Enrollment falls for third straight year

Krista Dells
News writer

Tuition is up. Enrollment is down. What can be done? This fall JSU suffered a drastic drop in student enrollment in both graduate and undergraduate students. The answer? Get help fast.

That is why JSU has hired Noel & Levitz Centers, a top Educational Advisement firm based in Iowa City, Iowa.

According to Randy Levitz there are several reasons why students are leaving JSU. The $40 a semester tuition increase is only a cover for deeper problems. A large number of students are driving in some cases, an hour or more to campus. Levitz said this can cause a lower sense of financial security due to very high gas bills. Money is always a main reason students have to leave school.

Poor study habits also play a large part. Now, more than ever, students are working. Finding time to study can be particularly difficult for those trying to juggle a full class load and a full or part time job. Research done by Noel & Levitz shows that 80 percent of students attending JSU need some kind of remedial help. Finding that help can be easy, but time is always a problem.

Levitz said that studies show that in the South, students are often more afraid to ask for help than in other regions of the country.

JSU was complimented by the team for the Summer Orientation programs and the ExSEL program. David Watts, vice president of Academic Affairs said that more special programs are going to be created.

He also said that the drop in student enrollment is, "...Unfortunately and ironic that just at the time proration ends, JSU experiences a drop in student enrollment."

Watts also said that the administration is concerned by the drop but that it is nothing to panic about. He attributes part of the cause of the drop to be in Alabama schools.

The number of high school graduates in Alabama continues to drop each year.

Since 1990, JSU has been suffering a steady drop of enrollment according to the "Enrollment Summary Report."

Watts is disturbed that JSU is just now implementing an enrollment management program because he feels that the school could have benefited from this type of program a long time ago.

Despite all the factors involved in the enrollment drop of more than 500 students, JSU continues to be the 3rd least expensive 4-year institution in the state.

Some students may only be dropping out due to the tuition raise but Watts said, "Either we reduce the number of services...or we raise tuition, which we have."

Even with the raise in tuition some basic services have been cut. Biology students must now buy their own scantron sheets for tests.

Regardless of the problems JSU is having, students entering JSU have a high approval rating of the college.

Levitz says that the rating of 72 percent is very impressive for a small, regional school like JSU. The highest national rate to date has only been 50.4 percent.

Watts said he hopes that the enrollment management guidelines set by Noel & Levitz Centers will help JSU keep the students it has and begin to find others.

Debate rages on over topless Platinum Club in Weaver

Mark Harrison
News writer

The source of the controversy isn't hard to find. Just a few miles away from Jacksonville State University, swinging left at Langley's Grocery onto Anniston Beach Road. At the end of the road there's a crude pink sign reading "Platinum Club," with a hand-drawn black arrow which points the way. The driveway to the club, just a few feet to the right, is hard to miss. Several signs are tacked to a tree beside the driveway, which read "Keep Out," "No Trespassing," "Be careful of Dog." Welcome to 263 Weatherbrook Lane, the site of the Platinum Club.

Outwardly, there is no indication that this structure will soon serve as a topless bar. The building could just as easily pass for a warehouse. Inwardly it's all together different. Impressive. Upscale. Birmingham. Atlanta. There are several stages, scattered throughout the club, where, according to Club Manager Catrina Davis, anywhere from 20 to 40 dancers will perform both daily and nightly. No one is disputing the fact that club owner Harvey Bowman has sunk a lot of money into this project. What is being disputed, still, is the Platinum Club's right to exist.

Citizens for Safety, a grass roots political action group, headed by Bill Lusk and Rev. Garry Sims still say that there is no place for an establishment such as the Platinum Club in Calhoun County. The groups latest meeting was held this past Monday at Fellowship Baptist Church in Jacksonville. The gist of the meeting was that the group plans to challenge the existence of the Platinum Club in the political arena, as opposed to fighting on legal or moral grounds.

"We can continue on legally, or we can continue on to battle this thing morally..."

--Rev. Garry Sims
Citizens for Safety

"We can continue on legally, or we can continue on to battle this thing morally, or we can continue to battle this thing politically," Rev. Sims, co-chairman of Citizens For Safety, said at Monday's meeting. "We've got three fronts to battle it on. I think we're winning on the moral side of it, legally it's going to cost a great deal of money. It's been the opinion of several people that right now, the best course for us to take is political. That's what people who've been in politics all their life are saying. They're saying 'you're holding three out of the four aces, partially because of the commentary that's been in the paper, and simply because you're right.'"

The commentary which Sims referred to was an editorial published in The Anniston Star, Sept. 16, which criticized the ABC Board and expressed support for Citizens For Safety. The editorial read, in part, "Professional politicians and journalists for years have said the ABC is out of control. It's a state liquor monopoly in the midst of free enterprise. It has a long history of political
**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- JSU SAVE will be collecting aluminum cans to be recycled from 4-8 p.m. Friday and from 12-6 p.m. Oct. 8 on the Jacksonville square. Please participate and do your part for the environment.
- The College BASE test, required for graduation, will be administered on the following dates:
  - 6-9:30 p.m. Today
  - 3-6:30 p.m. Oct. 13
  - 3-6:30 p.m. Oct. 14
  - 5-8:30 p.m. Oct. 19
  - 8:30-noon Oct. 30
  - 6-9:30 p.m. Nov. 9
  - 8:30-noon Nov. 13
- During the fall term, the English Competency Examination will be given at the following times:
  - 6-7:30 p.m. Tuesday
  - 3-4:30 p.m. Wednesday

If you are eligible for the Fall semester exam, you must pre-register by Sept. 30 in 215 Stone Center. There you'll be assigned a specific room for the test. When you take the exam, be sure to bring with you a photo i.d., a blue book and a blue or black pen.

Workshops for the fall examination will be held from 6-7:30 p.m. Monday and from 3-4:30 p.m. Tuesday in 101 Merrill Hall. Attending a workshop does not guarantee a passing score, but it should help you prepare for the exam. NOTE: Workshop attendance is not required to take the exam.

- There will be a workshop on stress from 3-30 -4:30 p.m. Oct. 7 in Classroom B, 10th floor, Houston Cole Library. For more information call 782-5475.

**CRIME RELATED ACTIVITY**

- 9-25, UPD reported trespassing at Dixon Hall.
- 9-25, Howard Wayne Edwards II reported unlawful breaking and entering of a vehicle at Dixon Hall Parking Lot.
- 9-24, John Chandler Morley reported criminal mischief at Luttrell Hall.
- 9-23, Vison Latrelle was arrested at Rowan Hall and charged with public drinking.
- 9-23, Make Goodhue reported drinking in public at Rowan Hall.
- 9-23, Officer Greg Glace reported disorderly conduct at Delta Chi House.
- 9-23, Shayla Lynette Sanford reported theft of services at Curtiss Hall.
- 9-22, Rene Long reported theft of services at the JSU Bookstore.
- 9-22, Antonio Martey Shepard was arrested at UPD and charged with receiving stolen property.
- 9-21, Pery Wesley Gwinn reported theft of property at the bookstore.
- 9-21, Carlton Ward reported harassing communications at the JSU Drama Dept.

**THE CHANTICLEER**

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—Winston Churchill

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This building will soon be the home of the Platinum Club, Calhoun County’s first topless bar.

Club

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The Platinum Club will employ 100 plus employees, mostly from Calhoun County. Most intelligent people would consider this a big plus for Calhoun County. In one of the articles written, they (Citizens For Safety) went so far as to say that they were hoping to waylay or stall us on a business license, but even at the time that was written, we had our business license. It’s already been purchased.

Dave also addressed some of the safety concerns which the Citizens For Safety group have raised.

“Before Harvey Bowman bought the property at 263 Weatherbrook Lane it was not only a major eye sore, it was a health and safety hazard. Mr. Bowman has greatly improved the visual side, widened roads, filled in the dangerous un-paved pool that had stagnant water with children playing in it when we came here. As far as people talking about increased traffic, that’s ridiculous. The Moose Lodge is right down the road, it takes you three minutes to get to the gate of the Moose Lodge, and it has over 600 plus members, and we all know they have a liquor license. So, if there’s a concern about traffic safety, one of the things that has been said is that we increased the flow of traffic, there’s never been more than a half dozen people working here at any one time. To say that we’ve caused the traffic problem with six to ten people is ridiculous.”

“As far as people talking about increased crime as a result of our operation, we will have an extensive security system headed by a local man, a former police chief, a career man. He will head our security system. We’re going to every length to insure that there’s no increased crime as a result of us being here. Not only will we be controlling what’s going on inside, but outside as well. We will follow all guidelines set by the county and the state. It’s not our goal or purpose to attract people opposed to us or offended by us. We are an adult night club, for people over 21. We will have a security guard on the front who has an F.B.I. check on him, and I can promise you that Rev. Sims can’t pass an F.B.I. check because he’s an ex-felon who’s been imprisoned in the federal penitentiary for a period of years. We have a real problem with a man who calls himself a man of God when he is, in fact, an ex-felon.”

Sims freely admits to the fact that he once committed a felony, and this is a matter of public record.

“I was arrested here in this county for possession of stolen property,” Sims said, “I did federal time for counterfeit money. I worked in prison ministry for eight years, and that’s one of the reasons I’m Battalion, because I know, I’ve been there. I know what kind of man comes out of these places. I know the kind of moral character this man (Bowman) has.”

Sims said that he believes the fact that he is an ex-conflict gives him “more right” to stand against the Platinum Club, “Second Corinthians 5:17 in the Bible says if any man be in Christ, he’s a new creature,” Sims said. “Old things are passed away. See, I’m just dumb enough to believe that. That God made me a new person. He cleaned me up.”

Citizens For Safety plans to travel to Montgomery next week, where a press statement will be read in the parking lot of the State ABC Board. They say they have no plans to back down. Sims says that Bowman has no plans to back down, and that the Platinum Club will open one way or another, sometime between Oct. 1 and 10.
Mike Canode
News writer

Michael Jones doesn’t look sick. But a year ago, bothered by weight loss and breathing problems, he visited a doctor. Even after a series of tests, the doctor had no explanation for his illness.

"AIDS was something in the back of my mind," Jones said. "I had lost 30 pounds in two weeks. I had pneumonia and none of the medications seemed to be working. Finally, I suggested a test for HIV."

"Even my doctor was shocked. AIDS was something I had never thought about before," Jones said.

Jones was referred to the AIDS Services Center in Hobson City.

On Sept. 16, 1992, only a few months after the birth of his first grand-daughter, Michael Jones learned that he had HIV.

"At first I was devastated, I thought, why me? I was very frustrated and angry."

Jones was referred to the AIDS Services Center in Hobson City.

"When I first came to the Center, I was greeted at the door. They treated me like a friend, not a number," he said.

Jones drives from Fort Payne to the Center every Tuesday for a group session, where he and a number of HIV positive patients discuss the effects of AIDS in their life.

"The meetings help me deal with the disease, and the staff at the Center are wonderful, they really care," Jones said.

"Getting the message out about HIV/AIDS and testing is the reason Jones decided to become a speaker."

"I have been celibate for the past eight years. So, I've been HIV positive for 8 or 9 years and never knew it. I had no idea..." Jones said.

"Most people don't realize that they can be HIV positive for up to 10 years and have no idea," Jones said. "You look and feel as healthy as anyone."

At the age of 36, his T-cell count is below 100. More than 500 is a sign of good health.

"T-cells are white blood cells vital to the human immune system and are the key to determining HIV infection."

"We want people to know that we’re here for them," said Dolores Malone, education director at the Hobson City AIDS Services Center.

"The services of (the Center) are free and confidential and available in Hobson City. Unfortunately, many residents of Calhoun County have no idea where to go," she says.

"Out of 25 students randomly questioned around campus, not one had heard of the AIDS Services Center."

"We’re also eager to give AIDS awareness discussions to groups, all it takes is a call and we’ll make the arrangements," Malone said.

"In fact, Malone and Jones will be at JSU this week, visiting classes and informing students of the disease and what services are available to them.

Speakers from the Center have been at JSU a number of times in the past. "The students and faculty at JSU have always been supportive," Malone said. "The responses never fail to be positive."

"The AIDS Services Center in Hobson City is open Monday through Friday. The staff of medical professionals and volunteers provide a friendly, supportive atmosphere to every person that walks through the door."

"If you would like more information or a test, call the center at (205) 835-0923.

Mike Stephenson
Entertains at
The Galley Tavern
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Watts addresses student attendance policy, computer shortage

Melanie Lynn Jones
Editor in Chief

David Watts, vice president for Academic Affairs, addressed several issues at Monday's SGA meeting, but it was the attendance policy which seemed to get the most attention.

The current policy allows each department to set its own standards. Some have very strict policies, allowing only two to three unexcused absences. Other departments have no policy at all. Many students prefer the latter.

SGA President Chris Dempsey told Watts that the students he had spoken with believe that since they are paying to attend class, they should have the right to choose how often they attend.

Watts said he understood students' viewpoints, but he was not concerned and that he believes instructors should be allowed a certain amount of discretion. "Attendance policies, in my opinion, need to be enforced with caution," he said.

After Watts left the meeting, the SGA senate discussed alternatives to the current plan. The one that met with the most agreement involved required attendance only for 100 and 200 level classes.

Watts also addressed the computer situation at JSU. "I am not appalled at how bad off we are," he said. "In computer sciences I believe instructors should be allowed to require attendance for the computer availability." He said JSU was not very different from other colleges he has taught at as far as computer availability was concerned and that he hopes future improvements will put JSU "right up front."

One senator touched on a special subject to Watts, international affairs. "I would like to see JSU students receive more exposure by studying overseas and by bringing more international students on campus," he said. He also mentioned plans for getting the faculty more involved in international studies.

The remainder of the bill would have provided a minimum penalty for organizations that misuse SGA funds. It would have allowed the appropriations committee to order clubs to repay the funds they used plus a 20 percent fine. The organizations would have to wait one year before applying for funds.

The main senate argument against the bill was that it did not provide a maximum penalty or an appeals process.

Officers said they plan to reword the bill to address the senators' concerns and resubmit it at a later date.

SGA Update

- The senate approved a bill to establish a chapter of Pinnacle, an honorary society for non-traditional students at JSU.
- The Homecoming committee asked for suggestions for a concert Homecoming weekend. They hope to keep the cost at $20,000. Take suggestions to University Programs Council Chairman Freddie Britt in the SGA office.
- This year's Homecoming theme will be "The Rhythm is Gonna Get Ya."
- SGA President Chris Dempsey met with Mayor George Douthit last week. He said the expansion next to Winn-Dixie will house several stores, including a Little Caesar's Pizza restaurant. Douthit also told Dempsey a reasonably priced Italian restaurant will open in Jacksonville within the next six months.
Jacksonville State University students are starting to make a difference with Jacksonville Housing Authority's underprivileged children. For the past two years, students have volunteered their time to tutor these children every Tuesday and Thursday.

The Housing Authority transports the children to the Wesley foundation, located just off JSU's campus, where they receive a meal and help from volunteers. The children benefit from the JSU students by way of one-on-one tutoring in math, English, and other academic subjects. The program currently has 30 volunteers working with 30 children.

Dale Clem, Campus Minister of the Wesley Foundation, finds the help given to the children benefits their lives in more ways than just academically.

"(We) have the lives of around 40 children...it has made a real difference in their schooling and outlook on life." He also emphasizes that "encouragement is the key."

Rebecca Tumer, head of the Sociology and Social Work Department, encourages students to participate in the tutoring program. She and other members of the Social Work Club, are excited about the opportunities and encouragement that the tutoring program give the children. Clem echoes this with, "an hour a week of encouragement makes a real difference with them."

The Tutoring Program includes more than just tutoring. Last year, the children visited JSU's Art Department to learn crafts such as ceramics. In addition, volunteers hold Christmas parties where they give presents to the children. Clem would like to see the program grow and encompass a summer program where volunteers work with the children a few days a week. Since there is not a recreation center in Jacksonville for these children, he would like to have something for them to do, something that will be motivating and encouraging.

Rick Altman helps a Jacksonville child with his homework at the Wesley Foundation. Altman is participating in a joint project between the Wesley Foundation and the JSU Social Work Club to provide tutoring and a nurturing after school environment for area children.
Let us return to the Friendliest Campus

So what ever happened to the “Friendliest Campus in the South?” Once upon a time you could see that slogan slapped across notebooks, catalogs, T-shirts, and coffee mugs; and it really applied to JSU.

Find that hard to believe? It seems that the spirit of friendliness that once prevailed on this campus in that mythical age has “Gone With the Wind.” Scarlett was a witchy southern chic, but even she knew when to be polite. It seems that this campus needs to move back a bit; take a few etiquette classes. How many students walk around complaining about the mid-line bureaucrats that they have to deal with from day to day?

One unpleasant experience can ruin someone’s impression of the entire administration. The bureaucracy here has gotten far too cumbersome, and those in it, at least at some of the lower levels, have forgotten why they’re here. They’re here for us, the students.

David Watts, Vice President of Academic Affairs, made a very good point at the SGA meeting the other night. The students are the University’s customers. A frantic enrollment is going down. Perhaps they don’t have to look much farther than their own offices. It’s a very simple equation. No students, no University. No University, no job.

Of course the administration aren’t the only ones who need a good manning. Many of the students around here could learn a lesson or two. We all have that idiot in class who sits behind you and makes fun of the instructor, your shoes or anything else in their line of sight.

They’re also the same ones who ask sarcastic questions just to hear the stupid answers. Grow up. In case you just decided to look around, this is college. Act like you deserve to be here.

Whether we like it or not this University is a business. It should be run as such. The surest way for a business to go out of business is to be rude to its customers. Bad management is another sure way down. If the bureaucracy worked maybe it could be justified, but it doesn’t. Perhaps the most frustrating part of being a student is having to deal with it—constantly being given the run around, having money lost, classes dropped, all at no fault of your own.

You don’t need a committee to tell you what’s going wrong, you simply need to talk to the students. Dr. McGee, you might find the students interesting to talk to; after all, they are interested in the success of the University too.

People at JSU need to take a good look at their attitudes. They need to think about why they’re really here, students and administration alike.

Perhaps one day we can once again call ourselves the “Friendliest Campus in the South.”

Teach self control as birth control

People across the nation are talking about sexual responsibility.

Doctors have written books on sexual etiquette. Middle schools are handing out condoms. High schools are offering birth control implants. Colleges have drawn up policies regulating sexual activity. Everyone is looking for a way to reduce sexually transmitted diseases, teenage pregnancy and date rape, but few people have mentioned the obvious — respect.

Teaching young people to respect their bodies could be the cheapest, most effective way to reduce the problems related to sex at an early age.

I saw a documentary on the teenage sex problem a few weeks ago. When the reporter asked several 15-year-old girls why they had sex, they said they did it to make their boyfriends happy.

For those girls, sex was not about self-fulfillment. It had nothing to do with making love. They just wanted to keep their boyfriends.

Society should teach women at a very early age that they are worth something. There is some unknown something within every human that makes us special. Makes us lovable. Makes us valuable. That something has nothing to do with our bodies. It has to do with our souls. It comes with dignity.

Everyone who truly loves someone loves that person for who he or she is, not because she will have sex with him. No one is obligated to have sex with everyone who asks. It is not a duty to surrender. It is your body, and every time you share it with someone, you make yourself vulnerable. You have a right to be picky. You have a right to wait.

Young men need to learn a few lessons too. Having sex does not make you an adult. Controlling your urges and respecting others does. Being sexually active does not make you special. It is a primal instinct, even animals can do it. Respecting yourself and controlling that instinct is what makes you worthy of respect.

For years our society has implied that it is unnatural for teenagers not to have sex. If they don’t ask for it, they must not want it. But that isn’t true. People are expected to control their urges in other areas, why should sex be any different.

In our struggle for self respect, we cannot forget to respect others. Both men and women need to remember the meaning of the word no and accept it.

Pressuring or forcing people to have sex before they are ready is cruel.

It works both ways. People can make their dates feel inadequate if he or she doesn’t accept a proposition or actually force their dates to give in. Both can claim they feel unloved if they do not have sex, but forced or manipulated sex isn’t love...it is something quite the opposite. Taking away control through manipulation or force makes a person feel less human. It robs people of the right to control their own bodies. It destroys trust and self esteem.

It’s sad that what should be a precious act of love is now considered a social problem. Schools are teaching birth control to children rather than self control because they claim they cannot keep them from having sex.

Baltimore officials think they may have found an answer. They offer Norplant implants to high school girls through their school clinics. Norplant is a contraceptive in which six capsules containing hormones are implanted in the upper arm. They are considered successful for up to five years.

True, this would prevent teenage pregnancy, but does it have any other benefits?

If young people do not have to worry about pregnancy, they probably will be less likely to take steps to prevent sexually transmitted diseases. Inserting tubes in a girl’s arm certainly doesn’t promote responsibility.

Look at it this way. Every time you have sex you are trusting your partner with your life. His or her sexual past becomes a part of your future. Is it worth it?
Yellow Springs, Ohio - Antioch College's new rules to tell when a yes is a yes and not a no:
"May I hold your hand?"
"May you do what?"
"May I hold your hand?"
"How do you mean that?"
"I just mean I would like to hold your hand, but, under the new campus regulations, I need to get your explicit permission before I can do it."
"You want to put your flesh on my flesh, am I correct?"
"I wouldn't exactly put it that way."
"Well, how would you put it?"
"I just thought that since we've been seeing each other for three months and I've never held your hand, I'd like to."
"I see. You want to press your bare skin against my bare skin."
"I never said anything about that. I'm just asking if it would be OK with you if we held hands."
"OK, forget holding hands. Do you mind if I gaze into your eyes?"
"I was thinking of something perhaps from Omar Khayyam."
"Who is he? The screenwriter for Long Don Silver?"
"Of course not. He wrote beautiful love poems."
"I just want to whisper into it."
"I wouldn't do it."
"You're not getting me in the dark."
"That's not what I had in mind at all. I just thought we could go for a little walk and perhaps I could get to know you better."
"Know me? I've read the Bible, you lecherous, drooling sodomite."
"It's cool out. Would you like to wear my jacket?"
"Cross-dresser, huh? Feeble-minded kinkophile!"
"Mind if I loosen my tie?"
"Brazen exhibitionist!"
"Look, Hilda, wanna get a motel room and have sex?"
"I thought you would never ask."

Dear Editor,
The article "Computer Shortage Takes Toll" was responsible reporting. It was apparent the article was researched, and it reflected the opinions of staff, faculty and students.
Please consider additional articles on the same subject. There are many other areas of improvement that need to be considered. These areas include compliance with the American Disabilities Act by providing speech capability attachments for sight impaired students, a bridge, connection the Merrill Hall and Bibb Graves LANs (Local Area Networks), gateways from the LANs to the mainframe, dial in capability added to the LANs and adequate repair parts on hand to support the existing equipment.

The 10 to 13 computers currently being assembled by students in the Department of Technology will probably be placed in 308 Bibb Graves. This room previously had 20 computers. Why not expand the number to 20 and create a new teaching lab which could be restricted to use by personnel in the lab and only 45 students. Lee Iacocca in his autobiography discussed businessmen who were wary of intuitive decisions. He stated "They seem to think that every business problem can be structured and reduced to a case study. That may be true in school, but in business there has to be somebody around who will say: Okay, folks, it's time. Be ready to go in one hour." The computer lab problem has been recognized by students, faculty and The Chanticleer. Now it is time to make a decision to solve the problem.
James H. D. Allen
Instructor, MCIS

Letters to the Editor
1993-94 Policy

Letters may be brought or mailed to The Chanticleer office in 180 Self Hall. All letters must be signed and include a phone number.

The Chanticleer does not print letters which are longer than 300 words. The Chanticleer will not print letters which are libelous and/or defamatory.
The Chanticleer reserves the right to refuse publication of any letter.
Deadline for letters to be in the upcoming issue is noon on the Friday preceding the preferred date of publication.
The water played no favorites to race or religion and neither did we. We had gone to share the love of Jesus Christ and that’s what we did by our hard work.”

- Mitzi Gibbs

Missions Director

BCM aids in flood clean-up

The town’s levy had broken. What once was a cornfield was now mud-covered stalks. A newly built home had a brown ring around it two feet above the windows. This was the scene that greeted nine JSU students over Labor Day weekend.

The BCM (Baptist Campus Ministries) had asked for volunteers to go to St. Louis to do flood relief work.

The volunteers left Sept. 3 after classes and arrived about 2 a.m. Bright and early the next morning the group was lead to a moderate-sized home that had been flooded up to the second floor.

All the mud had to be removed from the home. A middle-aged woman working beside them told the students that this was the home of her 70-year-old father. Later that day structural damage was found and the family gave up on the house.

The next work site was the home of an elderly widow whose husband had passed away a few months before the flood.

The group first sorted through the pile of debris made by a group that claimed to be helping. In reality the earlier “helpers” group had to demolish a house. They tore down all of the walls and removed the insulation. They took out each nail and tore out the ceilings in two rooms. Once that was completed they shoveled everything out a window.

“The water played no favorites as to race or religion and neither did we,” says Mitzi Gibbs, the group leader.

Guests on Oprah aren’t paid, but they are given royal treatment. “They treated me first class,” says Bell, “I had no idea what to expect. They had a first class ticket for me out of Atlanta (last) Monday. I got there that afternoon, and stayed in the nicest hotel in downtown Chicago, room service; you name it, I had it.”

Bell was nervous about meeting Oprah, but found her to be “very down to earth, very real.” “She’s not the uppity snob you would expect someone worth 200 million would be like,” he says.

“She took five minutes out of her life to spend with me, and we just talked. She had read all the articles...she knew a lot about me.”

Dead Can Dance again in 'Labyrinth'

'Into The Labyrinth,' the new album, exhibits soothing lyrics and sounds

If you appreciate meaningful music that relies on a diversity of sounds and soothing lyrics, then the new album from Dead Can Dance would appeal to you.

Lisa Gerrard and Brendan Perry’s sixth album, “Into the Labyrinth,” is music that definitely depends on the listener to reveal its reason.

Much of the meaning is in various sounds, and most of the tracks have very few vocals.

The marked absence of vocals on the album, however, lends only to the group’s musicality. The soft, well-produced blend of musical instruments and sound effects gives the duo its undeniable style.

Since Perry lives in Northern Ireland and Gerrard is in the Snow River Mountains in Australia, they did the writing for “Into the Labyrinth” independently, and they got together to record the tracks on the new album three months after they completed the songs.

Perry and Gerrard are both of Anglo-Irish origin, which is easily detected through their musical style.

Tracks like “Yulunga” and “The Carnival is Over” present uplifting, natural sounds with light vocals.

“The Obintosh Mr. Lovegrove” and “Tell Me About the Forest” are Perry venting strong emotions, something he has done before on previous Dead Can Dance recordings.

“When you live in Ireland you see the people who have been away for years returning to their parents,” says Perry, “and you also see those they leave behind...the breaking down of tradition along with the uprooting and upheaval of tribes -in Ireland and in the rain forests.

“If we could only keep the oral traditions going and leave the clerical bulls--t behind...”

With “The Wind that Shakes the Barley,” Gerrard does her own version of a late eighteenth-century song written by Robert Dwyer by turning what was intended to be a rallying song into a sad anti-war song.

Overall, “Into the Labyrinth” Resounds with true expression and vocals that evoke real emotion. A blending of old and new musical ideas helps to express universal emotions that, as this album proves, are truly timeless.
Marian L. Huttenstine, recipient of The Ken Knight Founder's Award 1993, has joined the faculty of JSU's communication department.

Huttenstine, who has exhibited her commitment to her profession vows to continue her work to contribute to the quality of education. Huttenstine has a variety of experience to supplement her knowledge in the communication field.

She has taught English and Journalism at Lock Haven University, Pennsylvania. Huttenstine also advised the university newspaper and worked with the public relations office.

Huttenstine moved on to be the vice president of an advertising and public relations firm in the Research Triangle Park, North Carolina. While in the area, she earned her Ph.D. in Communication Research-Law from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

Huttenstine taught at the University of Alabama where she handled advising students on legal and ethical issues for the campus media and was involved in consulting with radio, newspaper, television and advertising agencies.

Currently Huttenstine is an Associate Professor of JSU's communication department.

"I hope to help with recruiting communication students," says Huttenstine. "I'd also like to assist in revising the curriculum in the communication department," she added.

Huttenstine says she hopes the program will include work in the use of computer and in information writing. Huttenstine presently instructs the communication law class, teaches reporting, and helps advise the various student media staffs. Among her various awards, Huttenstine acknowledges the following: the Sarah L. Healy Award given by the University of Alabama Media Planning Board, The Alabama Scholastic Press Association and Promotion of Student Press Rights in High School Journalism given by the state high school press association.

Huttenstine was named Who's Who in the South, the Southwest, American Women, International Women, and Personality of the South.

"I really like smaller schools because I can get to know students better," says Huttenstine. "It's a real kick to teach 30 rather than 150 students in law because you can get the students to think and discuss better." Huttenstine likes it here and is reminded of her own student experiences when she observes students at JSU.

Huttenstine is proud to join the staff of the communications department. "I think we have a great department," says Huttenstine. "The faculty is deeply committed to ensuring that each student has a liberal arts education in addition to a quality program in his/her major.

"The faculty is serious about their jobs and they feel a responsibility to their students," she continued. "We need a computer lab for the students, but we have terrific broadcast equipment.

"The JSU communication department also has terrific students."

-- by Clavius K. Gresham
**Culkin not bad in 'bad seed' role**

Is it a stretch for Macaulay Culkin to play the kid from hell? I mean, he's been there before. Remember "Home Alone?" Well, the bad seed is back again, this time in a R-rated movie.

What this means: Instead of saying "Keep the change, you filthy animals!" he says "Don't f- with me."

Cute, huh?

Well, he's not supposed to be cute in "The Good Son," the new film from Joseph Ruben (director of the terrifying horror flick "The Stepfather" and the unfortunate "Sleeping With The Enemy"). As a matter of fact, the kid is just plain evil.

His weapons are no longer paint cans and Christmas ornaments. This time it's all psychological. Elijah Wood plays the cousin in a visit after his mother's untimely death. Immediately, Culkin's character begins to toy with him about the death experience. "Did you see your mom when she died?" he asks. "What did she look like?"

That about ends the suspense. Immediately we know that the boy is off-balance. For the rest of the film, we're left wondering what kind of horrible things he'll end up doing.

And boy, does he deliver. He sets off with the small stuff, like shooting at helpless animals with his new invention: a steel-bolt gun. He moves then to raising a pile-up on a local highway. Top it off with trying to kill his little sister and you've got one messed up kid.

All the while he tries to blame the incidents on his bereaved cousin, who is constantly trying to warn the kid's parents that he's dangerous, but to no avail.

It's an interesting role for Culkin, who has previously been nothing more than a cute prop. Here he has to do a lot acting, and is not bad at all. As it turns out, he is probably the best actor for the role, despite the fact he nailed it down with a tribute (Culkin's father threatened to pull him out of "Home Alone 2") if he didn't get the part.

Writer Ian McEwan doesn't manage to build much suspense, but his script is thoroughly believable. Unlike most horror films, nothing seems out of place or incredulous. There's also a nifty score from composer Elmer Bernstein.

Credit director Ruben, too, for an ice job behind the camera. His dizzying shots and angles are headache-inducing and add to the effect of the film.

Reserve judgement, though, on Culkin. The jury's still out on whether he's just another kid actor everyone will forget or the next Jodie Foster.

**B Bell from page 8**

BCM Missions Director, "We had gone to share the love of Jesus Christ and that's what we did by our hard work."

The group tore down a four foot high wall made of 20 to 40 pound bags.

What had taken the town's inhabitants frantic days to build, the river had torn through in hours. The citizens had given that short amount of time to gather their belongings and get away. "I was amazed to see how much help each person was," Townley says. "We mostly helped the elderly and the group of us did more that they could have in a week."
"OK, Bill. Tuesday night, 8 o'clock, over at the sheriff's office where they're holdin' your brother's killer. ... You want that with extra hollerin'?"

"It's Jim Wilkins, Dave. Same as the others. Trussed up like a Christmas present with his hunting license stuffed in his mouth. ... I want this bear, Dave. I want him bad."
Dobie's excellent adventure

What can ten people crammed in a van talk about for nine hours? You'd be surprised. From regurgitated chili to mister microphone to spitting vipers, riding with the JSU cheerleaders is an experience.

Sitting shoulder to shoulder, knee to knee all the way to Knoxville, Tennessee at 7:30 in the morning could be a rather unpleasant experience, especially when you stayed out past 3 a.m. Tired people with no place to crash results in some interesting banter.

"I need to get a bib with Bert and Ernie on it for when I eat tonight," cheerleader Mark Proper said.

"Yeah, for when all of that stuff comes out of your mouth," Opie Wilbur shot back.

After a short scuffle, the two quiet down and everyone tries to sleep. Legs on top of legs, body resting on body, people on the floor, I doze off...I am awakened by a shout.

"I'm free," cried out Eric Payne. "Let's go eat at the Y.M.C.A.!

"Shut up" reverberated throughout the van as everyone sat up. The decision was made to eat at the Cracker Barrel. Not to sound like a dumb Yankee, but I had never eaten there. However, it was good, down home, lick your lips, home style southern cooking. Needless to say I loved it.

Knoxville is about three hours from our destination for the night—Wytheville, Virginia. I don't know where that place is, still don't, but that's the place we hung our hats at Friday night. The only person who knew exactly where it was Mark Poliuici, who is from Virginia, but it didn't matter to anyone else. We just wanted to crash.

If I said that when we arrived in Wytheville we all went into our rooms and went to bed, most people would believe me right? I didn't think so. A few of the gentlemen decided to make an appearance at the local tavern. We watched the Phillies/Braves game, downed a few long necks, and ate an ungodly amount of trail mix. It was a good time had by all, especially since the Phillies won. I just don't know how I'll explain the black eye.

Six o'clock comes pretty early when you are in a strange place and disoriented. Opie attacked the wake up call, I slept through it, and everyone was a little late. Cockey, Ray Doran, Sam Pitchett and I ambled over to Bob Evans to grab a quick bite. It took awhile to get our food so we just inhaled it and zipped back to the hotel.

The Dean of Student Affairs, Don 'the man with the yellow hard hat' Schmitz, tried very hard to keep the troops in line. Being the patient man that he is, he seems unaffected by the goings on. His pet peeve is punctuality, some-
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thing he says everyone needs to work on.

We arrived on James Madison's campus around 11:30 EST and the stadium was empty, and by game time it was not even half full. The listed attendance was around 7000, but that was inflated by the 2000 season ticket holder no-shows. The fans were quiet but rude. Some of the cheerleaders attributed it to being in the north, but it had been treated better by New Yorkers than by the James Madison fans. The extremely small crowd taunted with unspeakable obscenities, made crude comments about players’ sexual preference, and I was called an a—hole by a JMU band member. Since I am one it didn’t bother me much, but I usually only let my friends call me that.

The game was not fun. I don’t like talking about losing and I won’t. The bus ride home was long. The conversation was still very interesting, but I was happy to be off the bus. I am very glad that I was able to ride with the cheerleaders and I thank them and Don Schmitz for an enjoyable time.

Cheerleaders and Cocky:

Here is a list of my gifts to you after our trip to James Madison. J.J.: Village People’s Greatest Hits, Eric: an alarm clock and a free night at the Y., Piglet: another alarm clock, Cheryl: 101 dollars, Ray: a case of batteries, Cocky: Lysol, Sam: a Calculus tutor, Bert: a Mister Microphone karaoke ensemble, Opie: a new COCKS hat, DeAnn: a piece of chicken without a blood vessel in it, Jennifer: a tissue to wipe away our supernatural tears, Lisa: a calling card to Steve B., Tasha: a compliment that you can’t refuse, Mark C.: a bottle of Nite Time cold medicine, Mark P.: a razor (because you look like you’re from the Bronx), and Kelly: a baked potato without the soup bar.

Well, you can’t win them all. My picks were okay last week. I went 7-3, raising my overall record to 24-8; however, there must be some type of espionage here at the Chanticleer office for my crystal ball was stolen. I am not sure who did it, but whoever it is they must be very jealous of the Dobester. I am wearing the lucky tie as I make my picks this weekend, so I say death to the taker of the ancient crystal ball, and away we go.

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