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SGA candidates present views

Dyana Blythe
News Editor

Two men are running for SGA president this year, and both feel they would have a tough year ahead of them.

Chris Dempsey, a junior English and management major, promises to make changes within the SGA and student body if elected.

Dempsey feels he is qualified because, among other things, he currently holds the position of president pro tem. His duties include conducting the senate meetings when the vice president is bringing up a bill to the senate. Also, he has served on the

University Programs Council and been a senator for four consecutive semesters.

In addition, Dempsey has worked this year as one of the SGA's first two community liaisons.

As liaison, he attends all Jacksonville City Council meetings and stays in frequent contact with Jacksonville Mayor George Douthit.

Dempsey was also in charge of developing the restaurant survey conducted a few weeks ago to find out which restaurants students would like to see come to Jacksonville.

He has many plans to implement if he becomes SGA President.

"I plan to improve things in the SGA as well as with all students," he said. "I want to improve student interest in the SGA by increasing publicity. I think if students knew more about what was going on, they might be more interested." Dempsey plans to focus on better

communication among faculty, students and administrators, as well as between the student body and the city of Jacksonville.

"I'd like to have someone in administration come to the SGA meetings twice a semester to talk to senators about current issues," he said.

Dempsey would also like to host an SGA conference here at JSU inviting other student governments in Alabama to attend.

A big issue facing both candidates will be the apathy present on JSU's campus. "This is such a suitcase campus," Dempsey said. "Students are only here for five days and then they leave.

"If they were here for seven days a week, they might take more interest in the school, and that might get rid of the apathy here. In the past we've had the but it's hard.

Dempsey's opponent for the office, Ashley (A.J.) Richards, is currently serving his fifth semester as an SGA senator. During his time on the senate, Richards has served on a number of committees, including the Self-Study Steering Committee, and he served as the chair for the SGA Governance Board, which oversees all SGA committees.

If elected, Richards hopes to increase student involvement in the SGA by improving the way things are run. He said sticking to the rules and appointing only the most qualified senators to higher positions can allow the SGA to reduce tensions and get more accomplished.

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Bottoms Up!

The Galley served liquor for the first time last Thursday night and found a very receptive crowd. Owner Eric Key said business definitely picked up over the weekend. "Everybody had a real good time and stayed throughout the night," Key said of the Re-Grand Opening night.

Model U. N. team does well in national competition

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The JSU Model United Nations team returned from Harvard Monday after nearly a week of conferences and committee meetings at a national competition.

The team travelling to Harvard consisted of Chris Buhagiar, founder of JSU's Model U.N. chapter, Emory Serviss, Angie Morgan, Leopold Sambou, Preston Lane, Juan Sacoto, Saju Koshy and Andrew Anthony. Of these eight students, three had never before competed.

Buhagiar went before administrators and the SGA to obtain funding for the trip.

The team found out in early November that it would be representing Bosnia-Herzegovina, which Buhagiar considered an honor.

These students worked together for about five months researching the events taking place in the Eastern European country, as well as keeping on top of the news. "We would come up with ideas

and concepts to present to our Model U.N., and then we see a few days later that they actually are doing that," Morgan said.

The team contacted the real U.N. ambassador from Bosnia; in addition, they contacted lawyers and CNN.

"I consider us one of the best delegations there, as far as being prepared," Serviss said.

JSU was among 100 American schools attending, as well as Canadian schools. Besides Harvard, other Ivy League and prestigious universities attended. "We were the underdog that got a lot done," Serviss said. "We had a lot to gain and little to lose."

All 180 countries in the U.N. were represented with more than 2,000 delegates working on committees and proposing resolutions.

According to Serviss, who served on the team for the first time, the experience was great.

"I got to know a lot of people there, especially the people in my committees, and also used the opportunity for networking purposes," he said.

Now I can bring the things I learned back to Jacksonville."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

•The College BASE test, which all seniors must complete to graduate, will be given from 9 am-12 pm March 13 in 23 Ayers Hall. Students may register for the BASE test in 216 Ayers Hall.

students graduating in Spring from the College of Letters and Sciences must apply now for graduation in 114 Martin Hall.

•The absolute deadline for accepting Stafford, SLS or PLUS loan applications for the Spring semester 1993 will be March 15. This is to ensure that the application will be processed and the loan check received before the end of the semester.

•JSU students, faculty, staff and their friends are invited to join Team JSU for this year's **May 22-23 MS 150 Tour for Cure**, a go-at-your-own-pace bike tour designed to raise money for research in the cure for multiple sclerosis. This year's tour journeys from Pell City to Centre and includes an overnight stop here on JSU's campus. Registration fee is \$25 until April 5. For more information call Dorothy Tobe at 782-5525 or 820-7818.

•*The Chanticleer* and Mimosas are seeking applications for editors in chief for 1993-94. These are paid positions. To apply, submit resume and cover letter explaining your interest in and qualifications for the job to: Ralph Carmode, Department of Communication, 104 Self Hall, JSU. Application deadline is March 15, 1993.

•The JSU Child Center is now accepting applications for the 1993 Fall semester. The center offers a half-day (8 am-12 pm) preschool program for 3- and 4-year-olds. For more information call 782-5054.

•The 10th annual "Making Tracks 5K Road Race and One Mile Fun Run" will be held at 8 am March 13 at the Anniston Army Depot in Bynum. There is an \$8 registration fee before Tuesday and a \$10 fee between Tuesday - March 13. For more information call Janet at 235-6385 or 235-7720.

•Attention all female JSU students: With JSU's move to Division I, there will be an increase in the number of sports offered for females. The Athletic Council would appreciate your input as an involved female student as to which sports you would like to see added for women. A number of women will receive questionnaires in their campus P.O. boxes. If you receive one, please fill it out and return it through campus mail. If you do not receive a questionnaire and would like to complete one, contact Janice Pace or Dick Bell in Pete Mathews Coliseum.

•Marian Davis will deliver a paper entitled "Irish Writers in America: The Melting Pot or Not?" as part of the English Department Lecture Series at 7:30 pm on Monday 11th floor, Houston Cole Library. All JSU students, faculty and staff are invited. Call 782-5411 for more information.

•Beta Beta Beta is looking for volunteers to go walking in Little River Canyon as part of Spring Canyon Cleanup. We're going to go enjoy a day in nature and bring out some trash while we're doing it. The dates are March 13 and 14, so pick a day to enjoy some spring air and do our planet some good, too. Sign up is in 205-A Ayers Hall.

•Pi Sigma Alpha, the political science honor society, is accepting applications until Wednesday. Application forms may be picked up from the political science office on the third floor of Martin Hall. Qualifications are 10 hours or more in political science (including one course at the 300 level or above), a minimum GPA of 3.0 in all political science courses and an overall GPA placing the student in the top third of the class ranking. For more information, contact Marilyn H. Ellington at 782-4619.

•Sign up for cheerleader tryouts will be held Monday - March 19 in 105 Bibb Graves Hall. Students must meet academic, height, weight, strength and body composition requirements. This information will be provided when you sign up.

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"In the First Amendment...our founding fathers affirmed their belief that competing ideas are fundamental to freedom."
--Ronald Reagan

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SGA

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"We can't really fight for the students because we're fighting each other," Richards said. "It's time we came together as a whole for the good of the students."

He feels the internal problems of the SGA should do everything possible to increase student involvement, even if it means changing the time and location of the meetings.

The Elections Committee originally ruled Richards ineligible to run for office. The election rules state that a candidate must have served as a senator one semester prior to seeking office. Since Richards did not serve in the senate in the fall, a difference of opinion resulted from the question of whether the rules should be read as "the" semester prior or "a" semester prior. The committee eventually decided in Richards favor.

Both Dempsey and Richards belong to the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity, but neither feels it will be a problem with the greek students.

He said he is not disturbed by the fact that his opponent is also a fraternity brother. "Chris and I are as tight as we always have been," he said. "No matter what, the chapter is still going to have a president, and that is something they can be proud of."

Emory Serviss is seeking the vice president's office unopposed. Shelley Arnold is also unopposed as the financial officer candidate. The SGA elections are from 9 am -4 pm Tuesday in TMB.

GREEK SPOTLIGHT

The sisters and pledges of Zeta Tau Alpha are very busy this month. They are sponsoring a Wellness Program to educate people on alcohol, eating disorders and AIDS.

As a part of this program they are incorporating a program for their national philanthropy, the Susan B. Anthony Breast Cancer Foundation.

For this national service project they will be at local stores and supermarkets handing out shower cards showing the proper methods of breast self-examination.

The sisters and pledges of ZTA want to congratulate Becky Evon for being elected first vice president

of Panhellenic Council. They would also like to say good luck to their representatives in Miss JSU: Kelli Thomas, Amy Morrison, Jennifer Visicent, Allison Marques and April Payne.

Congratulations to Alpha Omicron Pi for being chosen last week's sorority of the week and to Alpha Xi Delta for being chosen this week's sorority of the week.

Any fraternity or sorority with information for the Greek Spotlight please call 782-5701 or 435-3336.

--Tracy Morris
Greek Correspondent

CRIME RELATED ACTIVITY

•2-24-93 Alishia Thurman, 20, of Powder Springs, Ga., was arrested and charged with assault and disorderly conduct.

•2-25-93 Kerry Bankston reported disorderly conduct at the International House.

•2-26-93 Disorderly conduct was reported at Theron Montgomery Building.

•2-26-93 Beatrice Dolt reported a missing person from Curtiss Hall.

•2-26-93 John Rencher reported theft of property and harassment at Dixon Hall.

•2-26-93 Wesley Goggins Jr., 21, of Atlanta was arrested on University Circle and charged with disorderly conduct.

•2-28-93 Bryan Neace reported burglary and theft of property in Dixon Hall.

•2-28-93 Gary Keller reported burglary and theft of property in Dixon Hall.

•2-28-93 Disorderly conduct was reported at Theron Montgomery Building.

•3-01-93 John Woodruff, 23, of Birmingham was arrested on Street Avenue and charged with driving under the influence.

•3-01-93 John Spaulding Jr., 23, of Weaver was arrested at McDonald's parking lot on Pelham Road and charged with disorderly conduct.

•3-01-93 Ann Priddy reported theft of property at Hammond Hall.



William C. Grant, a member of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools visiting committee, talks with JSU students as part of the week-long visit to determine whether JSU will be re-accredited. The group's stay ends today.

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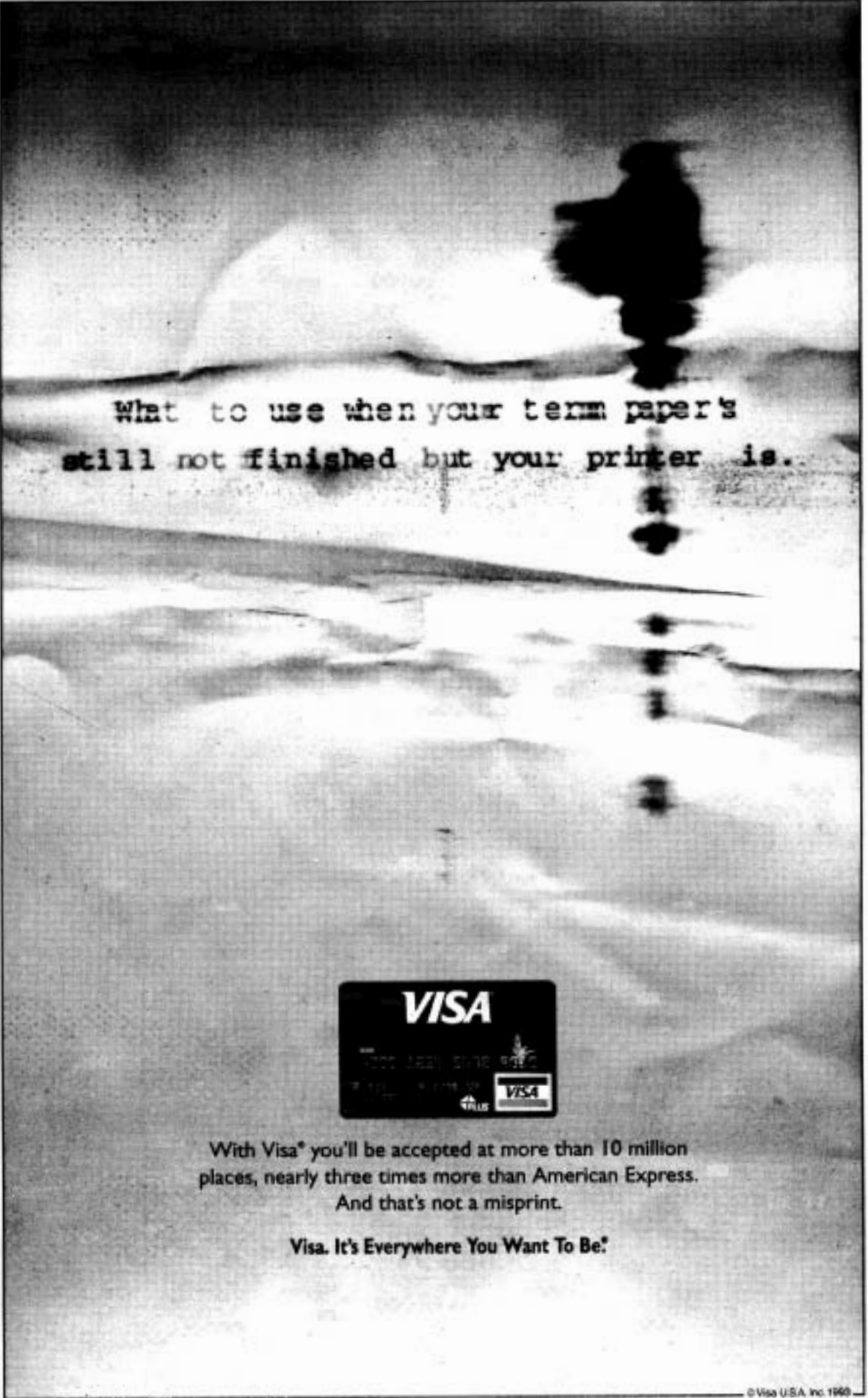
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Lack of funds hurts library and students

JSU boasts the tallest building on any college campus in Alabama — Houston Cole Library. Unfortunately, the resources available within that building are, in some cases, sadly inadequate.

Although JSU is both a major research center and the only place for miles around with any sort of scholarly materials available, sections of our library are embarrassingly underfunded, understaffed and unorganized.

When students go to the library, whether to simply make copies of an article or to do lengthy research for a senior paper, they are met with missing periodicals and outdated books that have not been reshelfed for four or five weeks.

They often have to wait in line to use copy machines, which may or may not work at any given time.

If they need to use an InfoTrac computer, they might as well figure on a 20-30 minute wait just to get on the machine. If they do not have the time to wait to get on one InfoTrac, they can take a gamble that the only other InfoTrac in the library will be available.

Last week, if a student needed to make a copy of a periodical that can only be found on microfiche, he or she was almost completely out of luck — only one microfiche copier out of four was working. The people waiting in line for that one machine had almost filled up one side of the library.

There are only two or three librarians each night to cover all 10 of the open floors. These librarians work hard, as we can tell, but they cannot help every student needing assistance.

All these problems stem from lack of funding. If the library had more money allocated from the general budget, it could afford to hire more librarians. Then they could work on reshelfing books, periodicals, microfilm and microfiche and updating the computer card catalog. Not to mention repairing broken down copiers and computers.

Meanwhile, students are taking a risk on their educations and grades if they have to rely solely on the resources available at Houston Cole. A good project is impossible to put together without good sources and current materials.

JSU needs to improve the conditions in the library if it is to remain a source of pride and respectability. Newcomers to Jacksonville should feel that our library is as impressive on the inside as it is on the outside.

A season of discontent?

It's the first week of March. To a lot of people, that probably doesn't mean anything more than February is over. And Spring Break is coming.

But to me, it means baseball season begins in a month. Less than that, if spring training games are counted.

I grew up loving baseball. I collected baseball cards. I watched baseball on TV. I played baseball.

My professional career, however, did not extend far beyond the T-Ball years. But that didn't stop me from those wonderful games in the backyard.

Many afternoons I would toss the ball up myself, hit it, retrieve it and do it all again.

I became a Braves fan back in the late '70s, before the team "was good" the first time. In 1979, Dale Murphy and Gary Matthews gave me their autographs. So did a lot of other Braves, but they didn't matter as much.

For the non die-hard fans out there, Matthews was an outfielder for the Braves before being traded to Philadelphia in the early to mid-'80s. At the time, he was my favorite player. I don't really remember why; he just was.

It's hard to think of many things that can thrill a 9-year-old boy as

JASON THOMPSON
EDITOR IN CHIEF

much as an athlete's autograph.

As I got older, and moved to where there was no cable, I gradually became less interested in baseball. But by the time college came around, I rediscovered my love for the game.

However, as the new season approaches, I can't help but think America's favorite past-time is losing some of its luster.

Maybe it's because I'm older and aware of more than just the nine innings of play on the field. But I don't think so. Money and politics have a lot to do with it.

Right now, there is no baseball commissioner. Faye Vincent was virtually driven out of the office last year by self-indulging owners who disapproved of the way Vincent was handling his job.

Salaries are going through the roof while TV ratings are down. Three seasons ago, Robin Yount became the first player to break the \$3 million mark. This season, there will be 100 players at or above that level. Ryne Sandberg, second baseman for the Chicago Cubs, will bring in more than \$6 million

for one season.

Marge Schott, owner of the Cincinnati Reds, began a one year suspension on March 1 because of racial slurs. She called the entire incident a witch hunt.

She made a mistake and she apologized. So if the players and fans in Cincinnati will let it pass, can't that be enough?

Then there's Jesse Jackson—excuse me, THE REVEREND Jesse Jackson—who has threatened to call a boycott of baseball unless action is taken to increase the number of minorities in team management.

He may be the most influential unemployed man in America, but he's not going to stop fans from going out to the ballpark. He has a valid point, but he's not an authority on everything.

And to make matters worse, Hillary Clinton is breaking an 80-year presidential tradition by throwing out this year's first pitch. But that's not too surprising since she is the Clinton-in-charge.

I still love baseball, and I'm still excited about the upcoming season, even though the sport is very battered—no pun intended.

At least the Braves are "good" again.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Addressing what's wrong with JSU

Dear Editor:

Sometimes things which are meant to be one way get turned into being another way. Colleges are meant to serve students, not the other way around.

With that in mind, here are some things which I've personally encountered since I've been at Jacksonville:

(1) Professors who treat students with disrespect; there are also some who are baffled as to what they're supposed to do; and there are some who take their own sweet time getting to class, thus wasting the students' time here;

(2) outdated programs which need to be updated and improved;

(3) joyless dorms which need a morale boost;

(4) some folks on the payroll here are simply here for the payday, and it shows; they need to appreciate having a job and even more so the reason—students;

(5) information should be correct in all instances;

(6) rules should never be changed in the middle of a semester—only at the beginning before students are registered and signed up for the various classes, dorms, etc.

(7) the attendance policies are not uniform from

one department to another—if we're going to have it, the least JSU can do is make it uniform and provide some consistency in the rules.

Overall, I've encountered quite a bit of inconsistency and inefficiency here. And somehow students are being made to feel like that's the status quo, that that's just the way it is and nothing can be done about it.

Well, there is something we can do about it. One is to speak up and let the proper person(s) know when something is wrong.

Talk with or write to the appropriate department head or dean or whomever is in charge.

And if the efforts fail, then there is one more place that can be hit—the pocketbook.

These folks listen when money supply is threatened. We're here by choice and we can just as easily pick up and go to another college; one that will provide the services we're seeking and offer an environment more conducive to getting our education.

Sincerely,
Edna Bogue
JSU student

Leave a little to the imagination

It used to be you really had to search to find anything that resembled smut.

I saw my first official smut in the 6th grade when a classmate came to school with a deck of cards that featured black and white photographs of men and women having sex with one another.

The classmate's older brother had come home on leave from the Navy and had brought the cards with him.

A group of us went down behind the collapsing grandstand of the school baseball field and passed around the cards.

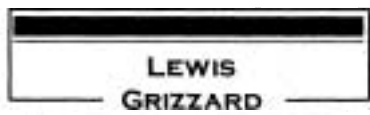
"Why do these people have black bars across their faces?" Alvin Bates, the class nerd, asked.

"So their mothers won't recognize them," somebody answered.

Other than the cards, all that was available to titillate was a calendar with a girl in a bikini on it down at the service section of the Sears & Roebuck catalog.

Even when Playboy came along, you didn't get to see it all. I think it was better that way. When you did find something of an explicit nature you appreciated it a great deal.

Today, smut is everywhere. There's Playboy, which finally was forced to show it all in order to remain competitive with other such



publications as Penthouse, High Society and Hustler.

Sexually explicit movies of the X-rated variety are available in your living room on cable, and you can go down to your local video store and rent everything from "Deep Throat" to "Debbie Does the Entire Southwest Portion of the United States, including the Gadsden Purchase."

I bring up all this as a means of asking, What's the big deal about Madonna's book "Sex," which from what I've been hearing on the news includes photographs of this woman acting out her sexual fantasies?

They're getting \$50 for this book and it's a runaway best seller.

I could understand this perhaps if it were 1958 and your older brother had to come home from the Navy before you could see any ranch.

But \$50 in this day and age to see Madonna naked and strapped to the hood of a 1971 Cadillac to act out her desire to be a hood ornament?

Come on. In the first place Madonna isn't exactly a goddess. Kim Basinger naked and strapped

to the hood of a 1971 Cadillac might be worth a few bucks to see, but not Madonna.

Meryl Streep is better looking than Madonna, and Meryl Streep would have a hard time finishing third in the annual Collard Festival Beauty Contest in Lard Bucket, Ala.

In the second place can't everybody see the scam here? The publisher seals the book like what's inside are state secrets or the formula for Coca-Cola and then sets the price at half a hundred to indicate further what's between the covers is the dangest thing since soap.

Frankly, I don't care what Madonna's sexual fantasies are. I've already seen her strutting around on television singing in her underwear.

The only thing about Madonna and "Sex" I'm interested about is, What does her mother think about all this?

That's her little girl. In her worst nightmares did she ever think her little girl would grow up as a smut peddler and wouldn't have the decency to at least cover her face with a black bar?

"Sex." That starts with S, and that stands for Sucker. I'll just wait for the next Victoria Secrets' catalog.

Dealing with history today

I am a 23 year-old college student who moved to Talladega from Golden, Colo. when I was 12. I remember my first Christmas here very well.

Some friends and I went to our school parade. While watching it, a friend of mine told me the Ku Klux Klan had marched in the parade last year.

Although I am white, the thought scared me. I had heard of the KKK, but I thought they were only part of the 50s and 60s.

I would never have believed they were still around. However, the fact that these ignorant people still exist and are having children is not something you can find in the state



brochure.

Sometime later, I learned that a great-uncle of mine had been the "Grand Master" of the KKK in Talladega. He was indicted for the murder of a black man. Upon receiving the indictment, he took his own life.

I'll never understand what the crime is in having a different color skin.

Diversity is what made this country great. Imagine if there was only one color of flower, one color of light during a sunset, or one color

in a rainbow. Life would be unbelievably dull.

An irony to our country is that it sometimes protects people that harm others. Countless black men have died in the fight for America's freedom, freedom that protects even the rights of the KKK.

I am ashamed of my great uncle. I will never understand how he could hate a color, not a person, so bad that he would give his own life. But I plan to teach my children the value of diversity.

All people are individually unique, and color makes them even more special.

"Red and yellow, black and white. They are precious in His sight."

SPEAK UP

Do you think the library adequately serves students?

"Things are pretty good. I just wish they were better. I wish librarians on each floor were there more often."



"I think the library does pretty good. I'm a World War II buff, so I don't think they have enough on WWII. Things are pretty good. I just wish they were better. I wish librarians on each floor were there more often."

--Dave Montgomery
sophomore

"I haven't done that much research, but what I've done, I've been able to find what I've needed. But I don't see many people around that I could ask for help if I needed it."

--Chris Reese
junior



"I think it's fine. They just need a little more librarian help on each floor."

--Ginger Key
junior

"I think if they would offer other computers dealing with more information it would be (better). They don't have enough InfoTracs. Two of them for eleven stories? That's not going to cover anything."

--Jaycen Rutter
senior



"In general, it's good. They have helpful people (It might) could be easier to find things on the shelves."

--Vera Shoup
sophomore

"The people are very helpful in the library. They are always willing to help you."

--Hope Morrow
junior



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THE CHANTICLEER

Letters to the Editor 1992-93 Policy

- The Chanticleer will not print letters which are longer than 300 words.
 - The Chanticleer will not print letters which are libelous and/or defamatory.
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 - Deadline for letters to be in the upcoming issue is noon on the Friday preceding the preferred date of publication.
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WACKY THE CLOWN

More than a just a pink wig and make-up

What's it like to make people laugh for a living? Ask J.D. Plummer; he should know. He's been clowning around northeast Alabama for years.

Several times a week, Plummer pulls on his baggy pink pants and matching wig, arranges his goofy orange hat, laces up his multi-colored shoes and paints on his copyrighted face before leaving his house as Wacky the Clown.

Wacky shows up in all kinds of places in the area. Jacksonville residents may have seen him at the Jax Jamboree, and alumni know him from Homecoming dinners. He's no stranger to VA hospitals, nursing homes and pediatric wards, and he's commonly spotted at birthday parties.

But perhaps his most famous appearance was the White House Easter Egg Roll where he helped entertain nearly 6,000 children, as well as a few congressmen. While in Washington, Wacky got national exposure as he appeared on the "Today" show waving to the world from behind Willard Scott.

While Wacky is not the first clown to go to the White House, he says he's the only Alabama clown to go that he knows of. He may have a chance to meet some this year though. Unlike some people, Washington invited Wacky back.

Washington was one of several trips Wacky took last year. He visited 17 states lecturing at university and privately sponsored clown schools across the country.

Despite all of this intellectual activity, this cosmopolitan clown says birthday parties remain his favorite activity. "My show is better when I get a response," Wacky says. And the audience participation of his birthday magic act provides just the response he's looking for. The amazement on a child's face as Wacky makes a mom lay eggs with the magic words, "Happy Birthday," is one of his rewards.

The only problem with the magic show could be his sidekick rabbit Magicadabra, who occasionally steals the limelight. Wacky says he tried to give the bunny a break and leave him out of the act for a

while, but the audience demanded his return.

It is also at birthday parties where Wacky displays his award-winning talent in ballooning. Wacky says he can make around 400 different balloon designs using just long balloons. When he adds in various other shapes, the total reaches 1,000. His award-winning design was inspired by the new wave of Atlanta Braves fans: it's a large, tomahawk shaped balloon. Of all his balloon creations, Wacky says children request his simple sword more than anything. He calls it a "Teenage Mutant Ninja Chipmunk Sword," but the children know better because the swords belong to the famous Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles.

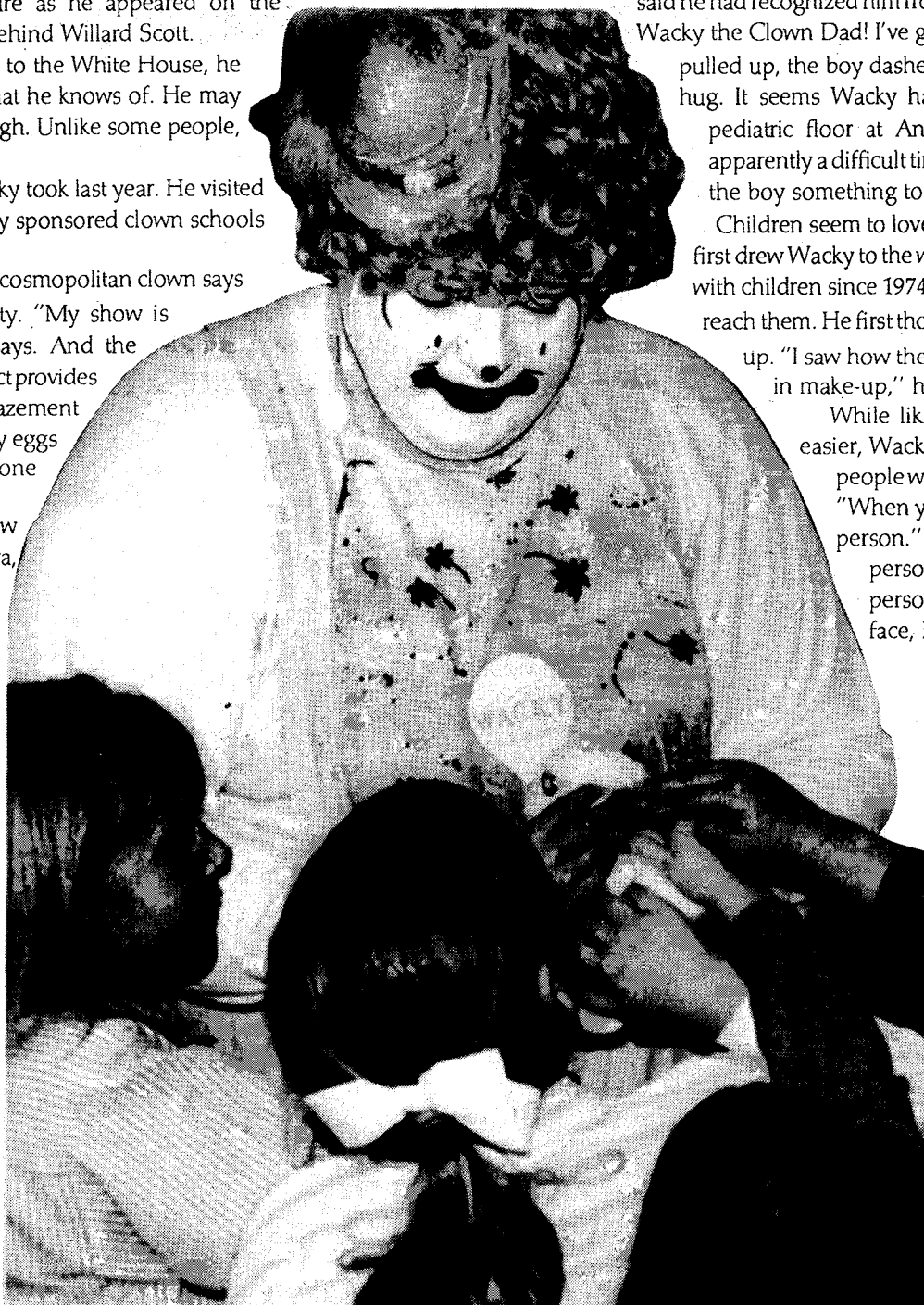
Although birthday parties provide the most interaction, it is the charitable visits that provide the touching moments. One story that stands out in Wacky's mind is of a young boy who spotted him when he was working a radio remote at a gas station. The boy's father said he had recognized him from the highway and began shouting "There's Wacky the Clown Dad! I've got to see Wacky the Clown!" When his dad

pulled up, the boy dashed from the car and jumped to give Wacky a hug. It seems Wacky had visited him several times before in the pediatric floor at Anniston's Regional Medical Center. It was apparently a difficult time for the family, and Wacky the Clown gave the boy something to look forward to.

Children seem to love Wacky, and it was his love for children that first drew Wacky to the world of clowning. He says he's been working with children since 1974, and he saw clowning as just another way to reach them. He first thought of clowning when he saw a friend dress up. "I saw how the children related to her, and she wasn't even in make-up," he says.

While liking children must certainly make clowning easier, Wacky says it isn't really a prerequisite. "I've seen people who despise kids but they are clowns," he says. "When you put on the clown face, you become a new person." He says the clown face doesn't transform his personality as much as it enhances it. "I'm my own person more or less," he says. "After I put on the face, I become even crazier."

-- Melanie Jones
Managing Editor



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After I put on the face, I become even crazier

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Marriage and college make for a difficult mix

Jamie Cole
Features Editor

With all the financial and emotional changes that come along with marriage, it would seem that college students wouldn't be too anxious to exchange their class rings for wedding rings.

Whatever the reason, some students find that marriage will not wait until they have a diploma in hand.

How do married students balance their relationship and school? Toss in a part-time job and the juggling act becomes even more precarious.

"Balancing school and work can strain a marriage," says Virginia Yocum, head of JSU's Family and Consumer Science department. "Sometimes married life for students is very little fun. Life becomes a competition between time and money."

Mickey and Andrea Brewer understand that strain: They put off their wedding until Andrea had her degree. "We knew that if we got married, one of us would have to quit school and work," says Andrea. "College is important, but we have to be able to support ourselves."

By shrewd planning, Mickey and Andrea were married less than 24 hours after Andrea received her degree. Both feel that waiting was the right thing to do. "We'll spend some time apart, but at least we'll both be pursuing careers," says

Andrea.

"I just got tired of looking and of sleeping by myself every night," says Steve Scott, who married his wife, Serena, before either graduated.

Steve and Serena have been married for four months. "It's definitely an added expense," says Steve. "It costs more for two people to live than one."

There is help out there for married students who find the financial burden too much to bear. JSU offers married housing at the renovated Fomey Hall at a low price when compared with apartment rent or the cost of buying a home. "Being married makes it easier to get loans and grants," says Steve, and he and Serena plan to apply for both.

Both are students, but Serena is taking the semester off before going back to a different school. "I'll be going to Montevallo in the fall," says Serena. "The time apart will be difficult."

Time seems to be a very important factor in the Scotts' relationship. In fact, Steve says that scheduling was the biggest adjustment the couple had to make. "Now I find myself fitting school into my life instead of fitting my life into school," he says.

Jay and Amanda Ennis see things differently. Again, both are full-time students, and both have part-time jobs to boot: Jay is a bartender and Amanda works in a costume shop. They see their marriage as a

"Now I find myself fitting school into my life instead of fitting my life into school."

--Steve Scott
JSU senior

mutually beneficial relationship. "You always have someone else to depend on," says Amanda.

Jay believes that he and Amanda benefit financially as well. "Having two incomes helps to pay the extra bills," he says. Both agree, though, that the toughest bill to meet is tuition.

As soon as she receives her

degree in drama at JSU, Amanda hopes to attend graduate school at New York University. "Jay has lived in New York, and he knows all about it. I look forward to that time we will spend together. It's very exciting."

Donna Crow, a licensed counselor practicing in Anniston, agrees that marriage can be a benefit rather than a burden to students. Crow has both a professional and personal viewpoint: while being a family counselor, she was also a married student.

"While there's a lot of financial difficulty, you have to remember that you have that partner to share those problems with," she says. "I think my marriage lent more stability to my life."

Crow, a graduate of JSU, says many married students find leaving the social scene behind a satisfying aspect of marriage. "You don't have to confront those social pressures. There's no pressure to find a date."

Yocum also agrees that married life has a settling effect on students. "I find that most married students even do better in their coursework and tend to be more responsible," she says.

Both the Ennises and the Scotts are happy in their relationships, and both agree that getting married was the right thing for them. "Married life suits us," says Amanda. "And along with everything else, I always have a study partner."

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Darryl Van Leer



"It's the ballot or the bullet; it's liberty or it's death; it's freedom for everybody or freedom for nobody."
 --Malcolm X, 1964.

Last Thursday, approximately 75 students and guests joined together at Leone Cole Auditorium as Darryl Van Leer presented two astonishing impressions of the late Malcolm X.

Van Leer is an actor who spends much of his time entertaining and educating campus audiences with character impressions of such great historical figures as Frederick Douglass, Malcolm X and Martin Luther King Jr.

Van Leer's first performance, "Message to the Grass Roots," was delivered by Malcolm X on Nov. 10, 1963 in Detroit. It condemned the so-called Negro revolution by saying there is no such thing as a nonviolent revolution, a peaceful revolution or a turn-the-other-cheek revolution.

His second performance was "The Ballot or the Bullet," which condemned the black race and stated that "anytime you walk around in the twentieth century and sing 'We Shall Overcome,' the government has failed you. This is what's wrong! You do too much singing," exclaimed Van Leer as X. "Today it's time to stop singing and start swinging. You can't sing upon freedom. But you can swing upon some freedom."

Van Leer has been performing this show for about 13 months. "This is my opportunity to let society know that we too have strong role models and we can be educated about them," Van Leer says. "This is my way of doing it: through dramatics."

Van Leer said his main concern toward the black race is family structure. "Impressing upon our youth is what we need to do, starting with our youth at an early age and get them straightened out then," Van Leer says.

He says he was pleased with Spike Lee's "Malcolm X". "I'm glad the movie came out," Van Leer says. "It was timely and hopefully more film directors will pick up on more influential movies besides rap movies and what's happening in the hood."

-- Clavius K. Gresham
 Features Writer



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FIDDLER ON THE ROOF

JSU production sells out all eight performances



Laura Duke

Much as the people of America seem to be in search of a change, the Russians portrayed in "Fiddler on the Roof" were moving in a new direction.

As society today pivots between falling into depression and climbing out of it, the Jewish residents of Anatevka react to the betrayal of their children and their eventual exile from the town.

To carry out this emotional production, members of JSU's version of "Fiddler on the Roof" had to blend their theatrical and harmonious talents.

According to David Owens, who plays Tevye in the musical, members of the cast barely knew each other when practice began. As the weeks went by, they became more like brothers and sisters than mere acquaintances. They even fussed and fought like siblings.

"Fiddler on the Roof" utilizes all phases of talent; a Birmingham orchestra blasts the play's Russian compositions and voice majors join with choreographers and costume designers to send Joseph Stein's play through the roof.

The play is based on changes taking place in Russia during the early part of the 20th century. There are plenty of changes because of this play in JSU's

production as well.

For instance, Laura Duke, who portrays Fruma-Sarah, flies through the air in a dream sequence. She said the experience is unique; not only is it unique for her, but for anyone else at JSU. Duke's flight is the first to occur during a JSU production.

"It's kind of like bungee jumping," she says, "only you don't bounce back." Four men operate the pulleys that give Duke her aviatational abilities. They practiced separately with her before the show opened because she had to learn to sing and fly at the same time. Even with the extra time, Duke says her first flight almost sent her into the house on the set.

Also, "Fiddler on the Roof" was Owens' first lead role. "I have a new admiration for stars; its challenging to perform your best," he says.

"Fiddler on the Roof" will be performed at 8 pm tonight through Saturday and at 3 pm. Sunday in the Stone Center Auditorium. All shows o the play are sold out at this time, but there may be seats available an hour before show times. For more information, contact the box office at 782-5648.

--Shannon Cooper
Features writer



Terry Gosdin (left) and Robert Vance

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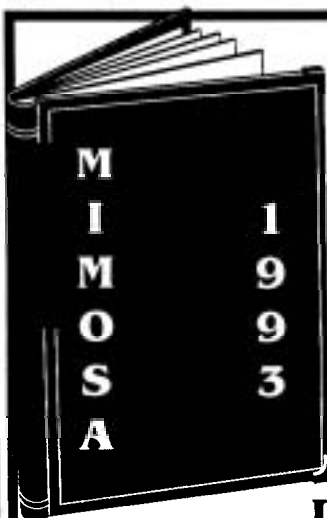
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For the week ending Feb 28

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5. **Some Gave All** Billy Ray Cyrus
6. **'Aladdin'** Soundtrack
7. **Pocket Full of Kryptonite** Spin Doctors
8. **Timeless (The Classics)** Michael Bolton
9. **If I Ever Fall in Love** Shai
10. **It's Your Call** Reba McEntire

Source: Billboard

Singles

Pop

1. **I Will Always Love You** Whitney Houston
2. **A Whole New World** Peabo Bryson and Regina Bell
3. **Ordinary World** Duran Duran
4. **I'm Every Woman** Whitney Houston
5. **Nuthin' But A "G" Thang** Dr. Dre

Country

1. **What Part of No** Lorrie Morgan
2. **Queen of Memphis** Confederate Railroad
3. **Drive South** Suzy Boggus
4. **All These Years** Sawyer Brown
5. **In A Week or Two** Diamond Rio

R&B

1. **Nuthin' But A "G" Thang** Dr. Dre
2. **Hip Hop Hooray** Naughty by Nature
3. **Get Away** Bobby Brown
4. **Don't Walk Away** Jade
5. **I'm Every Woman** Whitney Houston

Source: Billboard

Television

For the week Feb. 15-21

1. Queen - Part 2
2. 60 Minutes
3. Queen - Part 3
4. ABC Analysis
5. Murder She Wrote
6. Family of Strangers - CBS Sunday Movie
7. Home Improvement
8. Roseanne
9. Fresh Prince of Bel Air
10. Rescue 911
11. Northern Exposure
12. Cheers
13. Murphy Brown
14. Coach
15. Full House
16. Love and War
17. Driving Miss Daisy - ABC Sunday Movie
- 17 (tie). Seinfeld
19. Simpsons
- 19 (tie). Evening Shade

Source: A.C. Nielsen Co.

Movies (In millions)

1. Falling Down (\$8.7)
2. Groundhog Day (\$7.6)
3. Homeward Bound (\$5.9)
4. Crying Game (4.9)
5. Sommersby (\$4.1)
6. Aladdin (\$3.9)
7. Untamed Heart (\$2.6)
8. Scent of A Woman (\$2.5)
9. Army of Darkness (\$2.3)
10. A Few Good Men (\$1.9)

Source: Exhibitor

Video Rental

1. Single White Female
2. Raising Cain
3. Boomerang
4. Unlawful Entry
5. Housesitter
6. Patriot Games
7. Honey, I Blew Up the Kid
8. Diggstown
9. A Stranger Among Us
10. Lethal Weapon 3
11. Mo' Money
12. 3 Ninjas
13. Buffy the Vampire-Slayer
14. Sister Act
15. Universal Soldier

Source: Billboard

Hardcover Bestsellers

Fiction

1. **The Bridges of Madison County** Robert James Waller
2. **Degree of Guilt** Richard North Patterson
3. **The Talismans of Shannara** Terry Brooks
4. **Along Came A Spider** James Patterson
5. **Dragon Tears** Dean R. Koontz

Non-Fiction

1. **The Way Things Ought To Be** Rush Limbaugh
2. **Healing and the Mind** Bill Moyers
3. **Women Who Run With the** Clarissa Pinkola Estes
4. **How To Satisfy A Woman Every Time** Navra Heydon
5. **Bankruptcy in 1995** Harry E. Figgie

Source: Publisher's Weekly

Chart Notes

• "Jurassic Park," the Michael Crichton novel of prehistoric terror, returns to the paperback bestseller lists this week. The re-entry is part of the promotional push for the film adaptation, directed by Steven Spielberg, due in theaters this summer.

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by BILL WATSON

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I'LL BET HE'S AT HIS LOCKER, MISS WORMWOOD. HE BROUGHT SOMETHING SECRET IN A PAPER BAG TODAY THAT HE SAID WOULD HELP HIM ON THE TEST.

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STUPENDOUS MAN'S STUPENDOUS POWERS ARE OF NO AVAIL IN THIS CUNNING TRAP! ZOUNDS! IT'S STUPENDOUS MAN'S FIENDISH NEMESIS, THE CRAB TEACHER, COMING TO FINISH HIM OFF!

LET'S SEE IF CALVIN GOT WHATEVER WAS IN HIS LOCKER.

KA-CHUNK

WITH STUPENDOUS MUSCLES OF MAGNITUDE, STUPENDOUS MAN BREAKS FREE!

WHAT ON EARTH?

S... FOR STUPENDOUS!
T... FOR TIGER, FEROCITY OF!
U... FOR UNDERWEAR, RED!
P... FOR POWER, INCREDIBLE!
E... FOR EXCELLENT PHYSIQUE!
N... FOR...UM... SOMETHING...HM, WELL, I'LL COME BACK TO THAT...
D... FOR DETERMINATION!
U... FOR... WAIT, HOW DO YOU SPELL THIS? IS IT "I"??

IT'S NOT ENOUGH THAT WE HAVE TO BE DISCIPLINARIANS, NOW WE NEED TO BE PSYCHOLOGISTS.

YOUR NEFARIOUS SCHEME WILL NEVER SUCCEED!

STUPENDOUS MAN ESCAPES! A CRIMSON BOLT BURSTS THROUGH THE AIR!

CALVIN, COME BACK HERE!

NOW IT'S OFF TO APPLY MY STUPENDOUS POWERS OF CONCENTRATION TO THE HISTORY TEST OF MY ALTER EGO, WILD-MANNERED CALVIN!

TA-DA! HAVE NO FEAR, BOYS AND GIRLS! I'M STUPENDOUS MAN, CHAMPION OF LIBERTY AND JUSTICE!

TRY TO RESTRAIN YOURSELVES, GIRLS! I'M JUST HERE TO DO CALVIN'S TEST.

HE LIVES ON YOUR STREET, DOESN'T HE?

I HARDLY EVEN KNOW HIM, CANDACE!

STUPENDOUS MAN'S STUPENDOUS KNOWLEDGE LETS HIM COMPLETE THE TEST WITH STUPENDOUS SPEED! 1492! THE BATTLE OF LEXINGTON! TROTSKY! THE COTTON GIN!

ANOTHER TRIUMPH FOR VIRTUE AND RIGHT! AND NOW, WITH A WHOOSH, STUPENDOUS MAN IS OFF INTO THE SKY! SO LONG, KIDS! ALWAYS BRUSH YOUR TEETH! KAPNINGGG!

CLASS, DID CALVIN COME IN HERE? HAS ANYONE SEEN HIM?

HERE I AM, MISS WORMWOOD! BOY, WAS I THIRSTY!

AAUGH! LET GO! LET GO! YOU'VE GOT THE WRONG GUY! I'M CALVIN! I DON'T DO ANYTHING WRONG!

BONK-CRASH

I JUST GOT A DRINK OF WATER! YOU SAID I COULD! STUPENDOUS MAN IS THE ONE YOU WANT! I'M NOT HIM! HELP! HELP!

SCRAPE DRAG

CLASS, YOU SAW STUPENDOUS MAN! TELL MISS WORMWOOD! AARRGGH! HELP! I'VE BEEN FALSELY ACCUSED!

IF G-CRUNCH CLUNK

WHEN MOM ASKS ME HOW MY DAY AT SCHOOL WRS, I ALWAYS JUST SAY "FINE," AND CHANGE THE SUBJECT.

NO!
NO!

SO THE TEACHER TOLD MOM, AND MOM HIT THE ROOF AND TOOK AWAY MY COSTUME.

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..UM... HAS STUPENDOUS MAN EVER WON A BATTLE?

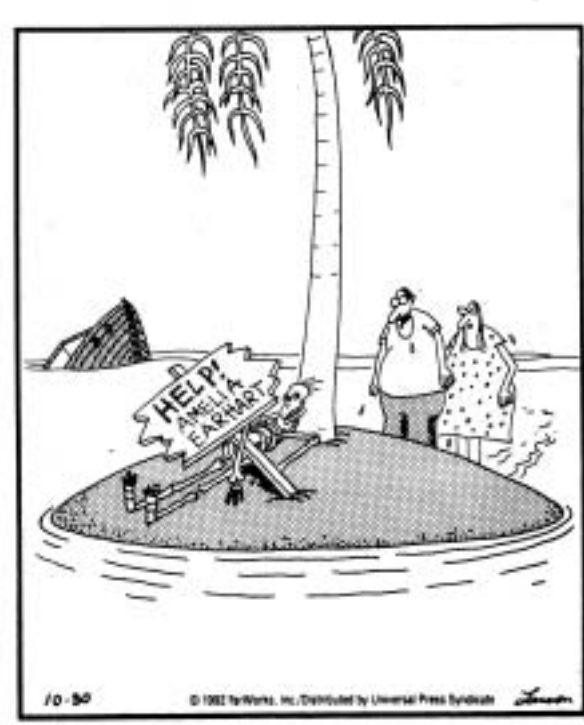
WELL, THEY'RE ALL MORAL VICTORIES.

ONE CAN'T BE PICKY.

OH, AND I FLUNKED THE TEST, TOO.

THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON



Gamecocks fall short in GSC tourney

Delta State edges JSU for NCAA tournament berth

Tim Hathcock
Sports Editor

CLEVELAND, Miss. — JSU had one shot at a chance for an NCAA tournament bid. To do it the Gamecocks would have to beat Delta State, a team that had soundly beaten JSU twice this season. And do it on the Statesmen's own home court at Walter Sillers Coliseum.

In the end a questionable technical foul and a huge height advantage proved to be too much for a valiant Gamecock squad. Delta State won the Gulf South Conference tournament with a 72-66 victory over JSU here Saturday.

The Gamecocks trailed by only a point at the half as Jeff Terry buried a long 3-pointer at the buzzer.

The second half was nip-and-tuck throughout until Greg Edmonds was called for a foul on Delta State's Murry McGaha as the burly forward went up for a shot.

Edmonds was then ticketed for a technical foul. JSU is still trying to find out why. "I'm still a little

confused about the technical foul," said JSU head coach Bill Jones. "I always try to find out what was said and I didn't get an answer. (The referee) didn't know what was said."

The technical and subsequent free throws turned a three-point Delta State lead into a 59-52 margin. JSU never caught up again.

The inside duo of McGaha and 7-footer Todd Mundt was too much for the smaller Gamecocks to handle. "We had a little trouble controlling Mundt down on the blocks," said Jones. Mundt was named the tourney's most valuable player, scoring 29 points on 67 percent shooting and grabbing 16 rebounds in the two games.

JSU slowed down the tempo against the Statesmen. It was a tactic Delta State wasn't prepared for. "I thought they did an great job of controlling the game and the tempo," said Delta State head coach Steve Rives. "We've been so close, to finally turn the corner is really gratifying."

The Gamecocks turned a corner themselves in the last five or six



JSU's Tracy Posey in action earlier this season against Delta State. The Statesmen ended JSU's year with a 72-66 win.

games of the season, becoming a steady threat instead of the mystery team it was earlier in the season. "We ended up being a pretty nice team," said Jones. "I'm very proud of our team, especially Anthony Kingston and Fred Mosley (JSU's two seniors). I wish those two guys were a part of my family. They put

up a lot of wins at JSU."

"It's been fun," said Kingston. "I had a wonderful four years. The people of Jacksonville have been wonderful to me."

"There is no reason for them to hold their heads down," said Jones. "I'm not ready for it to end."

JSU finished the season at 16-10.

Terry leads late surge to beat Tigers

Tim Hathcock
Sports Editor

CLEVELAND, Miss. — JSU's Jeff Terry led a second-half comeback that propelled the Gamecocks to an 86-76 win over Livingston that put JSU into the finals of the Gulf South Conference tournament.

The junior guard scored 13 points in a span of less than four minutes to take JSU from a 10-point deficit to a two-point lead. The Gamecocks never trailed after that as they nailed their free throws down the stretch to ice the game. Terry made five of six 3-pointers during the game and finished with 19 points.

Senior forward Anthony Kingston scored 21 points to lead the Gamecocks. Fred Mosley and Carl Harris each added 11.

The Gamecocks trailed 43-37 at halftime. "We had some real foul problems," said JSU head coach Bill Jones. "We had so many

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JSU pitchers shine in sweep over Troy State

Tim Hathcock
Sports Editor

JSU's Tony Shaver and Danley Bradford pitched a pair of masterpieces in the Gamecocks' doubleheader sweep of Troy State Sunday at Jacksonville's University Field.

Shaver allowed only five hits in a 16-0 whitewash of the Trojans in game one. He had a perfect game until the fourth inning when Troy's Jeff Javinett singled with one out.

Bradford gave up six hits in a 9-2 JSU victory in the nightcap. The Trojans scored an unearned run in the third inning and on a Jason Steed home run in the seventh inning.

"Shaver and Bradford really pitched well," said JSU head coach Rudy Abbott. "It was good to see two of our older pitchers go out and do a good job. Hitting comes and goes, but you've got to have good pitching and defense every day."



Gamecock pitcher Tony Shaver.

The Gamecock hitting attack hasn't gone anywhere. The Gamecocks scored on the very first pitch of the day when Jason Troup hit Rob Batchler's initial offering over the fence. Anthony Richardson, Chris Duck and David Deerman also homered for the Gamecocks.

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Linton plays final home game

Lady Gamecocks beat Troy State; prepare for GSC tournament

From staff reports

The JSU Lady Gamecocks prepped for the Gulf South Conference tournament with a 83-74 win over Troy State Feb 24 at Pete Mathews Coliseum.

The win avenged an earlier loss to the Lady Trojans.

Tracy Linton scored 15 points and 11 rebounds in her final home game ever. JSU led 38-34 at the half.

Terrace Spears had 12 points, Shaun Thomas 11 and Brigitte Datcher 10 for the Lady Gamecocks.

JSU travels to Cleveland, Miss. this weekend for the GSC

tournament

The Lady Gamecocks play Livingston in the opening round at 5:30 pm Friday.

JSU is the No. 2 seed in the tournament and Livingston is the No. 3 seed, but the Lady Tigers beat JSU 91-70 in the last conference game of the year for both schools.

JSU finished the regular season at 16-10 and 8-4 in the GSC. Livingston is 17-8 and 7-5 in the GSC.

The host school, Delta State, faces West Georgia in the opening round Friday at 7:30.

See Lady G'Coaks page 14

Gamecocks make a good showing in GSC tourney

CLEVELAND, Miss. — JSU's basketball team represented the University well here this past weekend in the Gulf South Conference tournament.

Faced with a daunting task — beat a team that had just beaten you by 15 points and then beat another team that had beaten you by more than that twice that — most teams would have packed it in.

But not Bill Jones' squad. It fought through some hard times to almost pull out an NCAA tournament bid when it looked like this would be a lost season.

"I'm very proud of our team," said Jones. "We had a lot of people in foul trouble. That hurt our offensive effort. We ended up having to play some people for too long.

"We had some people that played hurt. Tracy Posey played with five stitches in his hand. Fred Mosley has a bad

TIM HATHCOCK
SPORTS EDITOR

leg. Joby Powell has some hamstring problems. They all went to the floor and played through that."

The game also marked the end of the careers of Anthony Kingston and Mosley. Kingston made a big splash when he arrived at JSU, nabbing freshman of the year honors. Mosley came into his own this year, taking over the starting point guard position.

"We were executing better," said Kingston of the Gamecocks improved play down the stretch. "Early on in the season it was one pass and shoot. Their going to be a team to watch out for."

But the Gamecocks won't be watched by the other teams in the GSC.

The Gamecocks will play the next two seasons as a Division II independent. JSU has resigned from the GSC in order to move to Division I three years from now.

When GSC commissioner Nate Salant recognized the Gamecocks for their 20 years of excellence in the GSC, the crowd at Walter Sillers Coliseum at first gave only a smattering of polite applause. It grew into an outright ovation. I clapped with them.

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JSU could learn one thing from Delta State. The Statesmen have a student section in its coliseum -- on the floor. If JSU had a similar setup, it would no doubt be to its advantage.

JSU tennis team faces tough competition

Tim Hathcock
Sports Editor

The JSU men's tennis team ran into some stiff competition last week. The Gamecocks played nationally-ranked Georgia College in the Tifton, Ga. Invitational Friday, then faced two of the nation's powerhouse junior college programs — Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College and Brunswick Junior College — on Saturday.

Georgia College, ranked No. 13 in the nation, defeated JSU 5-2. Brian Foshee won at No. 5 singles and Magnus Nilsson won at No. 6 singles.

The Gamecocks then faced off with ABAC and Brunswick on Saturday. JSU lost 5-1 to ABAC and 5-3 to Brunswick.

ABAC is the No. 2 ranked junior college team in the nation and

Brunswick is ranked third.

Dominick Hinds won at No. 1 singles against ABAC. Hinds won again against Brunswick, along with Roy Van Gelder at No. 5 singles. Hinds and Aasiri Iddamalgoda won at No. 2 doubles.

The Gamecocks got a measure of revenge against Morehouse on Sunday, winning 6-2.

Hinds, Iddamalgoda, Van Gelder and Foshee all won in singles. The teams of Hinds/Iddamalgoda and Nilsson and Andres Delgado won in doubles.

JSU is now 3-4 on the season.

The JSU women dropped a match with Alabama-Birmingham Wednesday in Birmingham.

The Lady Blazers defeated JSU 5-3.

Lara Ashley Root, Caroline Dunn and Tina Shamblin won singles matches.

Lady Gamecocks open softball season with sweep of Livingston

Tim Hathcock
Sports Editor

The JSU softball team got its season off to a good start with a doubleheader sweep of Livingston last Tuesday. The Lady Gamecocks won the first game 3-2 and won the nightcap 2-1.

Stacey Young was the winning pitcher in both games.

JSU beat the Lady Tigers in the first game with a two-out hit in the bottom of the seventh inning. Stephanie Vickers singled and Lisa Smith scored from second base to give the Lady Gamecocks the victory.

Jenny Lauer took the loss for Livingston.

The second game was scoreless until the fifth inning when Livingston put a run on the board courtesy of a Lori Mudingier single.

The Lady Gamecocks bounced back in their half of the sixth.

Tammy Smith tripled and Angie Mathis walked to set up Traci Coultas' two-run double.

The Lady Tigers threatened in the seventh inning, putting runners on second and third with no outs. Young got the last three outs to preserve the win for JSU.

JSU hosts Valdosta State today at Woodland Park in Anniston.



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Lady Gamecocks

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p.m.

The Lady Statesmen are the defending national champions. Last season's title was the sixth for the Lady Statesmen. Delta State finished the regular season at 22-4 and 12-0 in the GSC.

Delta State is the No. 4 team in the country. It defeated the Lady Gamecocks twice this season, including an overtime game in Cleveland.

West Georgia finished the year at 13-12 and 5-7 in the GSC, in a dead-heat with Mississippi College. The Lady Braves won a coin-toss to determine the No. 4 seed.

The championship game is set for 7:30 p.m. Saturday night. All games are at Walter Sillers Coliseum.

The tournament winner receives the conference's automatic bid to the NCAA tournament.



Gamecock guard Jenny Pitts looks to pass in JSU's win over Troy State in the Gamecocks' final regular season game.

JSU prepares for Division I-AA move with spring practice

From staff reports

JSU's defending national champion football team returned to the practice field Monday for spring drills.

About 100 players dressed for practice that will prepare the Gamecocks for a new challenge. JSU is beginning a two-year

compliance period for a move to Division I-AA (Division I in all other sports).

That means the Gamecocks will not be eligible for any playoffs for the next two seasons in football.

JSU will hold 15 practices this spring.

The Gamecocks return nine starters on offense and eight on

defense. Of those, two are hampered with injuries.

Quarterback Chuck Robinson is still hobbling from a leg injury he suffered late last year. Outside linebacker Randell Sherman tore up his knee in intramural basketball play and will miss all of spring drills.

Sweep

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Robby Beaver and Ray Aschenbach homered in the second game. The Gamecocks now have 32 home runs in the first 10 games of the season.

"What we are looking for in our ball club, we got today," said Abbott. The Troy State games came on the heels of JSU's doubleheader sweep of Siena Heights on Thursday.

The Gamecocks won 16-3 and 13-6 behind another home run

assault. John Stratton had another big day at the plate against the Saints. He had three homers and 10 RBI for the two games, including his second grand slam of the year in the second inning of the first game. Stratton now has eight home runs and 26 RBI for the year. He is batting .528.

Mike Howell homered in each game. Alan Barefoot, Troup, Beaver and Aschenbach all hit home runs for JSU.

The second game was called due to rain in the fifth inning with the bases loaded for the Gamecocks.

Randy Gravett won game one and Brad Angel was the winner in relief in the second game.

The Gamecocks host Auburn-Montgomery in a doubleheader at noon Saturday at University Field. Miles is in town for a doubleheader at 1:30 pm Tuesday.

JSU is now 8-2 on the season.

Terry

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combinations out there it was hard to get any consistency."

But Terry's second-half blizzard of 3-pointers — he hit four in a row — spurred the Gamecocks. "Jeff Terry is the type of player who can turn a game around," said Jones.

JSU had lost its last regular season game to the Tigers by a score 101-86. Jones gave credit to his

defense for the turn-around. "I got bloodshot eyes from watching the videotape of that game," said Jones.

"I was proud of our defense. I thought we did a real good job of cutting off their 3-point shots. I thought we really had them confused."

Delta State advanced to the finals of the tournament by besting Mississippi College 70-43

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 Central, Phenix City, vs. Leflore, 8:30 p.m.

Class 4A

Wednesday's Games
 Central-Coosa vs. Clark Co., 4 p.m.
 Hamilton vs. Cherokee Co., 5:30 p.m.
 Buckhorn vs. Haleyville, 7 p.m.
 Livingston vs. T.R. Miller, 8:30 p.m.

Class 2A

Thursday's Games
 Trinity vs. Samson, 9 a.m.
 Ranburne vs. Lexington, 10:30 a.m.
 Lauderdale Co. vs. Horseshoe Bend, noon
 Catholic vs. McIntosh, 1:30 p.m.

Semifinals played Friday beginning at 10:30 a.m.
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 All games played at Pete Mathews Coliseum

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19. Florida Atl.
20. Livingston
21. Cent. Mo. St.
22. New Haven
23. West Georgia
24. Fran. Marion
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GSC Standings •

TEAM	Conference Record	Overall Record
Delta State	9-3	19-7
Livingston	8-4	17-8
JSU	6-6	15-9
Miss. College	6-6	15-9
North Alabama	6-6	16-10
Valdosta State	5-7	12-12
West Georgia	2-10	5-21

GSC Women's Standings •

TEAM	Conference Record	Overall Record
Delta State	12-0	22-4
JSU	8-4	16-10
Livingston	7-5	17-8
West Georgia	5-7	14-12
Miss. College	5-7	11-15
North Alabama	4-8	14-12
Valdosta State	1-11	9-17

Gulf South Conference Women's Tournament

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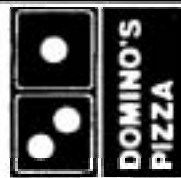
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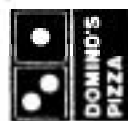
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