Two students killed in weekend accidents

Porter taken in wreck

By CYNDI OWENS
Editor in Chief

Tracey Leigh Porter, a freshman from Mableton, Ga., was killed in a two-vehicle accident last Sunday.

Porter, an 18-year-old physical education major, was killed instantly when the 1988 Mustang convertible she was driving was struck in the left door.

The driver of the other vehicle, 63-year-old Fred Callan of Lithia Springs, Ga., was also pronounced dead on the scene.

According to Georgia State Trooper J.D. Sumner, the accident took place at approximately 11:40 a.m. Sunday. Porter was sitting at the intersection of State Road 6 and U.S. 78, and when the light turned green she pulled into the intersection.

Sumner said as she pulled out, Callan, driving a 1981 Chevrolet pickup truck, ran the red light and crashed into the left side of Porter’s car. He was said to be traveling at approximately 55 miles per hour, which was the speed limit in that zone.

Both Porter and Callan suffered massive head injuries and died on the scene.

“Whoever made this decision” said Sumner, “tells people something I’ve learned in 22 years of this type work. It’s important that we make these decisions.

“You don’t have to be doing anything wrong to get hurt.”

Sumner said preliminary reports indicated “no implication on Ms. Porter’s part” of wrongdoing.

An investigation into the wreck is ongoing. Neither car contained other passengers.

Porter was a pledge for Zeta Tau Alpha sorority and was a staff writer and photographer for The Chanticleer.

Her funeral was Wednesday at Orange Hill Baptist Church in Austell.

She is survived by her parents, Jackie and Pat Porter of 1566 Donna Street, Mableton, and a sister, Sandy.

Fall kills Nunnally

By CYNDI OWENS
Editor in Chief

A 20-year-old JSU student was killed last Saturday night when he fell from the roof of a four-story apartment building in Birmingham.

William Kenneth Nunnally, a law enforcement major, was pronounced dead at University Hospital in Birmingham about 25 minutes after plunging from the roof of the building to a parking lot below.

According to wire service reports, Nunnally was walking around the walls of a sun deck on the roof when he lost his balance and fell. He was in Birmingham attending a bachelor party.

Nunnally was a resident of Anniston. Funeral services were Tuesday at Golden Springs Baptist Church in Anniston.

Self, noted educator, dies

By TODD FRESHWATER
News Editor

Reuben Self, a JSU educator and civic leader, died Monday at the age of 93.

Services were Wednesday at 2 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church of Jacksonville.

Self was a St. Clair County native born in 1896, was an educator for 46 years, 36 of them on the faculty at JSU. The building housing the College of Communication and Fine Arts was named in his honor twice, once when the building was first built and again when the building was renovated and rededicated.

“He was an inspiration and an outstanding man,” said Harold McGee, president of JSU. “You would see him at the library. He was a scholar.”

During his years at JSU, he served as a professor of education, director of student teaching, and the school’s first director of the graduate division.

“He loved the University,” McGee said.

Self was also active with the Boy Scouts of America, the Jacksonville Exchange Club, professional education organizations and other groups.

Self moved to Jacksonville in 1928.

Survivors include his wife, a daughter, and four grandchildren.

“He will be missed,” said McGee.
Riot brings changes to police policies

By TODD FRESHWATER
News Editor

On April 18, 1989, Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, sponsored a "Step Show." According to a report released by a University ad hoc committee, the show was disrupted several times by Kappa Alpha Psi members who tried to force their way into the auditorium. The Kappas did eventually gain entrance and then fought with the Alphas.

After the group disbanded they assembled in an area near Fitzpatrick, Curtis, Weatherly and Pannell halls. The crowd was ordered to disband and it would not.

Area law enforcement officials were called and arrived to assist the University Police Department. The crowd then slowly disbanded.

Since this incident in April, there have been several plans and suggestions on how to deal with this problem if it ever arises again.

A seminar entitled "Emergency Response to Civil Disorder on College Campuses" took place Aug. 2. The purpose of the seminar was to better prepare the University for this kind of incident.

The seminar began with David Nichols, director of public safety, presenting his account of the disturbance. After Nichols' presentation, speakers from other universities spoke about their universities' plans for these kinds of emergencies. These speakers were Asa Boynton, director of public safety at the University of Georgia and Ben Clements, the Alabama Department of Public Safety.

The afternoon session concluded with a moderated discussion and critique by Tom

(See RIOT, Page 4)
UPD brings in two new officers

By TRACY PORTER
News Writer

The University Police Department has already started off the year in a busy manner. With the parking situation and all of the fraternity parties here, the campus police have had their hands full.

The sudden enrollment increase has also added a lot more responsibilities to each of the officers. Considering there are only 14 officers, each officer must be capable of fulfilling several different positions. However, this year the UPD had two open positions on the force. Two employees from last year were unable to return to the department for this fall.

Fire

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Upon arriving at the hospital, it was determined that he had suffered a heart attack. According to King, Keammerer is now feeling better and the hospital has moved his status from critical to guarded.

King said Keammerer was passing through Jacksonville when he noticed the blaze. Keammerer then stopped to assist. It was then that he collapsed.

As a result of losing two force members, David Nichols, director of public safety, has hired two new officers to the staff. Although the two officers are both black, their arrival to the force was not to fill a certain racial quota. Nichols said, “We think that we have been affirmative in our efforts to ensure appropriate representation of the community.”

One of the new officers, James Whitman, is a local resident of Jacksonville and was formally an employee for the city of Jacksonville. The other new police officer, Ben Hires, is a part-time student here at JSU and also a resident of the Jacksonville area.

Of the 14 UPD officers, Nichols is the only one not constantly in uniform. Each officer is highly trained with the PR-24, which is also known as the baton. They are also certified by the Police Academy in advanced training.

Among the members of the force, there are individual officers trained as Intoxilizer operators and Certified Firearm Instructors. These qualifications and training certifications help the officers maintain order around campus.

Since there are only 14 officers for the UPD and there are 188 hours in a working week for these officers, the force sometimes needs a bit of help. That is when the Student Patrol Officers come in handy. There are only three of them. These officers help a great deal with building security, assisting motorists and parking.

Another volunteer firefighter, Keith Brumbelo, suffered heat exhaustion. He recovered shortly after leaving the fire and returned to fight the blaze.

An insurance adjuster said the house was a total loss. The fraternity did not own the house. It belongs to Josephine McEwen of Jacksonville.

Bomb empties classes

By TODD FRESHWATER
News Editor

Students and teachers Tuesday were jarred from their studies at Stone Center when the fire alarm was triggered. After students left the building, they noticed a large number of police in the area.

There was good reason. Someone had called in a bomb threat.

The building was searched, but officers failed to locate a bomb.

After the first threat, another threat was called into the Jacksonville Police Department. This time, the building was Martin Hall. Martin was evacuated and a search made. Again, no bomb was discovered.

According to Jacksonville Police Chief Tommy Thompson, both threats were made using the 911 emergency line.
Riot

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Schmitt elected president

By WARREN MacFARLAND
Staff Writer
Craig A. Schmitt, director of residence life, is president-elect of the Alabama Association of Housing Officers.

Schmitt was "excited" yet "humbled" by his nomination and election to the high post at the recent state meeting at the University of North Alabama.

"It's a good opportunity for me to learn about housing problems at other schools in the state," Schmitt said.

Because Schmitt is president-elect, JSU will host next year's state meeting.

"It will give JSU an opportunity next spring," Schmitt said, "to show our housing programs to others in the state."

The AAHO is comprised of professionals responsible for the programs and activities provided to college students who live on campus in residence halls. The members come from universities throughout the state including Alabama, Auburn and 16 other universities.

Barker.

As a result of this seminar, there have been several new policies adopted by the University.

The first is an emergency operation plan for campus disorders and disasters. This plan not only deals with disorders but with natural disasters such as storms or tornadoes.

An administrative response team has been formed. The team is made up of key administrative officials who would be involved in the event of a campus emergency.

An orientation has been given to police officers at the University. This program briefed officers on proper conduct and attitude when dealing with a large crowd.

The police orientation was probably a result of the alleged problems of excessive force used by University police during the April 18 incident. Two officers were disciplined for this reason. One of the two was released.

The purpose of these plans and the seminar is to better prepare the University for problems like those on April 18.

"We do not anticipate any more problems," Nichols said.

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For the record—

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WLJS needs new sound
By JONATHAN DOWNEY
Photography Editor

Of all the campuses in Alabama, JSU is the only one I know of that has an album-oriented rock radio station. Album-oriented rock is a “harder” version of Top 40, playing such bands as Def Leppard, Dokken, Styx and anything else now considered heavy metal or classic rock.

WLJS says the station is run for the students and by the students, which makes me think all the students at JSU like the AOR format. But this is not true. Actually there is just a small percentage of the students who enjoy this kind of music.

I have been a disk jockey at 92J for a year, and I have worked every type shift that 92J offers except the Christian show. Every time I have worked I have received 90 percent of my requests from 15- to 18-year-old high school students. It would seem 92J has a target audience of heavy metal headbangers (high school) and classic hard rockers (mid-20s to 30s). The audience does include some college students, but I would wager to say it is a very small minority.

Most college radio stations around the country are set up for the purpose of not only serving the college but also for opening the music market for underground bands and little-heard types of music. The reason this is done is so students at that university will hear a range of music types not normally available for the public market.

This type of music is called progressive -- the cutting edge of music. WEGL of Auburn University, the top-ranked college station in Alabama, is a progressive station, along with the University of Alabama and most of the rest of the college stations in our state. What this all boils down to is the fact we need to re-evaluate our radio station and the format it plays.

I would really like to know if there is a majority of fellow students out there who would like to see this university catch up with all the rest of the universities that have found progressive music as the only way to go. Let’s make the change that has been needed for so long.

Let’s make JSU a progressive rather than a regressive university.

For what it's worth
SGA doesn't control newspaper

There seem to be some people who are laboring under the mistaken impression that the Student Government Association in some way controls or operates The Chanticleer.

I would like to clear this up.

I am not sure why this rumor has gotten started, and I’m really not sure how many people have heard this, but I'm going to try to put this rumor to rest.

First of all, this newspaper is run for students by students. Everyone on staff is a registered student. Most of our staff members are volunteers.

The SGA does not vote on the editor in chief or any other member of the staff, although of the nine seats on the Communication Board, two are set aside for students. One of these is the SGA president, and the other is a student selected by the SGA president. There are also seats four communication department faculty, two at-large faculty and the vice president for institutional advancement.

The SGA also has no control over the editorial content of the newspaper. That is the sole responsibility of the editor in chief, who is advised by a faculty member concerning libel laws and ethical guidelines.

Also, funding for the newspaper is neither decided upon by nor distributed through the SGA. Funding is allocated through the same channels as any other University entity.

In short, The Chanticleer is neither a division nor a function of the SGA. The SGA does its job and we at the paper try to do ours.

Having said all that, I feel compelled to add a few things.

We need the SGA. I think the officers and senators are doing a fine job, and so far we have enjoyed what I hope has been mutually beneficial relationship. I hope the members of the SGA feel the same way.

But we do not exist as a whim of the SGA. Indeed, in looking back at our archives, there have been several cases of the SGA and the paper butting heads, and so far in my tenure as editor this has not happened. I hope it doesn’t happen now.

The newspaper is here to serve all students. It does not endeavor to please all of the people all of the time, for that is impossible. It does, however, strive to give students an open forum for discussion and debate.

Incidentally, there is one other thing I’d like to clarify. There is likely to be a strong mix of differing opinions represented in the paper, especially in personal columns. I do not always agree personally with the ideas set forth, but I try to let everyone have his say.

If you see something in the paper you do not agree with, then sound off by writing a letter to the editor. No one likes to be blasted, but we do like to hear opposing view points.

I really admire someone who isn't afraid to voice his opinion, even if it differs from my own. Keep those cards and letters coming.

The Chanticleer

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I THINK I LIKED IT BETTER WHEN MR. TOWNSHEND SMASHED GUITARS INSTEAD OF HIS WALKER...
Letters to the editors

Mayor welcomes everyone to town

Dear Editor:

Personally, and on behalf of the City Council and the citizens of Jacksonville, I would like to welcome all of the JSU students and faculty, especially the freshman class and new faculty and staff persons.

We are proud of Jacksonville State University, and congratulate you on choosing Jacksonville as a place to continue your education and a place to live. Many things will be new and strange to you; however, I hope your frustrations will reduce as you become more accustomed to our city.

Let me urge you to support our local businesses, which in turn will be more able to provide advertising dollars and other support to our community and campus programs.

Your youth and enthusiasm is welcomed, but please be considerate of others in all of your activities.

If you have any questions or comments; please feel free to call my office or visit City Hall.

Sincerely,

John B. Nisbet, Jr.
Mayor

Reader says comments 'crude'

(Editor's note: The following letter is addressed to Matt Brooks, features editor.)

Mr. Brooks,

The comments you made in the Sept. 14 issue of The Chanticleer outside the university, tasteless and insensitive to Afro-Americans, persons born above the Mason-Dixon Line, and to Ally Sheedy.

To address the allegations that you condemn the "North" with, I would like to point out that many of the things these "North-erners" said were quite true.

The area below the Mason-Dixon Line has the highest rate of illiteracy per capita in the United States. Socially and economically, the "South" is 50 years behind the rest of the Union.

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Opinion

What's news

Flag brouhaha: a burning issue that continues to smolder

The flag is back in the news again. A bill making flag burning illegal has gone from the House to the Senate for approval.

That the bill is even needed is ironic. It seems incredible that the symbol giving us the freedom to express ourselves is the symbol being burned. This is THE American Flag.

This argument is old but the fact the House has passed the bill is important. I hope the Senate will also pass it. Then Bush should sign it into law, unless he radically changes his mind -- a distinct possibility.

The bill is not an amendment. Supporters of the bill hope an amendment to the Constitution will not be necessary. They don't want to "monkey around" with the Bill of Rights.

Many people have expressed resentment at not being able to burn the flag. Well, there are still plenty of other nasty flags to burn. Go burn one from China. The Communist flags have been good this year. Or try one from South Africa. With all those flags out there, why burn the American Flag?

There once was a time when the flag meant something. Children pledged allegiance and were taught to respect it. People would even stand up when the flag would enter a room.

What happened? The flag used to be a symbol of freedom. Men died for it. People have risked their lives to get it. Now people here, in America, want to allow flag burning. I can understand Third World people wanting this, but Americans?

America has its shortcomings, but it is still the most democratic society in the world. At least here, you have a chance. We know what happened in Asia. It won't happen here. We're protected by our laws. We are America and we should act as Americans.

The flag is our symbol. Go burn something else.

Bush's drug war needs strategy

By MIKE LIVINGSTON

Staff Writer

Is the United States ready to win the war on drugs? President George Bush has put out a plan for us to look at and start the debate.

His plan is to book them and throw them in jail and his biggest budget item will be to add 24,000 federal prison cells. Other than these few items there is not really anything which stands out as news to battle the problem.

The main issue is who is going to pay for the war on drugs. Bush seems to think he can do this by cutting other programs. This will be difficult, since many programs have been cut during the Reagan years. Bush has told us to read his lips, that he would not raise taxes during this term.

This should make us wonder how much the government is ready to win the war on drugs.

New programs do cost money to run and the only way for this program to work is to fund the program by taxes.

The public may not be ready to back a program, since our government seems to have wasted a lot of money in the areas of defense and Housing and Urban Development. It should be a cause of concern to us that our money will be used wisely for this war.

The last area of concern is that we must try to stop people from wanting to take drugs. To have a program for the children that has a major statement saying "Just say No," is not the answer. Indeed the title gives it the aura of forbidden fruit, and doesn't this make drugs even more tempting?

Avoid soft drink cans before class

By MIKE LIVINGSTON

Staff Writer

There are some things you should avoid when you are in the classroom and awaiting instruction from the friendly professor.

Let us take a look at these items:

1. Do not bring a soft drink can to class. Usually the can is unopened and the student will try to open it slowly as not to make a noise as the professor is calling roll. However, when one opens the can it will slowly spray all over everyone and cause a major ruckus.

2. Avoid friendship rings around the neck. It is possible to get those darn things stuck on the edge of a desk, causing a student to fall flat on his face.

3. Don't start sneezing in class and become unable to sit.

4. Refrain from saying bad things about a professor's class, because you might not notice him when he enters the classroom.

5. Of course the problem with being too quiet is that you will get called on during class. Try to make sure if you try to answer you are right or they will keep asking after you until the lack of knowledge has become obvious to all in class.

Example: "Ms. Adams, what was the driving force for people in the colonies?" "Was it food? Clothing? Indians? The King? Dr. McGee?" "Those are all close, Ms. Adams. Please go on.

" (See AVOID, Page 9)
Chandler's 'Fire and Rain' subject of movie

By ERIC MACKENZIE
Features Writer
JSU was the focus of national attention last week via communication instructor Jerry Chandler and his USA Cable Network-released movie "Fire and Rain."

The movie was based on a book of the same name written by Chandler after the Aug. 2, 1985, crash of Delta Airlines Flight 191 at the Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport. "I was in Dallas visiting my mom," Chandler said. He heard of the crash while sitting at the dinner table only a few miles away.

As a correspondent for Time magazine, Chandler immediately called Time headquarters in Atlanta to receive an assignment to cover the crash.

Even though he rushed to the crash sight -- arriving less than an hour after the tragedy -- Chandler said he experienced trepidation about covering the horrifying story as a journalist. "I had mixed emotions about the whole thing," he said. "A hundred and thirty-six people died. It caused a lot of people a lot of pain."

Chandler did say, however, he did not have enough time to think about all of the effects of the tragedy until days later. It was Friday and "Time" had a deadline that very night for the next issue. In fact, the magazine had to forego the normal deadline as Chandler worked frantically through the night interviewing survivors, collecting data and composing his story.

Chandler met the first survivor as he went to the hospital to interview one man who managed to survive. Still, it was not an immediate reaction to write a book detailing the incident.

"Covering the story" was all that was on Chandler's mind. "I didn't think of writing the book until a couple of days later," he said.

One reason for writing the story was the discrepancies Chandler saw in the way air control personnel handled the entire landing attempt. "Air traffic control was overloaded," he said, adding there was a severe thunderstorm in Dallas at the time.

A jury in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., where Flight 191 originated, placed the blame of the accident on the federal government. The decision released the pilot and Delta Airlines from any wrongdoing. However, a second jury in Fort Worth, Texas, gave an opposite ruling.

In the book, Chandler attempted to point out the faults of the federal air-traffic regulators. The movie version did not follow his original guidelines, though. "The movie does not attempt to place blame," he said.

Chandler signed a contract to write the book Sept. 11, 1985. The book actually took less than a year to write.

A movie option was signed three years later, in 1988. The option did not guarantee the book would be turned into a movie, however.

Fortunately, though, it was produced. In March of this year Chandler received news, the movie was indeed in the works. "They filmed the movie in 28 days for a budget of just under $3 million," Chandler said. "The movie, which is a docudrama, varies from the original text. Gary Sherman wrote the screenplay. "Overall, I was pleased with the movie outcome" he said. "I think it's better than the average made-for-TV movie."

For the one thing Chandler would like to do if he could: "If I could make this whole thing happen," he said, "I would, in a heartbeat, give up everything."

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Johnson nominated for award

By MATT BROOKS
Features Editor
The Alabama Humanities Foundation recently announced the nomination of 13 distinguished citizens of this state for the first Alabama Humanities Awards.

The foundation, celebrating its 15th year as the state program of the National Endowment for the Humanities, will make the award to one individual who has made an exemplary contribution to the public understanding and appreciation of the humanities Oct. 10 at a special luncheon at the Bentley Hotel in Birmingham.

Anne Gentry Johnson, professor of English, has been nominated for the award. Johnson, who has been at JSU for 23 years, received the Distinguished Teacher Award by the College of Humanities and Social Sciences in 1987.

The Alabama Humanities Foundation put out a call for nominations through a publication which reaches 6,000 Alabamians. According to Marie Hurley Blair of the foundation, Clyde Cox, head of the English department, and Rebecca Burt, instructor of English, nominated Johnson for the award, and Mary Martha Thomas, professor of history, seconded the nomination.

"Teaching for her (Johnson) is a calling," said Cox. "(Her nomination) will reflect favorably on the department. We're certainly proud of her."

"All of the nominees have made meaningful contributions to the humanities in a variety of ways," said AHF Executive Director Robert C. Stewart. "Through volunteer leadership, scholarly achievement, outstanding teaching, or public advocacy. It is an honor for the Alabama Humanities Foundation to be associated with such fine people."

Johnson has worked with the Alabama Shakespeare Festival in Anniston in the past, giving pre-show lectures. She has also been active for many years in various civic projects and in the Episcopal church.

Hailing from Lineville, Johnson attended Judson College in Marion and was a Fulbright Scholar at the University of Southampton in England. She received a master's degree from the University of Alabama and a doctorate from Tulane University in New Orleans.

Johnson feels her background in the humanities helped her to receive the nomination. "I think the most important thing (in receiving the nomination) is that I teach a humanities course," she said. "I also teach an Honor's English course."

The Alabama Humanities Foundation awards grants on a competitive basis to nonprofit organizations sponsoring programs. (See JOHNSON, Page 9)

College men, women are not on equal ground in bedroom

By MATT BROOKS
Features Editor
The Sexual Revolution has come and gone, but college women and men still aren't on equal ground in the bedroom, says sociologist Janet Lever.

Lever drew her conclusions from an October 1988 roundtable discussion for six women attending the University of Wisconsin in Madison. They discussed things like fear of AIDS and pregnancy, condoms, oral sex, mutual satisfaction, date rape and intimacy.

"The biggest change I see in the last 25 years is that a guy's not compelled to have sex," Lever said. "Women are still sexually active," Lever said. "AIDS just makes them wait until the third or fourth date to have sex." The women ranged from Carolyn, a 26-year-old junior who'd been having sex for more than three years but had never used birth control, to Emily, a 19-year-old sophomore who tries to use men before they can use her.

Other research has indicated sexual habits of college women are about the same as in the 1970s. Iowa State psychology professor Meg Gerard last spring (See EQUAL, Page 9)
Chandler

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I've gained professionally.”

Chandler said he had mixed feelings the whole time about profiting off the misfortune of others. However, Chandler said he continued to fall back on the idea of composition: journalists do that (profit on trouble), and it’s a difficult thing to do. “No one likes to profit from other people’s pain,” he said. “You have to do it with style and grace.”

Another fact that has helped Chandler is the belief that through his book something good can emerge. Possibly, he believes, the film will help someone “appreciate life more.”

Equal

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surveyed female undergraduates at the University of Texas, finding that 34 percent reported having had sex within the last month. Similarly, her 1974 survey found that 35 percent were sexually active.

Avoid

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This may leave you so keyed up that when you go to a party you may start a conversation with someone over the American policy of Containment during the Korean conflict. Please don’t let that happen to you, for that can be really scary.

Johnson

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grams in history, philosophy, literature, jurisprudence and other humanities disciplines primarily for the adult, out-of-school public.

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This is a story of friendship.
It’s a story about how friendships grow, standing up to the most physical of circumstances, eliminating every obstacle in its way. It’s a story about three guys who happened to meet by chance, high on life and celebrating youth.

It’s a story, about a man named Brady, who was busy with...ah, never mind, you get the drift.

It was an extremely hot day. Tumbleweeds were blowing down the dusty street as I ambled into the saloon, packing my trusty Smith Corona.

I had just settled into a solitary corner with a sassafras tea when the swinging doors blew open and HE walked in. He was tall and lanky, walking with an air that only a BA would have. Dressed totally in spandex, he toted a Nishiki bicycle under one arm and had a guitar case slung over his back.

I looked up from my brew (of a sort), and eagle-eyed him. He looked once around the room and then made straight for my table. Without saying a word, he produced his guitar and sang, “Welcome to the Hotel California, such a pretty place.”

Still strumming the guitar, he pulled out a chair and sat down, leaning the gleaming white bicycle against the wall. “I’m Strings,” he said matter-of-factly. “I play the guitar and ride my bike.”

There we sat, Strings strumming his guitar and me drinking my sassafras. We must have sat there an hour, neither saying a word, just listening to the gentle lyrics of Bon Jovi’s “ Wanted...Dead or Alive,” and “Stairway to Heaven.”

We would have sat there longer, but once again the saloon doors blew open, filling the room with a cool chill. A big, strong figure, clad in a dark overcoat and fedora, crossed the room and sat down next to Strings. He stared coldly at me from underneath the brim of his hat, and spoke in a low, raspy voice. “I’m Death,” he said, “and I’ve come a long way to see you.” Strings looked up from his guitar, staring a hole through Death. “We are all prisoners here, of our own device,” he said.

I looked at both of these people, not having any clue as to who they were. I had never seen either...

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Department of English awards writing scholarships

By ERIC MACKEY
Features Writer
Two freshmen were recently given high honors at JSU as they received writing scholarships from the University’s Department of English. Russell Bennett of Anniston and Donna Walker of Eastaboga were dual recipients of the annual award. Russell is a recent graduate of Wellborn High School. However, he believes one of the places he was also greatly encouraged to write was his past high school in Clovis, N.M. Russell is the first person from Wellborn to receive the scholarship. He found out about the scholarship through a pamphlet. I've always really been interested in it (writing),” he said. He sent in a short story and an essay to apply for the contest. Russell is planning to major in business management with a minor in creative writing. He does still hope he can write short stories for publication in the future.

Donna found out about the scholarship from a very supportive teacher at Saks. “I was really excited, somewhat surprised,” she said. “I want to be in education,” Donna said. “I’m probably going to become a high school English teacher.” She decided to aim toward education in her senior year.

Dr. Clyde Cox, head of the English department, said the scholarship is awarded only to incoming freshmen and provides one year’s tuition. The scholarship is a great honor and Cox invites many more entries. “We want to encourage students (to apply),” he said.

Cox said he is proud to award the scholarship to two students who “have shown a high aptitude for writing.”

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College professors think their students are not very well educated.

Three-fourths of the 5,000 college teachers queried last spring by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching said their undergraduate students are “seriously under-prepared in the basic skills,” preliminary data reveal.

Complete results of the survey, which the Washington, D.C.-based Carnegie group conducts every five years, will be released in November.

Professors at two-year schools complained most frequently, with 84 percent saying students lack basic skills. Sixty-five percent at liberal arts colleges said their pupils don’t know enough.

Two-thirds of those surveyed thought colleges spend “too much time and money teaching students what they should have learned in high school.”

The data, says Carnegie President Ernest Boyer, prove “the nation’s public schools are disturbingly deficient.”

To boost sagging language skills, Boyer proposed that all freshmen be required to take an expository writing class.

**The last word**

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I gathered my belongings and stood up. “Why not?” I said.

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**Nurses Christian Fellowship**

Our first meeting will be at 11:30 a.m. Monday in Wallace Hall. Our guest speaker will be Irene Lee, CRNA. She will show a slide presentation of her mission trip to Brazil and Paraguay.

The officers for this year are Lee Williams, president; Jilda Reynolds, vice president; Debra Oliver, secretary-reporter; and Candi White, treasurer. We invite all nursing students to come and join us.

**JANS**

The officers for the school year are Karen Searcy, president; Victoria Schultz, vice president; Bess Tingle, secretary; Lee Williams, treasurer; and Debra Oliver, reporter-historian. Our faculty advisers are Bonnie Thorhill, associate professor of nursing, and Portia Foster, assistant professor of nursing.

The next meeting will feature guest speaker Irene Lee, CRNA. It will begin at 11:30 a.m. Monday, and there will be a slide presentation.

**ASPA**

We began the fall semester with an exciting agenda and look forward to our new name: The Society for Human Resource Managers. For those who do not know, ASPA is the student chapter of the American Society of Personnel Administrators.

Congratulations to the new officers. They are Kim Dole, president; Charles Crue, vice president; and Deirdre Durr, secretary-reporter; Kim Monk, treasurer; and Tom Cone, ICC representative.

We look forward to our 35th Annual Human Resource Conference Oct. 19-20 at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa. We are excited that our adviser, George Davis, instructor of management, will conduct a mini-seminar at the conference.

**ROTC Sponsors**

We would like to welcome our new Cadre Adviser, Capt. Jesse Carpenter. Sharon Carpenter will also be working with us.

We are no longer the Sponsors Corps. We have formally changed our name to the JSU Kaydettes.

We have several functions planned. The first is an annual Kaydetta Tea. This is a function directed toward recruiting women interested in becoming Kaydettes. We are hostesses who help promote the ROTC department.

Those interested in becoming a pledge and those who are currently Kaydettes are encouraged to attend. It will be at 2:30 p.m. today at Rowe Hall.

Society for the Advancement of Management

Our new membership meeting was Sept. 7. Several new members attended along with faculty adviser Rita Remson, instructor of management.

New officers include: Brooke Graydon, president; Angie Connell, vice president; Latonya Vincent, secretary; Barry East, treasurer; Susan Brock, program chairman; Karen Bedford, publicity chairman; and Thomas Cone, ICC representative.

All meetings will be the last Thursday of each month, with the next meeting scheduled for 4 p.m. Sept. 28.

**Delta Sigma Theta**

We would like to welcome all new and returning students back. We are looking forward to a fun and exciting fall semester. Also, we would like to thank everyone for making our first party a success.

We would like to congratulate all sorors on their new offices: Alice Wright, president; Estella Andrews, vice president; Estella Andrews, dean of pledges; Amy Jefferson, treasurer; and Renee Clark, secretary.

We would also like to wish our adviser, Verminda Walker, and sorors Estella and Amy happy birthday.

We would like to thank Wright, Andrews, Terianna Martin, Carla Foreman, and Jackie Randall for representing us in the Regional Convention this summer in Tampa.

**Alpha Xi Delta**

Congratulations, Gamecocks, for starting the season off with a victory. Good luck Saturday against Valdosta State.

We would like to thank our players:bers Face, Troy Ross, us last Thursday in Georgia Springs. We love you. Keep up the great work.

Thanks to all sisters for making Fuzzy Buddy week such a success. However, the question this week is, "Who will be big sister?" The anticipation has been building all week; however, each pledge sister will meet her big sis tonight.

**Kappa Sigma**

The attendance at our 10th Annual Back to School Bash was astounding. This year's bash was a huge success. But we must apologize to the faculty for the poor class attendance last Friday morning.

Congratulations to our new initiates: David Cooley, Stan Marsh, Smith Peck, Troy Ross, R.D. Thompson, and Kevin Cunningham.

We would also like to congratulate all the sorority on a successful fall rush and good luck to Alpha Omicron Pi. We are looking forward to a strong rush and an eventful semester.

**Alpha Kappa Alpha**

We would like to wish everyone a successful school year. We hope the stay for incoming freshmen will be enjoyable.

We would like to congratulate new members to our sorority. They were part of the Ivy Leaf Pledge Club during the semester of Spring 1989: Doreni Boley, Stephanie Agee, Victoria Harden, Jennifer Burroughs and Cheryl Varnadoe. We also would like to welcome Charlotte Burton, a transfer student from Voorhees College in Denmark, S.C.

Congratulations go to our graduates Cathy Watts and LaTonya McNytre and graduate student Pamela Curry. Good luck in future endeavors.

A big congratulations to our adviser, Barbara Boyd, for receiving her doctorate from UAT.

We would like to thank the faculty, staff and most of all students of students for making our "AKA Jam" a success.

Get ready for our "AKA Homecoming Jam" Oct. 21. T-shirts can be purchased for that occasion.

We are excited about this school year and we hope the student body is, too. We are looking forward to working with other organizations to make JSU a better place for all.

**Kappa Alpha**

Thanks to all the brothers who have turned out to help us with the rush. Rush is going well, and we are looking forward to little sister rush. Tomorrow night "Horse Nation" will be playing for all of the brothers, little sisters and new pledges.

If you haven't noticed the new deck on the front of the house please come by to see it. We appreciate everyone who helped us. Thanks to Rick, Watson, Kris, Sam and Rick for their expertise in building it.

Congratulations to Glenn Barefoot, who was recently engaged to Lori Parker of Pell City.

**Sigma Nu**

Congratulations to Mike "Sproat" Daleasero for receiving "Athlete of the Week" for his outstanding performance in golf.

A special thanks goes out to Pat McKinney for his work during Rush. We would like to thank all the rushees for coming to visit the house, and always remember Wildcat Rush. Our pledge marshal, Chuck "Milk Bone" Barnes, is looking forward to greeting his new novices. Remember Friday night is New Blood Party for the novices.

**Alpha Tau Omega**

We want to thank all men who participated in fraternity rush this week. We hope all rushees found a Greek organization they were interested in. We are looking forward to the Pledging-In Ceremony Friday night.

Oct. 9 we and Alpha Xi Delta will host the Second Annual 24-Hour Dance-A-Thon to benefit the United Way of Calhoun County. This year promises to be bigger and better than ever. Activities include a 24-hour raffle, a dunking booth and of course dancing.

Congratulations also go out to Bob "Thelma" Keefauver for being elected Brother of the Week.

ATO Question of the Week: Will Jack Cullberson have to do anyone else's laundry this semester?

**Phi Mu**

Congratulations to Michelle Abney for being Phi of the Week. Best of luck to all fraternities on a successful Rush. Also, congratulations to all new Alpha Omicron Pi.

We are proud to announce Sherri Moore and Stephanie Sparks as our representatives for Homecoming.

**Pi Kappa Phi**

As intramural football rolls around, we would like to encourage everyone to participate in this competition. As we know, the spectator is a key part in athletic excellence.

Brothers making local news are Louie Walls and Ken Needham. Their two-man lumberjack team received honorable mention in the Sardis Lumberjack Competition. Unfortunately, Needham's runnmgate Alan Higgins was disqualified from the Log Rolling Competition. He was caught red-handed greasing his competition's logs.

Also, Stacy Shedd came in second place in the Calhoun County Co-ed Boxing Competition.
Town square causes traffic confusion

Have you ever been cruising down Pelham Road and been forced to slow down when approaching the town square because someone in a car with an out-of-state tag is trying to figure out the maze they seem to feel they just entered? These poor aliens look at the street with amazement. Kind of the way your face might look if you saw a new parking lot on campus.

Well, if you haven't experienced this, perhaps you've been caught in the daily traffic jams caused by the left-turn-only lanes in front of Hardee's or Chevron Food Mart. These jams are the ones that get some of you to use the kind of language that would embarrass Seka the porn queen. These situations occur daily because of the town square.

Should we send a demolition team to destroy this historical landmark? Don't answer, because your opinion will not matter. There is no way the city would even consider it.

Anyway, the idea is about as crazy as expecting that during registration you will get a seat in all the classes you want. Besides, I kinda like the ole square. Caesar's Palace landscaping it ain't, but it does add a little scenery to the city.

So what should the city do? I have two suggestions, even though I know there are some residents who hate any kind of change in this city. These are the same residents who think the term "business growth" stands for some kind of tumor. I also know there are some innovative residents who believe in improvement and I hope they use my suggestions or band together to solve this outdated traffic problem.

My first suggestion is simple but weak. I think it would help if the city would post signs warning visitors of the square and how to react in its presence.

My strongest suggestion is for the city to make the square a four-lane road. If Pelham continued to be a four-lane around the square, visitors could follow the dotted lines.

The best result from this change would be the elimination of the left-turn lanes at Hardee's and Chevron. Traffic would flow normally and traffic jams would decrease to a minimum.

Think about it, Jacksonville. A change on the square could be a big improvement.

Rehearsal is when?

Four members of the cast of "Woyzeck" look at a rehearsal schedule in Stone Center. From left are Beth Tate, Phillip Hurt, Harper Phoenix and Kim Thornton. The play is a George Buchner's story of the life of a common soldier. It opens Oct. 19 and will be the Drama Department's entry in the American College Theatre Festival in November. For reservations and ticket information, call 231-5648.
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Jokes needed
From News Bureau

The Office of Student Activities is sponsoring a joke-writing contest as part of its promotional efforts for Bob Hope's appearance here.

The first-place winner will receive tickets for four; second place receives two tickets. Entries should be received by the Office of Student Activities no later than 4:30 p.m. Friday.
Second quarter spells doom for Braves

By RODNEY PARKS
Sports Editor

Last Saturday night Coach Bill Burgess' team ran its record to a perfect 3-0. The Gamecocks used their running game and two big plays to defeat West Georgia 38-6 in front of 6100 fans.

The Gamecocks had 262 yards in total offense, all of which came on the ground. Burgess said Burgess. "We need to be able to keep people out of the end zone and our defense was able to do that.

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Gulf South Conference posts big victories

By RODNEY PARKS
Sports Editor

The Gulf South Conference has now finished three weeks of play. JSU and Delta State still remain the only undefeated teams.

JSU presently leads the GSC in scoring offense, averaging 33 points per game. Mississippi College leads the GSC in scoring defense allowing only 11.3 points per game.

In conference games last weekend, Valdosta State had a surprising 35-14 victory over UT-Martin. JSU soundly defeated West Georgia 38-6.

In non-conference games, No. 18 Mississippi College had a big road victory at Southeast Missouri State 21-6. Troy State defeated Central Florida 20-6.

North-Alabama got back on the winning track by defeating Albany State 17-3. Delta State kept their undefeated season by defeating Nicholls State 15-14 and Livingston broke their 15-game losing streak as the Tigers shutout Elon 7-0.

Games in the GSC this week include Mississippi College traveling to UT-Martin in a battle between two of last year's tri-GSC champions. Troy State will host West Georgia. Valdosta State will travel to JSU and North Alabama will play host to Delta State.

Livingston will host Samford in the only non-conference game of the week.

Volleyball team opens season strong

By RODNEY PARKS
Sports Editor

Going into the 1989 volleyball season, head coach Janice Slay didn't know how her young team would respond under pressure in its first matches of the year.

Last weekend Slay's question was answered as the Lady Gamecocks won the UNC-Greensboro Invitational in Greensboro, N.C.

Slay just wanted her team to play well as a team in the Invitational. "I'm not pressuring winning as much as just playing well as a team..." said Slay before leaving for Greensboro.

JSU got off to a slow start in the tournament as it lost its opening match to host team UNC-Greensboro three games to one (12-15, 15-7, 10-15 and 14-16). The Lady Gamecocks then lost to Wofford College in the five games by the scores of 15-4, 15-10, 12-15, 12-15 and 9-15.

The Lady Gamecocks quickly claimed the title as they soundly defeated UNC-Greensboro (16-14, 15-9 and 16-4) to win the match 3-0.

Afterwards Slay was very pleased with her team. "Our freshman played very well for us off the bench..."

A.J. Sanders was named MVP for the tournament.

The weekend JSU will play in the Mississippi University for Women Invitational in Columbus, Miss. The Lady Gamecocks will play their home opener against Huntingdon College at 7 p.m. Tuesday in Mathews Coliseum.
**By RODNEY PARKS**

Sports Editor

As the fans filed into Seibert Stadium at Samford for JSU’s opening football game, the Marching Southerners started the year off as the sounds of “Salvation is Created” and “Star Fell on Alabama” were played and a quiet fell over the crowd. At this time all Gamecock fans knew it was time for football because of the unique sound of the Southerners.

Thirty-three years ago John Finley took over as band director at what was then Jacksonville State College. Present director David L. Walters said Finley quickly made changes. “Dr. Finley held a contest to name the band at JSU,” said Walters. “Norman Padgett, the band director then at Bowden High School, came up with Marching Southerners.”

Walters said Finley also started some of the traditions the Southerners still have today. “Dr. Finley started the Ballerina’s because he wanted a dance line like the Rockettes of Radio City Music Hall,” said Walters.

Each year Southerners play some very traditional songs, one of which is “Stars Fell on Alabama.”

“Stars Fell” was arranged for Southerners in the ‘60s by Jerry Elverton, who was a sax player in the Glen Miller band,” said Walters.

The “Jax State Fight Song” was arranged by Walters in 1963.

Walters said originally the fight song wasn’t written to be sung as it is today. “Salvation is Created” is the newest of the Southerners traditional songs, also arranged by Walters.

One new addition to the Marching Southerners this year is assistant band director Ridgely Hurt. Hurt, an alumnus of JSU, is very pleased to be here. “This is home to me,” said Hurt. “When you leave a place you never dream you will have a chance to return. I feel very fortunate.”

Another tradition of Southerners is the students have a lot of input into the band. Walters feels this is important to Southerners. “The students feel the band is theirs and they’re willing to work hard for their band,” said Walters.

The section leaders of the Southerners this year are: flute, Jennifer Bauman; clarinet, Barbara Baker and Shawn Thomas; saxophone, Jeff Groves and Denise Willli; mellophone, David Crawford and Vicki Ausmus; trumpet, Robert Bynum and Kevin Garrett; trombone, Blair Callaway and Stéve Hawkins; tuba, Kenny Glenn and Ricky Tanner; baritone, Brian Taylor and Shawn Castleberry; percussion, Clint Gillespie and Mark Truett; Ballerinas, Monica Roberson; and color guard, Rick Springer and Shannon Burkstresser.

The drum majors this year are Russ Wait and Ben Conner. Wait is presently in his second year as head drum major of Southerners. “I feel very fortunate to be a drum major in a band that is so unique,” said Wait. “I really enjoy when the band can give a great performance on Saturday because everyone in the band can be proud of the performance.”

This year the Marching Southerners will perform at all JSU football games, the Northwest Marching Festival in Russellville, the Berry Marching contest in Birmingham, the Phi Mu Alpha Southerners Marching Festival here and the Veteran’s Day Parade in Birmingham.

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Making the difference.
Rifle team prepares for season opener

By RUSS MEANS
Sports Writer

Last season, the Gamecock rifle team finished 18th in the nation in the small-bore competition and 16th overall in air rifle standings. Now the team is back and preparing for what it hopes to be a prosperous season.

The team graduated only one shooter off last year’s squad, and this year Capt. Sidney Kooyman, coach of the team, has 10 nationally ranked amateurs and one walk-on to represent the Gamecocks.

During the summer break, several of the shooters traveled the country to take part in national competitions. Deb Myers, one of the Gamecocks’ top shooters, traveled as far west as California and north to New York.

Two other top shooters, Steve Goodman and Jill Jacoby, took part in international competition and traveled to Israel for the Maccabiah Games. Myers and Goodman, in addition to Steven Chew, Ed Hess and Shawn Wells, have all previously taken part in United States Shooting Championships. Chew, Goodman, Myers and Wells have also participated in the National Rifleman’s Association tournaments.

Other shooters include Maria Allgood, Jay Crigger, Heather Gallickson, Kelly Woltery and Johnny Kent.

The Gamecocks have 14 matches scheduled for the ’89 campaign and will travel the eastern part of the country from Cincinnati, Ohio, to Raleigh, N.C., with the possibility of a trip to New Orleans.

All of the Gamecock shooters were ranked at the top of their state charts and picked by their peers. “The shooters do most of the recruiting for the team themselves, so you could say they pick their own team,” said Kooyman.

The Gamecock rifle team will begin its season at the end of September.

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