STD statistics on the rise

By JAN DICKINSON

“It’ll never happen to me.” That’s the erroneous idea that some young people carry around in their hip pocket with their little black book. But thinking that it happens to someone else, only to “dirty people”, can prove to be a fatal misconception. What are these mysterious diseases? It’s now called Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STD) by the medical profession but the ordinary Joe-on-the-street will tell you they are called VD... and probably chuckle nervously while on the subject.

If “VD is for everyone”, then why is it not called STD? The main reason is that so many sexual diseases that were once labeled “minor”, such as herpes, have become widespread, even reaching epidemic stages. Another reason is that some problems have never been classified under VD, such as crab lice infestations.

Is ‘it’ here on campus? You bet it is! According to Carol Lawler, head nurse of the JSU infirmary, approximately 1 out of every 10 students that visit the infirmary have some form of an STD. She says ‘approximately’ because, “it would be bad P.R. for the school if we kept a precise count.”

As for the most common STDs on campus, Lawler stated that non-gonococcal urethritis (NGU) is the most common. “But being the most common doesn’t make it the least harmful”, she warned, “because the symptoms of NGU are very close to those associated with gonorrhea.” Following NGU in prevalence are venereal warts, which are not only uncomfortable to the afflicted, but also highly contagious.

“I’d kill them if I ever found out that they gave me herpes” is a quote that Lawler has heard more than once. Additionally, Lawler has heard that there are many students who give someone the diseases, “only to ‘dirty people’, can prove to be a fatal misconception.”

Treatment of STDs varies from penicillin (for NGU, gonorrhea, and syphilis) to chemical cautery or freezing of venereal warts. The only treatment available for herpes is a salve containing acyclovir for topical relief. Primary cases of herpes (the first attack is usually the worst) that require hospitalization are now being treated with intravenous acyclovir. This mode of treatment has shown favorable results, but by law, that particular method of treatment cannot be used for more than five days. An oral dosage of acyclovir is being tested nationwide, but it has yet to be approved for general use by the Food and Drug Administration.

In comparison to the hazy statistics on JSU students, Ms. Clara Sims of Area IV in the Calhoun County Health Department supplied concrete facts. The one fallacy of the statistics is that the report of some STDs, such as herpes, NGU, and venereal warts, is not required by the state of Alabama, thus the true statistics on some of these diseases go unreported. According to Sims, gonorrhea and syphilis are the most common of all STDs. (Nationally, gonorrhea is the second most reported medical problem next to the common cold.) Gonorrhea in Calhoun County increased from 320 reported cases in 1982 to 736 cases in 1983. Syphilis went from 26 cases in 1982 to 35 in 1983. The book isn’t closed on 1984 yet, but according to Sims, the number of cases of syphilis may decrease this year. She said, however, that it’s too close to predict the situation on gonorrhea at this time.

Statewide statistics concerning age groups have yet to be compiled on 1983, but those for 1982 are as follows: 33.1 percent of all cases of syphilis were from the 20 - 24 age group, 22.6 percent were from the 25 - 29 age group, and 18.3 percent were from the 15 - 19 age group. Of all cases of gonorrhea reported, 38.5 percent were from the 20 - 24 age group.

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Land condemnation proceedings at a stand still

By JAN DICKINSON

Dr. Theron Montgomery, referring to the requests given by the Board of Trustees at their last meeting on April 27, said that specific instructions were given on acquiring additional land for the university. According to Montgomery, ‘get it’ was the attitude that the Board members took concerning the 150-plus acres presently owned by Sean and Caroline Wellesley-Eddwards.

For now, that acquisition is on hold since the owners are trying to prove that the land in question is already under development. For over a year, the university has waited for that proof to appear—but nothing, other than a few dirt roads, has given the university officials any sign that the land is being transformed into anything except a soybean field.

“We want to buy the land from the family, not take it through condemnation,” said Jack Hopper, Administrative Assistant to the President and Director of Public Relations. “I wish the University wanted something of mine that bad,” he added.

“Since the land could be sold under the threat of condemnation, the money received from that sale would give them a tax break.”

The land in question is located, for the most part, across from Pete Mathews Coliseum on Highway 204. The small portion of acreage (about 11 acres) that is connected to the bulk of the property runs along Highway 21, facing 11th Street.

When the issue of expansion first came up, the logical choice was clearly the Edwards’ property. “Any other direction in expansion would force us to tear down houses, and that’s just too expensive in time and money,” Hopper commented. “When we first began looking at the Edwards’ property, we decided to have it appraised before giving them an offer. The value was appraised at $22,000 and at their last meeting, the Board of Trustees approved the purchase of the land for that amount.”

Preliminary plans have already been drawn up for the use of the land, according to Hopper. One of the most urgent needs for JSU is an adequate auditorium. “Not many people like to hold graduation ceremonies in the coliseum, and the auditoriums in Leone Cole, Stone Center, or in the Montgomery Building are not big enough to handle a graduating class and guests,” stated Montgomery. Another building under proposal is one to house the College of Occupational Technology. After those two needs are met, a new building for the College of Communications could be in the works.

Dr. Montgomery admitted that the whole situation between the Edwards family and the university is a sensitive subject, but he hopes that everyone sees the good intentions of the university. “After all,” he added, “they’re our neighbors.”
Financial Aid
New policy begins in fall

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by the Psychological Institute. This program is limited to 11th and 12th graders with a 'B' average or better. Students enrolled in this program may elect to earn college credit as many do during the regular school year as an accelerated student. Accelerated students may take any 100 or 200 level courses and then receive credit for it once they graduate from high school and apply for admission to JSU.

Another option that a PASS student may take is to enroll in either a college survival skills course ($450 fee), participate in an apprenticeship - workshop with a JSU faculty member ($75 fee), or elect for a combination of both at a cost of $225.

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Institute offers summer enrichment, remedial study

By JAN DICKINSON
Jacksonville State University's Psychology Institute, under the direction of Dr. Douglas Peters and Dr. Stephen Bitgood, will be offering a variety of programs this summer for elementary, junior high, and senior high students. The program began June 8 and is running throughout the first week in August.

One of the programs will offer remedial assistance for students of all ages. According to Dr. Bitgood, the Remedial Program is simply an extension of the Afterschool Remedial Program that the institute offers during the fall and spring.

The idea for the tutoring service originally came from a research project within the department. We went to the local schools expecting a dozen volunteers and ended up with over a hundred. Since that time three years ago, the program has expanded from being a special section under the institute's Enrichment Program to a separate classification.

The Remedial Program offers tutoring on an individual basis and stresses basic academic skills. Some of the areas schools allow students to make up a course that they failed during the regular school year by going through the remedial program during the summer. But Bitgood adds, "Just because a student goes through tutoring sessions and that he will get credit enough to pass to the next grade that fall. We like to talk to the school officials and work something out with them. We don't just promise that miracles will happen."

There are two sessions offered for the summer. Session I began on June 11 and runs until July 2 while Session II runs from July 16 to August 2. The hours for each of the sessions are from 1:00 to 3:00, Monday and Wednesday. The cost for one session is $50 or $90 for both sessions.

This summer marks the third year for the Summer Enrichment Program. A total of three different types of programs will be available: the Elementary Program (grades 3 through 6), the Junior - Senior High Program (grades 7 through 12), and the new Program for Advanced Secondary Students (PASS). The first two include a wide variety of activities designed to stimulate the imagination of the student. Besides the demonstrations and campus tours planned for the participants, several short courses will be offered. The courses range from Computer Programming to Drama to Basic Algebra. The fee for either the elementary or the jr.-sr. high level is $75 per session or $140 for both sessions. Session I runs from July 11-July 3 and Session II is from July 12-August 3. Hours for both sessions are from 9:00 to 12:00, Monday through Friday.

Students who fall below the minimum academic requirements during a semester because of incomplete grades must withdraw while on financial aid during the University's prescribed time.

FINANCIAL AID AWARDED TO STUDENTS WHO WITHDRAW OR DROP COURSES DURING A TERM IS COUNTED TOWARDS THE MAXIMUM 12 SEMESTERS OF ELIGIBILITY.

These young ladies are just four of the hundreds of girls attending cheerleading camp on campus this summer.

Students who are on academic probation may be allowed to receive financial aid on a conditional basis. Those who entered prior to the Fall, 1984 semester who have passed at least 60 percent (or 75 percent if attending beyond the fourth year) of their cumulative hours attempted and who have at least a 1.0 grade point average on hours earned will be eligible.

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**STDS**

Group, 28.41 percent were from the 13 - 19 age group, and 19.33 percent were from the 25 - 29 age group.

Both Lawver and Sims advised anyone who suspects they may have contracted a STD should get a check up from a physician as soon as possible. The county VD clinic, located in the Family Planning Center adjacent to Regional Medical Center, is open every Tuesday from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. There is no fee for the service and all records are confidential. However, if you are unsure whether anyone, but parents are notified in cases where the patient is younger than fourteen years old. Further questions may be answered by calling the clinic at 236-3274 or calling the infirmary (Williams Hall) at ext. 307.

When speaking of STDs, Ms Lawver mentioned one of the best methods of reducing one's chances of contracting a disease: carefully choosing one partner instead of having many. "The more sexual contacts you have, the greater chance you have of getting a STD. Women even increase their chances of getting cervical cancer."
Kids learn from each other

By GREG SPOON

Six years ago, the Children’s Motor Development Programs (CMDP), and the summer version, Camp HELP, were designed by Dr. Glenn Roswal. These programs are now under the co-direction of Dr. Roswal, Department of HPERD, and Mrs. Cynthia Harper, Department of Special Education.

This year approximately fifty-three students are participating in the Camp HELP program. The sessions are being held at the Pete Mathews Coliseum. “The main emphasis of the program,” Mrs. Harper said, “is self concept enrichment.” She added, “There is a need for summer camps for exceptional children, including non-handicapped kids.” In this program the children learn from each other and develop self concept enrichment. Another purpose of this summer camp program is to further motor skill development.

Student clinicians, students enrolled in courses SPE300, SPE403, PE382, PES51, and DHR44 assist as instructors. These students gain valuable practical experience in individual instruction for preschool children and children with various handicaps.

Eight lead teachers supervise activities throughout the day. The lead teachers are George Jessup, Cassie Ball, Mary Broughton, Ed Harris, Tammy Whitten, Keith Whitten, Debbie Stubs, and Darryl Patton. These students, along with the other student clinicians, assess the children and set goals - activities to strengthen development in special areas.

George Jessup, one of the lead teachers at the Camp, has had numerous years teaching children which enables him to work closely with the kids. He, along with the other lead teachers, guides other clinicians in the daily routine. He said, “The mark of a good teacher is to be a creative con man. By being a con man, the teacher is able to accomplish a goal and con the kid into doing something he needs to do.” George added, “The teachers have to adapt not only to the likes and dislikes, but the strengths and weaknesses of the children.”

Each day student clinicians work with children in various areas of development. The camp operates from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. daily and the time is divided into portions for aquatics, motor development, drama, dance, art, music, and academic development. Mrs. Peggy Roswal instructs students in art and dance. Persons from the drama department assist with acting, role-playing, and pantomime.

When the children were asked what they like most about the camp, they responded, “Reading, swimming, and everything.” Mrs. Harper said in analyzing the project, “I like to see student interaction and this enhances the growth of self concept.” She also stated that she likes to see handicapped and non-handicapped children working together.

Dr. Roswal added, “This program, like the Psychology Institute, is a good example of Jax State interacting with the community.”

Although Camp HELP is thoroughly supported by the University, it receives no monetary budgeting. All funds come from outside sources. Dr. Roswal said that the Officer’s Wives’ Club at Fort McClellan makes substantial contributions. The parents and student clinicians also provide financial support to the Camp.

Camp HELP provides experimental learning opportunities for University students, but it is planned to give the children a positive environment in which to grow.
Caring people help children grow, learn

They are known by different names — enrichment programs, camps, and institutes. They have elaborate titles, but they all have one concept in common — helping children.

The science departments have hosted mini-programs for gifted elementary children from Anniston. The Psychology Institute, under the co-direction of Drs. Douglas Peters and Stephen Ringold, is offering a variety of programs for elementary, junior high, and senior high students.

Camp HELP, the summer version of Children’s Motor Development Programs, is in full swing this session. The program offers development for handicapped and non-handicapped children in a wide variety of areas.

Other camps, such as cheerleading, twirling, band, which are not directly involved with the university, are also taking place at this time.

Greg Spoon
Co-Editor-in-Chief

Access to mail center is a hassle

By JAN DICKINSON

If there’s anything more frustrating than not getting any mail at the campus post office, it’s got to be the post office boxes that are inaccessible. At some point during a student’s life, something’s going to delay his daily check of the box window for the ever-elusive letter from who-knows-where. The hours that Montgomery Building is open are not posted, so students never know if they can get to their mail boxes simply because it’s more secure (for checks, etc.) than at their off-campus address. Uncertainty about access hours gives those students headaches.

According to post office personnel, the window is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., even between sessions. Montgomery Building is supposed to be open during the week from 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m., so students should have access to their mail boxes any time the building is open.

Obviously, the lines of communications have been crossed between the students, employee and the campus police.

The administration could provide a much needed service for students by clarifying and posting the regular hours for all school terms and the days and hours the building is open between sessions. Better lines of communication almost always result in better relations.

Reader Responds

Policy charged as unfair

Dear Editor:

I am angry and with just cause. I wonder how many other students on and off this campus this situation has happened to. I’m sure it has happened to many with grants who don’t realize they have lost a portion of their money. I was informed Thursday, June 21, when you drop a course you are penalized. How many of you have dropped a 3-4 hour course and added a course with lesser hours only to find you pay for the course with greater hours? This is an unfair policy indicative of an administration who apparently cares not of the student’s needs but only of the finances of the university. Why should the student be punished for using better judgment in most cases.

How many times have you signed up for a course only to realize after attending the first few classes, the course get by on what little income should be responsive to our needs as adults? I wonder how many signed up for a course only to lose contact with the lowly ideas — good ideas of our other students on and off this campus that I happened to. I’m sure it has happened to many with (especially in mini-summer students. All it takes is a few grants who don’t realize they are penalized. How many of you say - We are all adults with ideas — good ideas of our own and the administration should be responsive to our ideas and our needs as students. All it takes is a few to make changes. How many students has this happened to and how many more is it going to happen to? Are you willing to just hand over your money and say — oh, well. Let’s do something about it. Let’s do something about it.

Ellen M. Little

Policy charged as unfair

When I approached the president of the university about this situation, I was treated in my opinion, very rudely and told to go through the channels of the bureaucracy, which I had already done. Really now, is the understanding and caring that’s suppose to be representative of the “friendliest campus in the South”? I’s certainly not in that direction.

We as students can change policy. We do not have to be satisfied to sit back and let others dictate their policies to us. We are all adults with ideas — good ideas of our own and the administration should be responsive to our ideas and our needs as students.

Ellen M. Little
Summer excitement awaits students

By MELINDA GALLAHAR

With the blistering heat of summer now upon us, students will be and are looking for inventive ways to spend their time between classes. Students attending school, especially during the summer terms, are constantly having to deal with the lack of time, space and funds. Many students believe that one must “go” somewhere to have fun, but this is not necessarily true. You can have fun in your own backyard. Instead of spending a large amount of money traveling somewhere and then paying for entertainment, try these few inexpensive ideas for having fun at home.

After an afternoon of studying, you feel that you have earned a special treat. Call your friends and have a party, either a beach party or an ice cream party. Ask your friends to bring an item for the ice cream bar and a game for everyone to play. There are numerous games for a group to play, such as volleyball, softball and table games.

To get that tan that you want, but do not have the time during the day to relax, you can always find a good movie on television. If that does not appeal to you, then you can always read a book (one that is NOT required for class), or phone a friend. And you can write to dear old mom and dad and surprise them by not asking for money for entertainment.

Be inventive; make your summer time fun.

For the one of you who just cannot withstand the heat or do not have the time during the day to relax, you can always find a good movie on television. If that does not appeal to you, then you can always read a book (one that is NOT required for class), or phone a friend. And you can write to dear old mom and dad and surprise them by not asking for money for entertainment.

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"Washington": Last summer production

By MELINDA GALLAHAR

The last production of the summer, for J.S.U.’s drama department, will be “George Washington Slept Here.” The play will open July 4 and will run four consecutive nights. The play was written in 1940 by the well-known playwrights Moss Hart and George S. Kaufman, and opened that same year.

The play has several appealing characteristics; one of them is that, although the play was originally set in the forties, it can be adapted to the eighties without major obstacles to conquer. A second characteristic is that the play deals with the American dream – to own your home, especially a house that has that value, tradition and history.

Successful auditions were held June 11, for the play according to the director, Dr. Claeren. Approximately twenty-five to thirty people auditioned for the play with Dr. Steve Whitton and Ronda Nevels receiving the leads, Mr. Newton Fuller and his wife, Annabelle. The couple, pursuing the American dream, buys a house, travel the缰ary period and decides to restore the house to its original condition. The Fullers soon realize that more problems are being created in the restoration of the house than they can solve, thus the plot of the play.

The drama department has received help from the community in numerous ways. The most noted help is the visual support, whether it is attending the plays or participating in them. A less noticeable support by the community is the donations. Jacksonville and the surrounding communities have in the past donated clothing and furniture to the drama department.

The donations help the actors project their characters to the audience. Even the smallest details, such as shoes, is important. At this time Dr. Claeren is searching for a pair of tennis shoes similar to those worn in the forties for a young child in the play. Although the department has a stock room, some articles of clothing can be used. Donated, but often the department needs unusual and rare clothes.

The Jacksonville State University drama department will stage the George S. Kaufman and Moss Hart comedy “George Washington Slept Here” July 4 - 7 at the Ernest Stone Performing Arts Center on campus with performances at 8 each evening. For reservations, call the University Box Office at 435-8330, Ext. 447. Shows during a recent dress rehearsal are the production’s stars, from left: Thomas Devine of Saks as Uncle Stanley, Justin Johnson of Jacksonville as Raymond, Ronda Nevels of Stevenson as Annabelle Fuller, and Dr. Steve Whitton of Jacksonville as Newton Fuller. Not only does the community donate unusual and rare clothing but also rare or antique furniture. Most of the furniture that is used has been in the department for years or is designed by Dr. Ward, Drama department head, and built by the students. Occasionally when a play requires antiques several stores in town have let the department borrow the furniture and other items needed.

Entertainment

‘Mishima’ is in production

Warner Bros. Inc. has acquired worldwide distribution rights to Japan’s legendary writer and playwright, Yukio Mishima, in the powerful Japanese language film being produced by Tom Luddy and Mata Yamamoto. The picture toplines Ken Ogata, star of the 1983 Cannes Festival Grand Prize winner “Ballad of Narayama,” in the title role of Yukio Mishima, Japan’s foremost novelist whose death in 1970 by seppuku (ritual suicide) shocked the nation and created headlines across the world.

“Mishima” began production at Tokyo’s Toho Studios on Mar. 27.

The film is based on the screenplay by Leonard Schrader and Paul Schrader, and is being photographed by John Bailey, cinematographer for “Taxi Driver.” It is a multi-media designer, whose book Elko by Elko was recently published by Callaway Editions in the United States.

In addition to scenes from Mishima’s life and the dramatization of the events leading to his fateful “last day,” the picture will feature selections from three of Mishima’s novels: The Temple of the Golden Pavilion, Kyoko’s House, and Runaway Horses. The production designer for the sequences from the novels is Elko Ishihara, Japan’s leading multi-media designer, whose book Elko by Elko was recently published by Callaway Editions in the United States.

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REVIEWS

GHOSTBUSTERS

For those who enjoy Bill Murray and Dan Aykroyd's humor and "Saturday Night Live," "GHOSTBUSTERS" is the movie for you. The movie has been doing well at the local theaters in spite of the bad reviews it has received. Although many critics have said that the movie has essentially no plot, it has not stopped them from giving the movie high ratings, three out of four stars. Nor have the bad reviews stopped the people from standing in long lines to see this movie.

Who or what are "GHOSTBUSTERS"? It is not listed in the dictionary nor in a textbook. GHOSTBUSTERS, put plainly, are three his father represents. The special effects for "Ghostbusters," who wrote the script. They generously gave Murray everything except stop and ask the question. "Isn't this movie great? Are you kidding?"

The special effects in the movie are superb. The "Oscar"-winning, Richard Edmond, noted for his special effects in the Star Wars trilogy, designed the special effects for "GHOSTBUSTERS." "GHOSTBUSTERS" also stars Sigourney Weaver as Dana Barrett and Rick Moranis as Louis Tully. "GHOSTBUSTERS" is rated PG and is currently playing at the Aniston Cinemas.

CHATTANOOGA CHOO CHOO

CHATTANOOGA CHOO CHOO had the potential of becoming a good comedy for the summer, but instead settled for being absolutely SILLY! The movie's entire plot revolved around Bert (George Kennedy) receiving one million dollars tax free from his father - in - law's estate if he can restore the Chattanooga Choo Choo for one final run on its original route.

Those who saw the movie left with a feeling that they had wasted their time and money on this movie that starts well but ends as totally stupid and silly. Those of you who missed it, should not feel bad; you really did not miss very much.

ROMANCING THE STONE

"Romancing the Stone" had great potential of being a successful equal to "Raiders of the Lost Ark" but director Robert Zemeckis and writer Diane Thomas settled for laughter instead of a great cliffhanger. This is unfortunate because the movie begins well and is fast paced, but toward the end it is as though everyone asked "now what do we do?" and regretably they settled for a less than dramatic ending.

The movie opens with the famous novelist Joan Wilder (Kathleen Turner) finishing her latest romantic novel. She comes home after meeting with her publisher to find her apartment ransacked. In the midst of her obvious fright she receives a telephone call from her sister, who is in Colombia, asking for help. Joan's sister has been kidnapped and is being held for ransom by two get-rich-quick Americans. The ransom is a treasure map that was sent to Joan by her brother-in-law before he was murdered by the chief of Colombia's secret police. He was cut into small pieces and scattered across South America.

Once Joan had arrived in Colombia, she is besieged by problems. Her first one is that she is unable to speak Spanish. Coming to Joan's rescue is a tall, dark, and mysterious man (her second problem) and he gladly offers some assistance to Joan. Unknowingly to Joan, this is the man who murdered her brother-in-law, ransacked her apartment, and has put her on the wrong bus (her third problem). He also wants the map and his chance to steal it from her comes when the bus is wrecked on a deserted road.

Coming to Joan's rescue is the free-spirited Jack T. Colton (Michael Douglas), the "T" represents "trustworthy" according to Jack. Jack offered his assistance to Joan for $600, the minimum fee he charges for helping any young lady in distress. Joan offered him $753 in traveler's checks and since they are American traveler's checks Jack accepted her offer and they are off on the adventure of their life.

"Romancing the Stone," despite the weak moments and a less than spectacular cliffhanging conclusion, is wonderful. Kathleen Turner and Michael Douglas are absolutely marvelous. If you want to see a movie that has some romance, makes you laugh plus offers adventure, then this is the movie for you.

A CRY IN THE NIGHT

A CRY IN THE NIGHT by Mary Higgins Clark is a suspenseful tale of Jenny Krueger and her wife with her mysterious artist husband.

Jenny and her two daughters were struggling even to make ends meet when, out of nowhere, Erich comes into the picture. He is rich, handsome, and single and sweeps Jenny up from the slums and the drudgery of her ordinary life and into his mansion as his wife.

But soon after, the magic and excitement fade into a growing fear and impending sense of doom for Jenny. At first she struggles to repress her fears and feelings that something is amiss, but with the occurrences of more and more odd events and the increasing alienation that Erich imposes on her, Jenny realizes her worst fears are to become reality.

Mary Higgins Clark gives vivid descriptions of all characters and events which leave pictures in the mind's eye of the reader.

The entire novel is an uphill climb to a climax of the realization of Jenny's worst fears and dreams. Clark keeps the reader in constant suspense, the novel doesn't drag anywhere. However, the plot of the story bears an obvious and striking resemblance to the plot of Alfred Hitchcock's "Psycho," and anyone reading this book and seeing "Psycho" would most assuredly tie the two together.

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Excavation produces artifacts

By JAN DICKINSON

Prehistoric artifacts ranging from petrified corn cobs to ancient pottery were unearthed during recent excavations at a field in nearby White Plains. Dr. Harry Holstein of JSU's sociology department, along with students enrolled in the minimester's Principles of Archaeology class (SY244), participated in the excavations, with the cooperation of Fort McClellan, the Alabama Fish and Game Commission, The Alabama Forest Commission, and Alabama Game Wardens. Funding for the purchase of equipment was through a JSU faculty research grant.

The site of the excavation was located on land that Ft. McClellan leases from the forestry service. The results of the excavation, and eventually all the artifacts from the site, will go to Ft. McClellan to help the land management personnel more effectively plan their use of their land. According to Holstein, this is the first time that an archaeological excavation has been made on Ft. McClellan property. “Before this, all they had done were surface surveys, that is, looking on the ground’s surface for arrowheads and such to see if the site should be maintained as is or used for military operations.” He also added that most people would be surprised to learn that the U. S. Army is concerned with preserving our land’s ancient heritage. “By using the results of this study and those of future excavations, Army personnel can predict where other Indian villages might be so they don’t build a tank range on top of them.”

Although none of the artifacts were sent off for Carbon 14 dating (it was too expensive), a comparison of the type of artifacts found with those of a known era proved the latest occupation of the site to be at least 500 years ago. Several stone burial mounds on a nearby mountain lend evidence that prehistoric people may have occupied the area since 300 B.C., since, according to Holstein, mounds of that type are from the Woodland Period of history—300 B.C. to 800 A.D. This period of time is so named because Man was not yet a farmer but relied mainly on his hunting skills for survival.

Woodworking tools, clay pottery, and charred corn cobs were also found that point to an occupation by Man during the more recent Mississippian Period—800 A.D. to 15 A.D. During this era, prehistoric Man first learned to farm the land for food. Stone hoes were found on the site offering additional proof. The corn cobs were found in what apparently was a smudge pit. Some pits were dug, filled with corn cobs, and set afire. The resulting cloud of smoke kept mosquitoes at bay. Also found were numerous turkey and deer bones and husks of walnuts.

Within the general area, a total of 18 two meter squares were roped off for excavation. As their time was limited, the crew dug down only 65 centimeters (about 3 feet deep), but the depth reached was not the main objective of the class. Meticulous care was taken to preserve any of the artifacts, and that care began with slow, careful digging. Holstein believes the value of such experiences cannot be overestimated.

He commented that another excavation is being planned for next summer in the same vicinity, but probably not in the exact spot as this year’s, since all the stakes and ropes were pulled up and the holes filled in. The purpose of this was to discourage what he called ‘pot hunters’ from lootting the site and destroying any valuable artifacts. Such an activity on Government property is a Federal offense and the Game Wardens patrolling the area have been instructed to fine or even arrest anyone they may apprehend. “These looters not only dig up valuable pottery but they also have been known to desecrate Indian graves. They may find a whole work of pottery, but in doing so, they destroy hundreds of smaller artifacts that lend authenticity to the work.” He added, “Some of these pots end up on somebody’s coffee table but the owner knows nothing of who made it or how old it might be. And the pot hunter is selling all of our heritage for his own profit.”

At the present time, the artifacts removed from the site are being stored on campus until they can be cleaned this fall. Dr. Holstein added that interested volunteers may contact him this summer on campus at extension 666.

Several simultaneous activities are carried out during the excavation process.

Photos by Opal R. Lovett

Tedious scraping is only one of the first steps in proper excavation.

Students sift soil in search of artifacts and other remains.

Dr. Harry Holstein, second from the left, supervises student archaeologists at a recent excavation sight in White Plains.
FEATURES

Area offers abundant scenic sights

After a short time in college, you will realize there is more to life than homework and partying. On those weekends you choose to ignore the "suitecase syndrome" and stay on campus, there are a surprising number of things to do and places to go within a few hours drive of the campus.

Jacksonville itself is rich with historical sites. One of these attractions is the Dr. J. C. Francis Museum on Gayle Avenue, behind the First National Bank. This general practitioner's office is the only remaining structure of its type in northeast Alabama. It was built in 1850 by a beloved family doctor who served Jacksonville for more than 50 years.

Aderholdt's Mill, another historical sight, is located three miles south of Jacksonville via Alabama Highway 21 and the Aderholdt Mill Road. Built around 1885, the mill is still fully operational.

Just outside of Jacksonville north on Highway 21, is Germania Springs Park. The park includes tennis courts, picnic facilities, and a baseball diamond, as well as a natural spring.

If you're looking for excitement outside of Jacksonville, the Anniston Museum of Natural History is the largest city-funded natural history museum in the Southeast and features the nation's seventh largest collection of natural history specimens. A full schedule of changing exhibits is featured throughout the year. Museum hours are Tuesday through Friday, to 9-5. Saturday, 10-5. Sunday 1-5.

Located at the north edge of Fort McCollough is the Women's Army Corps Museum. The museum presents the story of women in the Army and the heritage of the Women's Army Corps. Exhibits, displays and films show the Army in war and peacetime, all around the world in all kinds of jobs. Museum hours are Monday thru Friday 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m. Admission is $2.

A short drive on Highway 431 will bring you to Gadsden, home of Noccalula Falls Park. The park is built around a cascading 93 foot waterfall. Perched above the falls is a nine foot statue of Noccalula, the legendary Indian princess for whom the falls are named. The legend tells of Noccalula's leap to her death after being denied city by her lover by the tribe's chief, her father. The park provides a botanical garden, pioneer village, passenger trail, animal park, museums, carpet golf, picnic sites, and a campground.

Alabama's highest point - 2,407 feet up, is located on Cheaha Mountain, in Lineville, Al. The park offers breathtaking views, hiking and hiking trails, swimming, spectacular natural flora, a modern lodge, private cabins, a gift shop, as well as facilities for camping.

For hikers, there is the John F. Kennedy Memorial Hiking Trail, a scenic trail extending 85 miles from Noccalula Falls Park to DeSoto Falls (in Chattanooga, Al). This trail includes four waterfalls.

Fort Payne offers the Little River Canyon, the deepest gorge east of the Rocky Mountains with the only river in the U. S. which forms and flows on top of a mountain. The Fort Payne Depot, one of the few remaining 19th century railroad depots, was built in 1861 during the state's boom period. The Fort Payne Opera House, the oldest theatre still used in Alabama, is also located in this historical town.

Sequoyah Caverns, located on Highway 59, outside of Fort Payne, are full of looking glass lakes and rock formations. Manitou Cave is also just outside of Fort Payne and much worth the experience.

Stevenson Depot Museum, one of the most important depots during the Civil War, is located near Stevenson, Al. The depot provides exhibits from the Civil War and Indian artifacts.

The Russell Cave National Monument, Bridgeport, Al., is one of the most important archeological sites of the century having Indian artifacts dating from 8200 B.C. Horton Mill Bridge in Oneonta is the highest covered bridge above water in the nation. The bridge towers 70 feet above the Warrior River.

Avia Maria Grotto, located in Cullman, contains more than 100 miniature replicas of the world's best known religious shrines built by a Benedictine monk. Hours are daily 7-sunset. Admission is $2.

Huntsville offers a variety of natural and scientific sights, the Alabama space and rocket center being the main attraction. The world's largest space museum exhibits the history of space travel from early rockets to the space shuttle. Experience the lift off of the space shuttle in the Space Dome Theatre. Tours are also available at NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center.

Decatur, Alabama, is home of the Givens Wildlife Interpretive Center, the South's largest educational center for waterfowl and animal study, located at the edge of the 35,000 acre Wheeler National Wildlife Refuge. Also in Decatur is Cook's Natural Science Museum. The museum contains displays of insects, animals and waterfowl from around the world with special touch and feel exhibitions.

Point Mallard Park, also located in Decatur, is a 749 acre park including an aquatic center with America's first wave pool and a three flume water slide. The park is open late May to Labor Day. Ice skating in the winter and year-round golfing, camping and tennis are also offered.

Ivy Green, the birthplace and home of Helen Keller, is located in Tuscumbia, Al. The home site is a part of the Helen Keller Shrine, a 10 acre tract located off N. Main Street and Keller Lane.

A local seasonal event students might be interested in is the Shakespeare festival in Anniston. The festival, held every summer, is the south's leading professional classical theatre. For more information contact ASP P. O. Box 141 Anniston, Al.

The International Motorsports Hall of Fame is located in Talladega adjacent to the Alabama International Motor Speedway.

A short drive from Jacksonville and the sights of Birmingham are at hand. These include the Botanical Gardens, the Jimmy Morgan Zoo, the Museum of Art, the Georgia State Capital, the Atlanta Botanical Garden, the Robert W. Woodruff Arts Center, the Federal Reserve Bank - Monetary Museum, the FoxTheatre, the Georgia Department of Archives and History, the High Museum of Art, Martin Luther King Jr. Historic District, and the Oakland Cemetery. These are only to mention a few. Then there is the infamous Six Flags amusement park.

The next time you have nothing to do, stop by the Anniston Chamber of Commerce and pick up some tourist information. Many recreational areas are virtually untapped by students.

The preceding tourist information is courtesy of the Anniston Chamber of Commerce.
Step-Up

ROTC picnics are fun

By ME LINDA GALLAHAR

The first annual ROTC Step-Up Picnic for incoming freshmen was held on Wednesday, June 13 at the Charles C. Rowe Building, located at the corner of Church Avenue and Bennett Boulevard. A picnic will be held each Wednesday afternoon during the Step-Up sessions from 3:30 - 5:00.

Freshmen are invited to the picnic to introduce them to the ROTC program and make them aware of the Rangers at JSU. Activities include a tour of the rifle range with Captain Collins instructing students in the proper procedure in firing a rifle and a hand gun. The Rangers will also demonstrate how to repel down the forty-foot tower beside the ROTC building.

Those brave souls, the Rangers, in a few short, easy lessons will have you repelling down the tower like a professional. The ROTC sponsors furnishes hot dogs and cokes.

According to Captain Roman the purpose of the picnic is to introduce the students to the ROTC program and to give them an opportunity to meet other students. It is a chance for the freshmen to relax and enjoy themselves after a busy day of meetings, tests, and advisement.

The first two ROTC picnics were held June 13 and June 20. The rifle range had many active participants with the normal afternoon sounds of traffic, rushing home after work or class, interrupted by the sounds of students firing rifles and hand guns. Only a few students became active on the repelling tower. Most students were content in observing the Rangers and the other students repel down the tower.

The method used to repel was shown to the freshmen by Rangers Dennis Moran, Tim Adams, Jeff Wesson and Captain Wood. They instructed the students in how to make a Swiss seat with a piece of rope and where to fasten a snap link on the rope. The repelling gear was inspected on the ground before the students were allowed to climb the tower. The student's gear was inspected again at the top before he was allowed to repel. Each student was reassured that he/she would not fall as the Rangers inspired confidence in each freshman. Before long those who conquered their fear of heights and repelling, or at least convinced themselves of that fact, found themselves enjoying an afternoon of repelling.

The third ROTC picnic was held yesterday with three more picnics scheduled for July 18, July 25, and August 1. All freshmen are invited to attend.

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Joe Hollis

The work never ceases for football coaches, and Jacksonville State's Joe Hollis is no exception. Since coming to JSU from Tulsa in January, Hollis hasn't slowed down. Between hiring, planning, coaching, and preparing, Hollis hasn't stopped. The real action begins Sept. 8 when JSU meets Alabama A&M in Huntsville.

Hollis can't slow down

By CHRIS ROBERTS
Sports Writer

The football season, in all of its splendid glory, is still months away. With baseball in command during these hot and heavy days, it seems only bookies and USFL junkies should consider the gridiron these sticky weeks.

And football coaches.

Joe Hollis, the newest caretaker of the Jacksonville football tradition, has been on the job as JSU's head coach for almost six months. With the college football season dormant, he has not yet had the chance to do what he is getting paid to do — win football games.

Or has he?

Hollis, since coming from Tulsa, Ok., to take his first head coaching assignment, has been a very busy man during the so-called "off-season." Hollis, like every coach, is quick to point out the fallacy of "off-season." There isn't one.

"Football is made up of four seasons," he said. "It's like building a house — you have to have a strong foundation to have a good house.

"In the winter is the conditioning program. Then comes spring practice, and summer conditioning and weights. Then come the games. Football doesn't start with the first game. It's a year-long process.

HOLLIS' FAVORITE TASK — coaching — doesn't start until August 20 when the boys come back to town. But between now and then there is little time for rest. And there hasn't been much time off for Hollis since January.

"Things haven't slowed down since I came here," he said, "and that's good. It's busy, but it's fun.

"August 20 will be here," he says while snapping his fingers. "Just like that.

And he plans to be ready. He and his assistants, although already plotting strategy for the upcoming season, begin serious work July 16.

"We've got a lot of things to do before the players come in," Hollis said. "We've got a lot of meetings and two high school all-star football games. In those meetings, we'll talk about everything that pertains to football and the team. We want to be organized to the smallest detail. We don't want either wasted time or effort.

"We'll be busy, believe me.

But busy is nothing new to football coaches, and Joe Hollis is no exception. He hit the ground running since coming to JSU State. In a short time, he hired assistant coaches, recruited new talent, and controlled spring training. As well as a thousand other things.

Hollis isn't complaining.

"I love it," he says. "I wake up each day and it brings on new challenges and events. It's lots of fun for me.

The administration at Jacksonville State and the people of Jacksonville have been good to me and my family. Until I've been here one calendar year, everything will be new to me.

Recruiting

JSU baseball team signs five

The Jacksonville State baseball season has been over for almost a month, but the baseball recruiting program ended only recently.

The Gamecocks, who lost two players to graduation and an underclassman to the professional ranks, went five-for-five in their recruiting efforts this year.

"This is one of the best recruiting years we've ever had," said Jacksonville State baseball coach Rudy Abbott when announcing his signees last week. "We signed everyone we went after.

Jacksonville was shopping for pitchers, middle infielders, and outfielders to strengthen its lineup for next year. It found what it was looking for.

"We wanted to bring in young pitchers and veteran infielders and outfielders because I feel we need that combination to have an outstanding team next year," said Abbott.

A pair of freshmen pitchers from Georgia highlight JSU's recruiting year. The Gamecocks signed a pair of right-handed hurlers — Mark Ekins, a 6-foot-5, 200-pounder from Griffin and 6-3, 185-pound Leon Moody of LaGrange.

"We're glad to sign them," Abbott said. "The two of them had a combined total of 20 offers from schools. They were highly recruited.

Another prize signee is Carlos Sanderson of Sats, the 6-2, 185-pound pitcher-outfielder who was chosen Calhoun County's Player of the Year in 1984.

Jacksonville made an effort to beef up its infield by signing a pair of shortstops — Todd Anderson of Huntsville

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...and Lady Gamecocks add 10

The job of recruiting wasn't too difficult for Jacksonville State women's gymnastics coach Robert Dillard.

A national championship made the work much easier.

The Gamecocks, winners of the NCAA Division II national title for the 1983-84 season, will be strong again in the coming year with the addition of 10 new gymnasts.

"This is the best year of recruiting I've ever had," said Dillard. "Since winning the national title, our mail has gone up 100 percent and coaches have had more interest in the program and have contacted us.

"When you win, you pick up more respect.

And, as another saying goes, winning breeds more winning. A strong group of returning gymnasts from last year's championship squad, with the addition of the new recruits, should add up to more Jacksonville State victories.

"We'll have more depth than we had last year," said Dillard, "and our skill level will be up. On paper, we look like a 180 score. Last year, we averaged a 178 through the finals. Next year, if we're consistent, we should be better.

"Nothing says we are guaranteed to win anything, but we will be hard to beat."

JACKSONVILLE LOST FIVE girls from the '84 squad to graduation or injury. With eight returning and 10 recruits, depth won't be a problem at all. Com-
Poor Bob Horner cornered by injury

The next time you're in Dunwoody, Georgia, stop in at the home of Robert Horner and ask the head of the household what he most wants out of life.
The answer would probably be the good fortune (and luck) of playing a full season without a serious injury.
In case you haven’t read the newspapers or seen the news in the last month, third baseman Bob Horner of the Atlanta Braves has bitten the Proverbial bullet once again. A re-broken bone in his right wrist once again has taken the slugger off the field and has forced him to do his slugging from a recliner in front of a television set.
For Horner, it’s just another page in the history book of his mishap career. His injuries have spanned from a broken thumb to a twice-broken ankle, and a twice separated shoulder.
Bob Horner of the Atlanta Braves has been out of the lineup this season because of injury, also will not be coming back.

Baseball

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and Jack Malone from Wallace State Junior College in Hanceville.
The Gamecocks also picked up Phillip Braswell, a centerfielder from Wallace State Junior College in Dothan.
"The ones we signed should make us a good team again next year," said Abbott. "We started four and sometimes five freshmen this year, and if they don’t get lackadaisical, then we’ll have a good team next year."
Jacksonville ended up losing four players from the 30-13 squad of 1984. Charlie Colburnson graduated and is playing A League ball in Washington. Jerry Roberts, another graduate, will be an assistant in 1986. Senior-to-be Chris Parker passed up his last year to play pro ball in Auburn, New York. And Mark Boyd, who was the entire 1984 season because of injury, also will not be coming back.

Gym

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By Steve Camp
Co-Editor-In-Chief

be fierce.
"We’ll start with 16 girls in the gym, and we’ll enter the season with 12 girls," Dillard said. "We signed 10, and this is the first year I’ve ever had walk-ons who were good gymnasts. This year, some of the best gymnasts we’ve got will be the walk-ons."

Stephanie Howell, a native of Memphis, TN heads the list of new Jacksonville State gymnasts. The others are Dianna Murrell of Orlando, FL; Dianna Kelly of Bessemer; Tampa, FL’s Laurie Sparrowhawk; Donna Trotter of Nashville, TN; Kim Knight of Tallahassee, TN; Gail Whetley of Huntsville; Atlanta GA’s Linda Curtis; and Kim Kelley of Orlando, FL.
"The competition for the top six spots will be very keen," Dillard said. "We have Jennifer McFarland coming back, and she’ll be the No. one all-rounder until someone knocks her off. She’s a tough kid.
Tracey Bussey is back, and she’s going to be good again. And Patricia Claridy will be strong.
"The others may have to struggle for the top."

But that intramural competition will make Jax State a better team outside of its walls.
"Even with injuries, we can still be strong," Dillard said. "In some of the meets, I can let some of the girls who are not at the top compete to give the others a chance to rest."

The team reports back to school August 30. The Lady Gamecocks open the 1984-85 defense of their title Dec. 1 in a meet with Southeast Missouri and West Texas State, which took second and third in the nation respectively.
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