

#### **Melanie Jones** News Editor

The shooting death of a visitor in a residence hall was the violent end of a semester that saw an increase in the number of gun-related injuries at JSU.

Police charged Kenneth Deron Jackson, 22, of Hueytown, Ala., with murder after Richard Therman, 21, also of Hueytown, was shot to death Dec. 15.

The two men were visiting a student in Weatherly Hall the night of

Therman's 21st birthday. While in the room, Jack-Therman with a .45-cali-

mately 7:50 p.m. Therman was taken to the Jacksonville Hospital emergency room and subsequently was transported to University Hospital in Birmingham, where he died that night.

Nichols refuted an incorrect media report that the men had been playing

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> --David Nichols director of public safety

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Russian roulette.

"To my knowledge, Russian roulette consists of one person with a revolver containing a single bullet

and pointing the gun at himself. This incident involved two men and a semi-automatic weapon. That does not constitute the elements of Russian roulette," he said.

Nichols said there were indications

Police arrested Jackson within four

that alcohol was involved in the inci-

spinning the cylinder hours after the alleged murder occurred, and Nichols said he didn't believe any other arrests would be made in connection with the incident.

Bond was set for Jackson at \$10,000. He will appear before a Grand Jury on January 27.

"The University will increase security measures this semester," Nichols said. "Plans have been made to place security guards in the men's dorms at night and remove the handles from the outside of all residence hall doors other than the main entrance."



Slippery roads caused an unusually high accident rate during lunch hour on Monday. This fourcar pile-up on Pelham Road resulted in three crushed cars and one injury.

### Accidents abound in rain

Dyana Blythe **City News Editor** 

A dangerous combination of rain, speeding and inattention to traffic resulted in six car accidents involving 22 vehicles Monday in Jacksonville.

"This is the first time we've ever seen anything like this," said Jacksonville Police Chief Tommy Thompson. "Over the holidays it rained bad once and there were more accidents, but nothing like this."

The wrecks all occurred within a 45 minute time period, mostly at places where the roads narrow down to make a left-hand turn lane. People don't pay enough attention to the roads, Thompson said. However, this does not seem to be a trend.

"We really haven't seen much of an increase in the number of accidents. Only when it rains do we really have a problem," he said.

One four-car traffic accident involving injuries occurred at the intersection of East Vann Street and

Pelham Road.

Thompson said two cars were stopped waiting to turn left just south of East Vann when a third car, a 1983 Volvo GL driven by Juanita Fisher, 62, slowed down behind them. A fourth car hit Fisher's car and triggered a chain reaction. Thompson said Fisher apparently either misjudged how long it would take her to stop after braking or did not account for the wet roads. Fisher was injured and transported

to the Jacksonville Hospital.

**Edwards' Discount** Supermarket forced to shut its doors

Dyana Blythe **City News Editor** 

The sudden announcement that Edwards' Discount Supermarket would close its doors sent many students scrambling to buy their groceries at greatly discounted prices during their first few days back to school.

The grocery store, which officially closed at 7 p.m. Friday, was bought out by Lea and Mike's, the owners of Food Outlet.

Although rumors have been circling about what business will move into the Edwards' Supermarket building, no plans have been established yet, according to Lynn Edwards, the former owner of the supermarket.

"I don't regret this decision," Edwards, who owned the supermarket for five years, said." I got out early, before things got too bad, and I got enough [money] to pay my bills off. True, this has hurt me financially, but I can't do anything about it."

Edwards believes he was not just an employer, but a good friend, both to his employees and his customers. When deciding to sellout, he was more concerned about what would happen to his employees than about himself. He wanted to ensure that they would not be hurt financially.

The decision to sell to Lea and Mike's was based on increasing financial hardship, due to a combination of an economic recession and the rising cost of maintaining the store. Edwards did not want to raise his prices because he knew that would drive his customers away.

Edwards knew around Thanksgiving that he would either need to make changes or sell. He waited until Christmas Eve to announce the decision to his employees, because he did not want to ruin their holidays.

"It's just too hard for small businesses to survive in today's economy. Unless you are part of a corporation, like Winn-Dixie, you can't stay open when the money runs out," Edwards said.

Edwards also owns West Point Grocery, a convenience store located on Highway 204. He happily admits that many students and faculty who knew him at Edwards Supermarket still come out to West Point Grocery.

"I just want everyone to know that they've been great to me. This college is what keeps this town going, and everyone connected to [JSU] has been wonderful," he said.

# language major

#### Jamie Cole **News Writer**

For the first time in 12 years, a foreign language major is being offered at JSU.

The foreign language major has been reinstated to the 1991-92 catalogue. The major requires 36 hours of study in a single language.

Veldon Bennett, head of the foreign language department, said increased interest was involved in the reinstatement of the major. "There was a great push in the faculty," said Bennett. "The students also expressed a greater interest, particularly in Spanish and French."

Education degrees in foreign language are also increasing in demand. "The main thrust (of the students) is that they want to get a degree in education and teach foreign languages in the school system," said Bennett.

Kerry Bankston, a junior at JSU, was particularly glad to see the major reinstated. He was finally able to claim his major this semester: a double major in Spanish and French.

"When I first came to JSU, the foreign language major wasn't offered, so I planned to take what was offered here and then transfer. Now I plan to stay at JSU."

Bankston said that the JSU language department had more to offer him than some other universities. "Here, the upper-level classes will be smaller and the teacher gets to know you personally, rather than just being a number in class. This makes the upper-level classes in foreign language better than they are at some larger universities."

Like many students declaring a foreign language major, Bankston sees teaching as an option. "I would love to teach, but I also plan to take management classes as well," he said. "Besides teaching, I would also enjoy working with a business and traveling."

While teaching in foreign language is one career opportunity opened by the language major, Bennett says other students have been interested in business as well. "International business marketing and law enforcement students have expressed interest," said Bennett. "Those involved in social work have also expressed interest, even though it is not required in their core curriculum.'

### Judge orders equality for Alabama schools

#### **College Press Service**

In what might be a preview of the outcome of a desegregation case now before the U.S. Supreme Court, a federal judge has ruled that Alabama must erase all traces of segregation in its university system.

"This court is obligated to see that vestiges of discrimination are eliminated root and branch and it will brook nothing less," U.S. District Judge Harold Murphy wrote in his Dec. 30 order.

The judge ordered Alabama to:

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student.

conviction.

of rape and attempted rape.

· Change the state's funding formula to provide better support for Alabama A&M and Alabama State -- two schools which are predominantly black:

• Allocate \$10 million each to Alabama A&M and Alabama State for building improvements over the next three years:

Stop program duplication at the two schools and their predominantly white counterparts;

· Seek more white students to at-

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A Calhoun County Grand Jury indicted two JSU students on charges

The Grand Jury indicted Greggory Groce, 19, Courtland, Ala., on

charges of first-degree rape for an incident involving a 19-year-old JSU

Kelvin Oliver, 20, Macon, Ga., was indicted on charges of attempted

Campus police arrested Groce and Oliver Oct. 7 in connection with a

first-degree rape for his alleged involvement in the same incident.

rape that allegedly occurred Oct. 6 in Luttrell Hall.

The two were arraigned Jan. 8, and the trial will begin March 2.

### JSU offers foreign Students aid homeless in D.C.

Eric G. Mackey Editor in Chief

Seeing both the splendor of the Capitol and the hopelessness of LaFayette Square helped a group of BCM members realize the socio-economic barriers this nations faces first hand over the holidays.

Eight BCM members and Campus Minister Bob Ford joined about 300 other students from the eastern seaboard Dec. 28-31 in Washington D.C. for Intersections, a missions seminar that actually put students to work in the slums of Washington.

Becky DeSha, a senior social work major and BCM president, was pleased with what she was able to take away from the conference. "In social work we learn to meet the clients' needs where they are right now and Intersections allowed me the opportunity to tie that in with my Christianity. It helped me see I can meet the clients' needs and tell them Jesus loves them at the same time."

The group participated in conferences at the L'Enfant Plaza Hotel during the weekend but there was

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> --Becky DeSha President, BCM

also time to divide up and go out to work in missions around the city. Many worked in soup kitchens, clothing distribution sites, and homeless shelters.

Even during the time provided for students to see the city, they still said they could notice the contrast in the economic conditions of people. DeSha said the group passed a homeless man on the steps of the Capitol begging from tourists. She also said a group went to see LaFayette Square, the park opposite of the White House infamous for its homeless population. "It was amazing to me to see that there were homeless people living right across the street from the White House '

She said the trip did not discourage her any from being a social work major. "In fact, it encouraged me because I am willing to give of myself and I want to show others the love God has given me.

DeSha was also one of 13 students who left with Campus Minister Gary Brittain as soon as they returned to Jacksonville for a missions trip to Nashville. The trip was an opportunity for students to to help renovate a church in the underprivileged area of Nashville. They worked from Jan. 2-9 renovating Woodcock Memorial Baptist Church and leading Bible clubs for local children.

DeSha was one of only two students who made both trips. "Intersections was a wonderful experience. The things that I learned there I got to put into practice in Nashville," she said.

"I learned that the experiences we go through in life aren't always bad because they allow us to tell people how God loves us in bad times as well as good. And it gives us an opportunity to tell people how Jesus has changed our lives,"DeSha added.



Peer counselors Phillip Posey and Linda McKinney (far left and right) welcome new students Angela Foster of Gadsden, Ortago Hassan of Detroit, Ml., and Ann Wilson of Atlanta, GA.

First day attendance up to par

classes beginning on a Friday, instructors say the spring semester got off to a good start.

"I was pleasantly surprised at the attendance on Friday," Lester Hill, sociology professor, said. "In fact, it was a lot better (than usual)."

Ron Harris, physical education professor, agreed. "... my classes were pretty full. It seemed like Monday. I had 58 or 60 students in attendance." Classes started on Friday this year to prevent losing a day from classes than meet on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays due to the Monday the University is out for Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday.

Many instructors were afraid attendance would be lower than average for a first day. Some feared that since JSU is often considered a "suitcase college"(meaning many students go home on weekends), some students would wait until Monday to come

back rather than arrive Friday, go back for the weekend and be back for classes Monday.

Students disagreed, however, and many said they were glad to be back. "After being away from school for the holidays, I was glad to get back to class," Michelle Green, freshmen, said.

Joseph Monroe, junior, had mixed feelings about coming back. "I didn't mind the Friday class," he said, "but I did go straight home after my classes were over."

First degree rape is a Class-A felony and carries a minimum sentence of 10 years in prison and a maximum penalty of 99 years to life upon

Latrania Martin News Writer

Despite some complaints about

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tend Alabama State;

· Seek more black faculty members at Auburn University, the University of Montevallo and Livingston University:

 Add more black administrators at Auburn, the University of North Alabama, Troy State University, Calhoun State Community College, the University of Alabama campuses in Tuscaloosa and Huntsville and ISU

All of the parties involved in the 1981 desegregation suit, including the schools named in the order, Gov. Guy Hunt and the state university system, have 90 days to report on their plans to comply with the judges order.

H. Bascom Woodward III, vice president for Student Affairs and JSU's affirmative action officer, said the University's attorneys are reviewing the order and should have some roecommendatins to make to administrators within a week.

Murphy's 1.000-page order is a result of a second trial over the case. After the first trial in 1985 a judge ruled that remnants of segregation did exist in the Alabama system, but he was removed from the case in 1987 by an appellate court because he was involved in segregation issues as a former state lawmaker.

Attorney Rob Hunter, who represents the governor and state education and finance officials, said the state does not want to appeal Murphy's decision, but state officials are concerned about finding the means to provide the \$20 million to Alabama A&M and Alabama State in a time of budget cutbacks.

"We are trying to determine if we can do this," Hunter said. "It will be difficult to come up with these funds." Because of the semester break, Alabama A&M officials were unavailable for comment, as was John Knight, an administrator at Alabama State, one of several who originally filed the suit against the state.

Plaintiffs in the case argue that Alabama historically has had two educational systems - one black, one white - and the black schools have received substantially less money than the white schools.

A similar desegregation lawsuit in Mississippi is now before the Supreme Court. Louisiana also has a suit pending within the state.

The effect of the Alabama order on the Mississippi case in unknown.

ouncements •During the spring term, the English Competency Examination will be given at the following times: 6-7:30 p.m. Feb. 11 and 3-4:30 p.m. Feb. 12. If you are eligible for the spring term exam, you must pre-register for it between Jan. 22 and Feb. 6 in the English department, 215 Stone Center. There you'll be assigned a specific room for the test. When you take the exam, be sure to bring with you a photo i.d., a blue book, and a blue or black pen. Workshops for the spring examination will be held 3-4:30 p.m. Feb. 3 and 6-7:30 p.m. Feb. 4 in the Merrill Hall Auditorium (101 Merrill Hall). While attending one of the workshops will certainly not guarantee a "pass," it should familiarize the student with what to expect on the examination. NOTE: Attendance at the workshop is NOT a requirement to take the exam.

•Entry forms for the Miss JSU Pageant to be held on March 14 are now available in 109 Mason Hall. This is a preliminary to Miss Alabama and includes talent, evening gown, swimsuit and interview competitions. Applications are due Feb. 14. For further information, call Darnelle Scarbrough at 782-5045 or David Owens at 435-6257.

•Career Development and Counseling Services will offer senior job search workshops 1:30-3 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday and Jan. 24; and 3-4:30 p.m. on Thursday. All workshops will be held in the 3rd floor of Montgomery Building. Contact Kelly Ryan at 782-4477 for more information.





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### University needs to line up with justice

Opinion

Last fall U.S. District Judge Stanley S. Harris ruled in favor of students and their rights in a case involving the release of police reports.

He said no longer could it be acceptable for administrators to hide crime behind the vague Buckley Amendment. No longer could the names of those charged with crimes be hidden just because the alleged offenders are college students.

His ruling cleared up a dilemma for law enforcement officers who were stretched between the laws which say names of the accused must be released to the public and the U.S. Department of Education which threatened to take away funding from colleges adhering to the law.

Or at least the ruling cleared it up at most colleges. JSU is one of those institutions where administrators were torn between these two ideas last fall. However, even since the ruling has come down, JSU administrators continue to hide those names and criminal records from the public.

Administrators here have joined a minority of others around the country who are bucking federal law, giving the same excuses they used before the court decision. They say the University could lose federal money. Even the few schools which were formally threatened by the Department of Education now realize this as an impossibility. Quite simply, the federal government cannot take away money for doing what a federal court orders the University to do.

It should be a simple matter. In most colleges it is.

Some even consider it an opportunity — a new tool, if you would — to curb campus crime. But JSU lags behind waiting for "official word" from the Department of Education. The department says it does not issue such orders.

Legal advisers say ignorance is no excuse for the law. The law is on the books and JSU needs simply to wake up and to fall in line with justice.

### The Chanticlee<del>r</del>

"Give me the liberty to know, to utter, to argue freely according to conscience, above all liberties.



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### Violence changes everything

And the world continued to go 'round, even in our absence. And Jacksonville is quite a different place since the last time I began to write a column. After all, the last time you picked up The Chanticleer the Gamecocks were only two days away from what we hoped would be our first football national championship.

It wasn't, but in no way does that berate our team. They did a fine job and worked hard. No other university in this state finished even second in its division this year.

However, the most striking and alarming event was a tragic shooting death last month. Even though the victim was not a student, it grieves us all. They say there is some fortune in all misfortune, and if that is true, this time the fortune is found in change. New resident hall rules and increased police protection are both positive



manifestations of the underlying attitude of change that now encompasses JSU.

It is a shame this death had to come. And it is even more discouraging because it came during the time we most like to think about peace on earth.

We can only hope no more such violence will visit our campus. And despite all our efforts, hope is really about all we can do.

I am afraid this is only a sample of the influx of violence that has set records in Birmingham and continues to accelerate yearly all around

the nation. Possibly, this will be the second benefit you and I can take away from tragedy. Our nation is daily becoming more violent. Somehow we have got to curb this growth. It is as much a problem facing the young minds of today and tomorrow as economic growth and protecting the rain forests.

Violence is now part of American life. Violent deaths are not new to this area. But college campuses invoke ideas of a nobler, more peaceful way of life where attention is given to learning and fun. Now we have our dose. Maybe it will be enough to spur students and administrators alike into finding a cure for this disease — a cure for JSU, a cure for all the hometowns represented here, a cure for America.

It could happen here as well as anywhere. Let's make it happen.

### No value, melody on rap

I don't like rap. It doesn't have a melody. It has a beat. One

A piece of music, I think, ought to have a melody, even if it's a bad one like kids with spiked hair and safety pins through their ear lobes and noses play.

Well, some poems don't rhyme. I know that. I remember studying the free verse of Whitman in college. That's why I never like Whitman. Anybody can write a poem that doesn't rhyme and anybody can write a song that doesn't have a melody.

It's not that I don't like rap because it's performed by black people. Vanilla Ice does rap and he's white. He's also vulgar and if I had a daughter and he came around her, I would enroll her in the nearest convent.

That's why i don't like rap. Why am I frightened of it? Because a great deal of it is deranged and violent beyond all reason.

Rap is music to get dead by.

My generation's parents thought rock and roll caused pregnancy. Getting pregnant is better than getting dead. I've never been either one, but pregnancy at the most, lasts only nine months. Dead is from here on,

Some rap says kill the mother ---... Blow the s.o.b's brainsout. Rape the b---, then kill her.

There's the rapper Ice Cube. A recent Mike Royko column discussed Ice Cube's solution to the dispute some blacks are having with Koreans in the ghettos.

Koreans open grocery stores in ghettos, and that angers some blacks in the ghettos.

Ice Cube said dealing with a Korean is simple. Put a bullet in his temple.

Yeah, it rhymes --- so does rap and sap. Young blacks are dying violently. In droves. Drive by shooting involving young blacks have become almost commonplace. Car pulls up. People inside the car begin firing into a crowd on the street. Two 16-year-old males and a 19-year-old male are dead. A witness says the incident apparently involved drugs.

A 3-year-old child standing in a window is hit with a stray bullet and dies, too.



They run a picture of the baby in the papers the next day. Such innocence. Such a waste.

A couple of weeks ago they had a rap concert in a college gymnasium in New York city. Nobody got shot. People got trampled to death, this time.

Where's the Rev. Jesse Jackson in all this? Busy premiering his new TV talk show, I guess.

A former Klansman won 55 percent of a white vote in the Louisiana gubernatorial race and you'd think his platform called for extermination of all blacks in this country.

Forget the Klan. The Klan's a bunch of idiots with no teeth. It isn't the Klan that is killing scores of young black people. Didn't anybody see the movie "Colors"? Don't Jesse Jackson and Al Sharpton read the papers?

Violent rap is not responsible for it all, of course, but what goes into an ear often lodges in the brain. That's how advertising and propaganda work.

There's a female rap group called H.A.W. One member of the trio goes by the name of Baby Girl. Eaby Girl and another member of the group are standing on the street in East Hollywood. A car drives up. "Some guy just pulled up and opened fire," a witness said.

Baby Girl and her companion were lucky. They survived their wounds.

For what it's worth H.A.W. once posed on the cover of an album with rifles. The company that produced H.A.W.'s first album is named Drive By Records.

Good God.

Freedom of speech doesn't protect anybody who screams "Fire!" in a crowded theater. It ought not to protect music to kill and be killed by either.



### —Letters to the Editor

### Integrity, respect needed

So there I was slumped in a chair peering down at a plate of chicken fried steak, rice and gravy. A fork full of rice and gravy was headed to my mouth. Then those little alarm bells, there since childhood, sounded in my head. I put the fork down and bowed to pray. The decent principles that my mother had instilled in me during my youth did not fade with college.

The past few weeks I've been trying to use up my remaining meal tickets at the cafeteria. I've sat at tables in all parts of the building. I don't care if I sit near an Asian, black, white or Hispanic, the food tastes the same. The thing that bothers me is when I see someone sit down, bow their heads in prayer, start eating and talking, and invariably start cussing and blaspheming. Would their mothers tolerate such behavior at the dinner table in their homes?

We live in a world of diversity and choice. Those people who bow to pray do so of their own choice. They could simply decide that praying before a meal was something they did as a child. However, their actions shows their decision that the prayer is something they still believe in. The question now is that when they become profane and blasphemous, do they do it by choice or simply through misunderstanding? Saying of someone that they have carnal knowledge of their mother is not decent. It offends all of us to hear some one say that of our mother. And yet, to some, it does not seem as offensive if it is said about other people.

Then there is the case of blasphemy. Blasphemy is basic speaking profanely of God. When peoples and blaspheme they display profanity to ds their fellow man and God. How can people bow in solemn praise and thanks to God one minute and the next be offering contempt or indignity to God? It is a contradiction.

Perhaps these profane people need to think back to their childhoods to the lessons and standards of their parents and grandparents. Surely if these people elect to pray before a meal they have some type of Christian background. If this is so then the basis of their Christian upbringing is found in biblical teachings. Maybe a simple reminder of the words of the apostle Mark are necessary, "But he that shall blaspheme against the Holy Ghost hath never forgiveness, but is in danger of eternal damnation."

People change constantly, as do their actions, thoughts, and diction. Thirty years ago people had a stronger sense of decency. Today people have lost some of the respect and integrity that was once so prevalent. In order for someone to speak they must first think. In that thought process they decide and discern what to say and whether it is good or bad. We need to spend more time thinking about what we will say, striving not to be hypocritical of who we are.

#### Matt Bentley

### Faculty survey reflects Division I move, costs

In a recent survey of the JSU faculty, conducted by the Faculty Senate, over 81 percent of those responding to the questionnaire indicated they did not favor the proposed move to Division IAA in football and Division I in other sports. Of the responding faculty, over 81 percent also disagreed or strongly disagreed with the statement that the "move will enhance funding for academics at JSU." Information has been circulated by the athletic department which appears to support faculty concerns about the funding of academic/athletic activities. The athletic department lists the following areas as "required" for the move:

Equipment: track equipment, bus (large commercial type), four vans, one mini bus, laundry equipment. Personnel: add six new coaches, add 70 athletic scholarships. Facilities: build baseball stadium, build softball stadium, rebuild track and field facilities, refinish tennis courts, renovate field house, enlarge football stadium and basketball arena, add office space.



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Annual Athletic Budget : a 50 percent increase from two million to three million dollars annually.

The official estimated cost of providing the above requirements has not been published, but an estimate of eight to ten million dollars "up front" does not appear unrealistic. The sources for the additional money have been proposed as: tuition increases or student fees, increased sports revenues, private sector (boosters, corporations, and donations).

I am a strong supporter of the JSU athletic

program and attend almost all major (home) sporting events, but I think we need to remember that our primary emphasis should be on education, not sports. At a time when we are under proration, underfunded, and unable to meet the bare course needs of our students it seems questionable to me that JSU should embark upon this very expensive expansion of the athletic program.

Thomas G. Nicholson Professor, Criminal Justice

# Since President Bush's recent illness, would Dan Quayle be a competent president, if called upon?



LaTonya Baker Graduate Student I don'treally think he could be. I'm concerned that he does not have very much political experience. He lacks political saavy.



Junior I don't believe he would. But, knowing that he will probaby be vice-president for another four years, we have to accept it whether we want to or not.

**Eddie Acuna** 



Saundra Phillips Ex-Student Not really. I don't feel he has the leadership abilities a president needs.



Shane Paris Sophomore No, I just don't like his actions, or lack of actions.



Pat Barker Freshman Sure. He hasn't acted too stupid to me. I think people just make fun of him because he is young. Hell do well as president if he is asked to



Kim Howard Freshman Not really. Maybe there is more to him than we've seen.

# Features Choir making joyful noise



a new JSU Gospel Choir has Response to been overwh ning, as is evidenced by the

more than 65 members who fill the pews at their

**Michelle** Martin Features Editor

For some students, the most important aspect of their life while at school is not only progressing academically, but also spiritually in their personal relationship with Christ.

It is for this reason JSU offers a variety of Christian organizations, such as the Baptist Campus Ministry, Campus Outreach, Catholic Student Organization and Jacksonville Christian Student Center, in which students can become involved for fellowship and to praise God. Now there is a new and different kind of organization to add to the list of campus ministries: the JSU Gospel Choir.

"I just saw a need for a musical ministry to cater to Christian students who enjoy music," says Raquel Bryant, president of the choir.

Bryant decided to discuss her ideas with Linda Shelton, a counselor in Career Development and Counseling Services and who was a member of a choir JSU had a few years ago. Soon after, word spread that a choir was going to resurface and students responded positively. Bryant says approximately 60 people attended the first meeting/rehearsal in September.

"There are probably 65 dedicated members who are serious about the music and songs, but are actually 80 on the roster," says Bryant.

Many of those 65 dedicated choir members are studying musicians. In fact, two of them -Russell Gibbons and George Hughley - are the accompanying pianists.

But, according to Linda Shelton, adviser to the JSU Gospel Choir, it is not necessary that one be a musician to be a part of the choir. Furthermore, one does not even have to audition.

We do have a lot of talented people in the choir," she says. "In fact, we will probably have to close membership for the alto section because there are so many already.'

Shelton explains the only thing required from members of the choir is a \$5 dues fee to cover printing and transportation costs.

Transportation is somewhat of a problem for the choir. "Because the choir is so large, it is not particularly easy to travel great distances," Bryant says.

And it is for this reason one of the upcoming performances is not yet confirmed. Bryant says the concert scheduled in February at Zion Rist Baptist Church in Valley, Ala. —

rehearsal in McCluer Chapel. two hours away --- may have to be re-

scheduled.

Other performances closer to home, however, include churches in Piedmont and Anniston, the BCM and various benefits.

Because the choir did not form until September and it only gave two performances at the end of fall semester, neither Bryant nor Shelton can estimate how often the choir performs in a month. But they do believe the response has been good and there is an interest.

Bryant says, "Our first concert at the BCM went very well. The audience seemed really into the music."

The music upon which the choir's performances are based is made up mostly original songs from other choirs across the country, such as the Los Angeles, Mississippi, Florida, Georgia and New Jersey Mass choirs. These choirs range from 30-200 in membership.

Other songs representative of the gospel choir are standard gospel hymns which the choir has re-arranged.

Shelton says those who are interested should contact her at the CDCS office, 782-4474, for full details concerning rehearsals.

### Amateurs joke for big money, big prizes

#### **Michelle Martin** Features Editor

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- What first began simply as a comical entertainment event for students now has turned into a national campaign. We're talking big money and big prizes, here.

Along with Komedy U., a national company which provides tapes and other promotional information on comedians available for campus performances, the UPC is in "Search for America's Funniest College Student." JSU is only one of 150 colleges across the country which have entered Komedy U.'s "Search for America's Funniest College Student."

UPC director Andy Freeman says, "This is just a chance for everyone to win. Not only do those who perform Wednesday have the chance to win here -- win cash and a car and be on national television through Komedy U. -- but JSU also has the opportunity for recognition all over the country.'

"Open Mike Night" routines are limited to three or four minutes, must be original and suitable for national broadcast

Deadlines to enter Wednesday's "Open Mike Night" are at 4:30 p.m. Comedian Elon Gold is the special guest for the event which begins at 8 p.m. at The Roost in Montgomery Building.

### **Jamie Slatton: Super Bowl**

#### Jamie Cole Features Writer

Super Bowl night, Jan. 26, is a big deal for sports fans. But the Super Bowlis more than just another football game for one JSU senior; Jamie Slatton has been selected as a member of the Super Bowl XXVI pregame performing team.

Slatton was chosen as one of 100 women from around the nation by National Football League choreographer Lesslee Fitzmorris. The rest of the performers, which also includes the Minneapolis Vikings cheerleaders, in the show will come from the Minneapolis area.

Slatton will fly to Minneapolis the week prior to the Super Bowl to begin preparations for the pre-game show. The title of the Super Bowl show is "Super Sounds" and will feature elaborate production numbers that salute the theater in Minneapolis. The festivities will feature numbers from such shows as "The Wiz," "Annie," and "A Chorus Line."

Slatton's rehearsal schedule will be grueling. "We will practice at least six hours a day and as much as 10," she said.

But Slatton's time in Minneapolis won't all be spent in rehearsals. "We also get to enjoy the host city," she says. "We will go snow tubing, ice skating, and shopping. This year's game will be different because of the cold climate." Different, indeed; Slatton has spent the last five Super Bowls in the warm

climates of California, Florida, and Louisiana.

Slatton was also asked to perform in another special Super Bowl event. In "Super Bowl Alumni Classic," the legends from Super Bowl VIII will return for a re-match of the game between the Minnesota Vikings and the Miami Dolphins, which will take place at 2 p.m. Sunday. It will also fe mothe original cheerleaders as will take a look back at '70s music and the popular dances of the time.

Slatton started dancing in the Super Bowl festivities when she was in high school. While studying at a dance camp for her high school dance team, Slatton auditioned for the American All Stars and was chosen to dance in her first Super Bowl pre-game show in 1987. Now Slatton is one of the American All Stars staff --- meaning she teaches the camps now.

Super Bowls aren't the only special shows of which Slatton has been a participant. She was also one of only 12 women chosen to dance in Frankfurt, Germany, as a cheerleader for the Frankfurt Galaxy. "It was the kick-off game of the World Football League," Slatton says. "I was one of twelve girls that

a cheerleader. I was chosen last March by the NFL to dance there.'

Slatton is captain of JSU's Fastbreaker dance line, which performs during half-time at home basketball games. Says Slatton, "I'm looking forward to representing JSU in Minneapolis."



Jamie Slatton practices dancing. She knows she will have to be in good shape to dance at the Super Bowl.

### Waiting on take off can drive you mad or worse

I'm in an airplane, strapped into my seat, no way to escape. For an hour we've been taxiing around Miami International Airport while lightning tries to hit us. Earlier I was hoping that the plane might at some point actually take off and fly to our intended destination, but now I'm starting to root for the lightning, because a direct strike might silence the two women sitting in front of me. There's only one empty seat between them, but they're speaking at a decibel level that would be appropriate if one of them were in Cleveland. Also, they both have Blitherers Disease, which occurs when there is no filter attached to the brain, so that every thought the victim has, no matter how minor, comes blurting right out. This means that the rest of us passengers are being treated to repartee such as this:

First Woman: I PREFER A WIN-DOW SEAT.

Second Woman: OH, NOT ME. I ALWAYS PREFER AN AISLE SEAT.

First Woman: THAT'S JUST LIKE MY SON. HE LIVES IN NEW JER-SEY, AND HE ALWAYS PREFERS AN AISLE SEAT ALSO.

Second Woman: MY SISTER-IN-LAW WORKS FOR A DENTIST IN NEW JERSEY. HE'S AN EXCEL-LENT DENTIST BUT HE CAN'T PRONOUNCE HIS R'S. HE SAYS, "I'M AFWAID YOU NEED A WOOT CANAL."

First Woman: MY BROTHER-IN-LAW JUST HAD THAT ROOT CANAL. HE WAS BLEEDING ALL OVER HIS NEW CAR, ONE OF THOSE JAPANESE ONES, A WHADDYACALLEM, LEXIT.

Second Woman: I PREFER A BUICK, BUT LET ME TELL YOU, THIS INSURANCE, WHO CAN AFFORD IT?

First Woman: I HAVE A BROTHER IN THE INSURANCE BUSINESS, WITH ANGINA. HE PREFERS A WINDOW SEAT.

Second Woman: OH, NOT ME. I ALWAYS PREFER AN AISLE. NOW MY DAUGHTER......

And so it has gone, for one solid hour, a live broadcast of random neural firings. The harder I try to ignore it, the more my brain focuses on it. But it could be worse. I could be the flight attendant. Every time she walks past the two women, they both shout "MISS?" It's an uncontrollable reflex.

"MISS?" they are shouting. "CAN WE GET A BEVERAGE HERE?" This is maybe the fifth time they have asked this.

"I'm sorry," says the flight attendant, with incredible patience. "We



can't serve any beverages until after we take off."

Dave Barry

The Miami Herald

This answer never satisfies the women, who do not seem to be fully aware of the fact that the plane is still on the ground. They've decided that the flight attendant has a bad attitude. As she moves away, they discuss this in what they apparently believe is a whisper.

"SHE'S VERY RUDE," they say, their voices booming through the cabin, possibly audible in other planes. "THEY SHOULD FIRE HER." "YES, THEY SHOULD." " THERE'S SUPPOSED TO BE BEV-ERAGE SERVICE." "MISS??"

It's a good thing for society in general that I'm not a flight attendant, because I would definitely kill somebody no later than my second day. Recently I sat on a bumpy, crowded flight and watch a 40-ish flight attendant, both arms occupied with a large stack of used dinner trays, struggling down the aisle, trying to maintain her balance, and a young man held out his coffee cup, BLOCKING HER PATH, and in a loud, irritated voice said, quote: "Hon? Can I get a refill? Like maybe today?"

HON.

She smiled — not with her eyes and said, "I'll be with you as soon as I can, sir."

SIR.

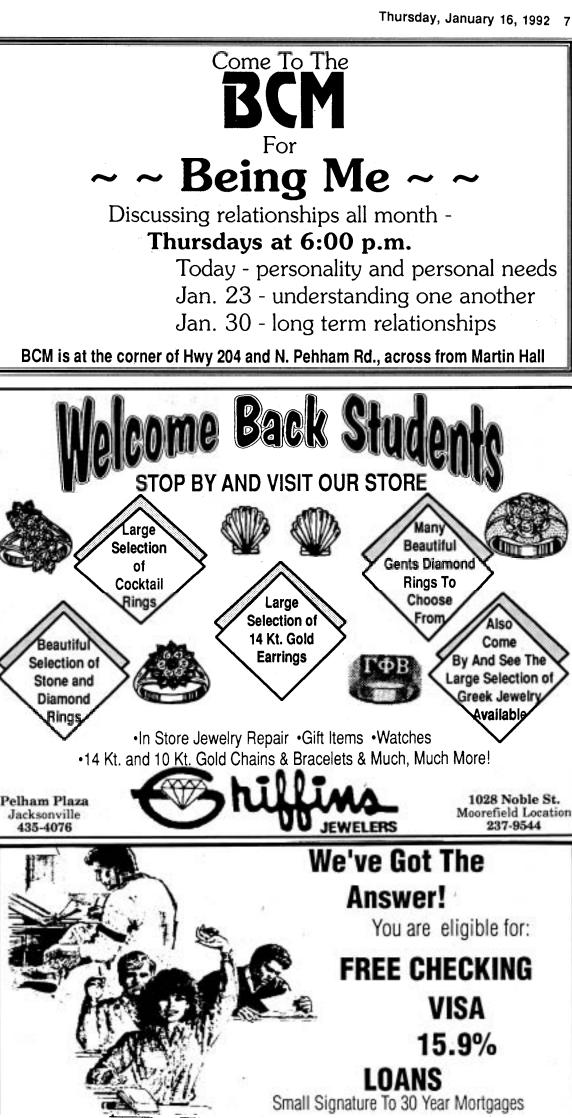
Oh, I'd be with him soon, all right. I'd come up behind him and strangle him with the movie-headphone cord. "Is that tight enough for you, SIR?" would be the last words he'd ever hear. Then I'd become a legendary outlaw flight attendant. I'd hide in the overhead luggage compartment and watch for problems, such as people flying with small children and making no effort to control them, people who think it's CUTE when their children shriek and pour salad dressing onto other passengers. When this happened BANG the luggage compartment would burst open and out would leap: the Avenging Flight Attendant of Doom, his secret identity concealed by a mask made from a barf bag with holes in it. He'd snatch the child and say to the parents, very politely, "I'm sorry, but FAA regulations require me to have this child raised by somebody more civilized, such as wolves." If they tried to stop him, he'd pin them in

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### More older students enrolling

#### **College Press Service**

Caryl Ann Minor's amusement is obvious as she recalls a run-in she had years earlier, at the age of 50, in freshman English with a "cute young man" about 19 years old.

"He was the nicest, most sincere young man," the 55-year-old graduate student says, "and he came up to me after class and said, 'Would you mind me asking what you are doing here?

"I said that this is something I always wanted to do. You think you kids are the only ones who can do

what you want to do?"

With millions of people like Caryl Ann Minor going back to school, that question is slowly fading from higher education. Older students are returnnumbers.

According to 1989 Census Bureau information, 3.3 million college students were age 30 or older --- double the number 15 years ago. In 1989, one of every five women in college was 35 or older.

Now, the National Center for Education Statistics reports that 43 percent of all college students are 25 or

older, up from 39 percent in 1981. Estimates for 1992 expect the enrollment of students 25 or older to bypass the 7 million mark.

One researcher at the NCES offered ing to the classroom in unprecedented an interpretation of the flood. "One of the things that happens, the economy slows and people will return to school."

Others agree.

"We have seen for a long time that when the economy goes down ... a lot of people cycle back into the university," says Kay Holmberg, adult stu-

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### CATHOLIC STUDENTS ORGANIZATION

We invite you to share with us on Tuesday evenings. The CSO is open to all college students and their friends to share in a meal and program beginning at 6:00 p.m. The following is our schedule for the month of January.



### 6:00 p.m. Dinner 6:00 p.m. Dinner

For more information about SEARCH or the C.S.O. program, please call Father Kevin Cooke at (205) 435-3238. The C.S.O. meets at St. Charles Catholic Church on East 7th Street, Jacksonville.

### **Bowl** tests academic, trivia skills

Eric G. Mackey Editor in Chief

College Bowl is back and teams from around campus are already preparing for the annual competition. The event is fairly young at JSU, but it looks to be a good year for competitors this year.

According to Sherryl Byrd, director of Student Activities, any group of four students can form a team for the independent competition which will also include many campus organization teams. There will be a separate competiton for greek organizations. Then the winners of the independent and greek categories will meet to duke it out, or think it out, for the campus crown.

For greek and other organizations involved in intramural sports, there is more than pride involved. Says Byrd, "Greek and organization competition counts for points towards the intramural All Sports trophy

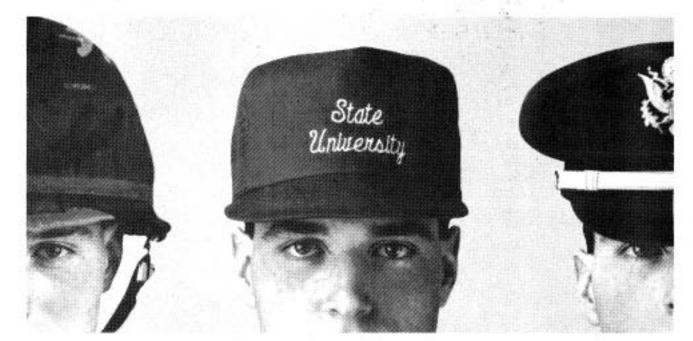
"The eight highest scorers compete to form a JSU all-star team to go to regionals at Huntingdon," she adds. There the JSU squad will compete against all-star teams from colleges in Georgia, Mississippi and Florida as well as Alabama.

JSU's record in the regional competition is impressive. Last year the team beat all other Alabama universities and finshed near the top overall.

"Faculty and staff serve as moderators," Byrd says, adding, "Questions based on all academics and sports trivia come from College Bowl, Inc."

The 1992 College Bowl competition will be Tuesday, Jan. 28 and continue the following Wednesday. Deadline for entries is Wednesday. For more information contact Byrd at 782-5490.

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their seats with dense, 200-pound airline omelets.

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"MISS??" they are saying. "IT'S TOO HOT IN HERE." "CAN WE GET SOME BEVERAGE SER-VICE?" "MISS???"

And now the pilot is making an announcement. "Well, folks," is how he starts. This is a bad sign. They always start with "Well, folks" when they're going announce something bad, as in: "Well, folks, if we dump the fuel, we might be able to glide as far as the mainland."

This time the pilot announces that — I swear I am not making this up — LIGHTNING HAS STRUCK THE CONTROL TOWER.

"We could be sitting here for some time," he says.

"MISS????" say the women in front of me.

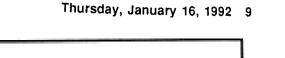
No problem. I can handle it. I'll just stay calm, reach into the seat pocket, very slowly pull out the headphone cord......

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#### Older students

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dent program coordinator at Iowa State University. Not only does it buy time while the economy recovers, but Holmberg says returning to school "increases their chances in the job market," which is becoming more competitive.

Although economic hardship is one common explanation for the phenomenon, it is certainly not the only one, nor is it the most popular. Many of the students themselves say self-improvement and missed opportunities in their youth are perhaps the biggest motivating factors.

Minor worked with her husband to

build a family fishing business off Lake Erie after the two married, she at the age of 17. Two children and more than three decades later, Minor longed to return to school.

"One fall I looked out at the leaves falling and saw myself," she says. "I love my family...but I let my real self get lost in the process of being a wife and a mom."

So Minor, who hadn't graduated from high school, enrolled in classes to earn her GED. Enrollment at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania soon followed.

"I latched onto the kaleidoscope of

thoughts and ideas I'd never been exposed to," Minor says. "It was like a big party."

Her success and enthusiasm led her daughter Shellie, then 34, to return to college as well. Mother and daughter graduated together — Caryl Ann magna cum laude and Shellie with a 4.0 — in May 1991. In September, Caryl Ann started graduate school at Purdue University.

"During the five years I've been in school, I was the exception when I started. But there's been a tremendous jump," she says of older students.

### -Worth Watching

Upcoming events today - Wednesday in Atlanta, Birmingham and Calhoun/ Etowah counties:

#### Music

"Follow For Now," performing Friday at 10:30 p.m. at The Nick, 2514 10th Ave., S., Birmingham. 322-7550.

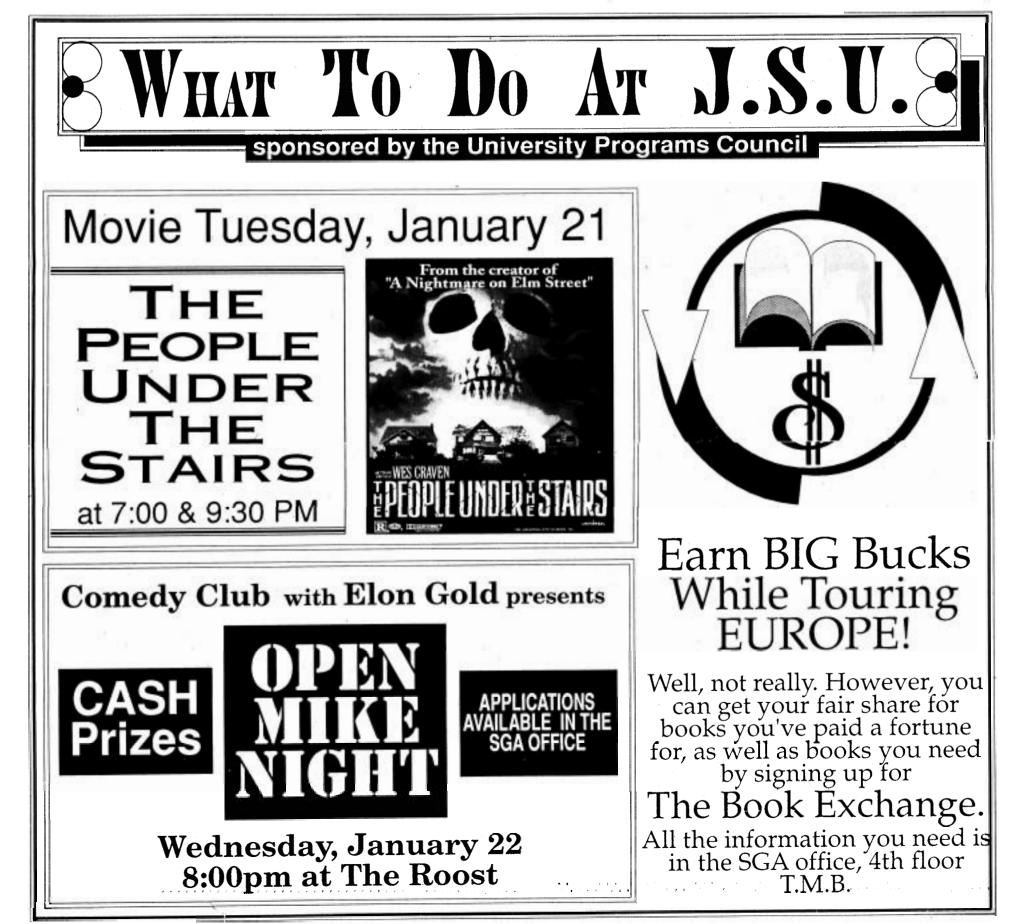
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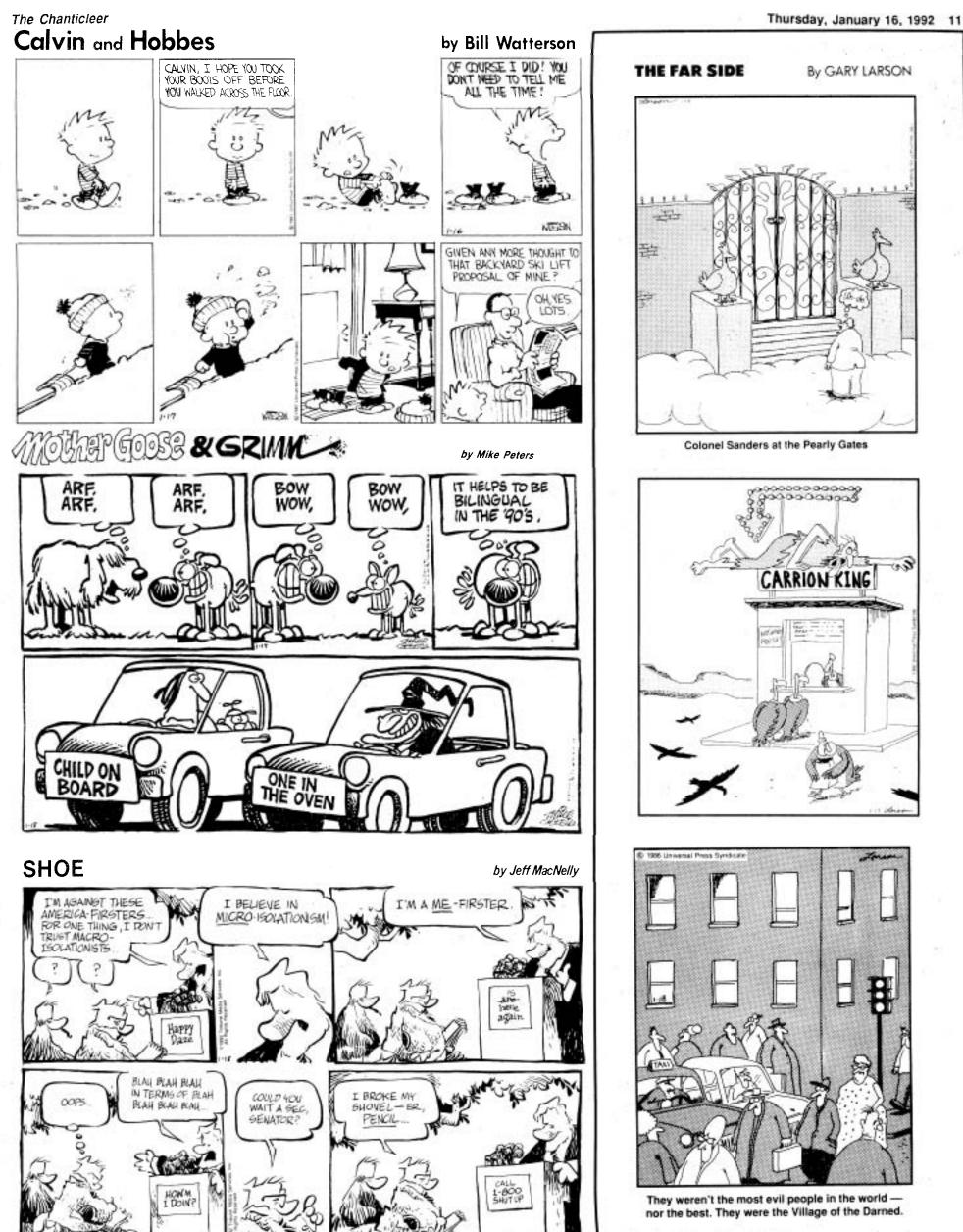
"The Wizard of Oz," performing now through Feb. 29 at various times, at the Center for Puppetry Arts, 1404 Spring Street, N.W., Atlanta. (404)873-3391.

"Grapes of Wrath," performing at 8 p.m. Wednesday, at Birmingham-Southern College, Birmingham. 226-4780.

#### Special Events

Anniston Bridal Show, beginning at noon Sunday, at Anniston Civic Center, Anniston.





# JSU takes two out of three during break

-Sports-

#### Alan Beckett Sports Writer

JSU won two and lost one game during the holiday break. The wins came against Pfeiffer and Campbellsville. The loss, which was the first of the season, took place at Florence against North Alabama. The Gamecocks' record stands at 10-1 with the all-important Gulf South Conference games ahead.

JSU won their ninth straight game with a 123-94 victory over Pfeiffer. The Gamecocks led the game from start to finish.

During the first half JSU shot 53 percent and outrebounded the Falcons 25-16. The Gamecocks led at the half 63-46.

David Edmond led JSU in scoring with 23 points. Charles Burkette and Anthony Kingston followed with 19 points apiece. Willie Williams chipped in 18 points.

The Falcons were led by Tony Smith who had 21 points.

"We made a lot of crucial mistakes, but I am still proud of this team." Coach Bill Jones

North Alabama's James Spencer hit a shot with 14 seconds left in the game to give the Lions a 92-91 victory over JSU.

The game was nip and tuck all the way. The lead changed hands seven times.

"We have to give North Alabama a lot of credit," said JSU Coach Bill Jones. "We made a lot of crucial mistakes, but I am still proud of this team."

The Gamecocks jumped out to a 12-point lead when Edmond hit a layup with 10:20 to go in the first half. JSU kept the lead through halftime as they were ahead 46-39 at half. North Alabama had a 20-9 run to start early in the second half to go ahead 70-65. The Gamecocks quietly came back and took a three point lead with 2:01 left in the game. However, Darryl Hardy hit six free-throws in the last 1:10 to give the Lions the win.

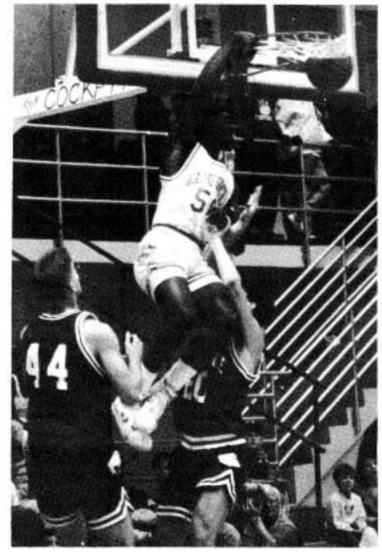
Edmond led all scorers with 22 points. Willie Fisher contributed with 20 points. Charles Burkette added 18 points.

- Eric Smith led North Alabama with 16 points.
- JSU rebounded nicely from the loss at UNA with a 118-84 win over winless Campbellsville.

JSU led the whole way. The Gamecocks enjoyed a 64-48 halftime lead. JSU led by as many as 30-points at the 11:10 point in the first half.

Burkette led JSU in scoring with 27 points. Edmond followed with 22 points and 16 of those points came in the first half. Willie Williams contributed 19 points.

Benji Kelly led Campbellsville with 27 points. Greg Floyd had 23 points.



m Matthews

6'5'' senior Willie Williams slams one home for the Gamecocks.

### Lady Gamecocks break even during holidays



Anita Davis goes over the top for the Lady Game...

#### James Matthews Sports Writer

The Lady Gamecocks picked up two wins since coming back from the Christmas vacation but also suffered two heart-breaking losses.

JSU gave a valient effort but was unable to avenge a previous loss to the Lady Falcons of Montevallo. A 10-foot jumper by the Lady Gamecocks bounced around the rim and fell out as time ran out, giving Montevallo a 78-77 victory.

JSU was down 23-32 with 4:27 left in the first half but went on a 10-point run, helping them to a 37-35 halftime lead.

Three-pointers by Cristy Colvin and Beverly Lee paced a rally by JSU in the second half, but a 14-point lead with 6:50 left in the game wasn't enough.

Montevallo's furious comeback was helped by the fact that Tracy Linton, JSU's leading scorer and rebounder, fouled out with 3:13 left to play.

Michelle Hamilton led JSU with 21 points and 10 rebounds. Linton and Melissa Parker each contributed 14 points and Colvin added 13.

Two days later the Lady Gamecocks traveled to North Alabsma to take on the Lady Lions for their conference opener and came away with a come-from-behind 93-88 victory in overtime.

JSU was down 38-42 at the half and fell behind by seven points with six minutes left in the game. Beverly Lee and Meredith Crowder led the regulation comeback by pouring in 19 and 17 points respectively.

Then, Felicia Owings took control in overtime by promptly nailing two three-pointers from which the Lady Lions were not able to recover.

"I would have liked to win the game outright, but this game did show us that we have people who can step up and lead us while our starters are on the bench," said Head Coach Tony Mabrey. He was referring to the fact Linton and Hamilton both fouled out in regulation.

JSU continued its hot shooting as it hosted the Lady Bulldogs of Alabama A&M. The Lady Gamecocks hit seven of 13 threepointers and five players scored in double figures as they came away with a 95-80 victory.

Linton poured in 22 points, and Lee added 20. Other players in double figures were Parker with 14, Owings with 13 and Hamilton with 12.

Cold first-half shooting hurt the Lady Gamecocks when they traveled to West Georgia for their second conference game.

The 11-1 Lady Braves led by as many as 15 points with 8:50 left in the game, but JSU used a tenacious press to help them tie it up at 62 with one minute left.

West Georgia held a 65-62 advantage with six seconds left, but two three-point attempts by the Lady Gamecocks fell short, dropping JSU's record to 7-4 overall and 1-1 in conference play. Linton and Lee each scored 14 to lead JSU.

"We can't dwell on this game," said Mabrey. "We did a good job defensively, and we've got a lot of tough games ahead of us."

### Senior expects banner season Burkette assumes role as team leader

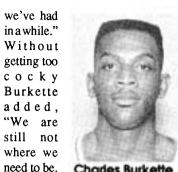
#### Alan Beckett Sports Writer

To know Charles Burkette is to like him. The guy is one of the nicest people you could ever meet. It is hard to imagine someone who is this quiet and unassuming as a physical threat on the basketball court.

Burkette sums up his personality by saying, "I show respect for everybody. I treat people the way I want to be treated."

The cover of the JSU media guide says it all. It shows a picture of Burkette getting out of a limousine dressed in a tuxedo, and the caption reads "Charles in Charge." This is his year to shine. After players like Cliff Dixon, Henry Williams and Robert Lee Sanders had their years in the sun, Burkette has his. Burkette typically is doing it with class, as the tuxedo and the limousine show. This year Charles is in charge!

Not only has Burkette been successful but the Gamecocks have been as well. Burkette said, "We fit the mold of the 1984-85 championship team. We're better is some spots. We've got more experience than



### Charles Burkette

playing good enough defensively." Burkette likes the chemistry of the 1991-92 Gamecocks. "The guys get along well off the court," said Burkette. "They are all good guys."

When asked of his role on the team, Burkette brushed it off with his usual "aw shucks" response. He instead wanted to give credit to others saving, "Willie (Fisher) is the key to our team."

Burkette learned to be aggressive at an early age being the youngest of nine children. Burkette said, "My brothers were always playing. They made me better. I have a brother who is just above me, and we played all the time. We are all very competitive."

All this from a guy who only played

one year of basketball at Jeff Davis High School. He chose to sit out his senior season and instead play baseball. "I was into baseball," said Burkette. "In junior high school, I got cut (from the basketball team) a couple of times."

The guy who cut Burkette would have to be compared to the guy that cut Michael Jordan from his high school team. However, Burkette said he got better rather than the coach being wrong. He attributed his being able to play on the collegiate level to growth in height. "I grew four inches when I was in the 11th grade," he said.

Coach Bill Jones happened upon Burkette through Wallace of Huntsville's coach Henry Hart. Jones said of Burkette, "He came in from Faulkner with a strong work ethic and a high intensity level. He's gotten better every day." Burkette said of Jones, "He took a chance."

Burkette attributed his success to being surrounded by great players. Being around Robert Lee Sanders, Cliff Dixon, Henry Williams, Charles Paige and Randell Holmes helped me," he said. "They showed me good work habits. I didn't have very good work habits when I first got here. All those players got along so well." Burkette also gave credit to Coach Jones. "He can really motivate you," he said.

"He's a real offensive threat," said Jones. "His first move to the basket is very quick. He has super hands and the ability to score from outside. Charles has got a future past college."

As a senior, Burkette has been faced with being a leader on this year's team. "I try to lead by talking on the road," he said. "Here at home we don't need the ra-ra leader. I'm interested in (getting) the younger players ready to play.'

"The team has elected him captain," Jones said."He has earned the respect of the whole team. They see (captain) as a natural role for him."

Burkette said of his senior season, "I realize this is my last year. I try to go out and get everything done. I concentrate a lot more. I try not to get too high if we win or too low if we lose.'

Jones summed up how special Burkette is by saying, "He means a lot to me personally. Above all that basketball stuff, he is a real good person."

### Everyone's got an opinion. Speak yours!

The Chanticleer welcomes letters to the editor. If there is a subject on which you want to speak out, then put your thoughts into words. Letters can be left in Room 180. Self Hall.



Without getting too cocky Burkette added, "We are

We're not

### A whiter shade of college athletics

Tim Hathcock Sports Editor

Once again, the National Collegiate Athletic Association has stiffened the requirements for freshman eligibility for varsity sports.

Proposition 48 had required a student to have at least a 2.0 grade point average and a 700 on the Scholastic Aptitude Test or a 17 on the American College Test.

Now, an entering freshman needs a 2.5 GPA to go along with the corresponding test scores. They did institute a sliding scale whereby a student could be eligible with a 2.0 GPA and a 900 SAT score or 21 on the ACT.

Also, students must pass 13 core curriculum classes in high school, up from 11.

The desire of the NCAA is to put the student back into student-athlete. The result may be to deny the poor, and especially the black student, access to our colleges and universities.

It was no coincidence the loudest uproars at the NCAA national convention were raised by black administrators when the proposal was put up for a vote.

Black students will be the ones most affected by the measure, if you listen to black administrators. Standardized tests such as the SAT and the ACT have long been attacked as being racially biased.

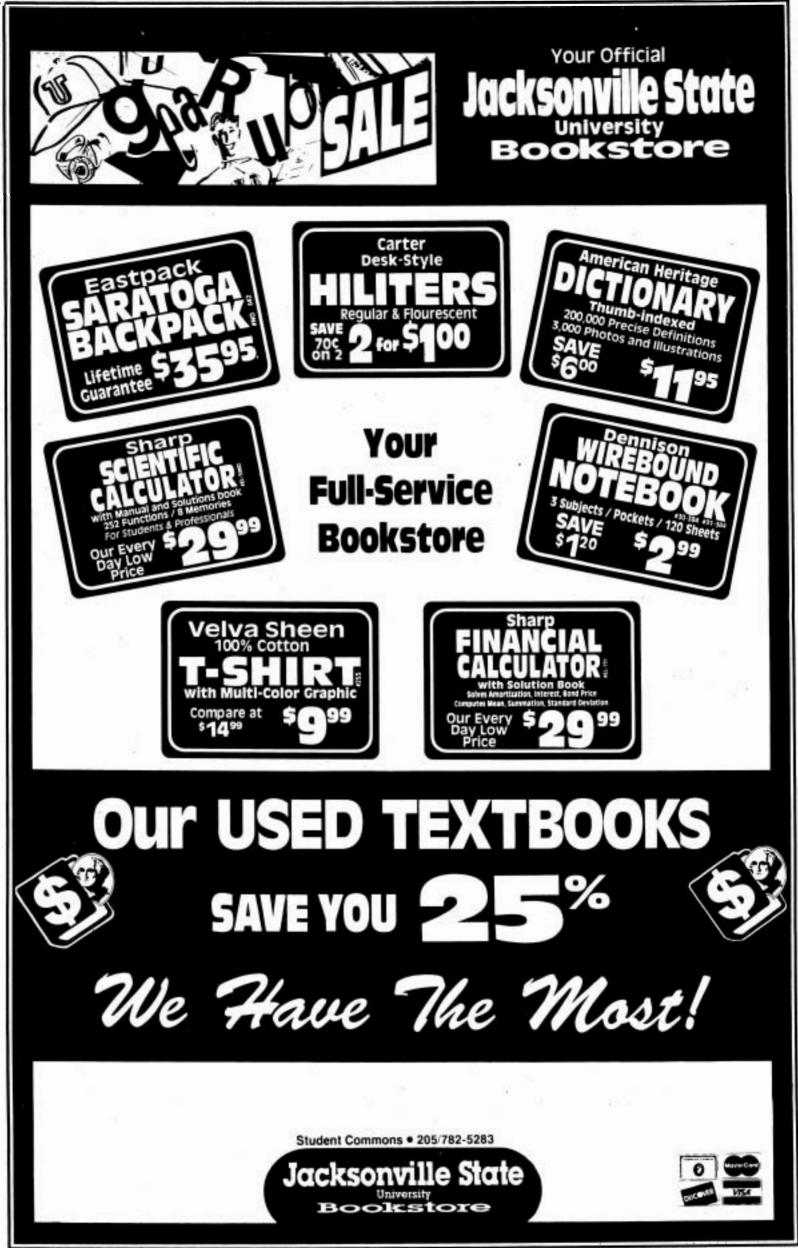
Both tests have been losing credibility among colleges and universities as indicators of a student's capabilities as a student. Recently, the ACT test score requirement was thrown out as a basis for entrance to the College of Education at JSU and other state institutions.

Why should athletes be expected to perform at an academic level higher than the general student population?

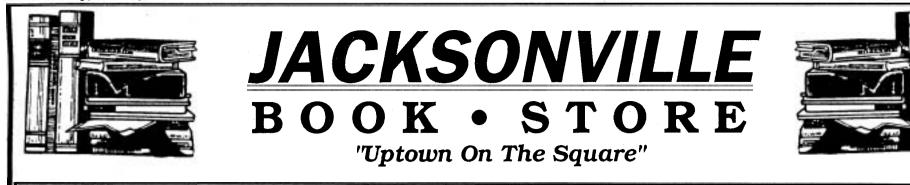
And, even if they do, they still aren't rewarded by the NCAA. The governing body of collegiate sports rejected a proposal to award a fourth year of eligibility to students who have made satisfactory progress after four years of school.

Currently, those falling under Proposition 48 lose a year of eligibility, in addition to the stigma of being referred to as a "Prop 48" case.

Certainly, there needs to be eligibility requirements. But to base a potential college student's ability on a standardized test — which was not designed for that purpose — is unfair and uncalled for.



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| NCAA Div. 1<br>Associated Press<br>Basketball Poll   | NCAA Division II<br>Basketball<br>Top Twenty   | 1991-92 JSU<br>Men's Basketball<br>Nov. 23 Athens (H)<br>Nov. 29-30 Georgia Coll. Tour. (A)<br>Dec. 3 Alabama A&M (H)<br>Dec. 6-7 Tom Roberson Classic (H)<br>Dec. 10. Clark College (H)  | DOMINO'S<br>PIZZA  |
| Jan. 13<br>1. Duke<br>2. UCLA<br>3. Oklahoma State<br>4. Ohio State<br>5. Indiana<br>6. Kansas<br>7. Arizona<br>8. Connecticut<br>9. Alabama<br>10. Kentucky<br>11. Michigan State<br>12. Arkansas<br>13. Missouri<br>14. North Carolina<br>15. Michigan<br>16. Georgia Tech<br>17. St. John's<br>18. North Carolina-Charlotte | <ol> <li>Washburn</li> <li>Delta State</li> <li>North Dakota</li> <li>New Haven</li> <li>Philadelphia Textile</li> <li>Kentucky Wesleyan</li> <li>New Hampshire College</li> <li>South Dakota State</li> <li>JSU</li> <li>California, PA</li> <li>Cal-Riverside</li> <li>Virginia Union</li> <li>Bellarmine</li> <li>Alaska-Anchorage</li> <li>Missouri Western</li> <li>Denver</li> <li>Fayetteville State</li> <li>North Alabama</li> <li>Gannon</li> <li>Wayne State</li> </ol> | Dec. 10 Clark College (H)<br>Dec. 18 Athens State (A)<br>Jan. 4 Pfeiffer (H)<br>Jan. 6 North Alabama (A)<br>Jan. 9 Campbellsville (H)<br>Jan. 11 West Georgia (A)<br>Jan. 13 Valdosta State (A)<br>Jan. 13 Valdosta State (A)<br>Jan. 20 Delta State (H)<br>Jan. 20 Delta State (H)<br>Jan. 23 Lincoln Memorial (A)<br>Jan. 25 Mississippi College (H)<br>Jan. 27 Livingston (A)<br>Feb. 1 North Alabama (H)<br>Feb. 8 Livingston (A)<br>Feb. 10 Mississippi College (A)<br>Feb. 13 Lincoln Memorial (H)<br>Feb. 14 Lincoln Memorial (H)<br>Feb. 22 Valdosta State (H)<br>Feb. 24 West Georgia (H)<br>Mar. 6-7 GSC Tournament (TBA) | Let Domino's Pizza<br>Do Lunch<br><b>ONE MEDIUM</b><br><b>1 ITEM PIZZA</b>   |
| 19. Tulane<br>20. Syracuse<br>21. Seton Hall<br>22. Georgetown<br>23. Oklahoma<br>24. Iowa State<br>25. Louisville   | Gulf South<br>Conference<br>Men's Standings  | Women's Basketball<br>Nov. 23 Kennesaw (A)<br>Nov. 29 Paine (H)<br>Dec. 3 Alabama A&M (A)<br>Dec. 5 Montevallo (A)<br>Dec. 7 Kennesaw (H)<br>Dec. 9 Paine (A)<br>Dec. 14 Brewton-Parker (H)<br>Jan. 4 Montevallo (H)<br>Jan. 6 North Alabama (A)<br>Jan. 9 Alabama A&M (H)  | Only<br>Subscription States (price does not include tax)   |
| NCAA Div. I<br>Women's AP Poll<br>Jan. 13  | 2. Deita State       2-0       11-1         3. JSU       2-1       12-1         4. Miss. College       1-1       11-3         5. West Georgia       1-2       4-9         6. Livingston       0-2       6-4         7. Valdosta St.       0-3       7-6  | Jan. 11 West Georgia (A)<br>Jan. 13 Valdosta State (A)<br>Jan. 18 AlaHuntsville (A)<br>Jan. 20 Delta State (H)<br>Jan. 25 Mississippi College (H)<br>Jan. 27 Livingston (H)<br>Jan. 30 Miss. Univ. for Women (H)<br>Feb. 1 North Alabama (H)  | Not valid with any other offer. Delivery areas limited to<br>ensure safe driving. Our drivers carry less than \$20.00. Our<br>drivers are not penalized for late deliveries. Prices rounded<br>to the nearest nickel. Expires: 5/30/92 |
|  | Gulf South<br>Conference<br>Women's Standings  | <ul> <li>Feb. 4 Talladega (A)</li> <li>Feb. 8 Livingston (A)</li> <li>Feb. 10 Mississippi College (A)</li> <li>Feb. 15 Delta State (A)</li> <li>Feb. 18 Talladega (H)</li> <li>Feb. 20 Miss. Univ. for Women (A)</li> <li>Feb. 22 Valdosta State (H)</li> <li>Feb. 24 West Georgia (H)</li> <li>Feb. 27-29 GSC Tournament (TBA)</li> </ul>  | Valid 11:00 a.m 4:00 p.m.<br>Jacksonville  |
| <ol> <li>Virginia</li> <li>Tennessee</li> <li>Maryland</li> <li>Stanford</li> <li>Iowa</li> <li>George Washington</li> <li>Stephen F. Austin</li> <li>Penn State</li> <li>Washington</li> <li>Missisippi</li> <li>Houston</li> <li>Purdue</li> <li>Vanderbilt</li> <li>Northwestern</li> </ol>                                 | Conf.         Overall           1.West Georgia         4-0         13-1           2. Delta State         2-0         9-2           3. JSU         2-1         8-4           4. Livingston         1-1         7-2           5. North Alabama         1-2         3-8           6. Miss. College         0-2         8-4           7. Valdosta State         0-3         4-10   | NFL Playoffs<br>NEC<br>Atlanta 27, New Orleans 20<br>Dallas 17, Chicago 13<br>Washington 24, Atlanta 7<br>Detroit 38, Dallas 6<br>Washington 41, Detroit 10   | College Center Only<br>435-8200<br>Coming Soon   |
| <ol> <li>Hawaii</li> <li>North Carolina State</li> <li>Clemson</li> <li>Louisiana State</li> <li>Miami</li> <li>Auburn</li> <li>Western Kentucky</li> <li>Connecticut</li> <li>Southwest Missouri State</li> <li>Kansas</li> <li>Georgia</li> </ol>  | 1991 JSU<br>Shooting<br>Team Schedule<br>Oct. 20 Tenn. Tech (H)<br>Oct. 27 Tenn. Tech Invitational<br>Nov. 9 U.S. Military Acad. (H)<br>Nov. 16 The Citadel (H)<br>Nov. 23 Walsh Invitational<br>Jan. 18 N.C. State (H)<br>Jan. 19 James Newkirk Inv.<br>Jan. 25 Withrow Invitational<br>Feb. 9 Middle Tenn. State   | <ul> <li>Kansas City 10, Los Angeles Raiders 6<br/>Houston 17, New York Jets 10</li> <li>Denver 26, Houston 24<br/>Buffalo 37, Kansas City 14</li> <li>Buffalo 10, Denver 7</li> <li>Super Boon</li> <li>Buffalo vs. Washington<br/>at Minneapolis Metrodome<br/>5 p.m.</li> </ul>  | Aliminator Quest   |



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