

## Weather:

Partly cloudy with slight chance of rain Friday and Saturday. Increasing chance of rain on Sunday. Highs in the 50's and lows in the 30's.

## Entertainment:

"Night in Heaven" cheap, not thrilling. See Page 9.

## Photofeature:

Tell Me A Story, Sing Me A Song. See Page 12.

## Sports:

Gamecocks win home opener. See Page 17.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

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## Check bouncing may result in prosecution

By DONNA AVANS

"Kiting," "bouncing," "hanging paper": these are a few terms that describe the same problem—writing bad checks. And, as many students have recently been made aware, this is a common problem among JSU students.

The law states that a merchant who receives a bad check and makes a reasonable attempt to recover the lost money need only wait 10 days before swearing out a warrant, according to Jacksonville City Police Chief Paul Locke. Most merchants send a registered letter to persons from whom they have received bad checks. The signature the person must supply to receive the letter serves as proof that notification has been made.

Locke said that the arrests are not a new phenomenon; they have been occurring for over two years.

Jacksonville City Court Clerk Claudette Ledbetter said that there are about 350 outstanding cases of bad checks on record, but she cannot determine the number of those that involve JSU students. "They're having fewer right now," she said, "but you really can't tell until the last of January or February" about the number being written this semester."

The penalty for "negotiating worthless negotiable instruments," a misdemeanor, is a \$47 fine and restitution for the check. The fine is assessed if the matter goes as far as to require the issuance of a warrant.

Bea Smith of Boozer Drug said that "this semester has been better than other semesters." The number of people Boozer's has had to prosecute has declined. They presently have only one warrant outstanding. "Most students," said Smith, "are real good" about contacting Boozer's and making restitution when they receive notices that their checks have not cleared.

One thing students should bear in mind, according to Ledbetter, is the long-term effects of negotiating worthless negotiable instruments. In the last few days, she said, three people interested in student arrests have asked to see the docket, which is a matter of public record. Writing bad checks and not making an effort to clear up the matter will follow students the rest of their lives. "It is a permanent record."

If the police department contacts a student regarding a warrant, the student may turn him or herself in and sign his or her own bond. But if the police have to seek out a student to make the arrest, that person must have someone else sign the bond.

"They (the police) try to work with the students on this," said Ledbetter. "And so do the merchants." Although a 10-day waiting period is all that is required by law, most merchants are willing to give students more time before the swearing out of the warrant, particularly if the student demonstrates concern about the matter.



### Winn Dixie

The Blue Pond Winn Dixie was ripped apart Saturday night when a tornado swept through the area, leaving two dead, many injured, and a trail of wreckage in its wake.

The twister claimed the lives of Cynthia Carr, 22, of Aniston, and Carlene Mauldin, 41, of Oxford.

## Authorities arrest homicide suspect

On Friday, December 2, tragedy struck Jacksonville as the public learned of a double homicide which occurred around 6:45 p.m. The bodies of Linda Gail Griffith, 42, and Willy Griffith, 74, were discovered about 7:30 p.m. at their residence by retired Calhoun County Deputy Odell McGinnis. According to Calhoun County Coroner Ralph Phillips, the two victims died of multiple stab wounds to the face, head, and back.

Calhoun County Coroner Ralph Phillips described the killings as "puzzling." Phillips said the two women were found stabbed to death on the floor of their sitting room by a neighbor. Phillips said "It's a puzzling thing that whoever it was didn't take jewelry laying on the television beside the

bodies." Jacksonville City Police Chief Paul Locke said the murders took place between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 7:45 p.m. Friday evening.

A Jacksonville teenager has been arrested by Illinois

authorities in connection with the murders. State police arrested Parnell Ford, 18, after he was stopped for speeding Saturday near Springfield, Illinois. Ford allegedly was driving Miss Griffith's 1978

Chevrolet Capri. After pulling Ford over to issue a ticket, the state troopers discovered a revolver in the car Ford was driving. Police discovered after checking, (See HOMICIDE, Page 2)

### SGA attendance

## Lack of quorum cancels meeting

By MIKE LIVINGSTON  
News Editor

At last Monday's meeting, the SGA, for the third time this year, could not hold a meeting because it lacked a quorum.

Roll showed only 20 senators and 1 proxy in attendance for the SGA meeting.

The SGA needed at least 25 senators to conduct a meeting.

Last September two

meetings were held but not enough senators had been elected to have a quorum for an official meeting, because the dorm senators had not been elected.

The SGA has had a poor record of attendance during the fall semester. The meetings for this semester have averaged 36 senators. There are 56 senators in the senate.

For the spring semester the SGA will have much

work to do since major issues have not been cleared this semester.

The major issue now before the SGA is how the SGA is run during the summer months. There is no provision for what is to take place in the absence of the senate.

The next meeting of the SGA will be Monday, January 9, 1984, the first session of the spring semester.



This week the Council for Exceptional Children held its annual Christmas Party at the Theron E. Montgomery building. The children were delighted to receive a visit from Santa.

## Fifty-three named to Who's Who

Fifty-three Jacksonville State University students have been chosen for inclusion in the 1984 edition of WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES.

They join an elite group of students selected from more than 1,500 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations.

Students named this year from JSU are:

Herbert Donald Alexander, Jr., of Carbon Hill; Donna Lea Avans of Jacksonville; Lloyd Wayne Bardell of Weaver; Teresa Lynn Borden of Weaver; Linda Laureen Brannon of Conyers, Ga.; Deborah Leigh Brewer of Oxford; Barry Livingston Brogdon of Gadsden; Beverly Digby Brooks of Oxford; Connie Vanessa Brown of Piedmont; Melanie Gabie Bussey of Talladega; Julie Leeth Calvert of Piedmont; Vicki Renee Cook of McCaysville, Ga.; Sharon Copel Craig of Anniston; Kathy Gaye Crawford of Anniston; William Don Decker of Anniston; Cecilia Marie DeFlori of Columbia, SC; Karen Denise Frias of Ft. McClellan; Lewis Andrew Goggans of Fort Payne; Reginald Orlan Goodloe of Leighton; Tammy Renee Gunnels of Piedmont; Deborah Renee Harris of Tucker;

Barbara Wyleen Ireland of Weaver; Sherry Leigh Jackson of Dalton; Jo-Ann Akin Jarrett of Talladega; Barry Wade Kennedy of Heflin; Vicki Little Lamb of Ft. McClellan; Deborah Elizabeth McDaniel of Jacksonville; Mark Anthony McElroy of Weaver; Christopher F. Nixon, Wadley; Robin Scher Putnam of Jacksonville.

Jeffrey Lane Ragan of Geraldine; Barbara Vander Rivera of Weaver; Randall Lamar Roland of Piedmont; Cynthia Diane Samsonavicius of Jacksonville; Chris Edwin Scantland of Jacksonville; Jesse B. Shaddix of Bynum; Lydia Marie Simpson of Jacksonville; Phillip Hunt Sisk of Scottsboro; Margaret G. Stanley of Ft. Payne; Deanna Jo Stone of Gadsden; Angela Darlene Strickland of Henagar; Timothy W. Strickland of Jacksonville; Rhonda Lynn Thornton of Wellington; Barbara J. Tolbert of Oneonta; Melinda Gail Trammell of Piedmont.

Joy Gaines Turner of Fruithurst; Melody Marie Waits of Heflin; Wanda Haynes Waters of Newell; Betty Ann Watkins of Gadsden; Julie Kay Williams of Tallapoosa; Debra Gail Wilson of Albertville; Howard Gray Winn, Jr. of Ohatchee; Jeffrey Scott Zanzig of Ft. Payne.

## Sawyer's new book covers JSU history

A history of Jacksonville State University—The First Hundred Years by Effie Sawyer—is on sale now through the alumni office and campus bookstore.

Mrs. Sawyer, who spent more than a year researching and writing the volume, is former executive secretary to Presidents Houston Cole and Ernest Stone. She has been with JSU more than 26 years.

The book covers several phases of JSU history ranging from early town settlement and educational beginnings through the institution's Centennial Celebration in academic year 1982-83.

"I think there will be high demand for the book among our early alumni," said Mrs. Sawyer. "I'm sure they will be interested in reading about the early years."

She began her research in July, 1981 after Col. C. W. Daugette, chairman of the Board of Trustees, asked her to take on the project.

She read more than 25 books on Alabama history and early education in the state as a warm-up for her main research task of poring over every edition of the institution's official Bulletin and copies of early campus publications.

Mrs. Sawyer read copies of student publications such as "The Purple and White," a State Normal School social paper and literary journal on file at the Houston Cole Library. She obtained copies of the minutes of early board meetings from the State Dept. of Education and reviewed clippings from early newspapers.

She interviewed more than 30 "old-timers" for personal accounts. "It's sad to note that some of them have passed away and others are ill and no longer able to give interviews," she said.

Mrs. Sawyer put the book through several re-writes before sending it to the printers.

"I decided to write as my research progressed, and oc-

asionally I'd come across contradictory information in my research. Then I'd have to track down the correct information or find the most reliable information," she said.

Her research involved comparing changes in curriculum, faculty, and student life through the years.

JSU's first published history is dedicated "to the unmentioned" people at JSU.

Chapters include profiles of the University's nine presidents, and there are scores of photographs which were borrowed from a variety of sources, including family albums. The book also contains maps of the early and present-day campus.

The black hardcover book is embossed in gold and the cover contains a sketch of Bibb Graves Hall by local artist Ruth Mary Kirkland. The dust jacket carries a color photo of Bibb Graves.

The book is available for \$15.

Mrs. Sawyer will schedule an autograph session in early December when the local Heritage Association sponsors its annual tour of homes.

"With the completion of this book, I feel a period of my life has come to an end. At my age, it's time to think about doing something else. Having gotten my feet wet with this book, I may write some more."

## Homicide

(Continued from Page 1)

that Ford was wanted on a warrant in connection with the double homicide. Ford was charged with obstructing justice, unlawful use of a weapon, speeding, possession of stolen property, theft of over \$150 and having no valid driver's license. He was placed in Sangamon County Jail pending extradition to Alabama.

On Saturday, Charles Winfrey, an investigator with the Calhoun-Cleburne district attorney's office, and Jacksonville Police Chief Paul Locke, flew to Springfield to question Ford.

At Tuesday's hearing, bond was set at \$300,000. Ford is being extradited to Alabama.

## Mr.'s & Misses announced

Congratulations to Mr. & Miss Jax State, Pig Clark and Michele Hefferly, and to Mr. & Miss Friendly, Steve Martin and LaDonna Brittain.

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# Holmes to coordinate continuing education

By DAVID ECCLES

Senator Donald Holmes has been hired by JSU to act as coordinator for the continuing education program.

Sen. Holmes graduated from Wellborn High School in 1962. From there he attended JSU between 1963 - 65. He earned a BS degree from Auburn University, with a major in accounting. He left Auburn in 1968 to pursue a variety of occupations that have provided the experience for his many roles in society.

Between 1968-70, the Senator was a senior accountant for Peat, Marwich and Mitchell, a CPA firm in Birmingham. In 1970 he became a cattle farmer and in 1972 resumed work as a public accountant in his own firm. By 1974, Sen. Holmes was credit manager and supervisor to Harrison House Food Service, a division of Super Valu Stores Inc. He ran for the State Legislature and was elected in 1976 and served until 1978, when he was elected to the State Senate.

Sen. Holmes is active in many professional and community activities. He is a member of the President's Club and is active in the Alabama Democratic Party and the Calhoun County Economic Development Council. He was a recipient of Oxford Jaycees Distinguished Service Award for "Outstanding Young Man of the Year," and was also nominated for "Outstanding Young Men of America." He also serves as chairman of Administrative Board, Bynum United Methodist Church; Oxford Quarterback Club; and Calhoun and Talladega County Cattlemen's Association. The senator is also a member of several High School Athletic Associations and has also served on the Board of Directors for Boy's Clubs of America, and Football for Youth, Board of Trustees for Bynum Elementary School, and Bynum PTA and is past president of Bynum Youth Activities Association.

Sen. Donald Holmes has occupied a number of legislative appointments. He served on standing committees of Health and Commerce and Transportation in the Alabama Legislature during his term as state representative. He was also appointed by the Speaker of the House, to the Finance and Taxation Budget Hearing Committee.

The Lieutenant Governor appointed Holmes to the following standing committees as State Senator: Chairman of Local Legislation, Finance and Taxation, Health and Welfare, and Government Affairs. He was also appointed to several State Senate Interim Committees: Joint Interim Committee on Constitutional Revision and Joint Fiscal Study Committee, Nuclear Energy, Junior College (off campus center), study of Dauphin Island State Park, State Income Tax Structure, and Legislative Technical Assistant Programs. To complete his legislative duties, he was elected by membership of the full Senate to the Legislative Council.

On the personal front, the Senator holds a current real estate license. He is also working towards a private pilot's license.

Sen. Holmes holds a strong belief in good planning and organization. He has the ability to communicate well with people through public speaking, as well as on a one-to-one basis. His sound accounting background enables analysis of financial data and tax laws.

Dr. Bill Carr, Dean of Graduate Studies and Continuing Education on campus, explains that continuing education involves many roles. The program engages in credit courses towards a degree. These courses are in off-campus settings or at JSU outside traditional times (weekends). There are a number of non-credit courses. These include such areas as two hour workshops, seminars, etc. A variety of non-credit courses are available during the set times of credit courses. The courses offered are determined by two types of people: those with personal interest who take courses to satisfy their interesting conversations, Spanish, etc. There are also professional interest courses such as micro-computers. Dean Carr defined continuing education as: "The developing and interpreting non-credit professional development activities for individuals, associations and organizations within the JSU service area."

Dean Carr stated that continuing education is to "provide educational programs to develop lifelong learning, and professional development." The courses are offered to increase the skills of a variety of professional workers. The program will also cover Fort McClellan where those employed will be able to further their education in such areas as supervisory skills and business communications through seminars.

Senator Holmes was selected for the position of coordinator of continuing education by a screening committee and then Dean Carr. The screening committee received the application and made recommendations to Dean Carr. The dean then interviewed Sen. Holmes and two others. The

recommendations, interview and Dr. Carr's own evaluation led to the selection of Donald Holmes.

The role of Sen. Holmes, as explained by Dean Carr, involves five duties. The first duty is to conduct surveys to identify professional development needs in the community. The second is to develop non-credit programs including workshops, seminars, short courses and conferences. Thirdly, the Senator will advertise the programs offered through various promotional activities. The fourth duty is to provide logistical support making provision for facilities (classrooms availability) and equipment to be used and making sure that it is set up in the appropriate manner. The Senator is also to assist in identifying cooperative education positions in both public and private sectors.

Senator Holmes has been in the local news recently. He applied for the alumni directorship at JSU, but was not considered, as the Board of Trustees wanted the director to be a JSU graduate, according to an article in the Anniston Star. There was also the question of receiving two pay checks: one from JSU, the other from the State Legislature. The Alabama Ethics Commission ruled that he could receive both payments as he will work only seven months for JSU, and attend to legislative duties in a different time span.

## English placement exam slated for January 4

All students who have not taken English Composition 101 are required to take the English Placement Examination to determine placement in English 100 or English Composition 101. The exam will be administered on January 4, 1984, in Ramona Wood Building, Rooms 201, 202, 210, 218, 219 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00. Please appear promptly at 10:30 a.m. or before. The next English Placement Examination is scheduled for the convenience of those registering for Spring Semester 1984. The exam will be administered on January 4, 1984, in Ramona Wood Building, Rooms 201, 202, 210, 218, 219 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00. Please appear promptly at 10:30 a.m. or before.



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## Viewpoints

## Prince bids Jacksonville a fond farewell

By PRINCE ANDREW  
UNUGBRO

To every student, there is a time to come, a time to stay and a time to go. The time is near for me to go; hence I am compelled to say "goodbye."

It all started sometime in 1977 when I developed the idea of studying abroad, but had no specific country in mind. Friends and well wishers instilled in me that the best place to study abroad was the United States. The tale continued, you can pick silver and gold from the streets. The numberless vending machines would give free food for soft drinks of your choice just by punching the keys. The milkman would give you free gallons just for the asking. The easiest educational system is what you will find there.

In a few days, I made up my mind to give the adventure to the United States a trial. I applied for a student entry permit which took about six months to obtain. The date for the flight was set for August 31, 1978. That is a day I will always remember. At about 5 p.m. when the plane was ready to move, my brothers, sisters, cousins, and other well wishers waved hands and wished me success. Some of them shouted louder than others, saying "go to the white man's land, pick as much silver and gold from the streets as you can, and come back home with their knowledge." For the first time my beloved wife who had been so happy for my success, (coming to the United States) became too sad to talk to anyone. She was barely able to say "I, farewell and remember to keep our promise."

My first food in the plane included a bowl of salad, mashed potatoes and two little loaves of bread. I became disgusted and for the first time wished I were back home with my people, where the main dish is a plate of well-cooked yams, served with stew and meat. Garri or Eba served with either mello or okra soup with fresh fish, or rice mixed with black eye peas (beans) and served with stew and meat, etc.

After a sixteen hour flight, I was on the U.S. soil, I rushed to the streets, but there were neither pieces of silver nor gold. Everything became blank. I stopped a passerby to ask my way around, but the passerby could not understand my English. The first days, I had just too much to cope with. In the classrooms I struggled fruitlessly to understand the professor's Southern accent; it was total confusion and I thought this was going to be a fruitless adventure.

After the first month, things changed for the better, and in December 1979, after earning an associate of Arts in Business Management from Palm Beach Junior College in Florida, the wind of success blew me to Georgia State University to study Finance. In Georgia State, like many other colleges in Atlanta, the high school fees of a little below a thousand dollars per quarter forced me to look for other Universities where my major (finance) was offered, coupled with lower school fees. This was when J.S.U. came into the limelight.

I transferred to J.S.U. in the Spring 1981 semester as a junior student. Compared to the other Universities which I previously attended, J. S.U. was smaller and had a noiseless and better learning environment. The professors unlike many you find in other places were just too willing to share their knowledge with students. I made good use of this golden opportunity, though not with ease.

After so many years of hard work, with numberless sleepless nights, I have almost completed work for my diploma (April 1982, BS degree in Banking & Finance, August 1983, BA degree in Economics, December 1983, MBA, Banking & Finance).

I have no choice but to go home to help my people become better citizens of this world. I have to carry the good news of the friendliest campus in the South across the Seas. Since I have to go, I am compelled to say goodbye to J.S.U. Thank you, your name shall be printed in block letters when my life history will come to be written. Keep it up, you might one day be friendly to an angel who will prevent wars between Nations and bring Peace to the world.

At this point, you wonder where my home is. I am a citizen of anywhere but the United States. J.S.U. KENE O, GOODBYE, KOMESIE, ADIEU, ODABO, TIESONG, WA KHIE DOKPA, MIKPORIO



## Graduating senior encourages students to work for Chanticleer

By R. STACY McCAIN

"The dogs may bark, but the caravan moves on."

That's how one JSU professor replied to criticism of his teaching methods. This ancient proverb can be loosely paraphrased as, "Complaints alone seldom stop the

progress of an action." In other words, if you think you can do better, let's see you try it. The same may be said to those who, in the course of the past semester, have criticized the CHANTICLEER.

I graduate a week from tomorrow. Our editor-in-chief and our news editor graduate in April. By next summer, three editorial positions will have to be filled. Those positions pay money. Would you like some of that money? Well, it isn't easy to get.

Those positions will go to those who have cared enough to work for the privilege and honor of becoming editors. These people have attended CHANTICLEER staff meetings, taken assignments, met deadlines and generally put up with the numerous hassles of being a staff writer for JSU's student paper. Oh, some came to a few meetings, covered a few stories, and then drifted away. Their reasons ranged from "I lost time from my classes" to "They didn't let me write what I wanted". Translation: I didn't care enough.

Some people think that my "Dr. Rock" column sprang from nowhere, like Athena from the head of Zeus. Not so. I asked—no, make that begged—former editor Randy Hartley to let me write a record review for the CHANTICLEER. After much discouragement, permission was granted. That review took three weeks and four re-writes to make it to print. I didn't even get a byline. Over the course of the '81-82 school year, I wrote a few more reviews. Then, Lynn LePine suggested that I attend a staff meeting and take a "real" assignment. If memory serves, that was a feature on the then-new Gamecock van. Suddenly, more and more assignments began to come my way—I was becoming a journalist!! In Fall '82, Tim Strickland suggested I write a column about music. "Call it 'The Music Man' or something," he said. 'Doctor Rock' just had a better ring, I thought. Maybe I was right—no one ever calls me anything else anymore.

Still, although I was writing a column and covering stories for the paper, I wasn't being paid. That didn't start until I became co-editor (along with Bert Spence) of the

Entertainment & Organizations sections, in January of this year. I had been writing for the CHANTICLEER for more than a year. Now, as sole editor of the four-page Entertainment section, I am paid roughly \$160 every month. In return for my check, I cut classes, miss homework assignments and get hassled by my editor every week. All to put out the paper. I love it.

Space does not allow for me to tell all the work entailed by being a CHANTICLEER staff writer. It does, however, allow me to list a few of the rewards which go along with the job, such as:

—A chance to improve your writing skills—No matter what sort of career you pursue, you'll go further if you are capable of writing correct, concise prose.

—Learning to work with people—When you are assigned to interview Coach Fuller after the Gamecocks have lost a tough game or asked to get a story on an issue that is a sore point with the administration, you'll learn very quickly what "grace under pressure" is all about.

—Making new friends—One of the best things about being on the CHANTICLEER staff is the opportunity to work with some of this University's finest minds.

—Earning money—It may take a while, but if you can write well and persevere, you could become an editor. It pays minimum wage.

—Resume building—I am getting a major in drama, a minor in art. Normally, this could mean the unemployment line for a college graduate. But with a thick stack of clippings, I might get a "real job", writing for a real paper. Still, being an editor says a lot for what recruiters might call my "leadership potential".

Does this sound like something you'd enjoy? Can you write English well? Does the idea of working your way up from the bottom appeal to you? Then come to the next staff meeting, Thursday, January 5, in Room 102 Theron Montgomery Student Commons Building. New writers are always welcome.

But don't say I didn't warn you.

## THE CHANTICLEER

The Chanticleer was established as a student newspaper in 1934. The office is located in room 102 TMB.

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# Letters to the Editor

## Students reply to Avans

Miss LePine:

I would like to address Donna Avans' editorial appearing in the Chanticleer on Thursday, December 1, on the subject of the theory of evolution and its being removed from the state course of study. I feel that Miss Avans is somewhat misinformed and that her poorly researched article is a dark, ugly blemish in what is mostly a respectable student newspaper.

Had Miss Avans simply treated her subject and concluded her article, I might have overlooked a few inconsistencies and outright errors. However, since she saw fit to make her editorial into a vicious attack on Creationists and their beliefs as a whole, I feel some rebuttal is in order.

I would be inclined to remind Miss Avans and others that even by its very name we emphasize the fact that the theory of evolution is just that—a theory, which Webster defines as "a contemplation, a speculative idea or plan as to how something might be done." It is, then, by no means something proven or factual, as Miss Avans declares near the conclusion of her article.

That present life forms "did indeed evolve" is therefore not as self-evident as Miss Avans would like for it to be. It might be what she chooses to believe, but I would remind her that the subject is still under debate within the scientific community itself and that many people with "inquiring minds" and "education" are perfectly happy with other systems of belief.

Secondly, Miss Avans' statements regarding genetic research as it relates to evolution do not agree with the history books. Gregor Mendel's work showed that certain genetic traits are recessive while others are dominant, and that specific mathematical laws govern predictable outcomes. It did not explain "the way in which desirable traits were passed on from one generation to the next." Mendel's work had nothing to do with desirability, merely continuity and natural, orderly laws.

Miss Avans next argument asserts that the Bible cannot be reasonably accepted as literal and that a "step by step explanation of a biological, historical process is more reasonable than accepting on faith something non-verifiable." Actually, if the theory of evolution were

so scientifically documented, it would no longer be a theory. In fact, it lacks several needed proofs: fossil records of life-forms under transformation, links between lower forms and higher ones, and above all, an explanation of ultimate origin. This doesn't even begin to examine the fact that mathematical probability frowns on the very idea of random chance guiding humanity to its present development.

Finally, I have been educated within a system that both used texts written by evolutionists and that was piloted by several teachers and professors who were devout believers in the evolutionary theory. I suppose this constitutes "slithering out from under (my) pile of dogma and (taking) courses and (reading) books not taught or written by others of (my) own kind." In fact, I have never been presented with anything other than evolution in an educational setting, and I am yet to be slapped in the face by it.

The purpose of any useful editorial might be to propose solutions to the problems it discusses. It is unfortunate that Miss Avans overlooked this; she might have realized that the only reasonable solution to this dilemma is to present both concepts and allow the student to decide for himself which is the better theory.

I do not fear the theory of evolution; I find it an interesting curiosity. I do, however, respect it as a system of belief and resent anyone who lacks the ability to tolerate the beliefs of others. Miss Avans' article, beset by inconsistency and even poor grammar and faulty sentence structure (see paragraph three, first sentence), is poorly researched and an embarrassment to any writer concerned with respectable, well-researched journalism.

I am disappointed both in Miss Avans and in the Chanticleer editorial staff for not demanding more in the way of journalistic excellence.

Sincerely,  
Mark Anthony McElroy

Dear Editor:

I can not ignore the comments made by Donna Avans re. the evolution situation in the Alabama school system. I can not ignore them because, just as there are two sides to a coin, there are two sides to this issue. I read the pilot article concerning this issue in the Anniston Star. I think it clearly tells that the

educators are only doing this to allow the teachers optional instruction.

I can, therefore, only assume that Ms. Avans is amplifying comments from an educator at the University of Alabama. If Ms. Avans believes that she is smarter, or somehow a member of an educated majority, I advise her to debate any one of the members of the "Creationists." I'm sure they will accept her challenge.

I cite only two of the so-called Creationists. John Warwick Montgomery, and Francis Schaeffer. There is an organization called the "Creationist Society," or something like that, John W. Montgomery and Francis Schaeffer may or may not be members of that organization, but their Creationist views are a matter of public record.

I advise Ms. Avans to read the Montgomery-Alteizer debate if she thinks that Creationists are ignorant. Alteizer and Montgomery debated the "God is Dead," controversy. Montgomery, a Ph.D., tore Alteizer to shreds in the area of philosophy. Philosophy is not a study of dogma, it is a study that requires an intelligent mind to master. Tell a Ph.D. that he is ignorant! I dare you!

Francis Schaeffer is a Christian master of Apologetics. He has written volumes of books for Inter Varsity Press and his ability has never been challenged. The book, *Genesis in Space and Time*, deals with this controversy. Having read this book, I can tell you that it is not something that you read in one day. His views are very well based, on sound, intelligent bases. If she will read this book, she will see first hand that these people are not ignorant.

I also would like to know what Ms. Avans bases her asserting about the "fear" of education, supposedly these Creationists have? Does Ms. Avans believe that these men and women were educated in monasteries? I wish to remind Ms. Avans that the Protestant reformers are just as responsible for the advance of education as the Renaissance thinkers were. These Creationists possess some of the finest degrees possible, from some of the best Humanist schools in the world.

I would advise Ms. Avans to re-assess her words. The Creationists are not a bunch of ignorant "lackies," whatever that means. If Ms. Avans thinks they are ignorant she should "slither out from," her "pile" of education and check the data herself. If she believes

Editor's note: Due to a lack of space, all letters received this week could not be published. Those letters which do not appear here will be published in the Jan. 12 edition.

"there is a world of knowledge to be had," she should do this. If she doesn't believe this, she should shut-up.

Roger Flanagan

Dear Editor:

In reference to the December 1, editorial on evolution. As a Christian, I can in some ways take a side with Donna Avans in her comments on the embarrassment from the removal of evolutionary theory from the state courses of study.

It is a shame to see people take a closed-minded approach to material that they themselves have not studied or weighed out for themselves in great detail. I personally am no expert on the subject of evolution, but I have no qualms toward whether or not man was made in seven days or seven-hundred million years, or what means God chose to create us. Also God does not have any limitations to time. The whole issue of "Evolution v.s. Instantaneous Creation" is totally irrelevant to me in a spiritual perspective.

The author of Genesis was presenting to the reader a theological view of the universe. Evolution by no

means takes away from the validity of the scriptures. The first chapter of Genesis clearly shows the omnipotent power of God and his glory in relationship with the universe. It was not the author's intention to give a scientific account of nature.

In reference to the word "yom" used in the text of Genesis, this was translated from the Hebrew word "yom", which means a period of time. This does not limit the author by simply meaning a twenty-four hour period.

There is a lot of firm evidence supporting the evolutionary theory, and it can be looked upon as a stunning and glorious wonder if people could open themselves to this possibility.

I, too, am dreadfully sorry that evolutionary studies have been dampered because of someone else's lack of faith in exploring the world. One should test his/her belief with all of the concepts of our magnificent world. By blocking out these concepts and refusing to look at them holistically, we lie to ourselves, put our God and religion in a small protective box that is dull, empty, and not nearly as exciting or rewarding as God has meant

for it to be. Yes, Donna Avans was right when she said we in Alabama have taken a step backward.

Tim Whitmire

## Overpass requested

Dear Editor:

The next project undertaken by J.S.U. should be the building of overpass walkways, especially in front of Brewer Hall.

Each day students' lives are threatened by careless drivers who consider "getting where they're going" to be more important than stopping for a pedestrian.

On one occasion, students were sprayed with water by a transfer truck that refused to stop on a rainy day. This is not an unusual occurrence.

An overpass would be expensive, but the college funds could be spent on something less useful and practical. The students of Jacksonville would greatly benefit and many could consider this a "life-saving device."

I hope other students will see the need for such an overpass.

Thank you,  
Susan Martin

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# Entertainment

Dr. Rock



by R. Stacy McCain

## How to stuff a rock star's stocking

Christmas is upon us. Since I'm so busy with finals and trying to graduate, my last-minute shopping list has been postponed until now. So, here are some gift suggestions for your favorite musicians:

Duran Duran, everybody's odds-on pick for best-dressed band of the year, might appreciate a subscription to GQ.

Adam Ant would probably like another hit as big as "Goody Two-Shoes".

Paul McCartney, lately alleged to be the richest man in show biz, could do with a pocket calculator and several large sacks. Since I started typing this article, "the cute one" has made \$1,234.33—that's at the rate of \$5,000 per hour, twenty-four hours a day, EVERY day.

Rick James, who recently confessed that he smokes marijuana daily, is hoping for a few crates of JOB 1.5's and a life-time supply of Glad Bags with the Fold-Loc top.

The Clash need a Rolodex file to keep up with all the changes they've made in their membership this year, as well as a muzzle for group spokesman Cosmo Vinyl.

Sting, lead vocalist of the Police could use a copy of *Going Hollywood in Style*, by Rod Stewart. "I want to be a film star", says the golden boy, not knowing how quickly rock fans turn against musicians who take that approach.

Michael Jackson, who recently joined the Pepsi Generation, is so skinny, he needs a copy of Steve Camp's new book, *How to Gain Weight Without Really Trying*.

David Crosby (as in...Stills & Nash) was busted for possession of cocaine this year. He might appreciate a weekend trip to a ski resort—he loves snow.

May Pang & Peter Brown, both of whom authored books about the late John Lennon, deserve shovels for Christmas---

graverobbers find they work better than pens.

Yoko Ono, on the other hand, should be arrested for misusing all that money. What money? The money her mother gave her for singing lessons.

The Stray Cats need some industrial strength detergent to get the grease out of their hair and a free pass to Joe's Tattoo Removal Service.

Boy George is just dying for a subscription to *Glamour* magazine, a magnifying glass and a pair of tweezers.

Prince already has a little red Corvette, so you might want to send him a pair of fuzzy dice for the rear-view mirror.

John Cougar needs some new clothes.

A Flock Of Seagulls' lead vocalist desperately needs a new haircut.

Dale Bozzio, female vocalist with Missing Persons, is hoping for more see-through plastic clothing.

Rod Stewart has been reported having difficulty with wife Alana Hamilton. A ball and chain might be in order for the peroxide wonder.

So much for the national stars. For some local celebrities, the following might be nice:

The Flts are moving to Nashville soon, so give 'em a map of Tennessee.

David Ford, station manager at 92-J, has his heart set on finding a news announcer who speaks without a heavy Southern accent and can pronounce "nuclear disarmament" without stumbling.

Okay, so that was a cheap shot. No harm meant, guys, Finally, let's make a few gifts for the Chanticleer staff:

Steve Camp, sports editor, gets a copy of Jane Fonda's workout book and—he hopes—a Georgia Tech victory next year between the hedges.

Mike Gibson, the organizations man, will find underneath his tree a T-shirt that reads: BUT THERE IS AN ORGANIZATIONS SECTION!

Michelle Basham and Melinda Gallahar, movie reviewers, will finally get to keep all those free movie posters.

Greg Spoon, features editor, receives an all-expense-paid trip to Bedford-Stuyvesant, NYC. Late at night. In a dark alley. Lawdamercy, Greg!

Mike Livingston, news editor, gets a dictionary, a hammer and some nails.

David Strickland, soon to be our business manager, gets a bottle of aspirin—the job can be a headache, Dave.

Lynn LePine, the Chief, will find in her stocking a copy of my feature story, "The Official Chanticleer Guide to Putting Up With Dirty-Minded Staff Members (Double Entendre Edition)".

Well, that about... Oh, I forgot. What do I want for Christmas? Are you kidding? I'm graduating: I want a job! So, once and for all...

The Doctor is out.



### Art show

The works of six JSU seniors are featured in a show running through December 16 at the Hammond Hall Gallery, behind the Theron Montgomery Building. On display is a variety of pieces by art majors Donna Grant, Alicia Willis, Deborel Nolen, Jan Sasser, Christine Unold, and Johnny Setzer. The show is open to the public. For information, call Dr. Emily Burn at 435-9820, ext. 626.

### 'The Rainmaker'

The Jax State drama department's production of 'The Rainmaker' continues through Sunday at the Lab Theatre, room 338, Ernest Stone Performing Arts Center. Tickets are \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens and \$2 for students. Performances are at 8 p.m. tonight, Friday, and Saturday, with a matinee Sunday at 2 p.m. Reservations may be made by calling 435-9838.

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# Festival succeeds in portraying ethnic heritage

Universality is the one word that truly describes the experience encountered here last week for those of us who became a part of the folk festival, "Tell Me a Story, Sing me a Song".

The enjoyment of the very first performance, "South of the Mountain", Wednesday night to the last word uttered by O'Neal in "Sayings from the Life and Writings of Junebug Jabbo Jones" was like one massive heartbeat. Sensing the enjoyment of friends, neighbors, fellow students in the warm chuckles, the deep laughter made every event special-moments to be cherished, talked about, agreed upon, filed away for memory's sake.

The evening performances, each representing a different area of folk culture, were superb from the standpoint of excellent entertainment and serious symbolic meaning. What made them extra special was the question and answer sessions which followed because in every case we experienced such a marvelous merging when the audience and performers became one in the appreciation and enjoyment of the subject, the portrayal, and the time together. In large measure such a sense of unity was the result of the performers who answered all questions as if they were involved in a warm conversation with old friends. Their appreciation of the audience was genuine and good.

Complementing the performance were other programs: lectures related to the folk art of the theater by Roger Dickerson, Xavier University; William Barnard, University of Alabama; Hank Willett, leading folklorist in Alabama; Jim Connor,

writer, composer, and performing musician; dialogues; panels; workshops; keynote speaker, Michael Novak, author and lecturer, who addressed the subject, "The Ethnic American: Can He Survive?" All of these efforts served to cement the festival, making it a memorable experience, offering both entertainment and opportunities for learning. Students able to attend most sessions easily benefitted as much as they do from any course attended for a full semester, so palatable and forceful were the presentations.

The Roadside Theater dealt with the struggles and changes seen in the lives of one family from the twenties through the depression as they tried to make a living on the farm and were finally forced into the coal mines. Political and economic changes were strongly implied and one was literally able to live through the depression years, the CCC camps, the development of the labor union, the advent of electricity and refrigerators, and the first cars. None of it was sterile like cold facts in a book, but a throbbing poignant life story lived out by two mountaineer brothers and their mother, along with a young wife.

"The Last Yiddish Poet", performed by two men in A Traveling Jewish Theatre, dramatized anew the age old struggle of Jewish exiles in their centuries of wandering across the earth. Though humorous, the haunting persecution of the race was never far from the surface. Seeing the bundle carried in the father's arms like a baby which opened to reveal a string of shoes tied together representing those who lost their lives in concentration camps was a

sober moment. Those in the audience will long remember those shoes, especially the one small shoe that had belonged to a young child.

The last evening found Junebug Jabbo Jones on stage sharing the history and culture of the black man. A master storyteller, he regaled the largest audience of the festival with funny anecdotes dealing with the lives of Negroes as they submitted to the white man as slaves and later as freed field hands. The theme of spirituality ran through his monologue and always just beneath the surface the plight of these people in earlier days, the true dignity of the race, and the inherent wit and cunning that gave them a weapon during the times when they knew only deprivation.

The three theater groups succeeded in portraying so well the cultural history each

represented and revealing the similarities in the human nature of all peoples. Participants gained a fuller understanding of life from witnessing the pain and struggle, the humor and trickery, the searching and groping for material goods and aesthetic and spiritual meaning as they saw it born anew from different points of view - yes, different, yet each the same.

Gratitude goes to the administration and Mrs. Josephine Ayers, Director of Development, for making such an experience possible.

We are an indictment of ourselves. Both faculty and students have complained in recent years, even months, of the lack of emphasis on aesthetic and intellectual development on campus. Where were we November 30, December 1 and 2? Most of us (faculty and students) were absent.

## A Cappella brings Christmas joy

By MARTHA RITCH

The A Cappella Choir had three successful performances last weekend. It was the twenty-first annual Christmas concert performed December 2nd at the First Baptist Church of Jacksonville, December 4th at the First Presbyterian Church of Anniston, and December 5th at the First

United Methodist Church of Anniston.

Narrated by Rissie Ide and Leon Willman, the Christmas story was told along with alternating music from the choir and instrumental ensemble.

Part of the program included an original composition by choir conductor, Bayne Dobbins. "Gabriel

and Mary" featured male vocals with a female soloist as the voice of Mary. Later in the program the female vocalists were featured in "This Little Babe."

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# Time for Christmas exams at the friendly campus



By MIKE LIVINGSTON

It was like the light at the end of the tunnel. It was time for another semester to end at the friendliest campus in the North.

Students were studying and making plans for the Christmas days. Rumors were flying across the campus that even Dr. Rock was going to graduate after his 16½ year stay at the friendliest campus in the West.

Carol was getting ready for Christmas by planning a trip with a group of students to Opp, Alabama's favorite city. JSU students have not lived till they have gone to Opp.

Meanwhile, over at Bibb Graves "Deep Nike" was planning on his Christmas gifts to the administration. He was buying a pair of running shoes for his friends across from the business office.

Bob was planning his trip with Marie to visit her parental units. It would be the first time he had met these units; he hoped it would be better than the last set of parental units. That time he discovered that both parents thought he was a massive klutz when he put an elbow on the dining room table, causing it to collapse.

Over in Asbestos Hall, Pig Clark was planning his annual Christmas trip to the Atlanta area. Mr. Clark was considering professional offers from various pro football teams, the latest an offer to play quarterback for the Atlanta Falcons.

Tom, Scott and Gary, the famous athletes from the last hundred years when Jacksonville believed in sports, were bemoaning the fact they had to take an exam Wednesday at 7:30 a.m.—the last day of exams.

"I don't know about this 7:30 exam stuff."

"Yea, Tom, on the last day you can count the students on your hand."

"Not only that, but like you can see tumbleweeds blowing across the quad."

"It's going to be rough, I'm telling you."

Over at Crow dorm two students were discussing Christmas plans.

"What do you plan to do over the break?"

"I think I'll go home, eh?"

"But, what are you going to do?"

"I'll, like, Sky-out of Jacksonville, eh, and party in Montreal, eh?"

"What are you going to do Bob?"

"I'm going to Oxford."

Over at the friendliest Greek dorm on campus Missy, Buffy, Sissy, plan their trip to a ski resort outside of Rabbittown.

Meanwhile, in various parts of the campus a strange evolution is being created. It seems that Sally no longer can stand her lifelong friend (they have known each other since 1964) Sissy.

"I can't stand you anymore, Sissy Sloan! Using my clothing without my permission and leaving pizza crusts on my bed."

"What? What about you, Sally Ann Rains, telling me how to wear my make-up for my boyfriend from Centre!"

"Ha! Who could pick up a boy friend whose big claim to fame is working at the K-Mart."

"At least I don't cheat and go out with guys from different towns."

"What about you? Talking to every guy in the Big Bopper dining hall!"

As one can see, Sissy and Sally may not live together again. Maybe not even go to the same college again.

It is sad, it is true: everyone gets tired of their roommate at JSU.

Over to Pete's place, Coach Jones and Company will prove there is more to life than football, but as usual,

students are gone during their Christmas homestead. But as Robert Stack would say, "A few of us know what you are doing and you all can be proud."

Some students will spend Christmas applying for jobs at Ronald's Diner. A special class will be offered at JSU to teach students the McDonald's vocabulary, which includes these words: Mchamburger, Big Mac, McIcecream, McFeast and McBrew. Yum, can't you picture a few hamburgers and an icy-cold cup of McBrew?

D'Lynn and Dawn will be looking for Onion Patch Dolls for Christmas presents. They find out besides not smelling too well, they are the latest American craze since they left the real world to attend JSU.

Dr. Mobile will be presenting his first Christmas show "Winter Wonderland at the Tallest Academic Buildings in the World," live December 24th on the Foundation Network. The show will be sponsored by a local bank in Jacksonville owned by the same Foundation. If successful, it will be shown each year on December 24. Just like those Christmas tunes (Don't you wonder why they aren't any new tunes each Christmas?) You hear again and again.

Over at TEMSCB people were trying to find what kind of band JSU can get with \$37.50 for the spring semester.

One senator said Olivia Newton-John will come for \$37.50, also Stevie Nicks said she would return to JSU for the first time since 1975 for \$36.25. The concert may be held at the Leone Cole building. However, it's rumored that Paul McCartney may even give a benefit concert with Ringo (America's favorite Beatle) to raise funds for the SGA. But plans won't be finalized until January.

Meanwhile, it's a time to study, a time to pass, a time to pack, to go home away from the friendly campus.

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A review

# Cheap 'Night in Heaven' fails to provide thrills

Anyone for a cheap thrill? Well "A Night In Heaven" is exactly that: cheap with no thrills. The film has a senseless plot that degraded the skills of the very talented actress, Leslie Ann Warren. Warren's talents are definitely submerged to the level of this trashy film and of her co-star's, Christopher Atkins's, acting ability or should it be "lack" of acting ability. Atkins plays a college student who is "just another face in the crowd" until he bares all at a local strip-joint called Heaven.

The film is very much of the same meaningless plot where a middle-aged woman (Warren) grows tired of her neglectful husband whose job constantly keeps him away at night. She is talked into attending a party for Ladies Only at Heaven, where her eyes were shicked by bare buttocks and other various bare parts. Warren does the only decent thing a good girl does; she closed her eyes and blushed, only after she has taken a really good look. that her marriage is falling apart and she still loves her husband, she returns to catch an eye full of the "bare facts" of Atkins.

After giving much special attention to Warren, Atkins lands her right where he wants her; i.e. in bed. The love scene is handled with disgust and is totally

distasteful. The only thing that made the scene worth mentioning is the reaction of the audience. Instead of the normal reaction-(gross) to this subject matter, the audience burst into laughter. The laughter was not out of embarrassment but just the opposite. There were both men and women laughing at this display of affection. Or should it be called satisfaction?

The movie at the beginning is terrible and the viewer tries to convince himself that it will improve. Nothing could be worse than the first fifteen minutes; but to the viewer's dismay and astonishment, it definitely becomes much worse.

The only character that shows any pride whatsoever about his dancing is Deney Terrio', the host of the syndicated television series Dance Fever. Terrio' plays Tony, a professional dancer who teaches dancing in the local communities and is fired. To support his wife and child, he becomes the local attraction at Heaven. Terrio' should have stuck to being a host of Dance Fever or picked a better movie to appear in.

This movie is definitely not to be seen by those who embarrass easily. The rating for this movie is R, but it could be rated X for all of the bare bodies and the implications. "A Night in Heaven" is now playing at the Plaza Cinemas in Anniston.

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Allen Greenberg and Corey Fischer, actors in a Traveling Jewish Theatre which presented "The Last Yiddish Poet" on stage are equally at home as they entertain children on the green at the Picnic-Storytelling session.

# "Tell me a story, Sing me a song"



Roger Dickerson, lecturer from Xavier University, fascinated his audience and entered into the question-answer session following his speech with enthusiasm.



John O'Neal as Junebug Jabbo Jones captivated his audience as he reenacted the fun and the pathos experienced by the Black man on his way up from enslavement.



Michael Novak, scholar, author, theologian, who gave the keynote lecture of the festival, "The Ethnic American: Can He Survive?", engages in dialogue with a student following a workshop in Stone Center.





H. Brandt Ayers, publisher of the Anniston Star and moderator of the Roundtable Discussion ethnic culture to wrap up the festival, listens intently during one of the workshops.

## Photo Feature



Tommy Bledsoe and Ron Short join in producing a musical moment which enhanced and complemented the story of the mountain family in "South of the Mountain."



Carlton Ward, head of Drama Department, enjoys a "behind the scenes" session with the folks of The Roadside Theatre. The whole crew enchanted their audiences whether in the main performance, "South of the Mountain", workshop sessions, storytelling, or the impromptu "picking and singing" backstage. From left Ward, Dudley Cocke, director; Ron Short, writer, director, actor; Nancy Jeffrey; Tommy Bledsoe.



In the background a T.V. camera whirs away capturing the outdoor storytelling for public school children, actors, supervising teachers, and passersby. The enjoyment by Corey Fischer and Allen Greenberg is obvious from their expressions. Just look at them!

*Photos by Opal Lovett*

# What's your Christmas wish this year?

By MELINDA GALLAHAR

It's that time of year again when couples huddle under the mistletoe; doors are decorated with Christmas wreaths; the smell of holiday baking is in the air, and the young ones are on their best behavior for Old St. Nick.

The Christmas spirit is in the air here at Jax State and is spreading rapidly. Offices on campus are being decorated with the Christmas theme. And another sign of the holidays is the anticipation of finals which mean Christmas holidays are just around the corner.

Lori Higginbotham, a student worker for the history department, has decided that she wants Rod Stewart for her Christmas present. That may be a little difficult for Mom and Dad, Lori, but it never hurts to ask. On the practical side Peggy Snead wants to pass her Teachers' Competency exam and graduate on time.

Rita Smith and Sharon Cooley have expensive gifts on their list this year. Rita wants "Money, Money, Money, so I can spend, spend, spend." Sharon wants a 1984 black, T-top Grand Prix with all the accessories. Dr. Ralph Brannen, history professor, pondered the question and laughed. He wants "a driver without a slice."

Karen Sprott, a sophomore, has a romantic gift in mind for her Christmas. Karen wants a free trip to Florida to see a certain Danny Barfield. Good Luck, Karen.

Studying for exams will be difficult for some whose minds are on what to buy Mom, Dad and their roommates and still have money left to buy gasoline for the trip home. Others are wondering what they will receive from Mom and Dad, hoping it is not another "practical" gift which only parents think their child needs.

Instead of wondering what your favorite person and teacher want for Christmas this year, just ask them, and that is exactly what we did.

And what is Christmas without a pet? Duane McManus, a junior, wants a red AKC registered Doberman Pinscher and money. Talk about an expensive Christmas!

Well, it seems that Santa will be busy this Christmas filling everyone's list. The important question is...Will you get what you want for Christmas?



"Sure, I have flying reindeer. Sure, I climb down chimneys. But helping college students with finals? That's out of the question!"

## CDCS Forum

### Finals study hints important

When asked how the ideal student would approach finals, one professor answered, "Sober, I should hope."

Exams are an important part of college life. The best strategy for dealing with finals is preparation. Staying up in a course and preplanning will alleviate anxiety.

Studying for finals can be done by 4 methods:

1. rehearsal - by repetition, the material is gone over many times. This increases memory retention.
2. overlearning - after you believe you've mastered the material, continue rehearsing.
3. meaningfulness -

associating the material with other more common words, phrases, or trick sayings plays an important role in memory. (Remember the memory trick with the planets?)

4. organization - arrange information in groups of similar characteristics to help you remember related facts.

When studying for a final, it is a good idea to test yourself in writing. Make up a list of questions, wait a half hour, and then answer them as if you were taking a test. This will force you to write the material again and help you find weak areas.

The night before a final RELAX. The night before is

crucial with respect to nervous tension and anxiety. It is important to get a good night's sleep. It helps you to sleep well if you know you are prepared. Distraction helps too: watch TV, listen to music. You can review the work lightly. Of course, you can't relax if you've left all the work for the last minute. Plan ahead and approach finals without loss of sleep and sanity.



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# Organizations



*Winners receiving check and trophy last Friday*

## Alpha Kappa Alpha project successful

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Programs of service and fund raisers are the involvement of Alpha Kappa Alpha sorors. Last month proved to be one of the most successful fund raiser projects that the Lambda Pi chapter hosted. Our first annual Mr. Jade pageant was held in Leone Cole auditorium. We are pleased to announce that Kenny Summerfield reigns as our Mr. Jade, a male figure who will also help to represent Alpha Kappa Alpha on our campus. First runner up was Steve Dutley, and Grenard Smith placed second. These fine men were showered with awards for their new titles, and we welcome them to a small part of our organization.

On a national level, Alpha Kappa Alpha in the future will be governing all affairs in a new home in Chicago, IL which is currently under construction. The Lambda Pi chapter is helping to make it happen by contributing \$100.00 from our treasury.

Several of our sorors participated in a tupperware party given on campus, and for our services a contribution was awarded to our chapter. Sorors to participate were Katessa Porter, Franchetti Carson and Malvina Smith.

Last week we hosted our final rush. Information for eligible candidates was presented and sorors were available afterwards to give additional information. There were several young ladies present and for some of the the future looks promising.



## Pi Kappa Phi wins contest sponsored by Jack's

Pi Kappa Phi ate its way to a first place finish in the first annual Jack's Hamburger eating contest last Tuesday.

Competition took place in a men's and women's category. The teams were made up of four members each and the objective was to see how many combined burgers could be consumed in a five minute time period. Burgers used were the Jack's regular hamburger complete with pickle.

The entire tournament took place over a four week period

with Zeta Tau Alpha emerging as the ladies' finalists.

In the championship eating, Pi Kapp had to devour 1.7 burgers to each of ZTA's. The result was a new record thirty-six hamburgers eaten by Pi Kapp to clinch the title.

On Friday the awards presentation was made. Pi Kapp received the first place trophy and a check for \$350. The fraternity is donating \$150 of the prize money to selected charities.

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## Social Calendar

By MIKE GIBSON

As the end of the semester rolls around, congratulations are in order for the following:

-the new sorority and fraternity officers for the spring semester.

-graduating seniors.

-all the 1984 Miss Mimosa candidates.

-the new Mr. and Miss Jax State and the new Mr. and Miss Friendly.

Christmas parties continue - Pi Kapp's takes place tomorrow night.

Kappa Sigma will be giving out Christmas presents this Wednesday at the Jacksonville Day Care Center.

Sigma Nu continues its Christmas can-a-thon this week at several locations around town.

Finally, it is ironic that in my last column my own lavalier is announced, so here it is: congratulations to me Mike Gibson (Pi Kappa Phi) and Lynn Klecka (Delta Zeta). Thank you and Merry Christmas.

## Phi Beta Lambda is busy during holiday season

The Jacksonville State University Chapter of Phi Beta Lambda recently was instrumental in helping a needy family during the Thanksgiving holidays. One of the goals of Phi Beta Lambda is to cooperate with business, professional and service groups within the community. With this in mind, two members of our chapter, Clark Dyer and Kevin Little, contacted the United Way of Calhoun County which is located at 407 Noble in Anniston. There they spoke with Ms. Doris Griffin and Mr. Vince Pulskamp. Our chapter had originally planned to collect food items and prepare food baskets for distribution. However, after talking with Ms. Griffin and learning of a "last resort" case, it was decided that a contribution of money would be much more appreciated. Ms. Griffin referred us to a case involving a lady and her two small children who were about to be evicted from their apartment. The money that our chapter donated to the United Way of Calhoun County was used to help pay moving expenses and utility costs for the lady.

Phi Beta Lambda will be sponsoring a family this Christmas thanks to your donations of food, clothing and toys.

The donations may be dropped off at Mr. Cary's office on the second floor of the Merrill Building. The last day for donating is December 14.

The family to be sponsored will be referred by either the United Way of Anniston, or the Christmas Clearinghouse of Anniston. Both lists include families of Calhoun County.

Let's all participate. As Mrs. Griffin of the United Way put it, "you really can't know the meaning of Christmas until you see those children's faces when you bring them their gift."

Phi Beta Lambda held its "Fight Muscular Dystrophy" raffle ticket drawings on Dec. 6 at the Merrill Building lobby at 1:15 p.m. The names were drawn by students picked at random. The first name drawn for the \$50 gift certificate from Kitchens, Jacksonville, is Jeffrey D. Kendrick picked by Loven Worthy (freshman). The second name drawn for the buffet dinner for two at the Village Inn, Jacksonville, is Virgie Hedden from Atlanta picked by Laura Vaughn (sophomore).

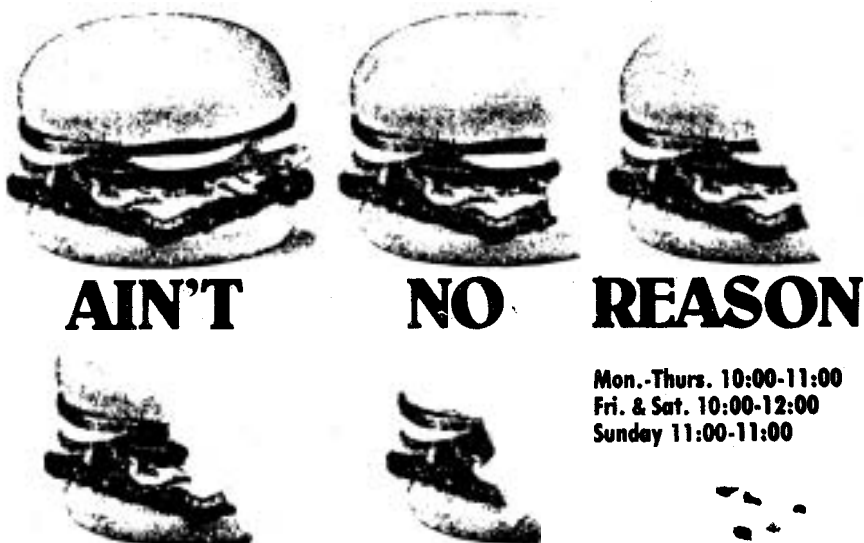


Phi Beta Lambda members (l to r) Denise Shade, Kevin Little, Mary Ann Riner, Clark Dyer, Cassandra O'Hearne, Lizette Honeycutt and Thomas Mathews present check to United Way's Vince Pulskamp (far left).



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## SPORTS

100th victory for Jones

# Cocks pound Hawks in home opener

By STEVE CAMP  
Sports Editor

It may not have been a fabulous spectacle to behold for the fans, but Monday night's victory over Shorter College was enough for the Gamecocks to keep their perfect seasonal record and to hand head coach Bill Jones his 100th victory in Pete Mathews Coliseum.

In all actuality, the home men simply outmanned and outplayed the visiting Hawks and thus earned their 14

point final spread. Pressing from the opening tip to the final buzzer, Jax State pressured their way into the lead and never surrendered it the rest of the night.

The Gamecocks were led on offense by 6-7 junior center Rocky Wilkinson. The Annandale, Va. native poured in a team-leading 18 points.

Robert Spurgeon (who scored 33 against Auburn-Mont. last Thursday) added 14 points and Keith McKeller

canned 13. The remaining points were a result of a steady equal contribution from several other Gamecocks.

With this equal productivity, JSU was able to overcome the temporary absence of Andre King (sickness) and Robert Guyton who was limited in his playing time while recovering from an injury.

On defense, the Jacksonville State full-court pressure was too much for Shorter College to overcome. The Hawks were stunned early and could never gain the needed momentum necessary to combat the deficit.

Shorter was paced on offense by David Fisher who dropped in 22 points and Danny Jenkins who added 18.

Jacksonville's Bill Jones was able to take a look at several of their bench players in the contest. Jones was able to substitute totally at 7:30 remaining in the game as Keith McKeller electrified the crowd with a slam dunk that sealed the fate of the visiting Hawks.

The victory brings the Gamecocks' record to 2-0 on the young season, 1-0 at home. JSU will be in action



Keith McKeller out distances a Hawk defender to score two for the Gamecocks.



Monday night's victory gave head coach Bill Jones his 100th win in Pete Mathews Coliseum.

again this Friday night as they play hosts of the Tom Roberts Invitational Tournament.

The tournament will feature along with JSU, Limestone College of South Carolina. Games begin at North Georgia College, 6:00 and 8:00 p.m. on both Athens College, and Friday and Saturday.

## Robert Guyton: valuable versatility

By FAIN CASEY

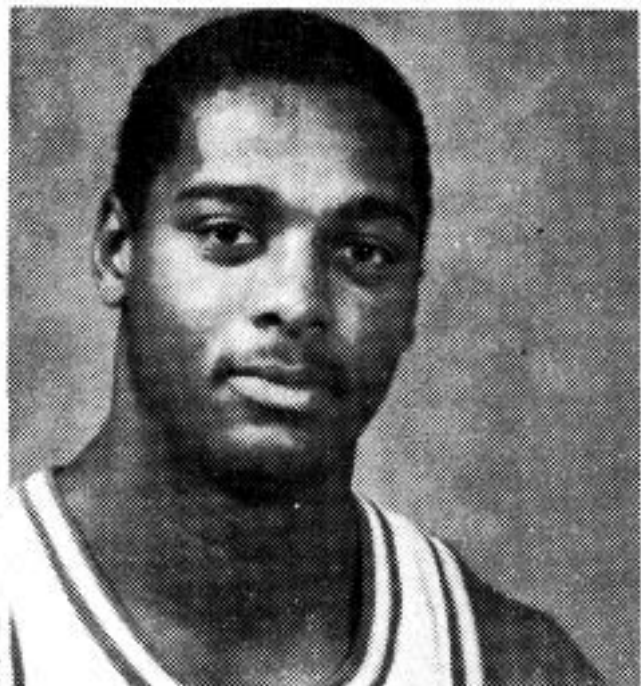
"Versatile" is a perfect synonym for Robert Guyton, a junior athlete here at Jacksonville State. The proof of this is the fact that he played both baseball and basketball before entering college.

Robert is an Alabama native, hailing from the city of Birmingham where he attended Jackson-Olin High School. While playing there, he was awarded All-City player his senior year.

The most remarkable thing about Robert is the fact that his senior year was the only year that he played high school basketball. This is remarkable considering that he now plays for JSU on a full scholarship, was presented Honor Freshman of the Year award, and was also awarded Most Valuable Player in the Southern Regional finals of the NCAA tournament last year.

When asked why he chose to play only in his senior year of high school, Guyton replies, "I played baseball and never really thought much about basketball, except when I played in the summer basketball leagues in Birmingham. The summer before my senior year I was encouraged to play in school by my friends. I was offered a baseball scholarship to Texas Southern, but it was too far away. That's when I decided to accept the basketball scholarship here at JSU."

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GUYTON

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## From The Stands

# The bowl game blitz

The end of the semester is nearing. You've all begun to rack your brains unmercifully trying to pull out a few respectable grades to show your parents when you get home for the holidays.



**Steve Camp**  
Sports Editor

Moving closer to Christmas, we get to games that will be a bit more exciting. In order to get through these games without going insane, find something to do while you are witnessing these sports spectacles. Knitting is always a good hobby to take up. For those of us who aren't so talented, a coloring book and crayons usually suffice quite well.

For those of you who don't take this advice, be sure you keep a straight jacket handy. Around the start of the fourth quarter of games like the Bluebonnet, Holiday, and Aloha Bowls, you'll go bezerk and will need it to restrain yourself.

If you are like myself, you won't do anything over the break that even involves the use of a book other than scanning the TV Guide everyday. But, come to think of it, that's about all some of us do during the semester.

When you think of television over the holidays, all sports fans immediately concentrate on football. Holiday football is dominated by the college bowl games, and if your household is anything like mine, an attempt will be made to view each and every one of them in some way, shape or fashion. God help my poor mother.

After many years of having to suffer the grind of all 16 bowl games (yes even possessed sports fanatics can grow tired of it at times), I've come up with a way to endure such a schedule.

The first few games are easy to watch. Most of them are comedy acts at times because many of the teams playing in them should be with their families visiting Grandmothers over the holidays instead of playing in a bowl game.

No offense intended to loyal fans, but teams with slightly higher than 500 records shouldn't be "bowling" in the post-season.

The Independence Bowl is a good case in point. Air Force and Ole' Miss are pitted in this crucial game which I'm quite sure will weigh heavy in determining the final polls, especially which one of these "powerhouses" will be number one.

This game promises to be interesting, that is if you like the true competition involved in the pregame coin toss. That might be the most exciting play of this game.

If you've survived the blitz long enough to make it to New Years day, the remaining games are sure to get you unless you take precautionary measures. The "big four" on the first day of the year has done in many a loyal fan in the past. They are usually well contested games and there is a way to cope.

Watch the parades in the morning before the games start. By the end of those fiascoes of roses, oranges, and various other things, you'll be begging for the games to begin. That should be enough to get you to halftime of the Cotton Bowl.

By that time this game could be out of hand, so you will resort to alternative forms of entertainment. Turn over to one of those B-rate Ronald Reagan movies. The acting of the President's younger days is so bad that again you'll be begging for relief in any form. That should be about the time the Rose Bowl gets cranked up.

Unless you're a UCLA or Illinois fan, this game will either a) bore you to tears or b) put you to sleep. Go ahead and cut a few Z's. The rest will be much needed later when you move into the "two-TV" concept of watching.

The Orange and Sugar Bowls you'll probably watch using this simultaneous method. Those of us who aren't died-in-the-wool Auburn fans will probably be just as highly interested in watching Nebraska and Miami battle for the National title.

If you have survived and retained your love for sports this far, go to bed and sleep for about 72 hours. Heaven knows you've definitely earned the rest.

## Bowl game schedule

Independence (Dec. 10)	Gator (Dec. 30)
Air Force (9-2) vs. Ole' Miss (6-5)	Florida (8-2-1) vs. Iowa (9-2)
California (Dec. 17)	Peach (Dec. 30)
N. Illinois (9-2) vs. Cal. St. Fullerton (7-4)	Florida St. (6-5) vs. North Carolina (8-3)
Florida Citrus (Dec. 17)	Bluebonnet (Dec. 31)
Maryland (8-3) vs. Tennessee (8-3)	Baylor (7-3-1) vs. Oklahoma St. (7-4)
Hall of Fame (Dec. 22)	
West Virginia (8-3) vs. Kentucky (6-4-1)	Cotton (Jan. 2)
Holiday (Dec. 23)	Texas (11-0) vs. Georgia (9-1-1)
B.Y.U. (10-1) vs. Missouri (7-4)	Sugar (Jan. 2)
Sun (Dec. 24)	Auburn (10-1) vs. Michigan (9-2)
SMU (10-1) vs. Alabama (7-4)	
Aloha (Dec. 26)	Orange (Jan. 2)
Washington (8-3) vs. Penn State (7-4-1)	Nebraska (11-0) vs. Miami, Fla. (10-1)
Liberty (Dec. 29)	Rose (Jan. 2)
Boston College (9-2) vs. Notre Dame (6-5)	Illinois (10-1) vs. U.C.L.A. (6-4-1)

## Guyton

Robert goes on to say that he enjoys playing with the team here at Jacksonville State. He feels that they are more like a family instead of just a team.

Guyton plans on winning the Gulf South Conference

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title for the second consecutive year and promises that fans can look for more fast breaks from the Gamecocks this season. Robert gives much credit for the teams' success to Melvin Allen and Earl Warren who

play the guard positions. Coupled with the rest of the team, look for Robert Guyton and the Gamecocks to display electrifying excitement for the fans all season long.

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**Jack's wishes to thank the fraternities and sororities of Jacksonville State who participated in this year's "Hamburger Eating Contest". In four weeks of competition, the forty-eight participants ate approximately 1,000 hamburgers. It was the enthusiasm and energy displayed by the following fraternities and sororities that made this year's contest a success:**

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