Economics minor no longer a must

By MARK CARDWELL
Staff Writer

A major change has just recently taken place in the JSU School of Business. An economics minor is no longer compulsory for a business major. This change goes into effect officially with the beginning of next semester.

The school of business and the economics department have been working closely for many years. According to Dr. Theron Montgomery, JSU Vice-President for Academic Affairs, "The economics department for a long time was growing faster than the school of business and was pulling the load, meeting the needs of the business school." This does not mean that the business school represented the only reason for the economics department's existence. There has been an economics major offered all along.

THE SCHOOL OF business has seen improvement and is now meeting its own needs. It no longer requires a large amount of support from the economics department.

The major impetus for change, however, was the need to allow students to choose their own field of study. Many business majors questioned the immediate importance of some of the more advanced economics courses that they were required to take. In the words of Dr. Richard Shuford, dean of the School of Business, "This change will allow the student to tailor-make his education to suit his individual goals." Where there was no flexibility before, the student will now have a wide range of choices.

It has not been decided that economics is no longer of use to the business major. Quite the contrary, economics will always have far reaching effects and wide applicability. Montgomery calls economics "the vitality of daily life."

THERE WILL still be an economics minor available to the business major, and there will be economics requirements in all fields of business. The basic macro-

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Cussin'

No cooking policy ‘conditions’ students

By GILBERT SANDERS
Staff Writer

I'm sure if you've taken a course in psychology you've heard of Pavlov and his dog. The theory goes that he "conditioned" a dog to react in a specific manner at the sound of a bell. Well, this is the same case in the recently enforced "no-cooking" policy. When you mention that rule, students seem to react in a certain manner. They start cursing.

This rule is causing a break in the coalition between students and the administration.

THE IRRITATING THING is that, on the day that the cooking ban was sent out, more students seemed to be taking their groceries to their dorm rooms than on any other day. When you ask them if they've heard of the no-cooking rule, they just smile and say, "You're kidding." But, when they found out that it wasn't a joke, they became angry and defiant toward it.

Whether they are justified in their defiance or not is up to you to decide. The Redbook says they're not. It states "As prescribed by Fire Marshall regulations, no cooking appliances or major electrical appliances are permitted in the residence halls—cooking rooms are located in designated areas in each dormitory."

All right! Take my hot plate, my toaster oven, my coffee pot! Take it all! I'll starve!

Restrictions have merit due to the fact that a dormitory room or facility which usually compromises sleeping rooms and, in some instances, lounging areas, do not meet the National Electrical Code requirements to accommodate appliances. In accordance to the requirement of the fire code, individual cooking facilities are not permitted in dormitory occupancy.

WITH RULES LIKE these coming down from high places like the Fire Marshall's office, it seems highly unlikely that students will be able to enjoy one of life's basics (food) or rather they will have to go through different channels to get it.

Do the people most affected by this policy—the students—feel? We asked several persons to comment on this subject.

What started this new rule?

DR. SCHMITZ, Dean of Student Affairs: First of all, it's an old rule; we've never allowed cooking in the rooms, only light cooking in the designated cooking areas. A recent inspection by an architect brought this

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Is a movie theater in Jacksonville possible?

By KEM McNABB
Staff Writer

Most students surveyed agreed that a theater in Jacksonville would be supported. Randy Smith said, "I think it (a theater) would be successful and people would support it if good films were shown. It's hard to run a theater in Jacksonville because it would give you food."

MICHAEL Hinch said, "I don't think a theater would be very well supported by the students because not very many of them support the SGA movie program here on campus."

Lydia Johnson concluded, "Jacksonville needs a theater because it would help give the high school and college students, as well as the families, a place to go. However, it would probably be unsuccessful because it seems most people want to get out of town for dates."

Apply now for financial aid

Students who wish to apply for financial aid at Jacksonville State University for the 1977-78 academic year should do so by April 15, according to Larry Smith, financial aid director. Students who apply by April 15 will be given first consideration for loans, jobs, grants, and scholarships for next academic year.

"We especially want students who will need assistance to apply for a Basic Grant," said Smith, "since this is an entitlement program and all who are eligible will receive a grant which does not have to be repaid." This year about 1,000 Jax State students are receiving some one million dollars from Basic Grants, which are awarded on the basis of financial need.

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History department offers tour of colonial South

How would you like to visit the major historical sites of the Colonial South and receive three hours of history credit? The Department of History is offering such a course this semester. The 12 day tour includes Savannah, Charleston, New Bern, Washington, D. C., Annapolis, Monticello and Old Salem (N.C.).

The cost of the tour is $225, which includes motel, transportation, entrance fees, and two dinners. Additional cost to the student will be tuition, food, and any personal expenses.

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DORM COUNSELOR: It's my job to enforce university policy. But personally, I think it'll put a strain on students who can't afford to eat out.

PROBABLE EFFECTS OF THE NO COOKING POLICY? DAVE WISE, student, when he found out that he could no longer cook, drove home to Huntsville and got money to move into an apartment. So this move will definitely benefit the apartment business. Many students said they weren't going to stay in the dorms anymore. In the next month you might expect a sudden weight loss of some of the cooking—students living off a popcorn and orange juice diet.

No longer will you probably see the few cars left on campus on the weekends. No one will probably be burned up because of cooking in the dorm; thus, nobody will get sued.

As you can see, this issue closely resembles the Russian comino theory, which not only affects one thing but many other things, so the only logical thing to do is to do what America has been doing throughout history—Compromise. Right? At any rate there's got to be a better way.
Lee Manners

This sensitive artist finds beauty in simplicity

By SANDRA ROZEMAN

"Art is my life. Simple, natural things are what my life is about," Lee Roy Manners exclaimed.

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Who’s running?

EVERYBODY!!!-from leadership and responsibility

NOBODY!!!-(yet)-for SGA office . . . editor makes plea

By DEBBIE SKIPPER

In my role of editor, I have to do many unpleasant things, among them being the bearer of bad tidings. It is in this capacity that I regret to inform the student body of Jacksonville State University that they are victims of a ghastly disease. There are many names for this disease but only certain definite symptoms.

Victims are struck by a feeling of inertia. The mind deteriorates to the point that it can only register feelings of pleasure. Responsibility, determination, and dedication are impossible of being felt. The person no longer cares about anything. He tries to find happiness in a keg of beer. His laughter and derision of others who feel differently hides a shallowness of his own character.

Sound familiar? It should: it’s you. You’ve sat on your lazy butts all year. You don’t want to do anything but have a good time. The trouble is there is a little more to life than that. You may expect others to carry your load of responsibility—like they are now—but that won’t last for long.

As of this date, Wednesday, two days before the deadline to sign up for an executive office in the SGA, no one has announced his candidacy to run for any office. If that surprises you, it shouldn’t. No one has done anything. As a personal observer, I’ve watched the SGA officers struggle all year to get people involved, and they’ve struggled in vain. What more would you have them do?

It’s true in regard to concerts, there have been very few. Did you even ask yourself why? It’s because the SGA lost so much money trying to provide a wide movie program, that students didn’t attend, and bring groups on campus they said they wanted to see, and didn’t, that the SGA couldn’t afford any more entertainment other than the Oliver concert and the two movies shown each week. So, is it the SGA’s fault there has been no entertainment? No. Guess where the blame should be placed.

Well, you may say, if the SGA entertainment is defunct then so is the SGA. Wrong. The SGA has many other functions. Try going to school here without it and you’ll find out just how much it does do. Providing no one signs up to run for an executive office in the SGA, there will be no SGA. And next year . . . Don’t wonder why no one tries to solve the parking problem. It’s because the SGA isn’t there. Don’t wonder why repairs and policies needing change in the dorms aren’t implemented? It’s because there is no SGA and hence no Dorm Committee. If you have no entertainment, no speakers, no SODAG, no national recognition by having important speakers on campus, don’t wonder why. It’s because there will be no SGA.

Why don’t people care? Why don’t the residents in the dorms get involved as they once did? Is it because they have dorm directors and counselors who are just interested in earning a buck and flaunting their authority? Why aren’t the fraternities active in student politics as they once were? Is it because a few choice leaders in each fraternity have left? What a sad commentary on our fraternities and sororities that they have to have the same leader, be he a Dean Buttram or a Dennis Pantazis, to survive.

For those who will say, “Why should I do anything for the SGA when it hasn’t done anything for me?” The reply—put as kindly as possible—is “How the hell do you expect it to do anything for you when you won’t get up enough energy to come by the SGA office or come to an SGA meeting and tell the people elected to represent you what you want.” Maybe it takes a little more courage and character to stand up before strangers or a body of people instead of just your friends and say what you really think. Maybe that’s (See WHO’S, Page 8)

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Catholic Student Union

The Catholic Student Union students will challenge the Baptist Campus Ministry in a volleyball game on Friday, March 25, at 4 p.m. at St. Charles Catholic Student Center. A cook-out and worship service will follow the game. For an afternoon of fun, fellowship, food, and worship, come out and cheer your team on to victory. Everyone is welcome.

Psychology Day

Psychology Day is Thursday, March 31, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on the second floor of Ayers Hall. Majors and minors are urged to attend and ask questions about courses, schedules, job opportunities, etc.

Hike for hope

The Kappa Sigma Chapter of Phi Mu Fraternity is planning a Hike for Hope starting at 8 a.m. Saturday, March 26. The money raised from the 13 mile hike will be given to their philanthropy, the hospital ship S. S. Hope. See CHANTICLEER, Page 8
JSU alumnus teaching under ‘the maple leaf’

BY DAVID FORD
Assistant Editor

“Things aren’t like they used to be in the good ole days.” At least one administrator on campus agrees with that often used statement. Dr. Ernest Stone, president of JSU, thinks that life is better now than it was during those so-called “good days.” Specifically, Stone feels that education has shown a marked improvement since a generation or two ago.

He believes that much of what we read and hear through the media concerning the lack of quality in education is unfair treatment by journalists, “I think that the media is being unfair to the people who are trying to administer the educational program to all of the children of all the people.” He thinks that the quantity of education makes a comparison of yesterday and today impossible.

Citing his own education, Stone said, “When I came through junior high school, I think four of us went on to high schools and went on to some people used to find it easier to drop out of school at an early age. Although the practice of dropping out of school still goes on, he suggests that it is to a very limited extent because, “There is still stigma now to dropping out. You don’t want your child to be a drop-out.”

The fact remains that a majority of the voters are dissatisfied enough to reject many of the proposals for all school tax referendums. However, Stone offers the opinion that this dissatisfaction is with the federal government rather than with the school systems. He believes that a greater resentment toward the interference of government in education. Busing is one example. There is more interference in education than ever before.

By suggesting that it cannot be presumed that the government is controlling the schools, it is a general opinion. When asked if the government was doing anything wrong in the schools, Stone said, “I think that the government is doing something wrong in the schools, but I don’t think they are doing anything that would influence the quality of education.”

He went on to say that he believes that there is a greater demand for quality education today than there was a generation ago. “I think that the demand for quality education today is much greater than it was a generation ago.”

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Dr. Frith

‘Workaholic’ sharing, contributing love for special education

By KEM McNABB

Twenty-seven-year-old Dr. Gregory Frith, recruited by Dr. Theron Montgomery, vice president for academic affairs, four years ago, has since held the position of department head for Special Education. Frith said Montgomery is a most effective recruiter. “He told me—Welcome to heaven.”

When asked to clarify the meaning of Special Education, Frith replied, “It is for those children who cannot benefit to the maximum extent in regular education programs.”

As for the students at Jax State, Frith said, “The students at JSU are great! I make a conscientious attempt to know everyone I come in contact with—by same and by personality.”

The professor considers himself “sort of a ‘workaholic.’ He loves his work, but explains, “My philosophy is not what’s important. That students have the opportunity and encouragement to develop their own philosophies about education and more important—about life is important.”

Frith muses about the philosophies he tries to live by, “I try to attack life with enthusiasm. I’m not as idealistic as I once was. I used to have to compensate for inexperience with enthusiasm and energy. Now I’m more relaxed in a familiar role.

“I HAVE THE philosophy that wherever you work you should make a sincere effort to make a contribution . . . And you should never lose sight of the effects your work will have on children.”

Frith believes you can learn from “everyone you come in contact with.” He attributes his learning of interpersonal relationships to Dean James Reaves and his gentlemanly skills to Dr. Don Salls. “Those are the kinds of things that have been valuable to me in my professional growth.”

Even though Frith and his wife, Linda, who teaches third grade at Jacksonville Elementary School, do not have any children of their own, he gains great satisfaction from “seeing progress in children.”

Gregory Frith

Deadline

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ABC attack: Arnts, Balk add zip to gymnastics

By CAROL DAVIS
Staff Writer

Acquiring the skill of writing involves first learning the ABC's of the alphabet. Apply the same principle to the JSU Women's Gymnastic Team and their success in winning 7 of 9 meets they've competed in this year and prepare to be confronted by a different set of ABC's. To spell it out the "A" in Amy Arnts and "B" in Kathy Balk, two freshmen members who have added experience to the young team.

Arnts has placed 1st in the floor exercise division of competition in 6 meets and 2nd All Around in 4.

Balk now holds the position of being All Around Gymnast on the team having placed 1st on the uneven parallel bars in 3 meets, 1st on balance beam in 3 meets, 1st in vault in 4 meets, and All Around Gymnast in 4. Against LSU Balk claimed an impressive 1st place win in floor exercise over LSU's Jeanie Beedle who is the 10th ranked gymnast in the U.S.

Both teammates attended Grissum High School in Huntsville and are not strangers to competition.

Arnts, a clothing major and marketing minor, has been involved in gymnastics for 6 years. In the 1975 State Meet she finished 1st in balance beam competition and 3rd All Around Gymnast. After competing in the State Meet in 1976 and winning 3rd All Around Gymnast and a position on the Huntsville All City Team, she received offers from the University of Alabama, Jefferson State Junior College, Mississippi University for Women, and Jacksonville State.

When asked her reason for choosing JSU Arnts replied, "Not only did I prefer a smaller school, but the scholarship offer was good and Mr. Dillard (Women's Gymnastics Coach) is about the best coach in the Southeast." Continuing she added, "He (Dillard) gives us confidence in ourselves. The team is close as a group and offers encouragement to each member. I enjoy the traveling we do because of this."

Teammate Kathy Balk is a P.E., major and art minor. While in high school she participated in gymnastics, winning the State Championship in 1975. Another sport in which she excelled was diving, winning in the Tower Diving Division. When asked how she felt about the two sports Balk replied, "There are definite similarities between the two. In fact, I had to choose between a diving scholarship in South Carolina and a gymnastics scholarship here at JSU."

One area of gymnastics in which she is particularly interested is teaching. Along with other members of the gymnastics team she teaches classes on

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before leaving school, it may add to them as a person. Art is involved in all aspects of life. It gives you a knowledge of consumerism," Manners explains.

These who know Manners as a friend, colleague and art recognize his warmth and genuineness in his art work.

"My stay in Jacksonville has been enjoyable. The people have been good to me and for me. My life here has been wonderful, and I have enjoyed working in this school," he said.

Golf team teeing off 1977 action

By SUSAN ISBELL
Staff Writer

"The school is trying to upgrade the golf program by putting money into it," commented the JSU golf coach, Bobby Marcum.

Team members are Les Coleman, Robert Costner, Russ Cowely, Billy Hagler, Buddy Manson, Bobby McClung, Wade Monroe, David Sanders, Wallace Seymour, Scott Terry, and Danny Weeks.

The JSU golf team began its season Tuesday, March 1, in Birmingham against Samford and UTC.

Both Amy Arnts and Kathy Balk have contributed to the success of the JSU Women's Gymnastics Team this year. Along with other members of the team, they've helped supply the necessary drive and drive that is essential to winning in any sport.

Regional Youth Art Exhibit
March 20 - 25
Hammond Hall Gallery
Reception Sunday March 20, 1977
2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
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Jacksonville State University Art Department

Think Pink
The Pink Panther is Coming
The Pink Panthers
Tuesday - Thursday
In the "Worldwide Challenge", the monthly publication of Campus Crusade for Christ, she tells how her faith in God enabled her to remain calm as she was swept away by the ravaging water.

Miss Ahlquist says that after being warned of the coming flood, she and her companions managed to reach their car and start to drive away. However, the water trapped them and as they attempted to get out of the car, she says, "I was ripped from the car and became part of the river. I didn’t swim or fight, but was on my back just spinning around and around as I was carried down the river."

She didn’t know how far she had been carried, but says, "I remember thinking three things. First, I was going to see Jesus, and I was comforted by that. But I was saddened because my family would feel bad—I was sorry I couldn’t tell them and my friends good by. And third, I had heard that, when you are drowned, your life flashes in front of you, so I kept waiting for that to happen."

Even if that were true, it never happened because just as she felt ready to surrender to the river, she hit a calm spot in the water. Unbelievably, she saw a tree and managed to work her way to it. Then, just as she grabbed onto it, the water started rushing against her.

Although she was in great pain and felt that she might not be able to cling to the tree much longer, she says, "God reminded me, I provided that calm spot in the river. I got you out of there. I won’t put you back in again."

As she held on for several hours she had a lot of time to think. She says that she thought about several things, including, "Purpose in life. Everything became so clear when you almost lose your life, and I realized that there is really no other purpose but to glorify God and do what He wants."

After reaching that tree, her ordeal wasn’t over. The water started to rise around her and she told God that she couldn’t go any higher in the tree, so He’d have to stop the water. The water stopped rising.

Finally someone on shore saw her and summoned help. A helicopter hovered above her several times, but each time she would leave. Suddenly, two divers surfaced from the water below her. They had run a cable from the bank, and all three of them went hand over hand until they reached the shore. As soon as she was on land, she collapsed. The helicopter took her to the hospital at Ft. Collins.

Three of her four companions died. Four other girls in another car also died. Miss Ahlquist views her survival as a sign, "God reversed the power of nature to keep me alive. If God gave my life back to me, I don’t want to miss what He wants me to do with it. I want this experience to be a constant reminder to me to expect a miracle."

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and micro-economics courses, three hours each, will be required in all fields, and up to nine additional hours of economics will be required, depending upon which field of business the student is majoring in.

According to Howard Prichard, head of the Economics Department, this policy change may cause a slight reduction in the demand for some economics courses, "particularly the more advanced ones," but "it won’t hurt the economics department."

He went on to say that economics, being a social science more than a "how-to" course, can never be obsolete. It can only serve to make a person more adaptable to a changing world. This can be an important consideration in a time when government statistics indicate that the average college graduate is changing career fields three to five times in his working life.

Whatever other considerations figured into the change, the most important, according to Prichard, is that the student will now be able to choose a minor from any field in which the university offers a minor, and "target in on his specific career goals."

**Who’s**

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what is wrong with Jacksonville State University. It has an acute absence of persons of courage, conviction and good old-fashioned guts.

If there are some SGA officer candidates, will you be among the few who will vote for them? Will you be the gutless wonders that have come to characterize our campus. With the sign-up to run for senator heading toward its deadline, will you be among the few with enough spirit to be a campus leader? It’s nice and safe being a sniper at other people’s endeavors. Load up your pistols and start firing—or get up off your lazy butts.

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Phi Mu will walk for you and spare you the blisters, but they need your support.

**Physics program**

James F. Schubert, research meteorologist for the Atomic Energy Division of E. I. Du Pont, will give a lecture March 20 at 7 p.m. in Merrill Hall Auditorium on the 1972 Arctic Ice Dynamics Joint Experiment. He participated in this experiment. This program is primarily directed to participants in the Northeast Alabama Regional Science Fair but is open to the public. Admission is free.