Crosswalks to be more safe

Melanie Jones
Editor in Chief

Imagine crossing the road with only the traffic noise to guide you. It may not be easy, but for the 23 visually impaired students at JSU, it is a part of daily life.

All crosswalks pose a special challenge for the visually impaired, but Michael Mote, a JSU junior who has been blind since birth, said the crosswalk at the intersection of Highways 21 and 204 is the most dangerous. “It’s scary. I can say I try to cross up there as little as possible. ...The worst time to try to cross is during class changes because then people get in a hurry and sometimes they will not stop, they just will not stop,” he said.

Elisha Gilliland, who finds her way around campus with the help of a guide dog, agreed with Mote. “That’s very scary, when you have to get all upset and worried over crossing one simple street,” she said.

Mote and Gilliland said the intersection frightens blind students because it is one of the few crosswalks on campus located at a major intersection. With cars traveling in so many directions, it is hard for them to tell which lanes are safe to cross. “The chances of you getting hit are not very high, but they should be nothing...I just hope the University does something before somebody gets hurt, or there is going to be a lot of trouble,” Mote said.

Now the University and the city of Jacksonville are working together to decrease the danger. The See Walks • page 4

How do JSU students compare?

Chere Lee
Photo Director

Is JSU preparing students for the job market? An JSU survey given to employers of JSU graduates says the top two strengths are “being dependable and on time” and “reading effectively.” The top two weaknesses are “working on computers” and “writing effectively.”

Allan Smith, Director of Student Assessment, conducted this survey, the first of its kind, in 1992. He sent a survey to all 1985 and 1989 graduates. They were to give it to their employers to fill out and return to JSU. Out of 250 sent out, 112 were returned.

“When the students don’t have work experience, college is where they develop things like dependability,” Smith said. “The student has three roles: customer, employee, and product. JSU has always had emphasis on employee and product. I’m seeing a lot of Administrators making changes and putting emphasis on the student as customer.

Joyce Roy, Professor of Education feels that some universities think it is “more important for them to have a professor put an article in a journal rather than to meet the needs of the students. I think that’s where we’ve really gone off base. Student needs have to come first.”

Roy believes that JSU is not that way anymore. “...because we’ve never had that same goal. It’s always been administration for a year and a half she is now back in school working toward her teaching degree. “Some of the classes in the education program give you hands on experience and you at least get an idea of what you’re going to have to deal with and do. I don’t feel like I learned a lot of things I needed to know. They gave me a little taste of everything and nothing specific. I think the more hands on experi-
**Announcements**

- The College BASE examination will be held as follows. The examination is required for graduation. Students should plan on being in the test a minimum of 2 1/2 hours. Registration for the examination is in the Office of Assessment, 216 Ayers Hall
  - Feb. 1 3:00-7:00 p.m. 23 Ayers Hall
  - Feb. 17 5:30-9:30 p.m. 23 Ayers Hall
  - Feb. 26 8:30-12:30 a.m. 23 Ayers Hall
  - March 8 5:30-9:30 p.m. JSU-Gadsden, 'izer Hall
  - March 9 10:30 a.m.-10:30 p.m. 1025 S. McClaran
  - March 14 5:30-9:30 p.m. 23 Ayers Hall
  - March 15 5:30-9:30 p.m. 23 Ayers Hall
  - March 19 8:30-12:30 a.m. 23 Ayers Hall
  - March 23 5:30-9:30 p.m. 23 Ayers Hall
  - March 24 5:30-9:30 p.m. 23 Ayers Hall

  • During the spring term, the English Competency Examination will be given at the following times:
    - Feb. 8 6:00-7:30 p.m.
    - Feb. 9 3:00-4:30 p.m.
  - JSU S.A.V.E. will meet at 7 p.m. each Wednesday on the second floor of TMB. For more information call Elena Kauo at 435-9581.
  - The JSU mail service window hours have been extended from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. to 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. including the noon hour.
  - Student worker W2 forms are ready to be picked up in the payroll office.
  - Developing Scholars Society will hold their first meeting of the spring semester at 3 p.m. in 147 Daugette Hall. DSS is a social support group for the disabled and anyone who might be interested. For more information call 782-5093.
  - Sigma Tau Delta (English Honor Society) is seeking new members. To be eligible, you must be a second semester sophomore and have a 3.0 average in all English courses. For more information, contact Ms. Horton in Room 214 at Stone Center. The next meeting is at 3 p.m. today in 328 Stone Center.
  - There will be a career fair from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. in Cole Auditorium. Forty schools will be represented. Everyone is invited.
  - Beta Beta will be offering a $100 scholarship to support undergraduate research in Biology. Anyone can apply. For more information, contact Dr. Kline.
  - Sign Language Classes will begin Feb. 21. The class will be held every Monday from 6-8 p.m. for beginners and 4:30-6 p.m. for intermediate in 147 Daugette Hall. The cost is $10 for students, staff and faculty and $20 for the general public.

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**Crime Related Activity**

- 1-22. James Robb Yarbrough, 19, of Fairburn, GA, was arrested on St. Avenue and charged with theft of services.
- 1-23. Leaise Easley Walkita reported third degree assault and theft of property at Fitzpatrick Hall.
- 1-21. Roderick Marshall, 27, of Dolomite, AL, was arrested at University Circle and charged with carrying a pistol without a permit.
- 1-21. Jack Elliot McConnico, 20, of Birmingham, was arrested at UDP and charged with carrying a pistol without a permit.
- 1-19. UDP reported criminal mischief at Jerry Cole Parking Lot.

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**The Chanticleer**

"A free press is the unsleeping guardian of every other right that free men prize; it is the most dangerous foe of tyranny."

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**Students debate meal costs**

Tracy Seals
News writer

Mention college and the top-three complaints students are likely to have, in no particular order, are: parking, cost of books, and cost of meals.

Last week, Marriott turned the proverbial dinner tables and paid students $10 each to voice their opinions.

The University held several focus groups last week, over a three day period.

Top on the list of complaints was the price of meal plans, the monopoly Marriott has on campus and not being able to transfer left over meals from one week into the next.

According to research conducted by Marriott, price-wise Jacksonville is among the lowest compared to other universities such as Auburn and Alabama. However, the statistics are semester-based and the length of the semester varies from one school to another. While providing the same number of hours, JSU's semesters are actually shorter than those of many other colleges in the state. Marriott did not provide information that compared the cost on a per-meal basis.

Students in and out of focus groups feel their money is wasted when they don't eat all 14 meals of their plan in one week because none of the left-over meals are transferable. Russ Wright, Division Director for Marriott, sees this complaint as legitimate and hopes to make changes in the near future.

Students also expressed concern over Marriott's food service monopoly on campus.

Student organizations cannot sell food on campus to raise money. All food sold on campus must be catered by the Marriott.

Russ Wright says the Marriott is concerned with students and always open for suggestions and complaints.

Marriott wants to make changes for students in order to better accommodate them during their education careers.

According to reports supplied by Marriott, the average cost per meal is $2.49 with the 20 meal plan. With buffet-style service, students are given unlimited seconds with the purchase of a meal.

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**Dining at Marriott**

Prices are same for all three daily meals on plans.

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**Jobs**

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Lloyd Dobyns, JSU's visiting Ayers Professor, says "If the University has taught you how to learn and adjust by the day you graduate, they've done all for you they can reasonably do, because all the individual items you learn with the exception of History perhaps are going to change." Working is a "process of taking what you've been taught and adjusting it to what technology or society decides to do to it."

"If you graduate from college and believe that you are educated you do not have a hope or chance in hell," Dobyns said. He feels that degrees should be "...stamped 'learner's permit' because that is all they have taught you, how to learn."
A new baby can be a lot of different things...cute, cuddly, a living doll. It can also be hungry, fussy, sick. But would you believe they are also unbearably expensive? If you’re fantasizing about having a little darling anytime soon, you might want to think about these questions:

1. Once you are pregnant, it is important for you to be healthy so your baby will be healthy. How much does it cost to visit the hospital for prenatal care?
   a. Nothing.
   b. $10 for the first time, $5 for each following visit.
   c. $150 for an initial visit, $75 each afterward.

2. If you have your baby at a hospital, without having full health insurance to cover it, how much will you be paying in bills afterwards?
   a. Nothing.
   b. About $100-150, a one-time charge.
   c. Anywhere from $3,500 to 6,000, and $10,000 for a Caesarean birth (surgery where your abdomen is opened to lift the baby out, as opposed to a natural, vaginal delivery).

3. Congratulations, you’re a new mom! Of course, you know there are plenty of things baby needs. A crib, a car seat, food, toys. Even though the newborn is tiny, he or she has to eat. How much does baby formula cost?
   a. $2-$5 a month, about $70 a year.
   b. $30-$40 a month, about $420 a year.
   c. $70-$100 a month, about $1,020 a year.

4. One thing that just about every baby goes through quickly is a box of diapers — cotton or plastic. Every week, prepare to spend:
   a. $2-$5 a week, cloth or plastic.
   b. $7-$11 a week, cloth or plastic.
   c. $12-$15 a week, cloth or plastic.

5. Though you love your baby, sometimes you want to go out for a night without him or her. Or maybe you want to get to school or work and you need to put the baby in day care. How much will babysitting set you back?
   a. Nothing. My parents/grandparents/friends will watch baby for free.
   b. Babysitters at $1-$3 per hour, day care, $25 per week.
   c. Babysitters at $3.50-$5 per hour, day care $75 per week.

For all of these questions, the best answer is “C.” All of the costs, of course, are estimates. They could be lower or higher depending on where you live, your personal preferences and your insurance coverage. Teen moms, many who have never so much as balanced a checkbook, are often overwhelmed by the financial realities of that little pink or blue bundle.

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Anita A., a 17-year-old, is the mother of a two-month-old daughter who says she is “still paying for a big hospital bill” from when her daughter was born. “I never thought formula would cost so much,” admitted Dawn Billman, 18, whose daughter Trista, goes through about $100 worth of formula each month. Lynn Corr, 17, feeds her three-month-old son baby food, which costs a whopping $100 per month.

Some teen mothers get financial help from their parents. Others work part time or share resources with their boyfriends or husbands. Others rely on welfare. Aid for Families with Dependant Children, or AFDC, provides a $426 per month for those who apply and qualify for it. “Being on welfare is not easy,” warned Corr. Her advice to teens who want to have a baby:

““You should get a job, then have your baby.”

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“It’s important to really be patient,” said one of the teen mothers. “When you’re pregnant, you think of a cute little baby, but when she’s a toddler, there’s a lot more responsibility.”
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Walks

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two have combined funds to purchase two talking traffic lights, one for the intersection of 204 and 21, and the second for the crosswalk in front of the library.

George Miller, JSU vice president for Business Affairs, said the university and city purchased the sound device for the dangerous intersection based on the success of the one in Talladega. They are now waiting for the state highway department to install the devices.

Many Alabama cities have considered the device in Talladega to be a type of trial. Planning to purchase one if it seems very successful, but it appears that Jacksonville will be the first to follow through.

The device consists of a small speaker which is wired to the pole beneath the walk/don't walk sign. A computer-recorded voice repeats that it is safe to cross the street when cars are stopped for the light, and abruptly cuts off when the light changes.

Although less than half of the visually impaired students at JSU are totally blind, experts said the students with limited vision may need the extra help even more. "Of the students I've worked with, the students with some vision often have more problems than the ones with no vision at all," said Lois Gregory, a mobility instructor for the blind and visually impaired. Gregory said visually impaired students sometimes become too dependent on what vision they have and do not listen closely enough. "They may see a car coming, but by the time they see it coming, it may be too late," she said.

The talking traffic light may make things easier for some students, but it is not the answer to every traffic problem the blind students face. Gregory said that the city has more responsibilities than just purchasing a special device; they also need to create new traffic regulations. "They have to have a time when drivers cannot turn right on red. That would be a big help to the blind students," she said.

Another problem could only be solved by heavy police patrols. During class changes, students are often rushing between buildings and the sometimes ignore red lights. "The police don't pay attention to that corner..." Gregory said, "and that's a problem for a blind student too."

Gilliland said the only answer to one problem she and other blind students face is a change in drivers' attitudes. "One of my friends was trying to cross the street and a driver stopped and told him to go. Then, when my friend started to cross the street, the driver went on anyway," she said.

"So now, we don't even know if we can trust people not because unfortunately, some people feel humor in that," said Gilliland. More and other students like them are still pleased with the purchase of the sound device, but they know the new technology will not automatically keep them safe.

They say they will stay alert and be careful, always listening for the driver who doesn't care about the rules.

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according to race, people think minority teens lead in actual births. Rhode noted the stereotypes of young women who are pregnant are based on a public debate about sexuality, pregnancy and abortion that distorts facts to serve “political purposes.”

Rhode, who wrote the book with co-author Annette Lawson, a British sociologist, said she made many surprising discoveries while studying teen-age pregnancy in the two nations. One was that more than two-thirds of female teenagers bearing children are 18 or 19 years of age, which suggests, she said, that it is a distortion to describe rising pregnancy rates as “children having children.”

“It is still considered normal for women of that age to have children in many counties,” Rhode pointed out, noting that the babies of 18- and 19-year-olds do as well physically as those born to older women.

Among the authors’ findings:
- An estimated 45 percent of all U.S. female teenagers have premarital sex. Most are not consistent contraceptive users. As a result, an estimated 40 percent of females become pregnant at least once before age 20, and about four-fifths of these pregnancies are unintended.
- Twenty percent of female teenagers in the United States bear a child. These rates of pregnancy and childbirth and the highest among Western industrialized nations.
- About half of those young women are unmarried, and less than 5 percent give the baby up for adoption. Fewer teens have babies in Great Britain, but an even higher proportion—three-quarters—are not married when they do.
- Abortion is more frequent among young women with higher economic backgrounds.
- Rhode and Lawson’s study says that many young women choose to have a child because of a lack of opportunity to do much else with their lives.
- While conservatives urge teens, particularly females, to “just say no,” Rhode said, “there are cultural norms and pressures in this society that make it hard for teens to just say no, particularly if they lack opportunities to say yes to something else.”

The two researchers argue in the book that too much blame has been placed at the individual level, on teens who “want too much too soon,” in sexual relationships.

Not enough attention, they write, has been focused on institutions that offer too little education, birth control and prenatal assistance, and “too little reason to complete school, and too few opportunities for meaningful employment.”

“Having children can be highly disruptive of women’s careers and costly (in terms of both direct and opportunity losses) at all ages,” the authors write. However, it is a fallacy, they state, to believe that great economic opportunities are sacrificed through early parenting among low-income youth.

Rhode says she believes it will take a fundamental social change to develop real opportunities for low-income teens that will inspire them to defer parenting for better future for themselves and their children.
Stranded in a winter wonderland

Last week a vacation was  shoved down my throat. You heard of the snow storm that crippled Kentucky? I heard about it; I was right in the middle of it. I was stranded in that winter wonderland until a week ago today.

Why, wonder, was he in Kentucky? Why would anyone be in Kentucky? Family maybe?

No, girlfriend. Her name is Meghan. The road between Jackson-ville and Bowling Green has been well worn ever since she went back to school at Western Kentucky University. I could say that I had no idea that it was going to snow, but that would be a lie. In fact, the fairly heavy snow fall that we received here that Friday kept me from leaving (though I really thought I was going to go Sra. Suco, that’s why I skipped).

The next morning I called information and got the number of every State Troopers office between here and Kentucky. I called them all and found that the roads were just fine, so off I went.

On the way up I was listening to the radio in Nashville and heard that there was a possibility of snow. Based on my Alabama definition of “a chance of snow,” I thought nothing of it.

The night I got there, nothing happened, though it was damn cold. Still the weather reports didn’t frighten this ‘Bama boy. Even if it does snow, I thought, it’ll melt in a day or two. I was wrong.

The next night, there was freezing rain. My girlfriend (she’s from Georgia) and I weren’t scared though. We went out driving. My line of reasoning was something like this— I have an older Volvo. Volvo’s are made in Sweden. It’s really cold in Sweden and probably snows a lot. Even if we are in a wreck, what the hell, it’s a Volvo!

We drove to her grandparents’ house for dinner. I say drove, but it was really more like auto-ice skating. I slipped all over the place. By the time we made it to their house (which wasn’t that far away) the roads were bad enough that I just pointed my car in the direction of the curb and prayed that I’d stop once I hit it.

As the evening progressed, we watched people sliding down the street at varying speeds. I moved my car out of the street and into the yard after a car down the road got side-swiped.

When another fellow motorist just stopped in the middle of the road to avoid hitting a parked car, I was relieved to see that my park- ing style must be appropriate for that sort of weather—the police officer who came to his aid slammed into the curb hard.

I’ve only been ice skating two or three times in my life, and I’m most of those times I was aided by actual skates, but that night all I needed was my Chuck Tailer’s. Meghan and I skated, or tried to approach it, in the street with her grandparents looking on.

We made it back to her apartment that night. It had started raining regular rain (as in the not frozen kind) and the streets weren’t as slick as they were earlier. This, of course, boosted my confidence. I was sure it wouldn’t snow. At least that’s what I told everyone.

The next morning I was afraid to get up and look out the window. Other people in the apartment had already awakened and were making “Oh, look at the snow” noises. I finally mustered up the energy to get to the window.

And there was snow. There was a hell of a lot of snow. Instantly CNN graphics with a deep command voice popped into my head —“Winter Storm ’94. A live report.”

As I was watching TV, I began to realize that perhaps this stuff wouldn’t melt by tomorrow. Wind chills of -30. I’d never felt, even thought of anything that cold.

That day consisted of typical snow things. The obligatory snowball fight. The snow man that gets knocked down and re-built a bazillion times. We walked around a bit. It was fun. For awhile.

That night, Meghan and I participated in a large and very heated game of Trivial Pursuit. I only knew a few people playing and it soon degraded into a few enemy factions battling over the location of Las Vegas. When the map came out, we left.

The next day consisted of creative amusement. There were four of us in a tiny apartment straining to come up with new and wonderful ways to have fun. It became more and more difficult.

Soon, cabin fever set in. I must admit to having it, but it turned Megan into...Will, not a good word choice, lets just say she was going crazy. She was determined to get out of the house. On a day that had a high of a balmy 10 degrees that had considered- cly colder in the absence of the sun, she wanted to go for a drive. On snow. On snow ice. Lots of it.

After explaining what an insane idea it was, I went out to attempt to clear of my car. I left armed with a plastic scraper into the freezing cold. I couldn’t get some of the ice of my windshield and Megan came out and poured hot water on it. For the record, hot water on extremely cold surfaces results in an alarmingly thick sheet of crystal clear ice.

Another tip —don’t stick your keys in your mouth when it’s 15 below. Keys freeze to tongues. Not fun. Not that I’m saying I did that...We eventually decided going out was not an option. We went inside to watch movies. In the middle of Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers, a police car pulled up in front of the apartment. And then another. Then a fire truck up the road. It turned out that a shed behind the house next door was on fire. It seemed that the whole of the Bowling Green emergency vehicles had come out for the inci- dent. It was big fun. Lots of smoke. Stinky smoke.

The next day five houses a few blocks away blew up from a gas leak. Excitement abounded.

Living in Alabama most of my life, I’ve never had to deal with being stuck like that. All of the roads in Kentucky were closed. All of them. If you went any- where, you were taking a big chance. Something simple— like going to the grocery store — became a monumental task. You never realize all the conveniences we have today, until you lose them.

All in all, it was quite an adven- ture. It was definitely a good test of a relationship.
Dear Editor,

I would like to address an issue that was presented in the Jan. 20 issue of The Chanticleer. The opinion column that discussed campus safety did not even come close to the problems and issues that most students face here.

The real problems do not have anything to do with propping doors open, and the security guards that are placed in the dorm lobbies are of little help. Let me explain what I am speaking of.

On one occasion, I was the designated driver on a weekend evening. A friend of mine and I took a friend home to Patterson, and she had lost her keys. When we called to check on her, she did not answer her phone. When we became worried, we went to Patterson to see if the security guard could check to see if she had made it in alright. She told us that she could not leave her "post" for any reason, regardless of the seriousness. The door was locked, and we would have been happy to wait outside, but it did not happen that way. The guard simply ignored the problem.

No one can deny the fact that some people will come home drunk every once in a while (more for some, less for others). Sparkman has become a problem in particular. I took a friend of mine there, walked in the door, and planned to wait until her suite mate could make it down to ensure that she could make it upstairs alright, but I was abruptly told that I could "stop right there." I was only one step in the door, and there was even a member of the University Police sitting right next to her with a police radio. It's not like I was a serious threat to anyone. I was just making sure she would be O.K.

A friend of mine took one of his friends to the emergency room one night due to illness, where she received a sedative for the problems. From then on, she could hardly walk, and he was having to basically carry her into the lobby. The guard said, before he could get three words out, "You need to leave, sir." They repeated it three more times before he was able to explain the situation. After a short time of deliberation, one of them finally helped her up.

The question is: Is it worth these "small sacrifices" for someone to be injured or abused simply because someone is not looking at the whole picture? I feel that the people who are responsible for the security guards should take a closer look at what is going on here.

Everything has been normal except for these sometimes frequent occurrences. Can't the students have the best of both worlds, overall safety and personal and individual consideration?

This something that needs to be addressed. Respectfully submitted,

John M. Alston

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To the Editor:

This letter is in reply to the SpeakUp column published in the Jan. 20 issue regarding the complaints with Marriott's meal plans. Is the food really too expensive?

If a student purchases the 20 meal plan, the cost per meal is approximately $2.65. With the 14 meal plan, the cost per meal is approximately $4.25. These prices hardly correspond to the $5 per meal as stated by Heather Carter. Of course, if someone buys a 20 meal plan and only eats 12 meals he will obviously be wasting his money, as he would be if he spent $30 a week on groceries and only used $30 worth. At Marriott, for example, students are able to eat a wide variety of foods with unlimited seconds for a fraction of the cost they could eat fast food.

Another factor is the time spent purchasing the food, the preparation time, and the time spent cleaning up. As far as the statement about the food being free — that is ridiculous. There is no way a business, which Marriott certainly is, could possibly keep its doors open without a source of income. Would you expect McDonalds or Taco Bell to stay in business very long if they did not charge anyone for the food? Of course not!

One last comment — what does the price of books and dorms have to do with the price of a meal ticket. I am just not able to see the correlation between these expenditures. This would not be such an issue if everyone would look at it from all angles and not simply the one that suits him the best.

Sincerely,

Simon Becker

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I think they do have too many parking spaces, and I think it's unfair that they have their own parking decals that hang from their mirrors while the students have to mess up their mirrors with parking decals that they say will come off nice and neatly.

John Ford

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"I think that they do have to much parking space, and I also think they shouldn't have the spaces near the door because they are inside all day and don't have to go in and out."

Michele Maddux

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"I really feel they have too many (faculty) parking spaces on campus. The police give tickets to students for parking in them when we just have to run in and out quick." "I think the parking spaces are kind of weird to me because if you get here early I feel that you should park wherever you want to park. If the teachers are going to get here at the same time, they should get here early enough to get a parking space..."

Bryan Clerbris

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"I'm parked in one right now."

Jason Mark Young

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Cassanova

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"I'm not sure if there are too many faculty parking spaces, but I do know that there are not enough student parks here available on campus for the number of students we have enrolled here."

Zephia Bryant

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Compiled by Cheré Lee
Ask most JSU students where they are from and you’ll hear fairly familiar names — Gadsden, Anniston, Huntsville, Albertville. But every now and then you get a response that sends you after a world map, like Jamaica, Belgium or maybe Croatia.

The total international enrollment at JSU is now 158, and 20 of those are working with a special program called International House.

Some say the House is JSU’s way of bringing the world together under one roof. Twenty international students are paired with American roommates at the House in an effort to create the best environment for cultural exchange.

Bettina Peter, a freshman from Frankfurt, Germany, chose JSU due to the scholarship program for International House students. Peter had spent two vacations in America, and decided to spend a year studying here when she graduated from high school. She discovered JSU quite by accident, a family friend lived in International House several years ago. She says she has gained much more from the experience than simply better understanding of the English language. “I get a totally different view of life,” she said.

American students who live in the House are quick to point out that the exchange works both ways. “I’ve gained a better awareness that there is more to the earth than Alabama,” says Amy Cleasby, a Research Adviser who has lived in the House for three years. Of her roommates, Cleasby says, “She’s from more to the earth than Germany, and I think that is a good thing.”

David Dempsey, who has worked with the program for four years, says the diversity brings many advantages. “I’ve gained a lot of friends,” he says, “I also get to learn a lot more about other countries and cultures than I could have otherwise.”

Dempsey had a chance to put his knowledge to the test when he and a friend traveled through Europe during the summer of 1992. Not only did he benefit from his knowledge of other cultures, but he was able to find places to stay with friends from various countries.

While the House provides an organized exchange, it is obvious not all foreign students are part of the program. Aiding Curran came to Jacksonville from Dublin, Ireland as a nanny for a military family. Once here, she decided to keep up her work and attend classes. Some students have problems making the transition, but Curran says it hasn’t been that difficult, but she was glad she came over with an American family who could give her advice.

“I’m never going home,” she says. “I don’t feel like there is anything at home.” Curran also notes that she misses her family, nothing else. “I was just thrilled to be over here.”

Curran says she would not have liked to come into the International House program herself, but \( \text{Whether the student is independent on its own or part of the International House.} \) Dempsey and Cleasby agree all Americans cannot know international students.

They suggest talking to international students in classes. “Just be yourself,” Cleasby says. “Don’t be embarrassed. It would be intimidating.”

They also suggest visiting International House to meet the students involved. “Anybody is welcome here as a meet and greet sort of thing,” Dempsey says.

Cleasby agrees, “Just come on up and visit them.”

According to a College Press Service article, more than 438,218 international students are enrolled in American colleges. Many of the larger universities have international students by the thousands, but without programs like the one at JSU, they are afraid of the diversity. It has little impact on students’ lives.

(Foreign students) bring diversity. And to have that diversity you have to have foreign students educating others about their cultures,” says Steve Quint, the associate director of Boston University’s International Scholars and Students Office. “Even though there is that diversity, many students don’t take advantage of that.”

That is what administrators say they are working for at JSU — understanding and they are adding new projects to make current programs stronger. Students who are interested in learning more about other cultures can call International House at 782-5303 or contact the SGA/Cultural Affairs Committee at 782-5391.
Ann and Nancy Wilson haven’t aged as much as the Beatles. In 1989, Paul McCartney ended 13 years of exile and launched a massive world tour. He played songs like “Hey Jude” and “Let It Be” live for the first time. Seventy minutes of that show can be vividly captured on the new Capitol Records release “Paul is Live.”

The name is a parody of the whole “Paul is dead” spiel. It was engineered and mixed by Geoff Emerick, the same guy who engineered “Abbey Road” and “Sgt. Pepper’s Lonely Hearts Club Band.” All of the 24 tracks were recorded in the US and Australia. The feel of a live show is vividly captured — images of a multi-aged crowd screaming their way through more than two decades come to mind. The album starts as the show did, with “Drive My Car.” Other Beatles songs included: “All My Loving,” “We Can Work It Out,” and “Penny Lane.” From the Wings days, “Live and Let Die,” and “My Love.”

Nothing is quite so exciting as getting to see a living legend at a live show, unless you compare it with seeing the live show you sat in and recorded your latest, “Desire Walks On.” With no noticeable improvement over “Brigade,” Heart’s 1990 release, “Brigade,” featured the top ten single “All I Wanna Do Is Make Love To You,” a ludicrous anthem to promiscuous sex with an equally ludicrous video.

So, after some brutal reviews, the Wilson sisters regrouped, built their own studio and recorded their latest, “Desire Walks On.” With no noticeable improvement over “Brigade,” Heart’s stuff still sounds over-produced musical mush from the 90s. The problem was the equivalent of eating all your Halloween candy in one night: you know, that bloated, unpleasant, “candy-tummy” feeling.

The first musical track on the album, “Will You Be There (In The Morning),” is a power ballad in the Bon Jovi-Def Leppard-we-can’t-write-a-song-that-sounds-original-to-save-our-lives vein, which is fine if you like that sort of thing.

Myself, I’ll just listen to my 45 of “Magic Man” again.

-- Will Chandler
Features Editor

St. Luke’s Episcopal Church
Campus Ministry
Meetings have resumed for this semester.
Weekly meetings are held in the Campus Ministry Center of St. Luke’s Episcopal Church.
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Jamie Cole
Managing Editor
Students who do not know Stacy Fumbanks from the numerous musicals she has been in or her involvement in various choral groups and organizations now know her as Miss JSU 1994.

Stacy has been involved with the pageant for the last five years. She has performed with JSU’s show choir, has helped contestants backstage, and she even participated as a contestant two years ago.

When asked how it felt to be crowned Miss JSU, Stacy replies, “I was totally dumb-founded. I was not expecting to win. I originally just wanted scholarship money.”

Not only could Stacy easily win scholarship money for her voice (she has been involved in Acappela Choir, Show Choir, Chamber Singers, Community Chorus, and various musicals), but also for her extraordinary grades and leadership abilities. It is for these talents that she has earned membership in Omicron Delta Kappa, a national leadership honor society. Stacy is also a member of Sigma Alpha Iota, an international women’s organization, Alpha Phi Omega, and Phi Eta Sigma. She will also play the lead in JSU’s production of “My Fair Lady.”

Stacy, a graduate student, is currently studying to get an Education Teaching Certificate to teach choral music. She has plans for another Masters in Music later on.

Stacy tries not to think too much about the Miss Alabama pageant, which she is required to participate in. About the competition, she states that “It will be an honor to represent JSU in the pageant.”

-- Allison Graydon

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Paradise

by Dave Wright

THE FAR SIDE

by GARY LARSON

The party had been going splendidly — and then Tantor saw the ivory keyboard.

“Oh, and that makes me feel even worse! ... I laughed at Dinkins when he said his new lenses were indestructible.”
JSU gives good show in high-scoring games

Jeh Jeh Pruitt
Sports Editor

Michael Graben
Sports writer

The Bud Light Daredevils were not the only ones to give a great show last Saturday night. Seven JSU players were in double figures as the Gamecocks crushed the Golden Bears of Miles College 128-102.

"We played pretty good," freshman guard Aaron Kelley said. "Everybody came off the bench one time. Kelley had 11 points in leading by Jeh Jeh Pruitt
Sports Editor

John Session scored 28 points and pulled down 12 rebounds (both career highs), to lead the Gamecocks. Session also had the highlight of the game with a thunderous dunk to put JSU over 100 points.

"It was not my best game at JSU. I need to work on my defense. It's hard to guard those 5'11" guards." Armour added 27 points and 19 rebounds and Jeff Terry chipped in 16 points.

Jacksonville State State led the entire ball game, leading by as much as 32 points at one time. Kelley had 11 points in the first half, but finished the game with 20 points. John Session also finished the game with 20 points. In addition, Jeff Terry and Pat Armour both had 17 points, along with Rusty Brand adding 16 points.

You would have thought John Session was a member of the Daredevils with four monster slams in the game, two back to back.

"My teammates helped me out and I just finished the play," Session explained.

"We knew we had to win the game. We didn't have to win big, but we knew we had to win." JSU finished the first half with confidence leading Miles 65-38. The second half was no better for the Golden Bears. Miles just couldn't match up with the Gamecocks' scoring forces.

Shelby Stanley was Miles' only ray of hope, but didn't shine bright enough for the upset. Stanley scored 40 points alone against Jax State, and was six of 11 from the three-point line.

JSU head coach Bill Jones stated that his team had to take care of business (in other words, they had to win) in order to be one of the Elite Eight teams. But as far as the playoffs are concerned, coach Jones said, "I don't have any feel for that at all."

Monday night, Jax State continued their run for the NCAA Tournament. The Gamecocks recorded a second straight 100 plus scoring game defeating Shaw University (N.C.) 101-83.

John Session explained. "Our team had a good intensity level. We felt that was important to get a good start," Jones explained. On Tuesday, JSU played Lee College (Tenn.).

Lady 'cocks can't break streak

LaShell Humphrey cut West Georgia's seven point lead to three with 6:24 left in the first half. But the Lady Braves threw an arrow in JSU's program and knocked the lead back up to nine to end the first half 30-21.

Although West Georgia had many offensive rebounds, sophomore Alfredia Seals was the dominant one on the defensive side. Seals had 12 defensive rebounds and a total of 15 for the game, the highest of both teams.

In the second half, the game turned out to be too close for comfort. The Lady Gamecocks came out running and gunning. Although they were down by 11 at the half, they fought back inch by inch to get back into the ballgame.

With 9:52 left in the game, Kim Rodgers hit a three-pointer to cut West Georgia's lead to six. Then a jumper by Jennifer Tinker and a layup by Jana Simmons cut the lead to four with 6:59 left in the game.

The fans were on their feet as the game went back and forth with the Lady Braves being in the lead by either two or four.

One fan from West Georgia said she was going to leave because the game was literally making her sick from being worried.

With 2:19 left in the game, Alfredia Seals made a layup that tied the game 61-61. But Rozetha Burrows, who had 21 points, made a layup with teammate Doris Elder hitting three key free throws to end the Lady Gamecocks' hopes of winning.

"The whole game I was thinking we were going to win," Simmons said.

Freshman Brandy White said, "We played really hard but we just couldn't seem to get over the mountain. We're just stuck. I thought we were going to win this game."

The Lady Gamecocks' record falls to 6-10. Their next game will be here tonight at Pete Mathews Coliseum. Tip-off is at 7 p.m.
Richardson plays for NFL scouts in Senior Bowl

Bill Dobias
Sports Editor

Former Jacksonville State fullback, Sean Richardson, played on ESPN Saturday when he was called to play in the Senior Bowl.

The 5'11" Senior played for the South as they went on to defeat the North 35-32.

"I thought I performed as good as can be expected with limited amount of play," Richardson said.

Richardson received the message in Jack Hopper Dining Hall from Defensive coordinator Roland Houston after coming from Defensive coordinator from somewhere. It just made me realize that it's a small world.

Richardson met Don Shula, head coach of the Miami Dolphins, "Mean" Joe Green, line coach for the Dolphins, and many Division I players, but he chose to hang out with only a select few.

"I hung out with Terry Smith from Clemson, Kevin Simmons from Troy, Rico White from Alcorn State. Me and the other players from small schools bonded better than the guys from big schools."

Richardson received the message in Jack Hopper Dining Hall from Defensive coordinator Roland Houston after coming from class last Tuesday.

"I thought he (Houston) was playing, but I knew that he wouldn't play with something like that," Richardson said.

"My mom and sisters and brothers went down. They were more excited than I was."

Richardson was flown to Montgomery from Birmingham and was met by representatives of the bowl game. They went to the hotel and had to jump right in the practices. He signed plenty of autographs and ran into someone he knew while doing volunteer last summer at Camp ASCCA, a deaf and blind camp.

"I remember seeing this girl. She came up to me. I knew her from somewhere. It just made me realize that it's a small world.

Richardson and the other players were compensated for playing in the bowl game. They also received T-shirts, shorts, and jerseys.

Richardson is not letting his chances of going to the NFL change anything about his lifestyle.

"Think my chances are greatly improved for the simple fact I was in the game, but as far as putting all of my chips down, I'm gonna remain pessimistic. If it happens, it happens. If it don't, I won't lose anything."

If Richardson should happen to not make it to the next level, he still has his life all planned out.

"I want to graduate, get a job, and do as much for the black community as I can. Even if it does not work out, I'm still gonna do all I can for the black community because I am very conscious of my heritage and the problems of my community."

Sean Richardson is more than just a football player, he is a man with a great outlook on life. He enjoys writing and if he had to do school all over again, would become something in the communication field.
purpose.”

Basketball officially started this week, and just like always, the games drew massive crowds.

Assistant IM director Eric Brasher stated, “There are thirty-four teams that are divided into five divisions, one fraternity division, three independent divisions, and one women’s division.

“Fans are welcome, but they must have a valid ID to gain entrance into Stephenson Hall.”

Fraternity all-sports standings find Alpha Tau Omega in first place with 56 points. Kappa Sigma and Pi Kappa Phi are tied for second with 54 points.

Women’s all-sports standings find Delta Zeta on top with 43 points. Phi Mu and Zeta Tau Alpha are close behind with 40 points.

--- Michael Graben

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Other Intramural sports include raquetball and table tennis. Entries for both sports close today at 4:30. Entry forms can be picked up at Stevenson Hall. If you have any questions, please call Eric Brasher at 782-5074 or 782-5072.

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Former JSU greats return

Mock leads baseball clinic at Jax State

**Derrick Griffie**  
Sports writer

Whoever said that the athletes of today could not have made it in the old days are dead wrong according to Julian Mock, the director of scouting for the Cincinnati Reds baseball team. “The athletes of today are better because we have better youth, high school, and college programs,” says Mock. Mock has been involved in the baseball industry for over thirty years. He started the first baseball clinic in the state of Georgia. Mock was one of the big names in the baseball industry at the Jacksonville State University baseball clinic on Sunday January 23 at Pete Mathews Coliseum.

“Because we have these baseball clinics, and because we teach the younger kids the proper way to play baseball, they have better opportunities in the Industry,” Mock said.

Several professional athletes were present at the clinic, including All-Star Shortstop for the Detroit Tigers, Travis Fryman, and Mark Seibert, pitcher from the Atlanta Braves.

The baseball clinic also brought back some big time JSU baseball players like Tim VanEgman, Todd Mixon, Mark Adams, and Merritt Bowden. All of the above played on the National Championship Teams for JSU in 90 and 91. “The purpose of the clinic is to instruct and to teach the young guys and their coaches how to develop their playing skills,” Mock says. He says that the kids need to know how to throw, hit, and field properly.

Also present at the clinic was former JSU player Terry Abbott. Coach Rudy Abbott’s cousin. Terry has coached in the major leagues for the last five years. Every team that he coached in the majors has won a League Championship.

I asked Mr. Mock what would he say to an athlete that wanted to try out for the majors. He replied, “You should run short sprints to increase your speed and quickness, learn the proper throwing techniques and practice the long toss, and get a tee and hit the ball off the tee to work on your swing.

There were at least eight professional teams present at the clinic. Kenny Parker, the hitting coach for the Pittsburgh Pirates had the first crack at the kids. He ‘old the parents to support the kids in every way.’ “Don’t harp on the things that they do wrong because that is not going to help.” Parker says. He also stated that in order to be successful you have to be confident, and the parents support will help build that confidence.

The clinic would consist of two different intervals. The first was for the kids and the second was for the coaches. The clinic was divided into certain categories such as: hitting, pitching, infield, outfield, and catching. At each station the young kids received hands-on experience by one of the instructors present.

After working for a while inside the activities relocated outside, where each person received one on one help with their skills.
Cha-ching!
My prediction was correct! History will repeat itself again. The Bills will face the Cowboys in the most watched sporting event of 1994, the SUPER BOWL!

Sunday, the Bills did what no other team in NFL history has done: make it to the SUPER BOWL for the fourth straight time, defeating Kansas City 30-13.

It was a day that Joe Montana will never forget. Come to think of it, he did forget. Montana went out in the third quarter with a slight concussion that ended his season as an AFC runner-up.

“I didn’t remember for most of the third quarter what happened let alone what was going on,” Montana explained. “I was trying to pay attention, but I couldn’t even remember what the score was or how they had gotten 20 points.”

Montana didn’t have Jerry Rice and John Taylor to make the big plays. Kimble Anders dropped a 5-yard pass that hit him right in the hands. Keith Cash also dropped a key pass in the game. Both Cash and Anders dropped two passes that would have made a difference in the game.

The Bills are already getting negative publicity about going back to the SUPER BOWL. “Hey, we’re back,” Jim Kelly said. “What else can you say about what we have accomplished? It means a lot to us. The people who counted us out did that.” Nobody has done what we have done.

Thomas Howard carried the ball 33 times for 186 yards. Jim Kelly completed 17 of 27 passes for 160 yards.

The Bills left for the “Peach Bowl” Monday and are just prepared to have fun in their fourth consecutive SUPER BOWL appearance.

Coach Johnson said that this week he would not say a word, but everyone knows how he feels.

This is an event that should be marked on every calendar. The first ever repeat SUPER BOWL will be Sunday. Deja vu is the word I’m looking for. Yes! That means that Dallas will have back to back championship seasons. Call me crazy! Call it a hunch! But I predict Dallas 35 and Buffalo 28. The Dome is where it will happen. Kick-off is at 5 p.m. on NBC.
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