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JSU returns to Elite Eight



David Edmond makes three more points to help put Troy State out of the race Saturday. Edmond was named most valuable player for the South Region tournament which JSU won Saturday in Mathews Coliseum.

Gamecocks defeat old foe Troy State

Alan Beckett
Sports Writer

With two wins in the South Region Tournament at Mathews Coliseum, JSU won its way into the NCAA Elite Eight Tournament in Springfield, Mass. The wins came against arch rival Troy State and South Carolina -- Spartanburg. This marked the fifth region championship and the third trip to the Elite Eight Tournament for JSU.

The biggest win of the year came Saturday in an emotional 96-91 victory over Troy. The game was billed as a scoring duel between two high-powered offenses, and it lived up to its billing. However, key defensive stands in the end may have won it for the Gamecocks.

"It was not a stroll in the park," said Head Coach Bill Jones. "It was a great challenge to our players. We held a team in the '90s that had been scoring 122 points per game. I appreciate the crowd we had for the big game."

Both teams came out of the gate running and gunning. After trading leads, JSU opened a 19-13 lead on a three-point shot by Anthony Kingston with 15:46 left in the first half. The Gamecocks enjoyed a 27-17 lead with 12:57 on a Willie Fisher layup.

The Trojans quickly got back into the game behind the hot shooting of Terry McCord. A McCord three-pointer made the score 28-27 with 9:51 left in the first half. McCord finished with a game high 29 points.

For the next couple of minutes the game seesawed back and forth with both teams trad-

ing baskets. The brunt of the scoring during the rest of the half was done by Eric Hosey, Willie Williams, Fisher and Kingston.

A four-foot jumper by Fisher with 1:55 left in the half capped off a JSU 18-8 run that made the score 56-46. Following a Jack Smith basket in the closing seconds of the half the score was 59-50 at the half.

In the second half JSU slowed the pace down just a bit and played more of a half-court game. "We didn't want to run with them," said senior David Edmond. "I didn't figure they had a half-court offense."

Jones said, "We didn't want to change our style for the game." The Gamecocks also picked up the pace defensively. "We tried to limit their second shots," said Jones. "I thought our defensive effort was good."

The Trojans had a quick run to start the half and closed the lead to 63-61 at the 16:34 mark in the second half. The game remained close until the closing minute.

JSU fell behind at the 8:59 mark 72-73. The Gamecocks got the lead right back on an Edmond three-pointer. JSU fell behind again 81-82 at the 4:58 mark. However, a Burkette dunk with 4:35 to go in the game put the Gamecocks up to stay.

Willie Williams was the key player down the stretch scoring 11 points in the final 5:57 of the game. Jones said, "We've had a lot of folk step up this year in key situations. Willie Williams stepped forward when we needed him today."

A technical on Troy's Andy Davis allowed

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JSU prepares Amnesty Week

Melanie Jones
News Editor

Yellow Post-it notes are dotting Jacksonville this week to serve as a reminder — a reminder of the goals of Amnesty International.

The JSU chapter of the national organization distributed over 2,000 notes this week after members drew a simple stick figure on each.

Chapter President Chris Buhagiar said the figures are considered a

worldwide symbol for Amnesty International.

"The stick figure is nameless, faceless and colorless . . . it stands for nobody and represents everybody," Buhagiar said.

The local chapter is using the Post-it notes as a type of modern day yellow ribbon campaign with which to bring attention to their cause. The campaign is an effort to bring attention to next week's Amnesty Week activities.

The week will begin with the cam-

pus-wide distribution of 700 fliers bearing Amnesty slogans.

Later in the week, students will find chalk body outlines on sidewalks and parking lots bearing the names of international prisoners of conscience and Amnesty slogans.

Buhagiar said the group will also sponsor surprise activities in the cafeteria throughout the week.

Next Wednesday, the JSU chapter will host a Quad party featuring Am-

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Possession: 1 convicted

From Staff Reports

One JSU student was found guilty of possession of marijuana in city court Monday. Charges against two other students were dismissed.

Thomas Alfred Bayne Jr., 21, Summerville, Ala., was found guilty of possession of marijuana, second degree, and was fined \$300 plus \$44 in court costs.

The judge dismissed possession charges against Gregory Michael Patch, 20, Huntsville, Ala., and Kevin Riley Stanford, 20, also of Huntsville, who were arrested at the same time.

City police officers arrested the three on Feb. 3 when a search of their vehicle uncovered four plastic bags which allegedly contained marijuana.

The pick-up truck the three men were in at the time of the arrest belonged to Bayne.

Campus police officers learn sign language

Melanie Jones
News Editor

Through the pursuit of a personal interest, three University police officers have improved their communication skills and complied with federal law.

The officers are all part of the continuing education sign language class offered by the University. In the class, the officers, Sgt. Brent Satterfield, Officer Penny Melvin and Officer Suzanne Brunk, not only learn sign language, they learn to distinguish between facts and myths about the hearing impaired.

Brunk said she first became interested in sign language when she was a child and someone gave her a copy of the manual alphabet.

She said she and her sister communicated with the letters for years, but it wasn't until 1988 that she first had an opportunity to take a sign language class. She never had the opportunity to use it and soon forgot it.

"I know bits and pieces," she said, "enough to communicate."

Now she has the opportunity to learn even more under the direction

of Dan Miller, director of Disabled Student Services.

Miller pointed out that not only are the officers building a better relationship with JSU's 38 deaf and hearing impaired students, but they are also providing services that will allow the University police easy compliance with federal law.

Laws prevent a person from being convicted if he cannot understand what he is charged with, therefore an interpreter must be provided for any deaf person who is charged with a crime.

Miller related some of the special problems of the deaf and law enforcement in his class Monday night.

He said that the speech impediments of the deaf are sometimes mistaken by police as the slurred speech patterns of someone who is intoxicated; therefore, the cases are treated as such.

Two problems with the deaf have proved particularly hazardous, although there are no specific incidents at JSU.

In some instances police officers have assumed that a deaf driver was reaching for a weapon when he was

reaching for a pad and pen.

In other incidents, people have been shot for not heeding a warning they could not hear.

None of the officers were really aware of these situations when they signed up for the class. In fact, most were just thought it would be fun to learn.

"I've always wanted to learn sign language," Satterfield said. "Now that I'm confronted with deaf people in my work, I thought it would be a good time to learn."

Brunk, too, felt it would be a good idea to learn to communicate with the deaf students she confronted in her work.

"I would hate to be in (the deaf students') position and not know what's going on," she said.

She added she wants to learn to communicate in the way that is easiest for them to allow everyone to understand.

Anyone interested in learning more about working with the deaf or in learning sign language can contact Miller at DSS at 782-5093. Beginning and intermediate sign language classes are offered each semester.

Announcements

•All announcements and letters to editors must be typed or legibly written and submitted by Friday before publication to 180 Self Hall.

•The residence hall olympics will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday with activities all day on The Quad. There will be competition between halls and free food.

•The JSU Department of Art will host the annual JSU Juried Art Exhibition until March 27 in Hammond Hall Gallery on campus.

All art work for this exhibition was completed in class under the direction of instructors.

Gallery hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

•The SGA-SAA Student Tax Service has been very successful thus far. We are still available Mondays and Wednesdays from 1-2 p.m. and on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2:30-3:30 p.m., in the Merrill Building Lobby until March 26. Bring your 1990 Tax returns and records of interest earned in 1991.

•The deadline for Miss Mimosa applications has been extended to March 26.

•A reorganizational meeting of the JSU Young Democrats will be held at 3 p.m. March 25 in room 313 Martin Hall. Any interested students are invited.

•Amnesty International meeting at 4 p.m. today in 333 Martin Hall. New members welcome. The club will be making final preparations for Amnesty week, March 23-26.

•There will be a Graduate Business Fair from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Wednesday in the lobby of Merrill Hall. All students are invited.

•If you have done original writing and are now enrolled at JSU, you are eligible to enter the English Honors Society, Sigma Tau Delta, Writing Contest. You can win recognition by the English Honors Society and a cash prize.

The categories for submission are the short story, poetry and personal essay.

Prizes will be \$45 for first place and \$20 for second place in each category, for a total of six prizes.

The deadline for submissions is 3 p.m. March 27, to Mark Kobernick, Department of English, 212 or 228 Stone Center. Kobernick can be reached at 782-5549.

Cobb plans conviction appeal



Graham Cobb III and his father Graham Jr. may seek legal action against JSU.

Graham Cobb III, a former JSU freshman from Birmingham, was convicted of criminal trespassing, second degree, in Jacksonville City Court Monday.

He immediately filed an appeal to be heard in Calhoun County circuit court.

University police arrested Cobb and charged him with trespassing on March 4 as he walked past Weatherly and Curtiss Halls.

The arrest followed disciplinary action taken against Cobb by the University for his alleged

use of an electric skillet in his dorm room, which is a direct violation of University regulations.

University officials ordered Cobb to move out of his room in Weatherly Hall and said he was forbidden to enter or be around any JSU dormitory.

Cobb's father, Graham Cobb Jr., told *The Chanticleer* Tuesday that he plans to seek legal action against the University for violation of due process.

Kappa Sigs fight drugs

Dyana Blythe
City News Editor

The Kappa Sigmas held their first roadblock for charity March 11, raising almost \$400 in cooperation with the Jacksonville Police Department.

The fraternity wanted to improve their public relations with the community as well as raise money for the Drug Abuse Resistance Education charity.

The roadblock was held on the corner of Francis Street and Church Avenue.

John Caldwell, a member of Kappa Sig, initiated the event by contacting Jacksonville Police Chief Tommy Thompson.

"The police have been doing this for the past

couple of years, Caldwell said, "but this is the first time we have been involved."

According to Paul Carpenter, another Kappa Sig, there was high participation among the fraternity. "A lot of us went out there and helped. We just stood there on the corner and asked for money from people in their cars."

Carpenter said they raised much more money than they thought they would. "We were pleased with the response we got. We raised about \$370."

Before the roadblock, one member said he hoped they would at least get \$100.

Their money will go for pamphlets and T-shirts to educate elementary students.

The Kappa Sigs also plan to donate any money raised during the Greek God Competition at Greek Week to the DARE charity.

Amnesty

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Amnesty activities. At 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, a freedom march will begin at the Kappa Sigma fraternity house and continue to the Wesley foundation, where leaders in the international organization will address the marchers at 6 p.m.

On Friday, the organization will sponsor a high school conference informing high school students about the goals of Amnesty International and how they can set up high school Amnesty International chapters.

Amnesty International has been growing for more than 30 years and currently consists of 1.1 million members in 150 countries.

The goals of the organization are to work for the release of prisoners of conscience if they have not advocated the use of nor participated violent activities, to work for the release of all political prisoners and to work toward an end to all torture and execution, regardless of the cause.

Since its inception in September, Buhagiar said the JSU chapter of Amnesty International has participated in five urgent action letter writing campaigns, as well as various other activities.

Anyone interested in working with Amnesty International can contact Buhagiar at 782-6520.

Education students sleep outside to get classes

From Staff Reports

Education students assembled a make-shift tent in front of Ramona Wood Hall Tuesday night and waited throughout Wednesday morning to register for hard-to-get classes.

About a dozen students slept under the tarpauline to be the first in line, and they say administrators should at least open the building for them to sleep inside.

Students circulated a petition March 11 to ask the University to let students sleep inside. According to Temeah Borders, senior, Robert Hymer, dean of the College of Education, said

he saw no reason for students to begin forming the line so early.

But students say it is necessary if they get into the classes they need to graduate in the fall.

"I think (JSU President Harold J. McGee) ought to be out here with us. They could at least have a security officer out here and let us in the building. The main thing they need to do is let us in the building," Kristy Kellett, senior, said.

Senior Jim McFall said, "They're so concerned about their building. We're seniors and if we tear up the building, we have the most to lose because we've worked so hard to get where we are."



Several seniors slept outside Ramona Wood Hall Tuesday night to get classes.

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Spring Break

Move it back again

In years past this would have been the first issue of *The Chanticleer* after a return from Spring Break. However, last year the Alabama Education Association changed the date of its annual meeting, and along with the famed "AEA week," JSU moved its Spring Break.

A prominent reason for the change in AEA's schedule was the warmer weather later in the spring. Since all elementary and secondary schools follow the schedule, it gives families a way to schedule vacations together. It serves the same purpose for teachers, including those who attend the annual convention.

Furthermore, with most public schools finishing in June now, the new break still falls near enough to the middle of the semester for them.

JSU's situation is not the same. Classes here end in April. In essence, there are only two weeks of actual classes left when students return from the break, and it is awkward to jump back in just before finals.

A break at the first of March — as it was only two years ago — gives students a time to relax just when spring fever hits. It actually contributes to the learning process. Students and faculty come back rested and ready for the last five weeks.

This is not to say JSU should campaign to change AEA's schedule. That would be absurd if not impossible.

However, JSU is not required to adhere to the calendar set by AEA. Other schools break at different times during the spring, and JSU can easily do the same.

Changing Spring Break to an earlier, more suitable time would benefit the entire campus and improve students' alertness after midterm.

The AEA may like a later date for its convention, but JSU needs to show some independence and set its own Spring Break — one earlier in March.

Respect revered traditions

This past weekend I was involved in two events where I was astonished at the irreverence shown by a few select individuals who evidently do not understand respect.

This type action has always bothered me, but this weekend both events captured my whole attention. Friday night I attended an informal function for high schoolers at church. Obviously, I am not a high schooler, but I wanted to hear the speaker. So anyway I was there.

And to my wondering eyes appeared two teenagers wearing caps in the sanctuary.

That may not be important to everybody, especially those who do not from a Christian background. But it bothers me, and it ought to bother a lot of other people that at least some young people are not being taught to respect things revered from times immemorial.

The sanctuary of any church is not

Eric G. Mackey
Editor in Chief



the place where men or boys should wear caps. Period. It is disrespectful and disgraceful. Informal or not, there are still lines that need to be drawn in our society today.

Then I started to get over it, that is until Sunday.

At the South region finals in Mathews Coliseum there were at least three people in easy view from my seat who did not remove their caps for the playing of the nation anthem. Two of them appeared to be father and son.

We may not be talking about the inner deterioration of the nation here, but it is certainly a loss of time-honored values.

I was raised up not so long ago in a not-so-far-away place, and we were taught respect for such things as the church, the American flag and the national anthem.

It bothers me to see such irreverence displayed constantly in a community as small as Jacksonville. It bothers me even more to know somehow people are slipping through who do not understand the value system we hold as a society.

It is more than just tradition. Some things must mean enough to us to be held sacred. These things stand out in a sea of commonness as the things we admire and revere. They give us identity and pride.

Personally, I hold them dear. And some day my kids will be taught to hold them dear, too. If we all understand why these things are especially important then just maybe their sacredness will never drown in the dreaded common sea.

Changing work standards

I've been working a lot harder since the Japanese prime minister said Americans were lazy.

Here I am laboring now, for instance. I'd rather be on the golf course or in front of my television watching a movie and feeding my face with Little Debbie snack cakes.

Actually, I'd rather be out with Little Debbie, who's probably grown by now and has even better snack cakes.

But it's time we showed the Japanese a thing or two about just how hard Americans will work once they are challenged.

Yesterday, I made up my bed before it really needed making up. Usually, I don't make up my bed until it no longer resembles a bed, but is stacked with dirty clothes, magazines I've been reading in bed, Little Debbie snack cake wrappers and an occasional shoe.

At that point it looks more like a sidewalk in New York City than a bed, and I know it's time to make it up.

But I went ahead and picked up all the garbage on my bed and swept off the sheets and pillows before I really needed to. I didn't spot one single thing that was alive, as a matter of fact.

Often, there are organisms in there somewhere, including things I had to catch and mount for my tenth grade biology bug collection.

"Take that, Mr. Prime Minister," I said, as I swept the last graham cracker crumb off the bed. I'd run out of Little Debbie snack cakes one recent evening and had to go to graham crackers.

After that, I looked around for something else to do to show Mr. Prime Minister he couldn't call me lazy and get away with it.

I put my dishes, the ones that were still in the sink following my annual Ground Hog Day party, in the dishwasher.

I'm probably the only person who has an Annual Ground Hog Day party.

Lewis Grizzard

The Atlanta
Journal-Constitution



I invite guests and we eat and drink and then go outside to see if we can see our shadows. If we do, it means I don't clean up the dishes from the party for six weeks. If we don't, it means I don't clean up the dishes from the party for another six more weeks.

But here I was doing my duty as an American, putting the dishes in the dishwasher a good two weeks before I really had to.

Talk about living things. I think there was a cat in there among those dishes, because once I put them in the dishwasher, put it on, and there emanated a loud noise that sounded a lot like a cat having just been scalded by hot, soapy water.

When I empty the dishwasher sometime around Flag Day in June, I suppose I'll find out exactly what was making that noise.

Then, I decided to clean out my bedroom closet.

I removed a large pile of items that included clothes I no longer wear, like my polyester leisure suits I had thrown in there during the '70s, and empty jar of mayonnaise, some auto parts, assorted empty beer cans, an autographed picture of Jimmy Swaggart and my dog, Catfish, the black Lab.

"So this is where you've been," I said to Catfish, who had been missing for a couple of weeks. I suppose he had gone into the closet looking for a cat, got trapped under all that stuff and subsisted on mayonnaise until I finally freed him.

After all that work, I was ready for a nap. I dreamt the Japanese prime minister got arrested for loitering.

The Chanticleer

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

--John Milton



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Letters to the Editor

Infirmiry deserves praise

Amidst all the changes that have taken place on the JSU campus is one that warrants a special chorus of praise from me. My motivation for writing is not only to say something positive about the change, but also to encourage others to be as quick to praise as they are to criticize. Too often, those who go an extra mile to assist others are never given any recognition for their efforts. It is my honor today to give praise and say thank you to a group of people who have displayed genuine concern, compassion and efficiency.

After a study of the University infirmiry was conducted last summer, University officials decided to restructure the health care facility. As a result, a new staff of doctors and

nurses were hired, and infirmiry hours were extended.

Since the changes were made, I have had the unfortunate need to seek help from the new staff. Each visit was a pleasant one: the staff was personable, friendly and concerned. Unlike experiences with prior infirmiry physicians, Dr. DeArment took time to listen thoroughly to my complaint and examined the afflicted area before giving his recommendation. After my last visit on Feb. 27, I was really taken aback by the extra care and concern of the entire staff, and want to say a public "thank you" to all of them. Keep up the good work!

Vesta Okoye
Fitzpatrick Hall Director

UPC disagrees with editor

First of all, I would like to express my gratitude to Anissa Grimes, Cultural Affairs Chair, as well as to her whole committee that helped to make Black History Month a huge success. All of the events were well attended except by members of *The Chanticleer* staff.

I found the column in the March 5 issue amusing. Black History was noted as an important issue but yet the editor-in-chief and most reporters did not find it important enough to go and learn more about. With almost a whole school year completed, Black History Month's activities were the only ones not reported as much other UPC events.

Black history has been neglected not only in America, but in most of the world. I look forward to the day that we don't need a special month because black history will be integrated into the rest of history. Unfortunately, this hasn't happened so JSU will continue celebrating black history Month along with the rest of the world, since it is internationally celebrated.

You criticize the UPC for having expensive programs during last

month. Black History Month was celebrated with nothing but high quality, low cost events. This was keeping with all UPC events this year because of how hard we were hit by proration.

Your suggested events for next year's celebration shows a lack of research on your part as these events would easily cost \$15-30,000. Even then, would the press conference you support be attended by your staff?

I am glad that black history is a subject that interests the majority of the non-journalist students on this campus and for those of you in attendance at the last two events, you know it won't be forgotten until next year.

To find out more contact Anissa Grimes, The Cultural Affairs Committee, the Minority Concerns Committee, or myself by calling 782-5490.

Here's hoping the next celebration of black history or any other important issues is not forgotten by *The Chanticleer*.

Andrew J. Freeman, director
University Programs Council

Student challenges editor

Upon reading your article concerning Black History Month, I have come to realize that you may have been placed in the wrong job. Since you have all the answers for increasing support and attendance of campus activities, including Black History Month, your job title should read: Eric G. Mackey - Cultural Affairs Chairman. However, this is only my opinion — it may or may not set right with everyone, but it is my opinion. In order to criticize the entire month dedicated to Black History, you should have been in attendance to at least one-half of the programs during the month. You were not there.

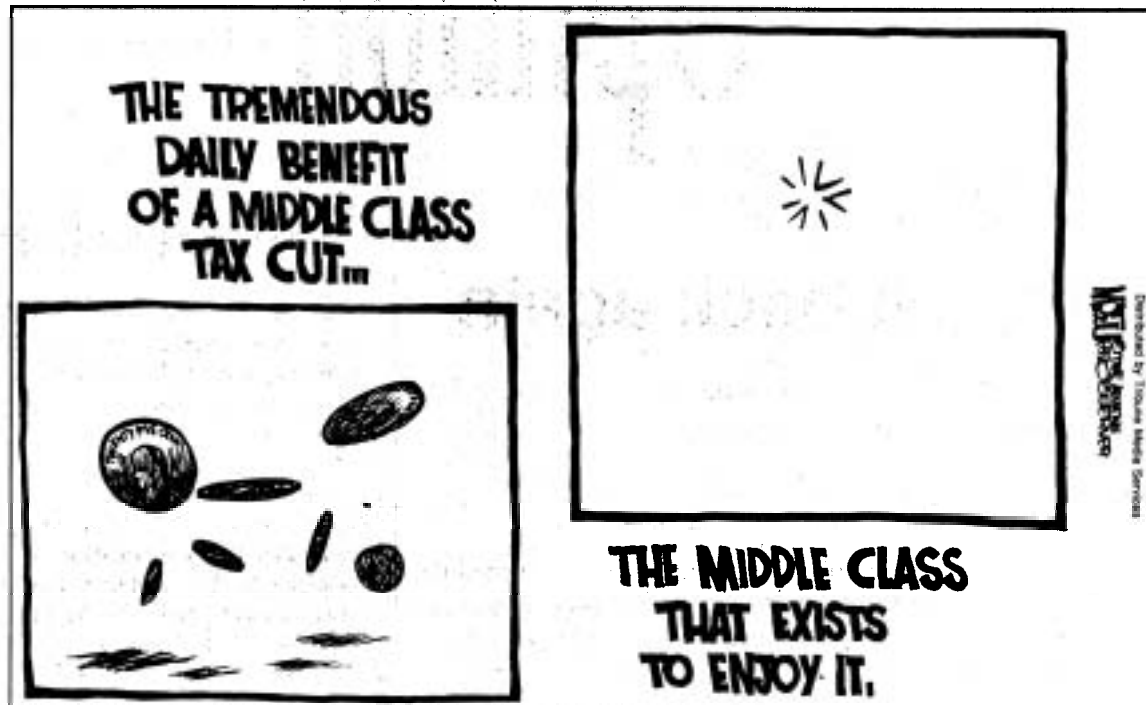
Many people find it easy to stand back and pass judgement, but not many are willing to work and help make it a better program. More spe-

cifically, what was or has been your contribution to the University Program Council?

Being one of the "organizers," a JSU student and a proud Afro-American, I took the article personally. However the article shows that we, as an Afro-American race, have come a long way, but the journey to freedom and equality is still far in the distance. So, I Sharnell Mitchell, challenge Mr. Mackey and *The Chanticleer* to join me and not let Black History Month be demeaned by forgetting the efforts of many important and distinguished Afro-Americans in their struggle to better this place we call the United States of America.

Sharnell Mitchell
Senior

EDITOR'S NOTE ON OLD SOUTH: In reference to a letter to the editor in last week's edition, Robert E. Lee was not the actual founder of KA. He is the spiritual founder of the fraternity.



Correcting own letter on segregation

I am the one who wrote the letter of last week that was called "Segregation on campus not as bad as some say." In my haste I am afraid I stepped on some undeserving toes. The attempt to desegregate the nation's schools was unique in Boston because that city is our nation's most racially unsegregated America, and stands as a proud example for all of the world. Most of the protests were simply because it made no sense to ride a bus for an hour to get to school, when there was already a school within walking distance. The resistance to race mixing was there,

but it was remote as a good friend of mine has helped me to realize.

I worked with a boy from Massachusetts whose favorite thing was to go around the store telling "Negro" jokes. Of course he used a much more offensive term than "Negro". But, as in any area, I realize he does not speak for all of Massachusetts.

Also, when I used the example of Confederate generals who did not own slaves, Jackson was printed. I really meant General Johnston. This was my error. I'm not sure if Jackson owned slaves, but the evidence that he was not a white supremacist is sub-

stantial. Also the list of Confederate men who were a slaveless goes on and on. These were fighting men, and it is impossible for them to be "rebels" because the South only did what the Constitution allowed. And the first talk of leaving the Union came from Massachusetts in 1811.

A lot of men and women died for the Confederacy. They included Jews, Catholics, blacks and whites. So if you're a racist, find another pack of lies to hide your cowardice behind.

Darren Voyles
Senior

Courageous homosexuals should be respected

In response to the "opinion" made by Paul M. McGuire (*The Chanticleer*, March 5) I have a few "opinions" of my own. I found his views repulsive as did all of my male homosexual friends. A person's sexual preference is not something they have a choice about, rather it is something they are born with! Some are forced to hide it from society, while others do the brave and courageous thing by admitting what they are.

Although homosexuals are different, they have the same rights as everyone else. If the majority of homosexuals wish to create their own political organizations it is their right. If we tell them they cannot have these groups then we should also tell the Democratic and Republican parties or the SGA that they can't have a political group either. Citizens still do have rights in 1992, and it is obvious to this citizen that Mr. McGuire is homophobic.

What is he so afraid of? Most homosexuals cannot be spotted easily, and they are all around. This is something that he does not realize.

It is my opinion that Mr. McGuire needs to see reality and take a look at the larger number of homosexuals on this very campus. Another fact of life is that homosexuals have been around from the beginning of time and are not going away. Furthermore he does not have the right to speak for the so called, "...overwhelming majority of people in our society." It is opinions such as his that caused the Spanish Inquisition and the Holocaust. Gay bashing is dead. There is a new idea: the freedom to live "out of the closet."

Krista L. Joseph
Freshman

Homosexuality wrong, makes God sick

Regarding Michelle Martin's February 27 column on allowing homosexuality to run "free."

Homosexuality makes God sick. Don't you see that? The Bible says so. If you are open-minded, please read something for me, okay?

God is Love. "Let Love Rule," all right; but if God is Love and homosexuality makes Love sick, something is wrong. It's not God, though. He's never wrong. Homosexuality is wrong.

It's not people we as Christians condemn: That's not our place because no one is perfect; but, we do condemn sin. Homosexuality is sin.

Try these passages: I Corinthians 6:9-10. "Know you

not that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, will inherit the kingdom of God."

Romans 6:23. "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Now read Genesis 18 and 19. Chilling, but it's pretty plain. Homosexuality is sin. See?

John Allen Jones
Student

Freshman student named Miss JSU



1991 Miss JSU Tara Turner crowns 1992 Miss JSU Heather Whitestone, the first hearing-impaired student to win the title.

Michelle Martin
Features Editor

When Heather Whitestone entered the 1992 Miss JSU pageant, she entered as a free pageant, sponsored by only her mother. But once the competition began, Whitestone found she had more support than she could have imagined.

Whitestone, a 19-year-old freshman accounting major is hearing-impaired. Although she was not apprehensive about entering the pageant as a hearing-impaired contestant, Whitestone says she was surprised at the amount of support and encouragement from fellow contestants.

"The other women treated me really well," she says. "Some of them knew sign language and would sign (she demonstrates) 'Good luck,' or 'Break a leg' to me. We all had a good time, making new friends."

Whitestone is the first hearing-impaired student to win Miss JSU. She says no hearing-impaired contestant has yet to win Miss Alabama.

Still, Whitestone says she was not treated unequally in any part of the competition. In fact, the judges were so impartial that Whitestone was not

"During the interview, my chair was close to the judges' table so I could read their lips."

*-- Heather Whitestone
1992 Miss JSU,
hearing-impaired student*

even given an interpreter for the interview or final questioning.

Whitestone says she understands the reasons for their not providing an interpreter, "The Miss USA pageant does not allow them."

"Miss USA judges are afraid the interpreters will cheat by explaining the question in more detail or in expanding on the answer," she says. "But the judges provide a pen and paper and allow for more time in answering questions if there is any misunderstanding."

Whitestone says she had no difficulty in understanding or answering the judges, however. "During the interview, my chair was close to the judges' table so I could read their

lips."

Whitestone says she originally entered the contest for the scholarship money, but hopes now she can be a positive role model to other hearing-impaired people. She feels many hearing-impaired people have low self-esteem and use their hearing-impairedness as an excuse for not trying.

"I want to prove to others that they can do whatever they want. They should stand up for what they believe, as long as they do not hurt other people's rights," Whitestone says.

Whitestone explains how people sometimes hurt others' rights, saying that many deaf people are angry because restaurants and other businesses do not always have interpreters. But she also sympathizes with the hearing world, saying that not all deaf or hearing-impaired people take measures of their own by writing, rather than speaking.

Representing JSU, Whitestone competes for the 1992 Miss Alabama, USA, title this Summer at Birmingham-Jefferson Civic Center.

'Bizarre' writers featured in reading

Tony Entrekin
Features Writer

Could JSU be the home of the next William Faulkner or Ernest Hemingway? Decide for yourself when the Writers Club presents a reading of short stories and poetry at 7:30 p.m. Monday on the 11th floor of Houston Cole Library.

According to club faculty advisor Susan Methvin, although there have been readings by student writers before, this will be the first time the Writers Club has done its own reading. She says the quality of the work being produced by the writers in the club is the main reason for the club getting its own reading.

"Over the years, the writing in the Writers Club has gotten better," she says, "and people have gotten more interested in revision. I think when that happens, people naturally want to be published. This reading is a way of being published and having people hear what they have done."

To present an impressive first reading, the club will be presenting the best writings by its members as well as some submitted material from non-members.

Methvin is very impressed by the writers who will be reading their works.

"They are the kinds of writers who are so

consumed by writing that they can't keep from writing," she says.

Mike Fox, one of the most active members in the club, is one of the members who will be reading. As Methvin says, "Mike has such a broad range — you never know what he is going to come up with."

Fox will be reading a poem, "Boys In Fir," a short short story, and possibly more of his writings. He says most of his material is influenced by his Southern surroundings.

"Most of us [in the club] write pretty much about Southern topics," Fox says.

This description also applies to the writings of Jamie Hardy, another featured writer.

"Jamie's writing has a strange country flair," Methvin says. "He is a natural story-teller. Whenever he starts a story, I am mesmerized by it. It is the colorful language he uses."

However, Southern-tinged writings will not be the only styles featured at the student reading.

Elizabeth Elkins will be reading her poems "The Last Odyssey," "Winter Moon," and "Open" which she says are influenced by the metaphysical poetry of T.S. Eliot. Elkins says she has always been impressed by Eliot's imagery which can be interpreted differently by every person who reads it.

"That is part of getting people to like what

you write," she says.

There will also be some readings which will not fit into any category. Jeff Ayres says his stories "Hearts and Flowers" and "On The Highway Tonight" are not influenced by any particular literary style.

"I just try to write from my own perspective," he says.

Other writers who will be reading, according to Fox, are Al Turner, Phil Attinger and Timothy Phillips. Methvin thinks they will give an impressive presentation.

"I am excited about these writers," she says. "They have all grown and shown a lot of progress. I think several of the works that are going to be read are publishable."

Dorothy Tobe, the club's other faculty sponsor, is also impressed by the writers' skills and says they are a strange lot.

"Some of these guys belong in a Flannery O'Connor story," she says jokingly.

Methvin concurs with her.

"I would have to say these guys are bizarre," she says smiling. "They might draw a bizarre crowd."

Methvin then pulls out a dictionary to see if "bizarre" is the word she is looking for.

She reads the definition: "'Bizarre' - Odd, grotesque, eccentric, unexpected, fantastic."

"Yes -- that is definitely them."

Jantzen Inc. swimwear cleans beach

College Press Service

Nearly 1.2 million pounds of debris were found on the beaches of popular Spring Break destinations such as Florida, California and Texas in 1990, according to the Center for Marine Conservation.

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Making small talk with big-name celebrities

Today's social topic is: How To Make Small Talk With Famous People.

You never know when you're going to be on an elevator or in a public restroom and suddenly you realize that you're standing next to a famous person such as Walter Cronkite or the pope. When this happens, the important thing is to remain calm, act normal and make an appropriate conversational remark such as: "How about those Sacramento Kings, your Holiness?" Or: "Walter Cronkite! You're still alive?"

The problem is that you can't always, on the spur of the moment, think of remarks as appropriate as these.

I had this very problem recently when I found myself attempting to make small talk with Barbara Bush. I swear I am not making this up. It happened in New Hampshire back in February, when Mrs. Bush was doing some primary campaigning for her husband, George. He was also in New Hampshire that day, campaigning with Arnold Schwarzenegger on the inspirational theme: "Trust Us, America! We're Rich Men Who Talk Funny!"

Mrs. Bush, meanwhile, was going around in her own motorcade, and I had decided to spend the afternoon riding along in the press van. We motorcaded to receptions at three large Republican homes, one of which had a welcoming display out front consisting of two golf carts with American flags on them. It was very attractive, although it did serve as a sobering reminder that, in these troubled economic times, there are some American families in the poorer areas that are down to just the one golf cart.

Inside each home was a capacity crowd of New Hampshire Republicans, engaging in typical GOP-reception activities such as slam-dancing and getting their noses pierced.

No, of course I am kidding. They were standing around wearing ties and dresses and being pillars of the community and talking about what a Lovely Home it was. I made a mental note never to hold a reception for the first lady at our house, because I don't think we could stand the scrutiny. We'd never get through the Secret Service's Plumbing Security Check.

"This is Blue Rover," an agent would be saying into his

Dave Barry
The Miami Herald



wrist microphone while using his other hand to draw his gun. "I have a Hostile Fungus Condition here on the main hall toilet."

But these lovely homes were all clean enough to perform surgery in, and the people were all thrilled to see Mrs. Bush, and there were little sandwiches and pastries that even the press was allowed to eat. So I was definitely enjoying myself until we got to the last house, where Mrs. Bush met briefly with the press in an upstairs study. Her official photographer lines us up for a group photograph, and I wound up standing right next to the first lady, the two of us sort of facing each other, and I was seized by the overpowering feeling that I should say something. I could feel my brain in there, flailing away, trying to think of something that Mrs. Bush and I have in common, and I heard myself saying:

"I shop in the same supermarket as your son Jeb."

"Big deal," said Mrs. Bush.

No, I'm sure she THOUGHT that, but what she said, politely, was: "Oh, do you?" A woman who can maintain her composure when her husband is barfing on a foreign lap of state is not going to be fazed by a journalist babbling about what supermarket he shops in. So she handled it very smoothly. "We saw Jeb recently," she continued. "He just turned 39." Then, clearly wishing to end this conversation, she turned back toward the camera.

Obviously this was my cue to shut up. But my brain, now completely panicked, was rummaging around in its various lobes, desperately trying to think up a response to the fact that Mrs. Bush's son had just turned 39, and it grabbed the first thing it came up with, thereby causing me to emit the following statement, and I quote:

"He's very tall."

Perhaps you could come up with a dumber remark to

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Live bring MTV '120 Minutes' tour to Atlanta

Did you hear about Pennsylvania's latest breakthrough? No, it is not a new Hershey candy bar or York Peppermint Patty. Actually, Pennsylvania's most recent contribution to the betterment of American culture is Live.

A four-man industrial band from York, Pa., featuring vocalist/rhythm guitarist/lyricist Ed Kowalczyk, bassist Patrick Dahlheimer, drummer Chad Gracey and lead guitarist Chad Taylor, Live are quickly becoming one of the nation's top alternative acts. Just this week Live began touring, with Blind Melon, PiL and

BAD II, on the MTV "120 Minutes" tour to support their debut release, "Mental Jewelry," on MCA's Radioactive Records. Tuesday's concert at the International Ballroom in Atlanta was the tour's fourth stop.

If Live's Atlanta show does not go down as one of the better concerts of the first part of 1992, it certainly is not their fault. Credit the lousy location, trashy club and lame crowd for the cloud hovering over Live's picnic.

Looking around at the few-hundred attenders, it was obvious they were not happy with their surround-

The Flip Side

Michelle Martin
Features Editor



ings either. Only those at the front of the barricade could see Live, and even they were not moshing and slamming as usual. The only evidence of any enjoyment was in an occasional banging head or clenching fist. Atlanta MCA executive Jeff Davis said Live commented about the "lame crowd" after the show.

Poor Live — bless their soles —

they took the negativity in stride. Kowalczyk never failed to convey the moods and emotions of the songs. The best example of this was with "Operation Spirit," the first single, in which Kowalczyk sang rather angrily, "Heard a lot of talk about this Jesus/ A man of love, a man of strength/ But what a man was 2,000 years ago/ Means nothing at all to me today/ He could have been telling me about my higher self/ But he only lives inside my prayer/ So what he was may have been beautiful/ But the pain is right now and right here."

The final song expressed

Kowalczyk's anger at apathy as he sang "Peace Lies By The Riverside," the next single to be released Sunday on "120 Minutes."

"Mirror Song" and "Good Pain," two songs with enormous song potential, were other highlights of Live's performance. Perhaps the only disappointment was their not singing "Heaven Wore A Shirt" and "Negation."

But who could blame Live for calling it quits to an unappreciative audience? Here's hoping Live get better response and the recognition they deserve on upcoming tour dates.

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'Lawnmower Man' just another sci-fi slasher movie

Jamie Cole
Features Writer

The master of horror is back. Or is he?

Stephen King's "The Lawnmower Man" is not your typical horrorfest. As a matter of fact, "The Lawnmower Man" is not a horror film at all. As a matter of fact, it is not Stephen King at all.

Believe me? Drop by the library and borrow King's book "Night Shift" containing the story on which the film is based. See any similarities? I think not.

The film stars Pierce Brosnan in the mad scientist role, experimenting with the new "virtual reality:" just by strapping into a body suit and a Tilt-a-Whirl, he can change his surroundings, his mindset, even alter his intelligence. But when animal experimentation is not enough, Brosnan's character commits the ultimate breach of science ethics and begins testing the com-

puter-generated reality simulation system on Job (Jeff Fahey), the local scapegoat not-so-affectionately referred to around town as "Lawnmower Man."

Here is where the whole thing loses its footing. Job, at the hand of our mad scientist, becomes more and more intelligent via help from "virtual reality" until he believes he can take over the world. He kills a local priest, gas station attendant and child-abusive father by fire, gas pump and lawnmower gone awry, respectively. In other words, we leave the surreal world of science and find ourselves in the middle of just another slasher film.

After the killings subside, we are all set for a showdown between Job and the doctor. What takes place next is the best part of the film: a fight to the finish, staged completely by computer graphics. The film ends with a scene that actually leaves room for a sequel.

In adapting King's 1978 short story, writers Brett Leonard and Gimel Everett draw from the story only its name. The whole idea of "virtual reality" is theirs. They turn King's funny, ironic story — which would have made a perfect "Twilight Zone" or "Tales From the Crypt" episode — into one long video game.

From a technical standpoint, the film is dazzling; but the technical effects are not enough. Between pedestrian direction and pacing by Brett Leonard and dismal performances by Brosnan and Fahey, the film falls flat rather than being, pardon the pun, a "cut above."

So if you want to spend five bucks, drop in the local bookstore and pick up a copy of "Night Shift." Or, if you want to get closer to Leonard's vision of "The Lawnmower Man," blow it all on tokens at the arcade.

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Barry

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make to the first lady, but you would need the aid of powerful computers. Mrs. Bush turned back to look at me, and deep in her eyes I could see the look of a woman who is wondering if maybe she should signal the Secret Service to fetch the big net. She said, "He didn't just grow this year."

And then the picture was over and Mrs. Bush was gone, which is fortunate because there was a real danger that my next statement would have involved the Sacramento Kings.

So, if you have to make small talk with a famous person, you should use your own brain, because mine is defective.

Worth Watching

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

Music

Swimming Pool Q's, performing at 10 p.m. today at Louie Louie, 2001 Highland Ave., Birmingham. 933-2778.

N-Dangered, performing at 10:30 p.m. today at Brother's Bar, 204 S. Pelham Road, Jacksonville. 435-6090.

Metallica, performing at 8 p.m. Wednesday at Birmingham-Jefferson Civic Center, Birmingham. 939-3278.

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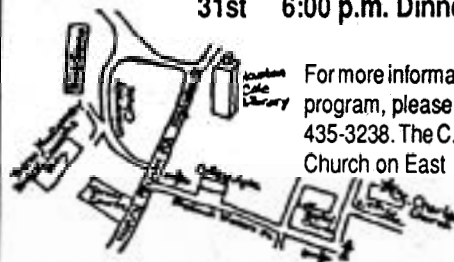
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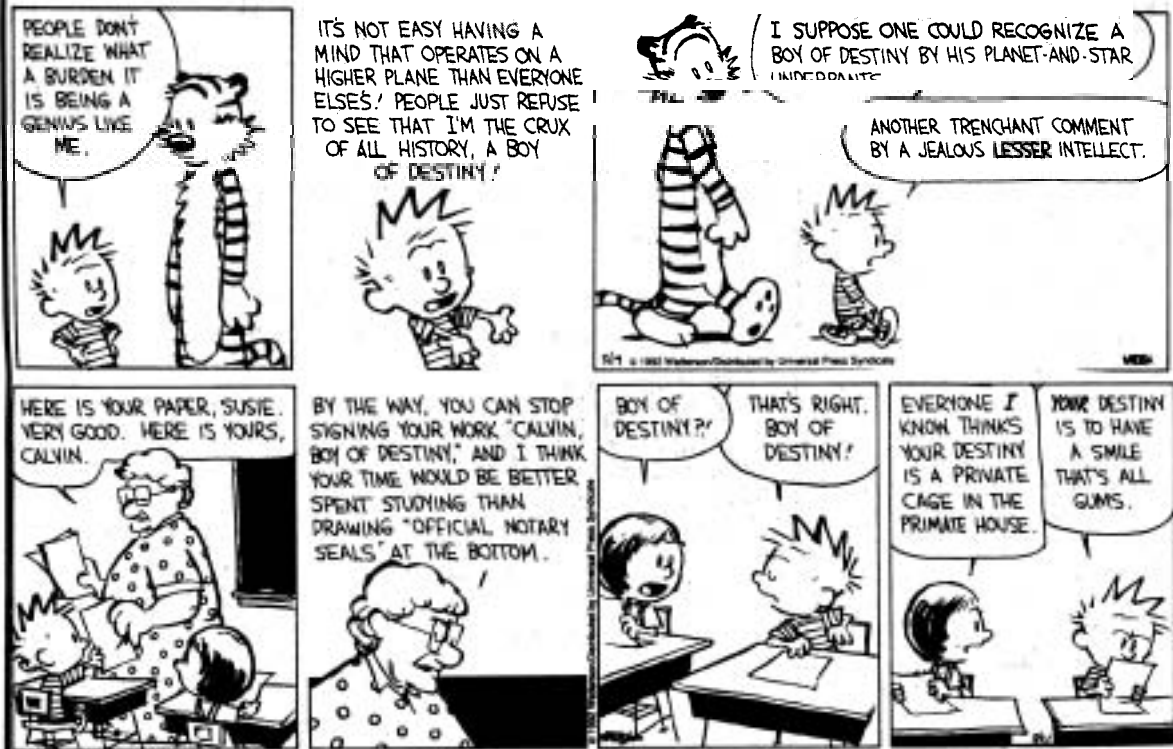
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Baseball team hits the skids after fast start

Tim Hathcock
Sports Editor

After soaring to an 11-3 record and a fourth-place national ranking, JSU's baseball team has fallen on hard times.

The Gamecocks ended a nine-game road trip by losing a three-game weekend series to Livingston in the Gulf South Conference opener.

Livingston beat JSU 3-2 and 6-2 on Saturday, then came back on Sunday to defeat the Gamecocks by an 11-4 count.

The Gamecocks then returned home for a doubleheader with NAIA power Auburn-Montgomery on Tuesday. The Senators won the first game 10-4 as Mike Phillips drove in six runs with a double and two home runs. They took game two 7-4.

Phillips then started as the game two pitcher for AUM. JSU took a 4-1 lead after Eric Ford and Robby Beaver hit back-to-back home runs. That lead was cut to 4-3 in the sixth inning. Starter Brandon Davis tired and gave up a grand slam home run to Nathan Porter. It was Porter's second consecutive home run.

JSU Head Coach Rudy Abbott spoke after a

dejected group of Gamecocks left the field. "It's disappointing when you lose by any score," he said. "It hurts a little more when you get beat with one out and an two strikes on the batter."

"Basically this is the kind of team we've had all fall and spring. If we plan to win any more this entire year our pitchers are going to have to pitch a shutout. We don't have the kind of team, with the players I'm forced to play, to win 6-5 games."

Abbott added he has better offensive players on the bench, but does not plan to put them in the lineup. "We have a better club than we showed today. We have some outstanding players, but we'll lose every game the rest of the year before I play people who refuse to hustle."

"I'm not going to play a guy who loafes just because he's a good hitter. The absolute minimum a guy can do is hustle. I played nine guys today who hustled."

JSU plays next against Sienna at 1 p.m. Friday at University Field. Mississippi College comes into town for a three-game series in GSC play this weekend. The homestand ends with single games against Milligan Monday and Oberlin Tuesday.



A dusty Gamecock slides home against AUM. JSU fell twice in a doubleheader.



Glenn Wyche goes in for a lay-up against USC-Spartanburg in the South Region finals Sunday. JSU won 105-87. Wyche, a senior, scored 11 points for the Gamecocks.

South Region

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JSU to have a five-point trip and go up 88-84 with 2:03 left. "The technical was big," said Troy Coach Don Maestri. "I know Andy Davis didn't do anything to get it."

JSU's Fisher, Edmond, Kingston and Williams hit their free throws down the line and put the game away. Jones said, "The clutch free throws down the stretch won it for us."

Maestri said, "It was a great college basketball game, high intensity on both teams. They played a great game. To win a national championship, you have to beat JSU."

The Gamecocks were led in scoring by Williams with 24 points. Fisher had 18 points, Kingston 17 points and Edmond 15 points.

On Sunday JSU advanced to the Elite Eight with a 105-87 win against USC-Spartanburg. The win made the Gamecocks 28-1 and sent Jones in search for his second national championship. "We're obviously tickled to death to be in the position we're in, especially being in one of the toughest regions in the country," Jones said. "We were able to keep constant pressure on the offensive end. We knew Hackett was a great player."

"We are looking forward to going to Springfield," Jones added. "I think

JSU (96)

Mosley 0-2 0-0 0, Fisher 3-11 11-15 18, Kingston 5-17 4-4 17, Rice 0-0-0-0, Burkette 4-9 1-39, Wyche 1-40-0-2, Edmond 3-11 7-10 15, Hosey 2-4 4-6 8, Williams 10-14 4-5 24, Parker 1-3 2-2 4. Totals 29-75 33-45 96.

TROY STATE (91)

Evans 4-10 2-4 10, Smith 7-13 2-2 16, Hunt 1-3 0-0 3, T. Davis 3-7 0-0 7, Fayson 3-6 2-3 8, A. Davis 5-8 0-3 10, McCord 9-21 6-9 29, Greasham 1-11 2-2 5, Bryant 0-1 0-0 0, Bryan 0-1 0-0 0, Simpson 1-6 0-0 3. Totals 34-86 14-23 91.

JSU (105)

Mosley 2-3 1-4 6, Fisher 3-6 2-2 10, Kingston 2-7 2-2 6, Rice 1-3 0-0 3, Burkette 8-9 2-3 18, Wyche 3-4 5-7 11, Edmond 9-16 9-11 34, Hosey 1-3 1-1 3, Williams 5-11 4-9 14, Jones 0-0-0-0, Parker 0-0-0-0. Totals 34-62 26-39 105.

USCS (87)

Gilliam 0-1 3-3 3, Coleman 1-2 0-0 2, Pounds 3-6 1-29, Prioleau 8-14 7-8 24, McDuffie 9-18 0-0 19, Hinson 1-2 0-0 2, Zellner 0-0 0-0 0, Rosenberg 3-4 1-27, Hensley 0-0-0-0, Hackett 8-13 5-9 21, Green 0-0-0-0. Totals 33-60 17-24 87.

this team is hungry."

The Gamecocks were led in scoring by Edmond who had 34 points. Burkette followed with 18 points, Williams with 14 points and Fisher with 10 points.

The Rifles, who finished 24-6, were led by Dwayne Prioleau with 24 points.

JSU jumped out to a 10-3 lead with 2:47 seconds into the game on a basket by Willie Williams. The Gamecocks upped the lead to 25-13 with 12:57 to go in the first half with a lay-up by Glen Wyche. Williams hit a jumper to end the half at 49-44 in favor of JSU. Edmond had the hot hand in the

first half finishing with 16 points.

Burkette said the key to the first half was Willie Fisher. "He (Fisher) picked up two fouls in the first half and was able to play with the fouls and still lead the team. Then, David (Edmond) took over the scoring."

The Gamecocks opened the second half with a 9-2 run to make the score 58-46 at the 18:10 mark. The lead remained around 10 until the three-minute mark when USC-Spartanburg was forced to foul.

JSU converted 11 of 14 free throws during this time. Charles Burkette was 5-for-6 and hit a basket in the last 3:19 to put the game on ice.

Mathews Coliseum rocks once more with return of arch-rival Troy State

It's been said absence makes the heart grow fonder. This weekend JSU discovered the converse is true. The absence of Troy State from the Gulf South Conference and hence, JSU's schedule, has made the rivalry more intense.

Mathews Coliseum hasn't rocked like it did this past Saturday since Drivin' N' Cryin' played there. Maybe that's what's been missing from the atmosphere during Gamecock games this year — our old rival.

Troy State brings out the best, and worst, in JSU fans. A crowd estimated at 4,500 poured into Mathews Coliseum to see the two old foes do battle, a number all the more impressive considering the Southeastern Conference was putting on its annual tournament — also known as the Dale Brown-against-the-world show — just down the road in Birmingham.

The good part is the fans not only showed up, they were enthusiastic like they haven't been all year long. It's a good thing, too, because Troy State is the real thing. Had JSU been playing on the road or a neutral site or if the fans had been sitting on their

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hands as some have been prone to do, the outcome might have been different.

It also didn't hurt that the Trojans went cold from the three-point line, a place Troy State has nailed shots from at a record-setting pace. Going into Saturday's game, the Trojans had shot 1,225 three-pointers and made 416 of them, both of those being national records. Against the Gamecocks, they managed only nine of 37.

Troy's Sports Information Department also noted if Troy State had scored zero points against DeVry — in case you haven't heard, it scored 258 — it would still lead the nation in scoring average and three-pointers attempted and made. The Trojans averaged 122.7 points per game in the regular season, a national record.

For all that, Troy State managed

only 91 points against JSU, it's second lowest output of the year.

Maybe the Gamecock defense was responsible, maybe it was nervousness or the influence of the big crowd. The only two times Troy State played in front of bigger crowd were road losses to Auburn and Wyoming, both Division I schools.

At least Troy State Head Coach Don Maestri made no excuses following the game, although many would have. He accepted defeat with grace and aplomb. "I thought it was a great college basketball game," he said. "It was just a hard-fought, well-played basketball game."

He hardly mentioned the fact Troy State was whistled for 32 fouls, 11 more than JSU. "We are not supposed to be critical of officials, and I'm not going to be," he said. "I thought the officials did a good job."

The same couldn't be said for South Carolina at Spartanburg Head Coach Jerry Waters. Virtually the entire post-game press conference was spent with Waters ranting about the unfairness of playing JSU at home.

"It's mighty hard to beat a team on

its home court," he began. "If we played them on our court with our officials we might have won." Somebody better check out how USCS got its own officials. Anyway, on with Waters' stream of unconsciousness.

"It doesn't happen in the big time but it happens here." It is apparently a snow-job by the officials who came from Division I. "We just didn't seem to get a break.

"On a given day in an environment different from this one, maybe on a neutral court, it would have been different. Some people feel like a home-court advantage is worth 10 points, I think it's worth more."

There's more still. "We need more teams in the tournament, and we need a tournament atmosphere like they do in the big time." Waters wants the Division II tournament to be like the big time but not with big time officials. Of the Division I officials used in the tournament he had this to say, "You watch the SEC every day, and they go to war. It's not basketball, it's football." Huh?

When Bill Jones was told of Waters comments about playing at home

being a big advantage he said, "I hope the heck it is. Our players have worked very hard this year to make sure we got to host." So there.

The Rifles big gun Ulysses Hackett put it in better perspective. "I would have rather played on a neutral court, but that is a political thing," he said. "I'm just a player. I don't have anything to do with that. Any team can win on the road. I guess they just wanted it more than we did."

The NCAA South Regional wasn't the only tournament in town last week. The Class 1A, 3A and 5A Girls' High School State Tournament was played from Wednesday through Saturday at Mathews Coliseum.

Director of Recreational Sports Mark Jones served as tournament director. Jones, Sports Information Director Mike Galloway and Assistant Sports Information Director Allan Mauldin deserve more than a few pats on the back for the time and effort put in last week.

One can't imagine the logistical nightmare it is to pull off two such tournaments simultaneously, but they managed to do it with style.

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Tennis teams enter 2nd half on high note

Jay Ennis
Photo Editor

The JSU tennis team is about to enter the peak of its season, and Coach Steve Bailey is optimistic about the outcome.

The men's team is currently ranked No. 17 in the nation and No. 4 in the Division II South Region poll. Its record stands at 6-6 in the midst of the toughest schedule the team has ever faced.

"We have already played and done well against some of the strongest teams in the country," Bailey said. "I'm not disappointed with our record in the least."

The Gamecocks lost their three top players to graduation this season, two of whom were All-Americans. This created a rebuilding situation with Eric Hoaglund, Andrew Jackson and Mark Elliot filling the top spots.

"Eric, Mark and Andrew are fighters, they work hard and are good leaders. Eric has the best work ethic on the team, while Mark wins on blood and guts," said Bailey. "Their attitude has spread to the rest of the team."

JSU is the defending Gulf South Conference champion and stands at 1-0 in conference play thus far.

Bailey commented on the difficult April matches, "We have been getting better every

match, and if we can get by North Alabama and Livingston we should take the conference title again. We're poised to do it."

Shannon Brown leads the Lady Gamecocks this season and is currently ranked No. 15 individually in the nation.

Marne Andrulionis, Maria Zavala, Lara Ashley Root, Caroline Dunn and Terri Sisk round off the top six spots for the 5-2 team.

The ladies are ranked No. 10 in the nation and No. 4 in the South. Freshman players Dunn and Zavala have been a pleasant surprise for Bailey. "My two freshmen have combined for a 12-1 season so far. I was a little concerned about the youth of this team, but I can live with youth like that," he said.

Last week the ladies beat the No. 4 team in the nation, Berry University of Miami, Fla. This gave Bailey extra confidence heading into the heat of conference play. "If we can beat Valdosta and West Georgia, we should take the GSC. I'm proud of their play so far this season, and I'm sure that we won't break momentum now."



Steve Bailey

Elite Eight field set to begin quest for title

Tim Hathcock
Sports Editor

The NCAA Elite Eight field was finalized with JSU's 105-87 victory over South Carolina-Spartanburg Sunday.

The Gamecocks will face California State-Bakersfield on March 26 in Springfield, Mass. California State-Bakersfield is the lowest-ranked team in the tournament.

If JSU wins, it will play the winner of the Virginia Union/Kentucky Wesleyan game.

The eight teams were the champions of each of the regional tournaments.

From the New England region emerged Bridgeport. It beat New Hampshire College on its home court for the region title. Bridgeport finished the season ranked sixth in the nation.

Bridgeport faces Central Oklahoma in the opening round. Central Oklahoma defeated Washburn in the finals of the South Central region played at Washburn, Kan. Central Oklahoma was the 12th ranked team in the country in the final poll.

South Dakota State won the North Central region on its home floor over Denver. It will face top-ranked California, Penn., the East region champs, in the first round.

Kentucky Wesleyan hosted and won the Great

Lakes region. It has won six Division II titles, more than any other school.

It plays Virginia Union, winner of the South Atlantic region which was played at Fayetteville, N.C.

The Bridgeport/Central Oklahoma winner faces the South Dakota State/California winner.

The South region was the only one in the nation with four ranked teams. JSU finished the season second in the nation, Troy State was 14th, South Carolina-Spartanburg 16th and Rollins 19th.

The NCAA Division II national tournament is played at Springfield every year due to its being the birthplace of basketball.

The semifinal winners meet Saturday, March 28 for the national championship.

The NCAA began the Division II tournament in 1957. Wheaton defeated Kentucky Wesleyan in the first title game.

In addition to Kentucky Wesleyan, there are three former champions in the field.

JSU won the championship in 1985 and is in the tournament for the eighth time.

Virginia Union won in 1980 and is making its 14th appearance in the tournament.

South Dakota State won its only title in 1963 and is making its 16th appearance in the national tournament.




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Rifles end Rollins' season in opener of region tournament

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Sports Editor

After trailing by 14 points at halftime in the opening game of the NCAA South Region tournament at Mathews Coliseum last Saturday, South Carolina at Spartanburg Coach Jerry Waters decide to spread the court and get the ball to his star player Ulysses Hackett.

That strategy proved to be effective as Hackett's 33 points led a strong second half performance by the Rifles on the way to a 87-83 victory over Rollins which propelled them to the championship game against JSU.

"We made one small adjustment

to get the ball to Ulysses," said Waters. Hackett, at 6 feet 3 inches, was playing against the much taller Andre Green of Rollins. "He was making Ulysses shoot jumpers in the first half. He (Hackett) was kind of smothered in the first half," said Waters.

Hackett said, "In the second half I started driving around the big fellow. It was a good change. I guess that's why he's the coach."

Waters was unsure about how he would attack the next day's opponent, at that time unknown. "They've both shot more three-pointers than we've shot field goals. Troy and JSU are very deep and very talented," he said.

USCS(87)

Pounds 5-11 6-8 18, Prioleau 8-132-320, McDuffie 5-7 0-0 11, Rosenburg 0-0 0-0 0, Hackett 12-20 9-12 33, Green 2-2 1-1 5. Totals 32-52 18-24 87.

ROLLINS (83)

Rotz 0-0 0-0 0, Wolf 5-14 0-0 10, 2-4 0-0 6, Holmes 0-0 0-0 0, Vanzant 2-6 2-2 6, Phipps 0-0 0-0 0, Thurston 14-22 8-9 39, Shipe 0-0 0-0 0, Green 9-13 4-5 22. Totals 32-59 14-16 83. Halftime-USCS 28, Rollins 42. Total fouls-USCS 14, Rollins 19. Rebounds-USCS 27 (Hackett 6), Rollins 25 (Wolf 6). Fouled out-None. Technical fouls-USCS bench. A-900

Scoreboard

NCAA Elite Eight Tournament Schedule

March 26-28
Springfield, Mass.

First round

Bridgeport vs. Central Oklahoma
South Dakota St. vs. California, Pa
JSU vs. Cal. St.-Bakersfield
Ky. Wesleyan vs. Virginia

Second round

Bridgeport/C. Oklahoma winner vs. S. Dakota St./Cal., Pa. winner
JSU/Cal St.-Bakersfield winner vs. Ky. Wesleyan/Virginia Union winner

Finals

Semifinal winners

1992 JSU Softball Schedule

| | | |
|------------|------------------|-------|
| Mar. 3 | Livingston | L,W |
| Mar. 6,7 | W. Georgia Invt. | L,W,W |
| Mar. 9 | N. Alabama | (A) |
| Mar. 10 | W. Georgia | (H) |
| Mar. 13 | Valdosta St. | (A) |
| Mar. 14 | Florida A&M | (A) |
| Mar. 16 | Athens St. | (H) |
| Mar. 19 | Miss. U. Women | (H) |
| Mar. 20,21 | JSU Invt. | (H) |
| Mar. 23 | Calvin College | (H) |
| Mar. 27,28 | N. Ala. Invt. | (A) |
| Apr. 7 | Livingston | (A) |
| Apr. 9 | N. Alabama | (A) |
| Apr. 10 | West Georgia | (A) |
| Apr. 11 | Valdosta St. | (A) |
| Apr. 14 | Athens St. | (A) |
| Apr. 16 | Miss. U. Women | (A) |
| Apr. 17,18 | MUW Invt. | (A) |
| Apr. 24,25 | GSC Tournament | (A) |

1992 JSU Baseball

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|-------|--------------------|-----------|
| 2/15 | Shorter | rain |
| 2/21 | Faulkner | W,W |
| 2/22 | Cumberland | W,W |
| 2/23 | Cumberland | L |
| 2/26 | Auburn | W |
| 2/29 | AUM (2) | W,W |
| 3/3 | Talladega | W |
| 3/4 | UAB | L |
| 3/7 | Troy State (2) | W,L |
| 3/8 | Faulkner (2) | W,W |
| 3/11 | Montevallo | ppd. |
| 3/14 | Livingston (2) | L,L |
| 3/15 | Livingston | L |
| 3/17 | AUM (2) | L,L |
| 3/20 | Sienna | 2 p.m. |
| 3/21 | Miss. Coll. (2) | 1 p.m. |
| 3/22 | Miss. Coll. | 1 p.m. |
| 3/23 | Milligan | 1:30 p.m. |
| 3/24 | Oberlin | 1:30 p.m. |
| 3/28 | Valdosta State (2) | 3 p.m. |
| 3/29 | Valdosta State | 1 p.m. |
| 4/2 | Milligan (2) | TBA |
| 4/4 | Lincoln-Mem. (2) | 1 p.m. |
| 4/6 | Troy State | 4 p.m. |
| 4/7 | N. Alabama | 6 p.m. |
| 4/8 | Montevallo | 6 p.m. |
| 4/11 | West Georgia (2) | 1 p.m. |
| 4/12 | West Georgia | 1 p.m. |
| 4/13 | Miles (2) | 1:30 p.m. |
| 4/15 | Birm.-Southern | 4 p.m. |
| 4/17 | Delta State | 2 p.m. |
| 4/18 | Delta State (2) | 1 p.m. |
| 4/25 | N. Alabama (2) | 1 p.m. |
| 4/26 | N. Alabama | 1 p.m. |
| 4/27 | Georgia State | 5:30 p.m. |
| 5/1-3 | GSC Playoffs | TBA |

Home games in bold

1992 Men's Tennis

| | |
|------------|-----------------------|
| Mar. 12-15 | SE Region (A) |
| Mar. 18 | Shorter (H) |
| Mar. 20 | Fla. Southern (A) |
| Mar. 21 | Barry (A) |
| Mar. 22 | Abilene Christian (A) |
| Mar. 25 | Berry (H) |
| Mar. 27 | B'ham Southern (H) |
| Apr. 3-5 | GSC Invitational (H) |
| Apr. 7 | B'ham Southern (A) |
| Apr. 8 | Samford (H) |
| Apr. 14 | Shorter (A) |
| Apr. 16-18 | GSC Tournament (A) |

1992 Women's Tennis

| | |
|------------|----------------------|
| Mar. 12-15 | SE Region (A) |
| Mar. 18 | Shorter (H) |
| Mar. 20 | Fla. Southern (A) |
| Mar. 25 | Berry (H) |
| Mar. 27 | B'ham Southern (H) |
| Mar. 29 | Auburn-Mont. (A) |
| Mar. 30 | Mobile (A) |
| Mar. 31 | Spring Hill (A) |
| Apr. 7 | B'ham Southern (A) |
| Apr. 8 | Samford (H) |
| Apr. 10-12 | GSC Invitational (H) |
| Apr. 13 | Livingston (A) |
| Apr. 22 | Shorter (A) |
| Apr. 24-26 | GSC Tournament (A) |

1992 Spring Golf

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| Mar. 17-18 | Slippery Rock Invt Cairo, Ga |
| Mar. 21-22 | Auburn Links Auburn, Ala. |
| Mar. 27-29 | Southern Jr.-Sr. Invt Alex City, Ala |
| Apr. 14-15 | Southeastern Inter Valdosta, Ga |
| Apr. 27-28 | GSC Champ. Birmingham, Ala |

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