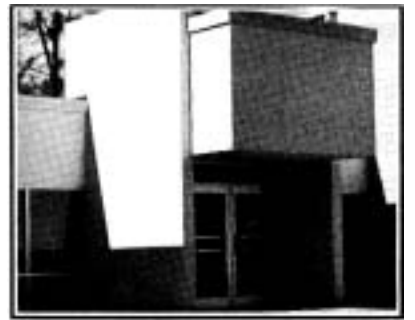


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## IN THE News

### Morris No Longer Serving Out His Term as Comptroller

The recipient of a letter that led to a student protest at Bibb Graves Hall two weeks ago has reportedly been removed from his SGA office.

Ray Morris, who received a controversial letter from Matt Crandon, his rival for the office of first vice president, is no longer serving out his term as the SGA's comptroller. Instead, Robbie Patti, who won the office in the recent SGA elections, is being asked to assume the duties of the office early.

According to SGA sources, Morris has not been seen in Jacksonville since the elections. Crandon said that Morris' office had apparently been emptied out during spring break.

"I think that it's too bad that Ray didn't have the fortitude to ... stick out the rest of his term," Crandon says. "Ray has an obligation .. to the SGA which he has not fulfilled."

Morris could not be reached for comment.

Patti has been spending the first few days since spring break adjusting to the office. "Usually the people [newly elected officers] take over right as finals roll around, so they have that window where they can have some sort of training," Patti says "I'm coming in and just having to learn stuff as I go."

Crandon wrote a letter to Morris during the election in which he accused Morris, who he suspected of harboring racist attitudes, of selling himself out "for the black vote"

Copies of the letter were made and distributed around campus. Students upset with Crandon's statements in the letter assembled at the last SGA meeting before spring break to air their views. The next morning they staged a sit-in protest at Bibb Graves Hall calling for Crandon's resignation.

The University promised to launch an investigation into actions of the SGA during the elections. Also promised was full funding for the Office of Minority Affairs. The University also decided to postpone all SGA meeting until next semester.

-by Benjamin Cunningham

## Tuition Increase Still a Possibility

by Scott Hopkin

*Chanticleer News Writer*

There may be another tuition increase if the governor gets his way. Though his previous bill for higher education cuts was thrown out of the Legislature two weeks ago, he has recently introduced new measures to cut more money.

Jacksonville State students are currently looking at a 50 dollar increase in their tuition. This increase is approximate, and still being proposed to the board of trustees. Watts says that it would "be reconsidered... if the state budget is sufficient that no tuition increase is necessary."

JSU students didn't learn about last year's restructuring and tuition increases until July. "Many students were, of course, blindsided by that," says Watts, "And given the shortness of time, it was difficult for many of them to make the necessary financial arrangements." Watts says that he is optimistic that the state won't do severe damage to the budget.

According to Watts, JSU is considering a 5% increase on professors' and most staff's salaries. The University also has Jack Hopper, the Vice President of Institutional Advancement, in Montgomery. He is helping to fight for a 4% increase in teachers'

salaries in the legislature to match the K-12 teacher's raise. "We're optimistic on this," says Hopper.

Watts says the money for the 5% raise will likely come from administration's pocket. "We have only one place to take that money, and that's ourselves. We're dealing with a limited pool of funds." He also says that the tuition increase would help pay for this. "That doesn't make it any easier on the students. Unless the state raises our budget, we really have no choice but to reduce programs, reallocate resources, and

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### University Dial-up Internet Access Will Begin This Week

by Scott Hopkin

*Chanticleer News Writer*

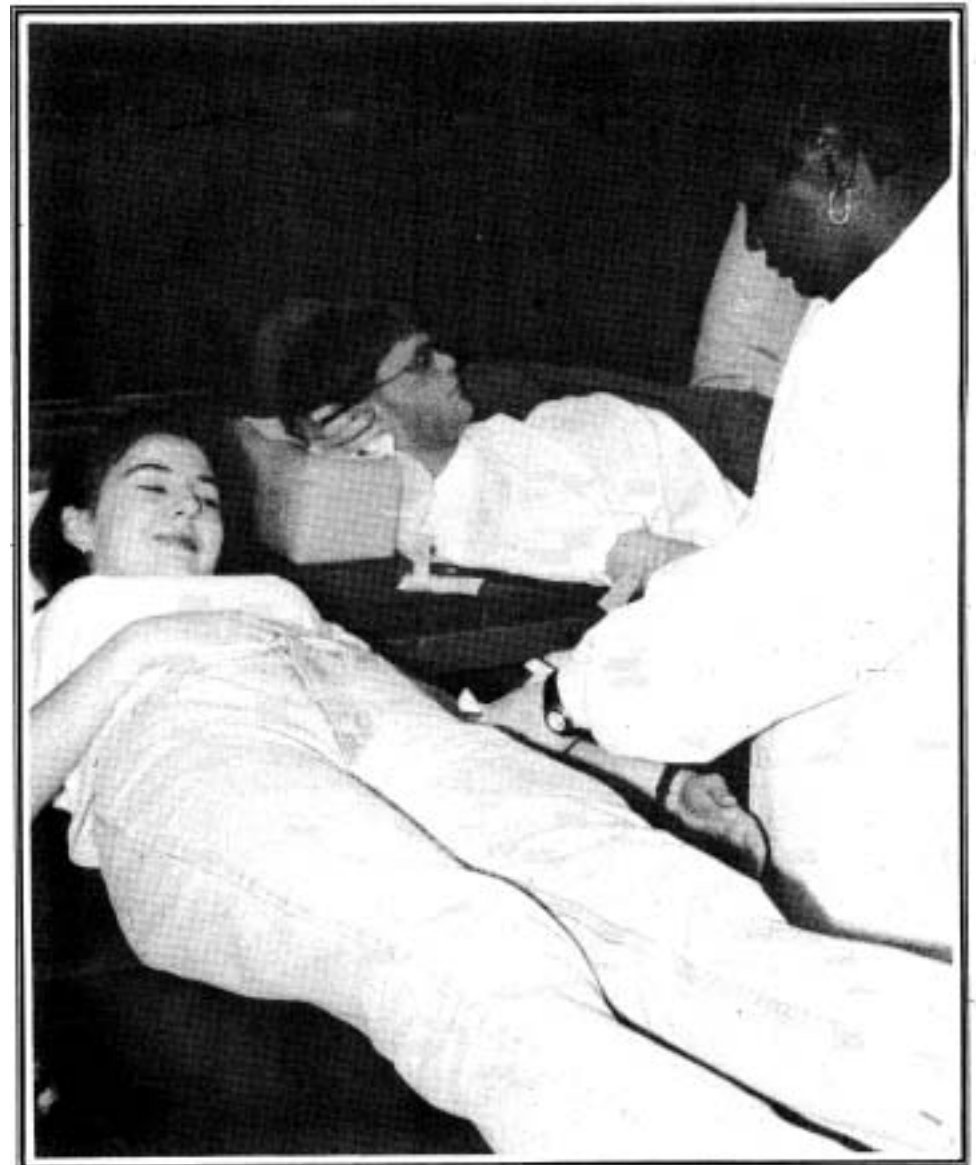
JSU's dial-up access for the internet will be available this Thursday or Friday, according to Don Walters who's head of Academic Computer Services on the third floor of Bibb Graves. "It just depends on how quickly I can get the documentation written."

Access will be limited for the remainder of the semester, though a much fuller access will be available in the fall, according to Walters. Only four of the modem lines for students will be available. This is to prevent the phone line trunks from becoming crammed. Fully loaded trunks mean that people can't call long distance, or have someone call into the University phone system.

Currently, documentation and a special .ini file is available for Windows 3.1 users. The .ini will make setting up relatively simple. The set-up for Windows 95 users won't be as easy. The Win95 documentation, all 21 pages of it, is available for students, including pictures and diagrams to

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The SGA sponsored a blood drive for the American Red Cross during the last week of March (Photo by Donny Cotten).

## CAMPUS CRIME DOCKET

- 3-18-96. Barbara T. Wilson reported theft of property at 206 Church Ave NE. A gold bracelet was stolen.
- 3-20-96. Melinda Jean Hamlet reported breaking and entering of an automobile at Sparkman Hall parking lot.
- 3-22-96. Alicia Joy Williamson reported breaking and entering of an automobile at Merrill Hall.
- 3-25-96. Danny Warrell reported criminal mischief in the parking lot across from Delta Chi.
- 3-30-96. Trina M. Henderson reported harassing communications at Campus Inn apartments.
- 4-1-96. JSU reported theft of property. A copy machine key bypass was stolen.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

•The Financial Aid Office will be conducting a workshop to help students complete the 1996-97 Federal Free Application for Federal Student Aid. Students must bring 1995 U.S. income tax returns, driver's license and social security card. The workshop is April 17 at 6:00 p.m. The workshop will be held at the Round House and will last approximately one hour. Deadline to turn in Federal Direct Loan Applications for summer 1996 is June 7, 1996. This includes May term, Summer I, Summer II and Marathons A, B, C, D and E.

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## Council Cools Down

by Tim Lockette  
*Chanticleer Managing Editor*

"It's vacation week for most of us," said Mayor George Douthit at the March 24 meeting of Jacksonville's City Council, "So let's see if we can get this wrapped up in a hurry." After months of confrontational meetings, the Spring Break session of the Jacksonville City Council was, by all accounts, sedate.

The first, unofficial order of business was a fond farewell from the Council to Jacksonville News reporter Pati Tiller, who is leaving the News. "Pati, you've been good to us!" said Mayor Douthit.

The Council considered an action to take down the traffic signal at the intersection of Church Avenue and Vann Street. The signal has been the subject of a number of citizens' complaints, including one from the Eastwood Community Watch. Watch members claim that the frequently-malfunctioning signal is a danger to drivers.

"It seems like every time it rains or comes up a cloud," said Douthit, "This signal goes out."

The action passed unanimously. The signal will be replaced with four-way stop signs.

The Council also approved an action to allow the city to enter into a Public Depositor Collateral Security Agreement with SouthTrust Bank. A similar agreement is to be struck between SouthTrust and Jacksonville's Water Works and Gas and Sewer Boards. According to Douthit, the action was suggested to the city's auditors.

Activist Jose Martinez arrived just as the Citizens' Comments portion of the meeting opened. City Attorney Grant Parris, who clashed with Martinez in previous meetings, was not present at the meeting. Also absent was mayoral candidate Scott Hammond.

Citizen Charles Reese rose to express concerns about the city's water department. Reese, who is running for a council seat, said that he noticed problems with his water pressure on the Friday before the meeting. Reese says that he called the water department and was told to call the fire department if he lost water pres-

sure completely over the week-end. Reese then went to the city water tank, he says, and found it only half full. City workers looked into the problem, and determined that pressure problems were caused by the failure of an electrical component.

"That's being reactive, not proactive," said Reese. He also raised concerns about erosion on the road which leads to the 14th Street water tank. "When they (city workers) finish, they should clean up their messes," he said.

"They haven't finished up there yet," said Douthit.

Jose Martinez was recognized and addressed the subject of the Council's minutes. "all that is listed (in the Citizens' Comments portion) is comments and not the reply of the Council," said Martinez. "I would like that to be changed. I have a right to recorded responses to my comments."

"I'll look into that," Douthit responded.

"Otherwise," said Martinez, "I'll have to set up recording gear."

"That's fine, Jose," Douthit replied.

## Looking for Experience?

Students interested in applying for

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must submit a resume to Joe Langston in Self Hall,  
Room 104 by April 5 at 4:30 p.m.

## ORGANIZATIONS

•**The Writer's Club** meets every Tuesday at 3:00 p.m. on the seventh floor of the library.

•**LDSSA** (Latter-day Saint Student Association) meets every Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. in Bibb Graves, Room 30. For more information call Dr. Donnie Ford at 782-5242.

•**The Chanticleer** is looking for volunteer writers and photographers for the Abstract, an orientation magazine for freshman and transfer students. For more information, call 782-5701 or drop by 180 Self Hall.

•**The Social Work Club**, a community service organization, would like to invite all students interested in helping the community to become new members. For more information contact the Social Work Office at 782-5333.

•**Karate Seminars** are held every Monday, 12:15-12:45 p.m. in Stephenson Hall, Room 205. Seminars are free of charge to JSU students, faculty and staff. Instructor Chuck Torruella will cover self-defense, kicking techniques, flexibility and physical conditioning. For more information call Recreational Sports at 782-5072.

•**The Department of Military Science** will hold the Army ROTC Spring Commissioning Ceremony on Friday, April 26 at 10:00 a.m. at the Wallace Hall Auditorium. Seven Cadets will be commissioned as Second Lieutenants in the United States

Army. The public is invited to attend.

•**The Panhellenic and Interfraternity Councils** sponsored a fundraiser party on March 13 to raise money for Multiple Sclerosis. All fraternities and sororities participated. Kappa Sigma and Chris Robinson provided the entertainment. A total of \$434 was raised during the course of the evening.

•**Greek Week** began on Sunday, March 17. Events during the week included a darts tournament, a three-legged race, a tug-of-war, a chariot race, a volleyball tournament and a skit peition. Greek Week ended with a banquet held on the 11th floor of the Houston Cole Library. First place for the sororities went to Alpha Xi Delta. Sigma Phi Epsilon was awarded first place for the fraternities. Rod Beal, a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon, was elected Greek God. Jennifer Upton, a member of Alpha Xi Delta, was elected Greek Goddess.

•**The Annual JSU Commemoration of the Holocaust of World War II** takes place April 9 at 7:30 p.m. on the 11th floor of Houston Cole Library. Mr. Jan Mars, Holocaust survivor, will be the keynote speaker. Readings and music will be provided by members of the JSU community. The public is invited to attend.

### Internet

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help them through the set-up procedure. Students can find both sets of files on the f:/ drive in the computer labs at Bibb Graves. They will need to bring their own disks.

Walters also stresses that students look at a particular web page on JSU's site, which will give complete instructions for both the novice and the experienced user. Students can find it at <http://www.jsu.edu/depart/acsv>. At the moment, there isn't a package for Macintosh users, however, it should be available within a few weeks.

Walters insists that no help, either by phone or by coming to people's homes, will be offered to students to set up their systems. The documentation and web site

(which can be accessed normally in the labs) will have most of the answers. "The most important thing is go to the web page for directions."

The University will not charge students for the dial-up access, though the idea has been bounced around according to Walters. There will be a time-out function, which will automatically end the sessions after 45 minutes. Walters says that this time is temporary, and will fluctuate once he has a feel for the usage of the system.

There have also been talks between JSU and MCI to establish dial-up access through the long distance company. This would include a 200 modem phone bank and a T1 line (which would vastly increase the response time). While MCI would pay for the lines and modems, there would be a 12-dol-

lars-a-month fee for students to use the dial-up.

Walters expects students who are already signed up with another service to have some problems. The computer, when looking for the WinSock (a simple program that helps you connect to the web), will find the first one in its path. This might mean that your computer will try calling the other service, and use JSU access information. For the novice user, if problems develop, will probably have to decide which service they want more. More advanced techniques may be available on the web site, or in the documentation.

Minimum requirements are eight megabytes of hard drive space, at least four megabytes of ram, and windows. The Macintosh requirements are not yet available.

### Tuition Increase

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request a tuition increase, to be able to maintain the existing programs that we have. It's extraordinarily hard times for higher education."

Watts says that the trustees want to restore the previous levels of tuition. "The board wants JSU to offer a modest charge to students." According to Watts, even though the state reduced funds by 2 million dollars last year, JSU is still providing the same services. He says the money came from

faculty, staff and students to keep funding at the same level.

While the current Alabama house budget does not include any changes in higher education's budget, it hasn't passed the senate. "That's not what we want. We want the cuts restored, and we want sufficient funds to provide the same level of salary increase that K-12 teachers and staff will be getting." Watts says the money is available in Special Education Trust Fund. The fund, which is dedicated to education, "has been growing. The revenues from income tax and sales tax have increased by over 200 million dollars between this year and last year."

"You can't build a successful

state economy by cutting higher education," says Watts. "Higher education is the way to a state's success and to a student's success after graduation. What are we going to do when the textile mills close and we've reduced opportunities for higher education? Go back to subsistence farming?"

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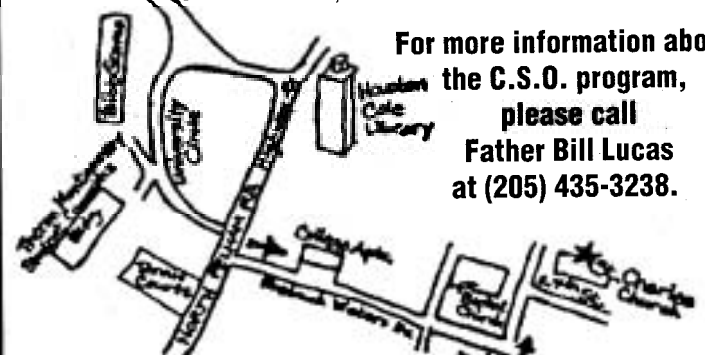
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## ISSUE OF THE WEEK

### Okay, Maybe Cats Do Eat Cheese

Everybody said, "Socrates, tell us the meaning of life." Everybody said, "Socrates, what is the true nature of Justice?" Nobody said, "Socrates, hemlock is poison!"

--Steve Martin

*The Death of Socrates*

**We Suggest:  
Hemlock is Poison**

We try not to take comfort in the fact that we're just a student newspaper. The student body deserves a professional newspaper, and so we try to judge ourselves by professional standards. But we are just students, and sometimes we make a boo-boo so colossal that our only defense is to throw our hands in the air and say, "Next time, we'll know."

Case in point: before Spring Break, our Managing Editor, Tim Lockette, wrote a lengthy editorial titled "Cats Don't Eat Cheese." The premise of the article was that commercial television teaches children absurd things — for instance, that cheetahs eat Chee-tos. Mr Lockette was quite proud of the article, and circulated it among friends before it was published. It was well-received: one person even told him it was "the best thing he ever wrote for the paper."

The piece has generated more response than any of Lockette's articles to date. Apparently, a number of readers own cats who do eat cheese. The response is always the same: cats will eat almost any sliced cheese, and are particularly fond of Kraft American. One respondent said that her cats even like Chee-tos: "They won't eat them, but they'll lick stuff off."

Lockette has indeed owned cats in the past, and has never known them to eat cheese, but admits that his cats may have been mutants. Any member of the Angel family can tell you about the cats which circulated around Angel Station in the 1970's and '80's: they all had six to eight toes on each paw. The last of the subspecies — *felis domesticus angelicus* — was executed by the Angel family patriarch around 1990, and is not available for comment. Lockette was also involved in the care and feeding of Nads, the feline mascot, of the 4408th Air Refueling Squadron in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. Nads was none too fond of cheese — but then again, the human in the squadron didn't care for products of the Saudia Milk Company either. One does well to be circumspect in a region where one man's baby milk factory is another man's chemical weapons plant.

We stand by Lockette's assertion that cheetahs do not crave a foodstuff made primarily of puffed corn. One respondent took us to task on that. "If you put them in a cage and fed them nothing but Chee-tos," she said, "They'd probably eat it." Yet this is hardly the image the advertisers want to convey: an imprisoned Chester, dizzy from sodium consumption, surrounded by soggy, naked orange corn puffs. If this is "the cheese that goes crunch," we want no part of it. Mississippians ate rats during the siege of Vicksburg. This doesn't mean that a Confederate soldier is the appropriate mascot for a rat-based snack.

But cats do eat cheese. We are sorry for any suffering this error may have caused.

## Good Ol' Vandalism



by **Tim Lockette**  
*Managing Editor*

Here at *The Chanticleer* we're always talking about the phenomenon which has come to be known as "going postal." After all, as journalists, we are more likely than most people to become the victims of spree killers. And perhaps more importantly, we work in a pretty high-stress environment — for \$62 a week — and go to school too. I'm feeling rather postal right now: the GI Bill check is late, I quit smoking a week ago, and I have a French test tomorrow. Near postality is the norm rather than the exception in this workplace.

What I can't figure out though, is why people always seem to barge into buildings and kill people. Modern technology has provided us with more obnoxious machines than were present in any era in human history. The Macs here at our office are a good example: for reasons too complicated to explain in this space, transferring a document from one disk to another often requires us to exit all running programs, enter a shutdown sequence, turn off the computer for a few minutes, and then boot the darned thing back up. Good help is so hard to find these days. I'd much rather kill a Mac than any human, with the exception, perhaps, of Steve Jobs. Why doesn't anyone ever walk into an office building and kill all the blasted fax machines?

I wonder what happened to good, old-fashioned vandalism. To take out one's rage on an inanimate object is one of the oldest human traditions —

maybe even a primitive form of religious faith. From the burning-in-effigy of evil spirits to the flushing of old lovers' class rings, the destruction of property has offered solace to almost every human soul. But nowadays, a disgruntled soul is far more likely to kill a human being than to break a storefront window. Blind rage against the system is out, and personal cruelty is in.

I really think we are beginning to care more about machines than we do about people. Here I could launch into a lot of science-fictional talk about how computers have become more and more like humans, but suspect the problem is a far older one — the problem of wealth, and the luxuries it brings. The other day, as I was stuck in traffic, I heard a phrase from the Gulf War pop into my head: "Oil is vital to the American way of life as we know it today." I had to laugh: what's so great about the American way of life as we know it. We have to have answering machines, we have to have car phones — and we're unhappy because we have no privacy. We have to be on the

Internet, we have to have cable, we have to surround ourselves with mounds and mounds of stuff to keep all those people out: all those people who could hurt us.

I'm not some sort of neo-Luddite. The most famous anti-technology crusader of the 1990's — the Unabomber — is just as bad as all the technomaniacal dictators scrambling for the Bomb. Like them, he feels human beings should be eliminated to make the world safe for political ideology — which in itself is a kind of machine. And he probably spends his week-ends alone, building little deadly devices in the kitchen sink — another old white guy with his toys. No, we don't have to go to out and smash every machine in sight. But if you're angry, you're better off attacking a Coke machine than going to church and (allegedly) taking potshots at your wife. We needn't throw the Ring of Power into the Cracks of Doom — but we've got to stop slipping the thing on every time we stub our toes.

They tell us technology has made us more productive than ever — they don't tell us what we're being productive of. More stuff, probably. But still we're unhappy, so unhappy that we want to move our stuff to Montana and live in garrisons. What we need is a technology of happiness. I'm not sure exactly what that technology would be, but I have a strong feeling that it might involve warm evenings, front porches, iced tea, and the telling of stories.

**"Voting is the language of democracy."**

**-Myrlie Evers-Williams**  
civil rights activist  
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# Letters to the Editor

## There's Beauty in Diversity

Dear Editor:

In Ms. Dickinson's English 102 class, we discussed a very lovely and thought-provoking poem called "Pied Beauty" by Gerard Manley Hopkins. The poet prefers those creations that are varied, unique and imperfect by stating "Glory be to God for dappled things/ For skies of couple-color as a brinded cow/ For rose-moles all in stipple upon trout that swim."

Our JSU student body consists of a beautiful variety of people from all walks of life. Each individual is unique in his own way, whether "fickled, freckled, swift, slow; sweet, sour; adazzle, dim." The University welcomes international students, handicapped students, non-traditional students, blacks and whites, males and females.

May our SGA and the entire student body also see the beauty of a varied student population like a "landscape plotted and pieced," and seek a more harmonious atmosphere!

"Glory be to God for dappled things!"

Jayne D. Jones

Non-traditional student

## Student Upset About Pro-Life Advertising Insert

Dear Editor:

"Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law."

Once again the *Chanticleer* shows the student body of JSU the perfect example of how unprofessional a student newspaper can be. I am, of course, referring to the insert in the March 21 issue of the *Chanticleer*.

Clearly the *Chanticleer* is not an unbiased newspaper. A few issues back, I submitted another letter in which I declared my views concerning certain religious views that tend to deviate from the norm. This letter was not printed. Why? Because of the *Chanticleer*, while screaming "Freedom of the Press" out of one side of its mouth, decries "Jesus is Lord" from the other side. Despite the fact that the same Constitutional Amendment which insures the freedom of the press also proclaims the freedom of religion, the editors of the *Chanticleer* fail to print anything other than right-wing, Christian propaganda.

One *Chanticleer* staffer was thoughtful enough to point out to me that the insert was a paid advertisement and that the *Chanticleer* "needed advertisements." I personally feel that such advertisements are improper and violate the separation of church and state. As a tax-payer and a full-time student, I feel that the *Chanticleer's* main priority should be to the student body and not to some bunch of reactionary Jesus freaks. This advertisement was issued simply because the editorial staff of the *Chanticleer* sold their ethics for a quick buck. There are ethical standards when it comes to determining what is and what is not appropriate advertising.

Certainly the *Chanticleer* would not run a full-page, color spread of a pair of homosexuals engaged in sodomy. Arguments against such an advertisement would, of course, include the old standby, "Well, it might influence our young people to engage in that kind of activity!" I now propose the argument that sodomy is far preferable to the heinous murder of abortion clinic workers. I further propose that the March 21 insert to the *Chanticleer* propaganda intended to encourage such violent and anti-social behavior. I now ask you, O Wise and Holy Editors, whether or not you should be held accountable if some mentally unstable student decides to take your thoughtlessly issued ad as a sign from God and go knock off a few doctors. It is a scenario which is not only possible yet probable.

I suggest that out of respect for the institution of journalism and in an effort to regain your ethical integrity, the editorial staff of the *Chanticleer* resign and allow some responsible students to take the helm. You people make me sick to my stomach, and I pray that you never work for a real newspaper.

"Love is the law, love under will."

In light and perfection I am,  
Victor Thomas Cypert  
Senior

## VIEWPOINTS

### How Warm Does It Have to Be Before You Start Wearing Shorts?



**"50 degrees. I wear shorts all year round."**  
-Jay Shankles  
Junior

**"I don't even wear shorts to tell you the truth."**  
-Tod Gray  
Sophomore



**"60 degrees. I've been wearing them since Christmas!"**  
-Scott McGuire

**"50 degrees, 55 maybe."**  
-Carrie Williams  
Senior



“

When (students) get to touch a piece of history, they develop a sense that history is real.

”

see below

## This Ain't No Gun Show!

On April 13th the Berman Museum opens fire with a historical look at the weapons and art of bygone eras.

“Pardon my appearance, I've been working with guns all day,” says Gordon Blaker. “I've been up to my eyebrows in gun labels.” Blaker and a group of other workers have been working frantically to get the Berman Museum open by April 13. Though the museum's publicity campaign has many local residents convinced that the new institution is devoted to military history, Blaker insists that it is “not a gun museum.”

“I need you to dispel that rumor,” says Blaker, the museum's curator. “The helmet (in the Museum insignia) represents art, arms, and historical artifacts.”

The bulk of the museum's stock comes from the private collection of Farley L. and Germaine K. Berman. The Anniston-born Mr. Berman worked for military intelligence during WWII, where he met the future Mrs. Berman, who was working in a similar capacity for the French government-in-exile. After leaving military service, the couple continued to travel widely, collecting weapons and objets d'art

Blaker says the Bermans have donated “just about everything” in their collection to the museum.

But they weren't the only donors. The city of Anniston funded construction of the building — a few hundred feet from the Anniston Museum of Natural History — which is to house the Berman collection. “But that's all they paid for,” says Blaker, apparently conscious of the present public attitude



**THE METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF ART WANTED IT BUT WE GOT IT:**  
One of the most sought after collections of rare and antique weapons will soon be on display at the Berman Museum in Anniston.

toward government spending. “This is not a federal, state, or city museum; it's a scrounge-your-own-money operation.”

Blaker says that when it opens, the museum will feature three main exhibitions. One exhibition, dedi-

cated to the American West, will include 80 firearms from the Old West, bronze sculptures by Charles Russell and Frederick Remington, and three dioramas depicting Old West scenes. Another exhibition, called “Deadly Beauty,” is dedicat-

ed to weapons as works of art. A third, temporary exhibition will feature the work of artist Hilary Eddy.

“The saloon diorama is going to be right here,” Blaker bracketing a space with outstretched hands as



we pass through the building's largest room. It doesn't look much like a museum yet. The building is empty except for a number of platforms with the names of weapons and sculptures scrawled onto their tops. "It'll look a lot more crowded when we get everything set up."

A trip to the Museum's vault gives us an advance look at the Museum's wares. This may not be a gun museum, but it's obvious where the Bermans' interests lie. The collection of blades is enough to make a journalist's thesaurus tingle — scimitars and katanas lie alongside dirks and sabres, even some plain old knives. And the collection of firearms ranges from the ingenious (a nine-shot revolver with an extra barrel which can be loaded with buckshot) to the extremely counterintuitive (a pistol with a retractable blade — sort of like a paring knife — which protrudes from the barrel.) There is also a collection of what seem to be rare books: Blaker tells us they all

contain handguns. This is not just weaponry as art: it's history as your granddaddy taught it to you, history as the story of warfare. It's the Discovery Channel come to life.

Blaker sees an advantage to this kind of history. Of one of the museum's prize pieces — a tea service once owned by Adolf Hitler — he says: "It has a pretty good effect on school kids. When they get to touch a piece of history, they develop a sense that history is real."

Opening day, April 13, falls on a Saturday, and JSU students are encouraged to attend. Adult tickets cost \$3.50, and children's tickets cost \$2.50. The Museum offers a special membership rate of \$10 per year for students. Membership includes free admission and a subscription to the Museum newsletter.



**An American Bestseller:** Gordon Blakey poses with an item from the Berman collection.

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*Dates compiled by Keith Tasker*

<b>Atlanta</b>		<b>Omni</b>	
<b>Cotton Club</b>		Liza Minnelli/Bill Cosby	May 19
The Nixons	Apr 5	<b>The Point</b>	
Echobelly/For Squirrels	Apr 6	Deftones	Apr 4
Dag	Apr 9	Loudflower	Apr 5
Poi Dog Pondering	Apr 11	Spinanes/Versus	Apr 6
Jim Carroll/Viva La Diva	Apr 13		
<b>The Fox</b>		<b>Roxy</b>	
Tori Amos(2 shows)	Apr 14	Guadal Canal Diary	Apr 6
		Tears For Fears	Apr 13
		Ben Folds Five	Apr 21
<b>International Ballroom</b>		Ministry/The Young Gods	Apr 25
Everclear/Hagfish/Menthol	Apr 18	Merle Haggard and The Strangers	Apr 26
<b>The Masquerade</b>		<b>Smith's Olde Bar</b>	
Foo Fighters/The Amps/That Dog	Apr 10	Smoke	Apr 4
(Early Show 6pm)	Apr 10	Vertical Horizon	Apr 7
Frontline Assembly/Die Krupps/	Apr 10	Cibo Matto/Rock*A*Teens	Apr 13
Numb	Apr 10	Jeffrey Gaines	Apr 21
Jawbreaker/Fluf	Apr 12		
Bad Religion/		<b>Variety Playhouse</b>	
Dance Hall Crashers	Apr 13	Jupiter Coyote	Apr 5
Girls Against Boys/Salt/Edsel	Apr 21	The Fugees/Goodie Mob/	
	Apr 21	The Roots	Apr 7
Morphine/16 Horsepower	Apr 22	Golden Smog	Apr 20
Lush/Mojave 3/Scheer	Apr 23	Bela Fleck	Apr 26
The Scofflaws	Apr 27	Cassandra Wilson	Apr 29
Modern English	Apr 28	Michael Hedges	May 2

Ben Harper/Speech	May 8
<b>Midtown Music Festival</b>	
(See Sidebar for Artists)	May 3-5
<b>Birmingham</b>	
<b>5 Points South Music Hall</b>	
Vertical Horizon/Catfish Jenkins	Apr 5
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Tripping Daisy	Apr 6
Girls Against Boys/Salt/Edsel	Apr 22
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Morphine/16 Horsepower	Apr 23
Fishbone	May 3

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 May 5: Anders Osborne/Big Fish Ensemble/the Bobs/the Bottlerockets/Catfish Jenkins/Chief Seattle/Jake/Lift/Edwin McCain/Evan and Jaron/For Squirrels/Howard Jones/Joan Baez/ Joe Satriani/John Mayall and the Bluesbreakers/Larry McCray/ League of Decency/Leftover Salmon/Lonesome Jones/Morris Day and the Time/Norman Blake/Ride the Wood/the Roaches/ Robben Ford and the Blue Line/Saffire and Uppity Blues/Shadowcaste/ Snapdragon  
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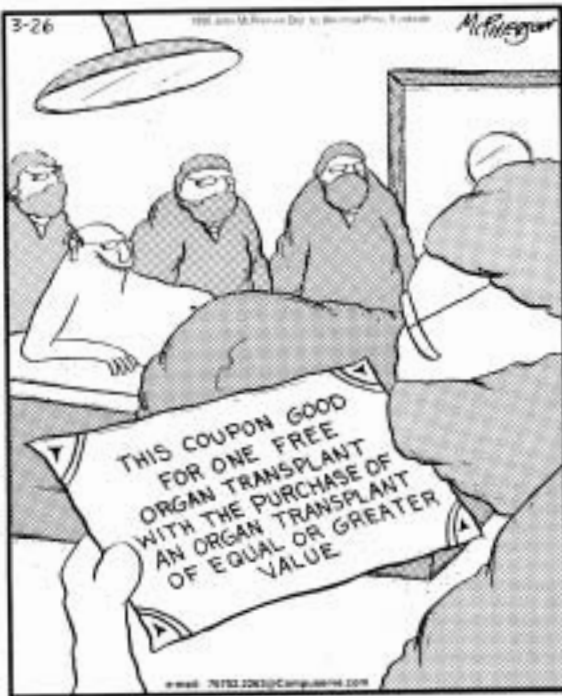
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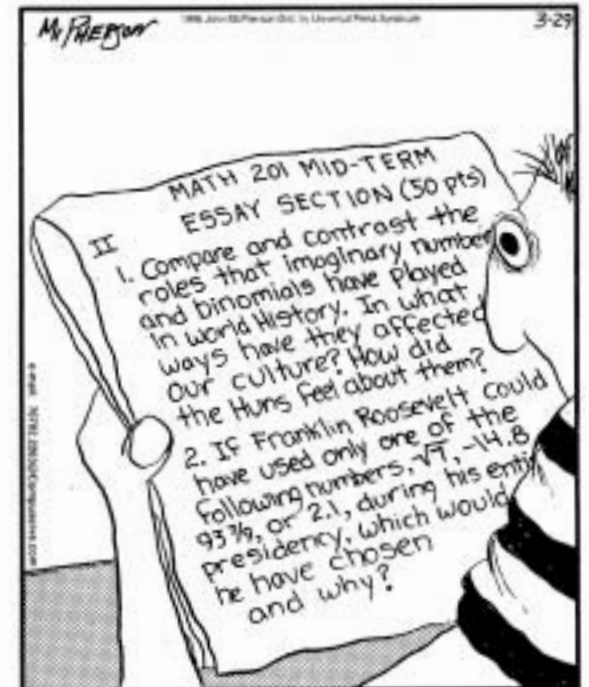
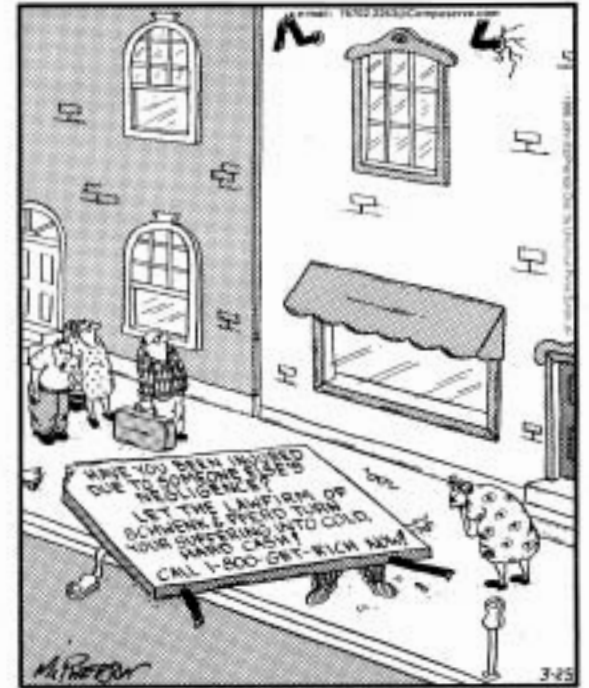
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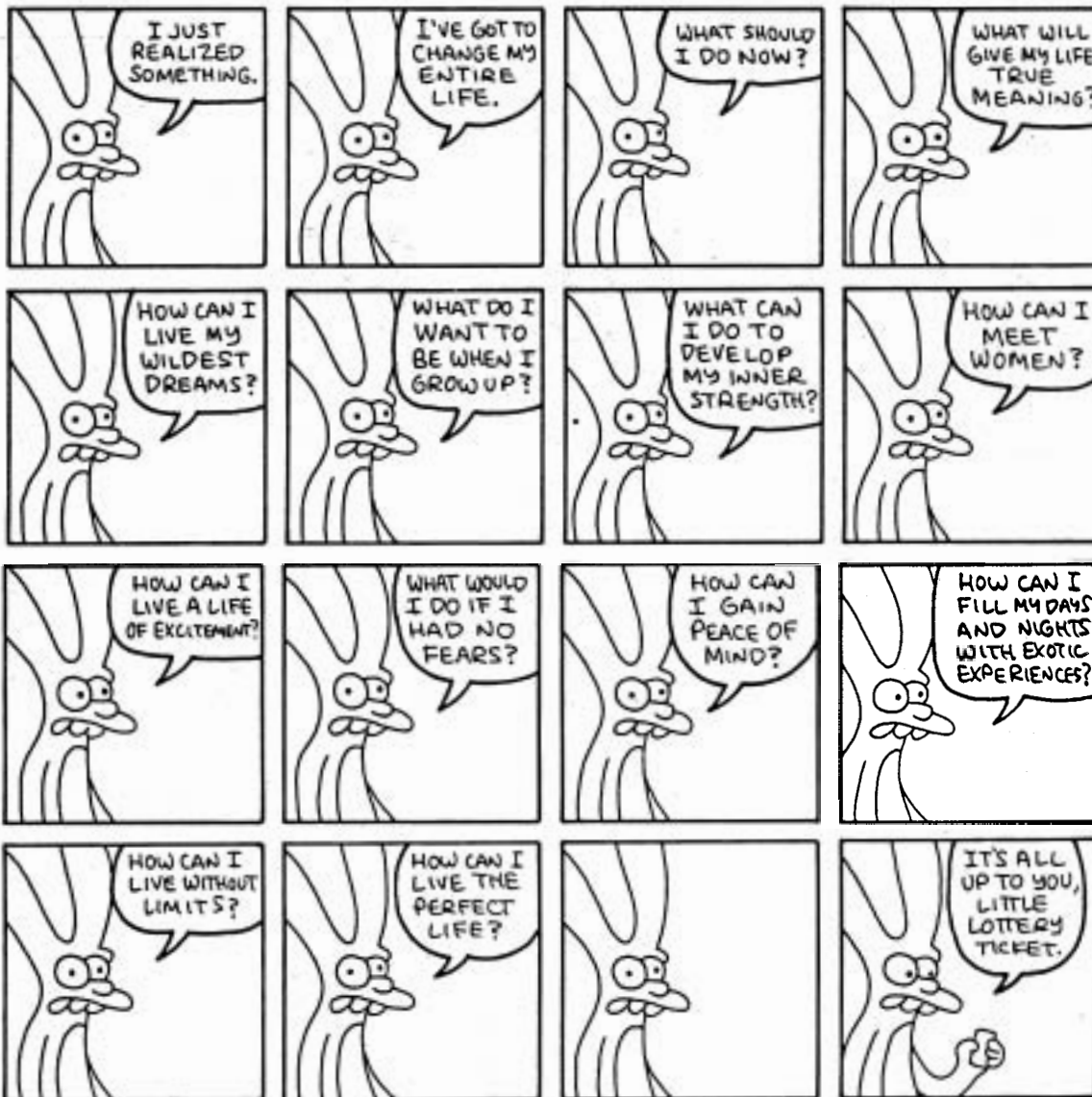
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**Lady Gamecock Softball Team in Action...**  
(Photo by Ed Hill).

## Centenary Ends Lady Gamecocks' Winning Streak

by **Shannon Fagan**  
Chanticleer Sports Writer

The Lady Gamecocks enjoyed their stay in sunny Orlando, Florida by crushing their opponents in the Rebel Games. Their pitching was outstanding and the hitting was timely. JSU's record is now an impressive 29-5, as they went 7-1 on the week. Here is a look at their previous eight games.

Jax State 7, Rhode Island 0

Jax State 9, Vermont 3

ORLANDO, FL.-The Lady Gamecocks played Rhode Island on Thursday, March 21st, shutting them out on their way to victory. JSU rightfielder Stephanie Vickers powered out two hits that led to three runs. Pitcher Ann Shelton pitched a three-hitter on her way to her fifteenth win of the season. The Gamecocks had a big inning in the fourth,

putting up six runs. Rhode Island managed just three hits as the Lady Gamecocks cruised to the win.

In game two of the Rebel Games, the Lady Gamecocks continued to dominate. JSU pitcher Rachel Riddell pitched five solid innings, giving up just three runs. Ann Shelton came in for relief and got the save. The Lady Gamecocks scored nine runs on eleven hits and held Vermont to just five hits.

Jax State 8, Saint Xavier 1

Jax State 3, Brown University 1

ORLANDO, FL.-In their first game on Friday, March 22nd, the Lady Gamecocks powered out eleven hits and scored eight runs. JSU's Julie Kish pitched five strong innings, giving up just one run as the Lady Gamecocks cruised again to victory. Leftfielder

Rachel Stone had a wonderful afternoon at the plate, going three for three with a run scored.

In game two on Friday, JSU had a close one, but prevailed again. Ann Shelton pitched six innings of work, giving up just one run. The Lady Gamecocks scored two runs in the second inning which proved to be enough as they won their fourth straight game in Orlando.

Jax State 7, Youngstown State 1

Jax State 7, Army 0

ORLANDO, FL.-The Lady Gamecocks continued their great play in the sunshine state by beating Youngstown State and Army. In the first game, JSU catcher Wendy McKibbin led the way. She had two hits and four RBI's. Pitcher Ann

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## Gamecocks Win Six In a Row

by **Will Roe**  
Chanticleer Sports Editor

Win! Win! Win! That is what Head Coach Rudy Abbott is beginning to think about his baseball team. The Gamecocks have won six games in row dating back to the 5-3 win at Southeastern Louisiana on March 16th. The Gamecocks have definitely turned up the heat, and are becoming hot at the right time as they enter the heart of the TAAC season. Here is a look at the last five games ... all Gamecock wins:

Jax State 13, Tennessee Tech 2

JSU BASEBALL FIELD- Jason Craft is a big reason for the Gamecocks' current win-

ning streak. He won his fifth game of the season with another strong pitching performance. However, the story of the game was the Gamecock hitters, banging out the thirteen runs off of 12 hits. The game was played before 125 fans on March 21st.

Jax State 6, Mercer 2

JSU BASEBALL FIELD- J.R. Allen got in the act of winning as he won his third game of the season in a revenge game over Mercer. Earlier in the season, Mercer handed the Gamecocks their first loss of the season by pounding JSU 10-1. This game proved to be a better result for the Gamecocks.

Jacksonville State ripped twelve hits off of the Mercer pitching staff. Mercer was only to get the two runs off of eight hits.

Jax State 8, Centenary 3

Jax State 3, Centenary 0

SHREVEPORT, LA- J.R. Allen pitched his second straight, strong game, winning his fourth game of the season in game one of a doubleheader on Friday, March 29th. He pitched a complete game, seven-inning, six-hitter. Jacksonville State's Mike Garner had a big game hitting, going 2 for 4 with two doubles and two RBI's. J.T. Clark,

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## SPORTS CALENDAR

### Baseball

Apr. 5 vs. Southeastern Louisiana (2) 4:00 p.m.

at the new baseball field

Apr. 6 vs. Southeastern Louisiana noon

at the new baseball field

Apr. 9 at U.A.B. 6:05 p.m.

### Softball

Apr. 6 vs. Georgia State (2) 1:00 p.m.

at University Field

Apr. 9 at Austin Peay (2) 3:00 p.m.

Apr. 10 vs. Troy State (2) 3:00 p.m.

at University Field

### Men's and Women's Tennis

Apr. 6 vs. Mercer 1:00 p.m.

at tennis courts

Apr. 11-13 at TAAC Tournament at Macon, Ga.



**Softball**  
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Shelton looked strong again by striking out ten batters on her way to her seventeenth win of the season.

In game two, the Lady Gamecocks held Army scoreless on their way to victory again. JSU scored three runs in the second inning and three more in the fourth. Pitcher Rachel Riddell posted her

sixth victory as she went the distance.

Jax State 2, Centenary 0 Centenary 6, Jax State 5 JACKSONVILLE-The Lady Gamecocks returned home on Monday, April 1st, after an undefeated tour in Orlando. They split a doubleheader with Centenary. Pitcher Ann Shelton continued her greatness by pitching the whole game. She struck out nine batters and gave up only one hit.

**Baseball**  
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Chad Gainey, and catcher Andy Henderson all added doubles for Jacksonville State.

Yet another strong pitching performance for Jacksonville State in game two of the doubleheader, this time from right-hander **Bryan Williamson**, as he pitched a complete game, five-hit shutout of the Gents at Centenary Park. For Williamson, it was his fourth win of the season. Mike Garner's RBI double in the

first inning proved to be all that JSU would need. In the J.T. Clark grounded out to second base. JSU added another run in the fourth when Friery knocked in Mike Garner on a single to left field.

Jax State 16, Centenary 8 SHREVEPORT, LA-Homeruns were the name of the game for Jacksonville State, as they smacked five of them for the game. Dean Friery, Chad Gainey, and Mike Garner all hit their fifth homers of the season, and

JSU powered out thirteen hits on the way to the win.

In game two, the Lady Gamecocks lost their fifth game of the season. Pitcher Ann Shelton came in for relief of Rachel Riddell and suffered her third loss of the season. JSU was led by catcher Wendy McKibbin's four hits, but it wasn't enough as Centenary ended the Lady Gamecocks' long winning streak.

Andy Henderson hit two homers in the game, giving him three on the season. In all, JSU pounded out sixteen hits for the game. Jason Craft picked up the win for JSU, his sixth of the season.

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