Employers plan to hire more college graduates this year than they did last year, according to a recent survey by the College Placement Council. Overall, respondents project hiring 4.2 percent more graduates in 1994-95 than they actually hired in 1993-94. And there’s more good news: a slightly higher number of employers plan on recruiting for job candidates at college and university campuses. More than 34 percent of the employers responding to the survey plan to increase the number of campuses they will visit, while 40 percent plan to maintain the same number of scheduled visits last year. Only 23 percent of the employers plan to visit fewer campuses this year.

The net effect: Employers plan to visit 1.2 percent more campuses in the 1994-95 recruiting season than they visited last year. Starting salaries are expected to increase modestly this year. Employers plan to increase starting salaries to their new entry-level hires at an overall average of 2.8 percent this year. Manufacturing employers plan to increase starting salaries to their new hires by 2.9 percent, service employers plan to increase starting salaries by 2.7 percent and government and nonprofit employers plan to increase starting salaries by 2.4 percent this year.

The "Job Outlook ’95" report is based upon a survey of 227 employers conducted by College Placement Council, Inc.

JSU may reap benefits from 1996 Olympics

By Jeh Jeh Pruitt
Sports editor

When you think of the 1996 Olympics, you think of Atlanta. But if you go to JSU, you may have Olympic athletes rooming in your dorm.

The Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce has created an Olympic Advisory Committee to bring business to all surrounding areas during the Olympics. "We have been negotiating with one country that would like to bring a delegation for boxing, judo, wrestling, track and field and weightlifting," said sports coordinator Mac Gillam. "We’re also negotiating JSU being a summer training camp for the World Cup Games in ‘95. The deal is not final but we feel we’ll have one or more teams here for the ‘95 games."

JSU received inquiries for the P.I.N.A. World Cup for Synchronized Swimming and if the University accommodates the team’s needs, they will stay here for five weeks in the summer.

The Olympic Committee met last Tuesday to discuss ideas for promoting local businesses, transportation to and from the Olympic site, cultural entertainment for foreign visitors, housing, hosting teams and implementing a Boy Scout package.

Vice Chairman for the Chamber of Commerce for Olympic Activities George Miller expressed concerns of the importance of each committee. "They’re (committees) all fitting in parts. We’re trying to determine the best structure to do this. This committee is the sounding board. Everybody comes together. All the groups are important," said Miller.

During the meeting, the transportation committee said most teams will have their own vehicles and will travel to the Olympic site by car. Buses were discussed for local transportation to Atlanta. Other topics were about a demonstration train that would make stops in Birmingham.
Classes offered 'round the clock

Tired of hanging out at the convenience store until two in the morning? Sick of watching Nick at Nite? Then head to the classroom.

School officials at Oklahoma City Community College have announced plans to offer courses 24 hours a day beginning in January.

"What is nighttime to one person is daytime to another," said Bobby Gaines, president of the college. "This is a population that needs an extra opportunity to excel. I believe this project will meet some of those needs."

According to Gaines, Oklahoma City has a wide range of shift employees working for AT&T, the Federal Aviation Administration and United Parcel Service who aren't able to attend classes that are offered at conventional times.

Initially, Gaines says, OCCC will schedule 12 courses beginning shortly after midnight to help serve those workers and others who want to earn an associate's degree or upgrade their job skills. The late night courses will focus on business, health care and computer science. "But if the classes fill up and students show interest," Gaines said, "we'll consider expanding the schedule."

OCCC is believed to be the first institution to offer classes around the clock.

Carjacking

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the time there was nothing to indicate there was anything going on." Nichols said the incident occurred within twenty seconds after UPD patrolled the parking lot.

"They (the police) circled around in front of Crow (Hall) and came back on the north side of Crow and drove between Crow and Dixon, at which time they saw Freeman," Nichols said.

The two gunmen fled in Wallace's car in an unknown direction. As of press time, they had not been apprehended.

Nichols described the car as a 1991 red Grand Am with a North Carolina license plate numbered HSF3814.

Wallace was taken to the Jacksonville Hospital emergency room, and was later transferred to a Birmingham area hospital.

No official information could be obtained about Wallace's condition, but officials with UPD said they didn't think Wallace's injuries were life threatening.

Nichols described the gunmen as two black men. One was apparently wearing a bandanna and the other a mask, one was wearing a cap and a heavy jacket and the other was wearing what may have been some type of pro sports jacket. Nichols said there may have been a third person involved in the incident, although that person didn't participate in the actual carjacking.

"We don't know how they got on campus," Nichols said. He said there is currently no evidence to suggest the gunmen were ever inside Dixon Hall, nor do the police suspect the gunmen to be JSU students, although the gunmen may have some connections here.

"We really feel like someone on campus knows these guys," Nichols said. "We feel like they weren't over here randomly."

Nichols said yesterday UPD has a possible identification of the suspects.

"We have obtained a videotape from an Exxon station in Alexandria at the intersection of Highway 431 and 62 and in the video, we believe we can see the Pontiac at the gas pumps. We saw the suspects, but we haven't positively identified them as yet," Nichols said. He said the tape has been enhanced by F.B.I. experts to provide better clarity.

Nichols said he doesn't feel the carjacking incident is related to the string of automobile break-ins which have plagued the campus in recent months.

"It's a completely different m.o.," he said. "We have no reason to suspect that the two things are related."

Anyone with any information can contact the University Police directly at 782-5050 or call Crimestoppers at 238-1414. Anyone who calls Crimestoppers can opt to remain anonymous and may be eligible for a reward.
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What do you do to relax during finals?

"I play practical jokes on my roommate."
- Phillip Brown
Freshman

"I have test anxiety very bad! I just try to cope with it."
- Autumn Wheat
Senior

"I put on some easy listening music like Anita Baker or Marvin and take a little swig of Remy Martin."
- Tonyanika Arnold

"I swim naked."
- David Jones
Junior

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The days have disappeared and mid-December has suddenly come from out of nowhere. Across campus students caught unawares by this unexpected change of date can be found pulling dusty textbooks from underneath beds and from out of closets to study, while the conscientious few look on, smiling with satisfaction in the knowledge that they have prepared.

That's right, finals time is here again, in all its nerve-wracking fervor.

Finals week does not have to be a time of panic, though. With calm and careful patience one can adequately prepare for final examinations. All one has to do is start getting ready at the beginning of the semester.

"You should really start studying for finals from the first day of the semester," says Sherry Kennedy, of JSU's Center for Individualized Instruction, which specializes in helping people to become better students. "In other words, you should never get so far behind that you feel like you have to cram. As you study through the semester, if you would review all the material that you have studied about once a week...then when it comes time to study for the final then you really don't have that much studying to do."

We are all aware that while they probably should, not everyone chooses to make studying a regular habit. For these victims of procrastination who must resort to “cramming,” as last-minute studying is commonly known, Kennedy has this advice: "Identify the main points and study those until you really have them. See if you can first commit to memory the main points, and then if you still have some time, go back and fill in the gaps and study the things in the middle." Many students when cramming for a test will try to study non-stop for hours. Kennedy discourages this, pointing out that it would likely leave the student tired. "You should study maybe an hour, then take a ten minute break, study [another] hour, take a ten minute break." Kennedy also says that all-night cram sessions are a bad idea. "Even though you need to study many hours you shouldn't stay up all night. You need to get a good night's sleep, otherwise you're likely to blank out on the test."

SmithKline Beecham, the company that makes Vivarin, says "power naps" are the way to go. This involves sleeping fifteen minutes out of every hour and studying the other 45. Once the studying is done comes the test itself. "When you take the test," says Kennedy, "you should take a couple of minutes to relax." Supposedly this helps to clear up the well-known "test jitters" that become so common at finals time.

Though cramming can get you through a test, Kennedy does not encourage it. "To cram is not the best way to retain anything...we'd like for you to leave here knowing something, not just knowing how to cram."

JSU students handle their finals in many different ways. Some cram for their exams, like junior Chris Stevens. "About four days before the tests I start breaking it up into little sections to study and go from there," he says. "The bathroom in your home is the greatest place to study. Life is on hold when you're in the bathroom."

Terrence Kent, a senior, says he prepares ahead of time for finals. "Psychologically, I pump myself up to get ready for it. I try to get excited and get myself out of that depressed college mood to get ready for it."

"A good way to prepare for finals is to read through all your material beforehand," says freshman Tatyana Tatum. "Then re-read the stuff that's more important. That's how I try to do it, anyway."
'Steel Magnolias' different, better than film based on play

By Jamie Cole
Editor in Chief

Ouiser Boudreau might say a play that's any good will be made into a movie. But don't say you've seen "Steel Magnolias" just because you've seen Dolly, Julia and the girls do their thing on the big screen.

The play's the thing, as the Bard said, so a trip to Stone Center to see JSU's production of the Robert Harling play was well worth the couple of bucks.

As a matter of fact, it would be pretty difficult to mess up Harling's near-perfect play on stage. Sally Field proved in the film that overacting can effectively ruin a particular role, but fortunately, Kimberly Kinsey handles the minefield role of M'Lynn EATENSON in JSU's production with restraint and dignity, not completely losing her hold on the dramatic side of the role like Field did in the film's volatile scenes.

Mishia Edwards had the difficult job of recreating a role that could have been written for Dolly Parton (Truvy Jones), but does so with aplomb.

In the pivotal role as Shelby Eatenton-Latcherie, the diabetic daughter of M'Lynn, Jessica Geron probably can't help but recall Julia Roberts in the film, who again defined the role. But she does make a noticeable effort to detach herself from Roberts' style. Gerón even outdoes Roberts with her comic delivery; she brought humor to a role that was played more dramatically in the film, particularly in the scenes leading up to her wedding.

Ouiser Boudreau (Tina Seals) came off every bit as nasty as she should have, and was touching at just the right moments. Sylvia Malone's Clairee Belcher had some difficulty at first finding a comic rhythm, but her performance worked overall.

The obvious standout in the cast is Allison Graydon, and it's not just because her character, Bible-thumping Annie Dupuy-Desoto, got all the funny lines. Graydon seems made for comedy; she throws herself into this role using both an overdone Southern accent and sight gags to make her Annelle easily the most interesting character on stage.

Viewers may find that the play is better, even more entertaining, than the film. It's certainly a more emotional experience. But that's how Harling intended it: "Steel Magnolias" is a play that will make you laugh and cry, often at the same time.

As the salt-of-the-earth beautician Truvy says: "Laughter through tears is my favorite emotion."
Lady Gamecocks fall to 2-4, Running Gamecocks win big

By Jeh Jeh Pruitt

Sports editor

Pete Mathews Coliseum was filled with JSU fans in a doubleheader matchup.

The Lady Gamecocks started the night against Tennessee State and the Running Gamecocks ended against Trevecca Nazarene (Tenn.). It was Hat Night at the coliseum and the fans who received them tipped them to both Gamecock teams.

The Lady Gamecocks came into the game off of a big win on the road in overtime against Augusta College last weekend and they were in rare form against the Lady Tigers of Tennessee State.

But the Lady Cocks couldn’t hold on to the win, mainly because they were playing against All-American Lady Tiger Carolyn Aldridge who hit a record 51 points against Wake Forrest last week. Aldridge led all scorers with 26 points Tuesday night and hit 5 out of 12 3-pointers.

Teammate Crystal Marshall was close behind with 24 points for the night.

Top scorers for the Gamecocks were Brandy White with 20 points and Misty Fuller with 13. White hit 3 of 7 3-pointers in the game and Michelle Eddy, who finished with 11 points, hit 3 of 9 from long range.

The final score in the matchup was 88-74. Jax State falls to 2-4 and will play their last game before the semester is over December 10 against Valdosta State.

That game will be the Jax Christian Academy Honors Night. The Lady Cocks will go on to play in the Portland State/Raindrop Classic December 15-17 and then in the Florida Southern Tournament December 30-31.

Before the Gamecocks came into Tuesday’s game, they had just won the Tom Roberson Coca Cola Tournament defeating the boys from our nation’s capital, Hampton University, for the championship. Their next game was against the Trojans of Trevecca Nazarene.

The Gamecocks came out strong, scoring nine points before Trevecca could put a point on the board.

Six JSU players were in double figures and three tied for highest points in the 101-64 victory. Tracey Posey, Jay Knowlton and Edward Coleman all finished with 15 points on the night. John Session followed with 13, four of those points off dunks.

Pat Armour ended with 12 points, and Aaron Kelly fell last with 11 points.

The win against Trevecca gave Bill Jones his 400th win here at JSU and a 6-1 record. The Gamecocks still have a 15 home game schedule coming up starting with Saint Leo College December 9 where there will be 500 free hot dogs given away.

They move on to play Sunday against Lindsay Wilson and anyone with a church bulletin gets in free.

On December 14, they play Lenoir-Rhyne with a $50 dollar paper airplane prize and return January 6-7 to host the JSU Invitational Tournament, which is Scout and Karate Night.

Three-point shootout to highlight home halftime

From staff reports

Jax State basketball fans have a chance to take part in something big, fun and exciting. No, it’s not King Kong wrestling. Godzilla, it’s even bigger. It’s the Can’t Lose Three-Point Shoot-out.

Yes, men and women can participate in this extraordinary event. Entries are open to the first 30 teams (Total, men and women combined). Entries must be turned in by Wednesday, January 11 at 12 noon to the Office of Special Projects, Room 104, Bibb Graves Hall. Schedules will be announced January 12. No additional roster may be added after this date.

Teams must consist of JSU students, faculty and staff, or spouse of students, no dependents. There is a maximum of five individuals per team. Champions of each division will be determined by a single elimination tournament played at halftime of JSU home games, beginning Jan. 14th. Prizes will be awarded to each team, with $250 going to the winning men’s and women’s teams and $125 to second place teams in each category. T-shirts will be awarded to all participants.

Game rules are as follows: (1) A team consists of three players. Each player will shoot six 3-point shots. (2) Teams will alternate shots. A player from Team A will shoot, followed by a player from Team B. In the third round, the team behind in the score will shoot first. (3) Balls will be placed at various spots around the 3-point line. Each shot will count one point. (4) Each player will have 25 seconds to shoot six shots. The team making the most shots will be the winner. (5) The player must be entirely behind the 3-point line for the shot to count. An airborne player may land beyond the line. (6) JSU student-athletes are not eligible to participate.
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Hope To See You There!!

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