, are used toward trying their luck at various games and activities to win a prize. Carnival Night attractions included clowns who made balloon animals, face painting, cotton candy, popcorn and other foods you might expect to find at a carnival. — The other theme nights throughout the year were equally exciting, each one with a unique menu, decorations and activities. Other theme nights included Bar and Grill Night, which included a special menu for the week before Homecoming; Karaoke Night, which students took advantage of to show their hidden talents or just make fools of themselves. The Thanksgiving Special included all the traditional goodies of the festive holiday; while Casino Night and Mardi Gras were festive in their own ways. Participants received jewelry and played games. — D-Hall theme nights were so popular that some commuter students with only partial meal plans made the extra effort to dine on campus when theme nights were scheduled. Junior commuter Lesley Dipietro is among the commuters who continued to enjoy D-Hall. “Karaoke Night is my favorite,” she said. “Even though I’m living off campus this year, there is no way I can miss it. Even if it means dragging my roommates with me.”

by Libby Temple
One of the most anticipated aspects of leaving for college is moving into a residence hall. With 29 halls, 13 were exclusively for freshmen, including Howard Johnson's and the new Blue Ridge Hall, which was completed in the spring of 1997. — Freshmen, for the most part, received their living assignments in the summer. "When I got my room assignment, I wasn't too happy about it because it was off campus and far away from everything," said freshman Billy Moffett, a resident of Howard Johnson's. "But now I enjoy living in HoJo's because we have our own patio which overlooks the pool, and our own private bathrooms with room service." — Residents often found themselves cleaning their own rooms and doing their own laundry for the first time. The surrounding noises were also new to many students who were only used to living at home. All halls on campus had regular quiet hours which usually began between 10 and 11 p.m. each evening and lasted until 8 or 9 a.m. the next morning on weekdays. — In reaction to her first time without parental restrictions, freshman Emily Bohigian said, "The best thing about living away from home is the fact that I can come in anytime that I want and not have to worry about getting yelled at by my folks in the morning." — Unless they lived in the area, freshmen were required to live on campus, and they made the best of it. Amanda Monson said, "The best friends that I have made here I met in my own [hall]."

_by Casey Quinn_

Cookin' "mashed potato" dance. Jeff Barham hopes his cookies turn out perfect. Residents used the hall kitchens as alternatives to meals or to make snacks.
Hitting the Books
Where We Study

Studying: to do or not to do, that was the question. In order to make the grade, some studying was always required. Coming right out of high school into college presented some problems for many freshmen. The first test from any professor was almost always the worst because students had no idea what to expect, and they did not know if their high school ways of studying will cut it in college classes. Some students were overcome by the material they were to be tested on at college. “All of my classes require large amounts of reading, and at times I feel so overwhelmed that I don’t know how to get it all accomplished,” said freshman Janna Borkowsky. Although it was often the hardest part of the process, keeping caught up with reading assignments within the textbook was always a good start. Most students started out with study guidelines which became increasingly harder to stick to throughout the semester. “I like to study in the reference section of the library where it is quiet, but when I do get distracted or need a break, I write letters to my boyfriend at VMI and my family,” said freshman Alison Godfrey. Carrier Library was always a good choice, but the warm temperature and competition for seating became setbacks. “I have to find a completely quiet place to study because otherwise there will be too many distractions, and I will not be able to get my work done,” said freshman Penny Graham. Another common place to find students hard at work was the study lounge within the residence halls on campus. In times of need, these lounges were places of refuge for those trying to be studious when suitmates were hanging out, watching television or playing games.

by Terra White

Having found a studying spot on the Quad, this student takes advantage of the pleasant weather to study outside. During the warmer months, campus was often dotted with students studying.

Boling
Christy L. Hartford
Alison M. Hightway
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Clare L. Hawkins
Stuart J. Hawkins
Misti M. Haydlett
Laura R. Hebert

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Rebecca J. Henfield
Chris R. Hendrickson
James K. Henry
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Jenifer M. Hill
Nataly L. Hill
Amanda R. Hinckley
Lori E. Hoffman
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Wendy E. Hollingshead
Whitney A. Holmes
Christina V. Hopkins
Lisa N. Horton
Hallie A. Hoskins
Jennifer L. Hostetler
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SarahAnn M. Ill
Matthew M. Inman
Jordan L. Inselmann
Jonathan D. Isner

Danny Iverson
Jennifer G. Jackson
Renee N. Jacobson
Anna L. Johnson
Susan R. Johnson
Michele L. Johnston
Jenny R. Jones

Matthew T. Jones
Emma J. Joselyne
Sharon Jun
Matthew J. Kalen
Saba Kamal
Kristen M. Kammerle
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The Days of Our Lives can sometimes leave us feeling Young and Restless. All of us, even The Bold and The Beautiful, feel the need for Guiding Light of Another World to ease our scheduled minds. Daytime dramas are a form of escapism; everyone has different reasons for watching. Perhaps Ryan’s Hope is to be on a Sunset Beach in Santa Barbara. Others could be Loving the excitement of working in a General Hospital. For whatever reason, As the World Turns, soap operas continued to be a thriving enterprise for the television industry. There is nothing wrong with enjoying the tragedies and turmoils of daytime television because we only have One Life To Live. — No matter how many may have gathered to share in the enjoyment of this escape from reality, most of the interaction during a soap opera took place from the audience toward the actors on the screen. One male junior, who wished to remain anonymous, said, “I actually like soap operas, I think they’re entertaining. Days is my favorite. It’s so cheesy though.” — Dedicated viewers often reacted to the characters by yelling at them during on-screen monologues, crying with them when they lose the trust of a lover and laugh at them when they convince themselves that someone’s sister loves someone else’s husband. — Not everyone, however, was a soap opera fan. People often found watching soaps to be a waste of time or simply ridiculous. “My life is melodramatic enough without having to figure out whose dog’s owner’s sister’s best friend accidentally killed the girl who no one liked anyway,” freshman Swati Buchta said. — Sophomore Judy Hicks said, “I think there are better shows to spend time watching than things like soaps which are so unrealistic and far-fetched.” — Regardless of personal preferences to soap watching, it is a fact that some people enjoy human possession by the devil, Luke and Laura’s everlasting love and the mishaps of Erika Kane’s scandalous life.

by Kristen Malinchock & Liz Hargrove

Waiting for their favorite soap opera to come back on, Hilary Gustave, Amy Vaughn and Martha Buchta take time out of their day to catch up with “Days of Our Lives.”
There were several ways for people to find rides home, provided that they lived within driving distances. Since most students hailed from northern Virginia the Home Ride was a popular way for them to return home for the weekend. Tickets were available at the bookstore, and could be purchased prior to a trip home. Students from northern states could even use the Home Ride as a way to get to the Washington, D.C. area in order to get to further transportation. For the first time, the Home Ride traveled to the Tidewater area of Virginia as well. A less expensive, but also less reliable way home for many was through the ride board in the Warren Campus Center. The ride board covered all regions and allowed anyone looking for a ride or for passengers to find people to travel with.

Freshmen left many things behind as they left for college including parents, siblings, friends and pets. Unfortunately, many freshmen also left behind their easiest way back home: their cars. This struggle often resulted in a long, arduous process of finding a ride home. There were several ways for people to find rides home, provided that they lived within driving distances. Since most students hailed from northern Virginia the Home Ride was a popular way for them to return home for the weekend. Tickets were available at the bookstore, and could be purchased prior to a trip home. Students from northern states could even use the Home Ride as a way to get to the Washington, D.C. area in order to get to further transportation. For the first time, the Home Ride traveled to the Tidewater area of Virginia as well. A less expensive, but also less reliable way home for many was through the ride board in the Warren Campus Center. The ride board covered all regions and allowed anyone looking for a ride or for passengers to find people to travel with.

Freshmen Coleen Santa Ana, of Virginia Beach, Va., decided to better her chances of finding a ride mate from the ride board. She searched the student directory for people from her hometown and emailed them to see if she could get a ride home. “I was tired of sitting back and letting others decide whether or not I would get home,” she said. “So I broke down and begged.” The last reasonable option for most freshmen was to contact upperclassmen from their area. People with older brothers and sisters who had cars usually had the easiest time getting home. The select number of freshmen who were allowed to have cars at college (residents of Blue Ridge Hall and those with special circumstances) were the object of many others’ envy.

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Dave E. Pascal
Angela M. Passarelli
Sean E. Patterson
Elizabeth A. Pavlic
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M. A. Heather Pickett
Andrea M. Pierson
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Emily M. Piggott
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Evan E. Rainey
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Jason R. Renschler
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Meg E. Rhodes
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As freshmen adjust to life at college, resident advisers and hall directors must prepare to make life in a residence hall as comfortable as possible. First Year Involvement, formerly known as First Year Investigations, was one of the primary channels which enabled RAs to do this. FYI provided hall staffs with computers they could use to make flyers and signs to promote events involving residence life. Seven program advisers, including one designer for The Spotlight, FYI's monthly newsletter, were available whenever the center was open to provide ideas and input. — Junior Charley Miller, a program adviser, said "Our job is to have personal interaction with resident advisers, hall directors and hall councils. We try to be a resource for them." Headed by Student Development Coordinator Paula Polglase, FYI organized a number of events within the Office of Residence Life last year including START, a program to get students involved at the beginning of the year. The program advisers, along with Polglase and graduate assistant Gloria Mast, met regularly with hall staffs to come up with ideas for programs and bulletin boards. — Started in 1995 by Polglase and Dr. Christina McDonald, director of composition for the department of English, the FYI Writing Center was available to freshmen, primarily but not exclusively those taking composition courses. Six peer writing tutors assisted walk-ins as well as students with appointments every Sunday through Thursday from 4-10 p.m. — At the start of each semester, the writing tutors appeared and spoke by request to English composition classes, explaining their guidelines and purpose: they assisted students with papers, sticking to their well-known motto, "We'll highlight your work." Hundreds of freshmen took advantage of the writing center at FYI, which was open during the off-hours of the writing center in Harrison Hall.

by Rachel Roswal

Working on a paper shortly before finals, freshman Veena Puri takes a few tips from senior Anne Bramblett, a peer writing tutor. The Writing Center was a free service to all freshmen.
In October, over 100 students ran in the annual 5K Homecoming Race, only one of many ways they stayed healthy throughout the year. Aerobics classes at the University Recreation Center often reached capacity more than 30 minutes before they were scheduled to begin. Meanwhile, students waited in lines for the step machines, bikes and weights at prime exercising times. From funk to aqua-aerobics, and even the new Cycle Reebok class, regulars flocked to aerobics classes at all hours of the day. Sophomore Cammie Surface said, “UREC offers a variety of programs for people who like class structure in aerobics classes or people have the option of working out on their own.” UREC was also a valuable source of employment for student aerobics instructors, weight-room spotters and check-in assistants. Sophomore Sara Mitcho participated in the Aerobic Instructor Training Program and other fitness assessment programs at UREC. “Being given the chance to act as an aerobics instructor in such a great facility is amazing to me,” Mitcho said. “It is such a big responsibility and a perfect opportunity to take part in an area of interest outside of my major.” Intramural and club sports were a more interactive way for students to stay in shape. All provided opportunities for competitive fun and travel in the area. Although these sports were not recognized by the NCAA, they required hours of practice and dedication each week. Students who preferred isolated exercise often chose to work out to videos such as The Firm, The Grid and Cindy Crawford. Running alone or with a partner worked for those who wanted to exercise outdoors; Purcell Park was one of the most popular destinations for early-morning and afternoon runners.

by Sara Greenleaf

Looking for a clear path, this Sigma Alpha Epsilon brother runs with the ball for a touchdown during an intramural game. Intramural athletics let students enjoy competition without the extensive commitment of organized athletic teams.

Working out on the StairMaster, Duke Dog tries to shape up before basketball tryouts. UREC offered a variety of equipment with which to get in shape.
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Hall t-shirts, concerts, contests, environmental programs and community service programs were just some of the activities the Inter-Hall Council (IHC) and individual hall councils offered to students living on campus. IHC is a nationwide organization that helps promote activities between students who live on campus. "We do lots of great things: educational programs, community service, social functions, as well as sponsoring programs such as Alcohol Awareness Week," said IHC Vice President Meredith Walkley, a sophomore. Rebecca Moody, sophomore and president of Chappalear Hall Council said, "I was secretary of my hall last year, and I had a lot of fun, and this year I wanted to go for something more challenging, and be more involved in planning hall activities." Meetings for hall councils were usually held weekly to discuss issues concerning the community and plan programs. Rather than organizing programs, IHC assisted halls whenever necessary. "We are like another type of student government, only we help the hall councils from each residence hall," Walkley said. Halls were required to participate in community service projects each month, and other projects were optional, but most halls planned social programs. To be able to put on most of those functions, hall councils requested dues from residents of each hall. To alleviate funding problems in the beginning of the year, hall councils were required to leave a designated amount of funds in their halls' accounts at the end of each school year. IHC had goals that they set out for themselves in addition to the goals which were innate to the organization. "The purpose is to promote activities for on-campus students, and bring the community together," said IHC President Marissa Savastana, a sophomore. "We also wanted to bring more awareness to what we do." By helping halls organize themselves, going to regional and national IHC conventions and sponsoring campus-wide activities, IHC brought awareness to who they were and what they did.

by Kevin Gauthier
Over the past quarter century, the university has undergone many prolific changes, and although we have evolved with the ever-changing times, our sights are still set in the same direction. The athletic department still strives for the same standards of excellence that saw six teams declared champions 25 short years ago. Four coaches were new to Madison College just as new coaches grace our campus today in hopes of more prominent results. “Duke the First,” known today as the Duke Dog has become the embodiment of spirit at sporting events. The more things change the more they stay the same as we come full circle.

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Surrendering valuable time, expending much needed energy and giving to others what they do not have, all while gaining a sense of accomplishment, pride and fulfillment. Only one word can embody all of these feelings: charity. Members of a number of organizations have taken time to help others who are less fortunate. Participating in the Journey of Hope, three brothers of Pi Kappa Phi, Carter Massengill, Kevin McGee, and Steve Thiess spent the summer of 1997 traveling across the nation on their bicycles, from San Francisco to Washington D.C. This fundraiser raises money for Pi Kappa Phi’s national philanthropy, P.U.S.H. (People Understanding the Severly Handicapped).

The Pi Kapps visited towns that supported the Association for Retarded Citizens (ARC), and played basketball, hosted dances, had cookouts, went to minor league baseball games, and visited local waterparks to entertain the citizens. When the Pi Kapps stopped in a town that did not have an A.R.C., they would visit summer camp kids to raise awareness about retarded citizens.

"It creates an overwhelming sense of accomplishment, and makes you realize how lucky you are since the people we are doing this for can’t even ride a bike,” said McGee.

On September 21, 1997, thirteen sisters from AΣΤ traveled to D.C. to participate in the eleventh annual AIDS Walk Washington. The sisters walked the 6.2-mile course through downtown Washington, with other groups such as Camp Heartland and The Fannie Mae Foundation. “The Walk is a good cause because AIDS research is important. People need to be aware of its causes, because it affects everyone, whether you have it or don’t,” said Rachael Wood.

**SCOTT BAYER**

AIDS Walk Washington once again had a successful turnout this year as hundreds marched in front of the Washington Monument. Thirteen sisters from AΣΤ went to D.C. for the day to walk with thousands of others to raise money. All of the money went directly to fund AIDS research projects in hopes of finding a cure.
Autumn usually signifies a time of closure: life comes toward its end, leaves fall to the ground, and the weather cools in preparation for winter. But in the world of athletic competition, fall is the rebirth of another action-packed season that includes the body-crunching blows of football, the coordinated moves of the Dukettes and the supreme excellence of the nationally-ranked men’s and women’s soccer teams. Students are entertained by dedicated athletes; those who return to school early, forfeiting the remaining weeks of their summer just to endure an arduous regimen of two practices a day. These athletes are willing to wake up with the sun and enter the brisk morning air, seeing their breath before their eyes. All of these sacrifices pay off when game day arrives and the roar of the crowd rings true to their ears. Whether it’s a football player bursting onto Bridgeforth Stadium, a women’s volleyball player driving the ball down the line for the kill, or a cross country member running briskly through the woods; they are all in pursuit of the same ultimate goal: SUCCESS. The nostalgic feeling warms the hearts of the fans during a cold October afternoon as they understand the trials and tribulations of the athletes. This feeling is symbolized in a shiny old helmet, reflecting the stadium lights, sitting alone on the 50-yard line. The overwhelming sense of pride that is felt when the opposition falls short because of a heroic effort by a Duke putting his or her body on the line: a goalie making a diving save in the waning moments of a crucial game, a fingertip catch in the end zone, or a clutch goal by a forward that clinches the win and puts the team that much closer to achieving its goal. So fans, grab your spirit and enthusiasm and enjoy JMU’s finest as they perform to the best of their abilities, which has always proven to be enough to achieve success.

Sports
Dukes respond well to tough competition in their inaugural season in the Atlantic-10

Last year kicked off the Dukes’ inaugural season in the Atlantic-10 Conference. Within the conference, the Dukes saw familiar teams such as William and Mary and the University of Richmond, and also faced several new foes including Massachusetts and Boston. Senior offensive tackle Carter Robertson noted that the A-10 brought stiffer competition than was formerly offered by the CAA.

When the season opened, the Dukes roster was much younger than the previous year. With only 31 returning lettermen, the preliminary A-10 season would prove to be a challenge for the young Dukes. Most of the 27 lettermen losses occurred on offense, greatly diminishing the running and passing games. Fortunately, last season quarterback Greg Maddox, formerly a red-shirt freshman, started six games building a substantial base of experience for this season. Due to the loss of his top five receivers, Maddox needed to mature quickly this season.

A frustrated running game caused the season opener at Ball State to be a disappointment for the Dukes. The Dukes rushing was nearly quadrupled by the Cardinals, who held Delvin Joyce and Zeb Clark to 58 total yards on the ground. However JMU’s sophomore stand out quarterback Maddox went 20-34 for 206 yards, displaying his threat early in the season. A frustrated Doug Bigelow said, “Seniors need to step up,” in an effort to lead the young team by example.

Sophomore quarterback Greg Maddox stays in the pocket in search of a receiver. Maddox, who played eight games last year, entered this year as the starter and stepped up to the challenge. He had a 114.03 pass efficiency rating for the season and was named College Insider Division I-AA Offensive Player of the Week on Sept. 15.
Senior linebacker Doug Bigelow paces the field after a big tackle. Bigelow led a core of linebackers which was the most experienced position of the Dukes this year and has been one of the top tacklers on the team the last two years.

Senior defensive end Jonathan Dean makes a solo tackle against East Tennessee State. Dean was the most dominant lineman, leading the Dukes in sacks for the past two seasons. Senior defensive tackle James Roberson and Dean, both returning starters, led a young defensive line that had four different freshmen see playing time this season. The defense relied heavily on the play of underclassmen as only six starters returned from last year's squad.

Redshirt freshman B.J. Thornley and senior linebacker Marcus Ordonez wrap up an East Tennessee State receiver. Defense was key to the Dukes' upset win against the Bucs as Ordonez had 18 tackles, Doug Bigelow had 13 and Tony Booth finished with 11.
Torrey Tillman, Ulrick Edmonds and Tim Carper converge for the tackle on a Ball State receiver. Tillman, a returning starter, and returning letterman Carper are the mainstays at the corners for the Dukes. They complement an experienced secondary that includes junior Tony Booth and junior Mike Masella. Booth had a profound effect on the opponents’ offensive schemes, collecting a record-breaking eight interceptions throughout the season.

young team falters late in season, bounces back to win final two games at home

(continued) After overcoming the initial loss to Ball State, the Dukes rallied to win their next three games, including two close conference matches versus Maine and Massachusetts. In the non-conference win versus Eastern Tennessee State, Maddox had an outstanding game throwing 12-23 for 269 yards and two touchdowns. For this performance he was named College Insider Division I-AA Offensive Player of the Week. In Game 5 the Dukes faced a new A-10 rival in the Wildcats of Villanova. The stronger and faster Wildcats, characteristic of the A-10, out-scored the Dukes by 32 points and dominated both sides of the line.

The induction of the Dukes to the A-10 brought more difficult competition than was previously offered by the CAA. In addition to the rigorous schedule, the Dukes had to overcome their obvious lack of experience with 27 lost lettermen. However, for the football team the word "rebuilding" was taboo on the sidelines and in the locker room. Head coach Alex Wood taught, "If you can win two out of three (offense, defense or special teams) then you win the game." The Dukes faced every opponent with the intention of winning all three.

VINCE ETTARE

Junior strong safety Mike Masella and senior line backer Marcus Ordonez lead the Dukes onto the field at Bridgeforth Stadium. These two veterans were leaders on a defensive squad that new defensive coordinator Dennis Fitzgerald is currently rebuilding with freshmen and sophomores.

Freshman tailback Zeb Clark and the offensive line win the battle at the goal line to score six for the Dukes. The offensive line, anchored by seniors Carter Robertson and Sonny Hathaway, blocked this season for a young backfield including surprise star Delvin Joyce, a walk-on from the 1996 season.
Coming off a 13-9 season last year, JMU’s field hockey team set its focus for this year on team unity. Working together, they were able to achieve the higher goals set for the season. As with many other sports, teamwork is essential for not only victory but improvement on an individual and team basis. The experience of the team helped during difficult games. The Dukes nine returning starters from last year and the skills of new players were key to helping blend the old with the new.

The Dukes started off the season in an incredible fashion, winning their first four games, including a tough overtime victory against Massachusetts.

This team was remarkable in their playing ability in their teamwork. Head Coach Christy Morgan said, “They are one of the closest teams in the nation. They are a close-knit team and they take care of each other.” Not only did they work well together, but they had the skills needed to win games. Morgan also added, “they have a work ethic like no other team I’ve had.” It’s not surprising that they finished the season so well given their commitment to the game and their ability to work together.

BECKY LILLARD

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11 | St. Joseph’s | 0
5 | New Hampshire | 0
1 | Maryland | 3
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6 | Davis & Elkins | 0
2 | California | 0
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6 | Richmond | 0
4 | William & Mary | 0
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Senior forward Dianne Cegielski uses her body to shield the ball from the defender. Cegielski combined with sophomore stand-out Julie Martinez to lead the Dukes to another successful season. This tandem was the one-two punch of the offense and led the team in goals for the second straight year.

Sophomore back Sara Perilla uses her speed to create an offensive fastbreak. The defensive unit was solid, including the play of senior Holly Garriott and junior Nicole Guadette, and helped senior goalkeeper Tara Perilla to dominate the offense of their opponents.

The Lady Dukes were led by a group of experienced tri-captains this season. Junior forward Tara Nappi, senior back Holly Garriott and senior forward Dianne Cegielski directed the team on the field, while head coach Christy Morgan broke the 100-win mark in her seventh year at JMU.
Scaling the three-story wall, this student carefully finds holds for his hands and feet. The Wall Climb, which was free of charge and open to everyone, was one of the most popular attractions at the Health Fair. Students enjoyed the wall because it gave them an opportunity to participate in an extreme sport without having to leave campus.

Freshman John Kilmartin demonstrates his strength and skill at the Bungee Challenge on the commons. The Health Center sponsored the event along with Jeep Eagle and attracted students with alternative activities such as the Human Fly Trap and the Plymouth Soccer Shootout.

Two new competitors get ready to duke it out by putting on extremely heavy, oversized boxing gloves. Other physically exerting games included a rubber jumping room and the Bungee Challenge. The Health Fair promoted mental health as well as physical health.
participating in physically demanding, fun-filled activities all while getting into shape.

Are fitness and fun at the same time possible? The University Health Center thought so when they incorporated the two with the Jeep Eagle College Health Tour last October. Ann Simmons, Coordinator of Health Education and Promotion at the University Health Center, said, “The reason we wanted to bring the tour here was to promote health awareness.”

Activities ranged from the Human Fly Trap to the Gladiator Dual. “I don’t understand why people wouldn’t come to an event like this,” freshman John Kilmartin said. “There is so much to do, it’s fun and good for you.”

One of the biggest events was the Wall Climb. Standing several stories above the ground, the wall provided an extreme-sport opportunity free of charge. Junior Mike Lemker said, “It was something I always wanted to try, climbing a wall. It was a great new adventure and it was free, you can’t beat that.”

There was also a booth for mental health, called Magic: The Gathering. “It is the biggest game right now, bigger than Monopoly,” said Morgan Spurlack, promoter of the Magic tour, who has also traveled with the H.O.R.D.E. Festival. “We just want to show everyone what it is about.”

Overall, the fair successfully increased awareness about current ways of staying fit. “This was a great way to have fun and learn about good welfare and safety,” said Kilmartin.

KEVIN GAUTHIER

Two students assume fighting stances on the gladiator pedestals and prepare to fight until a champion is declared. Activities such as this one were set up to raise health awareness. Many companies helped sponsor the Health Fair and set up booths to give out free samples. Among the name brands that sponsored the event were Trojan Condoms, Perry Ellis, Discover Card and Lipton Iced Tea.
The volleyball team began their season 4-0, their best start ever in CAA play, by shattering five-time CAA champion George Mason University’s regular season record of 20 consecutive wins, 28 including tournament matches.

GMU could not contain the incredible play of sophomore outside hitter Lindsay Collingwood, who amassed 26 kills and 23 digs, the 6’1” brachiator Taryn Kirk, who tallied three solo blocks, and senior Beth Tyson, who racked up a personal record of 27 digs.

In what Coach Beerman called a “pump game,” the GMU win foreshadowed the successful tone for the season. “Our goal was to win the conference,” Collingwood said, “if we can beat GMU, we can beat any other team in our conference.” Although there is always margin for improvement, the Dukes commanded respect from their opponents by leading the league’s leading statistics in kill average, assist average, and hitting percentage. Among the young guns announcing promise for the future were freshmen Karla Gessler and Alaina Wilson, two outstanding players in blocking and assisting, respectively.

— Philip Davies

Sophomore outside hitter Lindsay Collingwood goes airborne for the kill. Collingwood, the CAA Rookie of the Year as a freshman, once again accumulated many awards including first team All-CAA honors and All-Tournament teams in the JMU Invitational and the GMU Invitational. She also ranked second in kills and third in digs in the CAA.

Sophomore Taryn Kirk and freshman Karla Gessler successfully block an attempted kill by an opponent from American University. Defense, led by Kirk and senior Beth Tyson helped propel the Dukes to an upset win over George Mason University. The second team All-CAA Tyson and defensive specialist Valerie Kaput vaulted JMU to a respected and feared team in the CAA.

Freshman middle hitter Karla Gessler sacrifices her body as she dives on the floor for the dig. This show of determination and heart was contagious among her teammates and a key factor to the Dukes' successful winning season. Gessler was named CAA Rookie of the Year and made first team All-CAA for her efforts.
Freshman midfielder Niki Budalich, an international student from Canada, cuts back across the field to avoid a West Virginia University defender. Budalich was one of twelve freshmen on the team this year, and has already stepped in to make a contribution. The Dukes have often found talent outside of the country, including senior forward Jake Edwards originally from England, and sophomore Kjarri Antonsson from Iceland, to help uphold the history of soccer success.

Sophomore goalie Billy DuRoss dives to make a save on a penalty kick. DuRoss, the successor to All-Region keeper Barry Purcell, shined for the Dukes this season with a .86 goals against average and led them to a good record. The university looks to DuRoss as the future of a team that had 18 freshmen and sophomores this season.

Senior forward Geoff Honeysett heads the ball to start a fastbreak for the Dukes. An explosive offense was responsible for their impressive 9-2 start. Honeysett, team co-captain, has been a standout all four years at JMU and finished ranked for his career third in goals and second in points.
Having lost more than half of last year’s starting lineup to graduation, the 1997 men’s soccer team focused on developing players to fill roles to work towards their sixth straight NCAA tournament appearance. “We lost key players and depth; this was our year for big turnover,” said Tom Martin, head coach for 12 years.

A big void was left by All-region goalkeeper Barry Purcell, a three-year starter, until sophomore Bill DuRoss got the starting nod. The only returning defensive starter was Umesh Vemuri, so returning players who had seen significant playing time last season were forced to pick up the pace. Fortunately, the Dukes gained a new assistant coach, Tom Foley, after the departure of Hilton Dayes, who left for the head coaching position at Wright State. Coach Foley brought with him three years of NCAA tournament experience (1987-89) as a defensive player.

The midfield experienced similar losses with the graduation of All-American Jari Takatalo and career assist leader Sipi Savolainen. Returning players Trevor Hirst, Jon Rutland, Josh Stoltzfus, and Stephen Dirks had large responsibilities in complementing the play of return (continued on 226)

young and inexperienced Dukes thrive as underdogs, show the nation they can still play

(continued) ing all-conference selection Kevin Knight and assist leader Kosta Bournelis.

Returning on attack were senior all-conference selection Jake Edwards and co-captain Geoff Honeysett, who was among regional scoring leaders in 1996. Junior Mike Brizendine, the returning scoring leader for the team, once again ranked among the scoring leaders in the region.

The Dukes started out strong with a 10-3-2 record despite these setbacks, which didn't surprise co-captain Kevin Knight. "I think we have come long way. The first two games were sloppy. We have settled down a lot and looked to keep possession of the ball and have increased our intensity at various positions on the field," said Knight in a Breeze interview.

The stiffest conference competition came from William & Mary, who was ranked 16th by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America, and American University, who was in 1st place in the CAA at the midway point in the season.

"We just had to remember that every opponent was capable of beating us if we were not focused and not working hard or not playing well," said Knight.

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TRACY SANFORD

Junior midfielder Kevin Knight, a three-year starter and three-time all-conference selection uses his dribble to avoid a West Virginia defender. Knight proved to be a major factor against the Mountaineers, having an assist and scoring the game-winning goal to break a 1-1 tie.
Senior Trevor Hirst, who saw time at both the forward and midfielder positions, takes a shot on goal against West Virginia University. Hirst, a four-year letterman for the Dukes, started every game this season and finished with 15 career assists.

A freshman forward Brandon Wright uses his head to gain momentum for the Dukes’ offense. Wright was one of several freshmen to contribute to the team this season and one of the 12 freshmen that were the foundation for a prosperous soccer future at the university.

A freshman forward Ivar Sigurjonsson uses his speed and agility to escape a West Virginia defender. Sigurjonsson was one of the most prominent scorers for the Dukes this year, leading all freshmen in scoring with seven goals.
Balancing on one foot, the cheerleader flyers show their balance while the bases prove their strength to the crowd during the September 20 game against UMass in which the Dukes won 13-10. The squad practiced a great deal to improve their routines in order to pump up the crowds and boost the team's morale.

Smiling brightly, Amanda Hubbard holds her position while being held by her partner. During this stunt, the Marching Royal Dukes played a favorite tune from Superman. The cheerleaders performed various stunts during sporting events to dazzle the crowd.

Spiraling through the air, a JMU cheerleader performs several twists while her spotters wait to catch her. Daring events such as these were unveiled along with bow ties and cumberbunds to keep the crowd excited during the Homecoming game on October 18.
Enthusiastic, energetic and spirited are all words that describe the Cheerleading squad. Led once again by head coach Rickey Hill, the cheerleaders aspired to new heights this year. “We lost a lot of good people last year which caused the team members this year to step up and make an improvement,” Hill said.

The varsity squad lost many members to graduation last May. “We had a really young team this year, but everyone worked really hard, making for a successful year,” co-captain Julie Graves said. Since the team was comprised of many young and less experienced members, the captains worked hard at teaching new routines. “We have been practicing hard, teaching the younger members the necessary skills,” co-captain Clay Rowland said.

The cheerleaders were responsible for pumping up the crowd during athletic events all year round. These events included the football games at Bridgeforth Stadium and the basketball games at the Convocation Center.

The junior varsity squad, led by Kelly Craft, were no less talented, and worked just as hard. According to coach Hill, both captains worked to motivate the squads during practices and performances. “The captains were incredible and really made the job enjoyable,” he said.

SARAH OUTLAND

The men's cross country team ended their season by securing 2nd place at the CAA championships last November 1. The team finished with a total of 52 points, which placed them second only to the College of William & Mary. Led by head coach Bill Walton, who enjoyed his 14th year as the commander of the cross country and track and field programs, the team sprinted from the starting line early in the season and never once looked back.

Often seen at the head-of-the-pack was senior Ryan Foster who placed an impressive third in the 8000-meter race at the Championships. His time of 24:19 earned him a spot on the All-CAA team. Also qualifying for the prestigious All-CAA honor was sophomore Ben Cooke, who clocked in at 24:57 clinching 9th place, junior Pat Anderson, timed at 25:03 for 11th place, and freshman Michael Fox, rounded out the top 12.

Fox's outstanding finish was significant because he placed first among all other freshmen, distinguishing him as a potential leader for the future. Also contributing to the team's success this year was sophomore Scott Davis, who placed fifth overall for the team at the championships. The Dukes look to continue their great performance next season with the return of the nucleus of their pack.

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Junior Ryan Foster races toward the finish line in the Paul Short Invitational at Lehigh University. As a co-captain, Foster provided leadership for the Dukes and was a key contributor last season.

While practicing in Purcell Park, the cross country team gives it their all. Under the direction of distance coach Pat Henner, the Dukes had an excellent season placing second overall in the CAA.

The cross country team breaks from the pack at the Paul Short Invitational in Bethlehem, Pa. Endurance and stamina were required to run the eight-kilometer race.
Leading the pack, junior Bethany Eigel strives to maintain her position while competing in the Paul Short Invitational, held on October 4 in Bethlehem, Pa. The runners had to sprint away from the competition at the beginning of the race in order to hold an advantageous position.

With a look of determination, senior Tara Powers sprints her way to the finish line. Exhausting themselves every day at practice, the Lady Dukes prepared themselves well for the 3.1 mile races.

Pumping her arms to the finish line, Bethany Eigel works on beating her personal best. The runners set team goals in the beginning of the summer and their improvements were apparent.
late season surge to the finish line propels Lady Dukes to second in the CAA

Running five to 12 miles a day, the women of the cross country team knew what hard work was. There was no off-season; there was no summer vacation. Coach Julie Henner explained, “We really stepped up our goals. They were a lot higher than before. The girls knew that going into the summer and trained more.” Henner, an alumnus of the JMU’s team, was an inspiration to the team according to the runners.

Junior Bethany Eigel agreed that hard work and dedication were reciprocated by the team and the outcome was beneficial. “It took us much longer to get to the point we’re already at this year during last season,” Eigel said. “Our pack is bigger, stronger, and ready to compete at a higher level,” she said.

Senior Tracey Livengood said, “The difference in our team this year is the overall attitude. Everyone is pushing each other in and out of practice to do better. We sat down earlier, set goals for the team, and are now focusing on these goals. Each runner is making individual steps to reach our group goal.” One of the group’s goals was to put themselves on the map at the Michigan Invitational last October. The team attained its goal by earning an at-large bid for Nationals. With Eigel’s leadership, Henner’s coaching and the runners’ dedication, the 1997 women’s cross country team reached their goals, achieved great success and went the distance.

KAREN BOXLEY

Beginning the season ranked tied for eighth in the nation by the NSCAA, the women's soccer team had to live up to high expectations. The Lady Dukes bounced back from a slow start to finish a successful season.

The team was comprised of experienced players whose backgrounds were rich with honors and achievements. High-caliber players coupled with the guidance and leadership of 1996 Virginia Coach of the Year and CAA Coach of the Year Dave Lombardo created the team's high quality. The Dukes had trouble on the road, showing a weakness in their first two away games at Penn State and Maryland, both tough losses. The team persevered and won their next seven consecutive games, a school record. Road troubles continued for the Dukes as they failed to win in their first five games on opponent's turf. Thirteen games were decided by a single goal and seven contests went into overtime. The team was 3-1-2 in overtime through the first 15 games, and finished the season 10-0-1 at home.

"We have a lot of speed and we work the ball through the midfield. We play a game of possession, not kickball," junior Jodi Jacoby said when asked about the team's strengths.

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Keeping her eye on the ball to prevent a goal, senior Stacy Bilodeau makes a save. Bilodeau, a team co-captain, started in goal for the past three years. She posted a 1.14 goals against average, five shutouts and was recognized with second team All-CAA honors for the second consecutive season.

Junior midfielder Lauren Stritzl, who started 18 of 22 games this season, pushes the ball down field against UNC-Wilmington. Stritzl was a major contributor to the Lady Dukes offense last season, posting 17 points. The Lady Dukes look forward to her senior leadership next year.

Team co-captain Aimee Vaughan winds up for a corner kick. As a three-year starter at wing midfield she has earned All-CAA honors three years in a row. Vaughan finished third on JMU's all-time list for assists and in the top ten in both goals and points.
On September 14, 1997 the new home of the Washington Redskins widened the eyes of the NFL and the capacity crowd of 78,600 with its towering structure and intricate architecture. Jack Kent Cooke Stadium, named for the late owner of the Redskins organization, opened its inaugural season on a beautiful fall day. Even before kickoff, the fans tailgating in the parking lots dubbed the stadium The Jack, New Jack City, JKC or The House That Jack Built, instantly giving it the nostalgia and history that has been associated with the Redskins since 1932.

The pre-game pageantry and ceremonies embodied decades of Redskins history, as heroes, Hogs and Hall of Famers paraded onto the field to the roar of the crowd. Sonny Jurgensen, Charley Taylor and John Riggins, who defined Redskins football as it was known at RFK, highlighted the entrance into a new era of football in Washington.

The 1997 Redskins followed the former players onto the field as the voice of the public address announcer echoed throughout the stadium. A perfect formation of F-16 fighter jets added the finishing touch to the national anthem as they roared overhead.

The team played hard-nosed, typical Redskins-style football. The defense made big plays when they were needed, and the offense responded with equally stunning spectacles. In a close contest, it was only fitting that the first game ever played at JKC was won by the home team on a last-second play. A miraculous grab by wide receiver Michael Westbrook, who fully extended his 6' 3" frame to make the fingertip catch in the end zone, caused a rampant celebration to explode, ending the perfect day but beginning a new chapter in Redskins history.

SCOTT BAYER

A bird’s-eye-view of the new home of the Washington Redskins, Jack Kent Cooke Stadium, at the inaugural game in September. Construction of the stadium began in March 1996, was completed in a record 17 1/2 months with a total of 78,600 seats and cost over $155 million. The sellout crowd that attended the game was entertained by the voice of Mary Chapin Carpenter, who sang the national anthem.

Thousands of Redskins fans came hours early to the game to wander around the new facilities, which included levels dedicated to former coaches Joe Gibbs and George Allen, restaurants and a micro-brewery.
As the weather cools and the wind begins to blow outside during a cold winter night, one place students take solace is within the confines of a warm gymnasium, to witness the spectacle of winter athletics. Hoop hysteria reigns supreme as thousands flock to the Convocation Center for the rim-rockin' dunks and eye-poppin' passes of the Dukes' basketball teams. The hype begins at Midnight Madness when the basketball teams are joined by the syncopation of the Dukettes, the enthusiasm of the cheerleaders, the zany Duke Dog and the rowdy hooligans of the Zoo Cage. Winter offers a variety of sports much different than those played outdoors during warmer months. Wrestling, a combination of strength, quickness, and technique is one of the most physically demanding of all sports, and in-cludes the arduous task of controlling one's body weight. All of the dieting and sweating pays off when the opponent's back is pinned to the mat and the wrestler's hand is raised by the referee, declaring him the winner. Elegance graces the fencing and gymnastics teams, as well as the diving teams. Hours are spent by gymnasts practicing iron crosses on the rings, spindle flares on the pommel horse or the correct rotations in hopes of landing the perfect vault. Swimmers practically live in the pool, exhausting themselves beyond comprehension to gain the slightest advantage over the competition. A three-pointer at the buzzer to win the game, a perfect 10 on a floor routine, a splashless entry into the pool, a thrust of the foil or epee to guarantee victory, a take-down and a pin or methodically out-stroking the opponent in the final length are all ways in which winter athletes can attain SUCCESS. The weather may be unbearable outside, but inside you can have your heart warmed as you witness the athletes of JMU sacrifice mind and body in an attempt to have the distinguished honor of being declared champions.
Although the women's basketball team had rough moments in the beginning of the season, they met coach Bud Childers' expectations. With only two returning starters, the addition of five freshmen and a new head coach, the Lady Dukes withstood a huge turnover. Childers arrived after his successful stint at Louisville and brought with him an entire new staff of assistants to replace his predecessor Shelia Moorman.

At the beginning of the season, the team had trouble adjusting to the new coach, new roles and new positions. As the season progressed, the players not only improved individually but also as a team. The freshmen emerged and the upperclassmen successfully filled the roles as top defensive players.

No single player emerged as the star of the team, and everyone had the opportunity to attain a starting position. The freshmen as a whole stole the spotlight in more than one game. Against UNC-Wilmington on Jan. 11, 5 freshmen started. Although the team is inexperienced, Childers said, “They go out and compete hard every game. They always play with two qualities: grit and determination.”

This attitude produced one of the most exciting games against the George Mason Patriots. With four freshmen on the court, the Dukes trailed by only point, 66-67, with one minute remaining. The Dukes scored with one second on the clock to win 68-67. (continued on 241)
Freshman guard Becky Wollenberg searches for an open teammate while being closely guarded. Wollenberg had an outstanding year as she finished 2nd on the team in scoring, including making 56 three-pointers.

First-year head coach Bud Childers likes what he sees from his Lady Dukes. Childers assumed the helm and brought with him an entire new staff of assistants to lead the women to another successful season (above).

Junior center Akosua Demann shoots a tough shot in traffic against Old Dominion. Demann contributed to the Lady Dukes success by playing in every game last season and averaging over five points and five rebounds per contest (left).
Freshman guard Kia Cole penetrates the defense and passes to a fellow Lady Duke in the lane. Cole shared time in the backcourt with sophomore Mistiza Colebank and helped lead first-year coach Bud Childers to a successful first season in the CAA. Cole flourished in conference games, starting 11 of 12, and averaged 6.3 points per contest.

The Lady Dukes gather under the hoop after warm-ups for a rousing pre-game pep talk. The team's indomitable spirits and ferocious attitudes, coupled with the vision and goals of their new head coach, proved to be the balanced formula that helped the Lady Dukes succeed against their competition.

Freshman center Stacey Todd grabs an offensive rebound against East Carolina. Todd was a presence on the floor, scoring five points per game at the offensive end and showing her defensive prowess with her shot-blocking ability. She also was among the leading rebounders on the team.
young and inexperienced Dukes thrive as underdogs, show the
nation they can still play

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(continued) Besides being a young team, the Dukes were also a small one. "This team is the kind of team fans appreciate and opposing coaches fear," Childers explained. Although they were undersized, they often out-rebounded their opponents. First-year guard Becky Wollenberg said, "I came into this program not knowing what to expect but I feel lucky to play with such hard working teammates and knowledgeable coaching staff." Stacey Todd, also a freshman on the team, agreed, "The one thing that I think is so great about this team is our willingness to work hard and strive to get better."

The players practiced individually from August to mid-October and then began team practices which consisted of two-and-a-half hours of practice, four to six days per week. The team benefited from the speed, strength and conditioning program installed by Childers. This rigorous daily routine helped Childers, the first man to coach the women's basketball program in over 30 years, and the Dukes to another winning season. JMU, who currently ranks third all-time in the NCAA in wins, continued to succeed and came closer to Childers' goal of putting his team in the "Top 25."

KAREN BOXLEY

Front Row: Akosua Demann, Angela Madeira, Sonya Nichols, head coach Bud Childers, co-captain Manika Herring, Mary Ashley, Stacey Todd. Back Row: manager Terrica Taylor, trainer Sherry Summers, assistant coach Sharon Versyp, Kia Cole, Mistiza Colebank, Kish Jordan, Hope Cook, Shirlence Archer, Mandy White, Becky Wollenberg, co-captain Nyesha Basey, assistant coach Russ Sarfaty, assistant coach Ina Nicosia, manager Kevin Chambers.

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While some students have chosen to retire their old high school baseball gloves, toss out those worn-down soccer cleats, or sell their parents’ tennis rackets for some quick cash, other dedicated athletes have decided to take their talents to the next level: JMU Intramurals.

The intramural program features conventional sports such as basketball and softball, but also provides innovative events of comparable difficulty including water basketball and whiffleball. Flag football was revolutionized by Sigma Alpha Epsilon’s impressive All-University Division I victory.

Individual events such as badminton, tennis, and NCAA Pick ’em, allow for intramural participants to showcase their skills in head-to-head competition. This year’s tennis singles Greek champion, Sam Maheshwari, of Pi Kappa Phi, said of the intramural program, “The only thing more fun than playing was winning.”

Combining both team and individual success, intramural points are tallied at the end of the spring semester to determine the overall champions. For the serious athlete or the athlete in disguise, intramurals is the ultimate college experience.

PHILIP DAVIES

Flag football is one of the most popular intramural sports. Games are held in the fall on the turf fields behind UREC. ΣAE B won the overall university title.

The on-campus basketball tournament, held in the first semester, is a warm-up for the full court season that begins second semester.
The most dedicated athletes travel to the local bowling alley to participate in an alternative intramural sport. Bowling demands concentration and perfect mechanics.

Racquetball is another indoor intramural sport that is played during the cold winter months. Racquetball is run differently than team sports, as players are required to establish their own playing schedules.
Senior Lamont Boozer challenges the American defense with an aggressive shot attempt. Boozer finished his senior year by moving into the all-time top ten in rebounds.

Senior guard Riley Trone rests during a break in the action. Trone walked on last year and earned a starting position after transferring from several other schools.

New head coach Sherman Dillard attentively watches his players. Dillard, a standout player at JMU in the 1970s, struggled through his first season in the CAA. Dillard was welcomed back to his alma mater in hopes of taking the Dukes to new heights both on and off the court in the near future.

Sophomore forward Kevan Johnson shoots a jump hook over a William & Mary defender. Johnson saw significant playing time last season, improving in every statistical category. He also helped the Dukes defeat George Mason, scoring 14 points and grabbing 9 rebounds.
Sherman Dillard returned to JMU for the first time in two decades, not as a player but as the new head coach of the men's basketball team for the 1997-98 season. Dillard's basketball career included being drafted by the NBA's Indiana Pacers. JMU's second all-time leading scorer returned to his alma mater and to a team that returned four starters. Dillard took over the veteran team with an opportunity to make it back to the Colonial Athletic Association Tournament finals. The Dukes sought revenge for their difficult overtime loss in the CAA title game in the previous year. Coaching assistants Herb Krusen, Chris Theobald and Bill Old were also new to JMU's coaching staff.

The Dukes had a tough beginning to their season with a 6-10 CAA record and 11-16 record overall.

However, last season's leading scorer Chatney Howard was injured and only played five games. Junior Eugene Atkinson stepped up his game in the absence of Howard to lead the team in scoring and rebounding for the season. Atkinson moved from the forward position to guard last year while simultaneously increasing his field goal percentage and three point percentage. He also led the team in points and rebounds in two home court (continued on 246)
Dukes rebound from early season struggles, make a showing at the CAA tournament

(continued) wins over North Carolina A&T and Morgan State. In a valiant effort at Washington, Atkinson led the team in points, rebounds and assists. Senior Lamont Boozer brought experience and leadership to the team in his fourth season. Boozer's strong offensive presence in the paint was an asset to the team. Last season, post players Boozer and Rob Strickland played key roles in two victories over Towson State and Norfolk State. Dillard brought up-tempo basketball to JMU which relied heavily on pressure defense. This plan was effective considering the experience and depth of the guards. NBA greats Kevin Johnson, Buck Williams, Kenny Anderson and Dennis Scott all were coached by Dillard in college.

Dillard knows how to improve team records as was evident in his three-year tenure at Indiana State as head coach. Indiana State had a 4-24 record before his arrival and improved exponentially each year thereafter. Under their new head coach, the Dukes improved from 61.1%, one of theCAA's worst percentages, to 67.2% from the free throw line—a symbol of discipline. The first half of the season was tough including a difficult match-up with nationally ranked Arizona, but the veteran team bounced back with the hardest part of their schedule completed, and coach Dillard looks to a future filled with growing success.

—DAN TARKENTON—

Junior point guard Ned Felton drives into the lane past his American defender. Felton started every game for the Dukes, was the fourth leading scorer, and was second on the team in assists.

Senior Lamont Boozer concentrates as he shoots a free throw. Boozer frequented the line playing a physical inside position, and contributed his four years of experience to the team.
Sophomore guard Jamar Perry puts back an offensive rebound against American, in which he led the Dukes with 20 points. Perry was the second leading scorer on the team and led the team in assists edging out his backcourt counterpart Ned Felton.

Junior guard Eugene Atkinson dribbles the ball up the floor during Midnight Madness at the Convocation Center. Atkinson stepped up in the absence of Chatney Howard, as he led the team in scoring, with a 14.2 average, and rebounding with 7 per contest.
During the Homecoming halftime performance on October 6, Laurie Lycksell, Mary Davidson and Jennifer Pyles dance against the backdrop of the Marching Royal Dukes playing Summertime. The Dukettes added their dancing and enthusiasm to the captivating show.

Jumping in unison, the Dukettes perform an extraordinary move during the Parents Weekend football game. Extensive choreography astounded audiences and enabled the squad to win a second place ranking in a national competition.

Smiling cheerfully, Beverly Jackson performs during a halftime show. The Dukettes also danced during basketball halftime games. Coach Rickey Hill stressed that the team's hard work and determination led to their success as an exceptional squad.
with dazzling dance moves and intricate choreography,

Dukettes entertain and amaze

Halftime shows at JMU were just as exciting as the actual games, because of the 14 talented women otherwise known as the Dukettes. According to sophomore Karen Gulakowski, this team was the best JMU had seen in recent years. "Each dancer has a tremendous dance background which, combined with hard work and motivation, made the team an incredible experience to be part of," she said.

These women not only had the second bid to Nationals out of 35 teams in the division but also had the opportunity to travel to Europe and perform with the Marching Royal Dukes.

Captains Jacqueline Nathaniel and Lisa Cantu deserved much credit for the team's success, according to coach Rickey Hill. They provided leadership and choreographed well-loved routines. Practicing two and three hours daily—running, lifting and of course, dancing—the Dukettes worked on providing the fans with an exciting performance.

Cantu explained, "We condition in practice and workout outside of practice. Commitment and dedication to the team enables us to challenge ourselves as dancers and individuals." Nathaniel and Cantu agreed that the team was able to carefully coordinate each move because of countless practices, individual efforts and positive spirit. Dukette Amy Talley also agreed, saying that the Dukettes definitely had "team chemistry."

KAREN BOXLEY

Young, vivacious and looking toward the future while still concentrating on the season, the 25 member women’s swimming and diving team had 16 freshmen with strong upper class leadership to pull them all together.

One of the major themes of the season was working on individual improvement. “There were so many strong freshmen, they really came together as a class. The whole team came together which was important during competition,” said junior co-captain Melissa Marks. In an early competition with N.C. State, the team lost but had strong showings in every event. “Our relays are some of our strongest events,” said junior co-captain Shawnee Smith.

Trying to build on early starts in competitions, the team worked on individual strength for the relays. The major strong points of the competitions were the relays. “The first medley relay has been strong all year and it really sets the tone for the rest of the meet,” said Marks.

The team strove for personal strength, individual goals and trying to perform as a team. With the majority of the team being freshmen and the team being close, future success was not hard to imagine. “The team really came together . . . and the upperclassmen showed the way for the freshmen. I feel good about our future,” said Jones.

KEVIN GAUTHIER

Taking a breath during the 100 freestyle, freshman Britta Schumann makes the final push for the wall. Schumann also swam the 50 free, in which she placed 7th in a win over American in 27.83 seconds.

Junior Cathy Girouard attempts a front one-and-a-half somersault pike. Girouard contributed to a strong diving squad, as she placed 1st in the one-meter springboard and second in the three-meter against American.

Gliding through the water, junior Chrisse Hassett swims the backstroke. Hassett swam the breaststroke and freestyle last season, helping her team place 3rd in the 400 freestyle relay at the CAA Championships.
Sophomore Will Von Ohlen takes off from the starting blocks after junior Brian Jack touches the wall during warm-ups. Von Ohlen swam the 400 individual medley and was part of the 400 medley relay team that placed 1st at West Virginia.

Freshman John Kilmanin swims the backstroke leg of the 200 individual medley. Kilmanin contributed in his first year with the Dukes, swimming freestyle of any length from 50 yards to the 1000. Against American he placed 1st in the 100 free and 2nd in the 50 free.

Freshman diver Matt Madonna performs a back dive pike while training in Orlando. Madonna dove from both the one and three meter springboards, single-handedly sweeping three meets on both boards against American, Penn State and VMI.
The men’s swimming and diving team plunged head first into the 1997-1998 season by sinking UNC-W at the NC State Relay Meet under the instruction of coach Jenning “Brooks” Teal Jr. Second place at Raleigh plus five dual meet wins were made possible through the leadership of two seniors: Steve Fleming, whose 3x200 freestyle team placed first at the meet, and Matt Miller’s 3x200 team.

Other notable defeats included the Dukes’ drowning of William & Mary, led by junior Paul Oehling, who placed 1st in the 100 free and 1000 free, and junior Steve Boling, whose 93.375 score on the 1-meter springboard earned him 1st place. Freshman Bret Stone easily won the 200 butterfly followed by fellow freshman Brendan Prichard.

One of the most punishing victories came at home against American. First place recognition went to freshman Patrick Lowry in the 50 free, freshman John Kilmartin in the 100 free, junior Keith Wagner in the 100 backstroke, and freshman Matt Madonna who dominated both the 1-meter and 3-meter springboards.

The Dukes appeared at the 1997 Nike Cup Swimming and Diving Championships and finished seventh. Sophomore Jason Wiedersum and junior Justin Pudloski helped hang WVU out to dry later in the season in the 134-100 win.

PHILIP DAVIES


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The sports world witnessed many astonishing and unusual events in 1997 which shocked or entertained fans. Whatever the reaction, 1997 will be remembered for its championships and uncommon circumstances.

Major League Baseball saw the advent of interleague play. The Florida Marlins, considered underdogs as a wild card team, won the World Series.

On the ice, the Detroit Red Wings won their first Stanley Cup since 1955, ending its 42-year drought. The title was tainted as two players and one trainer were seriously injured in a limousine accident six days later.

The Green Bay Packers faced the Denver Broncos in Super Bowl XXXII. John Elway and Terrell Davis led the way to give Elway his first Super Bowl ring in four attempts.

In one of the most grotesque events in sports history, Mike Tyson battled Evander Holyfield in the boxing ring. The fight ended with another victory for Holyfield after Tyson was disqualified, fined and banned from boxing for one year after biting Holyfield's ear twice on June 28.

Tiger Woods became the youngest player to ever win the Masters at the age of 21. His 18-under par was the lowest score ever recorded at Augusta.

Sports fans of the world witnessed many firsts in the last year. Many old records were replaced by new, unforgettable ones. In the world of sports, 1997 was a year that will not be soon forgotten.

RYAN MURRAY

Terrell Davis breaks a tackle on his way to 184 yards and an MVP award. The Denver Broncos upset the Green Bay Packers 31-24 in Super Bowl XXXII.

Heisman Trophy winner Charles Woodson celebrates with a rose in his mouth after Michigan's victory over Ohio State guaranteed a Rose Bowl bid.
Mike Tyson bites the ear of heavyweight champ Evander Holyfield during their rematch June 28, 1997 at the MGM Grand in Las Vegas. The fight was stopped in the third round by referee Mills Lane after Tyson repeated the nasty offense. Tyson was suspended by the Nevada Boxing Commission for one year and was fined $1 million dollars for the insurrection.

Bobby Bonilla bursts onto the field leading a pack of Florida Marlins to celebrate their extra-inning win over the Cleveland Indians. The 3-2 win in the 11th inning of Game 7 sealed the Marlins' first ever World Series title.
Leaping gracefully over the balance beam, Jenn Duch competes in the gymnastics meet on January 31 against Rutgers and Pittsburgh.

Demonstrating extreme flexibility, junior Lisa Dec carefully balances over the balance beam. The Lady Dukes ended with a 3-8 record.

Sophomore Rosa Perez swings gracefully from the uneven bars. Diversity of events forced the girls to participate in long hours of practice.
The women's gymnastics team was looking to top last year's championship season. Although last year's team won both the Virginia State and Eastern College Athletic Conference Championships, this year's team aimed to equal, if not top last year's success. With 17 returning letterwinners, coach Roger Burke thought this year's team could return to championship form. The Dukes were very young with 16 of 26 gymnasts being sophomores or freshmen. However, Burke believed this youthfulness would be an advantage to the team.

The Lady Dukes faced off against perennial powers such as North Carolina State, Pittsburgh, George Washington University and Rhode Island. In 1997, each of these teams reached the NCAA regionals, which presented formidable competition for the Lady Dukes last year.

Each season, athletic teams have several different keys to achieve a successful season. The women's gymnastics team was no different. The major factor that the Dukes relied on was their depth. Burke said, "We have to rely on our depth and get those younger players to step it up and contribute to match last year's performances."

The youthful Dukes had to step up for a triumphant campaign. Anyway you measure it, the women's gymnastics team vaulted to another strong season.

RYAN MURRAY

Led by team captains Greg Bosch and Paul Baker as well as eight returning lettermen, the men's gymnastics team had experience on its side. Bosch revealed, “This is the type of team that can do a lot if they want... We have a lot more upperclassmen than any team I've ever been on before, with that majority knowing what they need to do and how they need to do it.”

Sophomore John Kyle agreed. He said, “We have the potential; we just need to step up. There's definitely better leadership this year.”

With improved leadership and more experienced gymnasts, the team is looking forward to conquering their biggest rival—William & Mary.

Even with experience and hard work, the Dukes’ season did not begin as successfully as they had hoped as two of their gymnasts suffered injuries. Freshman Woody Miller suffered a preseason injury and senior Paul Baker broke a bone in his foot during the first meet. Both gymnasts hoped to overcome their injuries and regain their strength so they could compete in future meets, especially the Eastern Intercollegiate Gymnastics League Championship. Last year the Dukes were affiliated with a new conference, the EIGL, which gave them the opportunity to compete against strong teams including Army, Navy, Massachusetts and Temple.

KAREN BOXLEY

Sophomore John Guiterrez performs a difficult handstand over the parallel bars. One of four underclassmen on the team, Guiterrez and his teammates showed great improvement throughout the season.

Swirling his body over the pommel horse, junior Sean Tylenda exerts his all during a practice at Sinclair Gymnasium. Tylenda placed 15th on the parallel bars among difficult competition at the Navy Invitational at Annapolis on January 17.

Team captain Greg Bosch exhibits awesome strength while performing the extremely difficult Iron Cross. Bosch was one of eight gymnasts nationwide nominated for the prestigious Nissen-Emery award which honors outstanding senior college gymnasts.
Sophomore Elliot Williams squeezes his opponent into a cradle pinning combination. Williams was once again a standout on the team reaching the NCAA tournament for the second consecutive year. His resume includes two CAA championships, invitations each of his two years to the NCAA Tournament, a 42-22 career record and the accolade of being named to the All-America team.

Chris Vidak takes a breather as coach Jeff "Peanut" Bowyer attentively watches. Wrestling is one of the most rigorous of all sports, as participants must maintain a certain weight to be eligible to wrestle.

Senior co-captain Chris Vidak uses his strength to control his opponent. Vidak wrestled at the 167 and 177 weight classes, posting a 14-7 record at 167 and a 5-2 record at 177.
Dukes hit the mat with strength and determination, grapple for CAA crown

The 1997-98 wrestling team worked very hard under the direction of head coach Jeff "Peanut" Bowyer. The team was unexpectedly strong from the beginning as the Dukes won their first four dual matches. The Dukes' strong start was a surprise to many who underestimated the strength of last year's team.

"We were expecting this year to be a rebuilding year," sophomore Brian Maddox said, "but the freshman have really stepped up and filled the gaps left behind from last year's seniors. The team is a lot stronger than anticipated." Despite the team's loss of six key seniors following the 1996-97 season, the group's discipline, hard work and talent made for a dynamic year.

Sophomore Elliot Williams helped make this season a success. "Elliot might be the most talented, athletic wrestler we have ever recruited to this program," Bowyer said, as quoted in the Breeze. Williams wrestled at 190 pounds and defended his CAA championship.

The success of the Dukes can be largely attributed to Bowyer, a former JMU wrestler. He finished with a record of 125-32-2 and holds the most career wins in university history as well as two Eastern Regional Crowns. He recruited a group that continued the tradition of excellence in the wrestling program.

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**JESSICA LEE**

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**Front Row:** Doug Batey, Joe Gizersky, Maakan Taghizadeh, Billy Phillips, Dave Vollmer, Tim Flynn, Mike Jeffry, Bobby Piccione, Arman Taghizadeh, Loren Pruskowski, Eric Miller, Tom Horne, head coach Jeff Bowyer. **Second Row:** assistant coach Pat Coyle, Brain Powers, Josh Androsavage, Brent Templeton, co-captain Brian Collier, Dennis Coxen, Chip Allen, Jim Dutrow, Nathan Rickman, Brian Maddox, manager Kim Palazzi. **Back Row:** Josh Webster, Rocky Pagnotta, Bill Candee, Chaz Gay, Adam Savarese, co-captain Chris Vidak, Mitch Uehling, Elliot Williams, Adam Holloway, Jason Freund.

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*Photo: JMU Wrestling*
Fencing is a sport that combines agility, mind games and strategy; the 1997-1998 fencing team displayed all of these qualities. The team got off to an amazing start and were undefeated going into the Northwest Open which was held in Chicago January 24-25. They came in 7th out of 13 participating teams. The Division I team competed against much larger schools and was one of the strongest universities in the region.

The team was comprised of a foil squad, led by Erin Madigan, and an epee squad, led by Marcy Miller. Each squad competed with four starters. Matches consisted of 16 four-minute bouts per squad in which the first fencer to reach 5 points won. The foil team gained points from torso hits only, while epee gained its points from hits to the entire body. The team practiced approximately two-and-a-half hours a day and traveled almost every weekend of their season.

The team was exceptionally young, with eight new fencers and six returners. Coach Paul Campbell, in his fourth year at JMU, had talented newcomers. “Even though our team is primarily made up of freshmen and sophomores, we are incredibly strong. Most of us came from exceptional high school programs so coach Campbell has a lot of talent to work with,” said sophomore epee starter Marcy Miller.

BECKY LAMB
Natalie Bray, the epee fencer, competes at home during the January 18 match. As a walk-on, her athleticism and aggressiveness contributed greatly to the epee squad and were admired by her coach.

Marcy Miller, the sophomore epee captain, is poised to strike in a tournament at home which competed against Sweet Briar, Johns Hopkins, Virginia and Virginia Tech. The Dukes defeated all four schools on their home turf on January 18.

Erin Madigan lunges during a competition against a Virginia Tech opponent. As team co-captain and captain of the foil team, Madigan provided support and leadership for younger members of the team.
recruits ranging from walk-ons to full-ride scholarship athletes contribute to teams, helping them succeed in reaching goals.

In addition to the duties coaches undertake during the season, coaching staffs are stretched thin, ever vigilant in search of new players who will bring the missing pieces to the NCAA National Championship puzzle. Field hockey coach Christy Morgan found the right fit and led her team to the national title in 1994. Coach Morgan attributes her success to finding "great athletes with great attitudes."

Men's soccer coach Dr. Tom Martin echoes this sentiment. "We want players to feel good about coming here and their parents to feel good about sending them here," he said.

Game evaluation at prospects' high schools are a primary recruiting tool. Because soccer, unlike many other sports, is played year round in various leagues, Martin has many opportunities to evaluate recruits. Although Martin may recruit anywhere, he chooses to recruit primarily in Virginia and the Mid-Atlantic states, while other coaches prefer other geographical locations they know well.

Most players are recruited for play, but NCAA rules dictate that open tryouts must be held for all sports. The size of the recruiting class depends on many factors including the size of the team and the availability of spots. Although Morgan's field hockey team did not have any walk-on players last year, Martin found that the size of his soccer recruiting class afforded more men the opportunity to compete as walk-on players. One walk-on who contributed greatly to his team's success was Delvin Joyce, who became the premier tailback on the football team last year.

A championship team doesn't just happen, especially for inter-collegiate athletics. Building a winning team not only requires practice but also a successful recruiting season.

TRACY SANFORD

Although the men's swimming and diving team doesn't receive the notoriety of larger teams, Coach Teal Brooks concentrates on finding his recruits in Virginia, Maryland, Pennsylvania and along the east coast. His successful recruiting coupled with the dedication of his athletes has earned the team four CAA titles and three Eastern College Athletic Crowns in Teal's five year tenure.

Red-shirt freshman Delvin Joyce takes break from the action. Joyce, who walk on in 1996, was the leading rusher on the team and led the Dukes with 173.7 all-purpose yard per game.

Senior Jake Edwards, originally from Crowborough, England, is one of six players on the men's soccer team recruited from outside the United States, and was named the 1997 All-South team.
Spring

The cool morning dew reflects the light of the warm sun, breaking a new day, one surely to be warmer than the previous day. Spring wins the duel with winter and dawns a rejuvenating power on the lives and in the hearts of people everywhere. Sports once again revert from the indoor variety seen during the winter and return to the fields and stadiums outdoors. Athletes endure the cold spring mornings and forfeit leisure time, even spring break, to travel hundreds of miles to participate in competition. The crisp sound of a bat sending a towering shot beyond sight can be heard echoing throughout the campus. The sweet hundreds of yards from the elegant local country clubs. The wind flies from an archer’s bow and bullseye. The smooth strokes of women’s tennis teams and the light pitter-patter of their feet on the hard courts are reminiscent of the Bridgeforth Stadium. The women’s lacrosse team rigorously conditions themselves to prepare for games that literally have no boundaries. The dedication of these athletes is rewarded with an eagle falling from 15 feet after clearing the pole vault bar. The extreme poise, balance and concentration of an archer, a shortstop making a diving grab in the dirt, a last-second save by a lacrosse goalie, an ace to secure the third set tie breaker, a photo finish in the 100-yard dash or an exulted high jumper who stares at the wavering bar that refuses to fall is all enough to achieve SUCCESS. So come one, come all to rally around our student athletes to put the finishing touch on a great year. Another year has been etched in the record books, but there will be more seasons to come, more victories to be won and more chances to witness these dedicated athletes reach their ultimate goal.

Sports
Senior David Mandulak sinks a four-foot putt during the JMU Fall Classic. Mandulak finished the 36-hole tournament with a score of 150, and has 10 career top-ten finishes.

With the lowest stroke average per 18 holes on the squad at 73.6, senior Bryan Jackson tees off. Jackson won individual titles at the Virginia Division I Intercollegiate Championship and the JMU Fall Classic.

Sophomore Shane Foster calculates his putting strategy on a green at the Country Club of Staunton. The JMU "A" team finished first out of 25 teams with a team score of 591.
The men's golf team had a successful fall season. They finished first in their District and prepared for a run at the NCAA Championships in the spring.

The balanced team consisted of two seniors, two juniors, four sophomores and two freshmen. "Generally speaking, we had a good start to the year," said senior David Mandulak. He tied for second at the Virginia Division I Intercollegiate Championship in late September. Teammate Bryan Jackson placed first out of the 53 individual entrants at the same tournament. He also had the lowest stroke average per 18 holes in the fall at 73.6.

The team's first place finish at the JMU Fall Classic in November was led by sophomore Faber Jamerson. Jackson and Jamerson were both named Individual Champions for their performances at the respective tournaments.

"The guys are working real hard," head coach Paul Gooden said. "I think they are getting better and better." He said if the team continued their diligent work habits they could challenge for the Regional title.

Freshman Matt Paulson said he is looking forward to next year, as the team returns a solid squad of underclassmen.

KELLEY NEUBERT

The women's golf team, consisting of only two seniors, was young but still managed to have a good fall season in anticipation of a better season in the spring. "We were a young team this year," said senior Kathryn Yard. "It was definitely a growing season. On that aspect, I think we did very well."

Although there were many young players, it didn't stop the team from great performances at fall tournaments. Sophomore Julie Russum tied for first out of 83 individual entrants at the Methodist Lady Monarch Invitational in September. At the Radford Invitational in late September, senior Kathryn Yard placed first out of 52 individual entrants.

Senior Danielle Zahaba and Katherine Lott tied for fifth place out of 69 individual entrants at the JMU Invitational. She also tied for sixth at the Green Wave Gold Classic in New Orleans.

Yard and Zahaba tied in stroke average with 78.6 per 18 holes. Both women played in 12 tournaments during the season. Russum edged out the two seniors for the best average on the team with a 78.3.

Yard said, "I think I have learned to take more pride in my individual performance." She added that even though they played as a team, learning to focus on oneself would benefit the team more.

HELLE NEUBERT

Senior Kathryn Yard tees off. Yard was one of only two seniors on the team last season. Her season-low round of 70 helped her to take the individual crown at the Radford Invitational and helped the Dukes finish first out of nine teams.

Keeping an eye on the ball, sophomore Julie Russum carefully prepares to putt. Russum was the most dominant of the underclassmen last season, posting the lowest stroke average on the team per 18 holes 78.3

Senior Danielle Zahaba takes a swing on the fairway. Representing the upperclassmen on the team, Zahaba was one of the most consistent Dukes during the fall. She finished in the top six at three different tournaments.
Sophomore Jamie Elliott hits a forehand return during practice. Elliott enjoyed success playing the number three singles spot and played doubles with sophomore Chell Lamm during the fall.

Marty Pfanmuller steps into the ball to return a backhand. Pfanmuller contributed to the team last fall by reaching the semifinals in the Virginia Collegiate State Championships held in Charlottesville.

Sophomore Chell Lamm waits along the baseline, prepared to move in either direction to return the ball. Lamm had a successful fall playing doubles with fellow sophomore Jamie Elliot.
young Dukes gain experience and poise during tough fall season

After losing 1997's number one singles player to graduation, the men's tennis team knew they would have to work hard to have a successful season. "We were hurting this year," said sophomore Tim Brown. "We're looking for some new talent." With a majority of underclassmen on the team, the Dukes had trouble conquering their opponents. The experience and exposure to a higher level of competition last season greatly challenged the team. They responded to the challenge and although the team struggled throughout the season, the men's playing time last year will help them in future seasons.

"We had a tough fall season due to some injuries and questions whether recruits were coming in," said head coach Steve Secord.

Although the Dukes suffered through an arduous schedule, they refused to allow the long fall season to dampen their spirits. "The team is excited about getting some fresh talent for the upcoming spring season," said captain Brian Nelsen.

Coach Secord was very positive about the future of the team. "We are a relatively young team, but I think all the guys will take the season as an opportunity to prove that they belong at this level," he said. "Time will tell who the stand out players are, but we will definitely be solid from top to bottom in the lineup."

KAREN BOXLEY

Lady Dukes are queens of the court as they roll over competition

Five returning players and a strong freshman class set the women's tennis team for success. Beginning with three individual singles titles at the Virginia Tech Invitational in September, the Lady Dukes were prime contenders in the CAA race under the leadership of Coach Maria Malerba.

Having placed third at the CAA Tournament during the 1996-97 season, the returning letterwinners entered the year with experience and confidence. Seniors Jaime Marlowe and Karen Piorkowski each returned for a fourth year. Piorkowski played No. 1 singles and doubles after three years at the number one doubles spot with partner Tory Schroeder, '97 graduate and winner of the National TENNIS Magazine/ITA Arthur Ashe Leadership and Sportsmanship Award. Also returning were junior Chrissy Travlos and sophomores Clara Hoinkis and Corinne Ogrodnik.

Four freshmen joined the team to form what Coach Malerba thinks may be her strongest recruiting class ever. Sheri Puppo played doubles with Piorkowski, while Lauren Dalton, Amy Fowler and Sarah Granson joined the other letterwinners in the doubles and singles starting lineups.

LEAH BAILEY

Sophomore Clara Hoin-kis works on her forehand returns during practice. Hard work during practice led the Lady Dukes to a successful season, including a singles record of 13-6 and a doubles record of 7-4 in doubles competition at the Virginia Tech Invitational.

Senior Jaime Marlowe prepares to drive a two-handed backhand down the line. Marlowe, a leader on the court this year for the Lady Dukes, compiled a 7-3 doubles record playing with freshman Sarah Granson, and helped the Dukes to an overall doubles record of 21-18.

Senior Karen Piorkowski concentrates as she reaches for a ball that is over her head. Piorkowski has been one of the most successful Dukes in her four years here. After playing number one doubles for her first three years and number one singles last season, she stepped up to be the top player.
Senior co-captain Geoff Honeysett congratulates sophomore goalkeeper Billy DuRoss after making a save on a penalty shot. Captains inspire their fellow teammates and motivate them to play to the best of their ability. Honeysett has led by example on the field during his four years being named twice to the All-region and All-CAA teams, as well as the JMU/Sheraton Four Points Hotel Invitational All-Tournament Team and CAA Player of the Week. He also has been among the top scorers in the region the past three years and ranks third on the career list in goals and second in points. Honeysett also has dedicated himself off the field, making the NSCAA All-America Scholar Athlete third team in 1996 and is on the Dean's List.

Field hockey coach Christy Morgan talks to her team at halftime, stressing playing with heart and emphasizing teamwork. Morgan's philosophy is obviously a good one, as she has compiled an 104-50-2 record at JMU. Her resume includes CAA Coach of the Year and NCAA South Region Coach of the Year in 1993 and an NCAA National Championship in 1993-94.

Head coach Beerman illustrates what needs to be done on the court for his team to be victorious as senior Shelley Vignovich and sophomore Lindsay Collingwood pay close attention. After inheriting a team that was 9-18 the year before he arrived, Beerman has turned the program around by hiring a new assistant coach and being more aggressive in recruiting.
captains provide leadership in all aspects of competition, from co-ordinating events to being model athletes.

Leaders naturally emerge on any team; some members, although not less important, are followers. But some become leaders; those who inspire with words and lead by example. Some of these leaders are chosen as captains, a most respected and honored position for an athlete to hold. These captains are chosen based on their ability to motivate the team, perform to the standards of their coaches, and be an example for his or her fellow athletes.

"I felt that I had a lot of responsibility at the East Tennessee State game," said sophomore tailback Delvin Joyce, special teams captain for the football team at the Dukes' home opener. "The guys were looking to me for leadership."

NCAA athletics, as well as club sports and intramurals, have leaders. Athletes gain knowledge from their coaches, but they are led by their captains who serve as examples.

"Even after the ETSU game, I felt that I needed to represent the team in the same way," said Joyce.

Senior rugby player Dave Reynolds said, "Whatever needs to be done at our games, Joe Boyle takes care of it. He's our president."

Athletes formed close relationships with one another. When on the field, they relied on each other to accomplish a common goal, but the captains coordinated ideas and led teams closer to achieving their goals.

KRISTIN PHILBIN

Women's lacrosse coaches Cathy Swezey and Jen Gicking anxiously watch their players, hoping that the hours of practice pay off. Gicking graduated from JMU in 1995 after playing on the team. Swezey has since moved her career to Vanderbilt University.
Despite inexperience and a relatively young team with only four returning starters, baseball had a successful 1997 season that included several new entries in the record book. The baseball program hit the 1,200 game milestone with its February 23 game against Wright State. Head coach Kevin Anderson coached his 125th JMU win when the Dukes beat the University of Massachusetts on March 9 and the team tied a school record for hits in a single game with 25 against George Washington University on April 9.

Players and fans always made Dukes baseball games full of intensity. "We're underrated; therefore we expect a lot out of ourselves, and all of our games are big games," claimed sophomore catcher Jeff Nalevanko. It was the intensity that consistently allowed the Dukes to prove their critics wrong. The players agreed that their 11-9 extra-inning victory over the University of Virginia on April 16 was a major highlight of the season. "It was the first time in five years that we beat UVA. It was definitely a high point," said junior catcher Glenn Borgmann. "Virginia Tech and UVA are our big state rivals and beating both of them on their home turf made the wins even tougher," said sophomore center fielder Kevin Razler. After their victory at UVA, the Dukes went on to sweep the George Mason Patriots in a doubleheader later that week. (continued on 279)
Junior Travis Harper extends through his windup, preparing to strike out his opponent. Harper led a thin although talented pitching rotation as he tied for third in the CAA in wins and was fifth in strikeouts. The right-hander was drafted by the Boston Red Sox in the third round of the Major League Draft.

On his home turf, Corey Hoch calls for a strike, determined not to let ECU steal another win. The Dukes split the two games they played against the Pirates last year. In each game the victor won 6-5.

Sophomore Nate Turner blasts a towering shot to the outfield. Not only did the ball soar, but so did the Dukes’ pride this season as they conquered their biggest state rivals: UVA and Virginia Tech.
Sophomore Kevin Razler stands in the batters box, awaiting the next pitch. Razler was the leadoff hitter for the 1996 Dukes and filled both the first and the third spots in the batting order last season, hitting .358 with 10 home runs and 52 RBIs. The 1996 JMU Rookie of the Year also anchored the defense at center field.

Redshirt junior Chad Hartman rips a shot down the third base line. Hartman was a valuable addition to the Dukes both in the batting lineup and on defense, where he was a mainstay of the solid core of outfielders.

This Duke connects with the ball, sending it to the outfield. The offense was responsible for many victories batting .320 as a team, led by junior Greg White, who hit .372, fifth in the CAA, with 51 RBIs and 24 doubles.
coach Anderson gets 125th win, Harper is drafted by the Red Sox in the third round, Dukes finish at 31-26

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(continued) Another major highlight for the team was their two game series at Clemson. The Dukes compete in the CAA and usually do not get the chance to play teams from the ACC, which offers greater competition. Although the Tigers beat the Dukes in both games, "We played well," said Borgmann. "Clemson was tough, but we played good games."

The Dukes closed out the season with the CAA tournament in May. The tournament is the culmination of the team's efforts throughout the season, and is an eight team, double-elimination contest. In the opening game, the Dukes beat William & Mary 8-2, but fell in Game 2 to Richmond and was finally knocked out of the tournament in Game 3 by VCU. The team ended the season with a record of 31-26.

The Dukes look to improve offensively in the 1998 season, and the experience they gained during the season will definitely help them accomplish that goal. "I'm looking to win 40 games next season," said Kevin Razler. "We have a great team; we've all come together and we're looking forward to next season," said Nalevanko, speaking for the whole team.

SARA DINWOODIE

Pitcher Travis Harper, head coach Kevin Anderson and catcher Corey Hoch discuss pitching strategy. The Dukes were young on the mound after Aaron Sams, Travis Harper and Tim Bouch but had success with their starting rotation, finishing with a 31-26 record.
Team unity has always been prevalent for the Dukes, but maybe not to the extent of the closeness of the archery team. The 18 individuals on the team definitely took their camaraderie seriously. With veteran coach Bob Ryder at the helm and Jo Malahy as the overall captain, the team succeeded in many aspects. "In my opinion, this was the closest team I'd ever been on, we weren't just a team, we were friends also, and we knew everything about each other," Amie Bradford said.

This unusual closeness helped the Dukes as they came home from the U.S. Intercollegiate Championships as the most successful athletic team. "The women's recurve team have outdone themselves with their national title, and Yuisa Medina was a pleasant surprise, being named to the All-America team as a freshman," explained Ryder. Both compound teams came close to the national title, but missed and settled for second place.

When thinking about the season yet to come, Ryder said, "The team is very young and probably the closest I've ever coached. This means that next season we may do even better."

"We have been second in the nation for the last two years. We have a lot of people on the team who are tired of being runners-up, and are hungry for something more," Dave Tevendale said.

--- SARAH OUTLAND ---

Amie Bradford, Michael Reeder, Jennifer Fritz, David Tevendale, Michelle Kendrick, Randy Hinkelman, Jo-An Malahy, Adam Hatchl, Michelle Griffin, Brent Bauman, Yuisa Medina, Collin Flotta, Teresa Monsour.

Not Pictured: Amanda Atkins, Gary Chernich, Deb Funk, Craig Wiand.
Sophomore Arnie Bradford sets her sights at a target with earnest concentration. Archery is mentally demanding, taking extreme poise and balance. Coach Ryder taught his athletes well as Jo Malahy won a national title in the women's recurve, Bradford took third in the women's compound division and sophomore Randy Hinkelman finished fourth in the men's compound division.

Head coach Ryder, the 1995 National Archery Association Coach of the Year, gives some welcome advice to senior Jo Malahy. Malahy was only the second woman in the Dukes' history to win the women's recurve title at the U.S. Intercollegiate Archery Championships.

The highest accolade a collegiate athlete can hope for, All-America distinction, was awarded to five archers for their performances last year. From left to right: Yuisa Medina, Collin Flotta, Arnie Bradford, Randy Hinkelman and national champion Jo Malahy.
freshman Julie Weiss chases down a ground ball in the open field. Weiss was one of several contributing freshmen, scoring nine goals in her first year. The high-powered offense included senior team captain Shelley Klaes, who was named to the All-America team, who had 44 goals and 23 assists last season, and finished her JMU career with 121 goals and 71 assists, a new record. Freshman Julie Martinez showed promise for the future, as she made a major contribution in her rookie season, scoring 29 goals and was named CAA Player of the Week on March 31, 1997.

The Lady Dukes rally after a goal. Teamwork was the number one factor to their winning season, as they became CAA Champions and ended the season ranked fourth in the nation.

Junior goalie Kate Brew looks upfield for a teammate after making a save against American University. In her third year as a starter, Brew finished the season ranked 22nd in the nation in goals against average.
Lady Dukes win CAA crown, finish successful season ranked fourth in the nation

The nationally ranked 1997 lacrosse team was very successful. With a solid 13-5 winning season, the team made the quarterfinals in the NCAA tournament and upset the number two team in the country. They placed third in the CAA and were ranked in the Brine/IWLCA Top 15 every week of the season. The highest rank they achieved was third, and they closed the season ranked fourth. “It was a successful season,” said goalie Kate Brew. “Because we were a young team, our level of success was not expected,” she said. However, the team’s eventual loss to Temple ended their season.

The team ended the season nationally ranked ninth in winning percentage, 15th in scoring offense and 22nd in scoring defense. The most difficult challenges came against the University of Maryland, the 1997 NCAA National Champions, Loyola, national runners-up, and UVA, who were also NCAA quarterfinalists.

Lindsay Manning, team captain, said the 1998 Lady Dukes had the advantage of a more experienced team. “We have a lot of hard-working, intense group of athletes who want to match goals that have been set.”

NOELLE JONES

The 1997 women's track team had an outstanding season. With speed, grace and endurance, the Lady Dukes finished fifth in the CAA Championships for the second year in a row. Under the direction of head coach Gwen Harris, the team also placed as the Colonial Relay Team champions with 52 points. The championship 6,000-meter relay team consisted of Jenae Strader, Bethany Eigal, Heather Hanscom and Samantha Bates. The 400 championship relay team consisted of Zakiya Haley, Shaunah Saint Cyr, Shontya Bready, and Tamarra Stewart. Bates was named Athlete of the Meet, aiding her team in the overall win. Seun Augustus also placed an impressive second in the long jump at the same meet.

Individual achievements were impressive as well. Bates won the distinguished honor of JMU Female Athlete of the Year and was the CAA champion in both the 800 and the 1,500 run. She also set the record in the 1,600 and was named to the All-America team in that event. Eigal shared the Team's Co-Most Outstanding Athlete with Bates as well as being a CAA champion in the 3,000 run.

The women's track team set several school records over the course of the season, including Karrie Shelton's indoor pentathlon mark and one set by Stewart in the indoor 400 dash.

BECKY LAMB
Shaunah Saint Cyr reaches the homestretch neck-and-neck with her competition. Saint Cyr, along with Zakiya Haley, who qualified for the ECAC in both the 400 and the 500-meter runs, helped the Lady Dukes succeed.

Kendall Childress expends her final ounce of energy in an effort to edge-out competitors. With a "no pain, no gain" attitude, the Lady Dukes finished fifth at the CAA Championships last spring and had three All-Americans and five All-East performers.

During a tense moment before the starter's gun, the sprinters settle themselves into the blocks. Crossing the finish line first was nothing new to the Dukes. The first-place finish at the Colonial Relays was led by the 400- and 6,000-meter teams.
Junior Andrew Ryba
leaps over the hurdle
with grace in hopes of
earning a victory for the
Dukes. Ryba finished first
in the 110 high hurdles at
the JMU Twilight Invita-
tional and second at the
CAA Championship in
Wilmington, N.C. Ryba is
currently sixth on the all-
time list in the 110 and 55
hurdles for the Dukes.

Junior Bucky Lassiter rounds the final corner into
the home stretch for another win. Lassiter set a
school record in the 800-meter run and represented JMU
at both the NCAA Championships and the USA Cham-
pionships.

Taking a moment to prepare himself for the race, Paul
Lewis places his feet in the blocks. Lewis, the best
all-around sprinter for the Dukes, placed first in the 300
at Virginia Tech and qualified in the 200 and the 400 for
the IC4A.
Lassiter and Coleman represent university at prestigious events, lead Dukes to successful season

Last year the men’s track and field team fell just short of major accomplishments in prestigious events. "As a team, we were very close to doing well at high levels but basically last year was a year of missed opportunities," Coach Bill Walton said about his thirteenth season with the Dukes. He added that the team was not prepared mentally for their major competitions. However, 12 individuals qualified for 20 different events in the Intercollegiate Amateur Athletic Association of America (IC4A), the oldest collegiate meet in the United States. Stars Bucky Lassiter and Russ Coleman did extraordinarily well. Lassiter broke the indoor 800-meter record (1:51.03) and went on to compete in the same event nationally in the NCAA and the USA Championships. Coleman established a new school record in the indoor 5,000 at the George Mason Invitational (14:31.20).

This season’s team lost four seniors to 1997 graduation, but the Dukes aspired to new heights with seniors Coleman and Lassiter leading the veteran crew. "The overall quality of the team is higher this year," said Walton. Coach Walton, who won CAA Coach of the Year once again led the Duke crew to a successful season.

DAN TARKENTON

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Tae-Kwon-Do stresses both the mind and the body for a complete athlete. Student martial artists practice an important restraining technique that will be used later in competition.

Darren Maynard carries the ball upfield, hoping to evade any would-be tacklers. The Men’s Rugby team set out to return to the Virginia Rugby Union state tournament to improve their standing of third in the state.
A member of the Women's Soccer Club fends off a defender in order to reach the ball. JMU's top-ranked Men's and Women's Soccer Clubs returned once again to the national championships, each team continuing a record of astounding performance and skill. The women's club was one of the most popular club sports. The exciting games, energetic practices and after hour friendships made it an enjoyable sport for all those involved.

F reshman Margaret Coleman, a member of the Water Polo Club, attempts to make a goal during practice. The Water Polo Club expanded this year into separate men's and women's clubs, each participating in tournaments as well as the Collegiate Water Polo Association League. The strength and endurance required to participate in water polo required many hours of practice along with individual determination on behalf of the players.
The names and groups may have changed over the years, but their purposes have remained constant. Students united with similar goals and ideals in a place where they were free to learn and share with each other. Student Organization Night provided everyone with the opportunity to learn what was available. Organizations also created chances for people to make friends beyond the classroom which would last beyond their college years. Creating lasting friendships, developing leadership skills and nurturing faith journeys were all part of being a member of one of more than 200 organizations at the university. Club sports promoted team unity and achieved physical goals. Religious organizations promoted ecumenical community building through worship services and community activities. Making a difference in the lives of others was the main goal of service fraternities, while business fraternities furthered their personal and professional goals. Organizations gathered ideas and energy to develop themselves and the community.

JEFF MORRIS
EDITOR
ORGANIZATIONS
Founded at JMU in 1989, Alpha Epsilon Delta strives to encourage and recognize excellence in premedical scholarship. They also strive to stimulate an appreciation of the importance of premedical education in the study of medicine and promote cooperation and contacts between medical and premedical students. AEA participated in blood drives and attended the national convention in Fort Worth, Texas. They emphasized scholastic achievement and community service. They have welcomed special guests including Dr. Percy Wootton to speak to members and community physicians.

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Programmer Lauren McGowan ~ Treasurer Andy Hawkins
Secretary Victoria DelGaezo
Reporters Keith McGlrald and David Zijerdi
Historian Liz Bagby ~ Adviser Dr. Cletus Sellers

AEA member Josh Tice visits with Dr. Rheuban, the director of the University of Virginia’s Telemedicine Facilities.

Executive officers meet with Dr. Percy Wootton, president of the American Medical Association (top). The organization welcomed guest speakers from around the country. Members visit the medical center at the University of Virginia (bottom).

Sabrina Bradshaw, Mark Meyerdirk and Danielle DePasquale, brothers of AKΨ, gather for a rush picnic at Hillendale Park.

MEMBERS Mary Marshall, Nevada Dias, Lisa D’Acierno, Carrie Mills and Andrew Miller enjoy each other’s company at Alpha Kappa Psi’s Yellow Rose Semi-formal (top). Celebrating Bid Extension Fall ’97, AKΨ welcomes its newest members (bottom).

Furthing the individual welfare of its members, fostering scientific research in the fields of commerce, accounts and finance, educating the public to appreciate and demand higher ideals therein, and promoting and advancing in institutions of college rank are the goals of Alpha Kappa Psi. AKΨ held professional events such as inviting guests to speak on business and educational subjects. Community service was important to members who participated in blood drives, Adopt-a-Highway and Adopt-a-Flower Bed projects. Alpha Kappa Psi was the first professional business fraternity that was founded in the U.S., and was chartered at JMU in November of 1991. AKΨ is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and has approximately 40 members. The mission of Alpha Kappa Psi is to develop well trained, ethical, skilled, resourceful and experienced business leaders.

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VP-Membership Scott Lynn ~ VP-Administration Erin Wallace
VP-Finance Michelle Coleman ~ Master of Rituals Gabrielle Wilson
Incorporation Secretary Ben Edgell

Alpha Epsilon Delta, Alpha Kappa Psi 293
To benefit homeless shelters in Harrisonburg, seniors Jerry Cooper and Michael Andrews collect canned food at a local grocery store. Brothers of AΦA made the Thanksgiving holiday brighter for families in the area.

The brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. pride themselves on fulfilling their aims of scholarship and love for all mankind. Their goal is to uplift the African American communities of JMU and Harrisonburg alike. The brothers' extensive community service includes working with the Association for Retarded Citizens, Boys and Girls Club, Salvation Army, Mercy House and tutoring at Harrisonburg High School. For the past six years, AΦA's most visible service activity has been "Homeless Night Out." Brothers sleep on the Commons to raise money for various organizations. AΦA was originally chartered at Cornell University in 1906, and it was founded at JMU in 1979.

President Michael Andrews ~ Vice President Gary McCoy
Treasurer Jerry Cooper ~ Corresponding Secretary Victor March
Recording Secretary Terrance Addison
Intake Coordinator Christopher Jones

Brothers of AΦA prepare for their organization's formal (top). Increasing awareness of political involvement, members of AΦA encourage students to register to vote (bottom).
Participating in AΦΩ's Fall Service Weekend, members collect food at local grocery stores and volunteer at Patchwork Pantry (top). Junior Jeff Marsh puts collected food into boxes for distribution to needy families in the area (bottom).

Volunteering her time and service, sophomore Carmen Fong spends the day making friends at the SPCA. The largest co-ed service fraternity in the nation, AΦΩ members dedicated much of their time to community service.


Alpha Phi Alpha, Alpha Phi Omega 295
As a professional organization, ASID strives to increase awareness of trends and advances in the field of interior design. Members participated in “Options,” a career day held in Washington, D.C., where they toured design firms in the area and attended workshops. Assisting those less fortunate, ASID assisted Habitat for Humanity, in Staunton. At the March of Dimes Gourmet Gala in Roanoke, ASID designed a themed booth that was used by chefs to serve food to guests. Members also took trips to historic cities to view architectural sites.

President Karen Swartz  Vice President Beth Stefanon
Secretary Marc Herndon  Treasurer Cassandra Scrogham
Historian Rachel Olenick

As members Mark Riddle, Cassandra Scrogham, Beth Stefanon, Lexley Dodson and Rachel Olenick enjoy an evening at Chi’s.

Working the fresh style, junior Josh Rosenthal performs after a Breakdancing Club meeting at Godwin Hall. Rosenthal was a co-founder of the club.

Ringing students together for a “good vibe,” the Breakdancing Club was one of the newest organizations on campus. It helped foster a club scene in the Harrisonburg area and helped to keep a hip-hop culture alive and strong. The BDC was very visible, performing before movies at Grafton-Stovall Theatre, sponsoring “Among Us” and “Breakin’ on the Commons.” The group held practices every week and was open to everyone, not just to those who wanted to breakdance. DJs, photographers, artists and musicians also were welcomed to share their appreciation for the ‘80s. Established by Kevork Garmirian and Josh Rosenthal, the Breakdancing Club attracted more than 100 members.

President Kevork Garmirian  Vice President Josh Rosenthal
Treasurer Dannie Diego  Secretary Kelly Keul


Baptist Student Union members enjoy a sunset hike at Raven's Roost. Fellowship was an integral part of community building.

Baptist Student Union

Seeking to be ambassadors of Jesus Christ, the Baptist Student Union provides one faith community for students. Members seek fellowship together and share burdens with each other. Their main goal is to serve God by praising Him through service projects and community building among Christians. The BSU hosted Thursday Night Fellowship which was a time of singing, worship, prayer and fellowship. On Friday evenings, Bible Study was held with a different speaker each week. Impact teams led high school youth groups in retreats and "lock-ins." Members served their community through migrant ministries and visits to local nursing homes. The Baptist Student Union also held dances, parties and road trips to encourage fellowship among its members. Members were all about serving God, growing in their faith as Christians and increasing in spiritual maturity.

President Brad Jenkins ~ Campus Minister Archie Turner

ASID/Breakdancing Club, BSU 297
Grilling out at the JMU Farm, members John Hammond, Leeann Chandler and Chris Loch enjoy the Beta Beta Beta picnic.


Joining the JMU Caving Club, BBB members spent time exploring life underground (top). Executive officers and advise Dr. Jon Monroe prepare for the Beta Beta Beta Initiation Banquet held in Chandler Hall (bottom).
BASS members meet jazz saxophonist and recording artist Joshua Redmann during his visit to JMU in November (top). William Allan Jones, Jr., president of BASS, gives piano instruction to children from the Boys and Girls Club (bottom).

Established in the fall of 1997, the main goal of the Black Arts Social Society is to promote the numerous contributions that African Americans have contributed to the world of art. Music, literature, paintings, dance, and theatre and performance are all arts appreciated by members. Members have participated in many activities including the African American History Musical Variety Show, the Poetry Slam Contest, Black Artist Exhibition, and a lecture on how recording artists get paid. BASS has members of all ethnic backgrounds but their main focus is on the African American arts.

PRESIDENT WILLIAM ALLAN JONES, JR. ~ VICE PRESIDENT LATAYA KEENE
PARLIAMENTARIAN RONDELL FORD ~ HISTORIAN RAMESHIA LEWIS
SECRETARY WOODRENA BAKER ~ TREASURER JUANITA HARRIS
PUBLICITY AND RELATIONS MATT FRAGILE

On his way to a Poetry Reading exhibition, BASS member Matt Fragile shows his pride for his organization.

The Black Student Alliance serves as a support group for minority students. It sponsors educational, career and social activities, and performs various community service projects. BSA co-sponsors programs with other organizations and its activities include Bowling Nite, Casino Nite, Pooh Parties, dances, informative seminars and educational seminars. The Black Student Alliance is the umbrella organization to other African-American student organizations on campus.

President Gary McCoy ~ First Vice President Travisha Gunter
Second Vice President Michael Andrews ~ Treasurer Ebony Mitchell
Secretary Tae Edwards ~ Historian Vanessa Cantave

Cheering on their team partner, members of the Black Student Alliance participate in Bowling Nite.

Members enjoy themselves at the Black Student Alliance's comedy show (top). Officers on the BSA executive board show their support at the Carroll F.S. Hardy Black Leadership Conference (bottom).
BOND members Sekenia Welch, Ernest Savage and Leslie Gooding wash cars as a fundraising activity. Organizations performed a variety of services to raise money.

The main goal of Brothers Of A New Direction is to increase and instill a genuine sense of brotherhood in all of its members. Working with community service organizations, such as the Boys and Girls Clubs of America, is one of the organization’s most important goals. BOND educates its members about diversity and multicultural issues at JMU, in Harrisonburg and worldwide.

President Christopher B. Jones  Vice President Sekenia Welch
Secretary Duane Bryant  Treasurer Jamie Colbert
Historian Vincent Wiley

Black Student Alliance, Brothers of a New Direction
Before Folk Group practice, Patrick Fritz, a sophomore, and freshman Ben Paris prepare a song to be sung at Mass.

Recognizing and responding to their call within the universal Catholic faith, members of Catholic Campus Ministry come together as a community centered on the experience of Christ, serving God through their actions while bearing witness to others as they grow in their awareness and understanding of their relationship of Christ. In addition to sponsoring weekly Masses on and off campus, CCM invited students to participate in different forms of spiritual development. Activities ranged from social events, such as dances and outdoor activities, to retreats and prayer groups. Community building and outreach activities were also a large part of CCM's spiritual development opportunities. Over 30 percent of the student population is involved in CCM.

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WORSHIP Katy Wilhelm

CAMPUS MINISTER REV. JOHN A. GRACE ~ SECRETARY-BOOKKEEPER Debbie Caricoff

Hiking along White Oak Falls on Skyline Drive, CCM members participated in many outdoor social activities (top). The New Student Twilight Retreat is a great way for students to CCM to find out more about their faith community (bottom).
Taking a needed break from roller skating at Skatetown USA, Club Latino members Claudia Serrano, Parul Shah and Orlando Ruiz enjoy hanging out together (top). Club Latino members meet the inspirational speaker Edward James Olmos (bottom).

Providing an environment where those interested in the Hispanic culture can unite regardless of race, creed or ethnicity is the main goal of the Club Latino. Members strived not only to target students at the university, but also the surrounding community with a variety of programs and social activities. “Shadow for a Day” invited high school students to shadow college students and experience a day of college life. Club Latino hosted Dr. Elizabeth Rodriguez, who spoke on Hispanic history and relevant issues concerning Hispanic people. The most unique attribute of Club Latino is its ethnic diversity within the club and its relentless effort to serve JMU and the surrounding community. Founded in 1995, the organization began with five members. Today, the organization has over 50 members and has been the recipient of several awards.

President Orlando A. Ruiz ~ Vice President Matt Richardson
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Historian Chris Carter ~ Recruiter Melissa Cruz

Recruiter of Club Latino Melissa Cruz meets Edward James Olmos who spoke of ethnic, religious and social issues at Wilson Hall during Hispanic Cultural Month.

CONTEMPORARY GOSPEL SINGERS

Glorifying God through song, the Contemporary Gospel Singers seek to promote and cultivate spiritual growth as well as promote the cultural and educational awareness of traditional and contemporary gospel music. CGS performances were held many times during the year including during Homecoming, Parents Weekend and Christmas on the Quad. The Contemporary Gospel Singers sought to stimulate cultural and educational awareness of gospel music in a multicultural society. Over 120 students are currently members of the Contemporary Gospel Singers, which was founded in the 1980s.

President Tellas Minor ~ Vice President Kimberly Tate
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Chaplain Kynisha DeBoe ~ Director Keith Cook
Assistant Director Patrick Houston ~ Historian Tohry Petty
Treasurer Melaney Johnson

Director of CGS, sophomore Keith Cook, welcomes the audience to a performance. The concerts exposed students to an exciting spiritual musical style.

Singers Monica Parker, Marketa Taylor, Jaime Alsop and Stacey Williams show their love for God and each other during the "Take a Look Day" performance (top). The Contemporary Gospel singers perform at Wilson Hall during Homecoming (bottom).
Founded in 1974, Delta Sigma Pi was organized to foster the study of business in universities. It encourages scholarship, social activity and continuous interaction within the community. Members attempt not only to better themselves but those around them. ΔΣΠ is one of the few student organizations to offer a scholarship, the Michael Matthew Brown Scholarship. Fraternity brothers seesaw 24 hours a day for a week to raise money for this cause. Their community service activities include participation in the Adopt-a-Highway program and sponsoring a Mercy House Christmas Party. ΔΣΠ features numerous professional speakers and activities on campus.

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Fundraising for the Michael Matthew Brown Scholarship, sophomore Melissa Rubin seesaws with her fellow ΔΣΠ brothers.
Fundraising for the Flute Club, sophomore Molly McElwee and seniors Leslie Hartzell and Erin Spiropoulos sell subs in the Music Building.

The purpose of the Flute Club is to further appreciation of the flute by setting an increasingly higher standard of artistic excellence for the flute, its performers and literature. The group encourages helpfulness and fellowship among its members and is determined to make a greater contribution through the flute to the musical life and culture of all people. The Flute Club sponsored the Annual Flute Fling which was a one day clinic of flute workshops and performances geared towards middle school and high school flutists. The Flute Club held several fundraisers including sub sandwich sales in the Music Building. The group also performed Christmas flute duets as a fundraiser. These flute enthusiasts also have produced a CD titled, "Sounds and Colors." The Flute Club is one of the first flute organizations in the nation.

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During intermission at the National Flute Association Convention in Chicago, Illinois, Melissa Senda, Devona Williams and Erin Spiropoulos enjoy the performances of expert flutist (top). Members Jannika Eklund, Sandy Taylor, Erin Spiropoulos and Joy Oulette participate in ice breakers at a group picnic (bottom).
Members of the gardy loo! staff, Jodie Auivil, Deirdre McConnell, (top) Kat Sadeq and Rachel Galin (bottom) enjoy themselves after a stressful meeting.

Producers and publishing the quarterly literary arts magazine was the main purpose of gardy loo! The Literary Arts Society sponsors arts-related activities on- and off-campus. The gardy loo! staff holds submission meetings where they judge art, photography, prose and poetry from students. Poetry readings are held in Taylor Down Under which are also sponsored by the Literary Arts Society. Gardy loo! is published four times a year, and has been produced for two years. The gardy loo! staff hopes to make gardy loo! a well-respected, widely-read, permanent publication.

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Habitat for Humanity

Offering not a hand-out, but a hand-up, Habitat for Humanity aims to end homelessness and poverty housing in Harrisonburg and around the world. Each weekend Habitat for Humanity has work trips to different areas to improve living conditions through improvements on family homes. The dedication of over 150 members toward a common goal of helping others in need sets Habitat for Humanity apart from other organizations. Habitat for Humanity is working to increase team-building strategies. Habitat for Humanity members work on a collage that represents what the organization means to them.

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Advisers Rick Hill and David Allop

Working to increase team-building strategies, Habitat for Humanity members work on a collage that represents what the organization means to them.

All money raised from this Habitat for Humanity car wash goes to fund their third Harrisonburg house (top). The members build on the site of their second Harrisonburg house on Summit Street (bottom).


308 Organizations
Hillel members share bagels and laughs together at a "Bagel Brunch." Social activities were held to balance the more spiritual side of the organization.

Promoting Judaism and educating both Jewish and non-Jewish students about Judaism are the main goals of Hillel Counselorship. Members participate in Holocaust Remembrance Day, Israel Night, Jewish Awareness Month and Jewish services. Hillel allows Jewish students to further explore their faith and provides opportunities for interaction with each other. Hillel Counselorship is the only Jewish organization on campus. Over 60 members actively participate in the Hillel Counselorship's activities.

President Chachi Berkovich ~ Vice President Carrie Schiff
Treasurer Stuart Lerner ~ Secretary Mike White
Historian Mara Clamage

Relaxing at a social event at the University Farm, members of Hillel enjoy each other's fellowship (top). Hillel President Chachi Berkovich and Vice President Carrie Schiff, both juniors, make falafel for "Falafel and Fun Night" (bottom).
Representing the Honor Council on the Commons were seniors Sharon Alexander and Katherine Hoffman and sophomore Brian Southard. Honor Awareness Week was a time for students to learn more about the honor code policies at the university.

The Honor Council strives to uphold the academic integrity at JMU. It also promotes honor awareness among the students. Each year, the Honor Council presents Honor Awareness Week, set up on the Commons. During this time, students can take the “Honor Quiz” to test their knowledge of the Honor Code as well as find out more information on honor issues. The Honor Council gives presentations to inform students of the importance of honor issues. Members of the Council also participate in social events such as retreats and dinners. Projects that the Honor Council has discussed is the possible change to and implementation of a new honor code. Founded in 1908, the Honor Council was the first organization at the university.

**HONOR COUNCIL**

President Kevin Chamberlin ~ Vice President Tristie Reed
Secretary Michelle Carlisle
Investigators Erica Derbenwick, Jenn Yates, Steve Bloomquest, Renee McDonald

The Honor Council executives make up the leadership team who implements the policies of the Honor Council (top). The Honor Council has a large responsibility due to the seriousness of their duties. Students take the “Honor Quiz” on the Commons (bottom).
INDIAN-PAKISTANI STUDENT ASSOCIATION

Informing students about Indian and Pakistani culture through social events and other activities is the main purpose of the Indian-Pakistani Student Association. IPSA participates in the MS Walk and it also sent valentines to children in Rockingham Memorial Hospital as part of their outreach. IPSA sponsored “Kama Sutra” at Grafton-Stovall Theatre. They also performed “Dance on The Commons,” where members did traditional Indian dancing.

President Minilla Kanwak ~ Vice President Shalini Daswani ~ Treasurer Komal Anandani ~ Secretary Aditi Chhaya ~ Historian Derrick Wilson ~ Social Coordinator Ali Shah

Members of IPSA perform at the Festival of India in Richmond. Dancing played a major role in the Indian culture (left).

Enjoying their hot dogs and hamburgers, ISA members Nadisha Predis, Eugene Kitamura, Joseph Ratnayake and Askar Gabdullin experience the American tradition of a picnic (right).

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION

The International Student Association was formed to represent the international community within the JMU campus and Harrisonburg community and to represent the interests of all students. ISA aided the community through a food drive and the Adopt-a-Highway program. ISA members held many social activities including their trip to Paramount’s Kings Dominion, their Homecoming Dance Party and International Cuisine Night.

President Shu Hamamichi ~ Vice President Rudy Richardson ~ Secretary Enyo Tsikata ~ Treasurer Anna Jaroby ~ Social Committee Coordinator Hope Okoronkwo

Honor Council, IPSA/ISA 311
INTER-HALL COUNCIL

Striving to provide activities and programs for on-campus residents and promoting leadership in themselves and others is the goal of the Inter-Hall Council. IHC is an organization built especially for students who live on-campus. It consists of an individual hall council for each residence hall to plan activities for students. IHC also facilitates other groups in their endeavors and charitable events. Duke Dog Days as well as Siblings Weekend were events that IHC sponsored. IHC attends three major conferences during the year, the National, Southern, and Virginia Association of Colleges and Universities Residence Housing. Inter-Hall Council has approximately 300 members who prepare and participate in activities.

President Marissa Savastana ~ Vice President Meredith Walkley
Secretary Jeff Vanags ~ Treasurer Elizabeth Baker
National Communications Coordinator Keith Fletcher
Historian Elizabeth Hall


After an executive board meeting, IHC members Marissa Savastana, Elizabeth Hall, Elizabeth Baker, Keith Fletcher, Meredith Walkley and Jeff Vanags unwind at Ruby Tuesday’s (top). Residence hall councils play “Rum Sum-Sum” during an ice breaker facilitated by the Outriggers (bottom).
Vacationing in Spain, these Kappa Alpha Psi brothers show their pledge to the fraternity.

A conserving young black men through college life with projects such as Guide Right and Kappa League is the main goal of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. Their organization is a business being that they are incorporated, they handle business as such, but as a family business. The relationships with each other fit like pieces into a puzzle, each member offering his particular strengths to the family business. KAPΨ participates in a number of major activities such as a bone marrow drive, voter registration drive, Thanksgiving food drive and "Shadow Day." KAPΨ sponsored "Renaissance Night" in November which was an evening of live entertainment. KAPΨ was founded in 1911 at University of Indiana, and was chartered at JMU in 1985.

President Afolabi Lawal ~ Vice President Nigel Jackson 
Treasurer Allen Penn ~ Secretary Victor Pryor

Brothers of Kappa Alpha Psi mingle at their formal held at Melrose. Several chapters of KAPΨ gathered for Kappa Kabaret 1997.

Inter-Hall Council, Kappa Alpha Psi 313
Spending the day at Paramount’s Kings Dominion, these Kappa Kappa Psi members take a break from their fun-filled day.

Performing good music and worthwhile projects while fostering close relations between college bands is the main goal of Kappa Kappa Psi. KKΨ honors outstanding band members with membership into their organization. In addition to serving as ushers at music concerts, members served the surrounding community as well. Helping out at Mercy House, fundraising for the American Cancer Society, and participating in Adopt-a-Highway and Adopt-a-Flowerbed programs, Kappa Kappa Psi showed commitment to its community. KKΨ has prided itself on providing service to the School of Music, the university and the community for 17 years. It has won several district and national awards, including being a finalist for the National Founder's Trophy, which is given to the top chapter in the nation.

President Chris Summers ~ Executive Vice President Amy Schoettinger
Vice President of Membership J.R. Snow ~ Recording Secretary Debbie Stromberg
Corresponding Secretary Bronwyn Schrecker ~ Treasurer Liz Hadley
Historian Mike Dabrowski

Debbie Stromberg, Kim Noble and Sharon Alexander, members of KKΨ, repair uniforms before the Marching Royal Dukes’ season (top). Mellophone players Adam Kline, Carla Myers and Janine Sherline and Jordan Medas catch their breath during practice (bottom).
Since its founding in 1996, the Madison Mediators have been educating themselves and the surrounding community about conflict and resolution. Working to support the Center for Mediation, Madison Mediators tries to be the connection for students, faculty, staff and the community. Members attend the annual Virginia Network Conference, fall and spring Madison Mediator Retreats, and participate in the training and certification of Madison Mediators. Members work not only to educate, but to practice what they educate for the community around them. The 40 Madison Mediators are unique for their style in leadership and effect they have on the community.

CO-ORGANIZATIONAL COORDINATORS ERIN TUNIS AND DANIEL TAGGART
PUBLIC RELATIONS AND EVENTS COORDINATOR DUANE BROWN
LIASION COORDINATOR JESSICA O'BRIEN
COMMUNICATION COORDINATOR NANCY BIRSCH

Bowling and other social interactions were great ways for members of the Madison Mediators to unwind.
The Madison Outing Club was formed for members to enjoy the outdoors and have fun in nature. The organization does not have a limited membership, anyone is invited and encouraged to join white water rafting, tubing, hiking and caving.

President Christy Gourley ~ Secretary Heather Pratt
Treasurer Megan Wehner ~ Sports Club Council Katie Mullarkey

In West Virginia, the Outing Club whitewater rafts down the Gauley River.

Members of the Madison Outing Club rest on Seneca Rocks. The Outing Club participated in a variety of outdoor activities year round (top).

I slowly but surely, senior Jeff Gourley repels down Seneca Rocks. Members of the Outing Club participated in many outdoor adventure activities over the course of the year.

Improving the political, educational, social and economic status of minority groups and eliminating racial prejudice are the goals of the NAACP. The NAACP is a branch of the national office. Each fall the NAACP sponsors its "Singled Out" show and aids Agency First Step: The Women's Domestic Violence Shelter through a food collection campaign. The NAACP also participates in the Unity Forum. The purpose of the Unity Forum is to promote unity among multicultural students through interactive discussions about campus issues. The NAACP was founded nationally in 1906. The JMU chapter has 50 members.

President Tiffany Wilson  ~  First Vice President Tieast Leverett  
Second Vice President Shavonta Green  ~  Secretary Donna Taylor  
Treasurer Carolyn Nelson  ~  Historian Melba Brown  
Parliamentarian Rondell Ford
Jill Santora, a sophomore, and supervisor Tracey Kellogg show how much they enjoyed themselves during the summer orientation sessions.

Front Row: Dana Cooper, Carolyn Birch, Megan Malarkey. Second Row: Kyle Wesson, Jill Santora, Elizabeth Burns, Courtney Ware, Sara Brendmoen, Valerie McMillian. Back Row: Chris Allport, Jon Judah, Justin Brittle, Mike Andrews, Chase Reed Frederick, E.J. Bott, Danny Clark, Sia Nejad, Mike Featherstone.

Helping new students become acclimated and acquainted to their new “home away from home” were the Orientation Assistants. The staff was trained in welcoming students before the summer orientation session started. Orientation Assistants spend eight weeks at the university during the summer. During the summer, they facilitate 12 freshman and 2 transfer sessions. In addition to showing new students how great the campus is, the Orientation Assistants also learned an amazing and famous dance routine and participated in a service project at the Mennonite Retirement Community which was a huge success.

Supervisor Kristin Radcliffe, Summer Supervisor Tracey Kellogg

The Orientation Assistants retreat from the grueling schedule and take a break at Blue Hole to beat the summer heat (top). In celebration of the ended summer, the Orientation Assistants enjoy a banquet where they reflected on their experiences (bottom).
Members Dave Hutton, Jill Harris and Yolanda Jefferson prepare the Homecoming banner for Phi Chi Theta (top). Alumni and current members get together after the Homecoming softball game (bottom).

Since its national founding in 1924, Phi Chi Theta strives to develop management, leadership and organizational skills. \( \Phi \chi \Theta \) stresses professional activities and invites students working toward a degree in business or economics. Members have the opportunity to develop and grow in their personal skills. \( \Phi \chi \Theta \) members gain experience in making career decisions as well as gaining exposure to a wide range of community issues. Members are encouraged to continue their participation as alumni.

**Orientation Assistants, Phi Chi Theta 319**

**President David Hutton ~ VP-Programming Rob Toms**  
**VPs-Membership Laura Johnston and Jennifer Meinhart**  
**Treasurer Janna Lipman ~ Corresponding Secretary Melissa Elengold**  
**Recording Secretary Kelli Kirby ~ Parliamentarian Scott Ashcraft**

*Front Row: Lauren Howard, Torrie Perkins, Melissa Elengold, David Hutton, Janna Lipman, Brian Haller, Kelli Kirby.*  

Phi Chi Theta's president Dave Hutton, a senior, patiently waits for customers. \( \Phi \chi \Theta \) sponsored a car wash to raise funds for the organization.
Seeking to increase educational awareness and opportunities, Peer Educators are unique organizations. Points of Change is intended to assist student leaders in working with various groups. They participate in no less than two social functions per year and attend monthly educational programs based on topics related to peer development. With over 50 Peer Educators, the individual groups proved effective through the University Health Center, the Office of Sexual Assault, Career Services, the University Recreation Center and the Madison Leadership Center.

COORDINATOR LAURA MARTIN

SEXUAL ASSAULT PEER EDUCATORS

OUTRIGGERS

CAREER EDUCATION OFFICERS
WELLNESS PEER EDUCATORS


PROMOTION PEER EDUCATORS

Celebrating their friendships are Big Brother Rob Flores and his Little Brothers in Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia.


The only men's professional music fraternity on campus, Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia promotes American music through creativity, education, performance and research. PMA provides service to both the School of Music and the community. Brothers volunteer in the community through "Music in our Schools" and volunteer in the School of Music office. To fundraise, PMA conducted a Brother Auction and a 24-Hour-Music-a-Thon. Members performed in a concert of all-American music in "American Musicale." Founded nationally in 1898, PMA was chartered at the university in 1969.

President Jim Sluder ~ Vice President Karsten Halusa
Secretary Rob Kaylin ~ Treasurer Steve Geritano
Fraternal Education Officer Clint Miller ~ Historian Alex Cheney
Warden Mike Webb ~ Alumni Secretary Michael Anzuini
Brother Education Officer Jim George

Members of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia perform during the Brother Recital (top). PMA promoted American music. These brothers celebrate Bid Night 1997 (bottom).
Receiving her brotherhood into Phi Sigma Pi, senior Cindy Allen gets congratulated by her Big Brother, senior Amy Fencl (top). These brothers participate in a Rush Fall '97 event at Purcell Park (bottom).

Through a tripod of scholarship, fellowship and leadership Phi Sigma Pi, a national honor fraternity, promotes individual growth and community awareness. ΦΣΠ members participate in service projects and social activities which promote brotherhood. Members enhance personal and academic achievement through tutoring and mentoring programs. Its diversity of membership from all academic arenas and their dedication to service is the main goal of ΦΣΠ. In the past two years, the organization has experienced a rapid growth in interest.

PRESIDENT PRESTON GARCIA ~ VICE PRESIDENT DAVE BILLINGSELA
SECRETARY MAURA PHELLEGER ~ TREASURER MATT VANDERGRIFT
HISTORIANS KIM BOWERS AND BRIDGET WUNDER
PARLIAMENTARIAN JESSICA HARDING ~ INITIATE ADVISER BECKY ASKEW
CORRESPONDING SECRETARY SHANNON BALLARD

Proudly displaying their Homecoming banner, ΦΣΠ brothers juniors Marc Ehman and Liz Harvey and senior Becky Askew prepare for the project to be hung outside Godwin Hall.


Phi Mu Alpha, Phi Sigma Pi
Combining the aspects of social, business, professional and brother building activities is the main goal of Pi Sigma Epsilon. Through these activities they build strength and unity. PiSigmaEpsilon participated in numerous activities such as Adopt-a-Flowerbed, Adopt-a-Highway, Sober Driver, retreats, marketing projects, attending speaker presentations and professional fairs. Because it is open to all majors, PiSigmaEpsilon feel they are able to reach students and the surrounding community. The organization was founded at the University of Georgia, and was chartered at the university in 1990.

President Aaron Wyman ~ VP-Personnel Emily Lich
VP-Administration Chris Farrell ~ VP-Public Relations Pam Haraway
VP-Finance Joy D'Agostino ~ VP-Marketing Brian Dunn
Pledge Coordinator John Wolford

Seniors Aaron Wyman and Emily Lich display their commitment to keeping Pi Sigma Epsilon's portion of Interstate-81 clean.


Di Sigma Epsilon brothers sophomore Jeff Bronaugh and seniors Rachel Weaver and Chris Farrell take a break during their weekly meeting (top). Members relax at Purcell Park for Brother Picnic (bottom).
The purpose of the Presbyterian Campus Ministry is to nurture the faith development of students through programs of worship, outreach, leadership, fellowship and mission so that these students will be a source of strength for church and society. PCM holds a creative evening worship with singing and exploring what faith looks like in real life. The organization co-sponsors The Corner Coffee House in downtown Harrisonburg with visiting, local and student musicians. Leadership development and the commitment to training student leaders are the main focuses of PCM.

**President Megan FitzPatrick**  
**Worship Chair Sheena Mendenhall**  
**Fellowship Chair Katy Pierce**  
**Voice Editor Lisa Phipps**  
**Arts and Music Chair Chris Barden**

PCM celebrates their Christmas leadership team dinner at the Mill Street Grill (top). Members of PCM's Holy Smoke sophomore Jason Misterka, campus minister Rick Hill and junior T.J. Johnson perform at Taylor Down Under's Open Mic Night (bottom).
Senior Rachel Blair learns to use the resources in the Law Library, located in Carrier Library.

The main goals of the Pre-Law Society are to familiarize students with the legal profession in an attempt to help those students decide if law school is the right option for them. Their major activities include panel discussions with board attorneys, interaction with alumni who currently attend law school, coordinating law school visits and enrolling in LSAT workshops. The Pre-Law Society has been very committed to working with Habitat for Humanity. It currently has 40 members.

President Shawn Wesley ~ Vice President Stephanie Budzina
Secretary Sean Hensley ~ Treasurer Nicole Leonard
Public Relations Tanya Wade

The executive officers of the Pre-Law Society (top). The Pre-Law adviser Dr. Margaret Ellis meets with a student to discuss possible career options (bottom).
The Pre-Physical Therapy Club provides information about physical therapy as a career, access to information about physical therapy graduate schools and acts as a forum to answer students’ questions about graduate schools. Its focus is on their future schooling and careers but it is balanced with friends and good times.

President Karen Christopher ~ Vice President Amber Combs
Secretary Amy Van Dyke ~ Treasurer Amanda Maupin
Publicity Kristin Thompson ~ Fundraising Cindy Kerr
Co-Historians Cheri Dunahay and Shane Divers

Gathering before the year begins members of the Pre-Physical Therapy get to know each other at a picnic (left).

Members of the Pre-Physical Therapy Club Jen Brackett and Karen Christopher, both seniors, do wheelies during a presentation from the Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center (right).

To educate all who are interested in the issues and research related to psychology is the main goal of the Psychology Club. The Psychology Club hosted speakers, worked in the community at mental hospitals, a domestic violence shelter and a nursing home. Members develop ties and contacts with professors and other psychology organizations. The Psychology Club is open to all majors and has no requirements to join. It currently has 25 members.

President Heather McCleery ~ Vice President Jen Marold
Secretary Phil Wickline ~ Treasurer Derrick Wilson
The main goals of Rotaract are to help individuals at JMU and in Harrisonburg to build professional development skills, to build leadership skills and to learn cooperation skills. Members visited Pryce-Rotary Senior Center and participated in holiday activities. The organization sponsored Blue Jeans for Babies and helped Interact and Rotary Club with projects. Rotaract is not the typical community service organization; these members strive for professional development. Rotaract was founded in 1994 and currently has 20 members.

**Officers**

Monica Bonnett, Liz Lathrop, Sandy Mueller and Jill Eberle enjoy each other’s company after the “Get To Know New Members Barbecue.”

*Rotaract members Liz Lathrop, Jill Eberle, Sandy Mueller, Tina Cothran and Abhay Shay helped beautify the SPCA landscaping during a service project.*

*Front Row:* Monica Bonnett, Elizabeth Lathrop, Jill Eberle. **Back Row:** Tina Cothran, Mike Alfonso, Ryan Legato, Katie Muller.
The Roller Hockey Club provides an opportunity for competitive roller hockey players to come together for friendly competition and skills improvement while promoting physical wellness and the development of teamwork and leadership skills. The club practices each week to develop skills and improve physical wellness. Intercollegiate competitions were planned for the spring of 1998. The Roller Hockey Club was founded in 1995 and has 40 members.

President Will Starkie ~ Vice President Guillermo Ubilla
Treasurer Bob Dooling ~ Secretary Dave Madison
Captains Andrew Miller and Dave Penland

Captains of the Roller Hockey Club sophomore Dave Penland cross-checks sophomore Andrew Miller during a rough weekly practice (left).

Goalie for the Roller Hockey Club Tyras Madren, a sophomore, prepares to block the ball (right).

Founded in 1991, the Society of Hosteurs provides information and knowledge about the hospitality industry to all students with a Hospitality and Tourism Management major. Members want all students to know what the industry has to offer them, and how they can get more involved. The group takes an annual trip to New York to participate in the International Hotel/Motel and Restaurant Show. The Society of Hosteurs holds the Celebration of Hospitality every year, a day dedicated to people in the industry to learn even more about the field.

President Heather McCleerey ~ Vice President Jen Marold
Secretary Phil Wickline ~ Treasurer Derrick Wilson
During Spring '97 Rush, sisters and prospective pledges of ΣAI get to know each other during the Ha-Ha Game.


SIGMA ALPHA IOTA

Upholding the highest standards of musical education, the sisters of Sigma Alpha Iota strive to raise the standards of musical work among the women students of colleges, conservatories and universities. Members further the development of music in America, especially through its performance and endorsement, and to give inspiration and material aid to its members. ΣAI sisters ushered for School of Music concerts, participated in registration and aided during admissions auditions for the School of Music. The JMU chapter of Sigma Alpha Iota was the recipient of the 1996 ΣAI Impact Grant which gave $1000 to help fund the Contemporary Music Festival. Members also gave donations to Midwest flood relief programs to replace lost or damaged musical instruments. ΣAI planned a concert at the Virginia School for the Deaf and Blind, which included both visual and aural aspects of music. Sigma Alpha Iota was founded nationally in 1903. It was founded at JMU in 1962 and currently has 45 members.

Proudly part of Fall '96 Initiation are ΣAI sisters DeAndre James, Tara-Jeanne Demarest, Lisha Viens, Betsy Kipperman Erin Spiropoulos and Sherlee Huang. (top). Celebrating Senior Farewell '97 are Kristen Ker, Alberrina Dowe, Stacie Sawyer, Julie Burton, Shannon Price, Joylyn Hopkins and Stacy Donnelly (bottom).

PRESIDENT STEPHANIE LEVY ~ VP-MEMBERSHIP ERIN SPIROPoulos
TREASURER KARA KUREK ~ CORRESPONDING SECRETARY KATHERINE TAYLOR
RECORDING SECRETARY SARAH JONES ~ EDITORS KAREN BILL AND BETSY KIPPERMAN

330 Organizations
Skiing, snowboarding and having fun are the main goals of the Ski & Snowboard Club. Members went to Massanutten Resort every Monday during ski season for “Monday Night Madness.” The Ski & Snowboard Club members go on an annual Spring Break trip and they took their first Winter Break trip. In the past, members traveled to Mt. Orford in Canada for their Spring Break trip and additional excursions were planned.

**President Mara Gipstein ~ Vice President Eric Rosie ~ Treasurer Tim Izzo ~ Secretary Rachael Layton**


Skiing enthusiast for his sport, sophomore John Koch skis down Mt. Orford in Canada. Members of the Ski & Snowboard Club also made frequent trips to the Massanutten Resort for Monday Night Madness.

Ski & Snowboard Club members Adam Johnson, Eric Rosie, John Koch, Kevin Sinsabaugh, Andy Oguma and Jeff Sonsino prepare to ski the "Experts Only" slopes.
With both male and female divisions, the Ski Racing Club participates in the Southeast Conference of the U.S. Collegiate Ski Association. The club traveled and competed with students from Appalachian State University, Virginia Tech, Lees McRae College, North Carolina State University, Duke University, University of North Carolina, University of Virginia and the University of Tennessee. Club members participated in both slalom and giant slalom competitions and held practices weekly at Bryce Resort. Fundraisers included poster sales and vendors. Accolades for the team have included the women's team making Regionals in 1997. Club member Chris Janak qualified as the Men's Team Individual for the Southeast Conference. The Ski Racing Club has approximately 30 members.

President Kathryn Townsend ~ First Vice President Emily Henderson
Second Vice President Doug Krohn ~ Treasurer Tiffany Choy

Jeff Vercollone takes to the slopes during a competition with the Ski Club. Members competed with students from various schools along the East Coast.
Students for Minority Outreach were represented in the Three-on-Three Basketball Tournament which they went on to win in 1996 and 1997.

The Students for Minority Outreach executive board represents the group at Student Organization Night. SMO helps students understand the recruitment process and minority students' concerns.

Promoting the university as progressive and ethnically diverse and helping coordinate programs that encourage minority students to attend JMU are the main goals of Students for Minority Outreach. SMO gives prospective minority students an opportunity to visit the university for a day. These students were also involved with the Home High School Connection. This program allowed students to return to their own high schools to help the Office of Admissions with minority recruitment. The group is proud that their events foster minority development and diversity. Students for Minority Outreach was founded in 1989 and currently has 40 members.

President Christyl M. Lee ~ Vice President Chris Carter
Treasurer Shelly Robinson ~ Recording Secretary Shavelyla Wyatt
Corresponding Secretary Jetheda Warren ~ Parliamentarian Camille Allen
Historian Alicia Benyard
Team captains Tamer Moumen, president, and Mark Colombell, vice-president, participate in the NIRSA National Championships. The Men's Soccer Club returned for the second year in a row to the competition.

The Men's Soccer Club competes at a highly competitive and organized collegiate level in the game of soccer. The club played home games every week and traveled to both regional and national tournaments. The Men's Soccer Club was completely student-run and members held numerous fundraisers to earn enough money for the club to participate in tournaments. The club will have competed at the NIRSA National Championships for the second year in a row at Georgia Southern University. The Men's Soccer Club is currently ranked #1 in the entire region.

President Tamer Moumen ~ Vice President Mark Colombell
Secretary Craig Warwick ~ Treasurer Tamer Moumen

Men's Soccer Club members celebrate after the NIRSA National Championships (top). Members Matt Bryan Cameron Stoddart and Tamer Moumen man their booth at fundraising event (bottom).
The Women's Soccer Club played Loyola College in Maryland who they beat 6-0 (top). Members traveled to Duke University to see them play Clemson University (bottom).

**WOMEN'S SOCCER CLUB**

Striving to be a self-sufficient and successful club team, to reach their potential and to play together as a team always giving 100 percent, are the main goals of the Women's Soccer Club. Members participated in many fundraisers including cleaning the stadium, organizing raffles and holding car washes to raise enough funds to attend the Women's Club Soccer Nationals. The Women's Soccer Club Team is part of the UREC Intramurals program. Members practiced four times a week and competed in games every weekend. The team finished 5-0 for the season; they were Southeast Region Champions and were in the top four nationally last year, and in 1995 they were state champions. The Women's Soccer Club was formed in 1993 and has 39 members.

**President: Katie Etter ~ Vice President: Erin Gilman**
**Treasurer: Jenny Maskell ~ Secretary: Karen Fraser**
**Fundraising: Jen Chalfin ~ Coach: Tim Miller**
**Captain: Tinsley Jones ~ Historians: Varna Swartz and Laurie Birkhead**

Members of the Women's Soccer Club Laurie Birkhead and Michelle Rose, both juniors, join in stadium clean-up after the Homecoming game. Members participated in a variety of fundraising events to raise money for trips.

STUDENT AMBASSADORS

By encouraging enthusiasm, commitment and campus participation among its members, Student Ambassadors represent and promote the university to prospective students and guests, current students and alumni. Major activities included campus tours, Graduation and Homecoming events, alumni reunions, admissions receptions, Home High School Connection, Preview Days and a silent auction. Student Ambassadors provided guided campus tours to over 30,000 visitors during the year. They also established the $25,000 Carrie Kutner Student Ambassador Endowed Scholarship for current students. Traditionally, Student Ambassadors have been recognized as leaders on campus. The organization was chartered at the university in 1988 and has approximately 120 members.

President Brock Leonard ~ VP-Admissions Brannen Edge
VP-Advancement Jihan Crowther ~ VP-Outreach Tara Riley
Treasurer Brian LoBallo ~ Secretary Bridget Smith
Tour Coordinator Jon Covel ~ Committee Coordinator Andrea Casey

Seniors Brian LoBallo and Andrea Casey before the Student Ambassadors Semi Formal. Many organizations held semi-formals to conclude each semester.

The Student Ambassadors gear up for a year of service in the community at a leadership conference (top). These members enjoy themselves at the Student Ambassadors Halloween Party (bottom).

These members of the Tae Kwon Do Club hold sidekicks during an exhibition. Preparation included many workouts of heavy aerobic and muscular conditioning, and flexibility drills.


TAE KWON DO CLUB

Training not only to strengthen their bodies, but their minds as well, members of the Tae Kwon Do Club learn self-defense and mental toughness. Students in the Tae Kwon Do Club are instilled with a greater sense of confidence, humility, respect and perseverance. Membership has expanded from 8 members to over 50 members since the organization was founded in 1994.

President Todd Deering ~ Vice President Peggy Bollinger
Secretary Jeff Hope ~ Treasurer Colin Robinson
Head Instructor James Yeom

Tae Kwon Do Club member Chris Cosgriff, a sophomore, holds his board shielding himself from the Blue Belts. Members of the Tae Kwon Do Club learned many practical self-defense techniques.
Recognizing their responsibility to actively participate in the decision making processes for the student population, the Student Government Association promotes the ideals of the university, ensures unity through diversity, becomes the student voice to the faculty and administration, and informs, educates, serves and represents the ideas, opinions and concerns of the JMU student body. SGA sponsored the Senior Class Pig Roast, 98 Days 'til Graduation Party, SGA Awareness Week, Student Organization Night, Police Relations Panel, the Annual SGA Booksale and co-sponsors Founder's Day. It is the goal of SGA to accurately represent the student body in all areas and provide a welcoming, productive atmosphere for all students to express their needs.

The Student Government Association is composed of 95 members.

President April Roberts ~ Vice President Andrew J. Sorensen
Treasurer Lindsay Curran ~ Secretary Kyle Wesson
Director of Class Government Erin Uyttewaal

From food services to academic affairs, the nine standing committees of the SGA work both to provide answers to questions and to voice student opinions and concerns on a variety of issues. SGA's membership includes every degree-seeking student at the university. One of the most significant responsibilities of SGA lies in allocating funds to recognized student organizations.
SOPHOMORE CLASS COUNCIL

FRESHMAN CLASS COUNCIL
Front Row: Michael Parris, Laura Jenkins, Andy Oh, Michelle Tootchen. Back Row: Kristen McCauley, Amanda Kelin, Marie Lyons.

SENIOR CLASS COUNCIL

JUNIOR CLASS COUNCIL
Serving the Marching Royal Dukes and the Concert Band, members of Tau Beta Sigma provide leadership opportunities for bandswomen through membership in the sisterhood. Members work with other music organizations in serving the School of Music programs. Having a small number of members, the group has greater unity and leadership opportunities for everyone involved. Members of TBΣ participate in many community service activities such as Adopt-a-Highway and Adopt-a-Family. They also provide receptions after band concerts and serve as ushers at School of Music concerts. Tau Beta Sigma annually presents the Outstanding Bandswoman Award to a high school student who shows a high level of achievement. Tau Beta Sigma was founded nationally in 1946, and celebrated its 10th anniversary at the university this year.

President Mary Johnson ~ Executive Vice President Diane Calendine
Membership Coordinator Tara-Jeanne Demarest
Recording Secretary Karin Durand ~ Corresponding Secretary Sune Heidenthal
Treasurer Natalie Goss ~ Historian Christine Bosker

Senior Kristin Eckels and other members of Tau Beta Sigma assists with Marching Band registration at the beginning of band camp.
The University Program Board welcomed Widespread Panic in the fall. UPB sponsors concerts and other popular events on campus.

Front Row: James Harper, Katherine Hubbard, Jenny Pereplechikov, Michele Parsons, David Pascual, Molly Amburn.

Technical Services Adviser Casey Houtz takes a break in the UPB office in Taylor Hall. He was an instrumental part of the coordination and planning of all UPB events.

Striking a rewarding balance between implementing fresh and incorporating innovative ideas into a program of traditional activities, the University Program Board is dedicated to providing cultural, social, recreational and educational programs. UPB also provides professional and leadership opportunities in the fields of event production and promotion by sponsoring events including lectures, concerts, special events and movies.

President Michele Parsons
Executive Assistant for Student Development Molly Auburn
Executive Assistant for Financial Management Jeff Marsh
Information Coordinator Ari Barbuti
Issues & Cultural Awareness Chair Vanessa Cantave
Comedy/Novelty Chair Jenny Pereplechikov
Musical Events Chair Linne Oxley ~ Programming Assistant Matt Spangler
Publicity Chair Brian Walker ~ Publicity Assistant Chair Kate Hubbard
Film Chair Amy Edwards ~ Film Assistants Sara Simberg, James Bilhan, Ted Boyle
Public Relations Chair Nicole Henderson
Public Relations Assistant Chair Jim Harper
Technical Services Adviser Casey Houtz ~ Coordinator Chris Stup
Graduate Adviser Doug Wandersce
Doug Siegel, a junior, shoots during a match in Annapolis, Md. The Men's Water Polo Club traveled to different tournaments and competitions.


MEN'S WATER POLO CLUB

Seeking to provide athletic and student development, and social and leadership opportunities for each of its members, the Men's Water Polo Club celebrated its 20th anniversary by tripling their wins over the last two years. The uniqueness of their sport is what sets them apart from other groups, as well as the close bond that members feel. The Men's Water Polo Club joined the elite group of teams in the Collegiate Water Polo Association in 1995 and have continued to make their group one of the premier sport clubs.

President John Greenleaf ~ Vice President Ryan Thompson
Treasurer Doug Siegel ~ Secretary John Cosgrove
Fundraising Chair Geoff Lay
Sport Club Council Representative Brian Palumbo

The Men's Water Polo Club huddles during a game at College Park, Md. Increasing spirit among members was an integral part of being a team.
The Women's Water Polo Club celebrates after their victory at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, Tennessee.

WOMEN'S WATER POLO CLUB

The Women's Water Polo Club combines athletic excellence with social and academic aspects of JMU to help shape well-rounded women. The dedication that water polo requires, with rigorous swimming practices and intense drills and scrimmages, helps to create a sense of camaraderie among the women, who are more than just teammates, they are all friends.

They attended tournaments along the East Coast including at the University of Maryland, University of Tennessee, Slippery Rock University and Penn State University. This was the first season that the Women's Water Polo Club was a separate organization from the Men's and Women's co-ed team. The Women's Water Polo Club has 30 members.

President Kelly Jensen ~ Vice President Joann O'Connor
Treasurer Andrea Salzer ~ Secretary Adriane Stites
Fundraising Lesley Kipling ~ Coach Josh Tice

Women's Water Polo Club members Kelly Jensen and Joann O'Connor, both seniors, show their friendship while competing at a tournament at the University of Tennessee.


Men's and Women's Water Polo Clubs 343
Providing the Harrisonburg community with a wide variety of music not heard in the Shenandoah Valley, WXJM gives students a place to gain radio and music industry experience. WXJM provides programming 24 hours a day and student DJs broadcast from Anthony-Seeger Hall. When not scaring the heck out of the Bluestone staff, who pass through their offices, WXJM broadcasts a variety of shows on 88.7 FM. This organization sponsors many concerts, including their annual Cool Aid benefit concert. The group also hosts the Mid-Atlantic College Radio Conference each year. WXJM began broadcasting in 1984 by wire to the information desk and PC Dukes, and in 1990 the station received its FM license.

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Business Manager Leigh Ennis

WXJM members enjoy themselves at a staff gathering. Staff members often went crazy after they were cooped up in their studio for long periods of time.


And now a word from our sponsors. WXJM DJs clown around after a business meeting. Frequent breaks from reality were taken during the 24 hour a day broadcasting.
Emphasizing student learning and the development of personal and professional skills through organization involvement, Student Organization Services provides learning opportunities and experiences that empower students. Leadership opportunities are available for the more than 240 student organizations. Organizations include academic groups, honor societies, publications, religious groups, service groups, sports clubs and special interest groups. Greek organizations offer a variety of opportunities for member involvement in many philanthropic activities, social events and other campus organizations. The Greek Community consists of 19 percent of the student body. The University Program Board provides educational, cultural and entertainment programs. The UPB executive committees consist of musical events, issues and cultural awareness, comedy and novelty, cinematic events, marketing and public relations, publicity and technical services.

Assistant Greek Coordinators Brendan Bowman, Missy Weiss, Doug Popik, Alyson Clark and John Adamson (top). During Student Organization Night students learned of how they could become more involved in the JMU community (bottom).
With 17 editors and photographers, the Bluestone staff did everything within its power to provide the most accurate review of the 1997-98 academic year. They attended the annual National College Media Convention last fall in Chicago, and the regional convention in New York in the spring. The Bluestone staff’s lives were governed by a series of six deadlines, each of which were anticipated and approached with great care. In 1908, the first edition of the Schoolma'am was published for the Normal and Industrial School for Women, which later became Madison College and is now known as James Madison University. Ninety years later, the university still holds on to many of the established ideals from its beginnings, coming full circle as we approach the 21st century.

EDITOR IN CHIEF RACHEL ROSWAL ~ ADVISER JEBREL WEAVER

Waiting to be seated at the Rainforest Cafe in Chicago, Leah Bailey and Rachel Roswal browse in the gift shop.
With their own interpretation of *Coming Full Circle*, the staff expresses their theme for the 1997-98 year. The theme for the yearbook was developed during a series of brainstorming sessions between the editors.

Making sure all the pictures are ready for their deadline, editors Jeff Morris and Wendy Crocker consult photo editor Statia Molewski.

Trying to stay warm in the Windy City, adviser Jerry Weaver and *Bluestone* staff members Leah Bailey, Wendy Crocker, Statia Molewski, Rachel Roswal and Jeff Morris tour Navy Pier during the National College Media Convention in Chicago.
PAN-HELLENIC COUNCIL

Back Row, L. to R.: Nancy Giddings, Sarah Overton, Laura Foltz, Jan Gertrude Dreisbach, Betty Flythe, Lucia Ziegler, Anne Green

Front Row: Nancy Criser, Jane Cotton, Ann Brown, Phyllis Early, June Jane Barger, Martha Anderson, Lois Pritts, Roselyn Key, Doris Fisher, Dorothy Hawkins
Challenging members through experiences in leadership, service, brotherhood
and sisterhood, Greek Life gave students the opportunity to develop
friendships and bonds that would last a lifetime. Being a member of a
fraternity or sorority provided opportunities and activities that could not be found
anywhere else in campus life. Social interaction was a large part of being involved in
Greek Life, but it was more often tempered with a spirit of service. Fraternities and
sororities sponsored events providing service and assistance to those in need such as
blood drives, canned food drives, clothing collections and benefit concerts. Individual
members came together to form a community that made a difference.

JEFF MORRIS
EDITOR
Lauren Bowen (bottom) gives her Alpha Chi Omega sister Jenn Carlisle (top) a lift. Sisters shared a unique bond of friendship with each other.

The sisters of Alpha Chi Omega develop unique bonds of friendship while maintaining their own individuality. Promoting sisterhood through scholarship, leadership and community service are some of the sorority’s main goals. Their National Altruistic projects included Citizens Against Domestic Violence, Easter Seals and the Alpha Chi Omega Foundation. One of their annual service projects is the Great Hunger Clean-Up. The sisters of AXΩ participated in Frisbee Fling and Greek Week, along with sisterdates and formals.

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VP-Finance Lindsay Thomas
VP-Fraternity Relations Jenny Park
VP-Intellectual Development Mindy Milliron
VP-Membership Development Rachel Edwards
Communications Chair Liz Shinnick
Formal Recruitment (RUSH) Holly Giocco
Senior Panhellenic Delegate Nikki Dorn
Members of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. attend their annual banquet (top). Members also participated in a probate at the University of Virginia (bottom).
One of the most active fraternities at the university, Alpha Kappa Lambda prides itself by participating in a variety of community service and social events. They are a unified group that tries to give everything they can back to the campus. AKA's commitment to community service was evident through their sponsorship of Lombardi Gras and the Turkey Trot Run/Walk. Members received the Intramural Championship award in the fraternity division, and the group also had one of the highest GPA averages for fraternities at the university. AKA prides itself on a tight brotherhood, and their Judeo-Christian principles, leadership, scholarship, loyalty and self-support.

President Mark Danzenbaker
Vice President Chachi Bianchi
Treasurer Steve Petti
Pledge Master Tim Moore
Secretary Mike Sprouse
Social Ken Taylor
House Manager Adam Clement

Apha Kappa Lambda sponsored Lombardi Gras, an all day concert. This event, which was held on Godwin Field, benefits cancer research.

Enjoying their Spring Break at Panama City, Fla., these Alpha Kappa Lambda brothers break from their day of jet skiing (top). Brothers and their dates celebrate the end of the academic year at AKA's Kamikaze Party at Melrose (bottom).
Seeking the highest ideal of womanhood through the promotion of growth in character, unity in feeling, sisterly affection and social interaction among its members, Alpha Phi sisters strive to improve their minds and hearts, and enrich their lives now and in the future. Alpha Phi serves the community in many service activities. In February, members raised money for the AΦ Foundation and Rockingham Memorial Hospital’s Cardiac Care Unit through a week long event called “A-Phiasco.” They also held a Thanksgiving Food Drive every fall, and they take pride in participating in other Greek activities including Greek Sing. Sisters also celebrated AΦ’s 125th anniversary.

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VP-Recruitment Jennifer Welch
VP-Chapter Operations Summer Burleson
VP-Marketing Julie Diaz
Director of Finance Kim Hensley
Director of Administration Stacey Slipakoff
Panhellenic Delegate Stephanie Mumpower

Alpha Phi sisters Kate Springer, Vickie Georgeson and Victoria Patchen enjoy themselves at their formal (top). Stylin’ during their 70’s Mixer are Alpha Phi sisters Amanda Drifmeyer, Julie Diaz, Alexis Atwood, Jenn Welch and Summer Burleson (bottom).

Participating in Sigma Chi’s Derby Days, these Alpha Phi sisters show the way to the Alpha Phi house.


Alpha Kappa Lambda, Alpha Phi 353
These Alpha Sigma Tau sisters prepare for their Yellow Rose Formal. AΣΤ sponsors many events which increase fellowship among its members.

Promoting the social, cultural and ethical development of its members, Alpha Sigma Tau’s main goal is sisterhood. They were very visible during Homecoming, Alumni Weekends and Greek Week. AΣΤ also participated in community service projects such as Derby Days, Adopt-a-Highway and Adopt-a-Flower Bed, and volunteered at Mercy House and Camelot Nursing Home. For the 1996-1997 academic year, AΣΤ received the Greek Excellence Awards for best pledge member, best senior member and best chapter.

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Recording Secretary Trisley Jones
Fundraising Chair Katie Harbeck
Social Chair Becca Leonard
House Manager Wendy Harrah
Philanthropy Chair Kim Duklewski
Panhelenaic Delegate Kelly Mayclothing
Chaplain Tara Coleman
Alumni Chair Jamie Jones

Proud of the AΣΤ house’s theme, these sisters relax at the Alpha Sigma Tau Cafe (top). The sisters of AΣΤ enjoy having fun in each others’ company through formals, Greek activities and just hanging out (bottom).
During a weekend getaway, these Delta Gamma sisters relax at their lake house (top). Delta Gamma sisters dressed up for their annual fall formal (bottom).
After winning the Homecoming Talent Show for the third year in a row these Delta Sigma Theta sisters are all smiles (top). Every car left the lot sparkling clean after the ΔΣΘ car wash fundraiser (bottom).

Furthering educational development, international and political awareness and involvement, physical and mental health, and economic development are the main goals of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Despite the strong bonds of sisterhood they all have for each other, they do not hesitate to reach out to others on campus and in the surrounding community to offer help and support. ΔΣΘ sisters are actively involved with Mercy House, sponsoring a fashion show, the Adopt-a-Grandma program and the Freshman Welcoming Cookout. The JMU chapter of ΔΣΘ was chartered in 1971.

President Shavonta Green
First Vice President Gracia Walker
Second Vice President Beverly Taylor
Treasurer Tiffany Wilson
Recording Secretary Marcia Williams
Corresponding Secretary NaaKwale Jones-Quartey
Parliamentarian and Sergeant-at-Arms Tae Edwards
Historian Vanessa Cantave
Chaplain Nichole Ligon

Taking a break from washing cars, these Delta Sigma Theta sisters relax during their fundraiser. Many organizations held car washes to raise funds for their groups or specific causes.
The main purpose of the Inter-Fraternity Council is to create programming for new fraternity members. The Inter-Fraternity Council is the governing body for the 15 fraternities at the university. IFC organizes Greek-wide community service activities and is responsible for judicial proceedings within the Greek system. Members organize "The Greek Corner: News for the JMU Greek Community," published regularly in The Breeze. The seven officers of Inter-Fraternity Council are elected from within the Greek system.

President Hal Dillon, Sigma Chi
Vice President Brian Healy, Pi Kappa Alpha
Secretary Matt Owens, Sigma Nu
Treasurer J.T. Mauk, Chi Phi
Judicial Chair Laine Donlan, Sigma Phi Epsilon
VP-Membership Development Dave Taylor, Sigma Phi Epsilon
Rush Bryan Van Winkle, Kappa Alpha

Front Row: Brian Healy, Hal Dillon, Laine Donlan, Matt Owens.
brothers Bobby "Tyson" Donnan and Matthew "Evander" Mertz duke it out at a FIJI get-together. Friendship is the first of the five values of FIJI.


FIJI brother visits the Grand Canyon (top). On the front steps of the FIJI house, these brothers celebrate chapter initiations (bottom).

The brothers of Phi Gamma Delta, or FIJI, are committed to the values of friendship, knowledge, service, morality and excellence. Members do not wear their Greek letters, however, they are known as FIJI. They are a tight-knit brotherhood with respect for tradition. The brothers established the first annual FIJI "Localpalooza" and raised money for Harrisonburg foster children. FIJI is celebrating its 150th anniversary nationally, and it was chartered at the university in 1994.

President Matthew Mertz
Treasurer Geoff Mullin
Recording Secretary Matthew Zolorar
Corresponding Secretary Craig Perry
Historian David Gatton

358 Greek Life
Chartered at JMU in 1995, Kappa Alpha upholds the ideals of General Robert E. Lee especially, those concerning gentlemanly conduct and the respect and esteem of women. Brothers support their national philanthropy, the Muscular Dystrophy Association. They volunteered in the MDA Lock-Up at Valley Mall and raised over $30,000. Brothers held a Bowl-a-Thon (with ΣΣΣ) which raised additional funds for the MDA. They also assisted weekly at Harrisonburg Baptist Church. JMU’s chapter of Kappa Alpha was recognized as one of the top 10 percent of the KA order chapters in the country and also received the Ammen Award.

President Kevin Grunkemeyer  
Vice President Matt Smith  
Recording Secretary Ryan Thompson  
Corresponding Secretary Mads Hansen  
Historian Jeff Eggleston  
Purser Tom Edwards  
Parliamentarian Jason Meade  
Sergeant-at-Arms Max Finazzo

Celebrating a successful semester, the brothers of Kappa Alpha enjoy themselves at their fall formal (top). President Kevin Grunkemeyer, a senior, (center) hands a bid to sophomore Erik Kahill (bottom).

Seniors Scott Settar and Mike Ingram show their brotherhood as members of Kappa Alpha Order. Brotherhood was an essential part of Greek Life.

FIJI, Kappa Alpha 359
Brothers Marcus Cognetti, a junior, and Pete DeFinis and Jason Williams, sophomores, get all decked out for the KAP Red Rose Formal.

Brothers of Kappa Delta Rho strive to abide by their motto “Honor Above All Things.” KAP participates in various Greek community activities such as “Anchor Splash,” Greek Week and “Sigma Switch.” Brothers held their annual canned food drive and raised money for the American Diabetes Association. The fraternity provides service to Arc Canteen, an organization for mentally retarded children. The brothers of KAP also volunteered at the Boys and Girls Club, enhancing the development of children through participation at holiday events. Kappa Delta Rho was founded in 1905 nationally and was chartered at the university in 1991.

President Matthew Baldwin
Rush Chair Murad Mahmood
Pledge Educator Allen Schutz
Treasurer Matthew Steinberg
Secretary Marcus Cognetti
Social Chair Ariel Gonzalez

oing back to the '70s, these brothers of Kappa Sigma celebrate good times at their theme party (top). These brothers have fun at their formal, a highlight of the semester for most fraternities (bottom).

Kappa Delta Rho, Kappa Sigma 361
Order of Omega, a National Greek Honor Society, recognizes the members of the Greek community for outstanding achievements in academics, leadership, character and community service. Order of Omega is responsible for planning and coordinating Greek Week and Greek Sing events. Greek Week and Greek Sing were presented at the end of the spring semester and all fraternities and sororities were invited to compete. Order of Omega provided scholarship, leadership and philanthropic events for members and other Greeks.

President Frank Rosenblatt
VP-Fundraising Megan Abbott
VP-Greek Sing (Administration) Adam Strach
VP-Greek Sing (Organization) Kate Hoke
VP-Membership Mark Danzenbaker
VP-Philanthropy Susan Palmieri
VP-Public Relations Ray Wagner
VP-Scholarship Steve Theiss
Treasurer Josh Elliott
Secretary Mads Hansen

Promoting fraternity and inter-fraternity relations within the university and throughout the community is the goal of the Panhellenic Council. Panhellenic plans and facilitates women's Rush every fall and hosts many guest speakers for all students. Panhellenic's philanthropy is the Make-a-Wish Foundation. Members hosted events for community children such as a haunted house, and volunteered at their Adopt-a-School, Spotswood Elementary. Members of the Panhellenic Council represent all Greek women.

President Annie Lou Bayly  
President-Elect Sydney Sentman  
Secretary Jill Powell  
Treasurer Tracy Hendrickson  
Standards Kira Nazelrod  
Public Relations and Publicity Leda Kozak  
VP-Rush Mary Garner  
VP-Rho Chi Julie Schneider  
VP-Committees Ginny Smith  
VP-Membership Development Andrea Smith  

The Panhellenic Council members participate in their national convention in Chicago (top). Panhellenic Council members Andrea Smith and Jill Powell, both seniors, facilitate the Rush process on Greek Row (bottom).
The new brothers of Pi Kappa Phi are congratulated after Spring Initiation 1997 (top). The brothers of ΠΚΦ enjoy their fall formal in Virginia Beach (bottom).

Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity is a brotherhood bound together in loyalty which strives to attain the highest possible standards of scholarship and excellence. Participating in various community service projects, including the Journey of Hope, a cycling expedition across the nation, donating clothes to Mercy House, and organizing PUSH Week held on the Commons each spring, the brothers are involved on campus and within the community. ΠΚΦ brothers are involved with the Inter-Fraternity Council and the Order of Omega. The Delta Tau chapter was chartered on February 12, 1977.

Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity

Chartered at JMU in 1959, Sigma Kappa sorority's sisters share many things together: tears, laughter and memories. Sigma Kappa sisters are exposed to many social activities such as formal dances, Greek Week activities, Sister sororities, Parents Day, Alumni Weekend and Homecoming. The national philanthropies of Sigma Kappa include the Maine Sea Coast Mission, Inherit the Earth, Gerontology and Alzheimers causes. The sisters of Sigma Kappa were the winners of Sigma Chi's Derby Days and featured Derby Queen Amanda Lewis. Sigma Kappa has also won "Most Creative" at Greek Sing for the past two years.

President Amy Stanmyre
Vice President Jessica Harris
Recording Secretary Kelly Bulger
Treasurer Karyn Amato
VP-Membership Gena Bonsiero
VP-Scholarship Tressa Campbell
VP-Alumni Relations Lindsey Christopher
Panhellenic Lorien D'Acunto
Social Kristi Miller

Sigma Kappa sisters' bond of friendship deepens over time into one of sisterhood (top). These SK sisters relax at their house on Greek Row (bottom).

Presidents: Karyn Amato, Maria Canadas, Amy Kable.
Pi Kappa Phi, Sigma Kappa 363

Expressing their strong friendships are Sigma Kappa sisters Karyn Amato, Maria Canadas and Amy Kable.

Pi Kappa Phi, Sigma Kappa 365
Sigma Nu brothers Tom Callahan, Tamer Moumen and Mike Pendergrast shoot a game of pool during their White Rose Formal.

Sigma Nu promotes the ideals of love, truth and honor while treating women with respect, providing a safe environment for their guests and striving to succeed in the areas of community service, sports and academia. The brothers of Sigma Nu are actively involved in community service which includes conducting food and clothing drives, as well as working with Mercy House, Special Olympics and Habitat for Humanity. Brothers host mixers and other parties and culminate the semester with their White Rose Formal. Sigma Nu was a recipient of the Risk Reduction award.

Sigma Nu was founded in 1869, and chartered at the university in 1974.

The brothers of Sigma Nu celebrate the quality and diversity of its members at a brother date (top). Sigma Nu brothers Charlie Miller, Dan Liercke and Ryan Woolsey hang out at Purcell Park after an intramural football practice (bottom).
he principles which are the cornerstones of Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority's sisterhood are to ensure a perpetual bond of friendship, to develop strong womanly character and to promote high standards of conduct. Sisters participated in many social activities including roller skating, camping and white-water rafting. **ΣΣΣ supported** their national philanthropy, the Robbie Page Memorial as well as other Greek philanthropies. The sisters have also adopted a grandmother of whom they are very proud. Sigma Sigma Sigma has 165 members and was chartered at the university in 1939.

**President** Katie Madison  
**Vice President** Susie Ross  
**Administrative VP** Tracy Walsh  
**Treasurer** Amy Edwards  
**Secretary** Jennifer Anthony  
**Rush Director** Julie Ann Raymer  
**Education Director** Dawn Jessen  
**Committee Chairman** Megan Abbott  
**Panhellenic Representative** Sue Ann Berkile  

Sigma Sigma Sigma sisters  
Megan O'Donnell, Christina Tibery and Shelley Nielsen show off their costumes as they prepared for a rush skit.
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colonized in January 1997, the brothers of Tau Kappa Epsilon have worked hard to re-establish themselves. Established in 1969, Tau Kappa Epsilon was the first fraternity at JMU. Tau Kappa Epsilon has the most chapters of any fraternity worldwide. Since being re-established, Tau Kappa Epsilon has doubled in size and continues working towards receiving its charter. Tau Kappa Epsilon's brotherhood consists of 31 members.

President Jared Utz
Vice President Nate Underwood
Secretary Patrick Giardina
Historian Ted Anderson
Treasurer Richard Whitley
Chaplain Damon Lussier
Sergeant-at-Arms Jeff Scaggs
Pledge Education Jamie Gregorian

embers of Tau Kappa Epsilon enjoy themselves at the TKE Colony Initiation Party in January.

Front Row: John Go, Jeff Scaggs, Reza Venegas, Alex Bain, Keith Cox, Patrick Giardina, William Moffett, Wayne Hobik.
Second Row: Nathan Rea, Waqas Virk, Richard Whitley, Dan Casey, Tim Hanson, Carlos Pinto, Adam Hamidi, David Fleming, Asad Khan.
Back Row: Jared Utz, Jamie Gregorian, Ted Anderson, Damon Lussier, Mark Beagle, Nate Underwood, Bill Gosman, Kirk Gray, Sven Cowan, John W. Hughes, Jr.
The Eta Chapter of Theta Chi provides an opportunity for education, friendship, a sense of belonging and strives for mutual success amongst all brothers. Brothers sought to provide a positive contribution to the greater Harrisonburg community through their service work with Spotswood Elementary, their participation in the Adopt-a-Highway program, as well as offering sober rides to students on the weekends. OX seeks to promote strong ties of brotherhood. OX sponsored a nationally recognized speaker, Mike Green, to speak on alcohol awareness. Chartered in 1973, OX is the second oldest fraternity at JMU and regained its charter in 1995.

President Michael L. Keens
Vice President Brian D. Hauler
Secretary Dave P. Penland
Treasurer Jason B. Snyder
Marshal Edward A. Roth

Front Row: Ryan Dormer, Mike Bermuda, Ray Heath, Jr., Chuck Yesolitis, Shasta Pitts. Back Row: Jason Snyder, Dave Penland, Mike Keens, Edward Roth.

Hiking along Skyline Drive, these Theta Chi brothers pause for a break before resuming their excursion.

Did You Know:
Ryan Dormer, Mike Bermuda, Ray Heath, Jr., Chuck Yesolitis, Shasta Pitts.

Presidential Team:
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Treasurer: Jason B. Snyder
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 Theta Chi brothers stop to reflect at the Founders Memorial of the Theta Chi Fraternity while visiting Norwich University (top). OX president Mike Keens (center) instructs his "crew" at their Halloween party (bottom).
Zeta Tau Alpha sisters Jill Santora and Lindsay Mann, both sophomores, show their friendship at the White Violet Formal, named in honor of the ZTA flower.

Committed to the ideals of scholarship, service and sisterhood, Zeta Tau Alpha is a diverse group of young women devoted to helping each other and the community. ZTA fundraised for their philanthropy through their “Hunt for the Cure” and “Spikefest.” The organization donated over $5,000 to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. Their service activities included the Adopt-a-Grandfather program and Adopt-a-Highway program where they cleaned around Reddish Knob.

ZTA was founded in 1898 at what is now Longwood College and was chartered at the university in 1949.

**President Jessie Steelberg**
**First VP-Coordinator of Committees Nicole Briesch**
**Second VP-New Member Coordinator Michele Pesch**
**Treasurer Renee Darling**
**Historian Claudia Royston**
**Membership Krista Nelson**
**Recording Secretary Alicia Royston**
**House Manager Marta DePue**

 Sisters proudly participate in rush at Zeta Tau Alpha (top). Jackie Pfieger, Danielle Oristian and Karyn Tondola visit with their Adopt-a-Grandfathers Elmer and Howard at Avanté Nursing Home (bottom).
Members of the Greek community make themselves known outside of their fraternities. Senior Kyle Wesson and junior Jon Judah worked under Kristin Radcliffe as Orientation Assistants during the summer of 1997. Wesson, a Kappa Alpha brother, was also the 1997-98 SGA secretary, and Judah was elected as the 1998-99 president of Alpha Kappa Lambda.

Overlooking the picturesque Newman Lake, Greek Row is home to 17 fraternities and sororities. Each group was required to have a certain number of members in their house. Houses had managers who were responsible for keeping track of details similar to what hall directors would take care of in residence halls.

The Greek Life system began in May 1939 with the establishment of two sororities at Madison College, Kappa Delta Pi and Sigma Phi Lambda. Greek Life has expanded to 32 fraternities and sororities, which are recognized by the National Interfraternity Conference, the National Panhellenic Conference and the Black Greek Caucus. Approximately 2,000 students at the university are members of a fraternity or sorority. Sorority rush is held in the fall and fraternity rush is held in both the fall and spring. Greek organizations offer a wide variety of opportunities for their members. Members are often involved in many philanthropic events and other campus organizations.

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Directors Kristin Radcliffe and Kristen Wesson; Office Assistant Julia Walsh

Attending the President's Wine and Cheese Reception were members of the Office of Greek Life (top). Greek Life members show their support at the Pi Kappa Alpha formal (bottom).
Photographers are a strange bunch. They are a mysterious hybrid of artists and journalists. They are at once technical and creative. They can work slowly with attention to each and every detail or they can catch a unique moment in time and preserve it forever. Our photo staff definitely was not an exception. We certainly had the complete spectrum of photographer types, from the precise landscape photographer to the random antics of the innovative photographer to the images created “on a whim” by the more spontaneous shooter. The Gallery displays some of our favorite work from over the years and really illustrates the variety of photography we were so lucky to see this year. It is our chance to take a step back from the traditional yearbook style and show off a little of our own. And if one thing is certain, photo staffs have always been and always will be the same people. I was flipping through some old copies of the Bluestone and couldn’t help but notice a striking resemblance between the Bluestone photo staff from 1950 and this year’s photo staff. Pretty scary, huh? -MP

Melissa Palladino Statia Molewski
Editors
GALLERY
Oh to see the world through the eyes of... a camera.
Melissa Palladino
My friends they were few, but to me they were true... all we was trying to do was to just make it through.
Always thought for the future, but we shouldn't have cared... all the best things in life, we shared them right there...

-g. love
Please don't change, please don't break.
The only thing that seems to work is you.
Please don't change, at all, for me.

-Rob Thomas

Megan FitzPatrick

Megan FitzPatrick  381
If I had known what trouble you were bearing;
What griefs were in the silence of your face;
I would have been more gentle, and more caring,
And tried to give you gladness for a space. I would have
brought more warmth into the place if I had known.

If I had known what thoughts despairing drew you;
(Why do we never try to understand?)
I would have lent a little friendship to you,
And slipped my hand within your hand,
And made your stay more pleasant in the land,
If I had known.

by Mary Carolyn Davies
Only the weak are cruel.
Carlton Wolfe

it's the blind leading the blond
it's the cops collecting for the cons
so where is the hope and where is the faith and the love

-Bono

bey, little risks can be fun sometimes...
James Madison University has covered a great deal of ground over the last 90 years. While today's students can barely recall the restructuring which took place only a few years ago, yesterday's students can recall the annual ritual of celebrating May Day. The university has come full circle to new traditions and programs. In the words of Herman Melville, "Genius all over the world stands hand in hand, and one shock of recognition runs the whole circle round."

RACHEL S. ROSWAL
EDITOR IN CHIEF
The world was shocked with the sudden death of Diana, Princess of Wales in September 1997 (right). Charles Spencer, Prince William, Prince Harry and Prince Charles say goodbye to Diana as they watch the Princess being taken to Westminster Abbey (above).

A YEAR FILLED WITH TRAGEDY, PHENOMENA AND SPICY ENTERTAINMENT

1997: THE YEAR IN REVIEW
Girl Power was a popular theme this year as First Lady Hillary Clinton, the pop-singing Spice Girls and Secretary of State Madeline Albright made headlines (1, 2, 3). Garth Brooks was once again a favorite on the country music charts (4). Part of the MIR Space Station and the Pathfinder also received attention this year (5, 6). The unfortunate death of Mother Teresa affected people throughout the world (7). Yasser Arafat worked with the other leaders in the Middle East to maintain peace (8). President Bill Clinton continued his second term in office and delivered the highest-rated State of the Union address in U.S. history (9).
Of all the elements of campus life, administrators are really the ones who complete the circle . . . and for many years, the president has been at the center. Dr. Ronald E. Carrier came to JMU in 1971 and after 27 years decided to step down from the position. Earlier in the year, Carrier took a leave of absence to pursue fundraising initiatives for the university. Executive Vice President Linwood Rose served as the acting president during this time.

Administrators spent a great deal of time speaking to student organizations, talking with faculty members and overseeing all aspects of JMU. The vice presidents developed new programs, made changes in various policies and handled financial matters. The deans of each college worked on implementing new academic standards with the establishment of the general education program. They also spent the year trying to make room for the increasing number of students enrolling in the colleges.

Wilson Hall was home to many of the administrators this year. Therefore, it only seemed fitting that on March 25, 1998, Dr. Carrier stood on the same steps where 27 years earlier he set into motion the circle that would propel JMU into the forefront of higher education.
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Vice President of University Advancement

Left: Dr. Robert L. Scott
Vice President of Student Affairs

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Dean of the College of Arts and Letters

Dr. A. Jerry Benson
Dean of the College of Education and Psychology

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Dean of the College of Integrated Science and Technology

Dr. Robert D. Reid
Dean of the College of Business

Dr. Norman E. Garrison
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**Rebecca Lillard**

"Success often comes to those who dare and act; it seldom goes to the timid who are afraid of the consequences."

-Jawaharlal Nehru

Well another year has come to a close and it’s finally over. All of the hard work and time has made this book wonderful. I enjoyed working with everyone this year. Rachel-thanks for putting up with my hectic schedule and trying to find times to meet. I never have to look at another patron letter again! You’ve done a wonderful job. I’ll miss you next year. Leah-uh oh, you and Wendy next year, it’s going to be the most creative yearbook yet. Wendy-well, it was a little different than our unforgettable sports section experience. Don’t forget about the yellow when you’re doing the silver book next year. I have enjoyed working on the Bluestone staff for the past two years. I’ll miss it next year. Thank you to everyone for the memories. Good luck next year and in the years to come.

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**Becky Lamb**

Well, here I am at 11:00 on a Friday night, and where would I rather be than the yearbook room? This being my first year on the Bluestone, I found an unexpected blend of people who were able to handle stress like I’ve never seen yet were still able to laugh about it. Thanks to everyone for never making me feel like the new girl. Given the only section I usually learned a few things the work and the company? You went from some to my friend. Who would two of us would end up getting? You’re one of the people I know and it was you. Sorry about abanour deadlines. Thank you laugh. I couldn’t have done it without you. Rachel-Thank you for all you help, support and understanding. I think half the time you were more stressed than we were. Your concern didn’t go unnoticed. Good Luck! Leah-You may seem quiet, but you never afraid to let people know if you don’t like something. You and Wendy will do great next year. Wendy-Thanks for always taking “breaks” with me. Jeff-I’ll always be there to protect you when we’re walking home late at night. Stacia and the rest of the photo crew-Thank you so much for making our lives easier. I know we’ve been known to cut things a little close, but you guys always pulled through. Mom, Renee, Mike and all my friends thanks for supporting me!

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**Kristy Weeks**

"It’s the circle of life
And it moves us all
Through despair and hope
Through faith and love
Till we find our place
On the path unwinding
In the circle
The circle of life."

*The Lion King, lyrics by Tim Rice*

Four years have come and gone and what better way to end than with *The Bluestone*. Of all my experiences at JMU, this will remain one of my fondest. Besides where else can you go in the middle of the night to find a guy wearing a wig, a couple of girls busting out i song and dance, a guy promoting Pantene products, a petite girl who tells you exactly what she thinks and a non-scientific, crazed editor who tries to seconds in the yearbook office without sleeping.

On a more serious note, congrats to the staff on putting together a book that reflects the hard work and dedication that everyone put into it. I am so grateful to be part of this book. Rachel, thank you for allowing me the opportunity to experience the world of deadlines. I am so glad to be part of creation that all of us will have years down the road... to remember the beginning of our circle in life.

I just want to say thank you to my family. In the words of Abraham Lin...
Whenever I write something like this I always feel so dumb. No matter what is written, whether it be sentimental or silly, always sounds just plain willy-nilly. So I guess one way or another, it doesn’t really matter. Of course numero uno is my partner in crime, Ms. Becky Lamb. I bow to the Pica Genie in all her vast layout glory and tremble in the majesty of her unwillingness to accept anything less than perfect. More than once you saved me, by making me laugh when I needed it or by kicking Captain Procrastination in his pants because, of course, I wasn’t doing anything productive. Thanks to the Boss for giving the guy whose application was two days late a chance, I hope I did it right. I would wish you well but I know you will succeed in whatever you do. Oh yeah, and on deadline weekends, you get about a nine on the tension scale. Kristy, thanks anything that was a awesome help, for being there to do needed, you were always Leah and Jeff - thanks for making me smiling during stressful your radio voice and very nice!” And Leah, what your cup of tea re- one tell Ms. Crocker ding! Really Wendy, I’m not a jerk ... sometimes. Keep practicing, maybe one day you can step in the kickboxing ring with me. Big thanks to the photo staff for putting up with my picky demands. The people at Sports Media Relations I just can’t say enough about. Milla Sue, Scott and especially Curtt, always willing to help in any way you can, endless praise and thanks for your helpful hand served with a smile. Thanks to the others who bailed me out - Funny Man Phil, Mount Everest (Wookie), V-Dogg, OB1 Jedi, Beaker and Teri Hatcher. Tip of the Day: If you are ever being chased by an alligator, run in zigs-zags. And in closing I shall recall what Karl Marx told his servant who requested his final words on his deathbed in 1883: “Go on, get out—last words are for fools who haven’t said enough.”

Wock, “Everything I am, I owe to my mother (and father).” I would not be where I am today if it were not for them. Also, I want to say thank you to Derek for always encouraging me to take on a challenge and supporting me even when you think I’m doing too much! It’s the end of our circle here but the beginning of a new one. It’s time to watch the submarines . . .

Scot, “That’s not very nice! And really, Wendy, I’m not sure you’re going to do better pictures. To my mom...Rachel...I don’t know what I’m going to do without you! If you give me South Park, I’ll take pictures! Wendy Crockhead, Crock Full-O-Nuts . . . you rock my world! Leah and Wendy, you guys are going to be great next year! Thanks to the whole photo staff for doing such a great job. Thanks to my roommates for letting me wrap them in saran-wrap. Thanks to Pantene for keeping Jeff’s hair so darn in place. Thanks to Milwaukee’s Best for giving me a reason to go out at night, and thanks to Mr. J’s for making my Saturday mornings a little easier. It’s been crazy, and it’s been fun . . . New York . . . Chicago . . . and everything to come . . . you guys are great!
Once upon a time there lived a princess who lived in a grand seventies brick building. Princess AGaramond was beautiful with long, flowing brown hair, brown eyes and a Jersey accent. However, she did not like to do typical princess activities such as going to pot luck dinners and bars. With each passing day she would go to the tower room as if it was calling to her and there she would work on her school's yearbook while listening to music and eating cheesy poofs. Her parents often worried about her strange devotion to the book, but continued to let her work on it as she wished. Little did her parents know that with each page that their daughter created it magically came alive. One day Princess AGaramond announced to her parents that she must have help with her yearbook or she would never be able to complete it and this would make her very unhappy. Secretly she wanted to finish because once she did she would be able to use its magic to catch the man of her dreams. So her parents sent out an announcement that said anyone who would come help their daughter would be given riches and beef cakes beyond their wildest dreams. Curious helpers came from all over but the princess decided upon only 17 yearbook helpers. Their was: G-elf, could ask ten questions at once, was quick to catch on to no lingo and had great wisdom about organizations for the yearbook. Baa-Becky, could draw lambs with great skill, beat up her cohort and do the spo section at the same time. Ex-Afro-Scott, could kickbox like none other, answer to the boss and do yearbook at the same time. Lil-Becky, who was yearbook whiz, zip-zap she could do her pages in a flash, but she liked turtles much more than her work. PageMaster-Leah, who whistled while she worked, did not like tomatoes, sided with Yo-Wendy about the silver issue and who will one day turn into Sleeping Beauty. Sta-Tia and her partner in crime Yo-Wendy, who never minded the princess, were full of pranks, turned things upside down, hung out windows and busted out with wrong they could never remember, but despite their craziness the princess cared for them like a mother. Happy-Go-Lucky-Tom, always smiled and said hello, his area of expertise was on-line, and he knew the right thing to say even during yearbook deadlines. Missing-In-Action-Melissa, fled the scene for a better job, could use white out, drink champagne and take clear pictures at the same time. Bottoms-Up-Steve, took many pictures the prince liked, found ways to the "bottom" of photos and lived in a computer lab down the hall. Creeping-Carlton, became a helper in the nick of time, cut not take a picture unless he wore his "lucky" shirt and knew way too much about photography. Kool-Katherine, delivered the goods, found right angles, and was constantly chased by Bottoms-Up-Steve. On the Go-Gretchen, who balanced a busy schedule, taking what pictures she had time to take for the princess and loves her cats and her boyfriend. Mischief-Megan, pretends she is English, drinking tea at noon between gibbing and shooting pictures and knows all the steps to Men In Black. All-Business-Neil, regulates money like none other, keeps the book's funds in check with Father-Jerry, and who comes from a long line of business editors. Kopy-Kristy, edits with a craving for Mexican food, is quick to respond and knows everything is to know about JMU. Finally, eight months later the helpers and Princess AGaramond finished the yearbook, which they called The Bluestone. In the end the princess got her man, Prince Ed, lived happily ever after, the helpers went their separate ways except for PageMaster-Leah and Yo-Wendy who decided to find their own dream men by making their own yearbook, which they decided to paint silver. Special thanks to my parents, Julie and Kenny Crocker, my sisters Robin and Laura, my boyfriend Brian, my uncle Dick and my roommates Wendy, Mary, Becky, Judy, Malinda, Julie and Karla. I would like to dedicate my section to a man who was an inspirational figure in my life, my uncle, Fred Holland who taught me to find inner strength, hold steadfast to my dreams, and show those individuals who surround your life that you care. I will deeply miss you.

Melissa Palladino

"Where's Same-Shirt-Boy?" "He's probably eating egg rolls." "Oh, I needed to get names of those people? Sorry, I thought it didn't matter." "I think I must have dropped those negatives somewhere between here and Wal-Mart." "Yet another picture of a butt." "One guess who took that one." "That picture of your dog is like bigger than life size." "What ARE they doing in that darkroom?" Anyone who doesn't know us would probably think we were pretty nuts if they overheard this staff of photographers talking to each other at any given moment. That's okay, because you HAVE to be pretty nuts to be a photographer around here. How many people can you get to run up and down the sidelines at a football game in the pouring rain or crat around on the floor at a concert just to get the best angles? I have to say that I have had a pretty dedicated staff to work with and each one of them has gone out of their way at the last minute to do an assignment. Statia—thanks for taking care of the darkroom thing. It took Carlton to explain me the difference between hypo at stop. Steve—I don't think we could have found another guy who is so all about taking beautiful pictures of campus. You are the only boy I know who can take a whole roll of pictures of the same two trees on the quad. Megan—Gi
Jeff Morris

When you come to the edge of all the light you know, and are about to step off into the darkness of the unknown, faith is knowing one of two things will happen: there will be something solid to stand on or you will be taught to fly. Well, I've come a long way from "O-Boy." Today, I'm known as "Pantene-Boy," or more simply, "J-E-E-E-E-E-F-F-F!" Creating the Bluestone has been such a great experience, not to mention a really great time. Who knows what would have happened if I hadn't met Rachel at the FYI Writing Center? Rachel and Leah, I admit it was kind of fun being the only people in the "Burg over Christmas Break... where else was I going to learn Broadway show tunes? (We'll get to watch Grease sometime!) Wendy and Leah, I am so happy for you both and I can't wait for next year (and, like it's on the D-L, let's go easy on the silver, OK?) Becky and Scott, thanks for keeping the office a little on the insane side! Tom, after our 16 meetings next week, we'll get together for lunch! Kristy, what were the goals of the Underwater Basketweaving Club again? "Is Val there?" Stasia, I will find "Eau de Stasia" yet! Thanks to everyone at CCM, especially Council, for your support during those frequent stressful times, (and Christy, "Peace Be With You") I am so proud that I was part of such an awesome staff! You are one of the most talented groups of people around and this book just serves as further proof!
My true education has taken place all in one room (with no windows), and it wasn't even classroom. I've learned so much and had so much fun. I know some people who think missed a lot by taking this position, but I didn't miss a thing. It's hard to believe that it's been years since the days when I used to trek over to Anthony Seeger after clarinet choir to Bluestone meetings every Monday night.

Kathy H., Amy K. and Sonal D.: Thank you all for making this look like something I would enjoy and could jump into. I can't even believe that Kathy was telling me about which MCOM classes I should and shouldn't take in the event that I might decide to major in journalism, ha

AND NOW, A WORD FROM YOUR EDITOR

This year's staff has been the closest knit group I have worked with, and I am so proud to have been part of working with such wonderful people. Catherine and Gretchen, I appreciate you guys for putting up with a craziness that you probably didn't expect when you joined the staff... Cartoon, you've done a great job and your crazy sense of humor (and charming radio style) will get you through anything here... Melissa (and Riley), I know the transition to yearbook photography was a pain sometimes, but thanks for all your work and I hope Atlanta was awesome... Steve, I have come to understand your computer hacking and creeping night ways and I have to admit, I think they're pretty cool. By the way, you take some of the most breathtaking photos I've ever seen... Fitz, what can I say? When I met you in Mrs. Turner's English class, I noticed your little pin with the photo in it, and the rest was history. Yes, Megan. I will be sure to phone you in the future. Are you what you want to be?

Neil, it has been a long year with much spending. I don't know what I would have done without you there to figure out each receipt and purchase order and invoice that ever existed. Thank you for all your hard work and best wishes with the Great Job Search.

STATIA, excuse me, Estatia X., I can't even believe how far you've come since you first walked into this office; a freshman with an attitude. Seriously, I appreciate you putting up with my five phone calls a day; I think our little bribe system worked. For anyone reading this, there would be few pictures in this book without my South Park tape. You took on a big, unexpected job and did it right. And because of you I know that someday I'll make a good mom. WORD.

Scott, your thorough search for every detail there is to find about JMU sports never ceased to amaze me. I can't even believe all that sports trivia fits in your head. You really raised the quality of sports coverage for us and it didn't go unnoticed. Your hard work and dedication has impressed me to no end, and I'm just so glad that my premature breakdowns didn't drive you away. Now I'll never get Puff Daddy and Mase confused again.

Bucky Lamb, the pica genie (are you the pica genie?), how glad am I that you decided to join the Bluestone? Your eternal good mood was so very necessary to ease my stress. I've really enjoyed working with you this year; you are so good at what you do and FAST! I am still amazed at how quickly you guys got all your stuff done before everyone else.

Tom, getting us online! The Bluestone's own email checker, thank you so much. I appreciate the switch you made so early in the year, taking on a position that you didn't expect and sticking around through the craziness. I'll miss your game of cards, pug greetings and HAPPY dispositions; good luck with everything.

Bethy Lilland, thank you so much for being there when I really needed you. I couldn't have made it through the last deadline without your help. Patrons, patrons, patrons. I think there are a few more envelopes in your drawer. Good luck with everything senior year and in the future.

Annette and Frankie at Herff Jones, thank you both so much for all of your patience with us. Here is the final result and I hope it is something you can put on those cool displays at the media conventions every year. Jerry Weaver, your patience and understanding will never be forgotten. You got me through this year and reminded me that sometimes it's ok to sleep every few days. I hope there's some money left for a yearbook next year, just kidding.

Dana, Alison and Liz, thank you guys for your understanding EVERY time I couldn't do anything but yearbook. A lot of friends wouldn't have stayed around like you guys have, I owe you big.

Aimee, from Northern NJ Regional High School Band to Squire Hill in Harrisonburg, Virginia: who would've expected that? I know there were many times when I wasn't much of a roommate, but I hope this book will explain where I was for all that time. I'll miss hearing you sing Rent through the wall and I am so glad that your candle-burning habits rubbed off on me because now my room smells so flowery. Your writin' tutorin' buds over at FYI (you know who you are), Paula and Gloria: humongo (is that a real word?) THANK YOU for pulling me up with a schedule that was larger than life some times. I couldn't have kept my job without your help, ES, you will make a great editor.
Disney Store, every time I hear Enya, every
time I do Cartman's voice and every time I
see someone work harder than anyone to do
something exactly right.

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you probably won't.
P.S. Thanks, Mrs. Bailey, for "adopting" me
while I was away from home.

Mom and Dad. I know I was supposed to
come here to be an MRD, but I think I
turned out ok anyway. Thanks for under-
standing, for skipping Parents Weekend that
was on your calendar for a year and for that
umb car. I hope this makes you proud.
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Closet Full of Shoes
by Shel Silverstein
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Workin' shoes with steel toes,
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Boots to wear with mackintoshes,
Brogans, oxfords, satin pumps,
Dancin' taps and wooden clumps,
Shoes for climbin', shoes for hikes,
Football cleats and baseball spikes,
Shoes of shiny patent leather,
Woolly shoes for winter weather,
Loafers, rough-outs, sandals, spats,
High-heels, low-heels, platforms, flats,
Moccasins and fins and flippers,
Shower clogs and ballet slippers . . .
A zillion shoes and just one missin'—
That's the one that matches this'n.
“Near, far, wherever you are,
I believe that the heart does go on.
Once more you open the door
And you’re here in my heart,
And my heart will go on and on.”

from My Heart Will Go On (Love Theme from Titanic),
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