Johnson chosen as a state coordinator

By ROY WILLIAMS
Chanticleer Senior Editor
Dr. Howard Johnson, chairman of the geography department the past 11 years, has been chosen as an Alabama coordinator for the National Geographic Society's 26-state Geographic Alliance Network. The purpose of the network is to mobilize teachers, administrators and students to improve the quality of geography education, Johnson said.

"The Alliance concept tries to break down the barriers between University geography teachers and K-12 (kindergarten through high school) teachers. We're trying to approach education from a sharing aspect, in which we can learn from each other," he said.

As a result of being chosen a state coordinator, Johnson received an all-expense paid trip to a geography workshop in Washington, D.C. during the weekend of Jan. 29-Feb. 3. He met with other state coordinators to exchange ideas during the workshop, which was sponsored by the National Geographic Society.

"They provided us with an excellent meeting. We left with an extra suitcase of material loaded down with ideas we can put to use in Alabama. But the most important thing they have is the excitement. They are committed to this program and the opportunities it will provide," Johnson said.

The Alabama Alliance consists of over 350 teachers from all levels of education. The essential ingredient for membership is an interest in geography, Johnson said. Other state Alliance coordinators are William R. Strong of the University of North Alabama and David Weaver of the University of Alabama.

"The National Geographic chose the three of us out all the geography teachers in Alabama to show they appreciate the work we have done. It is quite an honor to receive this type of recognition," Johnson said.

One of the main goals of the Alabama Alliance will be to emphasize the importance of geography, Johnson said. Geography is not stressed as much in the U.S. as it is in other countries.

"Many Americans believe they are the center of the world and don't need anyone else. We concentrate solely on ourselves and don't look at lifestyles in other nations. At JSU, we have numerous courses in American history and relatively few in world history. We emphasize English courses and far less foreign languages. But things are beginning to change. Newspapers are stressing more and more Americans are starting to recognize the importance of other people. Geography is becoming a larger part of the program," Johnson said.

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Three JSU students arrested following city stealing spree

By ROY WILLIAMS
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Three JSU students were arrested last week after an evening stealing spree that included empty beer kegs, signs, car tags and a garbage can, Jacksonville police chief Paul Locke said.

On Sunday night, Feb. 8, the city police department received a call from Pi Kappa Fraternity, which reported that several beer kegs had been stolen. A description of a pickup viewed leaving the scene was given, Locke said.

At approximately midnight, city police officers spotted the truck, stopped it and arrested the three students, Locke said. They discovered one of the beer kegs and several other stolen items inside the truck, he said.

The stolen items included: five empty beer kegs, a garbage can and a beer keg pump from Pi Kappa Fraternity, valued at $20; a "for sale" sign from Billy Isom Realty and a private drive sign from a city resident, both valued at $25; a "No parking- fire department" sign and "Gas line - Do not dig" sign, both from the city of Jacksonville and valued at $38 each; a "Cherry Street Trailor Park" business sign, valued at $26; a "Warning - Gas pipe line" sign from the Alabama Gas Corporation, valued at $50; a concrete ornament from the yard of a local resident, valued at $25; two automobile tags (non-registered front car tags), valued at $10 each; and a registered State Trooper car tag, valued at $16.25, Locke said.

The three students arrested were Jeffrey Sanders Bishop, 19; Stephen Eugene Bailey, 17; and Thomas Weldon Hudson Jr., 17. Locke said. They have been charged with one count of second degree theft (a felony), 10 counts of third degree theft (a misdemeanor) and one count of criminal mischief (also a misdemeanor) for the damage done to the state trooper's car, he said. They were released on bond last Monday afternoon.

Locke said it is quite common for college students to steal signs from the city, but he has never seen so many items taken at one time.

"It seems to be a status symbol to them. If you steal a sign, regardless of whether it is a city, business or private sign, you are taking something that belongs to someone else. I lose patience with students saying it's only a college prank. That's no excuse; taking something that doesn't belong to you is not a college prank. It makes you a thief," Locke said.

Locke said a crime such as that which took place is not only expensive to the city, but also dangerous.

"Those signs cost a lot of money and could cause someone to be hurt. Suppose they had taken a stop sign."

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Summer I

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By CYNDI OWENS

Chatticleer Staff Writer

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Sigma Delta Chi to celebrate Freedom of Information Day

By RAY ROBINSON
Chanticleer Staff Writer

The Society of Professional Journalists, Sigma Delta Chi, will bring to Jacksonville State University a celebration of Freedom of Information (FOI) Day on March 16.

The observance of FOI Day will be nationally celebrated. March 16 will mark the first time for JSU’s 42 member professional journalism organization to take part in the occasion.

Dr. Robin Eoff, Sigma Delta Chi faculty advisor, explained that the public needs to be aware of their right for information.

Based on the first amendment, the press has the right to make public any information concerning all people. This doesn’t mean the press should have access to all information. But they do have the freedom to publish or broadcast information, “Eoff said.

Sigma Delta Chi has a tentative schedule for FOI Day. On March 16, 9 p.m., on the 11th floor of the Houston Cole Library, the organization will present a panel of various persons of interest to discuss freedom of information. The panel will include a political science professor, a lawyer, professional representatives from the different mediums, and a representative from a foreign country. The discussion will be open to everyone, not just communication majors.

Freedom of Information Day falls on James Madison’s birthday. Madison was the chief instigator of the first amendment.

Sigma Delta Chi will also have a high school career day for students interested in the communication fields. The students will be participating in several activities in Self Hall.

“We will hold a journalism seminar. The seminar will cover T.V. news production, radio news production, and the print media. This will be an on hands operation. Area high school juniors and seniors are invited,” Richard Neives, public relations director, said.

Self Hall, still under construction, is a state-of-the-art facility, according to Dr. Eoff.

“It’s one of the best educational facilities in Alabama as far as media are concerned. The equipment, lighting system, audio, cameras, and editors are professionally laid out for broadcast. It’s not just equipment stacked on top of each other,” she said.

The promotion of FOI Day is being conducted by the Sigma Delta Chi members. Neives gave his view of freedom of information.

“I plan on going into the journalism field and believe the access to information is vital to keeping the public informed,” he said.

Jerry Chandler, stringer for Time Magazine, and Voice of America journalist, is a fervent believer of freedom of information.

“Whoever controls the information controls the society. With competing ideas, without control, you have a society who picks from a number of ways to be governed. If you have one group, you have a society that has no choice. They can become dictatorial,” he said.

Trivial Pursuit contest to be held

Trivial Pursuit is a quite popular game that has gained a large following. In an effort to get rid of those boring “have to stay at college” weekends the Wesley Foundation is sponsoring a Trivial Pursuit Competition February 27-28. The competition will begin at 6 p.m., and will end when winners are determined. Competition will be held in single, triple and quad member categories. We hope that organizations as well as individuals will compete. If an individual would like to play on a team but has not organized a team, a team will be made by drawing names by lot. A number of prizes will be given for most questions answered, best team player, etc.

Addition to the winning teams in each category. All who wish to enter must be enrolled in or employed by JSU. All contestants must notify one of the three listed below to register for the tournament before February 25.

Suzanne Smith 231-6116; Victoria Beck 231-7757; The Wesley Foundation 435-7208

Juried student art show continues

Barbara Underwood and her son Earl look over a work of art entitled “Address” by JSU student Karen Mohney. One of approximately 50 student works on display in the annual Juried Student Art Show now in progress, the work symbolizes a map of the places Ms. Mohney has lived. The display, which is in Hammond Hall Gallery, will be open through February 28. Gallery hours are 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Woods urges Afro Americans to keep ‘living the dream’

By ROY WILLIAMS and 
FELICIA SIGLER

The Masonic Order and the Order of Eastern Stars of Jacksonville State University hosted its 3rd annual Black History Program, featuring guest speaker Rev. Abraham Woods, Jr., last Thursday night in the Theron Montgomery Building Auditorium. The theme of the program was “Living the Dream: Let Freedom Ring.”

Woods, pastor at St. Joseph Baptist Church in Birmingham for the past 20 years and a leading civil rights activist, appeared on campus at the request of Angie Lockhart, an OES member.

Woods is serving as president of the Birmingham chapter of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC). He is also one of three national directors of the NAACP.

Woods recalled the dark days in Birmingham, a city that was once known as “Bombing Ham” because of the many racist bombings that took place. “Birmingham was once the Johannesburg of the South,” he said.

Brown vs. the State Board of Education opened the school doors and resulted in some of the bars of racism coming down, he stated.

“The Constitution says that the rights and privileges should be enjoyed by all citizens of this nation. But the dream has not altogether been fulfilled, said Sojourner Truth once said. There’s a boll weevil in the Constitution, and it has eaten up my rights.” It’s been years since she spoke those words, but there’s still a boll weevil in the Constitution eating up our rights. We will not tolerate any more of our rights being taken away,” he said.

If black Americans are to keep King’s dream alive, they must not forget their past. Woods said.

“If you don’t know from whence you came, you lose a sense of your identity. I wonder if some blacks know who they are. Identify with your heritage, and don’t be ashamed to call yourself Afro-Americans. Don’t forget the suffering of your people during the Middle Passage (on slave ships),” he said.

Woods said that blacks have many responsibilities in today’s society, especially when it comes to the overwhelming number of teen-age pregnancies.

He encouraged the audience to be proud of their blackness.

“Do not be ashamed of your color. God made you somebody and you’ve got to realize that black is beautiful. Remember a time when black had bad connotations. If you were bad, you were called the black sheep of the family. If a girl made a white fluffy cake, it was called an angel food cake. If she made a dark, looking cake, it was called a devil’s food cake. Be proud of who you are,” Woods said.

Woods said blacks must discipline themselves in order to solve the problems plaguing society, such as teenage pregnancy, single parent homes, and poverty.

“Don’t let King’s dream turn into a nightmare. You must gain a sense of self-respect. I used to be ashamed of my skinny arms, but I’m not now. I used to be ashamed of my flat feet, but Jessie Owens became a Olympic champion sprinter. I’m not ashamed of my flat feet, because when I kiss my wife, I won’t miss them,” he said.

“They killed the dreamer, but his dream lives on. His dream lives in me. If we walk together, don’t get weary, we will eventually get to the promised land. One day we’ll be able to truly say, ‘free at last, free at last. Thank God almighty, I’m free at last,'” Woods concluded.

Royal emphasizes education

By ROY WILLIAMS and 
ZENOBIA PETTWAY

Rodric Van Royal, a 22-year-old senior at Tuskegee University, appeared at Houston Cole Library last Wednesday in a program sponsored by the Afro-American Association.

A panel discussion on racial issues was also held. The panelists included Royal, Rev. Bob Ford, campus minister at the Baptist Campus Ministry; Rev. Dale Clem, campus minister at the Wesley Foundation, and Chaplain Rodney Lindsay from Ft. McClellan’s Cathedral Chapel.

The event, held in celebration of Black History Month, was coordinated by University police officer Pearl Williams.

Royal, who currently serves as president of the Student Government Association at Tuskegee and will be commissioned into the army upon graduation this spring, addressed the audience on a series of topics ranging from “new racism” to the importance of education and civil rights.

He emphasized the dangers of being apathetic.

“Consider this thought. Who will care about us? We’re always entering on ‘my that’ and ‘my that’. We need to be more concerned for other people also. We’ve got to work together,” Royal said.

Royal spoke a term he called the ‘Black Gladiator myth.’ He said there are black gladiators (not just blacks) throughout our society — people who go to college on athletic scholarships and graduate illegitimate.

“Over three million young black children grow up dreaming of going to the pros as a way of escaping their poverty situation, yet there are only 1500 blacks who are professional athletes and coaches. But those kids are only looking for a way out of the ghetto. Who will challenge the gladiators to be productive outside the sports arena? Who will challenge that myth and give those kids another sense of hope? Royal said.

Poverty and education are problems that plague all communities, black and white, he said. He listed the following statistics:

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Something To Think About
Accusations require justification by editor

Let me take this column to clear the air. I’ve been accused wrongly and I must come to my own defense.

In the past few weeks, through letters I’ve received from students and professors and conversations conveyed to me by our friends and The Chanticleer staff, I’ve been accused - of being a radical, black revolution ary, prejudiced, above all things, to publishing a biased, one-sided paper.

Someone brought it to my attention that in the February 5th edition of the paper, we dealt too much on black issues; thus making the paper biased.

After skimming through the paper with this person, I discovered why many would jump to that conclusion. Starting from page three was an article on a minority conference that three staff members and myself attended; page five had a small black and white photo of some individuals.

My editors, page nine, was an article from the College Press Service concerning successful blacks ignoring their culture. 2) the Afro-American Association sponsoring events for students.

Vicky Wallace
Editor-in-Chief

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Appreciate those who support us

By Grover Kitchen
Chanticleer Staff Writer

There are many people who are in the news every week. Some are very talented or provide a voice for other people’s opinions on their behalf. Often, they are high achievers or winners of contests. It is true that these people deserve credit for their act. But what about those who support our school and are never heard from?

What about the groundskeepers who keep our campus clean and manicured through all kinds of weather? There are the dorm directors and the maids that clean the dorms of all the garbage we throw in the halls and around the garbage cans. They all seem to be forgotten.

The secretarial workers, bookstore employees, mail workers and counselors are never given a second thought until a letter is missing, a book is bought or graduation is near.

Another group who makes the ultimate sacrifice are the students of SAGA. They rise early every morning to have breakfast ready by 6:45 a.m. Tables are clean, floor is vacuumed, and food is prepared, but many do not seem to notice.

All students need to be more appreciative to those that work behind the scenes. If the buildings were cleaned only once a semester? What if we had no choice but to eat out every meal? Many would find this very time consuming and also unclean and bothersome.

Starting today, say “Thank-you” and take notice of those who support the students.

Letters to the editor

Student credit story does not check out

Dear Editor,

I am referring to the article written in the January 29, 1987 issue of the Chanticleer on overdraft checks written by students. I would like to defend the students involved.

First, I would like to pay attention to the figure of $20,000. Anyone looking at this figure in context should not be shocked, because tuition per semester is $475 and room and board ranges from $725-$920. Therefore, a full semester check would be about $800; so this drops the number of students with overdraft checks to about twenty-eight.

Second, I would like to address the problem of human error on the part of the loaners. I can attest to this problem, because last year it took me six months to straighten out a bookkeeping error made by local banks.

Finally, I would like to be grateful for this opportunity to express the opinions of the black community, because I do not think it was thoughtfully covered.

Sincerely yours,
Bill Retterer

Chanticleer fails in unbiased, fair coverage

Dear Editor,

I would like to address the illusory newspaper of Jacksonville State University and the subjects of which it covers…or, rather, the lack thereof.

First of all, I want to gear attention of the readers toward the outstanding support you give to the school and its various organizations. Take the Greek organizations for example. Basically, JSU’s campus is comprised of 10 percent Greek affiliated organizations. That number may not impress you, but take the number of Greeks and apply it to the events that take place here on campus and I’ll be darned if you wouldn’t be against the fact that without their support, a major- ity of the events would be “all white” and much without par- ticipants. This topic leads me to one of the many problems at hand. In last season’s Intramural football tournament all of one paragraph was devoted to the diligent efforts put forth by the participating team. I thank your interest and support.

This semester you’ve gone over and above board in your talents and have kept us up to date with events happening not only on campus but in other countries. If I need information about Iran I can easily purchase an Atlanta Times or Birmingham News paper in order to do so. That is their job, let them do it. JSU stu- dents read the Chanticleer on order to keep up with what is going on at JSU.

I hope that in the future you will begin performing an unbiased job. It’s beginning to look quite obvious.

Signed,
Marie Wright

Racism issue was blown out of proportion

Dear Editor,

I have been a student at Jackson- ville State University off and on since 1982. Never until I read the past publication of the Chanticleer have I seen such one-way biased reporting. I refer to the articles written by Vicky Wallace and Roy Williams and of the pictures provided by College Press Service.

Howard Beach New York and the referral to Forsyth, Georgia are only isolated small segments of our society. There is more good in American society than the sour apples of society that make up racism.

Several years ago a black leader, Martin Luther King, stated that he had a dream. Last night, I had another dream. I dreamed that if I was still a student at the Friedlendt Campus in the South after I read the Chanticleer.

Sincerely yours,
Kathy Sowell

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Davis makes college entertaining

By STEVEN ROBINSON
Chanticleer Senior Editor

Busy is the one word which sums up a day in the life of SGA business manager Rick Davis. Davis was appointed at the end of last September after the resignation of former Business Manager Caleb Flax. The appointment was made by SGA President Vonda Barbour who selected him from a pool of candidates who met the qualifications for the office.

The duties of the business manager vary from year to year, according to Davis.

"The business manager is the president's right hand man," the president defines his duties each year," Davis said.

This means that the responsibilities of each business manager depend on who is president at the time, Davis said.

Davis' job includes handling SGA publicity, credit card application drives, promotions, and carrying out the president's presidential decisions.

The business manager's job is a paid position, and his salary comes out of budget allotments provided by the University.

In addition to his duties as business manager, Davis is also chairman of the Cinematic Arts Council, a separate SGA funded program responsible for providing student movies at Theron Montgomery Building on Wednesday nights.

This chairmanship is a separate position from business manager, but Davis said that for the last few years both jobs have been handled by one person.

"Caleb (Flax) and I have both been over the Cinematic Arts Committee," Davis said.

Davis considers the Cinematic Arts chairmanship to be the most fun part of his job, because it allows him to meet other students.

"I really enjoy the movies on Wednesday night. I get to meet a lot of people, especially when we have a good crowd," Davis said.

The job is not without its problems however, as Davis pointed out.

"People complain sometimes about the movies we get, but we have to go with what's available," he said.

Davis orders the movies from film companies that fall in the 16 millimeter films. He said that these companies get their movies at about the same time HBO and other cable networks do.

He says he is very pleased with the quality of films scheduled to be shown this semester. Many are top-rated movies that did well at movie theaters nationwide.

Davis says that both the business manager’s position and the Cinematic Arts chairmanship have been fairly easy thus far.

"It has caused problems, but the Senate (SGA) helps out a lot. Most of the time it is not a problem," he said.

In addition to working as business manager and Cinematic Arts chairman, Davis is also involved in Alpha Phi Omega Service Fraternity, is chairman of the SGA publicity committee, and member of the Presidential Task Force Committee. He is also involved with LYCUM, a group responsible for bringing special speakers to campus.

As far as his job as business manager is concerned, it will probably end with the SGA presidential elections at the end of the semester.

Davis plans to transfer to the University of Georgia next fall. He says this move will be the result of several factors.

First, Davis is a political science major which causes problems considering the fact that his father, Dr. Hope Davis, is presently teaching in the political science department there.

Secondly, a transfer to the University of Georgia will give Davis the chance to carry on a family tradition.

"My parents and my grandparents all went to Georgia," Davis said.

Rick Davis

Davis was born in Boone, North Carolina while his father was teaching at Appalachian State. He has lived in Jacksonville for the past 16 years.

Smith considers job ‘picture perfect’

By ROY WILLIAMS
Chanticleer Senior Editor

His name appears every weekday in the closing credits of WJSU TV-40's evening news program –

Smith, considered the lead anchor, has been preparing for this role for over 3 years. He is presently teaching in the Cinematic Arts Department, and is a major of the Communications Club.

Grenard Smith, sports photography.

According to Grenard, Smith has been taking still photography for the past three years at Channel 40 while taking classes at JSU simultaneously.

"He says he realizes the difficulties of working and attending school full-time. Yet, he also recognizes the value of experience in obtaining a job.

"I’m going to have a lot more experience in the communications field when I graduate, and experience is definitely what counts. People like to go to school and that’s it, but I like the challenge of working and going to school too," Smith said.

Smith has been taking still photography for the past four years, and has become involved in video photography three years ago as a member of the communications club. Filming home basketball games with the communications club eventually led to his job at WJSU-TV.

Smith described the facilities found in Self Hall as ample training ground for JSU communication students.

With the advanced facilities we have here at JSU, students are going to be able to gain experience that will help them obtain good jobs once they graduate," he said.

Smith said photography is his first love. He offers studio photography sessions on campus, in which he takes photographs of any female students interested in obtaining low-priced package deals. Entitled "Studio 17," the studio sessions were set up on campus a few years ago by Smith and a former JSU graduate, Anthony Jones.

"My studio is set up in the basement of Crowe Hall. Anyone interested in getting pictures taken can contact me in Room 315 Crowe Hall or 231-7495," Smith said.

Smith is active on campus as a member of the Afro-American Association and Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity. Besides photography, his hobbies include stepping, spinning records, and music and meeting other people. He feels that members of a Greek organization need to be careful about the image they project.

"Whatever we (Greek members) do, it’s going to reflect upon their fraternity or sorority. So Greeks need to keep on their toes and uphold their Greek image. Our fraternity is trying to get the black students, the sororities and fraternities to come together as one. That’s the only way we (blacks) are going to be able to accomplish our goals," Smith said.

Upon graduation, Smith said he would like to work in a television station as a photographer, preferably in a major market such as Birmingham or Atlanta.

"Eventually, I’d like to go to California and get involved in the motion picture industry with some production company as a photographer or production assistant," he said.

Until graduating this spring, he will enjoy life at JSU and continue working toward his degree.

"I enjoy the atmosphere here at JSU. I get along with people real well, and it has been a learning experience. I’d especially like to thank those teachers and my major (communication) for all their support," Smith concluded.
Conservative trend hits college campuses

(CPS)—Students have become less interested in liberal arts, are more vulnerable to job pressures, and are probably less liberal but are not necessarily more conservative that they were twenty years ago, a report released last week by the Higher Education Research Institute (HERI) at UCLA says.

UCLA, along with the American Council on Education, surveyed some two thousand college freshmen a year about their college plans, their social attitudes and their political beliefs.

To mark the twentieth anniversary of the surveys, HERI officials issued a report summarizing some of their major finds.

“We are in the materialistic age now. The country is just emerging from the worst economic period since the thirties. It cut a wide swathe across the nation. Students are saying ‘I do not want this to happen to me’,” he says.

Such materialism also keeps showing up in surveys by the Institute for Social Research (ISR) at the University of Michigan, which runs another annual nationwide survey of student attitudes.

“We are seeing similarities to the UCLA study in freshmen statements on desired and preferred work settings. Students prefer to be employed by large corporations. Blackman suspects it is because the job market is too crowded now. These kids are at the tail end of the Baby Boom, and they are going to suffer the most.”

Whatever the reasons, Green thinks the declining interest in certain majors--like engineering (which has listed about 88 thousand students)--does not bode well for the nation’s future.

Perhaps most surprisingly, Green says the HERI surveys dispose the popular notion that college students are becoming more conservative politically.

While fewer students now call themselves “liberal,” about the same number of students call themselves “conservative” today as twenty years ago.

The real growth area of the college political spectrum has been among students who call themselves “middle of the road.”

But when asked to take a position on specific issues, even students who label themselves as conservative tend to embrace traditional liberal stances, Green says.

The vast majority of students support abortion rights, want a bigger federal role in social welfare, and would like to see defense spending cut.

Art form may bring new vision to tight student budgets

By WENDY PEACOCK
Chanticleer Staff Writer

A popular style of functional art is due to arrive at JSU this February. It is known as “Visionique.” Visionique is the brainchild of its president and solo artist Anton Battiste of Atlanta.

“The concept developed from the action of vision with the appeal to beauty as being unique,” Battiste stated. “Visionique is that it will be affordable.

“The main objectives of the series are to create a means of visual escape while maintaining a thread of reality,” Battiste said.

For instance, a beautifully composed horse with added mythological qualities of the unicorn and the winged Pegasus will be printed on usable note cards, he said.

Battiste said he was inspired to do the jenner-type of painting because of his love for mythology and the unique creatures which inspires his imagination. This inspiration further encouraged him to go public with a Visionique art piece entitled “Flame” by fellow artists.

The 18-year-old artist began using his artistic talent at the age of four. Battiste seriously started publicizing his work when his interest and love of music spurred him to create paintings and sketches of his favorite jazz and jazz fusion musicians. Recipients of his work include Narada Michael Walden, Alphonse Mouzon, Chick Corea, Jan Hammer, Lenny White, Billy Cobham, Jack Bruce, Stanley Clark, John McLaughlin, and George Duke. “My most prized coop, however, occurred recently when I sold a large mixed media ‘Fantastical’ painting to Wynette Marsala,” Battiste said.

Battiste said that Visionique will consist of animals and cover a variety of subjects.

“Though my art work is diversified, ranging from abstract to illustrational, I prefer to draw and paint animals and people unrealistically. But there will be various statements drawn,” he said.

The original painting of “Flame” is approximately 18 by 20 inches and took about a week and a half to complete using the style of pointillism. He does not paint to print previous works, but rather to create new art forms to coincide with the idea of Visionique, and would prefer to rely on his latter works to produce prints and paintings. But he also will print previous paintings if he feels they will work well.

Would Battiste like to do this type of work for a living? “Absolutely. Because it brings me much joy and happiness, along with great satisfaction from the (See ART, Page 11)
Behind the scenes of "H. M. S. Pinafore"

**Music is...**

By CYNDI OWENS

Chanticleer Staff Writer

The cast of "H. M. S. Pinafore," which includes only two leading actors that are voice majors, is being coached under the watchful eyes of two members of the music department - Deborah Sperlich and Dr. Carl Anderson.

Sperlich, who received her master’s degree from Peabody Conservatory in Baltimore, holds rehearsals with the chorus and works with the leads individually.

"With the soloists, I’m doing more work. When everybody else is on stage and they are not on stage, I grab them and we go to the room to rehearse. There are times when I play a less active role, like when I’m sitting in the auditorium taking notes so that I can tell them later. You need to do this differently," Sperlich said.

Along with Sperlich and Anderson, each cast member will spend over eighty hours each in rehearsal. The cast meets five or six days a week, for which Sperlich and Anderson will be on their feet, picking up and dropping off.

"They are all players we have participated," Anderson said.

Although the music for the orchestra did not come from the Peabody Conservatory, it was composed and written by Sperlich and Anderson.

"In the mean time, we have conducted four rehearsals so that everyone gets a chance to hear what everyone was doing behind-the-scenes. Instead of being on stage all the time, why not help build it?" Sperlich said.

When asked about their jobs, Alicia Simpson said each person does whatever Ward requested them to do.

"I estimated that there were about 40 people working on the ship, many of whom are students in his classes. After a lot of figuring, he gave an astounding figure of at least 702 thousand man-hours involved in building the set, which does not include the technical work, which is done at night."

To illustrate the time involved, Mike Putman, the lighting board operator, pointed to the sheet which is a list of all the times in which "Pinafore" is rehearsed. The cast meetings are held several times a week, starting at 7:30 p.m., and lasting until 9:30 p.m. The actors work in groups of four or five, and the rehearsals are held in the auditorium.

"I have a lot of work to do, and I enjoy it. I got the chance to see what everyone was doing behind-the-scenes. Instead of being on stage all the time, why not help build it?" Prater said.
of ‘H.M.S. Pinafore’

The cast rehearses five to 10 hours a night in Ich and Anderson are majority of that time will conduct a 30-minute, which he "hands some of the best have in the music department," Anderson said.

The music has not been set for a final time, but they were all put together. The band had been practiced by Anderson, and the pianist, Tommy All that time.

This time, Anderson has had the piano and the casting, the cast once we number 120 together, can get used to each other and where the times there is not a big change of tempo. The only change they have to adjust to is the difference in sound from just the piano to having all the wind instruments there as well.

"Familiarity adds relaxation and security," he added.

Anderson commented that putting the show together was very involved.

After the cast has been decided upon, the real work begins. Everyone has a part.

"Dr. Morton has been doing all the blocking and stage directions. Ms. Sperlich has been basically involved with getting the ensembles and the soloists, and making sure that people have the correct diction for the period," Anderson said.

He summarized the production by saying, "It's a lot of fun, and you have to make that come across to an audience. We have a lot of fun with it."

Costumes have that "wedding cake" look.

Costumes are elaborate

By CYNDI OWENS

Chanticleer Staff Writer

No matter what else is accomplished by opening night of "H. M. S. Pinafore," Alice Morton has made herself a promise: "I want to enjoy this show!"

And well she should. Morton, along with her student workers, will costume the cast and the usherettes.

The work on the costumes started last fall, and Morton estimates that she and her student workers will put in about 2000 hours putting together the costumes for the cast of about 35.

Morton is not only responsible for making the costumes, but also for designing them.

Before the opening curtain, Morton said, "I will be backstage, supervising the makeup." Students from her makeup classes will be responsible for applying it.

"I'll be doing the hairdos for the ladies, and putting mutton chops (long sideburns) on some of the men," Morton added.

After this run, the costumes may be rented out to other productions of the show, or to productions that will require, "that wedding-cake look, that flower-garden look." Morton said.

The budget for the materials used in the costumes is twelve hundred dollars, but this figure does not include the cost of designing or constructing them. Besides the outfits, there are hats, flowers, ribbons, sashes, parasols, purses, and nosegays being made. Mary Hannah has volunteered her time to make the flowers.

The dresses have four or five different styles, but only one overskirt, but each one is going to be very, very different. Each one will be unique unto itself, because of the way we pull up the overskirt to put the flowers on, or drape it different ways," Morton stated.

She summed up her work by saying, "It's going to be a very pretty, pretty show."
**SGA and Miller Beer sponsor JSU boxing championship**

By TZENA GIBBS  
Chanticleer Senior Editor

The SGA and Miller Beer are sponsoring the Fifth Annual 1987 JSU Boxing Championship Tournament March 2 and 3 in Levine Auditorium. According to Greg Harley, SGA treasurer and boxing committee chairman, the tournament is open to all JSU students and the entry fee is $2.

The weight classes have seven divisions. They are: 126-140; 141-155; 156-170; 171-185; 186-200; and unlimited. All participants will receive a T-shirt for entering.

The competition will consist of three two-minute rounds. The participants will be furnished with 16 ounce boxing gloves but must supply their own mouth pieces. Harley said he is expecting about 25 students to compete for the championship.

"We have had a strong response from the fraternal organizations on campus with almost all of them sponsoring at least one entrant," Harley said.

In addition to the competition, exhibition fights will be held each night by members of the Anniston Boxing Club and rag girls will carry the score cards around the ring.

The winner will receive a Miller deluxe white jacket with 1987 JSU Boxing Tournament Champion emblazoned on it.

From 92-J radio station, Rich Daniel and Brandy Bowen are doing radio advertisements and promotions for the tournament.

"Leo Laughlin of Miller beer is really helping to make this a successful event," Harley said.

Harley also said he is expecting a crowd of about 300 to attend the boxing championship.

"I think this boxing tournament may be one of the most exciting events to hit JSU since last fall's Troy football game," Harley said.

For more information, details or entry blanks contact the SGA office at extension 210.

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**Sigma Nu**

The brothers of Sigma Nu would like to congratulate and welcome the following little sisters on their initiation into the Order of the White Rose of Sigma Nu fraternity: Dede Aquilla, Carla Byram, Lisa Cesario, Cathy Daley, Shannon Godforth, Amy Henderson, Patti Hipp, Gina Jenningras, Penny Lataste, Terren McConnell, Jenny Sutherland, and Kimberley Waddell.

Congratulations and best wishes to brother Bill Kohler and Jack Butler who were married on Saturday, February 14. Everyone wishes them success because Saturday was also the night of the Sigma Nu little sisters party. The party went well and everyone had a wonderful evening.

Tonight the brothers pledges and little sisters will be going roller skating. This will be the first brother-little sister mixer of this kind and should prove to be an experience worth remembering, provided no one gets hurt roller skating.

Tomorrow night is the Sigma Nu mixer with Zeta Tau Alpha. The theme for the evening will be "Be My Baby."

The Sigma Nu little sisters will be holding an auction for future dates. The date will be announced soon and invitations will be sent to all fratrones on campus.

Congratulations to all the new pledges who received their big brothers last week.

Sigma Nu is looking forward to their upcoming Sigma Nu St. Patty 87 in Gaineville, Florida. The date for the trip has been set for April 10 and 11. It is estimated that approximately 3,000 Sigma Nus from throughout the Southeast will be attending the party.

The Triad is coming. . . . April 9.

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**Pi Sigma Chi**

The brothers of the Pi Colony of Sigma Chi would like to thank all the young ladies who participated in their little sister rush last Wednesday and Thursday night. It was a huge success.

Two mixers have been scheduled for March. Alpha Xi Delta has been set for March 5 and Phi Mu for March 26.

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**Kappa Alpha**

The brothers of Kappa Alpha are really gearing up for a great semester. Tonight's mixer, the first of the semester, is set with the members of Alpha Xi Delta. The theme for tonight is Soul Train. Everyone is looking forward to having a real good time.

The KAs wish their basketball team good luck as they fight for a spot in the playoffs. With wins against Sigma Nu and Delta Chi, and only two losses, they still have a good chance of getting there. Craig Davis, Byron Echols, Allen Higgins, Brad Jones, Derrol Liker, Dana Ricks, Keith Ilesy, and Mike Bays will be counting on the remaining games.

The KAs held a tug-of-war on February 12 at the KA house. This was a fun time for everyone as the brothers and pledges got to know each other better. Most everyone left happy, but everyone left feeling like a winner.

The brothers of KA are also looking forward to their spring formal. The date has been set for April 3-5 and it will be held at St. George's Island in Florida.

The KAs are also looking forward to Old South mixers with Phi Mu and Delta Zeta, and the Triad party.

It's going to be a great semester.

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**Alpha Xi Delta**

The sisters of Alpha Xi Delta would like to thank the men of Kappa Phi for the wonderful mixer last Thursday night. The evening was enjoyed by all and the theme was "Valentine Boxer Bash." In keeping with the theme, everyone decorated a box of boxer shorts and wore them to the mixer.

Alpha Xi's are very excited about the mixer with the men of Kappa Alpha tonight. The theme of the mixer is "Soul Train" and everyone is expected to dress "Cool." T-shirts have been ordered for this mixer to add to the theme. Everyone is looking forward to a great time.

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**Zeta Tau Alpha**

Congratulations to the new members of Zeta Psi who were initiated last week: Pam Hamilton, Michelle Horton, Lisa Houston, Kim Masko, Cheryl McQuinn, Nnexus, Jana Parrish, Carrie Rhodes, Kim Richey, Ann Marie Rogers, Angie Spalding, Marpie, and Amy Waddell. The honor was well deserved.

Alpha Xi raised a large sum of money for the Big Oak Boy's Ranch by means of a road block yesterday. The money will go toward equipment and improvements at the Boy's Ranch. Congratulations is philanthropy chairman Margie Darden on a job well done.

Do not forget that Alpha Xi will raffle off $100 at tonight's ball game. Tickets may still be purchased today for fifty cents each.

Congratulations to Pam Sewell who was pledge of the week. Alpha Xi has a great pledge class. They are two of their key players and if they are not able to play then Tommy Bonds and Marvin Knight will have to pull a little bigger load said co-captain Sirus Tahmesh."n

Among American College Students.

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**International Club**

The International Club is planning a trip to trade day in Collinwood on Saturday, February 21. Those who are interested in going, please contact Maya at 231-7849. Seats are limited to please hurry.

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**Delta Chi**

The brothers of Delta Chi wish to express their thanks to all the ladies who came to the house during little sister rush. "We look forward to having a few good parties with the new group of sisters," said Pat Ryan, Jeff Painter, president of Delta Chi, said he just wised all the girls that came through could become little sisters but we don't have enough brothers for all of them.

The basketball team is still trying to make it to the playoffs. During the game against Kappa Alpha, Norman Bonds and Bill Griffin both suffered severely sprained ankles. They are two of their key players and if they are not able to play then Tommy Bonds and Marvin Knight will have to pull a little bigger load said co-captain Sirus Tahmesh.

During last Sunday's brother meeting, the candle was passed in honor of Paul Woodruff and Kathy Hay. The two of them have made plans for their wedding in December to be held in Albertville. Brother Kevin Watson, Woodruff's roommate said "I knew it was coming."

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**Phi Beta Lambda**

Phi Beta Lambda had their bimonthly meeting Monday February 16 in 101 Merrill Building. The speaker was Mike Self of the Small Business Development Center who spoke on the small business with emphasis on the role of small businesses in the economy.

The nex PBL meeting will be March 2 with the speaker being Tom Weymouth of A.G. Edwards and Sons Investors. His topic will be trust funds and investments. All faculty, staff and students are invited to attend.

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**Phi Mu**

Congratulations and good luck to the following girls who have been going through initiation all week and will be formally initiated into Phi Mu tomorrow night: Victoria Barnes, Joan Craighead, Vanessa Hamm, Gina Handlely, Julie Hayes, Holly Hightower, Amy Meyers, Donna D'Oleary, Jennifer Proctor.

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**Alpha Xi Delta**

Pat Boone will be the keynote speaker for the Spring national meeting of Alpha Xi Delta. Pat will be speaking on "A Touch of Elegance: Your Choice" on April 24 during the Annual Convention of Alpha Xi Delta.

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Lt. General Peterson is top man at Quantico

By Larry Moore
Special to the Chanticleer

He is a three star general and the commander of the Marine Corps base in Quantico, Virginia. He is one of the few and the proud, and he is a black man.

Lieutenant General Frank E. Peterson joined the Navy as a seaman apprentice in June 1956. Two years later he finished the Naval Aviation Cadet Program and was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Marine Corps. He made history by becoming the first black pilot in the Marine Corps and in later years he became the first black general in the marines.

As a black man Peterson blazed the trail for many young blacks to follow. Being a Marine Corps fighter pilot is one of the most elite, demanding and dangerous jobs in the world. Peterson's career started at a time when it was unusual to see black in leadership positions - a fact that is many times over looked today. He proved that blacks were capable of high achievement in the military and is an excellent role model for young black officers.

Peterson is a highly decorated veteran of the Korean War and the war in Vietnam. He has 360 combat air missions and has in excess of 4,000 hours in different fighter attack aircraft.

As commanding general of a Marine Corps base his job is mostly administrative. He has the responsibility of overseeing more than 8,000 marines and their families and he has an operating budget of $225 million a year. His command also oversees Marine Corps officer training, Marine Corps security, personnel training, development of new weapons systems and the training of all FBI and drug enforcement agents. He compares his current job to being the mayor of a small city.

Peterson realizes his position as a role model and says the "being a leader brings with it certain requirements to perform at or above the standard."

As a leader in one of the world's most elite fighting corps, Peterson is one of the best role models that aspiring young black man or woman could have.

Lisa Richardson, T' Rimmer, Michelle Watson, Dana Terry, Leslie Wiram, Sara Whitkowksi, Barbara Jane Howard, Susie Cockrell, Christina Nall, Jill Duvall, Mary George and Tracy Seymour. Brothers there they were able to get Barbara Jane Howard, Susie the Miss JSU pageant on February 16, Kappa Sigma brothers there they were able to get Lisa Richardson, 'T' Rimmer, Alpha Tau Omega on April 16.

Kappa Sigma

Kappa Sigma would like to thank all the brothers who participated in the brother-alumni retreat Saturday. With about 45 alumni and 30 brothers there they were able to get together and accomplish many things.

This retreat gave the alumni an idea of how Kappa Sigma is still improving in 1987, and the alumni gave the brothers a desire to try even harder.

The brothers of Kappa Sigma would like to welcome all of their new stardusters who were inducted Thursday night. Kappa Sigma welcomes each of them and is proud to have them as part of their fraternity.

Art

Art will be that they will project an attitude of excitement about unique visual stimulation with personal expression. He hopes students will take a great interest in Visutionique and will let his works create a means of visual escape with a trace of reality.
Freshman Terry Rutledge up strong for a rebound

JSU ends road string

By THOMAS BALLANGER
Chanticleer Senior Editor

The Jacksonville State Gamecocks ended their 10 game road losing streak Monday night, as they blasted the Tennessee - Martin Pacers by the score of 86-62 at UTMC's Pacer Arena.

Led by the play of freshman phenom Terry Rutledge, the Gamecocks raised their record to 10-12 overall, and to 0-5 mark in the Gulf South Conference. Tennessee - Martin grabbed an early 13-8 lead with 14:30 remaining in the opening half, but the Gamecocks quickly retaliated with a six-point run that gave the visitors a 14-13 advantage. The Gamecocks built their lead to 26-20 with 5:42 left in the half after a 10-4 run that was sparked by two three-point bombs by Robert Lee Sanders. Sanders hit two more three-shot points and also a driving layup before the half, and at halftime Jax State led UT-Martin by the score of 34-26.

Terry Rutledge scored 14 points and collected six rebounds in the opening half despite sitting out the final 3:30 of the period due to foul trouble. Robert Lee Sanders hit four three-point baskets and added another hoop to the Rutledge for halftame scoring honors with 14 points. Derek "Doc" Heck added four points and collected five boards in the opening twenty minutes.

Half number two started with a Kevin Riggin steal and a subsequent foul. Riggin hit both foul shots to stake the Gamecocks to their biggest lead of the night, 10 points at 36-26.

At the 17:22 mark, Coach Bill Jones was assessed with a technical foul. On the play that upset the Gamecock mentor, Robert Lee Sanders was called for a charging foul, but his basket was disallowed by the referee who claimed that Derek Hicks had interfered with the ball on the rim.

UTMC's Marvin Watts missed both technical foul shots, and a momentum shift had been overtaken by Jax State. However, the Pacers were not about to give up. With 16:11 remaining in the game, UTMC closed the gap to four, 38-34, after a jumper by Watts. Jax State countered with a drive by Hicks and a three - point jumper by Jeff Smith, which staked JSU to a 42-34 lead with 15 minutes left in the contest.

UTM drew within four with 14:15 left, but Smith answered back with another three - point bomb.

With the score 51-48 after a basket by Martin's Roy Cotton, the game got just interesting.

With 11:47 left in the game, Terry Rutledge was fouled by Cotton under the basket. Cotton then proceeded to take a swing at the freshman from Centreville, and both benches emptied onto the court. After the melee was broken up, two players had been ejected and assessed technicals. JSU's Jeff Smith and UTM's Robert Lanigan were excused by the referees for the rest of the evening.

When order was restored, there was the matter of a few free throws for each team. Rutledge, who was fouled on the previous possession, hit one foul shot to hike JSU's lead to 52-43. UTM's Mike Meschede then hit 1-2 technical shots, and Kevin Riggin hit the same number for the Gamecocks. When play resumed, JSU had a 53-44 lead, with 11:07 left in the contest.

Jax State outscored the Pacers over the next five minutes by the count of 12-4, aided by three hoops from Rutledge, and two three - point baskets by Kevin Riggin.

Rutledge picked up his fourth foul of the contest with 6:44 left, and he left the game with JSU holding a 65-50 advantage.

JSU hiked the lead to 17 after Kevin Riggin scored a box score. The subsequent foul shot gave Riggin a three-point play, and gave JSU a 69-52 lead with 5:50 left in the contest.

Tennessee - Martin trimmed the Gamecock lead to 13, 72-59, with three minutes to play, and still with the three-point play available to the Pacers, the game was far from settled.

However, the Gamecocks took charge of the rest of the way, and outscored the Pacers 12-3 over the contest's final two minutes.

Terry Rutledge paced the Gamecocks with a career - high 32 points. He also claimed a game - high 13 rebounds in what has to be his finest effort of his freshman season.

Robert Lee Sanders scored 18 points, all but two which came in the opening half. Sanders did an excellent job running the team, as he came out of a long shooting slump.

Kevin Riggin scored 14 points on the evening, with all of them coming in the second half. Riggin hit two three - point bombs, and added five foul shots to help JSU achieve its first road win of the year.

Roy Cotton led UTMC with his total of 14 points. Mike Meschede hit 11, and Marvin Watts added 10 points. UTM saw its GSC tournament hopes injured by the loss. The Pacers are now 16-10 overall, and 7-8 in the conference. Martin hosts Livingston in its final game of the season next Saturday night.

"We had a lot of reasons to not play well tonight. We had just come off a tough loss to UNA, which probably took us out of the playoff picture. The kids had every reason to lose confidence after the UNA game and they responded by playing their best game of the season.

"We gained a lot of confidence from this win. We have a tough game against Tennessee-Martin next Thursday and we need to build on this win to prepare for that game."

Talented recruits join Jax State

By THOMAS BALLANGER
Chanticleer Senior Editor

The Jacksonville State football program received a big boost this past week as 21 high school seniors signed binding letters of intent last Wednesday, which indicates that the football fortunes of JSU are going to continue to improve.

"We went into this recruiting season looking mainly for offensive and defensive linemen, and we think we accomplished that," Gamecock head coach Bill Burgess said.

Of the 21 players JSU signed, 18 are projected as defensive players. The Gamecocks signed 11 line prospects, five offensive and six defensive.

The top offensive signee is Carey Jackson, a 6-1, 309 lb. All-State offensive guard from Tuscawilla High School, in Jacksonville, Florida. Jackson holds three state weighting records, and helped his school to the 6A state title in 1986.

Weaver High School's Mike Allison, a 6-3, 255 lb. offensive lineman, was a first-team Class 3A player. Allison was also the state champion heavyweight wrestler.

JSU whisked a player from under the nose of rival North Alabama with the signing of Ike Gregory, a 6-2, 260 lb. lineman from Muscle Shoals High School. Gregory was named first-team Class 5A All-State.

Two other offensive line candidates signed by the Gamecocks are Michael Edwards, a 6-2, 255 lb. product from Opelika High School, and Rudy Cleckler, a 6-4, 265 lb. player from Maplewood High School. Both Edwards and Cleckler should add depth to an already good offensive line.

Two defensive tackles were signed, Anthony Stephens and John Sanders. Stephens, a 6-1, 270 lb. lineman from Villa Rica High School, was an Honorable-Mention All-State performer. During his senior season, Villa Rica captured the Class 3A State title in Georgia. Sanders, a 6-2, 265 lb. prospect from North Fulton High in Atlanta, was named All-City by the Atlanta Constitution.

Four defensive ends joined the Gamecocks. Mark Lyles, a 6-foot, 210 pound product hails from Fayette County High in Georgia. Mike Williams, who played for Wheeler High in Macon, Georgia, is 6-2 and weighs in at 210 pounds. Mike Lawrence, a 6-2, 225 lb. end hails from Pebblebrook High in Austell, Georgia. And last, but not least, is Darren Green a 6-3, 215 lb. player from Deshler High in Tusqawilla, Florida.

Three linebackers announced that they intend to play college football for the Gamecocks.

Burrell Gilbert, a 6-1, 210 pounder from Pensington High in Blountsville, was named Honorable-Mention All-State for 1986.

Burrell Gilbert, a 6-1, 215 pounder from Colbert County High was named to the Florence Times-Daily All-Area team.

Hugh Smith, who hails from Wellborn High in Anistown, committed his 5-11, 210 lb. frame to the Gamecock program.

Four defensive backs were signed by the Gamecocks. These signees include: Rodney Scott, a 6-foot, 170 pounder from Columbus High in Atlanta; Charles Dodley, a 5-11, 170 pounder from Piedmont High School; Terry White, a 6-foot, 160 pound back from Fairchild High in Birmingham; and Rodrick Flowers, a 6-foot, 175 pound defensive back from J.O. Johnson High in Huntsville.

Only three offensive players signed with the Gamecocks.

Two backs were signed to help bolster the JSU ground game. Shawn Johnson, a 5-10, 175 lb. running back from Clarkston High in Clarkston, Ga., gained over 1300 yards as he led his team to the state playoffs. The other back signed was Todd Smith who hails from Waycross High in Missouri. Johnson, a 5-10, 170 pounder, gained over 1400 yards, as he led Monroe High to the playoffs.

The other offensive signee is quarterback Albert Edmundson. Edmundson, a 5-11, 170 lb. signal caller, played at Towers High in Atlanta. He passed for over 900 yards in leading his school to the state 3A playoffs.

These additions, to an otherwise young Gamecock squad, could mean that the rebuilding process at JSU could produce a contending team stronger than anticipated.

UNA wins close one

By THOMAS BALLANGER
Chanticleer Senior Editor

Any remaining hopes that the Jacksonville State Gamecocks had of qualifying for the Gulf South Conference post-season basketball tournament came to an end Saturday night when the North Alabama Lions defeated JSU 86-83 in a GSC game played at UNA's Flowers Hall.

JSU started badly as the host. Lions roared out to a 24-5 lead with 10:18 remaining in the first half, however, the Gamecocks climbed back into the contest with a nine-point string that cut the UNA advantageto two points at 28-26 with 3:20 left until intermission.

At halftime, UNA led 34-23, but it could have been much worse. Bill Jones' Gamecocks opened the second half with a 12-5 run and with 10:16 left, UNA called timeout down by the score of 41-38.

After a Randall Holmes basket gave JSU a 46-43 advantage, a freak play changed the entire complexion of the game.

Gamecock forward Kevin Riggin picked up his fourth foul of the game with 13:16 to play. Riggin blocked the shot of UNA's Anthony Reid but

(See STRING, Page 13)
Lady Gamecocks beaten by Lions

By THOMAS BALLENGER
Chanticleer Senior Editor

The Lady Gamecocks of Jax State dropped their fourth straight contest on the season Saturday night, as they fell to the North Alabama Lady Lions 90-71 in a Gulf South Conference game at the Cockpit.

UNA jumped out to an early 5-0 lead and the Lady Lions were never headed.

North Alabama led 47-24 at the half shooting 56 percent from the floor in the opening half compared to JSU's 38 percent.

The Lady Gamecocks outscored UNA 47-41 in the final half, but the 3-point halftime deficit was too much to overcome.

Idella DeRamus led the Lady Gamecocks with her totals of 21 points and 12 rebounds. Alicia Wright - scored 16 points, as the junior from Huntsville hit four three-point baskets during the contest. Freshman guard Luchiya Cabrera scored a season-high 12 points, dished out two assists, and stole three passes.

North Alabama was led by Teenna Rutledge with 25 points. Four other Lady Lions scored in double figures, paced by Cindy Carr's 18 points.

UNA shot an incredible 64 percent from the field for the game as the Lady Lions consistently worked the ball inside for close shots. JSU shot only 44 percent for the contest, but this figure was lowered by the many jump shots the team attempted as the ladies tried to get back into the contest.

Jax State's overall record is now 6-19, and the Lady Gamecock's GSC mark is 1-11. UNA's overall record is now 7-17, and 5-6 in the conference.

The Lady Gamecocks conclude their season Saturday night as they host the Lady Blazers of Valdosta State. Tipoff is set for 5:15.

Shooters set new record, await word

By THOMAS BALLENGER
Chanticleer Senior Editor

The rifle team of Jacksonville State University traveled to Murray State University this past weekend to compete in the NCAA Sectional rifle meet, which is a qualifier for the NCAA Championships.

"We will not know until March 1 how we placed nationally. Only the top eight schools will get invited to nationals. We probably will place around 15th nationally," rifle coach Captain Boyd Collins said.

Overall Collins was pleased with his team's performance.

"I said at the start of the year that I would be very pleased if we broke 450, which we did this weekend," he said.

The next meet for the Gamecock shooters will be the Feb. 27-28 as the team travels to Louisiana for the Mardi Gras Invitational.

UNA

Randall Holmes, and Terry Rutledge, each scored eight points. North Alabama was paced by Buck Williams who scored 16 points for the Lions. Anthony Reid played well as the junior netted 16 points. Senior guard Tamp Harris was the final UNA player in double figures as he scored 10.

JSU saw its overall record fall to 9-12 with the loss, and its GSC mark now 2-6.

JSU's John Mathews was the high scorer with a team score of 1070. The Chanticleer Senior Editor

"Steve Chew is the one shooter that we have that will probably go to nationals. He will probably make the tournament chances of Jacksonville State, and hope for a few upsets along the way. Livingston would have to defeat Tennessee-Martin, and North Alabama would have to lose its final two games to Valdosta State and Delta State. This would leave four teams tied for the final GSC tournament slot, and how that tie would be broken is anyone's guess.

Jacksonville State hosts Mississippi College tonight at Mathews Coliseum. Tipoff is set for 7:30. Saturday night, the Gamecocks end their season by hosting the Valdosta State Blazers. Tipoff is set for 7:30.

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Jacksonville State Athletic Schedule

Feb. 19  MC at JSU (Men’s basketball) 7:30
21    Tuskegee at JSU (Baseball) 1:00
VSC at JSU (Women’s basketball) 5:15
VSC at JSU (Men’s basketball) 7:30
24    JSU at MUW (Women’s tennis)
25    JSU at LaGrange (Baseball)
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Intramural Standings

College baseball coach Rudy Abbott discusses strategy with ace hurler Mark Eskins as the Gamecocks prepare for their season opening game.

By THOMAS BALLENGER
Chanticleer Senior Editor

Coming off a 46-12 season in 1986, the Gamecocks of Coach Rudy Abbott will open their 1987 season this Saturday.

“We have the makings of a good team, but so does everyone else in the GSC. The strength of our ball club will be pitching and defense,” said Abbott.

The Gamecocks return five hurlers who saw considerable action in 1986. The ace of last year’s staff was Mark Eskins, Eskins, a junior from Griffin, Ga., who posted a record of 10-3 with an ERA of 1.69 last season.

Eskins started 16 games a year ago, and led the Gamecock pitchers in innings pitched with 88.

Joe Loria actually had the best stats of any Gamecock hurler in 1986, but Loria only pitched in nine games. The senior from Harper Woods, Michigan, won all six of his decisions, and posted a 1.69 ERA.

Loria was also a bit of a wild streak, but if he can control his pitches, he could be a big winner for the Gamecocks in 1987.

Steve Marriam, a lefthander from Watertown, N. Y., Marriam went 8-3 and posted three saves last season. He experienced trouble late in the season, but he should be primed for his senior season.

James Preston posted a 5-5 record for JSU last season, and his ERA was high at 6.37.

Finally Scotty Ward is back for his senior season. The Barborne native went 6-9 last season, in his 10 appearances.

Leon Moody returns for his sophomore season. Moody pitched infrequently for the team in 1986, but he could be a valuable member of the pitching staff in 1987.

Seven new pitchers have joined the team for 1987. The new additions are: Todd Jones, a 6-2 righthanded pitcher from Marietta, Ga.; David Strain, a 6-3 freshman from Rockledge, Fla.; David Coffey, the former JSU quarterback; Dwain Gregg, a 6-2 junior college transfer from Georgia; Brian Robertson, a 6-4 freshman from Alexandria; Gary Farr, a 6-0 left-handed pitcher from Tyrone, Ga.; and finally Steve Jones, a 5-9 freshman from Montgomery.

Six veterans return as starters for 1987.

Catcher Chuck Wagner returns for his sophomore season. Wagner hit .296 with four homers and 26 RBIs a year ago. He is a very dependable defensive catcher, and his offense should improve as he grows more accustomed to college pitching.

Craig Daniels, who played in the outfield last year, will be the Gamecocks’ second baseman. Daniels hit .307 last year with 13 homers and 26 RBIs to his credit.

Third baseman Stewart Lee returns for his third season as a Gamecock. Lee was named Honorable Mention All-American for his 1986 season, which saw the Bessemer native bat .383 with 23 homers and 67 RBIs.

Ben Underwood will play leftfield, after spending the majority of 1986 as the JSU designated hitter. Underwood hit .348 with two homers and 21 RBIs on the season.

Craig Caldwell returns this year, and will play rightfield for Abbott. Caldwell, a sophomore from Snellville, Ga., hit .478 in limited playing time.

Finally, the last returnee is designated hitter Ryan Griffith. Griffith hit .429 last season, when he was used primarily as a pinch hitter and a reserve catcher.

Three new faces appear in the starting lineup for the Gamecocks in 1987. First base will be occupied by Larry Doyle, a junior college transfer from Jefferson State.

Shortstop Harold Ragdale will be the second new face to JSU fans, as he comes to the Gamecocks via DeKalb Junior College in Atlanta. The third new face will be to centerfielder James Karamanos, a native of West Belmar, N. J., who transferred to JSU from Ocean Junior College.

Other players on the roster include: Todd Cole, a 6-1 second baseman from Fayette, Ga.; Russell English, a 5-10 infielder from Doraville, Ga.; Jeff Webb, a 6-2 freshman third baseman from Madison, Tenn.; Marty Levrich, a 6-0 sophomore catcher from Jacksonville; Robert Lane, a 6-1 freshman shortstop from Blanchester, Ohio; Roger White, a 6-1 freshman outfielder from Bessemer; Ed Caldwell, a 6-11 catcher from St. Cloud, Fla.; James Reynolds, a 5-11 sophomore third baseman from Jacksonville; Heath Garmon, a 6-2 outfielder from White Plains; Tarous Rice, a 6-1 outfielder from Decatur; Bob Hagens, a 6-2 freshman from Allegheny; Gary Farr, a 6-0 left-handed pitcher from Tyrone, Ga.; and finally Steve Jones, a 5-9 freshman from Montgomery.

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A sight Gamecock fans are accustomed to- a vicious McKeller dunk

Keith will look equally good in an NFL uniform

Gamecock two-sport star hopes for a shot at the NFL

By THOMAS BALLENGER
Chanticleer Senior Editor

A former Gamecock sports star is apparently going to get the chance to continue his athletic career in professional football.

Keith McKeller, a four-year All-Gulf South Conference basketball performer, and a one-time All-GSC performer in football, is on the threshold of a professional football career.

McKeller participated in a recent scouting combine camp in Indianapolis, and impressed the pro scouts with his speed, strength, and his ability to catch the ball.

"It felt great knowing that I was able to compete with all of the great players at the camp. Several scouts told me that they were impressed with my size and speed. They told me to keep working hard," McKeller said.

McKeller came to Jacksonville State from Fairfield High School in Birmingham and was Fairfield's all-time leading rebounder leading his school to records of 25-10 and 24-10 his last two years. He also played tight end on the football team at Fairfield.

McKeller will go down as one of the greatest players in Jacksonville State basketball history. In his four year career, the Gamecocks claimed one GSC title, and won the 1984-85 NCAA Division II National Title.

Even though his professional prospects lie in football, he does not regret his decision to play basketball at Jax State.

"I don't regret playing basketball. If I had to do it over gain, I might have quit basketball after we won the national title, and then played football for two years, but things have worked out fine," McKeller said.

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The prospects of being taken by the same team that picks Vinnie Testaverde brings a smile to the face of the big tight end.

"I would love that. He is one of the best. I met him at Indianapolis, and he is a great guy," he said.
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