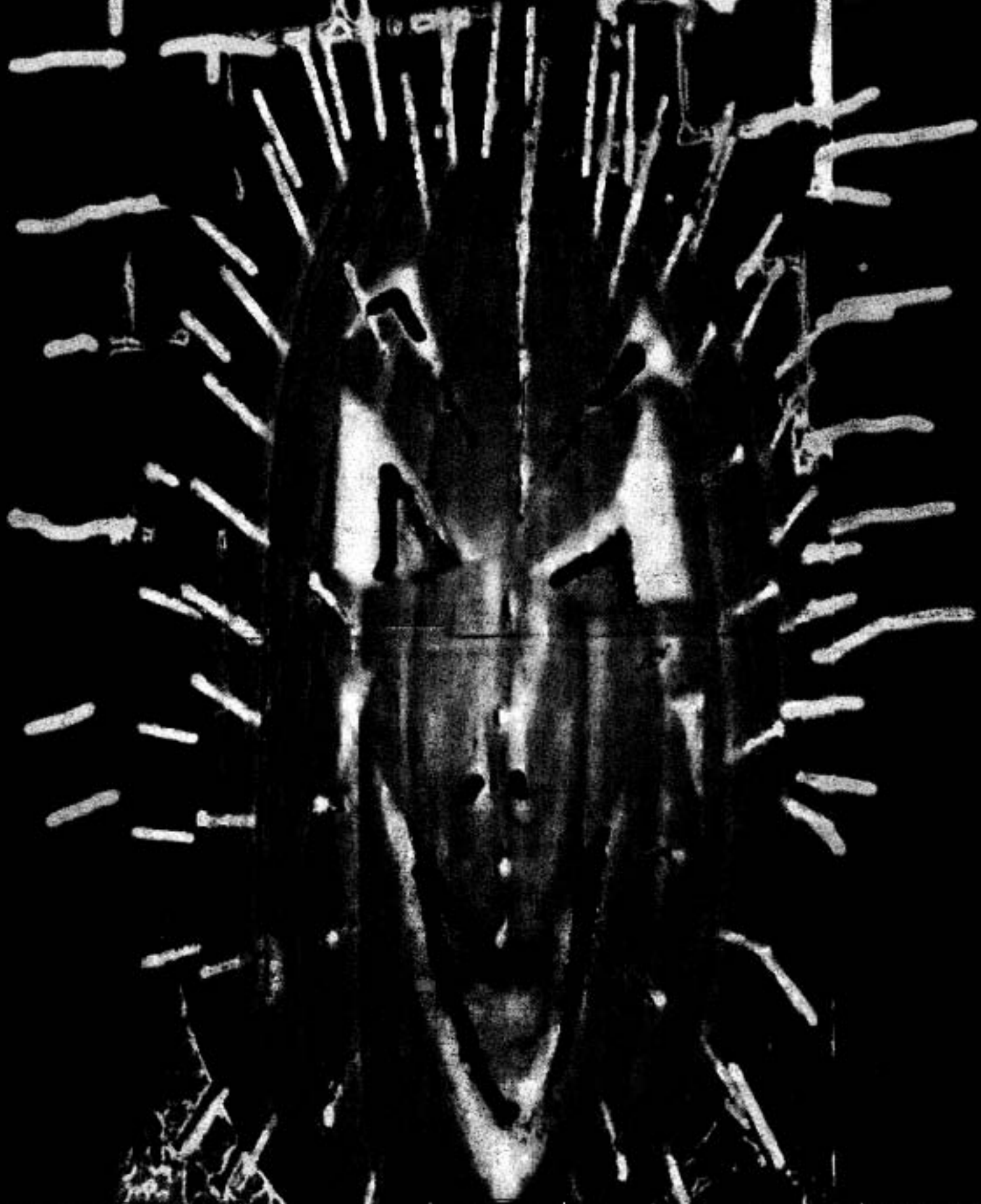


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Textiles  
and Art—  
a talk with  
Heather  
Allen  
(back cover)



Five  
Fright  
Flights



Feeling  
Strangely  
Fine



# Campus Crime Docket

- 10-20-98 JSUPD arrested John Lionez Welcome, 24, of Anniston on charges of criminal trespass.
- 10-20-98 JSUPD arrested Timothy Earl Bell, 28, of Anniston on charges of criminal trespass.
- 10-20-98 JSUPD reported criminal trespass in the parking lot between Curtiss and Fitzpatrick Halls.
- 10-20-98 Ruben A. Tapia, 22, of Jacksonville reported harassment at Weatherly Hall.
- 10-21-98 Amanda Michelle Daily, 20, of Jacksonville reported trespassing and theft of property at 220 Half Cole Drive. Two steel sawhorses valued at \$50 were stolen.
- 10-21-98 Samuel Lekristian Jackson, 18, of Birmingham reported criminal mischief at Crow Hall. Damage to vehicle was estimated at \$180.
- 10-22-98 Ralph Carlton Ward of Jacksonville reported theft of property at 336 Stone Center. One Panasonic VHS Video Cassette Recorder valued at \$141 was stolen.
- 10-23-98 Arreanna Victoria Thornton, 19, of Hartselle reported harassing communications at Sparkman Hall.
- 10-24-98 JSUPD reported criminal trespass at Sparkman Hall.
- 10-25-98 Arreanna Victoria Thornton, 19, of Hartselle reported harassing communications at Sparkman Hall.
- 10-26-98 David Jerone Veitch, 25, reported theft of property from the parking lot of Martin Hall. One red plastic toolbox and tools, valued at \$90, were stolen.
- 10-27-98 JSUPD reported 3rd degree criminal mischief at Weatherly Hall.

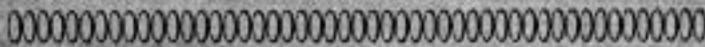
# Organizations/Clubs

**Proposed IFC Resolution: Oct. 15, 1998**  
 -WHEREAS safety is of primary concern to the students of Jacksonville State University.  
 -AND WHEREAS Brewer Hall, Merrill Building, and Stone Center are primary academic buildings.  
 -AND WHEREAS time constraints are placed on the student body to get from class to class.  
 -AND WHEREAS this proposed walkway will increase pedestrian traffic away from the major thoroughfare and decrease vehicle traffic.  
 -THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the students of Jacksonville State University feel it is necessary that a paved and lighted sidewalk should be constructed from Brewer Hall to Stone Center.  
**RESOLUTION PASSED 10-15-98**  
**Alpha Xi Delta**  
 The sisters and new members of Alpha Xi Delta want to congratulate the Gamecocks on their win against Sam Houston State. Thanks to all our executive officers for the exciting Destination Unknown last Tuesday--We all enjoyed it thoroughly.  
 Our newest members' bigs are very excited about their little! Good job to the intramural football team for making it to the championships.  
 New member of the week is Shanna Stewart; Sister of the Week is Kellilyn Johnson; Support Award goes to Jessica Walker and Beth Bules; and Beary Best Bear goes to Kellilyn Johnson.  
**Phi Beta Lambda Business Club Meeting** will be held Nov. 16 at 1 p.m., room 105 of Merrill Hall. All CCBA students invited.

# Announcements

- **American Chemical Society** meets the first Monday of each month in room 112 Martin Hall at 12:30 p.m.
- **JSU Gospel Choir** meets every Tuesday, 6--8 p.m. in the bandroom of Mason Hall.
- **Student Health Services** will give Flu shots beginning Oct. 19 and continuing through November: \$10 for JSU staff and students. Students pay on their accounts at the Bursar's Office; staff pay on site. Call 782-5310 for an appointment: Mondays and Wednesdays, 1:30-4:30 p.m.; Fridays, 8:30-11:15 a.m. Bring your JSU ID.
- **Young Democrats of America** meets every Thursday at 5 p.m. on the third floor of Houston Cole Library.
- Today, Oct. 29: Sigma Tau Delta** (English Honor Society) meets at 3:30 in room 231 Stone Center. English and Language Arts majors with 48 hours and 3.0 GPA are invited to join. Bring a favorite scary story or poem for a Halloween read-in.
- Tomorrow, Oct. 30: Jacksonville Christmas Parade meeting** will take place at Jacksonville City Hall at 8 a.m. to begin planning for the Christmas parade to be held Nov. 30. Student groups interested in donating time and energy in lieu of money are encouraged to attend and participate. Call 435-7611 for more information.
- Tomorrow, Oct. 30: Heather Allen Art lecture** in the Hammond Hall gallery. Hear textile artist Heather Allen discuss her work and methods of textile art. Lecture begins at 10 a.m.
- Tomorrow, Oct. 30: Friday Night Fire and Storytelling** at the Anniston Museum of Natural History. Renowned storytellers Sarah Jane Tackett and Sue Watter will tell spooky stories, southern folktales, fairytales and downright lies! Be prepared to venture outdoors: \$3/person; \$2/Museum League member.
- Saturday, Oct. 31: 12th Annual Phi Mu Alpha Southern Classic band competition** runs all day long at Paul Snow Stadium, ending in a grand finale with JSU's Marching Southerners. Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy.
- Sunday, Nov. 1: JSU Men and Women Basketball Fan Day** (autographs with the team) from 3-4 p.m. at Pete Mathews Coliseum.
- Monday, Nov. 2: Academic advisement begins** for Spring 1999
- Tuesday, Nov. 3: JSU Faculty Art Exhibit** will open at 7 p.m. with a free reception for students and visitors, where refreshments will be served. The show will run Nov. 3-25. For more information, call Steve Loucks at 782-5708 or Charles Grover, Art department head, at 782-5625.
- Wednesday, November 11: Veterans' Day memorial ceremony** will be held at the flagpoles in front of Bibb Graves Hall. Sponsored by Scabbard and Blade, the ceremony will take place at 8 a.m. and will feature CSM Earleson from Fort McClellan, Jerry Chandler and Carrick Pell, all three veterans.

## Here and there: Music scene



### Oct. 29 - Nov. 5

**Thursday, 10/29**  
Brothers

Second Hand Jive

**Friday, 10/30**  
Brothers

Cadillac Voodoo Choir

**HALLOWEEN**  
Brothers

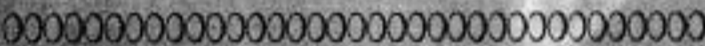
Halloween Party

**Friday, 10/30**  
Retro Club and Café

Halloween Bash

**Wednesday, 11/4**  
Brothers

Tamerlane



\*Additional show information will be posted.

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## JSU/SGA Events Calendar: Oct. 29 - Nov. 5

**Art Exhibit: Heather Allen "Passages," Hammond Hall Gallery, until Oct. 30**

Thu 29	Fri 30	Sat 31	Sun 1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Blood Drive</li> <li>◆ Sigma Tau Delta (English Honor Society) meets at 3:30, room 231, Stone Center.</li> <li>◆ Young Democrats of America, 5 p.m., 3rd floor of the library</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Heather Allen Art Lecture, 10 a.m., Hammond Hall Gallery</li> <li>◆ Friday Night Fire and Storytelling, Anniston Museum of Natural History, \$3/person; \$2/Museum member.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ <b>HAPPY HALLOWEEN</b></li> <li>◆ 12th Annual Phi Mu Alpha Southern Classic Band Competition, all day long at Paul Snow Stadium</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ JSU Men and Women Basketball Fan Day (autographs with the team) 3-4 p.m. at Pete Mathews Coliseum</li> </ul>
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**Faculty Art Exhibit, Hammond Hall, opens Nov. 3, at 7 p.m.**



# Sleeping on the hill

## In Jacksonville's cemetery sleeps a "living" history

Sarah Trotter  
Staff Writer

"Where are Elmer, Herman, Bert, Tom and Charley, the weak of will, the strong of arm, the clown, the boozier, the fighter? All, all, are sleeping on the hill.

"Where are Ella, Kate, Mag, Lizzie and Edith, the tender heart, the simple soul, the loud, the proud, the happy one? — All, all, are sleeping on the hill.

"They brought them dead sons from the war, and daughters whom life had crushed, and their children fatherless crying — All, all, are sleeping, sleeping, sleeping on the hill."

Perhaps you recognize the above lines from "Spoon River Anthology" by Edgar Lee Masters. In "Spoon River," the characters, all dead, speak from their graves and the reader reconstructs the town's history from the graveyard.

What do the dead have to say to us? We too can construct town history from our very own Jacksonville Cemetery.

An initial look at the cemetery reveals much about historic Jacksonville. According to an article by Sue Lynn Stone in the Register of the Kentucky Historical Society, Southern Victorian graveyards reveal a lot about the values and traditions of the people.

The Jacksonville Cemetery very closely fits Stone's description of a Southern Victorian

cemetery. It is called a "garden" cemetery because it contains elaborate monuments rather than ground-level markers. The Cemetery is located on a rolling hill and is away from the "populated area."

The Victorians strove to soften the harshness of death by viewing it in terms of sleep. The word "cemetery" implies a place for the dead to "sleep" and "rest." Many of the inscriptions on the markers refer to sleep. Phrases such as "Asleep in Jesus" are common epitaphs throughout the Jacksonville Cemetery. The appearance of many of the old graves is also suggestive of sleep: they are encircled with bricks or cement "walls," giving the grave the appearance of a bed.

Family values were very important to early residents of Jacksonville. The cemetery contains many family plots enclosed by wrought-iron fences with gates. Usually, the gate bears the family name, a date and a manufacturer's name and location. The fences were purchased as far away as New York and Ohio.

The monuments, a permanent tribute to the deceased, naturally reveal much about early Jacksonville and its residents. First, the monuments reveal wealth. The larger the monument, the more money the family probably had. The markers in the Jacksonville Cemetery range in size and expense from field rocks with dates carved into them to concrete poured over the grave (and etched

with a stick) to very elaborate statues and monuments.

The icons on the tombstones are helpful in learning about the deceased. According to Stone, "rose wreaths, hewn trees, and broken roses" were symbols of "virtue and beauty." Devotion to one's faith is symbolized by Bibles and crosses. Masons were identified by the insignia of their organizations. Modern Woodmen of America are identified by a tombstone in the shape of "hewn logs."

The importance of religion to early Jacksonville residents is indicated, not only by Bible and cross icons, but also by icons symbolizing Heaven. Among these symbols are a finger pointing upward and clasped hands.

Children's graves are often marked by "lambs, doves, flowers and cherubs." Vases and weeping willows show the sorrow of those left behind by the deceased. All of the above-mentioned icons can be found in the Jacksonville Cemetery.

To learn more about Jacksonville's history, one can look to individual graves. The names on the largest (and most expensive) markers belong to the prominent families of early Jacksonville. Some of these names can be found at JSU. One of the names is Forney (Forney Hall). According to "The Jacksonville Story," a booklet published by The First National Bank of Jacksonville, Jacob Forney was president of the State Normal School, the predecessor of Jacksonville State University, in 1894. Jacob's father was Gen. John H. Forney, a Civil War general; Jacob's sister was Annie Rowan Forney (Rowan Hall). Annie married Clarence Daugeette (Daugeette Hall).

Another name found on some of the large markers in the cemetery is Walker. According to a September 1977 supplement to the Jacksonville News, Judge Thomas A. Walker built the Forney-Burton home in 1836. Brig. Gen. William H. Forney, another Jacksonville Civil War general, and his wife lived in the house from 1855 to 1894.

The family burial plot with the rusted iron gate bearing the name "Francis" reveals some history as well. Dr. J. C. Francis, a beloved doctor, served Jacksonville for more than 50 years. He came from Tennessee to Jacksonville in 1837. His office, which doubled as a drug store, was located on the square for 130 years before it was moved one block to its current location behind AmSouth Bank. The office is now a museum.

Gen. John Pelham's grave is located at the front of the cemetery. Pelham, originally from Alexandria, attended West Point. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Jacksonville, the same church that served as a hospital during the Civil War. In 1861, Pelham left West Point to fight for the Confederacy.



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Each grave in the Jacksonville Cemetery holds a person who is a part of Jacksonville's history.

He was admired for his bravery and devotion as he fought at First Manassas, Cold Harbor, Second Manassas, Sharpsburg, Fredricksburg, and Kelly's Ford. Stonewall Jackson commended Pelham, and Robert E. Lee called Pelham "Gallant Pelham." Gen. John Pelham died at Kelly's Ford at the age of 23.

Although Jacksonville's prominent and founding citizens are important, the "common" people also have stories to share. The cemetery is the final resting place of many people of various occupations, including that of "soldier." A veteran of the War of 1812, several Confederate soldiers (even unknown soldiers), and World War I veterans are buried in Jacksonville.

The most obscure graves, the ones unnoticed by those in awe of the grand monuments, possibly give the most interesting history. One of these headstones is a small rock with the name "Harriet" carved into it, along with the year 1860. Below the name and date is a carved picture of a tree falling on a girl.

According to an Aug. 1997 Jacksonville News article, Harriet was a slave girl who was carrying a bucket of water across the present-day square when a gust of wind blew down a tree. The tree fell on Harriet, killing her.

Each grave in the Jacksonville Cemetery holds a person who is a part of Jacksonville's history. We gather and construct the character and history of early Jacksonville from the layout of the cemetery, the symbolic icons and markers and the names themselves. The Jacksonville Public Library and the Houston Cole Library both have copies of a directory to the Jacksonville Cemetery, a good starting point for finding information about individuals buried in the cemetery. From their graves, these people give "threads" of information that compose the fabric of Jacksonville's history.



Scenes from the Haunted Garage on Hwy 21, across from Fort McClellan near the Baltzell Gate. Admission is \$4, \$2 of which goes to charity.

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# 13 Ghosts Come to Jacksonville

Dave Sharp  
Staff Writer

Halloween began early this year at Jacksonville State. Kathryn Tucker Windham appeared Tuesday at Houston Cole Library to pass along her versions of some spooky tales she has gathered all over the South.

As a ghost story collector, Windham was able to create an eerie atmosphere for the crowd she drew. She had quite a turnout of fans and students who needed a spine-chilling tale.

Windham has known she wanted to be a writer since when she was seven years old. Her first crack at writing came as she landed a job at her hometown newspaper in Thomasville, AL. Since then she has written a variety of Southern folklore, local history and family tales.

Windham moved from Thomasville to Selma when she got married. She calls Selma home and this is where she raised her children.

Her interest in the shadowy folklore of the South began in October of 1966. This is when Jeffrey appeared.

"He was a presence that came into our house," says Windham.

Though Jeffrey has never appeared to Windham herself, he has been caught in a photograph that is displayed in her first book of supernatural folklore titled "13 Alabama Ghosts and Jeffrey."

She was hooked. Windham recalls, "I couldn't stop writing ghost stories." She has traveled all over the South visiting the locations of these hauntings. Each tale has been carefully researched and though most stories have similarities, Windham tries to be as historically accurate as possible.

In her search for these ghost stories, she admits to finding only two "truly evil spirits." One was in Tennessee and one was in Georgia. She confesses, "I've never found a bad Alabama ghost."

Windham says she doesn't have a favorite or most frightening ghost story to tell.

"Ghost stories aren't told to frighten, those are horror stories. There is something sad and wistful of ghost stories that shouldn't scare people," says Windham.

This chilling element could be found in her storytelling Tuesday night. Windham also had some good advice for those who are being visited by their own Jeffrey. She says that if you take a pair of shoes and place them just under your bed with one toe sticking out and one toe sticking in, nothing bad can get you.

Because Windham has never seen a ghost, she says she "feels shorted." Perhaps one day all her hard work will pay off and Jeffrey will reward her with a peek at what's under the sheet.



It was standing room only when Kathryn Tucker spun her spooky tales.

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## CATHOLIC STUDENTS ORGANIZATION

For more information about the C.S.O. program, please call Father Bill Lucas at (205) 435-3238.

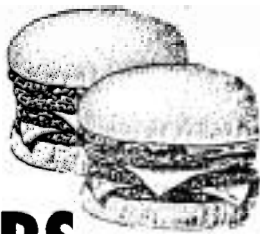
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## Walking a mile in new shoes

Stacy Goode  
Staff Writer

Has anyone ever walked in your shoes? Would they want to? Finding shoes that are comfortable and affordable is difficult in this world overrun with "Shoe Carnival" and "Just for Feet."

Even the most discerning shopper can be roped in by their "buy 12 and your 13th pair is free" slogans. And who hasn't taken a chance to spin the carnival wheel to see if they can get a discount on the shoes they found on the "nobody wanted them" table at the front of the store.

But all the dazzle and deals won't keep you from finding out your "bargain" shoes were not such a sweet deal after all. Maybe they are uncomfortable, maybe they lose their shape, or maybe they just fall apart. How does someone on a tight budget find shoes they can afford and can be proud of?

The first step is to find out what type of shoe you want. If your shoes won't be worn often or for very long, the issue of durability is not as important. However, one looking for shoes with a higher heel should remember that a shoe that fits improperly, even if worn for only a short time, can cause back pain and muscle and tendon stress. Heels worn for extended periods can even cause nerve damage in the toes.

Starting out, you should know how much you are able to spend. If you're working on a tight budget you don't have to accept a

lower quality shoe. Stores like Martin's and T.J. Max sell brand name shoes at very reasonable prices. In August, T.J. Max was selling a pair of Born clogs (ladies, size 7) for \$22.

Sometimes when you're working with limited funds you can actually get more wear for your money if you invest in a versatile classic. A nice pair of black boots or brown loafers may be more practical even if you have to spend a bit more.

Don't forget that a \$20 "Deal" is not a great bargain if you only wear the shoes 10 times. That's \$2 per wear. If you paid \$100 for a pair of shoes that you were able to wear an average of twice a week for a year, you pay less than \$1 per wear. Durability and versatility are important factors to consider when deciding on a shoe's worth.

Regardless of how well your shoe choice matches your new sheik ensemble, don't skimp in the comfort category. Uncomfortable shoes have a tendency to collect cobwebs in the back of the closet along with the fuschia satin pumps that you wore to your junior prom and just couldn't bear to throw away. Foot pain stinks. The only way to get rid of it is to take off the offending shoes. Sometimes that stinks too.

Although most of mom's shoe advice is outdated, such as the old clichés "don't wear white shoes after Labor Day" and "the higher the heel the looser the morals," one old favorite still holds true— "a shoe can make a woman (or man)."

## Where are the students?

Wendy Laminack  
Staff Writer

At 6 p.m. SGA 1st Vice President Gina Orlando's gavel could be heard throughout the auditorium. This could only mean one thing. The weekly SGA meeting had come to order.

Mr. Randall Stephens, the new JSU Campus Bookstore manager, was the first to speak. He said he wants to get acquainted with the students. Stephens said he is here to serve the students, he would work to improve the campus bookstore and was sorry for any past inconveniences.

Elections were also held on Monday night. Brad Prince, James Stack and Derrick Richardson were elected as senators.

Money was allocated to the Potter's Guild. Dr. Karen Gregg and Ms. Cyndy Porter spoke on behalf of the guild. The money will be used for a slab roller, which will be donated to the Art Department for JSU students. A slab roller is used for hand building. It rolls out slabs of clay to a certain thickness, which can be used for a variety of things, such as the JSU ceramic tiles that were sold during Fall Visitation Day.

If you are interested in the Adopt-A-Freshman Forum Student, contact the Student Activities office. According to Orlando, Freshman Forum is "an organization for freshmen that encourages them to be leaders." This is a group where freshmen meet other freshmen and get involved in activities. There is no cost, and a forum member has to be elected, much like a senator has to be elected. Meetings are held on Wednesdays at 8 p.m. in the auditorium.

Orlando said it is a good way to meet people and get involved, "and a good number of freshman forum members become senators."

If you haven't noticed or passed through TMB, the Food Court has opened! According to SGA President Ryan Kruzinski, each student will be allotted a certain amount of money to spend at the new addition on campus. To find out exactly how much you have been given, you can contact Joe Whitmore at 782-4555 or Noah Rucker at 782-4908.

The good news is the SGA broke even with the Semisonic concert. The bad news? Not many college students were there. According to Kruzinski, tickets sold mostly to high school students (which is great), but the SGA is for JSU, hoping to get college students involved. 2nd Vice President Kellilyn Johnson and Kruzinski said that they appreciated all of the help that made the concert a success.

This year the football team is having a great season with a 6-2 record. "We're ranked 22nd in the nation," said Kruzinski, who also said that a win at next Saturday's game against Northwestern could put the Gamecocks in the play-offs. And yet, where are the students? A small crowd accumulated last Saturday, but it could have been much, much larger. Where is JSU's school spirit? Kruzinski asks that all students get involved with campus activities.

Remember that all students are welcome to attend the meetings on Mondays. Any student is welcome to listen and give suggestions for ways to improve the campus and to help get students involved.

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# Five silver screen screams

**Dave Mathews**  
Features Editor

I cannot make this article a ratings chart, partly because I am not here to pick favorites. I am a true fan of the horror film genre and could never put them into a list from greatest to the least. This list of 10 films are my pick of ten of the scariest flicks you can view alone (not recommended) or with your date during this Halloween season. The films you see listed are not the greatest of all time and not all of them are classics. Some of the most noted in history have been left out, not because I did not enjoy them, but because I chose not to

include them. "Psycho", "The Birds", "Nightmare on Elm Street", "Rosemary's Baby", etc. These are all great films. Two of which I listed were done by the 'master', Alfred Hitchcock. I merely chose to include films that I feel were the scariest. So cut down your lights, pop in any of these below and get ready for a roller coaster ride of nightmares, fears and spine tinglers that will surely keep you on your guard. Welcome to a piece of my world. The world of 'Horror Films'.



Quite possibly the scariest movie of all time, "The Exorcist" goes way beyond fear and trying to frighten you. "The Exorcist" touches on true evil, an evil that is only matched by an evenly powerful side of good. This is not a film for everyone. It has content that may and does offend most.

In this film, based on the novel by William Blatty, you are brought into the world of demonic possession. Not the possession of a criminally insane person or an already crazy schizo patient at the local psychiatric center. You are brought into the life of Regan (Linda Blair) a normal little girl with a normal life. An ancient relic discovered in Israel houses the evil and eventually

ends up in Regan's house possessing her and one of the priests fighting the powers of Satan for her well being.

The movie was supposedly based on a true story, and the Discovery Channel offers a wonderful documentary titled "In the Grip of Evil." The fact that exorcisms took place and still take place brings a sense of realism to you that will keep you mesmerized.

The performances are impeccable and the cinema graphics are unmatched for its era.

"The Exorcist" is a movie that cannot be taken lightly and will truly and genuinely frighten you no matter who you are.

Nominated for 10 Academy Awards (Won Best Adapted Screenplay and Best Sound) and four Golden Globes (Best Director, Best Film, Best Sound and Best Supporting Actress (Linda Blair).

This movie is the horror movie of all horror movies and will not only scare you but shock you, move you and in the end leave you wondering.....what if?



Jack Nicholson has been in his share of horror films, "The Terror," "Little Shop of Horrors," but his most famed, is his brilliant performance in the number two scariest horror movie on my list,

"The Shining."

The actual 'shining' is like being clairvoyant. Someone with the 'shining' can often see brief flashes of the future, good or bad. More often bad when dealing with horror.

An old hotel nestled in the mountains of Colorado has been closed for the winter due to the 20 or so feet of snow that it receives for five or six months. Nicholson's character Jack has been chosen, along with his family, to take care of the Overlook Hotel during the winter, a good time for him to pursue his writing career in total solitude.

Jack, along with wife Wendy and his son with the gift of 'the shining', all go into this with the greatest intentions. What results is a terrifying event. Jack

suddenly becomes a bit unnerved, losing his temper more than usual and on occasion losing his mind altogether. His son senses something is wrong, and tries his best in his own way to warn his mother of the upcoming problem. The little boy suddenly begins to receive visions of two twins who were similarly murdered by their father as he tried to care for the hotel several years before. Jack is only being plagued with deja vu, a little more intense than your usual "I've been here before" experience.

Eventually, Jack becomes totally irate and completely mad. The performance by Nicholson is one of the most convincing horror film roles of all time. The intensity of his character is truly the most frightening part of the movie.

The whole occurrence is justified as a sort of characters fate. Jack was merely re-living the events which had taken place years before, in close to the exact manner. Maybe I am just a sucker for gore, but "The Shining" also holds the record for most blood used in a single scene. I'll let you pick it out. It is not very hard. Strongly recommended.



What better movie for Halloween than "Halloween." John Carpenter at his best. Michael Myers is a name that will send chills on a lot of spines. Myers as a young boy suddenly with-

out warning develops a taste for killing. At age eight on Halloween, Michael Myers wacks off his sister and needs more. Instantly shipped off to the asylum, Michael is locked away, never to walk the streets again. His psychiatrist, Dr. Loomis (Donald Pleasence), is the only person who has seen the blank stare of Michael Myers and his inner need for death and destruction. Only Loomis knows the pure sinister blood that flows through this person's veins.

The story after his sister's death, jumps to 15 years later. On what day? Of course, Halloween. He has escaped

## Hellraiser

The placement of "Hellraiser" as number five on the list was a difficult decision. Clive Barker, an author with unexplainable touches with the dark side really made a name for himself with this film. This is a horror movie beyond horror, deeper than just horror, this film taps into the issues of desire, ecstasy, and pure unadulterated evil.

Is the thought of an experience beyond the limits; pain and pleasure, indivisible really worth selling your soul? For the characters in "Hellraiser" it is debatable. This evil and opportunity lies within a sort of Pandora's puzzle box which when solved unleashes demons of the underworld known as Cenobites.

Larry Cotton and his wife Julie merely want to settle into their new life and house together. A dreaded feeling lures Julie into the attic of her new home, where she discovers feelings for her true love, her husband's brother Frank, a man who previously has unlocked the powers of the Cenobites by solving the puzzle box.

Frank bursts in on Julie, blood dripping from his hand. Blood that drips through the cracks of the attic floor feeding the evil that hides in the darkness. Later, Julie encounters Frank again, except this time he explains that



Based on serial killer Ed Gein, "The Texas Chainsaw Massacre" made its mark on the horror genre in 1974. This quid-essential horror movie was so well made that the performance of Gunnar Hansen as Leatherface is still studied to this day and has been used as a prototype for many of the slashers of the late 70's and early 80's.

Daniel Pearl was able to capture a certain intensity and tension of a moment matched with true fears. This film is definitely not for the weak, or the faint of heart. It has been classified as one of the first and most successful cannibal movies ever released.

The general reaction to this film was varied. The plot was disgusting and most did not care for it, however the

his lock down and returns to his hometown of Haddonfield for unfinished business. Eventually running into Laurie Strode (Jamie Lee Curtis), who in turn gives Micheal a run for his money. Stabbing him with knitting needles, poking his eyes with coat hangers and using his own knife on him. Anything available to stop this madman. Why is he doing this, you may ask? Well you will have to watch part two for that information. The nightmare has only begun.

I can only personally recommend the first two of these films and the recent "Halloween H2O" for the real story line. The rights for this film title has been through several hands allowing the real reason for Michael's existence to be stretched to the point of being ridiculous. So ridiculous that the third movie by this title, "Halloween 3 - Season of the Witch" has nothing to do with the original story line. Careful trying to trace Michael's lineage. H2O may be the end. Or is it?

after he solved the "Lament Configuration" (the box), he summoned Hell's fury upon himself and now must have the blood of others to regain his old form as a human. He convinces Julie to seduce men into the house for him to feed on, which, of course, she does for the sake of true love.

The real horror occurs after Larry's daughter Kirsty discovers what evil forces abide in the attic and steals the box, not knowing the repercussions of her actions.

Unknowingly, Kirsty summons the Cenobites, led by master character Pinhead, after her soul. She offers Frank's life in exchange for her soul. However, Hell can never be satisfied and Pinhead is as relentless as the devil himself.

"Hellraiser" is another film not to be taken at 'face value.' The deeper motive of this plot line is complex and ever changing. Strongly recommended with "Hellraiser" are the ones which follow, "Hellraiser 2", "Hellraiser 3" and part four, "Bloodline," which become more personal with each new Cenobite created with each soul that is taken away.

"Hellraiser," a must view for a terrifying experience beyond any other horror film you have ever seen: an evil that is hard to identify matched with a morbid, dark sense of beauty.



younger audience "ate it up" no pun intended.

In order to get the general reaction regarding this movie, I have decided to include a certain review written about the film:

"The Texas Chainsaw Massacre is vile piece of sick crap... It is a film with literally nothing to recommend it: nothing but a hysterically paced slapdash, imbecile concoctions of cannibalism, voodoo, astrology, sundry hippie-esque cults, and unrelenting sadistic violence as extreme and hideous as a complete lack of imagination can possibly make it." —Stephen Koch, Harper's November 1976.

The story begins with five kids on their way to investigate supposed grave robberies. Sally (Marilyn Burns) along with her paralyzed brother Franklin and three friends get sidetracked on a jour-

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## The most terrible "it"

Maria Bochat  
Staff Writer

It can be quiet, it can loud, or it can be a monotonous beat that everyone seems to be listening to. It can be sweet, it can be sour, or it can taste down right disgusting! It can be out in the open, it can hide in every fiber of your life, or it can stand in the shadows hoping you won't see it. You can control it, it can disrupt your life, or you can be its slave. What am I talking about? Politics.

I know many people answer to politics by saying "it's all crooked!" Whatever you believe about it, politics is the only way to get anything done in this world. We are all politicians of sorts. We learn to practice a form of politics in our own homes, schools and social lives.

The largest group of registered and active voters in the U.S. are the senior citizens. The smallest group is the younger citizens of the U.S. How can this be? Senior citizens feel they have more to lose (or gain). As the younger generation, we should care more about voting and being political activists. We have a longer sentence to serve for badly made decisions. You have the opportunity to change this trend. If you did not register to vote for this upcoming election, you can study up for the next one.

Have you seen the Ballot? Assuming you know enough about the candidates on the ballot, you may find yourself confused when you start reading the proposed amendments. The amendments are hard to read so it's a good idea to get a copy of the ballot before you vote so you can look at the candidates and the proposed amendments. You can find a good source for amendments in layman's terms in "The Birmingham News" dated October 11 (section 19A).

The following summaries will let you whet your appetite for information.

Amendment 1- Cell phone state tax- taxes will go to a state revolving authority (this money is going to new loans for new businesses).

Amendment 2- Parks- this see **Vote page 8**

## Semisonic leaves Jacksonville...



Drummer Jacob Slichter pounds the skins during Saturday's show.

## "Feeling Strangely Fine"

Kimberlyn Kostamo  
Assistant Features Editor

By themselves, Saturday's opening band Tamerlane would have been worth the \$10 price of admission. Their catchy tunes flowed through the rapidly crowding Pete Mathews Coliseum. Circles of friends gathered to laugh, talk and listen, anxiously awaiting Semisonic. The festivities started around 7:30p.m. with Tamerlane playing for about 45 minutes.

"It was a good feeling," band member Hunter said. "We're so

lucky to be playing here, not to mention with Semisonic!" The five-member band: Shannon, Hunter, Nick, Dexter and John have been together for a little over a year and a half. Their music is much like that of Semisonic. Funk meets power-pop rock meets singsong melodies. Both bands seem to have at least one of those songs that sticks like "peanut butter on the brain!" If you were able to check out this Birmingham based band and liked their musical and vocal stylings, they will be performing Wednesday, Nov. 4 at

Brother's Bar. If you would like more information on Tamerlane, e-mail them at: Tamerlane6@aol.com or call them at: (205) 324-0667.

Semisonic, the Minneapolis-based trio which consists of Dan Wilson-guitar, John Munson-bass, formerly of "Trip Shakespeare," and Jacob Slichter-drums, took the stage around 8:45p.m. These northern boys were absolutely on top of their game, kicking off the first set with "FNT," which stands for "fas-

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## Decide to help others stay alive

Wendy Laminack  
Staff Writer

When you hear "candlelight," what comes to mind? Perhaps a romantic dinner (ha), a power outage, or maybe even a birthday cake. But what about innocent lives taken by a careless drunk driver?

October 19-23 was Alcohol Awareness Week. JSU students gathered at the quad for a candlelight memorial for victims of alcohol related accidents with the main focus upon those who choose to drive drunk.

"It was almost as if it (last week) was swept under the rug," said

SGA Director of Publicity Janay Johnson. The plans for the candlelight vigil were last minute and many students didn't know last week was Alcohol Awareness Week. Therefore, students may not have heard about the memorial.

Wednesday's 7 p.m. service was not limited to JSU's campus. According to SGA Chairperson for Concerns, Cultural Affairs and Issues, Kimberly Collier, 15 universities and five high schools in Alabama participated in the candlelight memorial. "Some services are going on until 9:00 p.m.," said Collier.

Participants formed a circle on the quad and lit candles to remem-

ber those who have died. After all the candles were lit, Collier led the vigil and stated that during Labor Day Weekend of 1997, 17,000 people died in drunk driving incidents, and England lost its Princess due to a drunk driver. Collier said that even if no one knows of someone injured or killed because of a drunk driver, "eventually it's going to hit home." She hopes people will show concern now and not wait until it's too late, because "decisions people are making could harm someone else."

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## Feeling Fined?

Natalie Washington  
Staff Writer

Fines are replacing time spent in jail for minor offenses. The old way of dealing with minor offenses included an arrest, fingerprints and jail time. Now, fines are taking the place of jail and giving individuals a second and third chance. This prevents any type of permanent record to be made and saves police time by merely writing a ticket. This quote "new" way of doing things covers eight important areas of interest - open containers of alcohol, drinking in bars after 2 a.m., disturbance caused by noise, using tobacco in a smoke-free workplace, minor in possession of tobacco, burning without a permit, dogs off of leashes, and any type of skating in non designated areas. Here is a breakdown of the above:

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Second offense	\$50
Third offense	\$100

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First offense	\$10
Second offense	\$25
Third offense	\$50

Ordinance #302, Open Burning (No Permit)

First offense	\$25
Second offense	\$50
Third offense	\$100

Ordinance #248, Canine Control This includes not having a dog on a leash and disturbance from barking.

First offense	\$50
Second offense	\$100
Third offense	\$200

Ordinance #342, Non-see **Fines page 9**



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cinating new thing." This is a song off of their debut album Great Divide. Semisonic has been together for five years. When asked how they've managed to stay together so long, Sliecter replied, "It's just comfortable, like an old pair of shoes. Each one of us knows what we have to do."

Following "FNT" was their second hit single, "Singing in My Sleep." It's about a long distance relationship kept seductively alive by the back and forth exchange of a cassette of love songs. In "Secret Smile" Wilson's vocals plead with longing, wrapping wickedly around an edgy R&B inspired back beat. This song has definitely been voted my favorite song on the album. "DND" came next, a leave-us-alone lullaby of carnal knowledge in a motel room, one of the "perks of touring," Wilson said. "It's rather refreshing to be able to put that little sign on the door and just relax in peace and quiet."

It's hard to compare Semisonic to many of the bands of their time. But hey, they are not ashamed to play pop music with complete professionalism and a strong sense of musicianship. They also know how to put on a high-energy show and have fun. I could tell that they really want to make each and every show the best pure pop show for their fans. They were able to pull off an almost flawless cover of "Erotic City," originally done by the Minneapolis "artist" formerly known as Prince. An overall favorite at this show because, before I knew it, everyone was dancing,

singing and having an awesome time, including myself! "If I Run," a track off of their first album, brought the crowd back to the early days of the band with lyrics like: "Keep thinking it'll be alright if I just get on the road. If I run I can free my worried mind." Semisonic concluded their first set with the ever-popular and overplayed "Closing Time."

Semisonic gets straight to the point, and so will I: This was a wonderful concert full of hook-heavy rock 'n' roll songs that became sing-along staples after about the first couple of lines. Semisonic doesn't indulge itself in lengthy guitar solos or wasted words. It's better to let the songs do the talking and, unlike many pleasant-sounding pop bands, they add shading and light to the inevitable topic of love gone right or wrong. Throughout the entire show, Semisonic tried their best to entertain us with a flashy light show. Which included many colored prisms, strobe lights and fog, which I must say, added to the bands stage presence but not to the general opinion of the show. I must give "props" to Kellilyn Johnson and the entire Jacksonville State SGA for putting together the concert and for making it run smoothly. I often feel as that they do a lot that goes unnoticed so, "Thank You!"

After the show, I was able to talk with drummer Jacob Sliecter long enough to have him sign a photo taken and shoot the breeze for a bit. The rest of the band members were not all that willing to talk and even came off somewhat "rude" to those fans merely wanting an autograph or photo with their favorite band. I feel

badly for the two other members of the band. Success has gotten to them so much that they feel they have to "become" someone else in public. I was rather disappointed in Wilson and Munson's behavior towards their fans. After all, if it weren't for the fans, where would they be? Why couldn't they have been more civil and friendly like their bandmate, Sliecter? Even though my interview with the band left much to be desired, I must admit that Semisonic put on a good show that was both entertaining to the audience as much as it was for the band. For those students who missed out on the concert for whatever reason, and for those of you who don't like Semisonic, I have just one thing to say. I guess everyone has a rough time growing old, because this show was too good to deny for any reason. In time, you too will come to accept Semisonic.

As for Wilson, Munson and Sliecter the band's innovation is based in their potent individuality as musicians, their fierce belief in rubbing against the grain to find deeper, more emotionally intense grooves and a real need to capture "life, mood and essence."

The band wanted this concert to be an "intimate message from the singer to the listener," says Wilson. "Love is sacred and life is sacred and no matter how much bullsh\*t you have to go through, we all possess a well of hope inside of us that can't be killed. And I can't imagine that's a meaningless thing."

**Vote, from page 7**

would let the state borrow money to renovate the desperately degraded parks of this beautiful state. This is definitely an important vote. This means increased tourism, better recreation for native Alabamians and preserving Alabama's beautiful countryside.

Amendment 3- Auburn, Alabama A&M and Tuskegee University- this would allow the state to sell bonds to borrow money for equipment and general funds for research.

Amendment 4- Cotton research & textile technology- this would allow the state to sell bonds to borrow money for equipment and general funds for research.

Amendment 5- Ostriches and emu (Ratlie amendment on your ballot)- this will pass laws to promote and govern meat sales of ostrich, emu, rhea, cassowary or kiwi.

Amendment 6 - Investigate Crimes and Deaths- this allows the state to sell bonds to borrow money for state Forensic Science Departments.

Amendment 7 - Unfunded Mandates- this would make it harder for the state to say for example, all cities will have a completely renovated memorial park without giving the city money to do so.

Amendment 8 - This is the "Alabama Religious Freedom Amendment." You will personally have to read this one. This is a "must read" because it is not what it looks like.

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# Love at first-bite?

Phil Attinger  
Editor in Chief

Yesterday, the new TMB food court opened with the "first-bite" ceremony at Chick-fil-A, at 1:30 p.m. After nearly a month's delay, JSU students now may enjoy the food court that they requested last year. All five restaurants should be open now, according to Joe

Whitmore of Institutional Development. They are: Chick-fil-A, Taco Bell, AppleBagels, Starbucks, and the CyberCafé, run by Marriot. The food court will also work with the new student ID/cash cards, giving students \$1 per semester-credit-hour in the spring, and \$7 to spend at the food court this semester. New IDs are available. Students can exchange their old

cards at the campus bookstore for the new cards. Scheduled to attend the V.I.P. event yesterday were Chick-fil-A Vice President of Business Development Jack Sentell, Jacksonville Mayor Jerry Smith and the Jacksonville city council, and JSU President Harold McGee. A large crowd of students was also expected for lunch.



Workers were scurrying last Thursday make everything ready for the grand opening this week. Phil Attinger

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SGA President Ryan Kruzinski said JSU's support is "one step towards solving the problem."

Johnson stresses the importance of the memorial service and said "we (JSU students) need to participate once a year" because it's important to prevent deadly accidents caused by drunk drivers.

According to Collier, Peggy Atkins, an advisor at Calhoun Community College, became concerned about the death toll resulting from drunk driving. Atkins sent memos to everyone about the event and "we joined the bandwagon," said Collier.

In the future, Collier's goal is to fill Trustee Circle with students concerned about the issue of drunk driving. Collier also said she realizes it will take time and hopes the Greek organizations will help "stress the importance of decision making" and help Alcohol Awareness Week become a success.

"It's not about decisions you make," said Collier, "but about taking on responsibility." She hopes that people who begin to drink and then think about driving will realize it could have a permanent effect on others. - Please don't drink and drive.

## Fines, from page 7

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bond. If the individual fails to appear the judge or magistrate may issue a warrant for his arrest. Also, any person who willfully violates his written promise shall be guilty of failing to appear, a misdemeanor, regardless of the charge upon which he was originally arrested.

In addition to these ordinances the city has begun discussion on constructing a water line beneath Weaver Road. It will be located close to the high school and to Stonybrook which could cause difficulty to students coming and going from school. No decisions have been made at this time. Also, 20-thousand dollars has been given in completion of the historic train depot roof which burned last week. The cause of the fire is still under investigation.



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# Education is expensive; Who's paying for yours?

*Anthony Hill*  
Staff Writer

"Let me hear ya say...Fire it up , Fire it up, some way, somehow, just fire it up!"

That was the chant which anyone outside would hear at about 7 p.m. coming from the Ander's Roundhouse on Monday night. The expression serves as a motivational gesture to get the student body fired up about life and take advantage of the many blessings and gifts in which each person is given.

The theme of the Monday night seminar presented by the NAACP College Chapter of JSU was "Education is expensive; who is paying for yours?" The night began with David Zeigler , the director of minority affairs, giving a warm welcome to everyone in

attendance. Zeigler also spoke of the importance of strengthening their homes, community, college campus and, last but not least, the importance of giving back to the community in one way or another.

Kimberly Collier came up next to introduce Kim Wright, Miss NAACP of JSU, to sing her musical selection of " He's always there." Ms. Wright's magical voice had guest's emotions flying high. Tabitha Woods introduced Monday nights speaker, the Mayor of Sylacauga Jesse Cleveland.

Mayor Jesse Cleveland is a native of Selma, Alabama. He is a graduate of Alabama State University. Mayor Cleveland has a total of 30 years of service in education. He has also served time as a professor at Talladega College. Mayor Cleveland obviously strives to be

the first person in whatever goal he sets out to accomplish. Cleveland was the first minority teacher at Sylacauga High School, the first black city councilman of Sylacauga and in 1996, he became the first black mayor of the city. Those accomplishments are very significant, especially when they were accomplished in a city with only 23% of the population being of African descent.

Mayor Cleveland opened by stating the importance of family support and interaction in today's society , especially in the black communities. " Don't ever forget your family, because in the end they might just be the only ones able to help you," stated Cleveland. The mayor began to discuss the process of the tax dollar turning into dollars for education, especially when referring to personal tax dollars. Personal tax dollars range from furniture for the dormitory, groceries for the fridge, batteries for the flashlight and clothes. So every-

time a student purchases something to use for a class, they are also paying the professors' salaries. One might ask themselves, "So why do I need to pay tuition each semester when everytime they purchase something it goes back into the school system?" Cleveland explained that the money students pay for tuition is not only for the hour or so spent in the classroom every other day, or books for courses and the facilities in which students live. Some of the money goes for lights to brighten the campus streets, air conditioning and heat, construction and campus landscaping. Cleveland also mentioned the importance of local and state foundations and the revenue they bring to the state's education funding.

Cleveland also stated that the lottery can really do wonders for education funding throughout the state. Cleveland mentioned that he was impressed with the success that Georgia and Florida have had with the lottery.

"I am not a gambling man. I do agree that the lottery could do a lot for the state's education programs," said Cleveland while referring to the candidate for governor, Don Seigelman. The speaker concluded his presentation by asking the question, " Are you getting the full benefit of the thousands of dollars you are paying each semester?"

Ryan Parker, the president of the JSU NAACP College Chapter, spoke last on the progress of the NAACP's mentoring program. This is a program where few members of the chapter go to grade level schools and interact with the kids. Parker also mentioned the seriousness of the JSU chapter of the NAACP and encouragement to recruit new members into the organization. Parker brought the program to a conclusion by thanking all students, members and special guests in attendance. He also stressed the importance and power of the privilege to vote.

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# VIEWS AND OPINION

## Chanticleer Daily Beef

## Chanticleer Editorial

Kevin Cole, *Chanticleer* Layout Designer

### A few degrees off

There are few things here at this wonderful University of ours that need to be addressed. Although they may only be a brush stroke in the big picture, they are an annoyance that sticks out like someone wearing stripes and plaid. The first peeve has to be the fact that no one in this college seems to understand the concept of a comfortable room temperature! How hard is that? Are you with me?



Kevin Cole

Who put Dr. Freeze and Beelzebub in charge of the damn thermostats? I think it's like a maintenance practical joke. They're in the back room tossing a fifth and placing bets on who's going to die from exposure. Tell me if this sounds familiar: You head off to class, the heat index is like that of Mercury, you have no AC, so you wear as little as possible to stay somewhat comfy. Now you head into Stone Center and suddenly you're in the penguin section of the zoo. You step over Admiral Byrd's body on the way to your class, take your seat next to Nanuk of the North and attempt to take notes. Your nipples could cut glass because the tank top you're wearing does little for warmth.

So the next day you pack an overnight bag and change before you enter the building. Now you're fine. The muff keeps your hands warm and toasty so you can take notes, and the three fleece pullovers provide you with plenty of warmth. You look at the guy next to you. He is grappling the desktop, looking like Jack Dawson in his last moments before he and the Titanic slip into the depths of the frozen Atlantic. You pity him. Ha!

The joke's on you, because in only a few short months along comes Mother Nature bringing cooler weather. Suddenly the parka that keeps you warm outside is the first of many layers you shed in an attempt to beat the heat. Once again they screw with the thermostat. Now you're begging for water. You look like Clark Griswold in a desert disaster on the way to find help. You're staggering through the halls with a number on your back, grabbing tiny cups of Gatorade and slamming them back as faculty urge you on to your next class. What the hell! Look, give me the keys

to the damn thermostat and I'll set it on 72. It can't be that difficult. Am I right?

Next!  
O.K. I'll be the first to say change is usually for the better. Hey, if the school wants to improve the facilities here on campus...let 'em. But, if you're going to reconstruct the TMB, which I'm sure took years of planning, look at a calendar. I know I'm going to piss off a few guys in ties and hard hats, but how hard is it to start this project in the summer when less than

half the student body is here. Hello! It's not rocket science. Was the planning committee tossing the dice here? Come on. The worst possible time to reconstruct the STUDENT CENTER is when we all need to use it. This place is so dead during the summer, Clint Eastwood wouldn't ride through even for the camera shot. You could have leveled the TMB and no one would have cared. But NOOO, lets wait until were at full strength and inconvenience everyone.

I went to get a book and Colonel Hogan let me in through a tree stump. There are inmates walking around emptying dirt out of their pants legs. You have to enter through the secret entrance on the side, belly crawling through scaffolding while workmen are firing nail guns over your head. What's up with that?

Look, next time there is a planning committee to revamp an old building, call me. I'll bring the calendar.

And what about the old tennis courts that they leveled? Not that I'm an avid tennis player, but they turned it into a nice perfect quilt patch of grass. Why? What are they possibly going to do with that: A midget par 3 perhaps? Here's an idea. How about, hmmm, I don't know maybe...PARKING? Granted you may only be able to squeeze a dozen cars there (or 30 Ford Festivas) but at least it serves a purpose.

Look, I'm not downing the school's decision to redo the TMB and surrounding area, but lets pick a logical time. That's all I'm saying. And a little note to the SGA: if you want our votes next election, you can win our hearts easily.

Tell them to fix the thermostats.

weekends are sleep, study and take long, lonely walks. I've done all of these things *ad nauseam* nearly every weekend since I've come here. I suppose going to Stephenson Hall and getting some exercise would help relieve some of the tedium. The only problem is that Stephenson doesn't open on weekends.

Saturdays and Sundays are really the only days that I have free to go down there. Why doesn't it open on weekends? Was it open at one point on weekends? If so, why isn't it now? Is there anything I could do to change the present situation?

This does irritate me somewhat. I don't know if other students feel the way I do, but I invite them to respond to this letter with their views

--Sharon Cooper

Dear Editor,

I want to tell you that I love your paper. My girlfriend and I can spend hours laughing at the spelling and grammar mistakes which are printed every week. We counted all of the misspelled words in *The Chanticleer* and have given the staff a "no credit." More than three different misspelled words on each page would have earned the same grade in any 101 composition class. We have also found a plethora of comma splices. Is this the type of mess that the university would wish to have published? The responsible parties have insulted their English teachers. Other schools probably howl at

Adam Smith, News Editor

### Here's to Halloween

Oh, Autumn. How I love thee. The sights and sounds of late October always puts me in a good mood. People rake multi-colored leaves into a sack, only to throw them into a blazing fire. Autumn wind then blows the charred remains through the air. I love the sight of an Autumn sunset descending behind a tree-filled mountain.

Last but not least, there's the sight of blood-covered "demons" and "pure evil" lurking from house to house, collecting mass quantities of sugar wrapped in multi-colored paper

If you haven't figured it out by now folks, Halloween is upon us once again. Halloween, a holiday many people in the South fear, has to be one of the most unappreciated holidays of the year. What other day of the year can children of the world dress in hideous costumes and be rewarded with candy? However, there are always the nay-sayers who think Halloween is "evil" and "unwholesome." But there are many things people don't know about Halloween.

According to the always-handy encyclopedia (*Funk and Wagnall's* to be exact) Halloween started out as a holiday known as Allhallows Eve. Some of you may have known that, but Allhallows Eve originated with Druids. The Druids believed that Saman, the lord of the dead, called forth hosts of evil spirits. The Druids would then light fires to scare off the evil spirits.

When the Romans conquered Britain, they celebrated Halloween as All Saints Day. All



Adam Smith

Saints Day was in some ways like Christmas: a celebration to honor the Roman saints. Romans also called All Saints Day a harvest festival. Celebrated on Nov. 1, this festival honored Pomano, the goddess of the fruits of trees.

According to a website (*Origins of Halloween* by Rowan Moonstone), the Celts did not believe in demons. They believed in fairies, whom they still feared. Celts believed that fairies were hostile

because men were taking away the fairies' land. Celts were in fact the first ones to start the "trick or treat" phenomenon: people would imitate the fairies and go from house to house asking for treats. If a person did not have any treats, the "fairies" would play a practical joke on the owner of the house. This is how trick-or-treating began. The tradition is very much alive today.

There are always those who think Halloween is wrong, and in their minds it will always be wrong. Most of those people are in fact deeply religious, and to quote Jerry Seinfeld, "not that there's anything wrong with that." However, the Bible says (Romans Ch. 14), there will be differences in opinion. Paul states that we are not to quarrel about issues that are matters of opinion. So all those in favor of Halloween, trick, treat and be merry. All those who oppose Halloween, let those who are in favor trick, treat and be merry.

Don't try and spoil it for the rest of us.

## Letters:

Dear Editor,

I have read *The Chanticleer* every week that I have been a student on this campus, and I have been greatly upset at the lack of proofreading. There are many spelling and grammar errors, such as paragraphs that aren't indented, or the grammar error on page nine of the Oct. 22 issue, in the "Question of the Week" section. In Willie Diggs' comment, the first "to" should be "too."

I am a freshman here at JSU. I am enrolled in "Honors English Composition 101," where we stress proofreading in everything we write. If I could be of any assistance to the paper in any way at all, please do not hesitate to notify me.

I would be honored to work for *The Chanticleer* as a proofreader, because it is a very informative publication and makes students aware of what is happening on campus. I would also like to help improve the paper's reputation on campus, and remove any reason for its nickname, "The Can't-be-clear."

--Christopher R. McKinney

Dear Editor,

I usually stay here on weekends because going home is too much of a hassle.

Unfortunately, the only things to do here on

the errors. My high school paper may have been monthly, but they could edit their own work. You could get some high school students to edit your paper. They could show you a thing or two.

--Joe Skaggs

Dear Editor,

I do not know much about the history of the football team because I am jsut a freshman at JSU, but I do know that the past couple of years have been very disappointing. I would like to give a big CONGRATULATIONS to all of the team members for their wonderful performances so far this year!

I'm thrilled to see football players who know what they're doing and score at least two touchdowns a game, unlike my high school. Keep up the good work and "WHUP TROY!!!"

--Rachelle Shelton

Dear Editor,

I'm a freshman and JSU hasn't given me much to complain about. However, I would like to comment on the placement of core classes that all college students are required to take.

I may be wrong, but it doesn't make a lot of sense to have these classes scattered all over campus. Wouldn't it be nice if all these classes were conveniently placed on the quad? It seems that it would. It's tough when you have two classes that are 15 minutes apart, that are on opposite sides of the campus. I'm sure if this change were made it

would decrease tardiness and absence from class. During orientation, I heard talk of such changes possibly being made. I haven't heard anything since then. If you have any information on this, please respond. It would be appreciated.

--Barry Rice

Dear Editor,

I am writing to congratulate *The Chanticleer* on a job well done. You do an excellent job of covering all aspects of the Jacksonville State campus. I always look forward to opening each week's edition to see what is happening. Thanks for the time and dedication that you put into sharing the events of JSU with every student.

Sincerely,  
--Laura Willmon

Dear Editor,

I am writing in response to the editorial, "You don't look fat in that!" by Caryn Pearson.

It is hard to believe that so much concentration is being put into being skinny. I, too, had a friend in high school who suffered from anorexia. Fortunately, she accepted help before it was too late.

I agree that way too much emphasis is placed on a person's outward appearance. Guys don't understand why we women worry so much. Yet when faced with a choice between an average, funny and intelligent girl and an airhead knockout, they tend to choose the knockout. Along with Caryn, I also



# Forum

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

encourage everyone to look inside a person before they make harsh judgments.

By the way, Rosie O'Donnel is famous, and doesn't have a supermodel figure, only a sense of humor and intelligence.

--Laura Baswell

Dear Editor,

I am writing to express my disappointment in the small number of trees to be found on the campus.

It is my belief that increasing the number of large shade trees along sidewalks and other open areas would make walking from one class to another a much more pleasant experience for all students. Such an improvement would not only make a walk from Stone Center to Martin Hall more comfortable, but it would also make it more visually pleasing.

On a hot, sunny day, it would be nice to be able to take shelter in the shade of a large oak tree, rather than bake in the heat as I walk beside the road on my way to my next class.

--Wade Singleton

Dear Editor,

I am writing regarding something that I feel is important. It has come to my attention that, besides the few benches on the quad, there is nowhere for a student to sit outside and enjoy a nice sunny day. We are blessed in this state with extremely beautiful days in the fall, but unfortunately, there is no way to enjoy them. We could use a lot more benches around campus and maybe even a small park or two.

I would prefer to do my studying outside. JSU "brags" about it's being placed in the foothills of the Appalachians. It is too bad that we can't see them from inside the library.

--April Mitchell

Dear Editor,

As a person that loves to be informed of criminal activity in our area, particularly on the JSU campus, I want to praise the Campus Crime Docket.

Though it represents only a minute portion of our school newspaper, I am very appreciative it is present in every issue. The Docket allows me to know firsthand what certain people are doing that is illegal, and it gives me an insight as to what certain people are capable of doing. By knowing this information, I can make informed decisions on where I go and with whom I associate.

The Docket is a way for me to avoid being at the wrong places with the wrong people. Thank you so much for the efforts set forth to provide us with the Campus Crime Docket.

--Jason Irvin

Dear Editor,

Why do books from the Jacksonville Bookstore on the square cost less than the bookstore on campus?

I reserved used books early in order to get the cheapest books I could. I spent \$275 for the semester. I then went to the store on the square and bought the same books. After I took back the campus books, I had saved about \$70. Why is that?

I thought the campus bookstore was supposed to be convenient. It's only convenient for those making money. There's nothing convenient about shelling out a bunch of money to buy books when we already have to pay enough just to attend.

--Holly Miller

Dear Editor,

As an incoming freshman, I really didn't know how I wanted to spend my time here at JSU. I was trying to decide between two majors: Music and Education. I thought I had finally decided to major in Education and minor in Music.

One core elective is "Introduction to Theater." Thanks to this class, I got an opportunity to audition for "Salome," a play by Oscar Wilde, the author of "The Importance of Being Earnest." I decided to audition for this play, not really knowing what to expect. I had never auditioned for anything in my life, and I was very nervous about the proposition of getting up in front of people by myself and trying to act. I went through auditions and got the part of "1st Soldier." I'm very proud of myself.

The people in the drama department welcomed me with open arms and began the long process of teaching me how to act. I admit that it is a lot more fun than I ever expected. Freddy Clements, one of the drama instructors here, has been very helpful in my transition from audience member to stage actor.

Because of Freddy and the others, I have decided to major in Drama, and to minor in Education. This decision has changed my whole outlook on life.

--Clay Smith

Dear Editor,

I would like to thank a group of people who have become very special to me since I started at JSU. My first week of college was a very lonely and trying time. I spent the days and nights alone in my dorm room organizing my new "home" and wondering if it was ever going to get any better than this.

I was invited to attend Freshman Survival at the Baptist campus Ministries. Alone and afraid, I was greeted with open arms and smiling faces. We shared a day of meeting new friends and enjoying getting-to-know you games. I immediately realized that the BCM was a place that I was going to stay a part of

throughout college life.

Since then, when I've had a terrible week and am beginning to feel completely alone, I go to the BCM to find true friends who actually care about what is happening in my life. When I attend BCM functions, my heart is full of love, and I feel as though a burden has been lifted off my chest.

I want to encourage anyone who is troubled and lonely to come to the BCM, where you will find peace of mind and make new friends and memories that will last throughout your life.

--Nia Cox

Dear Editor,

I feel that there are many wonderful actors in the JSU drama department. I believe that the characters are well portrayed and the sets exquisitely realistic. The costumes are always fitting for the sting of the play. Even the lights and sound are well handled. My only complaint is that some of the plays are a bit explicit. The plays put on at JSU are always open to the public. Therefore, many minors come to see these plays. However, almost every play I have seen at JSU has included cussing and suggestive scenes. I am very interested in drama and would love to be in some of the plays if I felt sure that I would be a part of something that I would be proud for my preacher to see me in. I do not feel that there are very many plays that I would feel comfortable playing a part in. I realize that my views may be a little old fashioned, but considering the large number of Christian organizations on campus, I have a feeling that I am not alone.

--Laura Moye

Dear Editor,

Why the hell does everyone write on their cars at JSU?

This makes absolutely no sense to me. I have seen many cars that have been tagged by a sorority or fraternity. This may be O.K. with the members of the group, so if that floats their boat, fine. When cars are tagged just because someone thinks it's funny or cute, that's wrong. It only makes work for the victim.

That white crap (shoe polish or whatever) is a pain in the ass to get off your windows. If it is left on for a few days, or the sun bakes it, it is impossible to get it off without using a straight razor.

The UPD could do something. Why don't they check the parking lots every so often to catch the offenders? It is defacing others' property, is it not?

--Adam Harris

Dear Editor,

I've been quite impressed with the campus in the short period of time I've been here. The size of the campus was quite a change from the small town I grew up in. I had figured that the new faces and large campus would be too great a change for me to handle, but everyone I've met has been very polite and helpful while I grow accustomed to an unfamiliar place. The campus proved to live up to my expectations. I hope every passing year that I am here to enjoy as much as I have already.

--Shila Betha Butler

Dear Editor,

I'm disappointed with the *Chanticleer's* lack of coverage concerning the governor's race. For the past four years, Gov. Fob James and the state congress have relentlessly attacked our higher education system. College funding has decreased year by year. James has repeatedly stated that a college education isn't important, that too many Alabamians go to college.

Then 29 days before the election, Fob gets scared and realizes that he could lose 150,000 votes from college students and faculty who are sick of being cheated out of their slice of the pie. What does he do? He announces that he will provide scholarships to students without a lottery. Where will he get the money? From the Education Trust Fund, a fund which is supposed to be earmarked for emergency education spending.

Guess what else? According to a recent story in the *Anniston Star*, Fob James holds the record as the U.S. governor who has proposed more scholarship plans (5) than he has carried out (0). What makes us think he'll carry through on his plans this time?

Don Seigelman, on the other hand, has a real platform for Alabama. If elected, he will create a HOPE scholarship plan identical to Georgia's, through which all students with at least a B average get to go to school for free. Finally, we have a candidate with a vision for higher education.

So what's our student newspaper doing about it? Here we are, a week before the election, and what has the student body heard about the governor's race? Has *The Chanticleer* told us about each gubernatorial candidate's platform? Have you told us about the deadline for registering to vote? Tuition has gone up three times in the past year and a half--has anyone at *The Chanticleer* bothered to ask why?

The space that is taken up each week with comics, horoscopes and games could be better filled with some important and relevant news. Isn't the student newspaper supposed to be on the students' side?

--Buffy Smith  
Communications Director  
College Democrats

# Question of the week

**If you could be a Halloween candy, what would you be and why?**

compiled by FRITZ



*Sour Apple Jolly Ranchers because it makes my mouth water, my jaws clench and puts a twinkle in my eye.*

**Joshua Bingham  
Junior**

*The Mysterious Tootsie Pop... you never know how many licks it'll take to get to the center*



**David Damke  
Junior**



*I'd be an entire box of chocolate, because, as Forest Gump says... you never know what you're getting.*

**Jerry Harris  
Director, Information Services**

*Reeses Peanut Butter Cups, because there's no wrong way to eat a Reeses Cup.*



**Dixie Deering  
Sophomore**



*Almond Joy, because sometimes you feel like a nut.*

**Thomas Webb  
Junior**

*M&M's, because they melt in your mouth, not in your hands.*



**Buffy Smith  
Junior**



*Licorice! My grandfather shared his with us when we behaved.*

**Gabriel Auicup  
Junior**

Forum is our readers' column. Our policy for letters to the editor should be kept in mind when working on submissions:

- *The Chanticleer* will not print letters which are unsigned, libelous and/or defamatory.
- *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 preceeding Friday.
- All submissions must include the writer's name, phone number and student number. Submissions may be brought or sent through campus mail to *The Chanticleer* office, room 180 Self Hall, or e-mail us--newspaper@student-mail.jsu.edu.

# Comics & Clairvoyance

## Daily Horoscope

### Too much Saturn...

Linda C. Black  
TribuneMedia Services

**Today's Birthday** (Oct. 29). You're strong this year, and you'll need every bit of that strength. Show it in October, in writing. Money's unstable in December, but you can find ways to make more by January. Change something basic about your home in February, for best results. Show your love in March, and get even more back. Stick to the rules in April, to make a tough job easier. You may have to wait until August to see your dream come true. You and your friends can start a whole new project in September, with good chances for success.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

**Aries** (March 21-April 19) — Today is a 6 — Comfort a friend who's having a hard time with an authority figure, and advise him or her not to make too big a deal of this. The odds appear to be about even, but your friend is actually at a slight disadvantage. This will become apparent later, especially if a big scene is made. Advise caution and diplomacy.

**Taurus** (April 20-May 20) — Today is a 5 — Don't give an inch, if you can possibly help it. This is going to be difficult, since you seem to be outnumbered. Someone else thinks he or she knows what's best for you. That's highly unlikely, since this person isn't even listening to you. Your partner could represent you, perhaps, but don't let anyone else.

**Gemini** (May 21-June 21) — Today is a 6 — You may feel tongue-tied today. It's not your fault. It's the conditions in effect now. The words won't come easily. If you're trying to write a

proposal or a short story, just do your rough draft and let it go at that. You'll be able to put in the corrections later.

**Cancer** (June 22-July 22) — Today is a 6 — If you run out of ideas today, don't despair. Take several deep breaths, then call your sweetheart for advice. He or she is in a tough situation too, but between you, a solution to the problem can be found. You may have to go around an obstacle rather than trying to plow through it.

**Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is a 5 — Your partner feels omniscient today, and it might be true. If you act as if it were, he or she might start trusting your opinion a little more. When you two argue, you both lose. Treat each other with respect and you'll get past a barrier that's been blocking both of you.

**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is a 6 — You may be feeling pressured, but don't let it get to you. You're learning quickly. It might not feel like it, because you can't do the job perfectly yet, but that's OK. Perfection will come with time. Right now, just keep doing the best you can with what you have. Your efforts are not going unnoticed.

**Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Today is a 6 — There's a condition in effect that could block communications — not just yours, but everybody's. You might have a breakdown with the telephone or Internet. Be careful what you say, too. The same condition could also cause misunderstanding. Keep most of your thoughts to yourself a while longer, especially about money.

**Scorpio** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21) — Today is a 7 — You're only confused because the path you want isn't open. Don't panic. Find another way

around instead. An older friend can bring you an opportunity, if you are willing to listen. A little respect will also be helpful. You may be smarter, but you need the other person's talent.

**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is a 6 — Someone might misunderstand your instructions on purpose, so make yourself especially clear. The one who will cause the most trouble isn't saying much, but is in a position to force an outcome. So besides being smart and direct, you'll also have to do some sleuthing.

Otherwise, you're only getting half the picture.

**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is a 6 — Some people think Capricorns are workaholics, but you probably don't agree. You just like to stay busy, that's all. It takes a real challenge to get your interest, such as making a business work. Did you know Capricorn is the sign of the entrepreneur? It's also the sign of rags to riches, so go for it.

**Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is a 5 — Be careful what you say today. It's likely to be misunderstood. Choose your words slowly and think each possible consequence out before you act. In other words, stall. The longer you hold out, the better your chances of success. You may have to hold out clear until next month, however, before you see the results you're after.

**Pisces** (Feb. 19-March 20) — Today is a 7 — The ego battle continues with no end in sight. Sometimes you wonder how people can get so stuck on themselves when they obviously don't know the answer. You don't know either, but at least you admit it. And because you admit it, you're the one who might actually find the answer.

## Hungry for "Retro?"

### Retro Club and Café opens for lunch

Adam Smith  
News Editor

**Question:** What's a hopping and exciting club by night and a cafe by day?

The answer is the Retro Club, with the opening of their new cafe last Friday.

The cafe, which operates from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Monday through Saturday, is now serving Jacksonville with some tasty vittles in a friendly, clean environment. The Retro Club and Café offers a wide variety of foods for even the most discerning palate. They also offer a wide variety of appetizers, as well as draft, domestic and imported beers.

The staff of *The Chanticleer* was able to sample some of what they had to offer. To be their first day of business, the service was friendly and efficient.

We started off with their tasty fried mushrooms and Texas toothpicks, which are fried onions and jalapenos. We quite enjoyed both of the appetizers. I had the fried

chicken salad, which was extremely fresh. Phil Attinger and Dave Mathews (the editor in chief and features editor, respectively) enjoyed the "New York Style" reuben sandwich. According to Mathews, "the sour kraut was savory and the secret sauce was delectable."

Attinger enjoyed his reuben as well saying that he "had to eat it in shifts." He also added, "They serve an excellent orange-cream soda."

Kimberlyn Kostamo, the assistant features editor, enjoyed the Coney Island basket. The basket comes with a large "New York Style" quarter pound hot dog served in a warm roll with a variety of special additives.

"I enjoyed the Coney Island basket," said Kostamo. "However, it was too much dog for just one girl. It was hard to make a happy plate."

Managing Editor Angel Weaver had the "Retro" club sandwich, which consists of ham, turkey, Swiss and American cheeses, topped off with bacon, lettuce, tomato, mayo and special sauce

served on your choice of wheat bread or Kaiser roll. "The secret sauce added an unexpected element to a regular club sandwich," said Weaver.

The prices are reasonable for the served portions, and they offer the poor college student some good choices. The cafe serves food until 9 p.m., then the "club" portion of the Retro experience begins. All items are available for takeout.

The club also features three well-kept pool tables, a polished-stone dance floor and two women's rooms to the men's one (shorter lines at Retro).

Live bands and DJs perform at the club at night. But when you go for lunch, expect a healthy dose of 60's and 70's hard rock favorites.

The club is located just south of the square on Pelham Road, immediately around the corner from the Golden Dragon restaurant.

For more information, call the Retro Club and Café at 435-4444.



not enough moon.



# JSU SPORTS

It's a great time to have an off-week.  
 -Coach Mike Williams  
 • See below •

## Gamecocks finally getting respect

### JSU ranked 22nd in Division I-AA polls

Shannon Fagan  
 Acting Sports Editor

When Coach Mike Williams came to Jacksonville State, he had intentions of turning the football program around. While things were dismal in his first year as head coach, Williams and the Gamecocks have already surpassed many people's expectations this year.

On Saturday afternoon, the Gamecocks continued to impress by winning their sixth game of the season against Sam Houston State 31-19. That win assures Jacksonville State of their first winning season since 1995. The Gamecocks have also made one of the biggest turnarounds in the nation since last season.

"We're doing what we're supposed to do. We're winning football games," said Williams after Saturday's win. "Until we get word to the voters who we are and what we've done this year, we probably won't move up in the polls."

Guess what, coach? The Gamecocks have finally gotten the attention of the poll voters in Division I-AA. JSU is currently ranked 22nd in the polls.

The Gamecocks got that respect with their impressive showing against the Bearkats. Although quarterback Montressa Kirby didn't have an overwhelming performance, the plays he did make were daggers in the heart of the Bearkats.

Kirby was only five for 17 in passing. However, three of those passes went for three touchdowns. The first one came early in the first quarter.

After trailing 3-0, it didn't take long for Jax State to get the momentum back. As a matter of fact, it only took 21 seconds. Kirby hit receiver Ronald Bonner in stride for a 50 yard touchdown. The extra point by Brad Hopkins

was good, giving the Gamecocks the 7-3 advantage. Hopkins would later add a 47-yard field goal to increase the lead to 10-3.

The Bearkats wouldn't back down. They tied the score early in the second quarter. After the Gamecocks had a punt blocked, running back Elmor Armstrong bulldozed his way into the end zone from three yards out. Just like that the score was knotted at 10.

From that point on, the Gamecocks really took control. Kirby took to the air again and found tight end Jake Carlton wide open. Carlton scored on the 20-yard pass play, giving the Gamecocks the lead once again. The point after put JSU up 17-10.

An unusual event happened midway through the second quarter. JSU punt returner Eurosus Parker set a Gamecock single-season record in punt return yardage. On Parker's next punt return attempt, he lost the record by losing yardage on the return. However, Parker has refused to let it bother him.

"It's good to break a record, but its been our goal since the beginning of the season to go out and try to win a national championship. Coach has put a good scheme up and the team blocks so well. They open up such big holes and that makes it easy. They do a great job," says Parker.

After a scoreless third quarter, the Gamecock offense got back to its quick-strike form. Kirby led a 66 yard march in six plays, resulting in Joey Hamilton's 39 yard touchdown grab. The extra point made it 24-10 early in the fourth quarter.

The Gamecock defense got into the scoring act themselves later in the quarter. Bearkat quarterback Aaron Walters was sacked and fumbled the ball. Parker recovered the fumble and returned it 13 yards for the score. Hopkins' kick was good, increasing the lead



Running back Michael Daves suffered an injury to his shoulder in the Gamecocks win against the Bearkats. The off-week should help him to recover. Ed Hill

to a whopping 31-10. After an intentional safety by the Gamecocks, Sam Houston State scored their second touchdown of the afternoon. Matt Buss completed a 17-yard pass to receiver Matt Dominguez late in the fourth. The extra point attempt was good, bringing the Bearkats closer at 31-19. The Bearkats ran out of time to mount a comeback and the Gamecocks prevailed by the 12 point margin.

"It was almost a solid effort. I thought defensively we played sound today. Offensively, we played pretty well. We've

still got guys making plays on offense. There's always somebody we can go to that's going to make that big play for us," says Williams.

"Thank God for the big play," said Kirby. "The big plays really helped us out today."

This week the Gamecocks take the week off before playing host to arguably the best team in the Southland—Northwestern State.

"It's a great time to have an off-week. We are probably now playing the best team in the league (Northwestern State). It sort of works out good for us," Williams admits.

## 1998 Southland Football League Standings

			The ESPN/USA Today Division I-AA Top 25 College Football Poll			
	SFL	Overall				
Northwestern State	3-0	6-1	1. Georgia Southern*	15. Troy State*		
Jacksonville State	3-1	6-2	2. Hampton	16. Hofstra		
McNeese State	2-1	6-1	3. Western Illinois	17. Massachusetts (tie)		
Troy State	2-1	5-2	4. Northwestern State*	— Eastern Illinois (tie)		
Nicholls State	1-2	2-4	5. Appalachian State	19. Montana State		
Stephen F. Austin	1-2	2-5	6. McNeese State*	20. Richmond		
Southwest Texas St	0-2	2-4	7. Florida A&M	21. Illinois State		
Sam Houston State	0-3	2-5	8. Connecticut	22. JACKSONVILLE STATE		
			9. Delaware	23. South Florida		
			10. Youngstown State	24. Lehigh		
			11. Murray State	25. Weber State		
			12. William & Mary			
			13. Western Kentucky			
			14. Southern			

Last Week's Results			
Jacksonville St.	31	Sam Houston St.	19
McNeese St.	20	Stephen F. Austin	17
Northwestern St.	28	Nicholls State	26



\*= Gamecock opponent

# Volleyball

## Lady Gamecocks defeat in-state rivals, improve to 14-11

### Reaves, Williamson among Division I leaders

Shannon Fagan  
Acting Sports Editor

The Lady Gamecocks improved their record to 14-11 overall with wins over Samford and Troy State behind the play of senior middle hitter Amy Reaves and junior setter Jenni Williamson.

Currently, Reaves ranks first in three categories all-time in Division-I. She is first in aces, blocks and digs this season in Division I. Reaves is also second in kills.

All-time, Reaves is first overall in digs with 808. She is third all-time in kills and aces and fourth in blocks.

Williamson has 936 season assists. That ranks her second this season in Division I.

Williamson is second all-time in Division I with 1,639 assists.

Jacksonville State 13 15 15 15  
Samford 15 12 11 3

At Seibert Hall in Birmingham, Samford defeated Jacksonville State in the first game, but the Lady Gamecocks came roaring back. They forced a fourth game in which they handily defeated the Lady Bulldogs.

Jax State had three players in double-figures in kills. Leading the charge was Reaves. She came away with 17. Lateatrice Thomas managed 15 kills and Lisa May chipped in with 11.

Reaves had a whopping 18 digs to pace the Lady Gamecocks. Kelby Rumph managed 15 digs and Heather Beers came away with 14 to help JSU earn their 13th win of the season.

Samford was led in kills by Mary Willet and Amanda Backus. Willet managed 13 kills while Backus



Amy Reaves

came away with 12.

In digs, the Lady Bulldogs had five players in double-figures. Willett led the way with 16. She was followed by Stacey Owens and Angee Ramirez, each with 13. Emily Sharp managed 12 digs and

Shaliece Hall chipped in with 10. It wasn't enough as the Lady Gamecocks prevailed in the extra game.

Jacksonville State:  
15 15 12 15  
Troy State:  
2 5 15 12

The Lady Gamecocks returned to the friendly confines of Pete Mathews Coliseum Friday to face another in-state rival, Troy State.

Jacksonville State jumped out to the early advantage, taking the first two games in convincing fashion.

However, the Lady Trojans made a serious comeback attempt. They took the next game to force a fourth and deciding game. Jacksonville State would prevail in the extra frame to earn their 14th victory of the season.

In kills, the Lady Gamecocks had a trio of players to lead the charge. Heather Beers and Lisa May each came away with a game-high 11 kills. Amy Reaves wasn't far behind, finishing with 10.

Beers also led the team in digs.

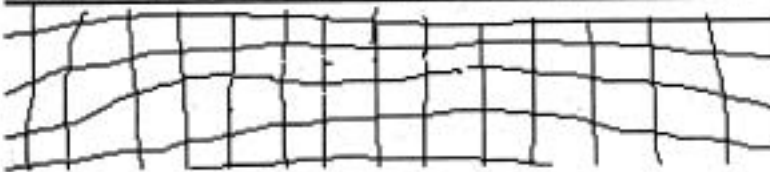
She managed 11 on the afternoon. Jenni Williamson chipped in with seven.

Leading the way for the Lady Trojans in kills was Angela Keams. She came away with 10. In digs, the Lady Trojans' Brandy Edmondson had a game-high 13 digs. Erika Van Hootengem managed 11, but it was too little as the Lady Gamecocks "Whupped Troy."

Jacksonville State takes to the road on Friday to take on Centenary. Tip time is at 7 p.m. They also take on Northeast Louisiana on Sunday. Tip time for that match-up is set for 2 p.m.



In kills, the Lady Gamecocks had a trio of players to lead the charge against Troy State.



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# JSU clinches first non-losing season

## S o c c e r

from JSU Sports Information

In Jacksonville, Lady Gamecocks Jennifer Weatherspoon and Angela Camp each scored twice in Jacksonville State's Sunday afternoon shut out of Tennessee-Martin.

Andrea Poole and Amy Buchanan scored JSU's other goals. Meghan Barker had two assists on the afternoon. Poole, Barker and freshman Ceilidh Beck were named to the All-Tournament team.

This win helped the Lady Gamecocks clinch the first non-losing season in the program's history. The victory improved JSU's record to 9-7. They have two matches left in the season, including yesterday's game at Centenary and the Nov. 2 at home against the University of Montevallo.

A Lady Gamecock victory would knock Centenary out of the upcoming TAAC Tournament and send Samford in its place.

## R i f l e

Shannon Fagan  
Acting Sports Editor

The Gamecock Rifle team lost its conference opener last weekend to perennial powerhouse Kentucky. The Wildcat Blue Team narrowly defeated the JSU Red team by the total final score of 6149-6122.

In smallbore competition, the Gamecocks were led by Lucinda Roddy and Shane Barnhart. Roddy

finished second behind Kentucky's Elsass Mary with a score of 1162. Barnhart wasn't far behind, managing a total score of 1160.

In the air rifle category, Kentucky held the top three individual positions. JSU had three shooters with a score of 381 (Roddy, Barnhart, and David Rhodes). Again, the top shooter was Kentucky's Elsass Mary with a score of 391.

# Gamecock Calendar

\*This week, basketball fever hits Jacksonville as the Men's and Women's basketball squads hold Fan Day on Sunday, Nov. 1. The men hit the hardwood for the first time this season in an exhibition game on November 3. For those of you looking for football, the Gamecocks have an off-week but get back into action against Northwestern State next Saturday.\*

October 30	Volleyball	at Centenary	7 p.m.
November 1	Volleyball	at NE Louisiana	2 p.m.
	Basketball	JSU Fanday	3 p.m.
November 2	Soccer	Univ. of Montevallo	7 p.m.
November 3	Men's Basketball	Woltzens World Opportunities (Exhibition Game)	7 p.m.

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# EARTH BEAT

## Talladega Mountains on list of state's natural wonders

News Release from Alabama Environmental Council

Home to many rare and threatened species, the Talladega mountains will officially be dedicated as an Alabama Natural Wonder on Friday, Oct. 30.

The Talladega Mountains and nine other public areas are natural wonders because of their exceptional ecological and scenic significance, according to the Alabama Environmental Council and a statewide technical committee of natural science experts.

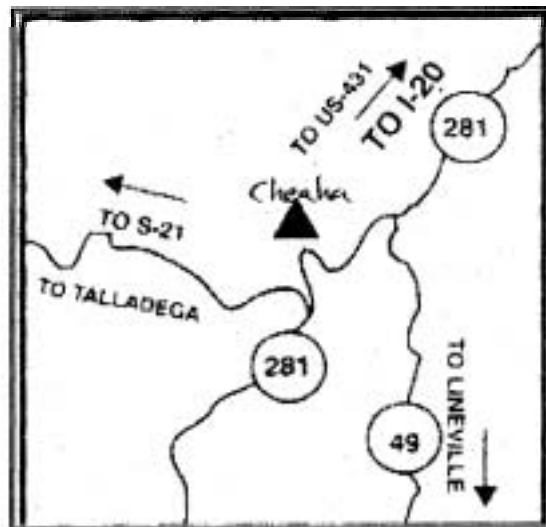
The Talladega Mountains Coalition is dedicating the area on Friday at 1 p.m. on the grounds of the Bald Rock Lodge in Cheaha State Park near Anniston. The ceremony will include refreshments, the unveiling of the Natural Wonders sign and a short interpretative tour of the area. Aubrey Miller, the director of the Alabama Bureau of Tourism and Travel will speak.

"Alabama Natural Wonders are our most scenically and ecologically significant public lands and waters," says Ken Willis, the Alabama Environmental Council's Natural Wonders Coordinator. "As the highest mountain range in Alabama, the Talladega Mountains deserve recognition as a Natural Wonder. The mountains also contain some of Alabama's best recreational resources including the state's longest hiking path, the 100-plus-mile Pinhoti Trail."

"We can best accomplish our community goals for the area if we work together as a whole," says Carolyn Dunagan of the Clay County Chamber of Commerce. "There are many fine organizations in Calhoun, Cherokee, Clay, Cleburne and Talladega counties that are interested in enhancing and promoting the environmental and recreational resources of the Talladega mountain area. The Clay County Chamber of Commerce is very pleased to work with the Alabama Environmental Council to make this happen."

The Talladega Mountains Coalition includes the Alabama Environmental Council as well as other Talladega Mountain advocates including the Alabama Chapter of the Sierra Club; Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources; Alabama Horse Council; Alabama Trails Association; Anniston Outdoor Association; Appalachian Trail Club of Alabama; Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce; Emerald Triangle; Greater Talladega Area Chamber of Commerce; Jacksonville State University's Environmental Information and Policy Center; Legacy, Inc.; Sylacauga Chamber of Commerce; Tallapoosa Highland Lakes Association; U.S. Forest Service and other dedicated groups and individuals.

Cheaha State Park is located 12 miles south of Interstate 20 off State Hwy. 49 in northeast Alabama. For more information, call Ken Willis at (205) 322-3126, or visit the Alabama Web page at---www.al.com.



## Students are urged to get involved

Amendments, from page 8

**Amendment 9** - Allows Birmingham, Mobile, Montgomery and Huntsville to create long term trust funds. This would fund parks, schools, etc. (decided by majority of voters statewide).

**Amendment 10** - Marengo County- read this if you have an interest in the county.

**Amendment 11** - Bibb County- read this if you have an interest in the county.

Alabama has so much potential and the best way you can influence this state's future is with political activism. It does take time to educate yourself on issues. The following are a few groups that can help you find your path to a "political nirvana." I will

also get on the path to "political nirvana" and share my journey with you through articles such as these. If you have any ideas, comments or questions please send them to P.O. Box 6955.

Society for the Theory of Economics and Politics (STEP) - A brainchild of Dr. Calcagno, Economics Department, STEP is fascinating. Students interested in economics and politics will find this organization irresistible. The information discussed is "up to date" and relates how the topic affects your life. Issues discussed so far were "flat tax" and "term limits for politicians." STEP also had Del Marsh, a successful entrepreneur running for the Alabama state senate, answer questions about his move from business to politics. During meetings, members present research and information/opinion about

topics. The next meeting will be Nov. 9 at 3 p.m., in room 204, Merrill Hall (topic will be NAFTA). For more information on issues that effect your life, come to the next STEP meeting or email STEP at jsulibertytree@hotmail.com.

Law Club & Political Science Club- Members are always welcome! Watch for meeting dates. Both clubs are joining forces for a Holiday Season Food Drive! You can find boxes for the food drive in main buildings across campus this week. Only non-perishable items in the boxes, please. The food will go to families throughout Calhoun County.

Young Democrats & Young Republican - Both are great organizations that can teach you the workings of the political machine. Choose a side and be involved.



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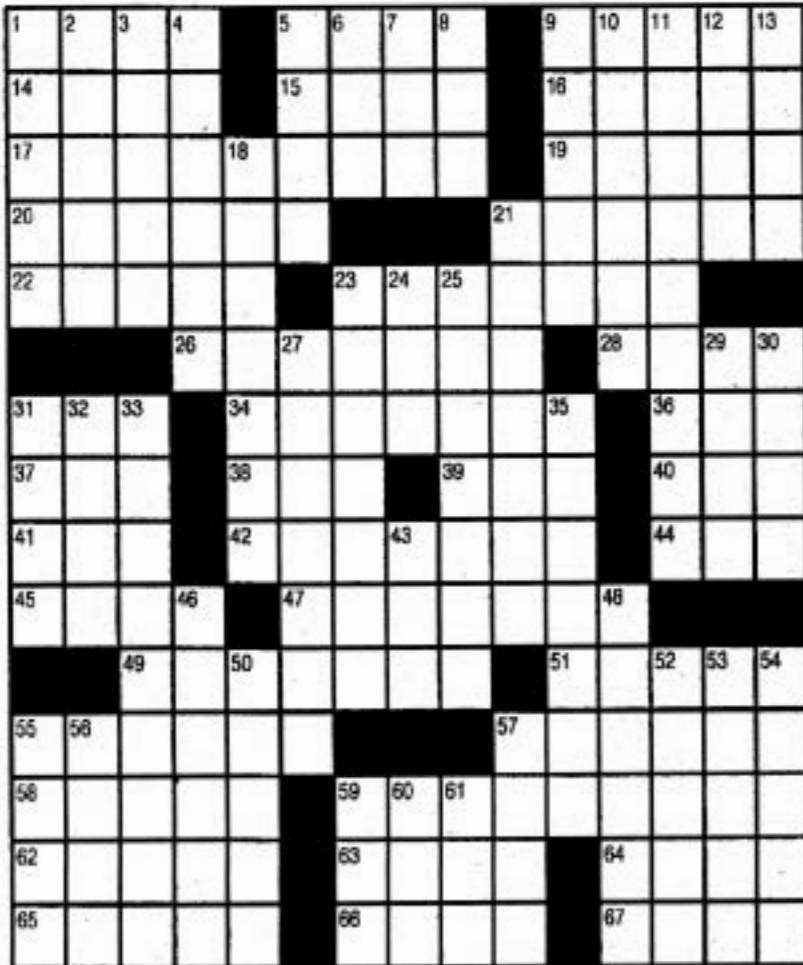
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# OUTBACK

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# Jumping off the wall this Friday

• Textile Artist Heather Allen returns to talk about her work •

Phil Attinger  
Editor in Chief

At the beginning of October, the leaves had not yet begun to turn.

Through the month, JSU's trees have slowly rusted, not having had enough rain through August and September to insure a vibrant show this fall. Heather Allen made up for it.

When her show, "Passages," opened at the beginning of this month, Allen received a warm welcome from the JSU Art department, students, faculty and the community at large.

She will return the favor tomorrow, Friday, Oct. 30, when she comes to give a lecture on her work, her techniques, and her inspirations.

Best of all, this talk is free of charge. Any one who wants to come and listen, ask questions or just see Allen's work one last time before it leaves, can come up to the Hammond Hall gallery at 10 a.m., Friday.

At the opening on Oct. 6, Allen spoke with *Chanticleer* staff writer Amber Moody. Allen said her images come not from construction but from a surface design technique.

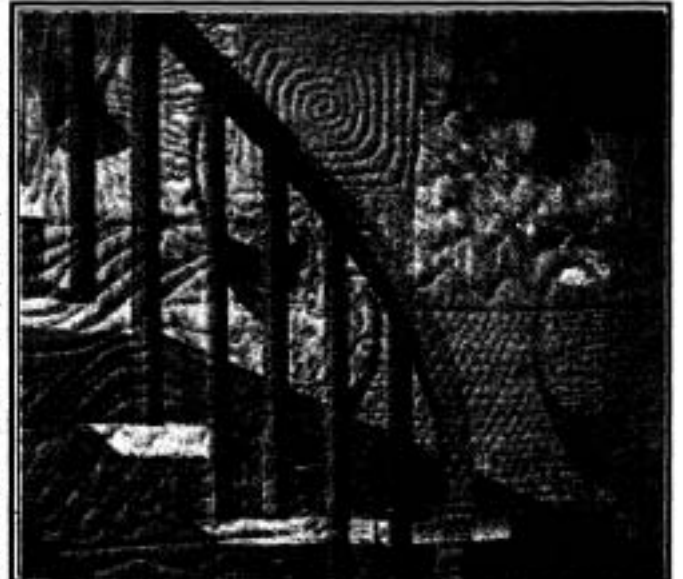
"They all have different ideas behind them, so they fit a certain interest," said Allen. "I wouldn't say there's a favorite. Generally, the last one you finish is your favorite."

Moody wrote in her Oct. 15 article that Allen chose textile for a medium because she loves color and textiles are the easiest way to express it.

If haven't seen "Passages," visit the Hammond Hall gallery, across University Circle from the Mail Center.



Jumping off the wall and pulling in the viewer, "Color Library" dominates the show. The appears to combine a woven tapestry with some quilted panels. Phil Attinger



Another example of Allen's use of quilted fabrics with woven fiber is the winding stair depicted here in the piece entitled, "36 Ponder." Phil Attinger



JSU student Erik Green ponders the patterns and forms depicted in "98 Bivabovay." Phil Attinger

# Looking and waiting for the great pumpkin...

Phil Attinger  
Editor in Chief

As Halloween approaches, eager goblins have been out scouring the countryside for the perfect pumpkin.

Some great ones are out there, if you know where to look.

First of all, supermarkets usually sell a variety of the big orange squash during this season. Usually these will be good to eat as well.

But if you get a pumpkin that's a good pie-pumpkin, expect to pay a little more.

Wal-Mart, and other related discount stores, always have pumpkins. Shop around. While some stores, have an excellent selection at reasonable prices, stores in the same chain but different towns may leave something to be desired. Chris Colvard, employee at the Oxford Wal-Mart Supercenter assures seekers that really nice jack-o-lantern pumpkins are available there for only \$2.50. Other stores in a one-hour driving radius from JSU have pumpkins, but many are small and knobby: a challenge to carve.

One other alternative is so keep you eyes open for roadside stands and farmers markets, or to visit a weekend flea market. If you choose to visit a flea market, you have only one more chance, and that's on Halloween itself. You won't need the pumpkin until that night, so you might still get in under the wire. Beware: the price may go up with the hour.

One such weekly flea market is the Collinsville Trade Day, accessible off of Interstate-59, north from Gadsden. Parking is \$.50 and bring some good walking shoes.

This open-air market features a little of everything: produce to the front, livestock to

the rear, a few snack-shacks, collectables, clothing, furniture, tools, tapes and CDs, bent and dented grocery stores, and even a small school supply shop (\$.75 notebooks).

Of course, there are pumpkins. Of course, they're going fast, but at bargain prices. Ten, fifteen, or even twenty-pound pumpkins might go for as little as \$2 or \$3 dollars. Arrive early if you want to get your pumpkin. Although sellers have been at Collinsville for the past three weeks, the selection has decreased steadily each week as this secret is no longer so secret.

One vender held out a tiny squash pumpkin and told how easy they were to eat: "Cut open the top and pick out the seeds. Then put in a tablespoon of butter (or was it a teaspoon?) and bake until it feels soft when you squeeze it. Then it's ready to eat," he said, gesturing as with a spoon.

Another pumpkin seller was crunchng on roasted pumpkin seeds.

To make them: wash your seeds, coat in melted butter, season with salt (or a flavored salt), bake in the oven until goldent brown, and eat.

Happy Halloween.



Just one of the sellers at the Collinsville Trade Day, Saturday, Oct. 17. Sometime between then and Halloween night, these pumpkins will be gone. Phil Attinger