Many still fight the sickness

Caron Pearson  
Staff Writer

They came home, not in body bags, but casualties none the less. Soldiers who sacrificed their lives for the freedom of others. It has been seven years since the heroes returned home to parades and fan fare, seven years since the dead returned to their grieving families. The death toll still rises.

Desert Storm was a technology war with low casualties. A relief to a nation still licking its wounds from the Vietnam Conflict, however, men and women, soldiers and civilians, of Desert Storm die everyday.

The men and women suffer from Gulf War illness. The illness affects the immune system, nervous system, respiratory system, and can cause skin problems.

"They are still casualties. Why wouldn't they be? Just because they didn't die of a bullet?" says Doug Rokke, retired U.S. Army Captain and Desert Storm veteran.

Rokke, now a visiting assistant professor of physical and earth sciences at JSU, works with veteran agencies to try and get Desert Storm veterans the medical help they need.

He knows the pain. He too has been affected. "Men that were with me are dying," says Rokke.

David Keefer, Gulf war veteran, retired U.S. Army Captain and technical director of the JSU drama department suffers from digestive problems, a mysterious rash that runs up his veins, and aches in his joints the same as arthritis, except it doesn't show up on X-rays.

Researchers at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center released research two years ago linking the primary symptoms of brain and nerve damage to the combination of low-level nerve agents and other chemicals. They believe the symptoms can be traced to the use of flea collars by soldiers, insect repellant, anti-nerve gas pills, and exposure to chemical nerve agents.

"It is a complex environmental exposure," says Rokke. "People are exposed to a low level of contamination that compromises the immune system, and then a second and third exposure that continues to affect you."

JSU's Homecoming queen, center, is Amanda Voss of Glencoe. Members of her court are, from left, Amanda Langholf of Glencoe, Lisa Brown of Springville, Kelliy Johnson at Jacksonville, and Amber Adams of Arab.

Fun, Fun, Fun at Homecoming's J-Day

Kelli Johnson  
Staff Writer

Students came out to J-Day to have fun, meet new people, and join in on the sports and competition.

On Thursday, Oct. 15, students gathered from 2-6 p.m. on the quad for some pre-homecoming fun. There were fun rides such as the Psycho Swing, which is the only swing that lets you go upside down. There was also the Gyro, which spins you upside down, sideways, and backwards, this is the ride that people generally get sick on.

There were also competitive events such as Tug of War, the see J-Day page 3

Parade Floats

Amy Broadway  
Staff Writer

Saturday morning at 11:30, Pelham Road was blocked off in front of the campus for JSU's annual Homecoming Parade. Faculty, students, alumni, and onlookers lined the streets to watch the parade.

People lined the streets eagerly awaiting the first car to come rolling down Pelham Road.

The spirit of JSU football was in the air this year because of the team's winning streak. The first car carried JSU President Harold McGee and family. The next car had the mayor of Jacksonville, Jerry Smith. At first you may have thought that you were watching a car show because of the abundance of antique and sports cars entered in the parade. The president and mayor were followed by the Alumni of the Year, Young Alumni of the Year, Outstanding Faculty Member of the Year, and Military Alumni of the Year. The drivers of the cars escorted the winners to a platform set up in front of Stephenson Gym, where they watched the rest of the parade with SGA members.

The JSU Cheerleaders and Fastbreakers also showed their spirit in the parade. The Marching Southerners played our favorite songs to fill the crowd with spirit before the game against Samford. Jacksonville High School and Pleasant Valley joined in the Homecoming festivities. Both groups marched down Pelham Road, creating a football game atmosphere for the crowd. Cocky showed up for the occasion, waving to the crowd as he passed. The Homecoming Queen candidates also waved to the crowd as they moved down the parade route.

At JSU's Pre-game parade the Baptist Campus Ministry, Student Organization for Deaf Awareness, Students With Disabilities, SGA, see Parade page 3

Homecoming Hopes

Wendy Laminack  
Staff Writer

Monday nights and SGA meetings—what a great way to learn about what's taking place around the campus.

SGA President Ryan Kruzinski said he was pleased to see more members of the student body present at the meeting and he foresees it will continue.

A moment of silence was held on behalf of SGA Senator Kara Sayre and her family on the passing of her step-father. Members of the student body said that during Homecoming elections, too much soliciting was taking place near the TMB. It was suggested that no organizations should be allowed to solicit during Homecoming week at any time.

"In politics, it's nothing personal," said Kruzinski. According to SGA's Code of Law, the rule against soliciting only covers the spring general elections and says nothing regarding other yearly elections. "As a senate, we need to look at this and amend it," said Kruzinski.

Don't forget the Blood Drive, which will be on October 28 and 29, beginning at 10:30 a.m. and ending at 4:30 p.m. The event will take place in Leon Cole Auditorium (underneath the cafeteria). If interested, you can also sign up to work the Blood Drive. A fact you may not be aware of: there is a system headed by the SGA that gives points to those who volunteer from any recognized on-campus organization. The organization awarded the most points will receive the Spirit Award for SGA involvement.

Congratulations to Kelliy Johnson and Amber Adams for being on the Homecoming court. Also, congratulations to Alan Bradford, Dana Garrett and Brad Medeats, who were elected SGA Justices. Election day is coming soon. Are you registered to vote? If not, Oct. 23 is THE LAST DAY to do so for this district.

STARS (Student Teams Advocating Realistic Solutions) meetings will be held every Thursday at 4 p.m. on the third floor of the library. Anyone interested is invited. This gives JSU see SGA page 3

see Gulf page 4
Getting careers started at JSU's placement office

Phil Attinger  Editor in Chief

There's a service available to JSU students that most don't even know about or use to its full advantage.

This according to Jim Roberts and Cindy Chapman at the Career Placement Office in room 105 in Bibb Graves Hall.

Both JSU graduates, Roberts and Chapman work as counselors in Career Services, which is part of the JSU CEC (Career Education Center). Chapman, who returns to JSU from working as a counselor at the Mental Health Center in Cherokee county, assists students and does individual counseling. Roberts devotes his time and experience to career counseling, placement, and the cooperative education program, having spent 15 years in the business world, most recently as vice-president of human resources with Dixie-Pacific manufacturing (an Ingersoll-Rand company).

"JSU is graduating some excellent students," says Roberts. "Last year, as a business recruiter, I interviewed and hired 5 graduates." While working in the Gadsden school system as a system specialist, Chapman hired a JSU graduate for Special Ed who since has been promoted to director of the organization.

To assist students, Career Services has individual counselors, mock-interview sessions, an Internet connection for web site job searches, and will keep a resume file to show to potential employers, says Roberts. Services also, include counseling.

"We welcome all students with questions and would like them to come by and visit us," says Chapman. "I can remember being a student here and how good it felt to have someone I could receive help from where I felt comfortable. I would like to be that person."

"We can help students be effective problem solvers," says Roberts. "A problem for example might be personal, a room-mate, money or time management, or just how to study effectively."

The center has interest and personality tests, and information on careers, interviews and resumes, says Roberts and Chapman. Students are encouraged to stop by as early as possible (freshman or sophomore year), no matter what field and information on their chosen field, to begin their career search and perhaps take a job through cooperative education, gaining experience and money for school.

At present, Roberts has 30 students in the co-op program with 11 companies, but he has additional companies and organizations asking for students.

Also, the center hosts career fairs to help match students and recruiters. The next fair will take place on next Wednesday (Oct. 28), 9 a.m.--2 p.m. in the Merrill Hall lobby, with 30 organizations scheduled to attend. Two other career fairs are scheduled for the Spring: Monday and Wednesday, 1:30-4:30 p.m., Fridays, 3:30-11:15 a.m. and your JSU ID.

"Ten years ago, working as a recruiter for Rockwell International I found all of our JSU graduates performed at and above the expected standard," says Roberts. "One of my placement goals is to continue communicating the quality of our graduates.

JSU Career and Counseling Services is open 8 a.m.--6 p.m., Monday--Thursday, and open until 4:30 p.m. on Friday.
J-Day, from front page

pedestal joust and water balloon wars. Even the sports fanatic could come out and try the sports arena, which held different types of sports activities.

Not only did college students come join the fun, but local high school students such as Glencoe also came out. Freshman Forum member Alan Bradford said, "It was a wonderful time in the beginning working with high school students and this clearly shows that volunteer work is a plus at JSU.

The SGA always sponsors the annual J-Day with money from the entertainment budget. The 2nd Vice-President of the SGA is always in charge of the student activities. This year it was Kellilyn Johnson.

"J-Day is a good way to get people involved," said Johnson, who relied on volunteers to help out at J-Day, anyone who wanted to help out was welcome.

Students who are looking to meet other students had a great opportunity at J-Day.

"It's a good way to get out and meet people and have fun," said Junior Amy Perry. With all the fun and games students interacted with each other in positive competition and a relief from midterms.

"Thank you for students that came out to support the SGA, we had a great turn out," said Johnson.

Parade, from front page

and other organizations also showed school spirit Saturday. Other floats in the parade were the Alpha Tau Omega / Alpha Omnicron Pi float, and the Alpha Kappa Phi / Delta Zeta float.

Other groups from the area attended, such as the Alabama Cinderella organization, and a local youth soccer team participated in the event. The winner of the float competition was BCM.

Although the parade was small, many came out to watch the exhibition of floats, cars and marching bands. The weather was nice, which drew a crowd, unlike last year's rainy Homecoming which caused many fans to find shelter indoors.

Several organizations celebrated the theme of this year's Homecoming: 75 Years of Memories. The hostesses Kappa Sigma and Zeta Tau Alpha displayed their banners.

SGA, from front page

students have a chance to become more involved in higher education.

"Semidrunk" ("Closing Time" and "Singing in My Sleep") tickets for Oct. 24 are still on sale. The SGA asks for your support. If this event doesn't do well, future concerts may not be on campus, so go out and buy those tickets.

An area that interests many students (no, it's not a nasty rumor): There will be a tuition increase of $50 dollars beginning Spring Semester. According to Kruzsinski, each student will be allotted one dollar per hour of credit enrollment per semester to spend at the new food court. "If you're taking 16 hours, you can get three meals and maybe a coffee," said Kruzsinski.

SGA law is amended to state "any person receiving a citation for a violation on campus has 10 days after the date on the citation to report a decision to have it appealed" and it must be reported to the UPD.

Money was allocated for Alpha Kappa Alpha, Kappa Alpha Psi and the JSU Rugby team. Receipts for money spent must be shown within five working days. Any organization may ask for up to $300 dollars from the SGA. Money will be allotted as the committee sees fit.

The senate lock-in will be next semester. This is a time when the senate "will regroup so we can jell together better after the first of next semester," said Kruzsinski, who also said this year's meetings have been great because the senators seem to work together.

"I'm really pleased with the way the senate is coming together," said Kruzsinski. "We've been through a lot this semester. If we keep this trend, we'll be uphill all the way." Senators interested in becoming future executive officers can speak with Ryan Kruzsinski, Gina Orlando, Kellilyn Johnson, or Janay Johnson, who can always be found in the Student Activities Office on the fourth floor of the TMB.

Speaking of the TMB, get ready for the food court you've undoubtedly heard much about. It will open next Wednesday.

The Rocky Horror Picture Show and Costume Contest will be presented on Oct. 26 at 8 p.m. on the Quad. Come and join the Halloween spirit!

Kruzsinski also said that JSU played a great game, and for folks not to forget this Saturday's game and remember to return next Monday at 6 p.m. for the SGA meeting. Everyone is invited to attend.
On Monday, JSU’s Board of Trustees unanimously approved pay hikes for employees. The resolution included a 16 percent pay raise for President Harold J. McGee, with praise to the president for outstanding leadership in guiding JSU through several years of state appropriation cutbacks. Trustee Senator G. Luce of Mobile pointed out that McGee has been one of Alabama’s lowest-paid university presidents. Though McGee retires next summer, the pay raise will increase his share in the State Teachers’ Retirement System.

Also, the board approved an average 7.5 percent pay increase for all employees, with the increase on October paychecks to be distributed in November.

Trustees also approved naming McGee as President Emeritus upon his retirement, and unanimously adopted a resolution to name a proposed new building in honor of McGee. The new Martin Hall complex, pending a bond issue is slated for completion around 2000.

“Buildings are usually named after people posthumously, so it’s nice to still be around as this happens,” said McGee.

The new complex will include heavy renovation of the old building, plus the addition of a new classrooms and laboratories immediately to the east.

The trustees also voted to increase tuition by $50 per semester beginning with the Spring 1999 semester. In addition, students will receive $1 per semester hour ($12-$16 for a regular class-load) on their student ID cards for use at the new food court, Jack Hopper Dining Hall, or at any vending machines on campus that accept the new ID cards.

In other business, the trustees: agreed to buy several acres of land surrounding the University campus, in keeping with the University master plan; voted to demolish the old Jacksonville High School building and return the property to green space; gave McGee authority to negotiate the sale of the old Eastwood School property to the City of Jacksonville; authorized McGee to negotiate for a bond issue to pay for a backlog of deferred maintenance projects, all pending approval by the board; approved negotiating with the federal government for the acquisition of a classroom building at Ft. McClellan; adopted an operating budget for the academic year, which includes $25.6 million for academics, $5.5 million for student services, $5.5 million for operation and maintenance, $6.6 million for institutional support, and $3.7 million for auxiliary services.

The trustees will hold their next quarterly meeting on Jan 25.
Features

Feeling strangely fine?

Adam Smith
News Editor

Cries of glee and joy were heard all over ISS when the SGA announced that an actual well-known band was coming to Jacksonville.

MCA recording artist Semisonic will be appearing at Pete Mathews Coliseum on Saturday, Oct. 24. There is yet to be any word of an opening act, but the show will start at 8 p.m. The three-piece band made up of singer/guitarist/vocalist Dan Wilson, drummer Jacob Slichter and bassist John Munson released their first major-label effort in 1996. "Great Divide" was praised by Rolling Stone music critic David Fricke as being "simple and sparkling."

Semisonic is currently touring the U.S. in support of their latest effort, "Feeling Strangely Fine." According to the band's web site (www.semisonic.com) this is the band felt a "need for a rougher, less polished finish to complement the vitality of their new project."

This was a feeling most expressed by Wilson, "A lot of rock music these days has a certain assembly line mentality. What we wanted to do is subvert that in any way we could." Fortunately, the approach paid off for the band. The album is a solidified mixture of many different elements, but the harsh rock and roll approach still remains intact. However, the album remains pop-friendly to a certain degree.

Semisonic's big break came with release of their first single from "Feeling Strangely Fine." The first single, "Closing Time," garnered the band a larger following due to the massive radio success of the song.

However, according to Wilson, the song's meaning also played a part in its massive success. "At first I thought I needed the kind of song that was great to close a set," said Wilson, "but the more I thought about it I realized that when a show ends, when a bar closes, it's really the beginning of another part of the night."

Another song receiving airplay is "Singing In My Sleep," which is about a long distance love affair kept alive by love songs sent back and forth by two lovers.

Overall the album offers a wide variety of music, and is pleasant to listen to. According to the band's bio, "Wilson first envisioned the album as the moody bastard child of U2's "Achtung Baby" and Simon and Garfunkel's "Bridge Over Troubled Water." With such musical diversity, Semisonic's live show should not be missed by anyone who is a true music fan.

The Oct. 24 show will begin at 8 p.m. and will be held at Pete Mathews Coliseum. For more information call the SGA at 782-5490, or for ticket information call the ticket office at 782-5283.

A wide swing volt of rock

Dave Matthews - Features Editor

The city is Milstadt. The state is Illinois. The setting is an old lingerie warehouse turned recording studio. The sounds spilling from this impromptu studio dubbed "Jajouka" after the Moroccan town known for its musicans, are the new and original sounds from "Son Volt's" third Warner Brothers release, "Wide Swing Tremolo."

Inside are Jay Farrar (lead vocals, guitar) standing behind his mic with his guitar in hand wailing songs with his unmistakable heart-wrenching voice spilling out lyrics that reveal statements which are rendered universal by poetic imagery and a grasp of America's musical common ground, combining blues, country and folk styles.

Backing him up are bassist Jim Boquist, guitarist Dave Boquist and drummer Mike Heidorn.

The atmosphere is laid back and as hassle free as possible. Engineer Dave Barbie (better known for his work with Bob Mould's rock aspiration Sugar) takes down each song the band spits out with a critical yet open eye.

"Dave was the guy who knew what he was doing." Mike Heidorn praises, "I couldn't imagine anyone else recording this record," he says. "Sometimes songs would turn into a different beast at midnight. And then, at 1 a.m., we'd have something else. He was completely patient with that process."

The process only took three months to complete, but what an album. Named after an old Gibson amplifier advertisement in the sixties, "Wide Swing Tremolo" proves to be a more mature "Son Volt" offering old fans to enjoy the sort of testament over the three years the band has been together, and to the new listeners a very diverse album that truly states what the band is really about.

Over those three years "Son Volt" has received both critically and commercial fame, getting rock writer's top ten lists from their debut album "Trace" and lots of airplay from stations across the nation off their follow-up album "Straightaways" which offers listeners a more rock oriented, in-your-face "Son Volt" with songs like "Drown" and "Windfall."

"For me," says Farrar, the inspiration (for the album) came from more of a garage-rock perspective. I used to be in bands that did that kind of stuff. It's getting back to that, I guess."

"Wide Swing Tremolo" see Son Volt page 4

Kimberlyn Kottman
Assistant Features Editor

The obvious part of the new and exciting album by moe. is that there are a lot of songs that deal with being on the road. What is less obvious is that these songs could also be about what most of us would call a "good trip."

As a friend of mine once said, "I don't bother trying to explain this album, it constantly changes as fast as you think."

What can be said about "Tin Cans & Car Tires" is that it combines funk, rock, metal and grassroots styles to make up the music of moe., so diverse as to be almost indescribable. If some of you out there feel like I do about music, then you'll understand what I am saying. I don't always want to hear loud, electric guitar music that is this heavy, or this heady. However, when I am in that kind of mood and yes, sometimes I am moe., gets my stamp of approval. Often closer to metal music than the Dead. moe. owes its musical and vocal stylings mostly to Frank Zappa and Robert Fripp - even Primus, then to Jerry Garcia and Bob Weir. If this isn't enough to get your attention, the New York based band also has quite a sense of humor if you're paying attention.

This album is definitely varied in chords, melody and lyrics, tin comparison to their 1996 "No Doy. It can be a little heavy at times, not to mention LOUD. It probably won't get rave reviews from the casual listener, but then again moe. doesn't seem to make music for the casual listener. This is the music that was not meant to be heard, but to be "experienced." moe. covers such a vast variety of stylistic ground, not just between tracks, but within single compositions. I couldn't help getting the feeling I was listening to one of the "new & hip" things in rock since the early Talking Heads. But don't fret, all of you "moe.com" out there. This might not make the Top 40 charts as "easy listening," but is rather interesting and worth that second listen. moe. has once again put together an album that is jam-packed full of jazz, blues, and soul, guaranteed to have you "Bouncing around the room!" Slip Disc in Anniston carries both moe. major label albums, "No Doy." & "Tin Cans and Car Tires."

If you would like more information about moe. or for moe. tour dates and venue information contact -- moe@moe.org or http://www.moe.org
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revets the band back to their roots. A sort of garage days revisited, (not to be confused with Metallica of course).

Garage or studio, it doesn’t matter when it comes to this album. The band strips away the songs to reveal what is on the inside, the truth to the music. “Straight-from-the-hip,” the opening cut, has a driving feel. “Flow,” a beautiful acoustic didley, on the other hand slows you down to regroup and/or reflect.

In addition to good song writing and wonderfully composed music, “Wide Swing Tremolo” offers risky cuts such as backwoods acoustic guitar and an almost psychedelic harmonica instrumental which in its entirety runs around forty-one seconds. However, these risks pay off to be an accomplishment from a band you almost forget ever less.

“Son Volt” really puts the ax down on this album and delivers a mix of blues and country alternate sound that will surely blow you away. A good mixture of songs all in one well produced, well performed rock album. In these days of mainstream rock and frequent new comers, that type of thing (a rock album) is hard to come by. Catch cuts from this album on JSU’s own WLJS 922 by request, or pick out your own at Slip Disc.

100 years and beyond

Amy Broadway
Staff Writer

On October 15 JSU’s chapter of Zeta Tau Alpha celebrated its 100th anniversary. In honor of the centennial, the sorority hosted a Founders’ Day celebration at The Gamecock Center. ZTA members and alumni attended the festivities to honor the nine founders of the organization. The group watched a video showing the development of Zeta through the years, held a ceremony honoring the 9 original founders, and hosted a reception celebrating 100 years of sisterhood.

Zeta Tau Alpha was founded at Longwood College in Farmville, Virginia and has more than 155,000 members worldwide. The organization is one of the largest national sororities, with more than 140 college chapters and more than 250 alumni groups across the United States. ZTA supports many current women’s issues and pushes to develop leadership, sisterhood, involvement, and professional potential in its members.

Since the founding of the organization, the creed of ZTA has given its members a commitment for service to mankind. During this centennial year, Zeta Tau Alpha has continued a tradition of service through donations to every major service organization it has enjoyed partnership with throughout the years. Money was presented to the Easter Seal Society, the Association for Retarded Citizens (now The ARC), the Sunshine Kids, and The Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. Gifts were also made to Mountain Community Action Program, Inc., Longwood College, and to fund mammogram screenings in Virginia.

Breast cancer research and education is ZTA’s national philanthropy.

The Fraternity is co-sponsor of the National Survivor Program at the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation Race For The Cure series nationwide. Members also volunteer countless hours and raise thousands of dollars for breast cancer programs each year.

“No sweat:” Anatomy of a newspaper

Clarke Stallworth
Chanticleer Advisor

It’s 8 p.m. on a Tuesday night, Oct. 6, and it’s dark on the quad, except cones of light from the antique-style lampposts. The bell tower of Graves Hall sounds the hour: a recording, but it sounds collegiate. Nothing moves except the moon.

Down the hill, in Self Hall, the offices of the Communication Department are dark. At the back of the building, cold fluorescent light spills out into a warm night.

In The Chanticleer office, students are typing at computers. Two others hang across the iron banister outside, taking a smoke break. The editor, Phil Attinger, is eating a Chinese takeout at his desk, fueling up for the long night ahead.

Angel Weaver, the blond curly-haired managing editor of The Chanticleer, bursts in, waving her hands.

“I lost it,” she says, “I lost my column on ‘Music and Munchies.’ It just disappeared—not on my disk, not in the hard disk. It just disappeared.”

She gathers up some papers. She is going to find a quiet corner and try to reconstruct the article, by hand, on paper, from scratch. She scowls at the computer on her desk with hatred, there is a huge American flag above Attinger’s desk, for eating her stofi. She waves a board, with stories being developed by reporters. One of them is: “Rape in Daugette?” Another is the “Question of the Week:”

“I’ve also got the ‘Beef’ this week,” she smiles. The “Beef” is a part of The Chanticleer editorial page, where a writer or editor gets to gripe about something. What’s her beef?

“Rumors,” she says. “Mostly for personal reasons. I’ve had a lot of rumors going around about me, and I’ve been talked about on this campus since I’ve been here.” She came to JSU to be part of a student group, but got caught up in rumors there.

“I might as well have worn a sign around my neck, saying: ‘Ask me personal questions. Ask me anything,”’ says Kostamo. “It’s been eating at me, and I’m glad to have this chance to speak out.

“Everybody likes to talk, everybody likes to ‘smack.’ We call it smack, because it’s like a slap in the face sometimes, for the person who is being talked about. They don’t realize it’s happening until it’s already out there, and no amount of going back and talking about it will do any good, because people have made up their minds about you,” she says.

“How did it feel to be able to talk to 7,000 students in The Chanticleer? Kind of intimidating,” says Kostamo. “I’m sure I’m going to step on some people’s toes, and I’m sure...
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"Mango," by Amber Moody, Staff Writer

I will attempt to write what my true beef is from my feelings. I don't have that primal grip to the whole spiel about, so I thought I'd let you in on a thing called "Mango."

I named it when I couldn't stop thinking about it. I plan to give you a tasty thought on what this is.

Some of you may or may not have a Mango. If you do, I hope that your Mango is a lot sweeter than mine. Let me explain a little about who or what the Mango is.

The Mango is a gorgeous thing that bounces around in your head and invades all of your thoughts. To make that more clear, it's that song that you have occupying the back of your mind and you just can't seem to get rid of. It doesn't occupy your immediate thoughts, but it always seems to make its presence known by burning its way deep into your ever loving conscience.

I'm sure everyone has a Mango they don't want to admit to. My question is, does the Mango care about you, or does it just place false thoughts in your head when it casually pops up out of nowhere? I sometimes think the reason we find a Mango is fate. Maybe fate is the case, but fate hasn't come my way much these days.

I guess what I want to know is, why do you meet a Mango and never have the chance to know your Mango fully? I don't understand how two people meet and know it's there, but let it pass like it was nothing at all. Are we all too shallow to realize that we do need someone in this life to grow old with? Oh, I know we are so cool that we can't handle the presencies of a thing called Love. Maybe we are all too busy to love others.

Why are people so scared of love these days? I think it's ridiculous how everyone gets scared when they find something right and good and they rip the bottom out with their own fears. I believe for most of us it is a fear of rejection. You can't live fear your whole life or you'll end up a lonely soul. Your grips are directed to everyone who deals with this, including myself.

I'm so tired of trying to make something right when it seems that no one else ever tries to make things right. I feel as though no one cares enough about others to love someone else. How is it that things got to be the this way in our so called, "Generation X?"

We're all so caught up in the fast pace of the world we think love is supposed to happen quick. Love is found through growth and time, not our speedy pace. I think it is sad how many hearts are broken each day for no reason. You know, I wonder if there is a broken heart repair shop or maybe a broken heart pawn shop. Ifso, maybe we could get on with our lives.

From my personal standpoint, Mangoes break hearts, because their hearts are broken. When someone has the heart broken, they unintentionally set out to break another in return to ease their pain. Do people do this to build their self-esteem?

Anyone who is guilty needs to think about what they are doing. It is not fair to break that. It seems to be a chain reaction once it starts. If everyone could start by changing themselves, less heartbreak would go around. As for the Mangoes in the world, wake up. You're not as smart as you seem.

FAT: The dirty, little, three-letter word.

I know my fellow ladies have agonized over that word. Unfortunately, I have lost a friend to that word, tell victim myself, and watched others suffer.

In high school, I lost a friend to anorexia. This is the first time I have mentioned her death in six years.

I am still angry at her for not having the strength to save herself. One would think that would have been enough to keep me eating. Nope. My sophomore year of college I just kept falling off. I thought I looked good, skinny like a model. But when I saw a picture of myself. I saw my friend.

Now that I am approaching my mid-twenties, I am beginning to realize that a super skinny, malnourished body isn't a gauge of my self worth. Don't get me wrong, I still freak out and torture my husband with "Do I look fat in this?" That's a problem I need to fix.

I was recently asked by a few male friends why women believe they have to be very skinny. I did not have a definite answer. After all, I can't speak for other women. I also can't speak about the pressure men feel to look and fit a certain type. I can speak for myself.

A weight problem runs on one side of my family, and I am paranoid about it. I guess in my mind it doesn't matter that I take after the thin side of my family, or the fact that I can eat what I want. Sure, I could use some workouts to tone up and lose ten pounds, but I have never been overweight.

The "ideal" set up by the media and designers also feeds my insecurities. Girls grow up judged on their beauty, and society pressures them to look like the tiny super models. Ninety percent of women can't look like that. Our body figures are all different, and each should be judged by its own beauty.

Last month, I read that a clothing designer is coming out with padded clothing for women. No, not shoulder padds. Actual padded clothes to make women look fuller through the hips. Maybe the media are finally realizing that the alarming rate increase in anorexia among young girls has something to do with them.

You may be wondering what my point is or dismissing me as an angry feminist. My point is, I don't want other women to suffer like my friend or watch a friend slowly kill herself because of a warped sense of self worth.

The beauty of a person needs to be judged by who they are, not a number from a scale. Maybe if women decided to be healthy and happy with their bodies, no matter their size, the example would change societies pressures for a woman to fit an "ideal."

More importantly, maybe it would save a life of a young girl.

For your information: Marilyn Monroe was 5'5 and weighed 128 lbs. She is considered one of the greatest sex symbols of the century, and yet, was just an average woman.

New law unveils campus crime statistics

Kelvin Childs
Editor and Publisher Magazine
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Colleges and universities that receive federal funds will be required to disclose more about crime on campus, thanks to Congress.

Changes in the Higher Education Act of 1998, approved by both houses, require schools that take federal money to compile crime statistics in an annual security report and to make it available to the public.

Reports must show figures for the current year and two previous years, and must disclose aggravated assault, arson, burglary, manslaughter, motor vehicle theft, murder, robbery, sex offenses, hate crimes, and college disciplinary referrals for alcohol, drug and weapons violations.

Statistics must include crimes on campus, in neighboring streets and at food courts run by contractors—in addition to incidents on public property, at non-campus sites such as fraternity and sorority houses, and at apartment and dorms.

The changes "certainly suggest a congressional interest in more openness," said Scott Jaschik, deputy managing editor of the Chronicle for Higher Education.

Fred Brown, president of the Society of Professional Journalists, said the changes, "while still falling short in a few areas, are nonetheless a real improvement over what we've had until now. Students, their parents and the public have reason to celebrate these new disclosure requirements. Now, campus and professional news media will be able to better keep them informed about the discipline of students who commit those crimes."

Under the new rules, schools must keep a police log with the date, time and location of incidents, and must post it within 48 hours of occurrence. Additional information must be added promptly, as well as the disposition of any complaint. Exceptions are aimed at protecting ongoing investigations and victims of sexual assaults.

The House unanimously approved its version Sept. 28, and the Senate followed suit the next day. President Clinton is expected to sign the act the week of Oct. 4.

Colleges and universities often punish students who commit crime on campus administratively, shielding results believing that the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act protects the information. Though FERPA was designed to protect "educational records," the question of whether disciplinary records are "educational" has been in dispute, and campus papers have often complained that administrators use the law to hide campus crime.

The new rules change FERPA somewhat. In particular, the "final results" of disciplinary proceedings involving nonforcible sex offenses or crimes of violence are no longer shielded. Survivors of nonforcible sex offenses are now allowed to learn the outcome of the assailant's disciplinary hearings. Previously, only survivors of violent crime had that right.

Only the name of the accused student may be released without written consent, but schools aren't obliged to offer that information.

The U.S. Department of Education didn't take a position on the new disclosure requirements but did help draft some of the language changes, said spokesman Jim Boudreau, adding, "It's a step toward clarifying the issue."
Dear Editor,

I am writing in response to the letter sent by Kari Widup.

Young lady, with all due respect, get the facts straight before you make comments. I do Crime Prevention presentations on campus all year long. It is up to the students to attend.

I speak on Campus Safety, Date Rape, Rape Prevention, Campus Security and Personal Protection to name a few. Ninety-nine percent of the time when I make a presentation, the first comments I hear from the audience (especially coming from a female) is, "HERE WE GO AGAIN WITH ANOTHER BORING LECTURE. I DON'T HAVE TO WORRY. IT'S NOT GOING TO HAPPEN TO ME."

Well, let me tell you, it can happen to anyone, anywhere at anytime. We can't have a police officer guarding every single person. We have the female/student escort service, however, we see many girls walking by themselves late at night.

We give out flyers, booklets, give speeches and do our best to provide a safe and clean working and school environment, but as I wrote in one of my booklets, "CRIME PREVENTION IS A COMMUNITY AFFAIR."

Please, be part of the solution and not part of the problem.

Last Monday, Oct. 19, at 3:30 p.m. there was a seminar at Leone Cole Auditorium on RAPE. The seminar featured three excellent speakers. There was a total of 46 people present, counting the speakers and sponsoring staff, which were six. That means there were 40 students present, 24 of them males. Where were the rest of the females that are always complaining?

Enough said!!

Sam Fiol
Safety/Security Supervisor

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• The Chanticleer reserves the right to edit letters for space and grammar, as well as style.

• There will be at least two weeks between publication of letters from the same person. We will publish rebuttals no later than two weeks after the publication of the article, editorial or letter in question.

• The Chanticleer reserves the right to refuse publication of any submission.

• Deadline for submissions is noon Monday, before desired publication that Thursday. In the event of a three-day weekend, submissions must be made by 4 p.m. the preceding Friday.

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Jacksonville's hot problem

Sarah Trotter
Staff Writer

History became too hot to handle when two of Jacksonville's historical buildings were damaged by fire. The old train depot located at the corner of Mountain and Woodward streets was heavily damaged. The auditorium of the old Jacksonville High School suffered also. City officials and the community must now answer painful questions such as, "Who?" and "Why?"

At approximately 8 a.m. on Sunday, Sept. 20 the depot fire was reported by Jacksonville Police. According to an Anniston Star article by Mark D. Baker, the train depot was constructed in 1860 to transport men and supplies for the Confederate Army. Union soldiers were also transported from the depot to prison camps in Chattanooga.

According to Jacksonville Fire Chief Michael Daugherty, funds were being secured to renovate the depot. There were plans for it to house a business or business complex to cater to people using the Chief Ladiga Trail. Daugherty believes that renovation and utilization of the depot are still possible. The one-story warehouse portion was saved by firefighters, and the outside walls of the two-story section are still standing. The walls could probably be reinforced.

On Monday, Oct. 5, Mitchell McKay, principal of Jacksonville High School, was visiting the old school. In the junior high building, he found vandalism. As he entered the front door of the senior high, or main building, McKay was greeted by heavy smoke. McKay said that he notified Jacksonville Police around 9:15 a.m. The stage in the auditorium, once to host plays produced by Jacksonville State University, was on fire. Much greater damage may have occurred if McKay had not reported the fire so quickly.

What happens once a fire is out? Investigation. Daugherty says that a fire scene is much like a crime scene. It contains "clues that trained investigators can trace to a cause as well as a point of origin."

Daugherty described clues as "pieces of a puzzle" that are reconstructed to determine how and where a fire started. Clues investigated include "patterns of burning," "depth of char" and items found at the scene that "don't belong in a fire."

What is the cause of Jacksonville's historical fires? Daugherty cites several possibilities. Some old, abandoned buildings are used by vagrants who may accidentally start fires. Wood undergoes a slow oxidation process which, when combined with heat build-up in an enclosed space, can burn. Spontaneous combustion can see FIRE, page 10.

Rebekka Adams
Sophomore

To tired to study!!!

Willie Diggs
Junior

Having to cram for all the test's in one week.

Ice Box
Freshman

Not having enough time to party; run the ladies, and study all within that week.

Cornelius "Goldie" Anderson
Senior

I had nightmares of everyone cracking each and every knuckle of their hands, one at a time, crunching and cracking . . . I楯ing me irritating hair pulling pain.

Marilyn Phelps
Forever Senior
Today's Birthday (Oct. 22). Once you figure out your plan, the next step will be obvious. Changes are required, and maybe even a transformation. That's OK. You can do it, once you know where you're going. Friends and loved ones help you make a tough decision and your life gets easier once that's over. Even the work looks like fun, for a change. An old friend helps you get the money you need.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating today. It's the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) Today is a 5 — You're learning about money in the coming phase, how to spend it, how to make it, what kind of work is most effective. Figure out what great good you could do with it and you may make it easier for the money to flow into your pocket.

Consider yourself the caretaker and protector of it, and of others through it.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) Today is a 5 — You're putting up a good fight, but need to reassess the situation. Is this really necessary? If you'll get stronger or closer to your goals by joining forces with another, do so now. If you think you'll simply be a pawn in someone else's game, there's still time to escape.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) — Today is a 5 — This would be a good day to get a job you love, if you don't have one already.

Concentrate on taking care of others. That's the key to your success. You're in a good learning phase, so even if this is awkward initially, it'll get easier.

Cancer (June 21-July 22) — Today is a 5 — You and your loved ones should be getting some issues resolved. The more you do it, the easier it becomes. Make sure you have privacy, then speak your mind. That seems so simple, doesn't it? On days like this, it is. Finding the right time and place will be more difficult, but will get easier as the day progresses.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is a 5 — If this week's horoscopes sound pretty much alike, that's because the conditions are similar for the whole middle part of the week. You'll see a light at the end of the tunnel by tomorrow. You may think the project you're getting into is overwhelming, but don't give up. You'll learn how to do it, and you'll do a good job.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is a 6 — You're right on the edge of a new venture. You can count on a few surprises, but basically you can make a plan that will work. What would you do if you could do anything at all? What do you want to be when you grow up? Even if you're 65, there's still time, if you hurry.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Today is a 5 — It's hard for you to pick one of your many skills and practices if long enough to get really good at it. How the opportunity is at hand to learn not only how to make the best of your learning but also how to make a little money. Start pushing yourself in that direction.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Today is a 5 — There are people you'd like to get back at for things they did to you. How about just forgiving them? This is a great day for it. Start with some little slights.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is a 5 — You hate being pinned down, and that's exactly what's being asked of you. Now that you recognize the monster, you can face it and ask for a gift. Any other gift, the gift will be more freedom, but that's not going to happen for about another month. Meanwhile, stop fighting this lesson. It's good for you.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is a 5 — You feel like partying. You're running into people you haven't seen in years and want to spend more time with them. You've worked hard lately, so see if you can lighten up a little. There's going to be a big assignment tomorrow, but you might be able to arrange a little play-time now.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is a 5 — You and your loved ones should be coming up alike, that's because the conditions are similar for the whole middle part of the week. You'll see a light at the end of the tunnel by tomorrow. You may think the project you're getting into is overwhelming, but don't give up. You'll learn how to do it, and you'll do a good job.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) — Today is a 6 — You've been thinking about what you'd bring about if you could have anything you want. Once you get out the fantasy, figure out what you're going to pay for it. A career advancement is possible for tomorrow. Entertain the notion. It could be the very situation you need to get where you want to go.
Kirby breaks total yardage record

The Lady Gamecocks fell to 6-7 overall following the loss.

Jacksonville State 4
Troy State 1

On Sunday, the Lady Gamecocks were looking for blood after their loss to Samford and went into Troy ready to play.

JSU walk-on Becky Lasch led the Gamecocks with two goals on the day against the Lady Trojans. Lasch, a freshman, really came out playing in the win, and it was her first start as a Gamecock. By halftime the Lady Gamecocks had a monstrous 3-0 lead. Angela Campbell and Heather Bean had a goal each in the first half.

In the second half, Lasch sealed the fate of the Lady Trojans with her second and final goal of the day. Goalkeepers Finelli and Emily Bryan kept Troy scoreless to produce the win for JSU.

The Lady Gamecocks moved to 7-7 overall and 1-3 in Trans America.

The Lady Gamecocks host the JSU tournament to benefit the American Cancer Society beginning on Oct. 24. Play starts at 10 a.m. on Saturday and continues on until Sunday afternoon.

Here is some information regarding the JSU Soccer "Kick Out Cancer" tournament. Donations will be accepted to benefit the American Cancer Society:

On Saturday, those who attend will have a chance to win free football tickets and Semisonic concert tickets. Other prizes include movie rentals, CD's, haircuts, tanning bed visits, pizza, and JSU merchandise. At noon on both days, Cocky will be available for autographs.

The American Cancer Society will also sponsor giveaways. There will be free cokes and a couch potato contest.

The JSU Soccer "Kick Out Cancer" tournament is sponsored by JSU Soccer, the Student Government Association, IFC, Panhellenic, Greek Works, Zeta Tau Alpha, and the American Cancer Society.
Emily Duty  
Sports Writer

Do you like to have fun? Hang around with a great group of people? If so, intramural sports are for you.

“You don’t have to be a great athlete to participate,” says Erik Green, director of recreational sports. He estimates that approximately 30 percent of all JSU students, faculty, and staff make use of the recreational sports department, which consists of the facilities at Stephenson Hall and the Coliseum as well as the intramural program and fields.

Although 30 percent is close to the national average of participation in recreational activities, Jones “would like to have 100 percent of students participating.”

Intramural sports are an excellent way to meet and get to know people. Jones has “seen lots of friendships formed through intramural sports.”

Apprehension about playing sports is relieved in intramural play. There is no pressure to “try out” and the friendly atmosphere puts everyone at ease.

One of the upcoming events is the flag football tournament, weather permitting, is scheduled to begin Monday, Oct. 26. The location and time will be announced.

For more information about intramural sports, contact the office of recreational sports at 782-5072, or stop by the second floor of Stephenson Hall. Office hours are Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Other forms of recreation are available on the campus of JSU, in addition to the intramural sports program. Stephenson Hall is home to aerobic classes, basketball, volleyball, badminton, billiards, ping pong, racquetball courts, a weight room, cardiovascular equipment, locker room facilities containing showers and steamrooms, and meeting rooms. These facilities are available Mon.-Thurs. 6 a.m.-10 p.m. and Fri. 6 a.m.-6 p.m. Jones recommends calling in advance to check on availability of these services. The number at Stephenson is 782-5075.

Check out upcoming issues of The Chanticleer for reports and standings of intramural play.

The many other activities planned for the rest of this semester and the spring are listed in the table to the right.

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Did you really think the Gamecocks would be this good?

Erik Green  
Sports Writer

What’s up, NAY-sayers!! How do you like us now? 5-2! What a feeling! Most people would not have given the football team a snowball’s chance to have come this far so fast, but they did it!!

After we put the smack down on Samford Saturday, I was of all things...disappointed. I expect I had never cheered so little for a win (until that point) in my life. It felt like one of Alabama or Nebraska’s wins from days gone by.

It was the type of game that made people pack up and leave at half time and for the first time in what seems like forever they were leaving because we were so much ahead. I had the feeling in my heart of “Oh, well you need games like this.” While at the same time saying “Thank God for games like this.” Which brings me back to memories of my childhood in the stands at Paul Snow Stadium.

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Relationship Violence Seminar

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If you weren’t able to attend the Relationship Violence Seminar on Monday, Oct. 19, you missed out on an event that kept the audience well-informed. The seminar began promptly at 3:30p.m. in Leone Cole Auditorium with an overall attendance of approximately twenty people. At the beginning of the event, brochures were passed out to all recipients. Bob Boyle, area coordinator, welcomed and introduced the speakers of the lecture. A film was then shown to the audience that portrayed “juvenile” acts.

After the film, speaker, Yvonne Rudolph, spoke of her experience as survivor of sexual assault and explained what acquaintance rape is. Yvonne Rudolph is currently acquiring her Masters from the University of Alabama-Birmingham in Counseling. She works with homosexuals that have the full-fledged AIDS at the Daybreak Crisis Recovery Center in Anniston. In her first statements, she notes that most women that have been raped in Calhoun County and all over the United States have been through an acquaintance rape. According to Rudolph, “Acquaintance Rape is by people that you know and not necessarily your friend.” She further comments that you need to decide what you want out of the date you are on or have your sexual agenda planned before you get in that car. Date rape follows a familiar pattern, says Rudolph. The pattern she speaks of is a “ritual” aspect that can be found in every form of abuse.

Yvonne Rudolph’s final comments were concerning practical things that you can be aware of when judging how to react in an instance of sexual harassment. Rudolph exclaimed that a person’s body language and verbal language must match. For instance, if a person is coming on too strong then you need to communicate clearly “No, stop this, I don’t want this.” She gave the audience some advice on what to do if you have been drugged: (1) preserve as much of the physical evidence as possible (2) take any material that may be evidence such as the glass that you were drinking from (3) don’t drink anything that you didn’t open yourself (4) watch the drink being poured and don’t leave the drink unattended. Rudolph emphasized that about 80% of rape victims know their attacker.

The second speaker was Steve Godwin, a representative of Daybreak Crisis Recovery Center. His speech emphasized the “Date Rape Drugs” that are commonly used among sexual abusers. There are two common drugs used among rapists: (1) GHB-gamma-hydroxybutyrate and (2) Rohypnol. GHB is a drug that causes dizziness, nausea, vomiting, confusion, seizures, respiratory depression, intense drowsiness, unconsciousness, and coma. The side effect of GHB is that you may not be able to determine what happened while under the influence of this drug. If this drug is mixed with other medications then the results could be very dangerous. GHB can be found in a clear liquid form that is colorless and odorless. The second drug, Rohypnol, causes drowsiness, confusion, impaired motor skills, dizziness, disinhibition, impaired judgment, and reduced levels of consciousness. This drug makes you appear drunk and causes a loss of memory. If Rohypnol interferes with other medications that you are on it may produce extremely low blood pressure, respiratory depression, difficulty breathing, coma, or even death. Rohypnol comes in a tablet form and if a person possesses this drug he or she will be put in prison for three years. If a person is caught handling the drug improperly then a fine and a twenty year prison sentence will be enforced.

Steve Godwin informs the audience of signs that they should be aware of if drugged: (1) you wake up feeling hung over (2) if you remember taking a drink but don’t remember what happened afterward and (3) you think you had sex but you don’t know for sure. He gave the audience some advice on what to do if you have been drugged: (1) preserve as much of the physical evidence as possible (2) take any material that may be evidence such as the glass that you were drinking from (3) don’t drink anything that you didn’t open yourself (4) watch the drink being poured and don’t leave the drink unattended. Godwin emphasized that about 80% of rape victims know their attacker.

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LA FIESTA HISPANA!

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In the past, there have been several interesting gatherings and celebrations on the JSU campus.

However, the Hispanic Heritage Festival was one of the most exciting celebrations you will ever attend. At the Gamecock Center last Wednesday, there was an aroma in the air, a mixture of several herbs and spices. While walking down the hall, music grew louder and louder. Past the doors of the Gamecock Center, the most exciting celebrations you will ever attend. Various groups were appointed to dance and show expressions for Hispanic culture. A total of 10 dances were performed by students, visitors and a selected few JSU staff. Among the physical expressions was “The Art of the Fan,” performed by Marisol Lin’s daughter, Jennifer. This is a depiction of how a lady communicates with her suitor through the use of waving a fan. Another favorite was of course the dance “Lambada,” performed by exchange students, Renata Vitalina of Brazil, and Andres Pizon of Colombia. There were also dances performed, referred to as salsa and merengue. The festivities also included a feast of burritos, nachos, tacos, taco salads and more.

This fabulous night ended with the performers and guests dancing to the “Macarena” on the dance floor. The experience of attending this event was mesmerizing. There is only one word that describes this Hispanic Heritage Festival-FELIZ! Don’t miss it next year.
The second annual “Save the Furnace 5K” raised $1200 dollars with the help of JSU students, faculty, and some local residents. The relatively new, traditional race was held Saturday, and the turnout more than doubled last year’s numbers. The effort to restore the deteriorating furnace has become one of the top priorities of the Archaeology Department here at JSU. Chris Hill holds this restoration project with the aid of County Commissioner Eli Henderson, Archaeology department head Howard Johnson and various other departments around campus.

The Janney furnace is a Civil War era cold blast iron furnace built by Alfred Janney in 1863. It was part of the war effort and along with 16 other furnaces in Alabama helped supply the Confederacy with 70 percent of its iron. The historical records are all but non-existent for these structures because their locations were kept secret. Hill doesn’t know if the Janney furnace was over even fired. “That’s where the archaeology comes in,” says Hill.

These furnaces had little local industrial implications other than supplying forges with iron. Most of the iron was cast into weapons for the Southern Campaign.

Hill hopes through excavation and his assistants can put the pieces of the puzzle together and discover the story behind Janney. Hill says there is also a great geographical significance to the location of these iron furnaces.

“The key to making these furnaces productive is large amounts of iron, forests for charcoal to fuel the fire and limestone which, when melted down with the iron, filters out impurities and ultimately leaves pure iron,” says Hill. Northeastern Alabama is perfect for iron production. The Union Army knew that when they sent General Lovell Rousseau to destroy the Southern furnaces. “In 1864, around July 14, he moved on Janney furnace and did just enough damage to put it out of commission,” Hill says. Janney has weathered to the point of ruin for more than 100 years. “These iron furnaces were the reason some Alabama communities formed, including Anniston.” Hill notes that “these furnaces were built and run by hundreds of men who had families and would need a church, school and general store, eventually becoming a self-sufficient town. This is a critical piece of history.”

Funds are finally arriving after a grant was received last year for the restoration project. Hopefully on Nov. 2, a stone mason will begin work strengthening the interior of the furnace. The total restoration of the furnace is projected for late 1999. The goal for the furnace includes the area being inducted as a state park housing primitive camp sites and a historical visitor’s center hosting various festivals.

Local citizens are “very positive and fantastic in the support they provide for the restoration,” says Hill. The main participants of the 5K run were locals including the Anniston Runners Club and some Ft. McClellan runners. Hill hopes to have the third annual 5K run at about the same time next year. Hill hopes the race will become a traditional part of Homecoming Day. “Save the Furnace” T-shirts are still on sale for $10 dollars and can be purchased in the Archaeology Department.

This is an ongoing project that stresses educational importance. Students from kindergarten to JSU seniors will be able to enjoy the finished product of this restoration project for years to come.

Hill thanks all the faculty, staff and students who volunteered to help. That’s where all the real JSU support comes from.”
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