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# The Abstract

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Michelle Martin  
The Abstract Staff

Certainly students' top priority in college is their education — or at least it should be.

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While Jacksonville is a small town and does not have the variety of entertainment of a large city like Atlanta or Birmingham, it still offers plenty of fun for all.

Some may take advantage of a beautiful, sunny summer day with a walk in the nearby Germania Springs park, a hike in the woods at Cheaha State Park or Nocalula Falls in Gadsden.

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# JSU sports move to Division I

**Michelle Martin**  
The Abstract Staff

For almost a year now, JSU has pursued a move from its present Division II athletic affiliation to Division I.

After months of research, speculation and consideration, the Board of Trustees announced in June its decision to enter Division I.

One has to wonder why JSU — Gulf South Conference champions in football, basketball and baseball — would consider a division move.

Athletic Director Jerry Cole said in a written statement, "The Board of Trustees feels it is in the best interest of the university to have a Division I status in order to enhance the image it wishes to project."

Cole only hopes JSU can be as successful in Division I as in Division II.

Moving to Division I means more for JSU — more sports, scholarships, staff and overhead.

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*--Jerry Cole*  
Athletic Director

"We will be required to have a minimum of 14 sports (seven each for men and women). We have six for men and four for women now, so we will have to add one male and three female sports," said Cole.

Cole said scholarships, particularly those for football, will increase as a result of the move. "Allowable numbers increase from 40 to 70 in football, but only 12 to 15 in basketball."

With new sports comes new staff positions.

Cole said as many as 10 new staff may be hired to fill coaching, trainer, fund-raiser and administrative positions in the next few years.

But the Division I move requires

more than just new sports and staff — it needs million dollar funding as well.

With current proration, it is impossible for the University to make adjustments of its own to cover the move.

Cole said the trustees have the final decision on from where the funding will come, but will more than likely come from student tuition and fees, increased revenue in ticket, concession and market sales and private booster clubs, corporate sponsorships and donations.

"The most feasible method for the major portion of the increase is through our fee or tuition system,"

Cole said.

"It is certainly the least desirable, but more practical basis, for a reliable source of funds. Hopefully we can substantially increase revenue and make significant strides in funding, but I would not tie the success of the move to these two factors alone.

Once in Division I, JSU may compete in IAA or IA. Cole said JSU football will compete in IAA, with basketball in IA. Nothing has yet been settled regarding a specific conference.

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# JSU joins recycling trend for scholarships

**Melanie Jones**  
The Abstract Staff

The first year of JSU's recycling program did not prove to be a very productive one, but officials still hope for an improvement.

"I feel like participation is not to the level we had hoped for," said Jerry Gilbert, head of the political science department and chairman of the recycling committee.

During the 1991-92 academic year, JSU recycled 20,722 pounds of mixed paper, 6,259 pounds of computer paper and 1,506 pounds of aluminum cans. While the weight of the cans is the least, it earned the most due to current prices.

The only buildings on campus without recycling bins for both paper and aluminum are the dorms, but many people are not using them. "(recyclable material) is just going into the waste can," Gilbert said. He spoke of seeing faculty members throw white paper in a waste basket when a recycling bin was in the same room and of seeing aluminum cans in a garbage can when an aluminum recycling container was just around the corner.

Gilbert attributed some of the lack of participation to the disappointment in the amount of money raised by the program. Profits from the program are supposed to go to a scholarship program, but so far that has proved minimal. When people didn't see a difference right away, they lost interest, which cut down on the income even more.

He said two things must happen for the scholarship fund to really increase. First of all, student involvement must increase. Secondly, the recycling market must

increase. Currently, prices for both aluminum and paper are considerably low, but experts predict they will soon go up.

Although participation was low last year, Gilbert pointed out that the program is not a financial failure. The program made enough money to pay for all of the recycling receptacles and to pay the rent on the large receptacle, as well as contribute some money to the scholarship fund. "I feel like for the first year with strictly volunteer participation we've been fairly successful," Gilbert said.

The program may not have made as much money as some people expected, but it did save the University money. Gilbert said JSU saves money through recycling since it doesn't have to pay to dispose of the recycled materials.

With all economic concerns aside, the program is an environmental success. "All of that volume is not going into a landfill," Gilbert said. "There are more benefits than dollars."

White paper recycling bins, small blue trash cans trash cans with white writing, are located in most classrooms and offices. Aluminum recycling bins are near vending machines. Computer paper bins are in Bibb Graves Hall, Merrill Building, Martin Hall and the Computer Center.

Gilbert said there have been few problems with people failing to follow guidelines when recycling. In fact, the recycling plant has had no complaints since Christmas. "Apparently what's being done is being done correctly," he said.

All aluminum cans can go in the aluminum recycling bins, even if they are not completely empty. It is best if students crumple the cans before they place them in the bins in order to save space. High grade papers can be placed in a separate bin from white paper.

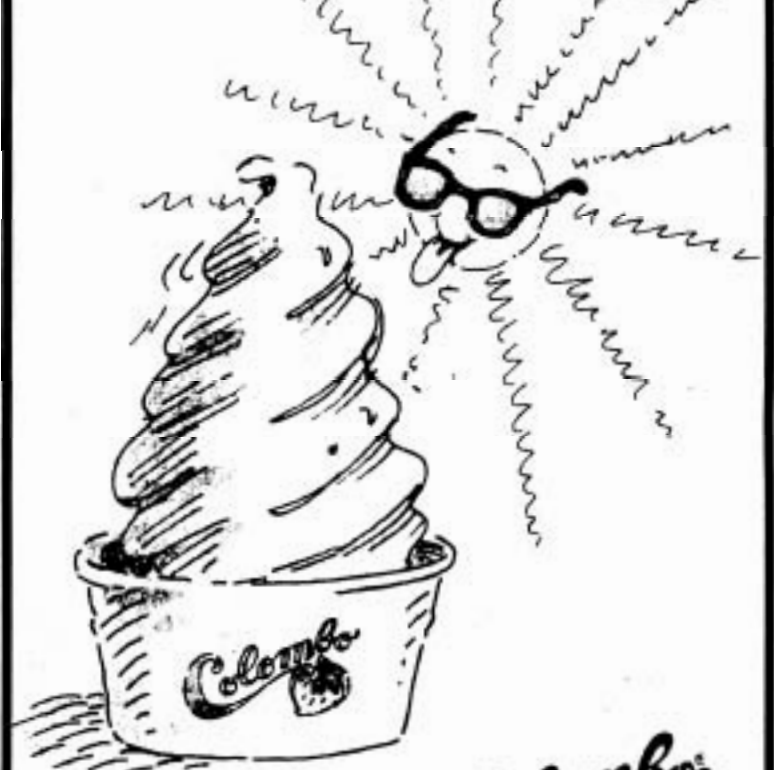
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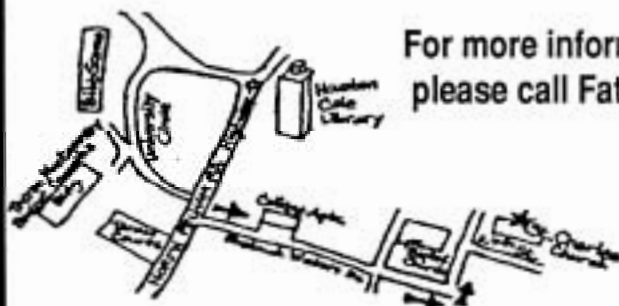
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# Collegiate Words

## Carpe diem

*Take advantage of opportunities*

Michelle Martin  
The Abstract Staff

Rumor has it that our years in college will be the best years of our lives. Whether or not that rumor is true is yet to be proven. However, one thing is certain: The opportunities are virtually endless.

In practically every departmental major and minor there are opportunities awaiting the head-strong, determined and persistent students. Often, we can receive credit, as well as salary, for working as an intern in our chosen field.

The sociology department, for example, places social work majors in places like recreation centers, juvenile homes and day cares — as both volunteers and interns. And JSU's education college requires its students to be trained in a student-teaching program for a semester before receiving teacher certification.

While internships are a great means of experience, students

should also remember there are numerous outlets right here on campus. For instance, journalism minors and communication majors can take advantage of JSU's publications, The Mimosa and The Chanticleer, and radio station, WLJS - 92J.

Throughout my four years here as an English major and journalism minor, I have taken steps towards securing a job for myself upon graduation by working for The Chanticleer.

As features editor for almost three years, I have been fortunate enough to cover pressing issues, controversial subjects and light-hearted features, giving me the experience and self-confidence I need to be successful in a future job in the music industry.

This summer I have an internship in California. My story is only one example of the experience and opportunities available at JSU.

Carpe diem — seize the day and write your own story.

*Activities should be helpful, not distracting*

## Good balance of work, play key to collegiate success

Tony Entrekin  
The Abstract Staff

Ladies and gentlemen, boys and girls, dudes and dudettes, freshmen and transfer students, welcome to JSU, battleground of the war between academic performance and a social life, location of what could be four of the most grueling years of your lives (or six, in my case.)

Sound a little ominous? Well, really it's not all that bad. Perhaps "grueling" is the wrong word. "Hectic" — that's the word, because your time here will definitely be busy. You'll learn that after you have your first few papers, research projects and presentations to prepare. After this much work, your mind might feel like it's been listening to Pink Floyd's "The Wall" for 72 hours straight while strung out on LSD.

But college shouldn't be all work and no play. Think of it - if you spend all your time doing nothing but studying and homework, you know what you become? Rain Man! Sure, you'll be able to tell someone the exact number of hairs on his head, but what kind of life is that? So, as a remedy for Study Overload Syndrome, involvement in campus clubs and organizations is advisable, nay, essential.

But, with all the time your classes demand, how in God's name could you possibly have time for things like clubs and such that are (Heaven forbid!) fun? Well, it is possible to do well in classes and still be active in clubs. You just have to be able to manage your time well. Devote a balanced amount of time to your classes and a good amount of time to things you enjoy.

The question is, how much time is the right amount to devote to each? The answer, my friend, is blowing in the wind. In other words, that's up to you. Whatever pace floats your boat, stick with it. Just don't let one area fall by the wayside in favor of the other.

You don't have to become fanatical about your schedule. Don't put off things just because it may run into your study time or your whatnot time. And if you have to devote a little more time to one or the other occasionally, that's cool.

Just always keep in mind that college doesn't have to be all work. You can stick some fun and games in there somewhere. Just don't try to make your college years all one or the other.

And always remember, no matter where you go, there you are.

But do you really want to take advice from a guy who's been in college for six years?



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## Make time at JSU best days of life

Dyana Blythe  
The Abstract Staff

Imagine you have graduated from college and are sitting in an interview with a potential employer. Everything seems to be going well: He is impressed with your grades, your appearance, your personality. Then he says, "Well, everything looks fine, but what about experience? What else have you done?"

Suddenly you panic. You think to yourself, "Why didn't I get involved in anything at JSU?" In this time of economic strain, employers are not settling for anything but the best. They cannot afford to. And you, as a new college student, cannot afford to sit back and just enjoy goofing off at our (some would say) party school.

I know, we all hear the words, "get involved," and usually ignore them. Until now, people who involved themselves in extracurricular activities were considered nerds or they didn't have anything better to do. Today it's called making yourself marketable.

When I came to JSU as a transfer student last fall I was bombarded by information from every group on campus from greek sororities to the Business Club. I began to think to myself, "If these people keep pushing so much, I don't think I'll join anything!"

But then I realized that would only hurt me. Being interested in journalism, I nervously approached The Chanticleer and asked if they needed any writers. After only three months I was working as an editor and being paid for it. In addition, I soon made close friends and learned a lot about the profession and my place in it.

Joining a club or professional organization not only introduces you to a whole group of people with interests similar to yours but also gives you unique opportunities to become a part of JSU. It may be the first step to the best days of your life.

## Approach, attitude, attention replace three R's as standard education fundamentals

Melanie Jones  
The Abstract Staff

What you learn in college does not depend on what college you attend or what classes you take. It depends on you.

The way you approach college life is the determining factor in how it affects you.

If you return to your room immediately after class and do nothing but study, you will probably gain a thorough knowledge of what is taught in those classes, but that is all you will learn.

If you don't even take the trouble to attend most of your classes and party all night while you sleep all day, you may greatly improve your social skills, but you waste your tuition money.

But if you attend your classes, study to learn and then go out and make friends and join organizations, you will make the most of your college years.

Meeting people with lifestyles

and backgrounds different from your own provides knowledge greater than what can be taught in the classroom.

I tried to learn both sign language and Braille when I came to college, and though I do neither of them very well, I met some interesting people in my attempts. My hearing- and sight-impaired friends did more than teach me to communicate with them. They helped me abandon the stereotypes of the helpless disabled I had envisioned in the past. They taught me that though their abilities may be different, their souls are still the same.

Many international students attend JSU, and by talking with them, you can learn more about the history and culture of their countries than you could possibly learn in a classroom setting.

Even meeting students from Birmingham or Atlanta when you grew up in Jacksonville or Gadsden can help broaden your view

of life.

If you are afraid to go out and meet people on your own, join an organization to make it easier. Attending a History Club meeting if you are a history buff may make it easier for you to get to know people than just standing around in the mail center all day trying to get up the nerve to introduce yourself to someone.

Joining an organization of people with common interests may seem to defeat the purpose of broadening your mind, but while all of the people in a group may share a common interest, their backgrounds and lifestyles will still vary. All of the members of the Math Club may like math, but they didn't all grow up in the same neighborhood, attend the same church and have the same family income.

College is your classroom and your fellow students are your teachers. If you pay attention, you're sure to learn something.

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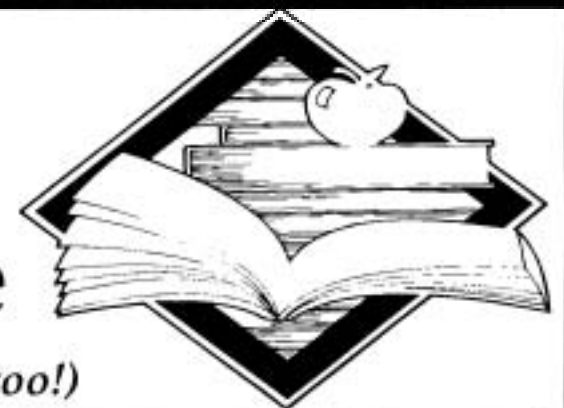
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# Witherspoon sees SGA as communication link between administration students, community

**Tony Entrekim**  
The Abstract Staff

The Student Government Association of JSU allows students to be an active part of and have a voice in decisions that affect them, the faculty and administration, and the community.

"SGA is important because it gives students a chance to speak out and let the administration know how

they are feeling about different issues," says SGA President Sam Witherspoon. "It is a communication link, a liaison between administration, students and the community. It is a way to voice opinions."

SGA meets in Montgomery Auditorium at 6 p.m. Mondays. There are committee reports, discussion of activities and action taken concerning important issues.

"There is a lot involved with SGA,"

*"(The SGA) is a way to voice opinions. I would like to see students come by my office anytime. I want their input on all issues."*

*-- Sam Witherspoon  
SGA president*

automatically if he or she is enrolled," says Witherspoon. "Only senators get a vote, but it is important to come to meetings to be educated as to what is going on with students' money and what is going on with the University. I feel that many students are not educated about student government and what goes on behind the scenes. If they are interested in making a difference, they should get involved."

Students have an opportunity to get involved in SGA when executive officers and senators are elected in March. Students can apply for candidacy in the SGA office on the first floor of Montgomery Building. Senators are expected to take part in at least one committee and participate in events of the SGA and the University Programs Council, a division of the SGA that deals with entertainment events on campus. Interested students can also be appointed to senatorial positions should a position become vacant and if the student has shown interest through involvement in meetings and activities.

"It is beneficial for a student to be involved in SGA as a senator so you can have a vote," says Witherspoon. "You have to be able to stand up for what you believe in."

Witherspoon also stresses the importance of becoming an active part of other campus organizations and activities. To help orient new students into JSU, the SGA is sponsoring Welcome Week the week of Sept. 15. This will include a karaoke machine, a showing of the movie "Wayne's World," a picnic on The Quad, an organization fair where campus organizations try to recruit new members, a Wild Video Dance Party, a pep rally and possibly a trip to West Georgia College to support the Gamecocks.

Other events are being planned for the school year but are not yet definite. Witherspoon wants students to know they are free to let him know their suggestions anytime.

"I would like to see students come by my office anytime," he says. "I want their input on all issues."

says Witherspoon. "We decide on campus entertainment, legislative issues and resolutions that affect students."

One recent resolution was the defeat of an attempt by the University to have instructors' names removed from listings of class schedules.

"That was a big issue," says Witherspoon. "We let the administration know how we felt about it."

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# One-hour classes help transfers meet graduation requirements

Dyana Blythe  
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Transfer students no longer have to panic when they leave a college with a quarter system to come to JSU. Now those hours that don't transfer evenly won't force the students to repeat a full three-hour course.

Transferring credits from another college is never easy, although only colleges using a quarter-hour system pose a problem for transfer students, according to Kathy Cambron, assistant director of Admissions and Records. Students coming from those colleges are left lacking one-third or two-thirds of a credit for a three-hour course.

Cambron, who evaluates all transfer records, says she hated telling students they had to repeat classes they had already had because they didn't have enough credits to complete the core curriculum.

But now, in the English, biology and history departments, students have the option of taking a one-hour

special class instead of repeating, for example, English composition.

"I think this is just so much easier for the students," Cambron says. "They used to say to me, 'But I already took that class!' and I had to just say, 'Well, there's nothing we can do.'"

The one-hour class is a fairly new offering. The biology class only began in spring 1992, according to Cambron. The English and history classes have been offered for two or three years.

Students lacking less than one hour of credit in biology now can take a "Contemporary Issues" class instead of repeating a lab they may have already taken. The issues class is offered year-round with William Bowen or Charles Olander, and either focuses on AIDS or cancer biology.

The biology class is offered not only to transfer students lacking part of a credit, but to anyone interested in taking the class; however, the English and history classes are only

open to transfer students.

"We have to make the English classes closed to most students because it is a 300-level class. Some students would try to take the class to get the required amount of 300-level classes, and that's not what this is for," Cambron says.

The English class is an independent study run by Clyde Cox. The class is offered for credit in either English composition or literature, depending on the deficiency. The student must contact Cox on his or her own time to enroll in the class, which is offered on a need-only basis.

The history class is also offered only on demand and is run by Harvey Jackson. It is for students lacking credit in American history or western civilization.

Cambron does not foresee any other departments adopting the one-hour class system, although if transfer students raise complaints with the department heads — as they did in the biology department — new policies may result.

## CII eases college transition

The Abstract Reports

The Center for Individualized Instruction offers free tutoring for all students, but freshmen may have a particular need for the service, since the study requirements for high school and college are different.

Students may attend only a few study sessions and then try it on their own once they have adjusted to studying on the college level.

The staff at CII encourage students to seek help when they need it and to not be embarrassed. It does not mean you aren't cut out for college if you need an extra help.

CII estimates it sees around 1,200 students every semester, nearly one-fourth of JSU's enrollment.

Tutors are available at CII from 8 a.m. until 8:30 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, from 8 a.m. until 7 p.m. Thursdays and from

8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Fridays. Sessions are 45 minutes. Anyone who cannot attend sessions during CII's regular hours can hire a private tutor for a minimal fee per hour.

Students having problems in the same class can arrange a group study session through CII. The center also offers athletic study halls.

For more information call 782-4725.

## Simplest questions important for Cauthen's hotline

Michelle Martin  
The Abstract Staff

While not all college students may be certain of their career or even their intended major, one thing is for certain: no matter what they choose, English composition 101 and 102 are inevitable.

Perhaps the mere thought of English comp sends some into a panicked frenzy — exams, essays and term papers. Relax; there is help with the Grammar Hotline.

Started in spring 1987, the Grammar Hotline was organized under the direction of Carol Cauthen, a JSU English instructor since 1975. Cauthen says she wanted to start a hotline at JSU after hearing that other state universities had them.

"The English department had received many calls about grammar, spelling and meanings," Cauthen says. "I just thought it would be a good service to the community."

In operation from 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. weekdays, Cauthen's Grammar Hotline answers approximately three calls every day. Cauthen says most calls are from older non-students outside the state.

"I have had calls from Washington, Ohio, all over," Cauthen explains calls from such distances as a result of the alphabetical hotline listing, saying most people call the first hotline number they see.

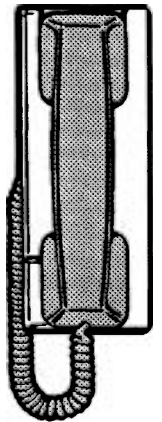
"Most of the calls are about spelling, vocabulary and general grammar," she says. "Some questions are a little different, however."

"One man, quoting a Bible verse, called needing the specific scripture. Another wanted to know what once removed and twiced removed means. I had to look that up — and I still do not know."

Cauthen says she gets even simple requests, like where students can purchase blue (examination) books.

Some questions, however, are not so simple to answer. "One lady called and read her term paper aloud, wanting me to make the necessary corrections," Cauthen says. "I did that for her twice."

Whatever the question, Cauthen is happy to do all she can to help. The free Grammar Hotline is operated under Cauthen's office extension, 782-5409, and will ring into the departmental office should she be unavailable.



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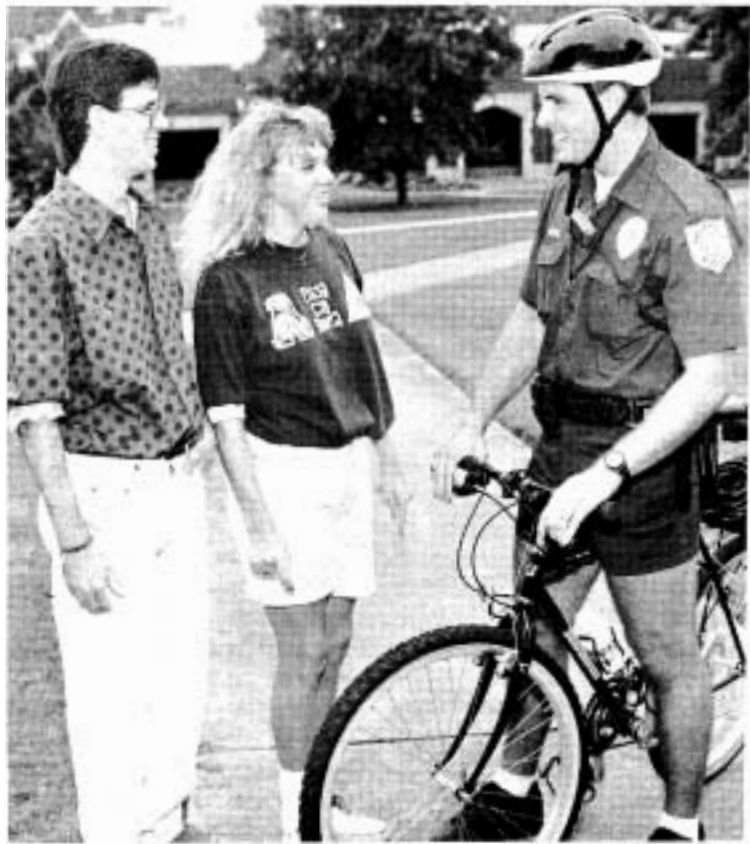
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# New dorm regulations, extra security officers help ensure students' safety on campus



The addition of bicycle patrols has offered students more security and accessibility to the help of university police.

Melanie Jones  
The Abstract Staff

In order to insure the safety of JSU students, the University administration and the campus police have to develop new safety measures.

At the start of the Spring semester, the campus police hired three additional full-time officers, making it easier for the police to provide two armed officers to patrol dorms at night. The police also hired unarmed security monitors for all of the dorms in the spring rather than only guarding female dorms.

Officials in University Housing also are working to ensure students' safety. "We're just enforcing (the rules) we already had," said Craig Schmitt, director of University Housing.

Visiting hours end at 10 p.m. weeknights and at midnight on weekends, but the rules were not always strictly enforced. Now any visitor of the opposite sex caught in a dorm after hours can be handcuffed, escorted out of the building and charged with criminal trespass.

Regulations forbid propping open

"If there was an increase (in arrests this spring), it was due to enforcement, not an increase in the incidents themselves."

--David Nichols  
director of public safety

outside doors, but it was still a common practice. Now anyone caught propping open doors may be expelled from campus housing. The University also has removed all outside door handles from the dorms, at the main entrance, to keep out strangers.

The only new policy demands that all visitors, not just males, leave a photo ID at the front desk.

"There are indications that the new measures are effective," said David Nichols, director of public safety, noting there were fewer violent episodes in the spring. "If there was an increase (in arrests), it was due to enforcement, not an increase in the incidents themselves."

While some students are annoyed by the new measures, most see them as a blessing.

"Most of what I hear is very positive," said Nichols. "The only criticisms I've heard are those of violators who have been caught."

Schmitt agreed that the response is mainly positive. "The new measures have worked out fine," he said. "The vast majority of the students have supported what we've done."

Schmitt pointed out that some of the measures have actually increased student freedoms. Having desk attendants on duty earlier in the day has allowed some of the dorms to extend their visiting hours. In the fall, he said each dorm will start out with the visiting hours stated in the dorm policy, but residents will be able to vote to extend their own hours within reason once all desk positions have been filled.

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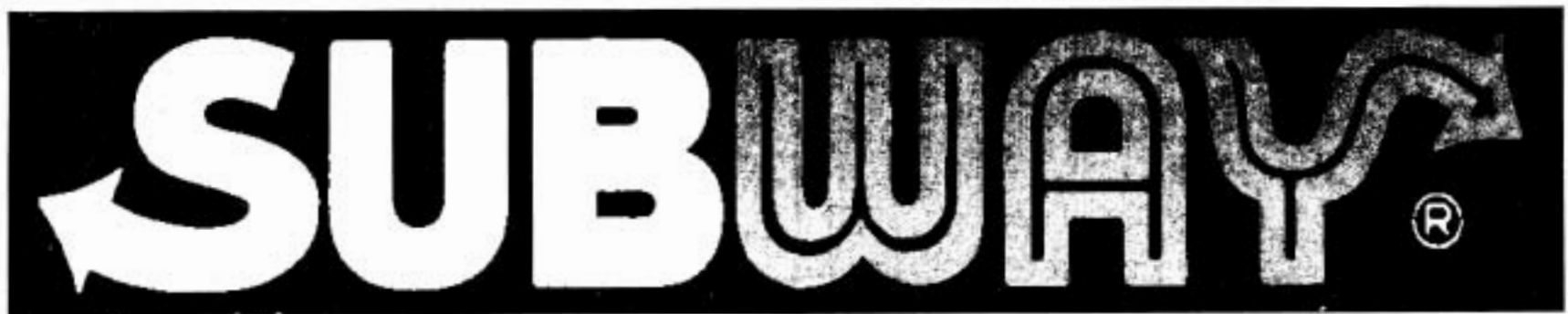
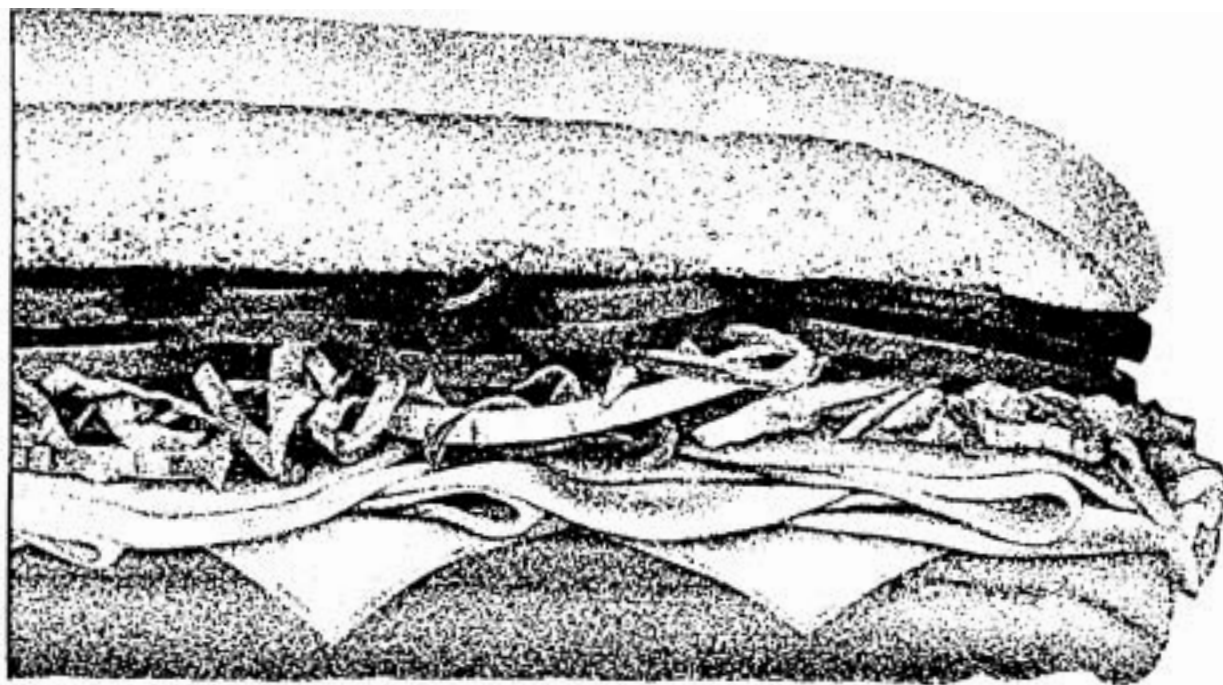
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# Honor society membership looks good on any resume

**Tony Entrekin**  
*The Abstract Staff*

"Strive for excellence, not perfection."

This piece of stress-management advice from a brochure of Mountainview Baptist Hospital in Gadsden is definitely applicable to college life. Perfection is impossible. Any attempt at it can only lead to ulcers, high blood-pressure, and a padded room at the funny farm where no sharp objects are allowed, but Jello is served on Thursdays.

However, excellence, exceptional performance in studies, is easily attainable with determination and a serious attitude toward studies. The rewards of excellence are, of course, a sound mind and a feeling of personal accomplishment.

JSU offers its own reward for excellence through the many honor societies available to qualified students.

"Honor societies are a way of honoring students for accomplishment," says Donald Schmitz, Dean of Student Affairs and advisor to

Omicron Delta Kappa honor society. "And they are an opportunity to meet, socialize with, and share knowledge and skills with others who have similar achievements."

Most honor societies at JSU require a 3.0 or 3.5 GPA and also a minimum number of hours or at least a junior status.

There is, however, an honor society especially for freshmen - Phi Eta Sigma.

"Phi Eta Sigma is the only strictly academic honor society at JSU," says Rufus Kinney, adviser to the organization. "It is here to honor people who have excelled in academics as freshmen and continue that academic excellence."

Requirements for membership in Phi Eta Sigma are a 3.5 GPA in either semester of the freshmen year while carrying 12 or more hours of classes. Eligible students will be identified by computer and contacted by mail in February. Students accepted into the organization will be inducted in a formal ceremony in April where they will receive a certificate and key.

Continued excellence can lead to acceptance into other honors organi-

zations on campus. Some students may feel, however, that the amount of time and effort required is beyond their abilities. To these students, Schmitz advises setting priorities.

"I think students need to manage their time to be the best students they can be," he says. "Set aside time to study. Most students say they will study after they go to a movie or to a bar. I think that is the reverse of the way it should be. They should study hard and then reward themselves for good work with a movie or such."

Schmitz also advises students to get involved with clubs and organizations that interest them.

The rewards of good academic performance will be seen in grades and recognition in such organizations as honor societies.

"Being asked to join an honor society is an honor," Schmitz says. "It is something you should set a goal toward."

The rewards may continue even after graduation. "Membership in an honor society looks good on a resume," says Kinney.

# Cultural diversity at International House

**Melanie Jones**  
*The Abstract Staff*

The International House is JSU's effort to bring the world together under one roof.

The House is made up of 20 American students and 20 international students. "Each American has a foreign roommate. That is the name of the game," said Grindley Curren, International House director.

Global changes are bringing changes to JSU as well. New freedoms in former Soviet block nations have opened up new educational opportunities to students in those countries, including the opportunity to live and learn with American students at JSU.

Eighteen international students are already signed up for the program next year, at least five of whom wouldn't have had the opportunity under their countries former governments.

The nine international women are from Belgium, Austria, Spain, Yugoslavia, Hungary, Brazil, Finland, France and Guatemala. The international men are from Bulgaria, Ecuador, Romania, Sweden, Japan, Poland, Switzerland, Turkey and

Mexico.

The House officials also hope to get a student from China, but nothing has been finalized.

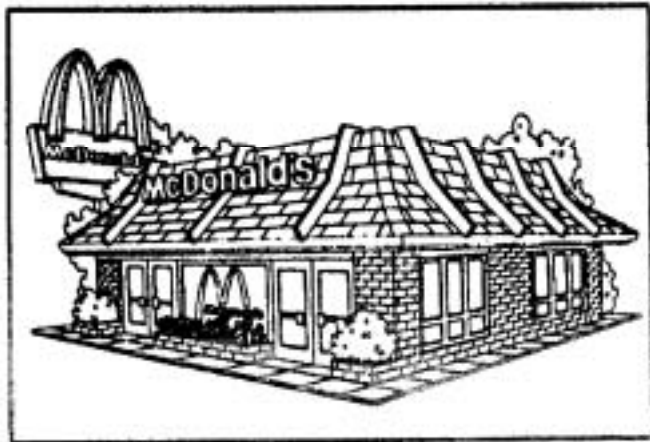
The program has taken great strides since its birth at the end of World War II in 1946 when James H. Jones, a foreign language professor, brought in students from France, Germany and Spain and matched them with majors in those languages. The students ate together, and were expected to speak in their respective foreign languages.

The actual house for the program was built in 1964, and in the same year the program gained a new director, John R. Stewart. "He developed the Noah's Ark principle — one of everything," Curren said. Stewart broadened the program to include a wider variety of countries, and the program has continued to develop along the same terms. "We want as much diversity as we can get," Curren said.

The House operates much like any other campus organization. It has representatives at most major campus wide activities, but it also has a few

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**Rev. Dale Clem is the director.**



# Spiritual growth part of education for some

*Various religious organizations mix fun, fellowship, learning*

Tony Entrekin  
The Abstract Staff

For the most part, your college years will be a time of intellectual growth and strengthening. However, many students will want to have opportunities for spiritual growth and fellowship with other Christians also. Several such opportunities are offered by the many Christian organizations and activities available to JSU students.

Several of JSU's Christian clubs belong to the Campus Ministries Association. The CMA is student ministries of different denominations that strives to keep the JSU campus from becoming a place of denominational divisions. The CMA would like to see the campus become a place where people from different churches can come together and support each other as they try to reach other students.

The Baptist Campus Ministry, one member of the CMA, is at 801 Pelham Road N between Martin and Brewer halls. Directed by campus ministers Bob Ford and Gary Brittain, the BCM offers many events for students to participate in during the week.

At 8 p.m. Tuesdays, the BCM has its Celebration, a time of creative worship usually featuring a speaker or entertainer, music and fellowship. At 11:15 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. Wednesdays, the BCM hosts its Agape meal, a \$2 lunch provided by local churches. The first visit is free. Then at 6 p.m. Thursdays, there is a Bible study in the BCM center. The center itself is also open from 8 a.m. until 10 p.m. for students to relax, watch television, study or enjoy some peace and quiet.

"We try to have something for everyone in our program," says Ford. "I'd love for new students to come by the center and let us meet them."

Another member of the CMA is the Catholic Student Or-

ganization. The CSO, led by Father Kevin Cooke, is also open to all students and sponsors a weekly Mass and dinner for college students at 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays at St. Charles Catholic church. It also sponsors yearly retreats and campus activities.

The Episcopal Campus Ministry of St. Luke's also sponsors many campus events and retreats such as its regional student retreat each fall. Right now, the ECM has no definite schedule made but will announce activities in *The Chanticleer*.

"We want to have a Christian community of students and faculty and explore ways to deepen a commitment of Christian living in the community," says ECM adviser Ron Caldwell.

Rev. George Quiggle, the ECM campus minister, also invites all students to attend worship on Sunday mornings at St. Luke's just off the square.

The Wesley Foundation, a ministry of the United Methodist Church, is on Pelham Road N and includes dormitory which houses 20 students.

Led by Dale Clem, the Wesley Foundation sponsors a weekly meal, the Commonmeal, which also includes singing and a speaker at 6 p.m. Thursdays. They also serve lunch on Tuesdays and hold Bible study and prayer groups throughout the week. Many trips and retreats are planned such as a white-water rafting trip in September, a beach retreat in May and the organization's yearly trip to Washington, D.C., during Spring Break. The goal of Wesley Foundation is to provide ministries of hospitality, openness, compassion and growth, which it does through various mission projects and helping with events like Hunger and Homelessness Week.

Two local churches, Covenant Lutheran Church and First Presbyterian Church, both members of the CMA, also extend special invitations to college students to attend their services.

Many other organizations on campus are not part of the CMA but are just as vital to campus ministries.

Campus Outreach is a ministry of Briarwood Presbyterian Church of Birmingham but is not geared to any one denomination.

"We are interdenominational," says Campus Outreach Director Trent Hattaway, "and our program changes from year to year to meet the needs of the people who are involved."

Campus Outreach will meet Wednesday nights at a location to be announced. Taking as its statement of purpose "Building Laborers On The Campus For The Lost World," they also hold dorm Bible studies and discipleship groups designed to reach students with the gospel, build them into mature Christians and equip them to reach others. They also have a yearly summer beach project where students spend 10 weeks in Florida doing mission work.

The Jacksonville Christian Student Center is a ministry of the Church of Christ but is also not geared to any one denomination. The center is open from 8 a.m. until late at night and provides facilities for rest recreation, fellowship, and study-times.

The JCSC also holds a devotional at 8 p.m. Monday featuring singing, prayer and Bible study. The Jacksonville Church of Christ also provides food on Monday nights. The center has another Bible study on Wednesday nights.

"We pride ourselves on offering food, fun, and fellowship in a Christian atmosphere," says Travis Connors, JCSC director. "It is our purpose to provide a 'home away from home' for JSU students with an emphasis on the spiritual."

Faith Outreach is an interdenominational ministry of Faith Outreach Ministries of Anniston. They meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursdays in McCluer Chapel for praise and worship.

"We want to see souls saved and help people have a relation-

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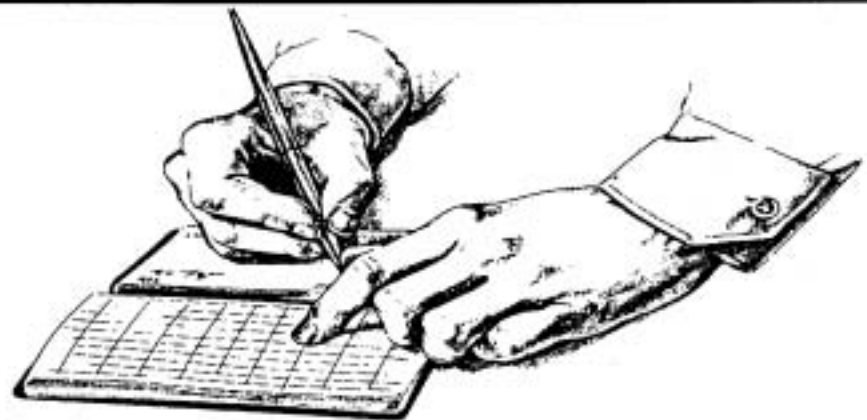
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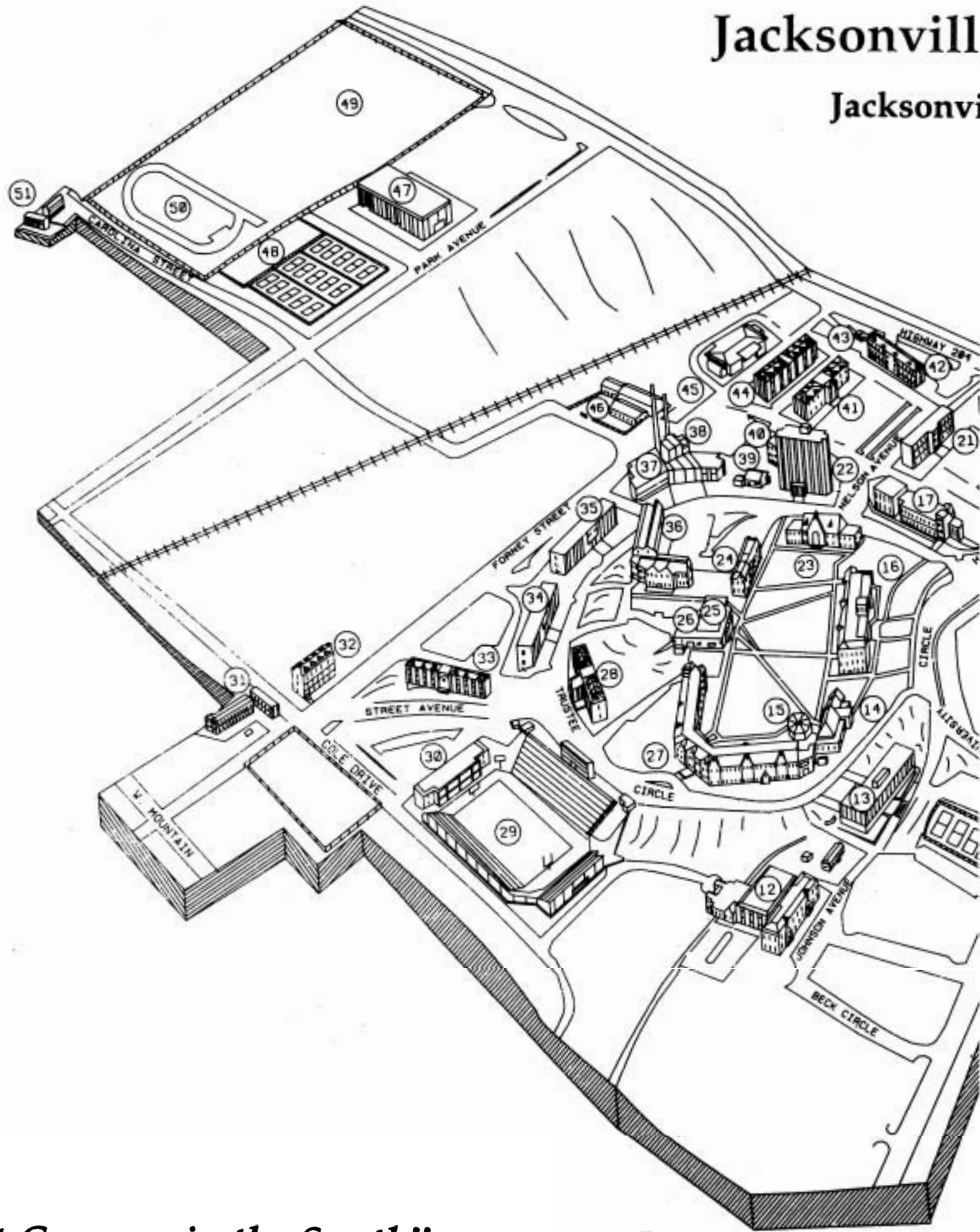
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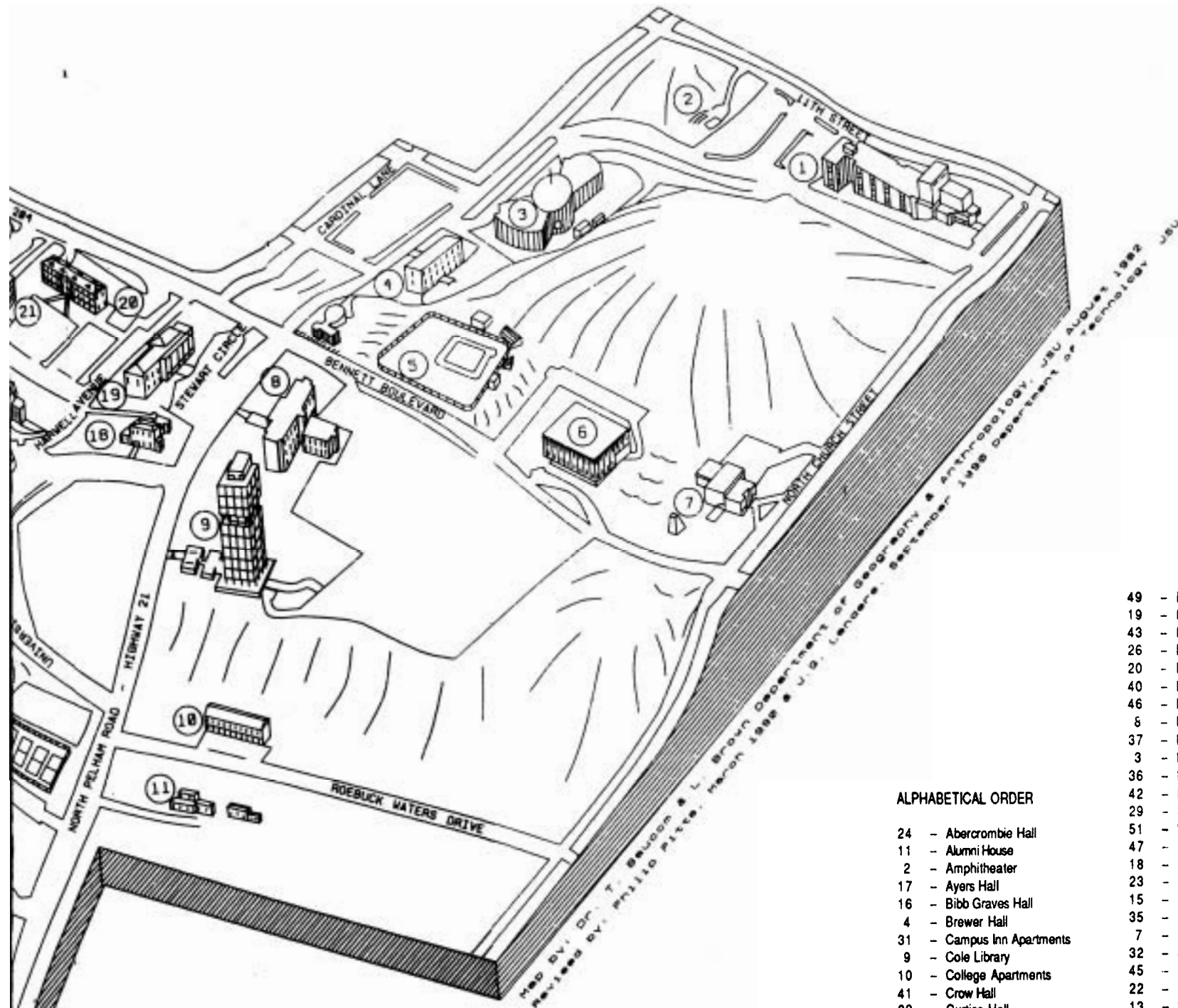
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# Welcome to Orientation '92

**Meet peer counselors who answer questions, give tours and more**

Tanya Blocker is a sophomore pre-medicine major from Bessemer, Ala. She is involved in the Computer Science Club, the African American Association, the Student Government Association and the Residence Hall Association and serves as secretary of Sparkman Hall. Tanya enjoys working out, reading and listening to jazz. She plans to enroll in medical school after graduation.

Kristy Cage is a junior psychology major from LaFayette, Ga. She is involved in greek life, is a Panhellenic delegate and serves as a student worked in Admissions and Records. Kristy wants to attend law school and become a corporate lawyer. Her hobbies include running, swimming, reading and socializing.

Shad Campbell originates from Fort Payne, Ala. He

is a senior finance major and hopes to pursue his MBA degree after graduation. Shad is active in greek life and the Order of Omega. He enjoys tennis, swimming and spending time with friends.

Terry Casey, a senior from Fort Payne, Ala., is majoring in finance. He is involved in greek life and is a member of the Order of Omega and Interfraternity Council Judicial Board. He enjoys hobbies such as swimming, water-skiing and hanging out with friends. His future plans include getting his MBA in finance.

Brooke Engler is a senior speech communication and theatre education major from Roswell, Ga. Her campus activities include memberships in the SGA,

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1992 peer counselors are first row, from left, Linda McKinney, Shane Richards, Faustina Williams, Toby Schwartz, Janet Walker, Kristy Cagle, Sherita Poe, and Michelle Miller. Second row, Shad Campbell, Brooke Engler, Phillip Posey, Traci Hayes, Tanya Blocker, JoAnn Meadows, Sam Witherspoon, Bryndis Norred, and Terry Casey. Third row, Maya Lenox, Anthony Whitley, David Long, Barrett Teague, Steven Thomas and Mandi Miller.

## Religious organizations at JSU offer sanctuary

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ship with Jesus Christ," says Mike Walker, the Faith Outreach president.

The JSU Gospel Choir is relatively new, having just begun in October 1991, but it has already become well-liked around the campus.

"Our purposes are to uplift Christ through songs and to promote fellowship among students, faculty, and staff," says choir member Raquel Bryant.

Bryant also says she has been surprised at the overwhelming responses they have met with.

The choir will be performing at Parents' Day Oct. 10 and will be scheduling other performances throughout the year.

Persons interested in booking the choir for a performance should send a letter to the JSU post office, P.O. Box 3026. Persons interested in joining the choir should just come to a rehearsal in 108 Mason at 4:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Information on any of these organizations can be obtained through Student Activities on the first floor of the Montgomery Building.

## House

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social programs of their own. Much of the spring semester is spent in anticipation of the year-end formal.

Educational opportunities are abundant as well. Each international student presents a program on his or her country throughout the year. The programs cover all aspects of the countries, including social and cultural information as economic and political. Those programs are handled entirely by the students.

While Curren says many of the students in the program excel academically, that is not necessarily a requirement. "We're not trying to get all superbrains," he said. "The only real requirement for an American student is enthusiasm and interest in the program and what it stands for."

What the program stands for can easily be described as understanding. "Even the people of this generation grew up with an animosity to folks behind the Iron Curtain," Curren said. The program shows the students that anger is unfounded.

"It's great because you get to meet people from all over the world, and I found out they're a lot nicer than Americans," said Wayne Barger, a Sophomore biology major who is the secretary and treasurer for the House. "It just goes to show that people are the same all over the world."



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## Counselors

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Drama Club, Greek Judicial Board and Alpha Psi Omega Honor Society. Brooke's hobbies are travelling and acting. She aspires to become a speech and drama teacher.

Traci Hayes, a junior from Weaver, Ala., is majoring in biology and psychology. She is a first-year peer counselor and is involved in greek life. Traci enjoys playing tennis, fishing and hiking. After graduation, she plans to enroll in the masters program in physical therapy at the University of Alabama in Birmingham.

Maya Lenox is a junior psychology and sociology major from Norcross, Ga. She is involved in greek life, is a member of the A Cappella Choir and Chamber Singers and is an honor society member. Maya likes to sing, draw and travel. She wants to pursue graduate studies in child psychology and eventually write a book about parenting.

David Long hails from Birmingham, Ala. and is a junior marketing major. He is a member of the African American Association and serves as SGA senator. David enjoys automotive repair and traveling. After graduation, he would like to contribute positively to society and live a comfortable life.

Linda McKinney, a native of Mannheim, Germany, is a junior finance major. She presently serves as a member of the Lady Gamecocks basketball and softball teams. Her hobbies include sports, travelling and watching movies. Linda would like to attend law school and work as a sports agent after completing her degree.

JoAnn Meadows is a senior pre-medicine

major from Anniston, Ala. She is a second-year Peer Counselor and is involved in greek life. JoAnn enjoys running and playing tennis. Her future plans include becoming a pediatrician.

Mandi Miller is a junior secondary education major from Anniston, Ala. She is active in greek life, serves as SGA treasurer, Gamecock Hostess, second-year Peer Counselor and has served as SGA senator. She would like to begin teaching at the secondary education level and then enroll in law school.

Michelle Miller, a junior communication major, resides in Alexandria, Ala. She is a former Ballerina and presently coaches the cheerleading squad at Alexandria High School. Michelle is involved in the Society of Professional Journalists and teaches gymnastics. She hopes to become a sports broadcaster after graduation.

Bryndis Norred, a senior majoring in accounting and computer information systems, is from Jacksonville, Ala. She is a peer coordinator and served as Peer Counselor during last year's orientation. Bryndis has served as Gamecock Hostess for two years and is a member of Omicron Delta Kappa Honor Society. Her hobbies include cross stitching, walking and being with friends. Bryndis plans to become a certified public accountant.

Sherita Poe is a senior elementary education major from Bessemer, Ala. She served as peer counselor last year and is presently serving as a Peer Coordinator. Sherita is a member of the African American Association, Omicron Delta Kappa Honor Society and is involved in greek life. She has served as a resident assistant and SGA senator. Sherita was the 1991-92 Miss Jax State. She enjoys weightlifting, table tennis

and being with friends. Sherita plans to graduate with a degree in electrical engineering and pursue a masters degree in education.

Phillip Posey, a native of Pell City, Ala., is a sophomore majoring in secondary education with an emphasis in social science. He is a member of the Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society and the African American Association and involved in greek life. Phillip's hobbies are dancing, singing and having fun with friends. One day he would like to become a lawyer, preferable a district attorney.

Shane Richards, a junior from Cleveland, Alabama, majors in secondary education concentrating in biology and English. He is involved in the Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society and the Baptist Campus Ministry. Shane is interested in all sports, coaching youth basketball, music and singing. In the future, Shane hopes to teach and coach at the college level.

Toby Schwartz is a senior majoring in law enforcement from Saks, Alabama. He is active in greek life and vice-president of the SGA. After graduation, Toby would like to work with the Secret Service or U.S. marshal.

Barrett Teague from Wedowee, Ala. is a junior majoring in finance. He helped organize the Diamond Club, which supports JSU's baseball team, and is a member of a fraternity. Barrett enjoys waterskiing and playing basketball as hobbies. He hopes to work with a bank or real estate office once he graduates.

Steven Thomas is a junior communication major from Bremen, Ga. He is active in the Faith Outreach Campus Ministry and Residence Hall Association and serves as a resident assistant. He enjoys walking for enjoyment, listening to Christian music, swimming and

going to amusement parks. Steven would like to pursue a career in the communication field after graduation.

Janet Walker is a senior majoring in early childhood and elementary education and is a third-year Peer Counselor. She is involved in Kappa Delta Epsilon Education Honor Society, Baptist Campus Ministry and is a student worker in the admissions office. Janet enjoys singing, playing the piano, reading and working with children. Her plans are to teach kindergarten and to enjoy life to the fullest.

Anthony Whitley, a senior human resource management major, is from Birmingham. He is a member of Omicron Delta Kappa Honor Society and Scabbard and Blade and is involved in a greek fraternity. Anthony likes sports, the outdoors and running. After graduation, he plans to enroll in graduate school.

Faustina Williams, a native of Birmingham, is a junior communication major. She is a Peer coordinator, served as Peer Counselor in 1991 and is a member of the Residence Hall Association. Writing, reading, interpreting poetry and dancing are some of Faustina's favorite things to do. She plans to pursue a graduate degree from JSU and later work for a national television network. Environmental issues are most important to Faustina.

Sam Witherspoon is a senior marketing major from Woodstock, Ga. Now SGA president, he was a senator for two years and a cheerleader for three. Witherspoon is involved in Wesley Foundation, for which he is one of two resident assistants, and Sigma Phi Epsilon. He enjoys gymnastics, collecting Coca-Cola antiques and being outdoors. He would like to pursue a career in pharmaceutical sales.



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# Organizations provide friends, future contacts

Dyana Blythe  
The Abstract Staff

*"When you get involved, you also meet students who have the same interests as you."*

--Robyn Eoff  
SPJ Adviser

One thing new college students soon learn is that joining a professional club not only introduces them to new people but also puts them one step ahead of the crowd.

A professional club introduces students to a particular profession and works for the good of that profession.

Many times membership in a professional club listed on a resume will show a potential employer that a student is interested enough in his career choice to join an organization dedicated to its advancement.

According to Robyn Eoff, faculty adviser for the Society of Professional Journalists, the main advantage to joining a club is that it "exposes a student to the profession early on.

"You learn what the profession will expect out of you, and you can also begin networking," Eoff said.

At most organizational meetings, speakers from the groups chosen profession will give seminars and give the students an opportunity to talk to them one-on-one.

Joining a professional club offers students more than future job contacts and career advice. Attending meetings also allows for a chance to meet new people and become more a part of college life.

"When you get involved, you also meet students who have the same interests as you," Eoff

said.

There are 34 professional clubs at JSU appealing to almost every interest or major. Most of the clubs are active and meet at least twice a month.

Field trips and guest speakers are on the schedule for each of the clubs, depending on their specialty.

For example, the History Club plans to visit historic Southern battle sites, while the Computer Science Club visits industries in Huntsville where jobs in computer science are abundant.

All clubs are open to anyone with an interest in the profession. None requires members to have a major in that area, although a great deal of interest is needed.

All clubs are also open to any class standing, including incoming freshmen.

Some require a fee, usually between \$20 and \$30 annually. However, a few, such as SPJ, do not have inductions until spring, which is when the fee is paid. That gives the student enough time to decide if they really want to become a member of the club.

## JSU Professional Organizations

American Marketing Association  
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# DSS assists students in classes, lifestyle

**Melanie Jones**  
The Abstract Staff

A special department to help students who face challenges beyond those of most college students — Disabled Student Services.

DSS assists students with any type of disability, whether they are hearing or visually impaired or physically or learning disabled.

"(DSS) has made it easier in the classroom," Elisha Gilliland, a visually impaired sophomore, said.

The department provides a number of services for Gilliland and other visually-impaired students. DSS prints tests in Braille or arranges for the tests to be given orally so students can take exams with their classmates. The department has recently acquired a special scanner to hook up to a Braille printer that can copy notes and books into Braille without typing copy, so that visually impaired students can keep up in class as the teacher lectures.

Students can also get readers through DSS. Readers are other students willing to read books aloud for students who cannot see to read the books on their own.

Another way outside students can assist DSS is as interpreters and note-

takers for hearing impaired students. DSS helps students learn sign language to serve as interpreters in the classroom or wherever one may be needed. However, if a hearing impaired student is watching an interpreter, he can't take notes at the same time, so DSS arranges for a student in the class to provide notes for the hearing-impaired student.

DSS arranges transportation and general assistance for any student with other physical impairments and provides typing and other services

for anyone requiring them.

Anyone with a documented learning disability can go to DSS for tutoring and other necessary services. DSS can arrange for learning disabled students to take test orally if necessary and can serve as a general spokesman for the student to his professors.

Gilliland and others agree the DSS staff is willing to do its best for the students they represent. When Gilliland had surgery to correct her vision, DSS contacted her professors and made special arrangements for

her, and when complications arose and she was unable to return when planned, the DSS staff provided a way for her to take tests and get credit for her classes. "They really work hard for the students," Gilliland said, "especially if the students are willing to do their best to help themselves."

But students can go to DSS for more than just academic assistance. "(The DSS workers) are really understanding and helpful," Gilliland said, "not just academically, but personally as well."

The DSS staff members have learned to help students through the special emotional problems disabled students face, such as prejudice and a lack of understanding of their disability by faculty and students alike. "They're always there to listen to your problems and offer advice," Gilliland said.

Anyone interested in working for DSS or anyone in need of its services can call 782-5093 for more information or stop by their offices in Daugette Hall.



Left to right, Tina White, student worker; Rob Buttram, student; and James Weaver, student.

## JSU drama student performs in New York

**Michelle Martin**  
The Abstract Staff

JSU's drama department may no longer produce its Summer Dinner Theatre, but that certainly does not mean JSU is not producing talented young actors. Take Barry Newell, for instance.

Originally from Carrollton, Ga., the 22-year old voice and drama major is putting his talent and evidence of years of hard work in both theatre and school to the test this summer at Mac-Haydn Theatre in Chatham, NY.

Newell performs in more than five plays, including "Evita," "Camelot" and "The King and I" throughout the summer.

Newell says he is particularly excited about acting in "Camelot."

"I did 'Camelot' in high school and since then have always wanted to play Sir Lancelot," says Newell.

"I do not know what part I will be playing in New York, though. The theatre usually hires professionals for the major roles and leaves the summer actors to audition for the other spots."

Auditioning should be nothing new to Newell. Encouraged by his high



**Barry Newell**

school drama teacher, Newell auditioned for the first time for a part in "King Lear." "She just thought I would be a good actor — she said I had 'the look.'"

Newell has built up quite an impressive resume since that first audition, having acted in community theatre productions, performed at the Crystal Pistol at Six Flags and The Lost Colony in North Carolina — not to mention his work at JSU. "Cabaret," "Kiss Me Kate" and "Oklahoma!" are just a sampling of Newell's parts, whether big or small.

Not only is Newell an experienced actor, but he is also an overall performer.

Newell played trombone in the Marching Southerners for two

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# Center offers advice, counseling services

Melanie Jones  
The Abstract Staff

The office of Career Development and Counseling Services offers students guidance through the decisions and problems of college life.

CDCS is available for students making decisions as far reaching as what to do for the rest of their lives or problems that will end with the semester, such as a fight with a roommate.

Counselors at CDCS say the freshman year is the best time for students to become familiar with their services. "We try to make the transition into college life easier," Counselor Kelly Ryan said.

Ryan said the center can help students with,

"... just coping with being alone and away from home.

Services are divided into three main categories: career counseling, curriculum information and personal counseling.

Career counseling often begins with taking an interest inventory to help the student determine what occupations he would be happiest in. From there students can refer to the career resource library and the State Occupational Information Computer System. When it comes time to actually start applying for jobs, the office offers assistance with resume preparation. If a student chooses to go on to graduate school instead of plunging straight into the work force, he can go to CDCS for any tests

necessary for post-graduate work.

The office has curriculum information on JSU and other schools for students planning to transfer. Students can look over requirements from most U.S. colleges and can review catalogs from many local schools.

College students have many problems not related to either curriculum or careers, however, and that is where personal counseling is concerned. "We cover everything from minor problems to crisis intervention," Ryan said. "We look at the total person."

Rape counselling is another important service offered by the office. The counsellors are there just to talk to and offer support. "Coming here does not mean you have to pursue it

legally," Ryan said.

In fact, whatever a student says in the office stays in the office. "We abide by confidentiality across the spectrum," he said.

Sometimes, though, the counsellors do most of the talking. There are outreach programs in as time and stress management and rape prevention and awareness. These programs are available through the residence halls and various campus organizations. "We tailor (the presentations) to meet the needs of the groups," Ryan said.

For more information on Career Development and Counseling Services call 782-5475 or stop by the office in room 107 Bibb Graves Hall.

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## Organizations enhance college

Tony Entrekim  
The Abstract Staff

After getting into the college routine, it might seem that all college students are the same. Every day we go through the same motions: get up, go to class, go home, do homework, go to bed, get up, etc.

However, aside from class, students are all as different from each other as snowflakes are said to be. One may like rock music; another may like classical. One might like English; another might like Math. Whatever the example, all students have interests and differences in tastes that set them apart from one another.

Because of these differences, most students would like to be in a social atmosphere with people who have similar interests. At JSU, it should not be hard to find kindred spirits. There is a club or organization for almost everyone.

For students of different cultures or with interests in different cultures, there are several clubs available at JSU. The African American Association meets for the sharing of ideas and topics that deal with African-American students with a goal of promoting racial understanding.

Another culturally oriented organization is the Muslim Student Union, whose purpose is to seek ways to best serve the interests and needs of Muslim students and followers of Islam.

Several other groups have an international slant to them. The International Students Organization seeks to provide an environment of fellowship for international students. The ISO also helps international students adjust to JSU.

The International Affaris Club seeks to provide a meeting place for students with international interests, particularly those who plan to pursue graduate work in an international field of study.

A relatively new organization at JSU is a chapter of Amnesty Interna-

tional. The JSU chapter works to free prisoners of conscience and stop human rights violations throughout the world. The chapter meets weekly, writes letters and collects signatures for petitions, and brings in speakers for Amnesty Week each year.

Of interest to non-traditional students, twenty-five years old or older, is the Adult Learners Forum which provides support and recognition for these students.

Another group organized for a special group of students and their interests is the Student Organization for Deaf Awareness. SODA strives to educate themselves and their community about deafness and issues relating to deaf students.

Some campus clubs are sponsored by or follow the customs of groups unrelated to the college. The Masonic Order of JSU is for students affiliated with a Masonic lodge and seeks to bring all races together and help needy families in the community.

Alpha Phi Omega is another group sponsored by a national organization, the Boy Scouts of America. It is a service fraternity based on the principles of the Boy Scouts which seeks to provide service to the community and promote friendship.

There is also a group for adherers to a certain political group, the Young Democrats. This is a group of students organized to promote the Democratic party on the national, state, and local levels.

A unique club is Preada Gallus. This organization studies and researches the Middle Ages and the Renaissance and participates in recreations of medieval-like cultures and lifestyles.

So, as you can see, there is truly something for almost everyone at JSU. A full list of special interest groups is available from Student Activities on the first floor of Theron Montgomery. And if you can find nothing that interests you, start your own group.



## Mimosa preserves time

Melanie Jones  
The Abstract Staff

For \$10 a year, JSU students can capture their college memories forever in the form of JSU's yearbook, the Mimosa.

"It's an historical piece about JSU for that particular year," Kenny Miller, the 1991-92 editor, said. "It's not a tearjerker... but it has an emotional significance for those who were here that year."

Miller said the staff isn't able to cover every aspect of the University, but it tries to cover anything they feel is important to the students.

In some ways, the Mimosa benefits potential students as well as those already enrolled. Miller said some University officials have told him that the Mimosa makes a great recruiting tool.

Copies are distributed at some high schools, and since they contain pictures and stories on the various student organizations and activities, they give the high school students a view of what JSU has to offer socially.

Miller said in that respect, "(The Mimosa) is a potential money maker for the school and the town of Jacksonville." If the Mimosa helps bring in students, then it also brings in tuition money and money spent at area businesses.

While it may be a valuable money-making tool for the University and the community, the Mimosa is also a valuable learning tool for the students on its staff.

"It is excellent work experience because employers are always looking for people with a practical work background," said the outgoing Mimosa faculty adviser, TJ Hemlinger. He said when businesses see that a potential employee has worked on a publication such as the Mimosa, they know that he has had experience working on deadline and being organized, two qualities valuable in any job, not just publications.

The experience is even greater for anyone planning to work on publications in the future because it provides a background in layout, writing, photography and editing. "You get a chance to experiment in a medium," Hemlinger said.

Miller agreed that the experience is important. "It helps me in the job market," he said. Because of his experience on the Mimosa, Miller said he understands the processes of producing magazines and books, since the Mimosa format takes pieces of both.

Not only can students get experience on the Mimosa, they can also get paid. "(Working on the Mimosa) sure beats paying tuition to do an internship," Miller said.

## Students gain experience, knowledge through newspaper

Melanie Jones  
The Abstract Staff

*The Chanticleer* provides students with a weekly view of what is happening at the University and the surrounding community, as well as a public forum for students to state their beliefs.

While it keeps an eye on campus crime and University policy, it also offers sports and entertainment news along with features on prominent students, faculty members and organizations.

The editorial pages are filled with articles and letters that reflect the students' views.

*The Chanticleer* not only provides student with information, but it also provides its staff members with valuable experience.

The stories and photos published in *The Chanticleer* are produced and edited entirely by students.

The paper always welcomes any student willing to write, take photographs or design computer graphics.

Students who have worked on the *The Chanticleer* say they feel they are better prepared for careers in journalism after working on the paper.

"(The Chanticleer) has shown me the dedication and excitement it takes to be a journalist."

--Jamey Graydon  
Staff Member

"I've gotten a taste of what the professional world of journalism is like," said Jamey Graydon, a senior majoring in communication and English. "It has shown me the dedication and excitement it takes to be a journalist."

Other students who work for the paper do not plan to seek communication careers in the field of communication when they graduate from college, but still say they value their experience with *The Chanticleer*.

learned more about the campus and what goes on around me," said Shannon Cooper, a junior social work major and former news editor for the paper.

"It gives me a different aspect of college life besides my own opinion." She said that working with such

diverse group of people as *The Chanticleer* staff has been a great experience.

"It takes more than one personality type to put out a good paper," Cooper said.

Graydon agreed that the benefits of the working on the paper are not strictly professional.

"It provided me with an excellent opportunity to work with my fellow students and has given me that extra edge by being involved on campus," he said.

Staff members agree that while it may have been the need for experience that first brought them to the paper, it was the atmosphere that helped keep them going.

"Working with the staff is like being part of a family," Cooper said.

Graydon also said working with the paper is a wonderful way to form lasting friendships.

"If a student loves to write and loves to work with friendly, dedicated people, he should definitely work for *The Chanticleer*," Cooper said.

Anyone interested in working for *The Chanticleer* can call 782-5701 for more information or stop by its office in room 180 Self Hall.

## Drama

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years before leaving to sing with Encore, the JSU Show Choir.

Now he is off to New York.

Newell should feel proud of himself for his accomplishments. After all, he competed for one of only 50 Alabama spots in New York.

First screened in Birmingham to advance to the southeastern conference in March, Newell was awarded a spot in New York for his monologue from "A Walk in the Woods" and song "Anthem" from "Chess."

At Mac-Haydn, Newell will practice for two weeks before opening night. Once production begins, Newell will practice during the morning and perform in a children's play in the afternoon and the featured drama at night.

Free time certainly does not seem to fit into Newell's schedule this summer. But if he had any free time, Newell would probably use it to further his acting career somehow.

"Upon graduation next year, I plan to audition for the American Musical and Dramatic Academy or the National Shakespeare Conservatory (both in New York)," says Newell.

"I would also like to attend New York University and study at Tisch School of the Arts."

In the meantime, Newell wants to take more dance lessons to broaden his dance experience so he can pursue a career on Broadway. "Then later I will go to Hollywood."

"It is just a matter of time. I do not mean to sound cocky, but I have to think positively. It will happen. I will make it — I just have to be patient."

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WLJS

# Radio station reflects diversity of students

Dyana Blythe  
The Abstract Staff

Just about everyone on campus tunes into 92J, JSU's radio station, at least once a day.

These days one never knows if he will hear Pink Floyd, Glen Miller or Soundgarden.

WLJS is run by students and carries a variety of music types not only for JSU but for much of Calhoun County.

The station is an auxiliary affiliate of National Public Radio.

WLJS carries all major sporting events of JSU including baseball, women's and men's basketball and serves as the flagship station for the football network.

The station provides actual on-air experience for students interested in broadcasting as a career.

The staff has approximately 22 students, seven of whom are paid under University Aid.

This gives them not only the opportunity to gain valuable experience in announcing, programming, promotion and management but also

*"Everyone who comes down here will have a spot on the air."*

--Justin Brown  
92J Program Director

helps them pay for their education.

After a few years of trying to nail down a programming schedule that would appeal to everyone, 92J has finally succeeded in dividing its 19-hour day among classical, jazz, blues, contemporary hits and Christian as well as drama and special programs on current issues.

From 7 a.m.-9 a.m. listeners can hear the "Morning Edition," an all-news show picked up from NPR.

From 9 a.m.-noon jazz is broadcast. Then from noon until 2 p.m. a classical program called "Bob and Bill" is aired, another program from the NPR schedule.

On Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays between 2-4 p.m. the audience can hear classic rock.

On Wednesdays listeners can tune

in to a jazz program called "St. Louis Symphony."

From 4 p.m.-5:30 p.m. every day an NPR newsshow called "All Things Considered" is on.

From 5:30 p.m. until 2 a.m. the listener can hear a variety of songs from Top 40, adult contemporary and album-oriented rock.

In addition to its scheduled daily programming, most days contain programs that are produced by the student workers to reflect the diversity of tastes in the college community.

The school-week begins on Mondays, and by Monday nights, students are ready for some music to take their minds off of their hectic schedules. That is where the "All-Dedication Show" comes in. From 7-10, listeners can call in and request

songs to be dedicated to their friends, or people who are more than friends. Deejays say sometimes people will call in to request, via the deejay, of their boyfriend or girlfriend, "Will you marry me?"

From 7-10 p.m. on Thursdays is the "All-Request Show." While similar to the "All-Dedication Show," in that it plays the songs the listeners ask for, the "All-Request Show" is different because it does not send personal messages over the air.

Although messages of love are not prominent in the "All-Request Show," humor is, so it is more the show for people who love comedy than for people who are in love.

"Laser Works," a unique program where a deejay plays a full CD from beginning to end with no commercial breaks, follows the "All request show until 11 p.m.

The audience that favors alternative music can find its niche from 10 p.m.-2 a.m. on Fridays on "The Other Side." For those four hours, students can listen in for the sounds of groups such as Primus going out over the airways.

Listeners can tune in to "Starbase

92," from 7-10 on Saturday nights for some popular dance music.

"Christian Celebration" can be heard from 6 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Sundays. The "Celebration" features contemporary christian artists ranging in styles from Petra to Ricky Skaggs.

The "Celebration" also plays songs from some of Jacksonville's own singing and song writing favorites such as Chris King, former host of "Christian Celebration."

"Mindgarden" can be heard from 7-10 on Sunday nights. It is an environmental awareness show, featuring songs from artists concerned with the environment, such as Don Henley and Midnight Oil. During the show facts are offered about the environment, such as the effects of recycling.

According to Justin Brown, program director of WLJS, there is always a need for volunteer deejays.

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# Greek Life

## Brotherhood begins with fraternity Rush

**Tony Entrekin**  
The Abstract Staff

College men also look forward to the brotherhood of fraternity life. For these men, fraternities, like sororities, also have Rush week Sept. 20-25.

Each day of fraternity Rush week will center around a certain activity or theme:

Sunday night opens Rush week with a formal in Leone Cole Auditorium which is located under the cafeteria.

At the formal, each fraternity will have a booth where rushees can meet the brothers of each fraternity.

Monday night, all rushees will be bused to each fraternity house and spend at least 30 minutes at each one. This night also will be formal.

Tuesday night is "Open House."

Rushees will be able to visit the fraternity house of their choice from 7-10 p.m.

Rushees will also be free to visit the house of their choice Wednesday night. That night, each fraternity will have a theme; dress will be according to that theme.

Rushees will not be allowed to have contact with any brothers Thursday, called "Dead Day." Rushees who do contact any brother will be brought up for discipline before the IFC.

Friday morning, rushees will receive packets informing them of the fraternities they are receiving bids from. That afternoon, each rushee will go to the fraternity whose bid he has chosen to accept.

Throughout the week of Rush, no alcohol will be served.

As is the case with sororities, much thought goes into going through fra-

ternity Rush. Each JSU fraternity requires a minimum 2.0 GPA for initiation and to remain a brother. There also are study halls to improve grades.

Any student who chooses to accept the responsibility of fraternity life will also find it to be a rewarding part of college.

Fraternities do charity and volunteer work in the community as well as participate in campus events such as intramural sports and Homecoming. Fraternities also have parties throughout the year as well as formals and mixers with sororities.

It will be a serious time of hard work, but fraternity life also will be an enjoyable time of social life at college.

Fraternity life isn't for everyone, but if any student feels it might be for him, he should go through Rush and judge from that experience.



From left to right, ATO member Greg Morris, rushee Mark Gregg and ATO member Tim Umberhandt.

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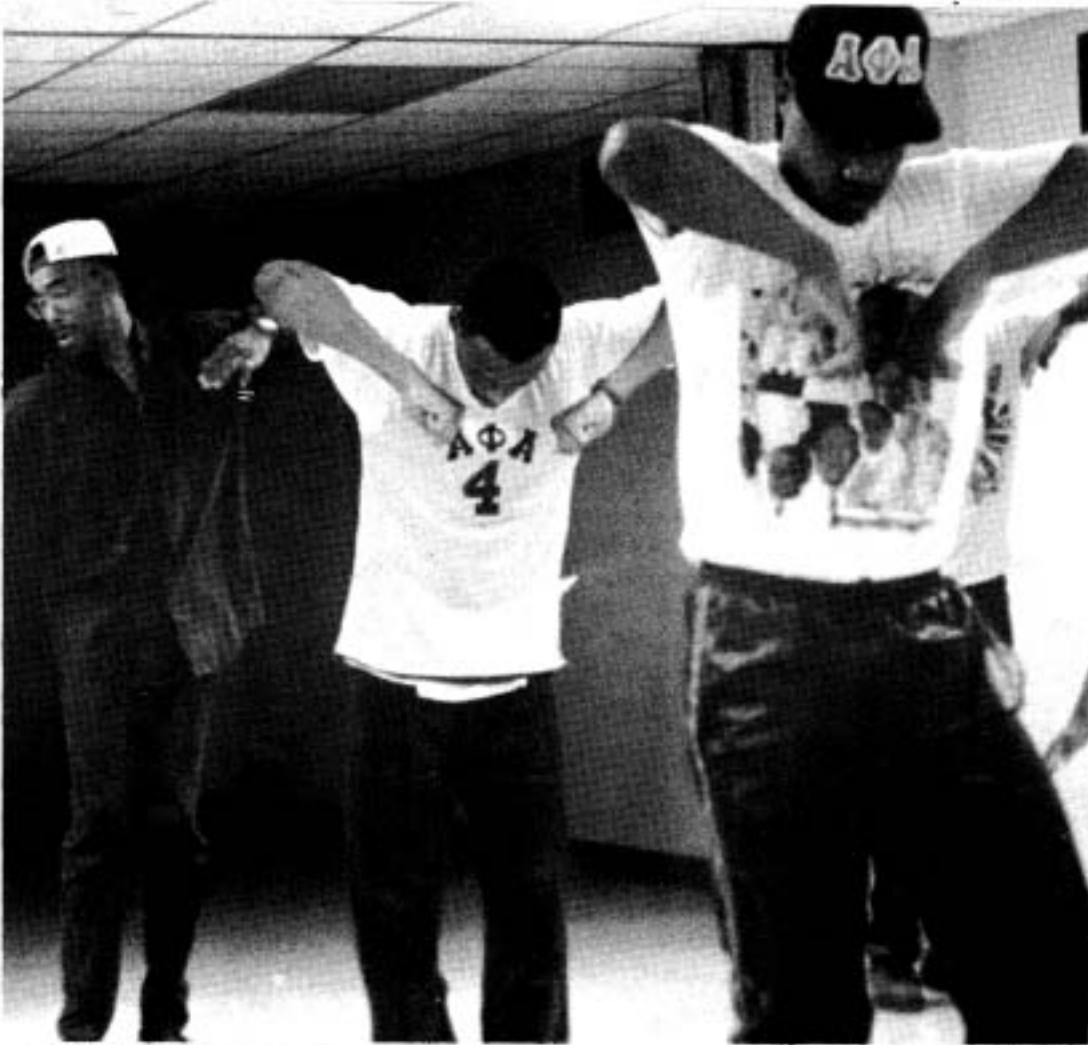
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## Black Greeks serve as role models



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Black greek fraternities and sororities have their own Rush, but the processes of each are conducted differently.

Persons interested in certain activities of Rush should contact the sorority or fraternity they are interested in or should look for announcements about dates and times of rush.

The Black Greek Council of JSU seeks to

provide a positive, productive environment for black greek letter organizations at JSU. To familiarize students with the BGC, a "Meet the Black Greek Council" mixer is tentatively scheduled for the fall.

The BGC, like all sororities and fraternities, is actively involved in community and volunteer activities as well as as events within each individual chapter.

## Sorority Rush calls for self-awareness

Tony Entrekin  
The Abstract Staff

Many women look forward to becoming involved in a sorority when they reach college.

The social atmosphere that comes with membership might be one attractive element.

Perhaps the community involvement and service aspect attracts some.

Whatever the reason for wanting to join, women interested in becoming a part of a sorority at JSU will want to go through Rush Aug. 22-27.

Rush is a week of parties where prospective members can meet the women already active in JSU sororities.

At these parties, the prospective sisters will also see skits performed by each sorority that will explain what each sorority's purposes and activities are and what sorority life is about.

As of now, the location of Rush and appropriate attire are still being planned as sororities are changing the way Rush is done, according to David Pugh, IFC adviser. Each freshman will receive information on Rush at Orientation.

Before going through Rush, Pugh advises women to seriously consider all the aspects of sorority life they will have to face.

First, there are academic requirements.

Some sororities at JSU require a 2.0 GPA for the semester a woman pledges; others require a higher GPA. Women also must maintain a certain GPA throughout membership.

There also are mandatory study

halls and mandatory grade reports to the sorority's scholarship chairwoman.

Each sorority also has monetary requirements, such as dues. These go to fund the many activities such as charities and formals, as well as such things as pledge pins, national obligations and general functions of the organization.

The amount of dues varies, but according to Pugh, the cost is usually around \$140 for the first semester and \$30 per month after becoming a sister.

If, after considering these requirements, women choose to go through Rush, Pugh also advises women to seriously consider their choices of sororities.

Pugh also advises to not get intimidated or scared by the requirements or by Rush itself. Meet as many people as you can, he suggests, and don't be nervous about them liking you because they are just as nervous about you liking them.

If a woman goes through Rush and does not get into the sorority she wants, she should not get discouraged. Many sororities have open bidding throughout the year. It could also be to her benefit to wait a while before joining. That way she will have more time to observe each sorority and make a wiser choice.

**Sorority membership is not for everyone.** It requires much thought, time, money and work. But if a woman feels she can handle it, sorority life can also be one of the most rewarding aspects of her college years.

### Rush Tips

- Go for a certain sorority only because you feel it is the one for you, not because a friend is a sister or thinking of becoming one. What is right for her might not be right for you.

- Don't base your choice solely on what you learn from the skits. Ask questions and investigate deeper.

- Choose a sorority based on its own merits and what you learn from members. Don't go by an image it has around campus such as a reputation for looks or money. Choose one that is based on things important to you.

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# Athletic teams inspire student pride in JSU

**Tony Entrekin**  
The Abstract Staff

No one can be a student at JSU without being aware of the importance of athletics to the University.

From football to basketball to baseball to volleyball to even golf, there is some type of sport going on year round at JSU.

According to Mike Galloway, Sports Information director, the constant activity in athletics at JSU benefits the University.

"Our athletic department gets our name out better than any other avenue at this campus," he says.

Athletics has definitely kept the name of JSU in the public eye in recent years; five national titles have gone to JSU teams in the last eight years.

"That [kind of record] is hard for anybody anywhere to beat," says Galloway.

JSU teams also did exceptionally well during the 1991-1992 season.

Six teams earned the title of Gulf South Conference champions - the JSU football team, the basketball team, the women's volleyball team, the men's and women's tennis teams and the golf team.

- The Gamecocks' football team ended the season with a 12-1 record, finishing second in the nation after losing only to Pittsburgh State in the national championship game. Their GSC record was 6-0.

- The Lady Gamecocks volleyball team had a 27-11 record. Team members Camille Ponder and Amy Vycital were named All-GSC Tournament and four others - Deanna Baker, Lynn Batey, Janet Ledbetter and Tesha Zito - were named All-GSC.

- Men's basketball ended the season 28-2 (17-0 at home, 11-1 on the road, 11-1 GSC).

- Women's basketball had an over-

*"...Attending games and supporting your team and your school is as much a part of college as classes. You identify yourself with a winner."*

*--Mike Galloway*  
Sports Information director

all record of 10-9 and a 7-5 GSC, losing to West Georgia College in the GSC final.

- JSU baseball ended with a 29-18 overall record and 7-10 in the GSC.

- JSU softball ended with 22-24 overall and 8-8 in the GSC.

- In tennis, the Lady Gamecocks won 13 with six losses. Men's tennis had 14 wins and 12 losses.

- Golf at JSU ended up fourth in the nation, the best showing ever.

With a record like this, JSU teams are sure to give great performances in the coming year, and students will naturally want to support their teams. Tickets for JSU games are free to JSU students with a validated student I.D.

However, NCAA games will cost because NCAA rules do not allow universities to give tickets away.

A tentative schedule of games is available from the athletics department.

Galloway encourages all students to attend games and support their college.

"As far as college experiences go, attending games and supporting your team and your school is as much a part of college as classes," he says. "You identify yourself with a winner."



Jay Ennis

An enthusiastic crowd of JSU fans and supporters can't help but show their happiness as the Gamecocks come out the victors in a recent game. JSU sports has a tremendous group of devoted followers who travel near and far to see the Gamecocks strut their stuff. JSU can proudly boast of one of the most successful university sports programs in the state of Alabama.

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# Groups boost JSU spirit

Michelle Martin  
The Abstract Staff

JSU has a long tradition of championships in football, basketball and baseball.

Like the old saying, "Behind every good man is a good woman," so too is there a good woman behind every good athlete.

Although many are not aware of the various athletic support groups, there is more to JSU than just cheerleaders — like the Gamecock Hostesses and Fastbreakers. Both of these groups are vital promotional and support organizations.

The Gamecock Hostesses, for example, serve the football team.

As hostesses, the two dozen women help recruit prospective football players during the fall and spring semesters.

At each home game during the fall, hostesses give campus tours to prospects and answer any general questions they may have about the school.

While football season does not carry over to the spring, hostesses are just as busy then as in the fall.

"JSU has an official visitation date prior to national signing day in the spring when hostesses are expected to entertain future prospects and their parents," says Wendy Culbertson, a former Gamecock Hostess who now

acts as adviser.

Culbertson says hostesses are selected based upon their "positive and outgoing personality and part of the application process involves an interview, as well."

Requirements for hostesses are minimal. Culbertson says involvement in other extracurricular activities is neither preferred nor discouraged.

"Usually the women have more time to obligate if they are not involved in too many activities," she says.

"Hostesses put in a full day during the fall, particularly, so they obviously cannot give the attention needed if they are active in other areas."

Applications for Gamecock Hostesses are taken every spring and interviews are in April.

Women who previously served as hostesses are automatically chosen again if they maintained satisfactory progress throughout their last term.

Members of JSU's basketball support group Fastbreakers, on the other hand, are not automatically selected year after year.

"We want quality, not quantity," says choreographer Jamie Slatton, who has danced with the Fastbreakers since their beginning



Gamecock hostesses in 1988.

Slatton says the Fastbreakers do more than just perform at home games.

"The Fastbreakers are a promotional tool, as well. We print up schedules, do radio promotions and act as hostesses."

The Fastbreakers promoted an end-of-season banquet, presenting the players with small tokens. They also sponsored car washes and fundraisers.

"We would like to do a lot more, but we need to be better established," says Slatton.

"The Fastbreakers are still relatively new. And we need more funding from the athletic department.

"But each year we get more cred-

ible. We get more recognition as we prove we do more than just dance."

Fastbreakers practice at least two hours a day four times a week, depending upon whether or not they are learning a new dance.

Slatton says their dances vary among country, '50s and contemporary styles.

"We try to offer something for everyone and get some group participation from fraternities or Cocky (the JSU mascot)."

Tryouts for Fastbreakers are in the fall semester. Selection is based upon appearance and, obviously, dance ability — Fastbreakers must be able to do the splits. They must have a 2.0 GPA at tryout time, as

well.

Perhaps the most stringent aspect of the Fastbreakers is the exercise regimen. Fastbreakers must maintain their weight, weighing weekly.

"Usually we incorporate aerobics or running into daily practice," Slatton says, "so there really is no set exercise program.

"Of course, women are not going to be selected in the beginning if they are overweight."

The Fastbreakers usually have 14 dancers, depending on how many women try out and how good they are.

"We want good dancers, so numbers do not mean anything to us," Slatton says. "Like I said — quality over quantity."



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