

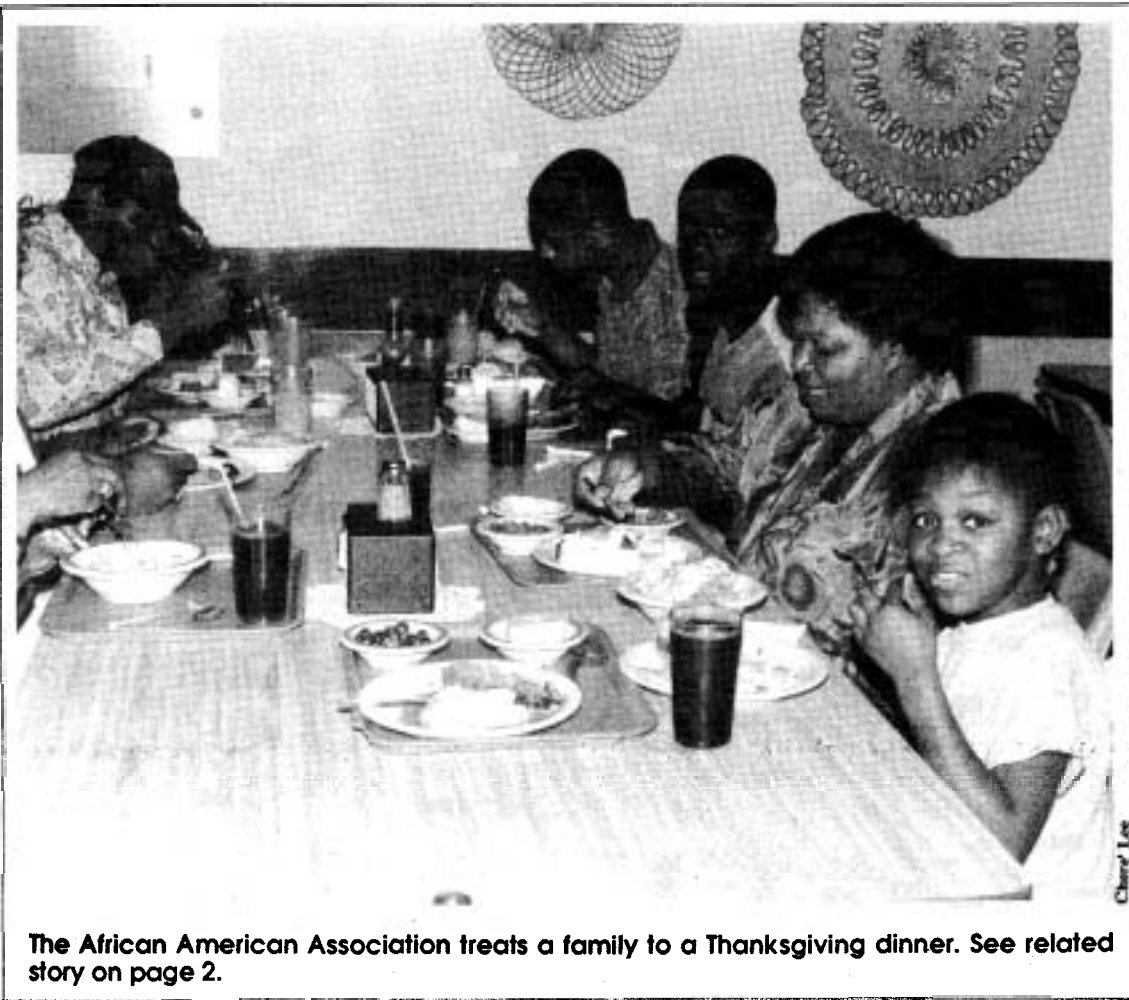


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The African American Association treats a family to a Thanksgiving dinner. See related story on page 2.

JSU extends pre-registration date

Mark Harrison
News Editor

Tuition and fees are due in full on Dec. 13.

JSU is offering an early Christmas present, and a longer holiday vacation, to some students this year by extending pre-registration until Dec. 13.

"This is an attempt to better serve (JSU) students, and provide more flexibility to students desiring pre-registration," said Jerry D. Smith, Dean of Admissions and Records.

The extended pre-registration opportunity is for current JSU students, as well as first time transfer students. Payment of all tuition and fees will be required by Dec. 13, 1993.

"This change should accommodate students who were unable to take advantage of the earlier pre-registration period," Smith said. "Students who complete pre-registration before Dec. 13 will avoid registration lines in January and will lengthen their Christmas vacation."

Smith said that the change was initiated after a subcommittee examined existing pre-registration policies.

"The initial logic in restricting pre-registration to only a certain window of time was that the registration operators had a lot of other things they were doing.

"They acted as departmental secretaries, dean's assistants and all those things. Their logic was they had rather work intensely during a certain period of time, one week...two weeks, whatever. After that intensified period of registration, they were free to go back to their other duties," Smith said.

Smith said that extended pre-registration is one move toward a more student-oriented environment at JSU.

"The strategy that we used

several years ago, that was very, very good logic if you're the secretary over in college or college y," Smith said. "Get the work over during an intense time and then go back to the other things that you're doing. But, if you try to step out, have an out-of-body experience, and put yourself in the shoes of some freshmen from Collinsville or Sandrock or wherever, it doesn't necessarily make sense anymore.

"We are simply looking for some ways to be a more student oriented university," Smith said.

Freshman Heather Kirby believes the move to be a positive one. "I think the new policy is a good one," she said. "It will benefit students who didn't get a chance to pre-register on the assigned days. They need this to help with attendance. Attendance has dropped. JSU needs to become more student oriented to get attendance back up."

Freshman Dana Kirby also supports the move. "It gives you time to get financial aid processed. I know people who weren't able to get their loans in time and may not be coming back. This will really help people in that situation."

JSU junior Mark Ward agrees. "It's good to see the university doing something positive for the students," he said. "I think it's a move in the right direction."

Students who complete pre-registration and pay all tuition and fees by Dec. 13 are free to leave following final exams, and need not return until classes begin on Jan. 10, 1994.

New program already showing results

ExSel helps freshmen to adjust

Chris West
News writer

Jacksonville State University has implemented a new program to help entering freshman adjust to the college environment. ExSel, although it just began this semester, is already showing positive results.

The ExSel program was a collaborative effort by Alice Cusimano of the Office of Student Development, Allan Smith of the Office of Assessment, and Claudia McDade from the Center for Individualized Instruction.

According to Cusimano, the ExSel program has been in the planning stages for two and a half years, and had its first run during the summer of '93.

ExSel is a developmental program for students who wish to earn a four-year degree, but whose

admission test scores fail to meet JSU's traditional requirements.

"We wanted these students to have an opportunity to come to this summer program...to develop basic skills in an area where there might be deficiencies," said Cusimano.

The program offers developmental courses in reading, writing, quantification, reasoning, and survival skills such as time management, stress management and study skills.

Anyone interested in the ExSel program is considered as an applicant regardless of their test scores. Students are required to submit an application and give an explanation of why they are interested in attending.

"I think we were very inclusive of everyone interested," Cusimano said, "even though some chose not to attend. The

course goes eight weeks over the Summer 1 and Summer 2 terms, so you couldn't really work. Some people told us they could not afford it. Also, since participants were required to live on campus during the program, people who live in the area decided not to attend."

The ExSel program costs the same as regular summer terms. Scholarships are not yet available, but students who qualify are eligible for Pell grants. "This past summer, (Pell Grants) covered just about all of the costs," said Cusimano.

During the pilot program, 34 students attended. Of that number, 30 returned to JSU for the Fall semester. An official report to the president is in the process of being written which will include results from a questionnaire given

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A graduating senior BA and BFA exhibition will be held from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Hammond Hall Gallery.
- Female full-time juniors are invited to enter "Glamour" magazine's 1994 Top Ten College Women competition. The competition honors outstanding students who demonstrate leadership abilities, involvement in community and/or campus activities and academic excellence. Each winner will receive a cash prize and an all-expense paid trip to meet with top professionals from a variety of fields and to attend an awards ceremony. She will also be profiled in the magazine. Applications—which must be postmarked no later than Jan. 31, 1994—can be found in most Student Affairs or Financial Aid offices or by calling the magazine at (212) 880-8141.
- Alabama Senator Howell Heflin will speak at 7:30 a.m. Dec. 7 on the 11th floor of Houston Cole Library. Cost for breakfast and lecture is \$15.

CRIME RELATED ACTIVITY

- 11-23. Angela C. Dixon reported theft of property at Fitzpatrick Hall.
- 11-23. Jenecia H. Calvin reported theft of property at Fitzpatrick Hall.
- 11-22. Barrett Ernest Coheley, 20, of Piedmont, was arrested at Campus Inn Apartments and charged with criminal trespass.
- 11-22. Marvin Roberts Wood, 18, of Nassaw, Bahama, was arrested at Campus Inn Apartments and charged with being a minor consuming alcohol.
- 11-22. Brian Glenn Wagon reported theft of property at Martin Hall.
- 11-18. Follett Bookstore reported theft of property.
- 11-18. Stacy Patton, 20, was arrested at UPD and charged with theft of property and issuing a false report to a police officer.
- 11-18. Macon Scott Wilbourn reported criminal mischief in Dixon Hall parking lot.
- 11-18. Stacy Patton reported theft of property at TMB.
- 11-17. Robert Dwight Lockman, 19, of Deerfield, IL was arrested in Dixon Hall and charged with possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia.
- 11-17. Richard Douglas Cooper, 19, of Birmingham, was arrested in Dixon Hall and charged with possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia.
- 11-17. Kelly Joyce Goulding, 19, of Buffalo Grove, IL was arrested in Dixon Hall and charged with possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia.
- 11-17. Rene Long (JSU Bookstore) reported receiving stolen property and theft of property.
- 11-17. Zachray Alan Love reported attempted breaking and entering of a vehicle in Houston Cole Parking Lot.
- 11-16. Quincy D. Grotho, 23, of Anniston, was arrested in Rowan Hall and charged with resisting arrest.
- 11-16. Maisha Imari Mackey, 23, of Anniston, was arrested in Rowan Hall and charged with criminal trespass.
- 11-16. UPD confiscated a handgun (an airgun mounted on .357 Magnum frame) on the third floor of Crow Hall.
- 11-15. Frank Wayne Dill Jr. reported theft of property at Crow Hall.

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AAA sponsors drive for holiday

Mark Harrison
News Editor

The African American Association treated families to a Thanksgiving day meal they may have otherwise missed last week, but that was only part of the AAA's gift to needy families.

The AAA sponsored a canned food drive approximately two weeks prior to Thanksgiving, "The purpose of our canned food drive was to help the needy families during the holiday season," said AAA member Eric Morris. "We went around to a lot of dorms and collected a lot of canned goods for needy families. We got the names of about 20 homeless families, and the ideal thing was we were going to donate the canned goods to them."

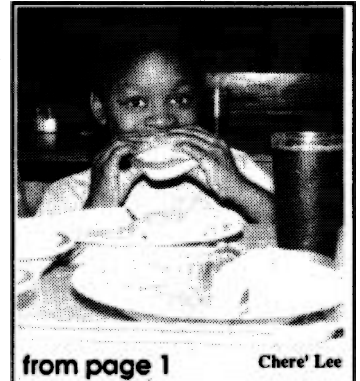
AAA also worked out a deal with Marriot to allow families to come in and enjoy a free Thanksgiving meal. After the meal, the families were given canned goods from the food drive.

They also delivered canned goods to several families unable to attend the Thanksgiving dinner. "There were two ways we went about it," Morris

said. "We went around to a lot of churches in the area and gathered names of needy families, and then we contacted agencies to get additional names. I feel I'm being more of a help if I take the food and put it in their hands instead of giving it to some agency," Morris said.

Morris said that his involvement doesn't end there, pointing out that he was going to exchange phone numbers with the mother of a teenage boy, "I want to help encourage her son and offer some guidance in his life."

Four families were expected for the Thanksgiving dinner at Marriot, but only two families were able to attend. Morris said that the AAA plans a similar project for Christmas.



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Prizes, fun o' plenty at Smokeout

Mark Harrison
News Editor

The Great American Smokeout made both students and faculty winners while raising awareness about quitting the habit.

"The students were the ones who organized it," said John Hammett, an instructor in the health, p.e. and recreation department. Hammett said students in the health promotion programs class organize smokeout related campus activities each year.

The main activity this year was a competition entitled "Blow Off On The Quad." Equipment from the Wellness Center was used to measure how much air each participant could force from their lungs in one continuous breath. The competition was divided into two categories: faculty/staff and student organizations, with male and female subdivisions in each category. In addition, there was an open category. The winners

were:

Faculty/staff-male:

1st place-Jeff Griffith, Computer Center, dinner for two at O'Charlie's.

2nd place-Thomas House, ROTC, dinner for two at Applebee's.

3rd place-Greg Frith, Education, subway sandwich from Subway and a value meal from McDonalds.

Faculty/staff-female:

1st place-Susan Kotula, Housing, dinner for two at the Victoria.

2nd place-Kristen Johnson, Computer Center, lunch for two at Diamond Dave's.

3rd place-Robyn Eoff, Communication, a subway sandwich from Subway and a value meal from McDonalds.

Faculty and staff winners also received a one-month free membership to Sports Club fitness center.

Student organizations-male:

1st place-Doug Stephens, Al-

pha Tau Omega, \$50.

2nd place-Sam Pritchett, Sigma Phi Epsilon, \$20.

3rd place-Bradley Mickelson, Alpha Phi Omega, \$10.

Student organizations-female:

1st place-Diane Voight, Zeta Tau Alpha, \$50.

2nd place-Julie Cambell, Delta Zeta, \$20.

3rd place-Dawn Griffin, BCM, \$10.

Winners in the open category were Diane Boight and Elihue Foskey, who received a "Blow Hard 1993" plaque.

Another student-sponsored smokeout activity was "Adopt-A-Smoker," during which health promotion students helped people give up smoking for a day.

Hammett said he estimated over 60 people took part in the "Blow Off" activity. "Everybody had a lot of fun," he said. "We were very pleased with the participation. We don't know how we're going to top this next year."

ExSel

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to ExSel participants by the Center for Individualized Instruction.

Cusimano said, "Students who participated have told us that they felt the program to be very beneficial. We feel very positive about the future of ExSel."

Parents of the students have told the University that they have seen a definite improvement in the academic success of their child, saying the biggest improvement is the level of confidence.

"The students who are involved in the ExSel program are by no means 'less-than' students. These students just have a stronger grasp in some areas than in others."

CORRECTION

The awards for Homecoming yard displays in the Nov. 18 "Greek Spotlight" should have read as follows:

First place went to Kappa Sigma and Phi Mu, second place went to Pi Kappa Phi and Zeta Tau Alpha, and third place went to Kappa Alpha Order.

JFK: Revisiting Camelot

30 years later, theories still abound

reports from College Press Service and Mark Harrison, Chanticleer News Editor

Colleges and universities throughout the country offer seminars and classes on the subject. In some college classrooms, director Oliver Stone's movie, "JFK," will be watched by many students born more than a decade after the tragedy.

At the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, one professor is wishing the movie craze will end so that students in his class can grasp the objective facts of the case, which he says are far more damning than the movie.

"I do not know what happened to President Kennedy," said David Wrone, a professor of history who has taught a course called "The Assassination of President John F. Kennedy" for 15 years. "But I do know that the institutions of America failed us. When we investigate the critical facts of the assassination, the situation is much worse than the theorists pose."

The 30-year-old murder is a "crisis in our history," said Wrone, who has taught history for 30 years at Wisconsin, and began

reading and collecting data a month after the assassination. "We were a decent and honest and trusting people. But things changed then."

Wrone contends that the murder was never properly investigated and that society was failed by the media and other institutions that did not investigate to see if government officials were being honest in their investigation of the case.

"Frankly, 'JFK' has been a hindrance to this course. It excites people, it's touchy-feely, warm and fuzzy. And it takes weeks for students to realize that the movie does not articulate the major questions. The movie raises false issues. The valid issues are much more serious and critical than the movie suggests," Wrone said.

Most murders are not solved, said Wrone, and 30-year-old murders that are reopened have a minimal chance of being solved. "The major point is that the information is so muddled, we can't find out. That's the real crime of Dallas," he said.

Nov. 22 marked the end of the third decade since the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, and the mysterious circumstances surrounding his death still spark debate, not just among assassination buffs, but in college classrooms as well.

Now, thirty years after the tragedy that unfolded in Dallas, the nation is deluged with television clips, newspaper stories and memorial events. Hot debates over the "lone gunman vs. conspiracy" theories are the order of the day.

"I have no trouble packing this class," Wrone said. "Students are stunned when they investigate the facts." He noted that former students still write and call him to discuss the assassination.

Wrone blasts the newest book on the Warren Commission report, titled "Case Closed," calling it "the most dishonest and knowingly corrupt book ever published on the Kennedy assassination." The book says the Warren Commission was correct in its conclusions that Lee Harvey Oswald acted alone in shooting Kennedy.

In the city of Dallas, a disquiet still surrounds the historic event.

"The young people in this country are what keep me doing this," said Larry Howard, founder of the JFK Center in Dallas, a 6,000-square-foot-building that is a repository of assassination information.

"Since the 'JFK' movie, I've received calls and letters that it inspired them to write. I find it very rewarding," he said,

noting that the center displays a petition with 65,000 names demanding that the case be reopened by local Dallas authorities.

"We're collecting information and evidence," Howard said, to prove that Oswald, the rifleman who shot the president, did not act alone. Howard acted as a consultant for Stone in the filming of "JFK."

The movie, based on a book researched by Howard and written by a Texas journalist, fired the imagination of the country's young people, and it may be this generation that finally gets to the truth, Howard said.

At Texas A&M University, a group of 100 students who call themselves "Aggies for Truth," have put their names on the petition.

The nation's first college class about the assassination, going strong since 1977 at the University of Texas-Arlington, has attracted the curious—high school students to former CIA agents—since its inception.

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Seminar educates students on AIDS

Mike Canada
News Editor

"I'd like each of you to take just a moment and look at the person sitting beside you...turn around...look at the person behind you. Get a really good feel for what that person looks like," said Deborah Wade, executive director of the AIDS Services Center in Hobson City, as she addressed 145 JSU and Jacksonville High School students gathered in Leone Cole Auditorium Nov. 18.

"Everyone looks nice, healthy. The reason I wanted you to do that, is so you can see what a person with HIV infection looks like. They look just like you, and that's the biggest point I have to make tonight. You cannot tell who is infected with this virus and who is not."

The students Wade addressed were taking part in the "Know the Truth About AIDS" seminar sponsored by Sigma Phi Epsilon, the Social Work Club and Zeta Tau Alpha. The seminar was organized in an effort to promote AIDS awareness and encourage HIV testing among students; an age group Wade says normally does not feel at risk.

"What we are seeing a lot of at our clinic, are people who have been infected as young as 15. A lot of the infection rates, particularly in Alabama, are very young high school students. They don't know have it, because they don't

get sick for about 10 years when symptoms start showing up. Most of the people infected with this virus have no idea they have it," Wade said.

Wade explained the course of infection to the students through a hypothetical situation between two students on a date. In Wade's story, the couple, a male and a female, are celebrating after a football game.

"They're alone, drinking a few beers. They were going to make out a little bit. They really liked each other, but they had not yet had sex. A couple of beers later...they've had sex. They didn't even use a condom. They're not thinking about HIV, at the most they're thinking about pregnancy, and that's probably the young lady," said Wade. "This young lady has no idea that the young man she has just had sex with has infected her with the virus that causes AIDS: HIV. He looks just like you guys look...very healthy."

Wade's newly infected character experiences her first symptoms two weeks after infection, which is common with HIV. They are typical infections that many young people endure. "You may get a low grade fever, some swollen lymph nodes in your neck, maybe a sore throat...maybe a little achey. You say, 'I'm coming down with the flu.' You know they'll probably go away in a week or so, and they will...totally untreated," said Wade.

According to Wade and information from the Centers of Disease Control, HIV will not show up in an anti-body test until two months after infection. The virus is transferable from the time of infection.

"From two weeks after infection, until you show up with your first symptom of a major illness is on an average of 10 years. So, if you have one sex partner a year for 10 years and you've infected ten people, and those 10 people infect 10 people, you can see why we say there are one to two million people with HIV in this country. And that's a low, low estimate," said Wade.

"This virus does not know what you do for a living or what your sexual preference is. It just knows it can infect your body. It does not matter who you are; it matters what you do. If you're human, male or female, you're in a risk group.

"The only way to protect yourself is abstinence.

"If you're going to have sex, know your partner's sexual history. Ask if they have been tested, or will they be tested. Know your status, use a barrier, a condom," said Wade.

Despite the gravity of the seminar, its impact is uncertain. Would anyone change his sexual habits because of what he had seen or heard?

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The instructor, Jim Marrs, is a former investigative newspaper reporter and author of "Crossfire: The Plot that Killed Kennedy," one of the two books that "JFK" was based on. Marrs, a self-confessed conspiracy theorist, has been collecting data on the event since 1963, when he was a police reporter in Lubbock, Texas.

"We get an awful lot of police officers," Marrs reported. "They realize that everything about the investigation was done contrary to standard."

So many flocked to the Arlington campus after the release of the "JFK" film, that the class had to move into an auditorium. There was also an overflow class in 1988, the 25th anniversary of the assassination.

"I'm trying to give them the breadth and depth of the story. From Day One, the reporting was one-sided because the reporters were at the Dallas city hall receiving information from the FBI," he said.

Until the American people bother to study the details of the case, Marrs said, they will accept

the status-quo thinking on the case. However, as more information is uncovered, he predicts an eventual groundswell of public opinion demanding a reexamination of the Warren Commission Report.

Marrs says he immerses the class in the historical events surrounding the assassination, and has students bone up on the Yalta agreements, the Bay of Pigs invasion in Cuba, the creation of the Central Intelligence Agency, and America's involvement in Southeast Asia in the '60s.

It was not until a Senate hearing on the assassination in 1984, said Marrs, that the average citizen began to question what happened. That's when Marrs' class began to fill.

"In the beginning, when I asked who thought Oswald acted alone, every hand in the room would go up. By the fall of 1984, no one raised their hand," said Marrs, noting that the Senate hearing on the assassination raised questions never heard before by the public.

Marrs befriended Oswald's mother after the shooting and

he believes her account of the event, which was that her son did not act alone and was part of a larger plan to remove Kennedy from office. Marrs is convinced that the president met his death because he started to pull troops out of Vietnam.

This fall at Southern Connecticut State University at New Haven, students sat on the edge of their seats as Bob Harris, a former electrical engineer for the Saudi Arabian army and an assassination buff, gave what he calls a "comedy-scare" routine in which he laid out what he considers absurd government explanations for Kennedy's death.

The culprit, Harris tells the audience, was the Central Intelligence Agency, acting under the protection of the United States Government.

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JSU shows, pride apathy abates

Things are changing at JSU, and this time, it's for the better.

At the first semester, there was a lot of talk about apathy. Apathetic students, faculty, administrators — everyone. It seemed that JSU would be the same this year as it has for many others: an inactive, uninvolved, boring campus. Now it looks as if we have been proven wrong.

The first glimmer of an active campus came from Disabilities Awareness Week, especially in the Challenge of the Hour program. That idea had been tossed around in previous years, but it fell through due to a lack of interested participants. This year, the program attracted more than 20 faculty, staff, administrators and student leaders. Most of the people involved in the program did more than sit in their offices with their simulated disability. They attempted the tasks disabled students face every day, and in some cases they found it impossible.

The best example of student activism can be seen in the racism and sexism seminar held here Nov. 15. Approximately 60 people attended the student-planned program. The idea originated with Barry Hanney, the vice president of the JSU Sociology Club, and other members of that organization assisted in the planning process.

The success of the Homecoming activities are another sign of increasing student activity. Students turned out for J-Day festivities despite the brisk weather, and a few administrators went out for some fun too. JSU President Harold J. McGee and SGA President Chris Dempsey stood side by side at the bonfire, and many more students voted in this year's Homecoming election than in last year's SGA elections.

Positive signs are everywhere. Student organizations are taking an active role in the community by working with the elderly and with disadvantaged children. More students are attending SGA meetings. The hazing hotline displays a proactive role on the part of the University administration, and the University is advertising for an Ombudsman to serve as a go-between for students and the administration.

Things are changing, but that doesn't mean the University has changed. We are doing better, but we are not doing our best. There have been some successful programs. A few administrators, faculty and students got the ball rolling, now it is time for the rest of us to wake up and do our part.

Charity brings Christmas spirit

As I was helping my mother set the table this weekend, I was afraid there wouldn't be enough room on the table for all of the food my mother prepared. We managed to fit most everything there, but it was close. This wasn't a small table.

At first, it all seemed funny, but when I stood back and observed all that we had, I felt guilty.

At Thanksgiving, we all seem to have more than we need, and we tend to think everyone else does too. But that isn't true. This holiday, as every other day, there were many who went hungry. Young children went unfed, and families had little for which to be thankful. By Christmas, nothing will have changed, but we could make things a little better.

Each of us should do our part for charity all year, but at Christmas time it becomes even more important. The opportunities to volunteer are everywhere, we just need to find time, or at least money, to do our part.

The most obvious choice for charity is The Salvation Army. Bell ringers are everywhere this time of year, and it is easy to get annoyed with them, but they are

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EDITOR IN CHIEF

there for a good cause. If you dropped in a few pennies or a nickel every time you passed one, you may pay for a special gift or a nourishing meal for a child who otherwise may not experience the peace of Christmas. If you have the time, you can do even better by calling the Salvation Army and volunteering to collect change for a certain period of time.

Other charities that make it easy to contribute are Toys for Tots and Project Angel Tree. Many local stores have set up bins where you can drop off toys to be given to area children through Toys for Tots, and several locations will have the trees with an angel carrying the name of a needy child. It doesn't have to be something extravagant like a fancy baby doll or electronic game. Several smaller, inexpensive items would work just as well. The child doesn't care about the cost. Even a small stuffed animal would give a child something to cling to.

If you consider toys a part of the materialism of Christmas, spend

part of your Christmas vacation volunteering at a homeless shelter or soup kitchen. Those places need help all year, but the cold weather of this season makes them especially busy. Working at a shelter has the extra benefit of allowing you to see and talk with the people you are helping, so you know you are making a difference.

There is another way to give to others that many people tend to forget. The Red Cross. Donating blood brings more than happiness, it brings life.

The holidays bring icy roads, drunk drivers and heavy traffic which often add up to tragic accidents and blood shortages. It only takes a few minutes to give a part of yourself, and that is a gift that lasts for a lifetime.

These are just a few suggestions of things you can do to help others. If none of these suit you, just look in the Yellow Pages under "volunteer" and you will find many ways to do your part. Look at it this way.

Every year you manage to find the perfect gift for the person who has everything. This one should be easy.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

Whenever I receive mail from the University, I am struck by this statement at the bottom of the letterhead: "Equal opportunity/affirmative action employer."

This seems to indicate a rather incongruous alignment of goals. The two objectives -- equality of opportunity and engineered outcomes -- appear to contradict one another.

How can one claim to offer equal employment opportunities for all while pursuing a "diversity management" scheme which requires the realization of hiring goals (read: quotas) for certain groups?

This is by no means a novel question, the scope of which extends far beyond JSU's personnel procurement policies. To my knowledge, though, none but the most contrived answers have been offered in response. Perhaps I am just unlearned, or worse, unenlightened.

Or maybe I'm on to something; If I am beset by a rash of witless ad hominem attacks in next week's Chanticleer, I'll know I am.

I would much prefer a reasoned debate though.

Sincerely,
Paul M. McGuire
student

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More on the incinerator...

**Editor's Note: Letters and editorial cartoons concerning the proposed nerve gas incinerator continue to pour in the mail. Formal Chanticleer policy limits letters to two weeks after the issue is raised, but due to the strong response, we will continue to run quality work. The following are two examples of recent contributions. The Chanticleer welcomes opinions reflecting both sides of the issue.*

Dear Editor,

A hammer of fear is hanging over the heads of the citizens of the Anniston-Jacksonville area. And the scenario reads like the sub-plot of a very bad movie.

The people who live and work in this vicinity are scared. They are hurt, frustrated and angry. Very angry.

The Army wants to build a chemical weapons incinerator in Anniston.

The military wants to dispose of these deadly chemicals by burning them.

The the cry goes out: has the Army lost its mind?

Isn't the military concerned, at all, about the air that people of the Anniston-Jacksonville area breathe?

Adoption of the open-ended system favored by the military means that highly poisonous byproducts of the incinerator process including the carcinogen dioxin, will come out of the smokestack and be discharged into the air.

The discharge of these chemicals through the incinerator would seriously affect the livestock and crops of the citizens of this area since it is now known that dioxins also get into the food chain and water supply, where they are even more dangerous than when in-

gested by breathing.

What goes up, does come down. The fumes of the smokestack will fall back to the earth, onto the livestock and crops. This is extremely dangerous.

In conducting a study prior to the news of this planned incinerator, the Army said it conducted an extensive risk assessment survey. However, according to opponents, that study only considered the air that local citizens breathe.

The study did not address the concern of what the citizens will consume every day as they eat and drink.

Some people who favor the construction of the incinerator insist it will be good for the local economy.

They have asked that local citizens consider the additional jobs this project will assure.

In light of American's present economy, these words sing of hope. But according to research at Clarion University in Pennsylvania, incinerators have a negative impact on the local economy, with significant decreases in employment, population, business establishments, payroll, and overall incomes (Sanders 1992).

Thus those words could actually sing of death.

If a person has a good job, work-

ing on the construction of such an incinerator, will his job, eventually make him immune to the possibility that someday these chemicals could harm his body? Or bring on death?

The excess of hazardous chemical weapons should be destroyed. Yet, there must be a safer way to do it. There has to be.

American intellect, in concert with some of the greatest minds of this world, has helped man walk on the moon.

It has enabled man to find a cure for some deadly diseases that once stalked th world. Somebody looked for solutions—and found them.

There is an answer. There has to be an answer that will enable America—and the world—to do away with the threat of death and destruction because of the over abundance of chemical weapons.

That answer would appear to be found in a closed-loop system that does not put poisons into the air. Such a system should be ready and five to 10 years.

The Army and AAD have both recently said that the weapons should be safe for continued storage for another 25 years.

Let's wait a few years for a happy ending to this problem, rather than inviting a disaster.

Sincerely,
Gig Roper

SPEAKUP

Should classes be cancelled for dead week?



"Yes, I think we should have some days off during dead week because no students are disciplined enough to use their freetime wisely. If we designated a few days to study for exams I think that would be smart."

Lana Jill Garner
freshman

"A lot of times that last week is used for instructors to go over our exam material, so we need to go to class then -- I think so."

David Bryant
senior



"It doesn't seem fair to me that they don't allow any extracurricular activities and then you have to go to class and it counts against you if you don't go. When most classes are just reviewing your test I think (attendance) should be optional..."

Courtney Charlton
junior

"I think there should be a week off before the finals but think it should be dedicated for studying. If (an organization) wants to have a positive event ... then they should be allowed to do something like that."

Jack Johnson
junior

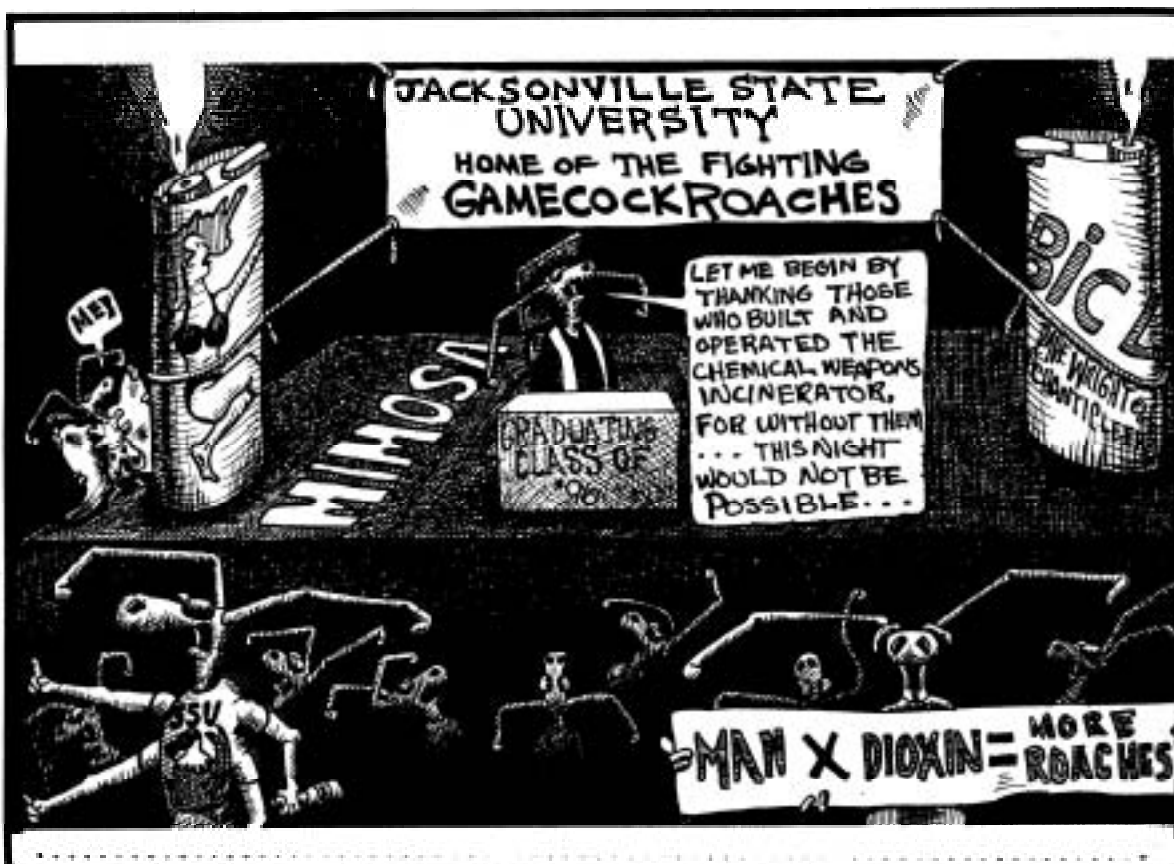


"I believe in dead week no classes should be missed because it's a week that's designated for study."

Evan Roper
sophomore

"If there weren't any classes during dead week then the semesters would probably be prolonged so tht the professors could get in all the information for the finals."

Molly McGinnis
freshman



STRESS

A PRE-FINALS, POST-MIDTERM PRIMER ON STRESS RELIEF AND PREVENTION

Kim Vandegriff –
"I cry. That's it. I just sit by myself and cry. It really helps me."

Wes Voorhees –
"I don't have enough stress to constitute doing anything about it"
Holly Harrelson –
"I take a hot bath, play my stress tape, light lots of candles and read a Spiegel magazine."

Jennifer Klein –
"I put in a tape of the ocean and write poetry."

Debra Welsh –
"My gums bleed and my hair falls out. I lose all ability to eat."

Claudia Loeber –
"I just don't do what makes me stressed."

DAVIS, Calif. — Although many students feel relieved after finishing their first set of midterms, many first-year students still face a great deal of stress.

Adjusting to the quarter or semester system, sharing a room with a complete stranger and stumbling home at 2 a.m. with an 8 a.m. class the same day often challenges many first-year students.

"For me, I guess it's hard because in high school you don't have a lot of free time, but here you have one or two classes and a lot of free time," Segundo, Calif.-area resident and first-year student Tiffini Banks said.

"You should be studying. But it's hard, especially in the dorms, because you have your door open and people come in and out all the time. So it's hard to sit down and hit the books."

To manage your time effectively, heed warnings from other residence hall survivors.

"Keep a balance. Don't study all of the time, and don't party all of the time. Don't take your freshman year too lightly. It's challenging, but it can also be the most fun," senior Gabe Romero advised.

"Recreation and off-time is important, but the first thing is to make sure all the other work is

in," graduate student Barney Catin said. "If you get the basics out of the way, then play."

Senior Sheila Manning recommended first-year students "be social, but don't get behind because it'll snowball and you'll be hating life when midterms and finals roll around."

With this advice, the college adjustment may seem simple. But according to Counseling Center psychologist Jack Pflugrath, college life often creates many problems for first-year students.

"Freshman face the obvious problems of leaving home—leaving a familiar setting to something new — and all the challenges that it involves, like making new friends.

"Most are ready to leave home, but it's comfortable there and it's different here. So they get a little homesick," Pflugrath said.

He added that students also may have a hard time adjusting to academic life, such as the large classes. Starting their first year, Pflugrath said, students must learn to deal with new and stressful situations."

"Probably one of the biggest challenges in the first year is to find that balance," he said. "You have to find a way to manage yourself here—manage your liv-

ing situation and the whole new academic world."

Pflugrath emphasized that the adjustment period varies, with some adapting immediately and others needing more time. "We emphasize individuality. Some may make the transition very quickly and for others it may take some time," he said.

Pflugrath stressed the importance of discussing one's feelings during this transition stage.

"I suggest for freshmen that they talk about it, maybe with their roommate, a resident adviser or counseling services," he said. "If students find they are in a repetitive pattern and they can't get out, it's very important to talk about it."

From personal experiences and possibly through counseling, Pflugrath said stress management skills will develop slowly.

"Every year you will get a little better dealing with stressful situations.

"You have to meet these challenges in a constructive way instead of trying to avoid them. You have to take some risks to make a change," he said.

JSU students who need help coping with stress can call the Career Development and Counseling Center at 782-5475.

Alison Abercrombie –
"I usually just crack. Ask my therapist."

Ashley Blacknall –
"I smoke exotic cigarettes."

Gini Williams –
"I have someone give me a body massage or take a Sesame Street bubble bath."

Brian Carter –
"I just drink a big ol' glass of Chek Cola...the one with the race car driver on it.

It has to be that one or it won't wind me down."

Chad Carr –
"I just deal with it."

Rick Altman –
"I thrive on these situations."

< Here's how JSU students say they deal with stressful situations/final exams >

From College Press Service and reports by Chere Lee

UP CLOSE by Felisha Fowler

Sandra Wyckoff



Wyckoff

JSU's 1993 Homecoming Queen, Sandra Wyckoff, says growing up with her grandparents inspired her life goal.

Wyckoff is a Social Work major, minoring in Gerontology (the care of the elderly). "I like helping people, but my minor is what I'm really interested in. I plan to own my own chain of elderly daycare centers in the South. It probably all has something to do with my grandparents," Wyckoff says.

Her grandparents are very much a part of her life, and they were at JSU to share her Homecoming experience. Her

grandfather escorted her onto the field for the crowning ceremony.

"My grandparents were really excited (about my being elected) ... They have always told me to look for the best and believe you can do the best, but you don't always do as well as you might have expected to do. It's the idea that you've tried, and that's what is important," Wyckoff said.

Other than her grandparents, Wyckoff looks to Biblical scripture for encouragement, particularly Philippians 4:13, "I can do all things through Christ who

strengthens me."

Such strength helped to support Wyckoff through the interview portion of the Homecoming competition, which she believes led to her win. "At my interview I felt comfortable because I don't have a problem interacting with people. As for the student body, I got votes because I talk to a lot of people," Wyckoff said.

Wyckoff is a resident assistant at Logan Hall, treasurer of Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority, membership chairman of the Social Work Club and secretary of Alpha Phi Omega ser-

vice fraternity. All of these groups sponsored her, along with the Afro-American Association and the Black Greek Council.

She also mentioned the encouragement from her Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority sister and former JSU Homecoming Queen Michelle Horton.

Wyckoff lived with her grandparents in Alexander City, Ala., where she attended Benjamin Russell High School. She transferred to JSU from Central Alabama Community College.

Big names play rocket city

the cranberries

It isn't often that as many people come to see the opening band as come to see the headliner. But that happened when Ireland lent Huntsville some of its best on Nov. 22.

The Cranberries, headed up by the beautiful voice of Dolores O'Riordan with brothers Noel and Mike Hogan on guitar and bass, and drummer Feargal Lawlor, played the Von Braun Civic Center.

The Cranberries have been making quite a splash in the alternative waters as of late, and they are currently opening for pop-gurus Duran Duran on the latest leg of Duran's tour.

To an uplifting classical/Celtic piece, the Cranberries waltzed onto stage in a not-quite filled VBCC.

They played through several songs off their latest Island Records release, "Everybody Else is Doing it, So Why Can't We?" They then introduced a new song, a driving number — darker and harder than the dreamy style displayed on "Everybody." O'Riordan assured the audience that it would be on their next album.

At first, it seemed that The Cranberries didn't adapt well to the arena environment. They looked and sounded almost naked on the cumbersome stage. But as the show progressed and the band warmed up, so did the audience.

O'Riordan soon had the audience spell bound by her mystic voice and sprightly stage act. At one point she even started to dance an Irish gig, and when the band broke into their hits "Dreams" and "Linger," segments of the audience went into a mini frenzy.

The Cranberries, though a surprising choice of openers for Duran Duran, were a good one.

--Will Chandler
Features Editor



Cranberries leading lady Dolores O'Riordan

DURAN DURAN



The leading voice of Duran Duran - Simon Le Bon

Duran Duran fans got just what they expected from the pop legends at last Monday's show in Huntsville. The original Duranies, Simon Le Bon, Nick Rhodes, and John Taylor were joined by several new members to provide a rare, memorable show which incorporated all of their eighties favorites with hits off their latest self-entitled album. Duran Duran seems to have matured with its audience. Their more sophisticated lyrics, coupled with a refined sound, poke fun at the very media that created them.

Simon Le Bon bounded on stage bedecked in a metallic blue jacket singing the group's current hit, "Too Much Information." The mid-eighties hit, "A View to a Kill" continued the beginning of the show.

Along with their fast-paced new songs, Duran Duran played many of their early hits including "Girls on Film" and a more somber version of "Hungry Like the Wolf." They also played their re-mix version of "The Reflex." Before playing their mega-hit, "Ordinary World," Le Bon acknowledged the fact that their popularity had been waning before the release of their latest album.

"I figure we just got here by the skin of our teeth," he says, "and we owe a lot of it to this song..."

The Duranies played for almost two hours total, closing with the timeless "Wild Boys" after a frenzied call for an encore. Duran Duran proved that they are still kings of pop, taking the widely-age-ranged crowd on a journey spanning over more than a decade.

--Allison Graydon
Features Writer

I N T H E A T E R

The JSU theater department will be performing "Harvey" starting tonight at 8 p.m. It runs through next Monday. All shows will be at 8 p.m. at Stone Center except the Sunday performance which will be at 2p.m.

Call 782-5648 for reservations. Director Amanda Ennis says tickets are going fast. The play, which won a Pulitzer Prize in 1944, is a comedy appropriate for any age. Ennis promises "a dose of laughter for all."



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New 'Addams' is creepier, kookier than original

NEW THIS WEEK

"Addams Family Values" (Rated PG Directed by Barry Sonnenfeld Rating: ***) There's no deep analysis to go into here: if you liked the first one, you'll love this one. The jokes are funnier and faster, and hey... this one even has a plot.

Not that we missed that in the first "Addams Family." With Sonnenfeld's wonderful camera tricks (he's a cinematographer-turned-director) and Paul Rudnick's joke-a-minute scripts, both films are fun without a storyline.

In "Values," the black stork drops a little bundle of terror into the Addams household, and he even has a Gomez-style mustache (leave it to the Addamses to give us a baby with facial hair). Wednesday (the wonderful Christina Ricci) and Pugsley are not amused. After several attempts to do away with the kid, they are sent off to a hellish yuppie summer camp, where they spend hours playing with rich kids and learning to be civil in the "Harmony Hut" (a horrifying room

where the Addams children are subjected to hours of "The Brady Bunch" and "Bambi"). There's even an annoying counsellor couple (Peter MacNichol, as the male counsellor, is at his grating best). All this makes for big fun.

Uncle Fester (Christopher Lloyd), meanwhile, has married a vicious sado-masochistic woman (Joan Cusack) who threatens to murder him for his money, like she has time and time before with other husbands.

Morticia and Gomez (Anjelica Houston, Raul Julia) are the ring-leaders of this whole big morbid black circus.

The characters are thinly drawn, but that's just because the filmmakers assume you've followed the Addams family before. Christina Ricci remains the standout among a mighty good cast. There's also a wonderful performance from Cusack, whose normally unnerving smile and demeanor fits in perfectly among the Addams family.

The amazing thing about watching this film is the detail. Notice that light that's always around Morticia's eyes. The editing is

THE BIG SCREEN

JAMIE COLE
MANAGING EDITOR

sharp and tight, too.

NOW PLAYING

"Flesh and Bone" (Rated R Directed by Steve Kloves Rating: ***) Why is it that, all of a sudden, any film with substance is pretentious and boring? This is a breathtaking exercise in human drama. There are no pat Hollywood endings here. What keeps this from film fom being a championship contender is its simple predictability: we knew from the start what would happen. The performances, with the exception of the lifeless Dennis Quaid, are well-rounded.

"The Nightmare Before Christmas" (Rated PG Directed by Henry Selick Rating: **1/2) Stop-motion master Henry Selick makes Tim Burton's vision come to life in this spectacularly staged cartoon feature. Viewers may feel shorted, however, by the 70-minute length and the lack of conflict in the story. We're just not

sure who to root for. Worth seeing, though, for the incredible animation.

"Flesh and Bone," "Addams Family Values" and "The Nightmare Before Christmas" are playing at Carmike Cinemas at Weaver Road. For more information, call 820-5557.

"The Three Musketeers" (Rated PG Starring Kiefer Sutherland, Charlie Sheen, Oliver Platt Rating: **) Generally audience-pleasing, but hardly a classical adaptation of the Dumas novel. Strays so far from the original story it plays more like a rip-off. Only Oliver Platt grasps the true Musketeer spirit exhibited for his character in the book and Rebecca De Mornay has some good scenes; everyone else seems to sleepwalk.

NEW ON VIDEO

"Dennis the Menace" (Rated PG Written by John Hughes Rating: *) Those of you expecting that cute kid/John Hughes combination that worked so well in "Home Alone," look somewhere else. Packed with senseless violence and unfunny jokes, this is one of the worst movies I've seen in a while.

"The Liar's Club" (Rated R Starring Wil Wheaton, Brian Krause Rating: **1/2) The acting is sheer amateur night, as is the production quality, editing, writing, directing, etc., but the story seems realistic. This movie, bad as it is, plays with your mind. Check it out, if you dare.

"The Muppet Christmas Carol" (Rated G Rating: ***) This first Muppet endeavor since the death of Jim Henson is a fitting tribute to his brand of humor and ingenuity. A kid's Christmas classic that college students will enjoy, too. This absolutely delightful film is as much for adults as it is for children. A show of hands, please, from all those who'd like to see "The Muppet Show" back on TV.

"Cliffhanger" (Rated R Starring Sylvester Stallone, Janine Turner Rating: **) Early last summer it did big box office, but this acrophobic's nightmare is only average. Stallone still hasn't gotten over Rambo, but Janine Turner is fine in her first real featured role. Some real suspense if you're afraid of heights.



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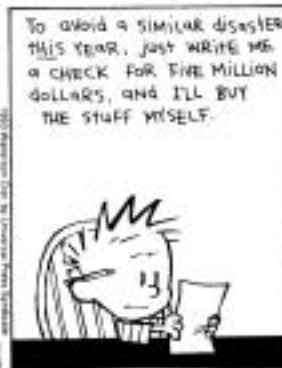
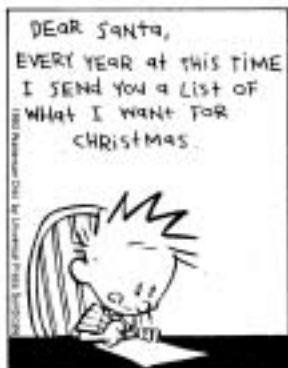
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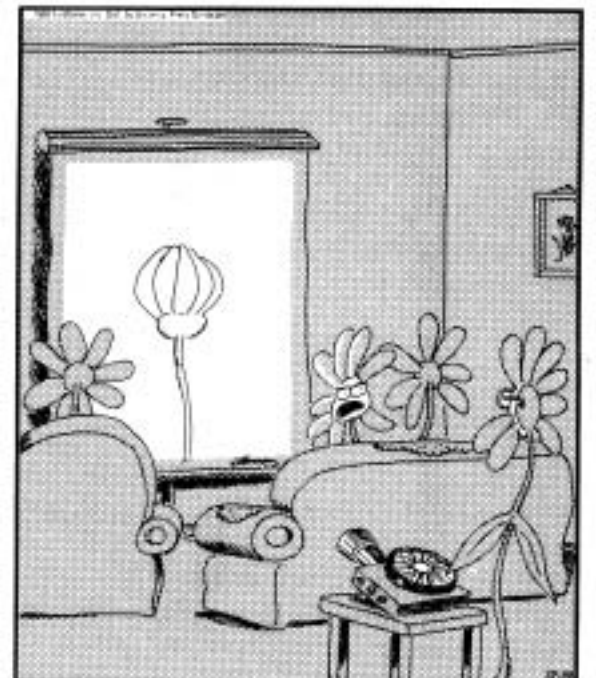


THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON



Clark's mother



Cocks come home after long road stint



JSU's #54 Pat Armour slams two more points for the Gamecocks' victory over Florida Memorial College. The junior center scored a game high of 23 points.

Bill Dobilas
Sports Editor

Home sweet home. That's what had to be going through the minds of the JSU men's basketball team as they returned home from a week long road trip in Colorado and defeated Florida Memorial 90-72 in front of a small crowd at Pete Matthews Coliseum last Saturday night.

"It would have been nice to have a large crowd," coach Jones said. "But with the holiday we expected this. We're just glad to have a game on the schedule."

The Gamecocks raised their record to 4-1 on the season with the win over the Lions, but head coach Bill Jones wasn't totally satisfied.

"I thought our defensive effort in the first half was lackadaisical," Coach Jones explained. "We didn't rebound at all."

The Gamecocks led 42-36 at the break but were out rebounded by the smaller Florida Memorial 17-13.

However, the Gamecocks came out strong in the second half and pulled away from the Lions.

"We took those guys light, because they were small," center Pat Armour said. "Compared to the teams in Colorado, though, this team was better."

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Florida Memorial was surprising. The Lions played well in the first half, but faded as the game progressed. Senior forward John Alyn led the way for the Lions netting 17 points and three rebounds. Freshman Carey Anderson chipped in 12 points.

For the Gamecocks, 6-5 Junior College transfer Pat Armour dominated at both ends of the floor.

The junior from Columbus picked up a game-high 23 points and ripped down 14 rebounds. Forward John Session added 17 points and senior forward Gerald Jones contributed 15 off the bench.

"Jones is a good player," Coach Jones said. "He's as close to being a starter as anyone. He's certainly a welcome addition coming off the bench."

The Gamecocks look right on schedule this season.

At 4-1, JSU is primed and ready for this week's Tom Roberson Classic. The Gamecocks hosts old rival North Alabama, Johnson C. Smith, and Fayetteville State in the tournament that JSU has never, and I mean never, lost. JSU will play as favorites in this tournament.

Johnson C. Smith and North Alabama tip it off Friday night at 6 p.m. while the Gamecocks take on Fayetteville State in the night-cap beginning at about 8 p.m.

The consolation game takes place at 6 p.m. Saturday night and the championship takes place at 8.

Lady Gamecocks drop home opener to Alabama A&M

Eddie Burch
Sports writer

Losing is never fun; especially when the loss comes at home to start your season.

That's what happened to the Lady Gamecocks as they fell to Alabama A&M 88-74 last Monday night in Pete Mathews Coliseum.

JSU remained close for much of the first half, but with 2:26 remaining the Lady Bulldogs embarked on a 10-2 run that gave them a 41-32 advantage.

Although the Lady Gamecocks shot much better from the floor than A&M, there were other glaring deficiencies.

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Lady Gamecocks,
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The much quicker Lady Bulldogs forced 18 first-half turnovers by the Lady Gamecocks, with A&M senior guard Juanetta Perkins snatching four steals.

The Lady Bulldogs also dominated the offensive boards, ripping down 16 rebounds to the Gamecocks' six.

In the second half, the Bulldogs pulled

"The turnovers may have been because of...some lack of experience."

--Jana Simmons

away. JSU committed 13 more turnovers, for a total of 31 at game's end, with Perking and guard Wendy Wallace leading the way on defense.

"The turnovers may have been because of jitters, and maybe some lack of experience," senior forward Jana Simmons said.

"This year's team does not have the height or depth of last year's team, but I feel like we are a lot closer."

Alabama A&M's Carmelia Bloodsaw led all scorers with 26 points. Alisha Lea hit for 15 and Wendy Wallace poured in 14 for the Lady Bulldogs.

JSU was led by Jana Simmons who played nearly 40 minutes and scored 25 points and picked up three steals.

Sophomore forward LaShell Humphrey chipped in 16 points while junior Rosheata McClain added 10 for the Lady Gamecocks.



Lady Gamecocks' senior forward Jana Simmons struggles to score against the Lady Pacers of South Carolina-Aiken. See page 15 for story on the win.

Bama fans better not get their hopes up

Well, well, well if it isn't the SEC Championship Game?

BILL DOBILAS
SPORTS EDITOR

Andre Royal were both suspended this past

Monday for violating team rules.

Alabama will face the Florida Gators in a rematch of last year's thriller. But, last year they were the two best, this year the best two teams—the Auburn Tigers and the Tennessee Volunteers—will be at home watching the game on a big screen TV somewhere. Now I'm not knocking the playoff system, I am just stating a point (or a fact, or however you'd like to take it).

The Crimson Tide is ranked 17th, Florida's No. 7, while Auburn and Tennessee are both ranked above the title game's participants.

As for the game, well don't get your hopes up 'Bama fans, the Tide will lose, and if they let Florida running back Eric Rnett get going, it could get ugly. Alabama is banged up really bad. QB Jay Barker is finished for the season, while Jeremy Nunley, James Gregory, David Palmer, Willie Gaston, and Kevin Lee are all nursing injuries but will probably play. To top it off junior linebackers Will Brown and

Monday for violating team rules.

Who will start at quarterback for the Tide? Your guess is as good as mine. It could be David Palmer, it could be Freddie Kitchens. But I do know one thing, if Brian Burgdorf starts, forget about it.

My prediction is this: Alabama will lose to the Gators and play in the Gator Bowl. Kind of ironic, don't you think?

Final Score: Florida 33, Alabama 13.

The only other college game of any importance (except to our Trustees who will be happy to know that Troy State will play McNeese State this weekend in round two of the Division I-AA playoffs) takes place in Japan. The Wisconsin Badgers take on Michigan State in the Japan Bowl. If the Badgers win, they will get to go the Rose Bowl. But if they lose, the Buckeyes of Ohio State make the trek to Pasadena to face UCLA. Final Score: Michigan State 24, Wisconsin 21.

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Gamecocks make good showing

Bill Dobilas
Sports Editor

The Jax State men's basketball team found out what life on the road can be like for an opposing team; luckily for the Gamecocks they only have five more road games.

JSU made an impressive showing in the Southern Colorado Classic before bowing to the host Indians 78-73 in the title game of the tournament.

The game was unusual because the Gamecocks did not shoot a free throw during the entire first half, and only attempted four overall. "I've been in coaching 24 years and I've never gone an entire half without shooting a free throw," JSU head coach Bill Jones said. "But, hey we knew coming out here that it wasn't going to be easy."

"Life on the road isn't always fair, we've just got to get better."

The Gamecocks saw a late six point lead evaporate at the free throw line as the Indians tied it up with a minute left to play. With 30 seconds remaining in the game, the Indian forward threw down a three-pointer to give Southern Colorado a 76-73 advantage that they would not relinquish.

"I'm proud of our kids for battling all night," Jones said. "We were pretty much taken out of our offense in the first half (a 43-34 deficit), but we regained our composure in the second. We seemed to be much more in sync."

Junior center Pat Armour poured

in 28 points and pulled down 12 rebounds in the losing effort, while junior forward John Session chipped in 18 points.

The Gamecocks got to the title game by defeating the Cowboys of New Mexico Highlands 93-91. Pat Armour led the way for the Gamecocks as the junior college transfer from Chattahoochee Valley Community College picked up 21 points and 21 rebounds for JSU. No points were more valuable than the three he scored with 40 seconds left on the clock. After rebounding a Gamecock missed shot, Armour scored, was fouled, and converted the three point play to put JSU ahead to stay. Even with Armour's excellent effort, coach Jones says the crowds haven't seen the real Pat Armour yet.

"He missed a ton of short, easy shots that he normally makes. He had a bunch of them roll around the rim and off," Jones said.

The lead had see-sawed back and forth throughout the second half, and The Gamecocks just could not get it going and looked tired several times.

"I think there's something to this altitude stuff," Jones said. "I thought our players got tired. I'm convinced we're in good shape, and even at that we got tired."

Armour was not the whole story for JSU as senior guard Jeff Terry threw home 14 points, highlighted by four three pointers to close the first half and give the Gamecocks a 50-46 advantage. John Session added 11.

JSU rifle team places third

From staff reports

The Jacksonville State University Rifle Team completed the first half of its season by finishing third in the Gamecock Invitational which took place Nov. 19-21.

Tennessee Tech University (Gold) won the event by setting a new JSU Range smallbore rifle team record with a score of 4,642. Charity Jacobsen led the way for Tech by winning the Air Rifle Individual Match with a range record of 387. Former JSU team member Shawn Wells also broke a record in winning the smallbore rifle competition with a score of 1,186.

There were several other records set on the range. In the

individual smallbore rifle competition, Shawn Wells scored 380 in the standing position, Jason Schulze racked up 396 points from a kneeling position, and JSU's Eric Sodergren was outstanding, scoring a perfect 400 points from the prone position.

Jax State was led by Matt Peters who led the Gamecock smallbore team with 1,147 points, while Eric Sodergren set the air rifle pace with a score of 374.

Standings of the event:

1. Tennessee Tech (Gold)
2. Tenn Tech (Purple)
3. JSU
4. The Citadel
5. Jacksonville University (Florida)
6. Mercer University
7. UAB
8. Austin Peay

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DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
Dec. 3-4	Tom Roberson Classic	6&8P.M.	Dec. 3-4	Holiday Inn Tournament	5&7P.M.
Dec. 11	Berry College	7:30P.M.	Dec. 6	Converse	6:00P.M.
Dec. 14	Augusta College	7:30P.M.	Dec. 11	North Alabama	5:15P.M.
Dec. 17-18	Cal State-Bakersfield Holiday Classic	7&9P.M.	Dec. 13	Talladega	7:00P.M.
Jan. 3	Paine College	7:30P.M.	Jan. 3	Paine College	5:15P.M.
Jan. 7-8	JSU Invitational	6&8P.M.	Jan. 5-6	Lady Eagle Classic	7&5P.M.
Jan. 14	at Paine College	7:00P.M.	Jan. 8	Augusta	2:30P.M.
Jan. 15	at Augusta	6:30P.M.	Jan. 10	Kennesaw State	7:00P.M.
Jan. 22	Miles College	7:30P.M.	Jan. 14	at Paine College	5:00P.M.
Jan. 24	Shaw	7:30P.M.	Jan. 15	at Augusta	4:30P.M.
Jan. 25	Lee College	7:30P.M.	Jan. 17	at Valdosta State	5:00P.M.
Feb. 6	Oakland City (Ind.)	3:00P.M.	Jan. 24	at West Georgia	4:30P.M.
Feb. 9	Covenant	7:30P.M.	Jan. 27	Montevallo	7:00P.M.
Feb. 14	Lane College	7:30P.M.	Jan. 29	Shorter College	7:00P.M.
Feb. 19	Baptist Christian	3:00P.M.	Jan. 31	at Converse	6:00P.M.
Feb. 21	Clark College	7:30P.M.	Feb. 5	at Kennesaw State	6:00P.M.
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			Feb. 12	at Montevallo	4:00P.M.
			Feb. 14	Freed-Hardeman	5:15P.M.
			Feb. 19	at North Alabama	7:00P.M.
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Senior Simmons has career game, freshman White performs well

Lady 'cocks 20 better than USCA

Michael Graben
Sports writer

The Jacksonville State Lady Gamecocks rebounded from an opening game loss to defeat the Lady Pacers of South Carolina-Aiken 86-66.

Rebound the Lady Gamecocks did and they did it well, out rebounding USC-Aiken 59-43.

Senior Jana Simmons paced JSU with a career-high 30 points. LaShell Humphrey added 12.

Senior forwards Anita Davis and Jennifer Tinker each ripped down a career-high 12 boards, while Brandy White and Jana Simmons pulled down eight each.

Davis also poured in 13 points. "She (Davis) plays her role well," JSU head coach Dana Austin. "She went up strong tonight and got good rebounds."

The Lady Gamecock handled the

Lady Pacer press as well. After committing 31 turnovers in the loss to Alabama A&M, JSU turned the ball over 25 times, but only seven came in the second half.

White, a freshman point guard in only her second career college outing, played extremely well.

White scored 15 points in addition to her eight rebounds.

"She had a good game," Austin said. "She was able to adjust to the pressure. She's going to be a good player."

The game saw the Lady Gamecocks trail most of the first half. However, JSU used a 14-8 run in the last five minutes to go up 40-38 at the break.

Despite early second-half foul trouble, the Lady Gamecocks went on a 32-11 run that sealed the victory.

"Foul trouble early in the half

prevented us from pressing," Austin explained. "Our numbers will not allow us to extend pressure. We had to play good half-court offense and defense. We just played hard."

Austin said this game was just what the Lady Gamecocks needed to get on track for the season. "We needed the win to build our confidence after the loss last week. We came back to practice knowing we had to work hard on our rebounding and handling of the press."

The Lady Gamecocks (1-1) travel to Jacksonville, Fla. this weekend to play in the Holiday Inn Tournament where they will face Valdosta State in the first round.

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