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Posters plus Food equals Fun Day

Angel Weaver
Managing Editor

If you weren't on the quad last Thursday, then you were in the wrong place. Games, music, and free food were available when Fun Day on the Quad kicked off at noon.

Several groups combined their efforts to bring Fun Day to the campus: Minority Affairs, the African American Association, Delta Sigma Theta, and the SGA. "It's a welcome back to school event for the students," said David Zeigler of the Office of Minority Affairs.

Entertainment included basketball, ping pong, board games, and Jerry Springer videos (always a good bet with college students). A music and video party was scheduled for later in the evening.

A mixture of R&B, house, and dance music was provided by local DJs, one of whom is former JSU graduate Marc Romine. "The ladies of Delta Sigma Theta asked me to be here," said DJ Romine.

Free food was also available. Zeigler spent the afternoon cooking hot dogs, hamburgers, fried fish sandwiches, BBQ chicken, and baked beans. "We had a good turnout," he said. "We started out with 500 plates and we still had to get more."

According to Chandlce Potts, President of Delta Sigma Theta, Fun Day was just one in a series of events sponsored last week by the sorority.

"This has been Delta week," she said. Monday the sorority had a mixer to promote unity, and a breast cancer workshop that evening. Tuesday was spent encouraging voter registration, and Wednesday was AIDS Awareness Day.

On both Tuesday and Wednesday, Greek apparel was sold on campus by a vendor. Wednesday night, the sorority sponsored a variety show called "Organized Confusion."

"We are a public service organization," Potts said. The sorority, which only has four members, has plans to help with Habitat for Humanity, as well as sponsoring a program for girls age 11-14 to promote math and science. "We also act as mentors for students at the Anniston Middle School," Potts said.

According to Zeigler, another Fun Day will be sponsored in the spring. "We usually do it again in the spring as a farewell for the students," he said.

Also on the quad Thursday was the annual poster sale. According to Keltilyn Johnson, 2nd Vice-President of the SGA, this is a popular event with the students. "It's something the SGA does every Fall, and it usually goes really well," Johnson said.

According to Johnson, the SGA goes through a company called Trent Graphics. This company then comes onto campus to sell the posters. "They have anything from Van Gogh to Anne Geddes to Everclear," she said.

"Enrollment is much like a roller coaster," said Jerry D. Smith, Dean of Admissions and Records here at Jacksonville State University. Fall registration 1998 was no different.

Over the past years, the number of students registered at JSU has fluctuated from year to year. For this year alone during the registration period, numbers ranged as high as 160 people registering from day to day. The "good news", according to Smith, is that the numbers are up for this year. More full-time undergraduates and more graduate students are now enrolled. In fact, while the official numbers have not still been released, the number of students registered is up by 119 people.

"One reason," Smith said, "is the new dual enrollment policy that allows advanced high school students to register and take classes here as well as attend high school with little difficulty." Even though the number of new freshmen enrolling is down, statistics show that fewer students are dropping out.

Smith credits the school's easy access on-line registration system to the new growth in students.

As for those returning students who are wondering how this growth of students will affect them, Smith said that there is no need to worry. "The entire registration system is very closely monitored," assured Smith. According to Smith, the system is run on a supply and demand policy. If there are classes that students want to register for, schedules will be adjusted for the students. Part-time professors will be hired, or some classes may be made larger. However, problems like these only seem to occur in lower level classes like English 101.

Whether it is because of the programs or the bargain JSU offers, Smith said that the school welcomes the growth of new students. However, parking spaces for these new students is another story all together.

For more enrollment information contact admissions and records at 782-5400, or visit the JSU website at www.jsu.edu.

Christy Castillo
Volunteer Writer

Jacksonville children pedal and steer in a free course on bicycle safety.
SGA plans big for '98-'99

With all of the new business, the SGA wants leadership that will be a good representative for the school," says Kruzininski. The Senate voted Jason Self as Safety Campus Committee Chairperson, Dale Wilson as Constitution and Code of Laws Committee Chairperson and President Protem, Delandra Hunter as the Academic Affairs Committee Chairperson, Donnell Humes as Residence Life and Facilities Committee Chairperson, and Jimmy Whited as the Blood Drive Committee Chairperson.

There are 35 Senator positions, and five seats are still open. The Senate will vote on Amber Adams, Buffy Smith, Thomas Webb, Jarravii Holace, and Jeremy Hosier to fill these seats at 6:30 p.m. next Monday at the Leon Cole Auditorium.

The officers encourage all students to get involved by coming to meetings, visiting them in their offices, e-mailing them, and dropping suggestions into the maintenance drawer in the dorms. Kruzininski shared this quote by Robert F. Kennedy with the Chanticleer, perhaps reflecting the SGA’s goals for the 1998-1999 school year:

“Few will have the greatness to bend history itself, but each of us can work to change a small portion of it. Events is from numberless acts of courage and belief that human history is shaped.”

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**Announcements**

- **Thursday, Sept. 17:** Mark Prater of ABC 33/40 presents “Weather and What to Look for,” 2:30 p.m., 11th floor of Houston Cole Library.
- **Saturday, Sept. 19:** JSU Potter’s Guild Sale, on the Quad, for Parents Day. University Art Club will sell pottery artwork and commemorative Jax State Gamecocks to support the JSU Art department ceramics facilities.
- **Saturday, Sept. 19:** Parents Day at JSU:
  - 8:30 a.m.: 5K Run, Pete Mathews Coliseum.
  - 9:15 a.m.: Campus tours depart from Stephenson Hall.
  - 10:30-11:30 a.m.: ROTC Ranger Demonstration on Quad.
  - 10:30-11:30 a.m.: Educational and Activity Booths on Quad.
  - 10:30-11:30 a.m.: House performance at Roundhouse.
  - 11:15 a.m.: Jazz ensemble at Roundhouse.
  - 11:30 a.m.-noon: Inspirational Voices of Christ at Roundhouse.
  - 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.: Picnic on Quad: Adults -$5, Children -$3
  - 11:30 a.m.: Comedian on Quad. No charge.
  - 12-12:30 p.m.: JSU Cheerleaders and Fastbreakers on Quad.
  - 12:30-1 p.m.: Marching Southerners on Quad.
- **Football:** JSU vs. Middle Tennessee State University at Paul Snodgrass.
- **Saturday, Sept. 19:** JSU Rugby Team vs. Emory University. Scrumb begins at 11 a.m., location to be announced.
- **Tuesday, Sept. 22:** Alabama Environmental Council meets at 4 p.m. in room 208 Martin Hall.

**The Chanticleer is now accepting volunteers:** writers, designers, photographers, proofers. No experience needed. Meetings are Tuesdays at 5 p.m., Room 180, Self Hall.

**JSU SGA Events Calendar: September 17-24**

**Thu 17**
- Mark Prater of ABC 33/40 presents “Weather and What to Look for,” 2:30 p.m., 11th floor of Houston Cole Library.

**Fri 18**
- 5K Run, Pete Mathews Coliseum, 8:30 a.m.
- Comedian Cary Long on the quad.

**Sat 19**
- Field School Workshop on early iron production at the Janney Iron Furnace, Oathtaking, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
- JSU vs. Middle Tennessee State University

**Mon 21**
- SGA Senate meeting at 6 p.m. in Leon Cole Auditorium.
- Faculty Senate meeting at 3 p.m., 11th floor, Library.

**Tue 22**
- Alabama Environmental Council meeting, 4 p.m. in room 208 Martin Hall.
- Fraternity Rush begins

**Wed 23**
- Fraternity Rush

**Thu 24**
- Fraternity Rush

"Semisonic" concert tickets go on sale for students only. Sep 21 -- 25, $10 each, call 782-5490 for details.

**Correction:** In the Sep. 10 issue of The Chanticleer, we reported Hose Hosier’s real first name as Steve. His name is, in fact, Jeremy Hosier.

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Thank you for reading The Chanticleer.
Computer PhD doesn’t sweat 2000

Carvin Pearson  
ISU News Bureau

Dr. Donnie Ford is not hoarding food, burying gold or stockpiling rations at a remote hideaway.

Unlike thousands of Americans who believe that awful things are going to happen at the stroke of midnight on Dec. 31, 1999, Ford calmly insists that the Y2K (Year 2000) computer problem will cause no more than a ripple for most folks.

Ford, a Jacksonville State University associate professor of computer science, says one of the worst things about the Y2K problem is that charlatans are making money by upsetting unknowing people, who believe mass chaos is going to break out.

Calls for building “safe havens” have gone across the Internet.

Groups are forming co-ops and militias to protect themselves from the violence and disaster they expect on Jan. 1, 2000. The tone of some Y2K bulletin boards on the Internet approaches mass hysteria.

Millions of usually sensible people are getting caught up in the scare. Even a cursory search of the Internet reveals that thousands of products ranging from survivalist books to freeze-dried food are in high demand. Purveyors of these items say only the most “well-prepared” Americans will be saved when computer clocks attempt to register the year 2000. They say bar code scanners won’t work, financial institutions will shut down and anything that runs by computer will go kaput, including airliners.

“There are a lot of people crying wolf when there isn’t really a wolf,” says Ford.

“The certainty factor is 99% that the problem with critical systems will be corrected by the year 2000,” says Ford. “Anything that is time-date critical has been worked on or is being worked on.”

Ford says the problem is twofold: it involves hardware and software.

He says that on January 1, 2000, computers that are not Y2K hardware compliant will cease to function. Those that are not complaint from a software perspective will not function properly. One reason this will occur is because computer programmers took a shortcut and allowed only two digits to designate the year. Computers won’t know whether 98 means 1998, 1898 or something else.

Ford says there are several simple solutions to the hardware problem. For example, you can get extra life out of your old PC by not letting it reach the date 2000. You do that by adjusting the clock back a year or two. Meanwhile, start looking for a newer computer—they’re all Y2K compliant.

Large institutions that have time-date critical data bases have a more serious problem, but Ford says it is far from insurmountable.

According to experts, the solution involves writing code that tells the computers that new data with dates between 00 and 50 are understood to refer to the 21st century.

“The software side is more complicated,” says Ford. “Correcting it is time consuming, but it doesn’t take a genius to fix.” According to Ford, the problem is being solved either by replacement or by rewriting the code.

Y2K does pose problems for large companies, universities and government due to the large quantities of hardware and software they operate.

Randy Harper says JSU has been working on the problem for the past year. “Our goal is to have everything completed by July 1, 1999,” says Harper, executive director of the Data Systems Management Division. “I feel like we’ll make our July 1 deadline.”

According to Harper, JSU has already identified and is giving priority to the programs that are mission critical or that contain the earliest failure date.

So, should people just cast a deaf ear at the doomsday hype?

Ford says yes.

“There will be no doomsday,” he says. “I predict 2000 is going to come and go and people will ask why nothing happened.”

Attention students: Important Information

Flu Shots:

Jacksonville State University’s College of Nursing will offer flu and pneumonia shots throughout the Nursing Center Clinic beginning Oct. 21.

The cost for each shot will be $10 for a flu shot and $15 for a pneumonia shot.

The shots will be available all day on October 21; all day on October 28; and on November 4 from 1 to 3:30 p.m. The clinic is open to the public and appointments can be made by calling the ISU College of Nursing at 256-782-5432.

A group of book lovers are organizing the Jacksonville State University Academy Reading Group.

“Lots of people do a lot of reading, but they don’t have anyone to share it with,” says group leader Dr. George Whitesel. “We’ve been trying for a while to get a book club going, and we have some very fine people who are interested in it.” Offered through JSU’s Office of Continuing Education’s Lifetime Learning Academy, the Academy Reading Group is a program created for those of retirement age, but everyone is welcome to join.

“It’s aimed for retirees, but a different viewpoint keeps things lively,” says Whitesel. The group will have its first meeting at 1:30 p.m. October 7 on the tenth floor of the Houston Cole Library. At the meeting, each member will select a book that they want the group to read, which will be combined into a reading list.

Each book on the list will be assigned, and each member will have two weeks to read it. The group will then discuss it at the next meeting.

“It’s a new thing to do and we are trying to avoid being too academic,” says Whitesel. “We are not intending it to be a probing literary study, but it will be one that broadens horizons.” Call 256-782-5918 for more information.
The master plan for JSU parking

Over the last ten years, and perhaps longer than that, JSU students have groaned over a lack of parking on the campus.

According to information from Don Thacker, Vice-President of Administrative and Business Affairs, the JSU Master Plan could eliminate some of these parking problems by rearranging parking lots and producing a more “pedestrian-friendly” campus.

Already this year, JSU workers removed “toe-stumpers” around the campus walkways and tried to eliminate tripping hazards around campus, especially for the benefit of wheelchair users and blind students, according to Miller Parnell of the physical plants.

This work was completed before classes began.

Also, several lampposts sprang up around the main campus as a means of improving the lighting conditions for pedestrians.

This is only the beginning. According to Thacker, JSU plans to include more walking corridors, improved greenways, rearranged parking, and shaded public areas, all in an effort to make JSU more pedestrian friendly.

The JSU Master Plan calls for all these changes, provided the university can obtain the funding to meet its intended schedule, according to Thacker.

“Like anything else,” says Thacker, “You have to save and scrimp before you get what you want.” Such plans may take several years to come about, so Thacker emphasizes that “the Master Plan is a guide for the future,” and not a permanent plan of action.

If the guide is any indication, the university may accomplish much in the next 10 to 15 years.

The Master Plan would have the old high school buildings become green space, walking and intramural recreational areas.

Thacker adds, however, that the city of Jacksonville has expressed an interest in at least some of the old buildings, so that part of the plan is not final.

“One of the problems you have with old buildings is once you renovate them, they’re very expensive,” explains Thacker, “and often times you can have a new building for the same price of renovating an old one.”

The parking area in front of Stephenson and the TMB will remain parking, says Thacker.

According to the plan, the whole parking area from Trustee Circle to the old high school will combine into one parking lot with only about three entrances on Pelham Road.

At present, the area between Patterson and Logan is available to students while the TMB parking area is closed.

As to safety concerns, Thacker asks students to please observe the caution signs and the roped off area, not that anyone has crossed into the work areas. “Safety is a big concern of everyone,” says Thacker.

According to Thacker, and recent drafts for changes to the campus, JSU will rework Martin Hall as well.

Thacker says the lighting, cooling and window systems have also worn out at Martin Hall and need repairs.

Also, the plan calls for an addition to the east wing of Martin Hall, with a breezeway between the addition and the older section.

The plan also calls for moving the observatory up to the top of the hill behind Brewer Hall, near where the ROTC department has its obstacle course.

The largest change, according to Thacker, will come with the addition of more walking paths.

“We have one major intersection,” says Thacker, referring to the junction of Pelham Road and State Hwy. 204. “To get from one part of campus to the other, you have to cross that one intersection. When 7700 students and 1000 faculty and staff converge on that one intersection, it gets crowded.”

Part of the Master Plan would run a walking path from the TMB to the exit on Trustee Circle, crossing below the library, continuing behind the library, through the proposed breezeway at Martin Hall, over the hill behind Brewer Hall and ending at the Stone Center.

Thacker and other university planners hope that such paths, along with moving more freshman core classes toward the main campus, will help ease the traffic congestion by encouraging more walking.

“As the university continues to have more and more students with automobiles,” says Thacker, “then the congestion will become more of a problem.”

Frankly, school’s tough enough without adding to the load. Which is why the campus meal plan makes so much sense.

We do all the work. And you get to enjoy great tasting, wholesome meals prepared fresh daily.

There are a number of flexible meal plans to choose from, designed for off campus as well as resident students. So sign up soon. Because it’s silly to do any more homework than you have to.
Southerners are storming the South

Last weekend the 320-member band visited south Georgia, making numerous stops and leaving good impressions everywhere they went.

The Jacksonville State University Marching Southerners are leaving inspiring sounds all around the south.

“This weekend was a lot of fun. Hopefully we recruited a lot of people from South Georgia. I am excited about the rest of the season. Things are going great,” Head drum major Gena Inglis said.

After a fun filled night in Savannah, the band left for Brunswick, Georgia on Friday morning. The home cooked meal consisted of fried chicken, cole slaw, baked beans, biscuits, and sweet tea.

“All good things come to an end”, or at least that is what the wise man said, but for the Marching Southerners things only got better. After their performance in Brunswick, the band headed for Savannah. There they had the night off to party, finding that River Street in Savannah was worth the six-hour drive downtown. The band stayed the night at Days Inn in Savannah with expenses paid.

Head drum major Gena Inglis said, “This weekend was a lot of fun. Hopefully we recruited a lot of people from South Georgia. I am excited about the rest of the season. Things are going great.”

After a fun filled night in Savannah, the band left for the Jacksonville State University and Georgia Southern football game. Although the sun was hot and the band was tired, they still managed to excite the crowd with an outstanding halftime show. Since the cheerleaders could not make the game, the band took over and performed cheers for the JSU fans. The exciting game was constantly backed by the supporting band and enthusiastic fans.

This year’s show begins with Stravinsky’s “Firebird,” followed by “Big Noise from Winnetka,” then Puccini’s “Nessun dorma” from Turandot, and closes with Bill Holman’s “Malaga.” Kenneth Bodiford directs and Mark Fifer arranges the music for the band. There are over thirty members of the staff and leadership staff from various sections including drums, horns, color guard, and ballerinas. These people have helped make the Marching Southerners such a great organization.

Bodiford said, “This is one of the most talented groups, and I couldn’t be more pleased with their attitudes. It was a great weekend. The football team played better than I have seen in years. The band was proud of them.”

The Marching Southerners will perform for Parent’s Day on the quad Sept. 19 at 12:30 p.m. They will also perform at the JSU vs. Middle Tennessee State University football game at 2 p.m. on Saturday.

Come support the Marching Southerners and hear the sound of the south. WHUP TROY!

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Loren Haynes

You are getting very sleepy. This is how some students felt while under the hypnosis of Ronnie Romm.

Ronnie is from the Hudson Valley Area in upstate New York and went to Stoney Brook University in New York. He has a degree in psychology and has hypnotized people professionally for 18 years. The SGA sponsored his show as part of Welcome Week.

The show began with Ronnie showing the audience his extraordinary perception skills. He got everyone right by guessing the amount of change in your hand to your dream vacation.

But everyone came for the hypnosis. I myself experienced this hypnosis. To begin, we held our hands straight out and squeezed them tightly. We held our hands in this position until our arms were weak.

The real hypnotic state began with closing our eyes, feet flat on the floor and hands resting on our legs with our palms toward the ceiling. After we relaxed, Ronnie transported our minds to a tropical beach. The next stop was a fishing hole, where we caught a large fish.

Then we put our fishing poles up and went to the horse track, where we placed bets on horse #10 with $8,000 at stake.

Guess what? We lost the bet.

To make up for the loss we imagined eating ice-cream. Everyone licked their imaginary cones and caught the ice-cream dripping down their arms.

After we had our snack we went into a deeper sleep. This is where it gets a little fuzzy for me. I'm going to take you back to that night and put you where I was. Snap, we look up and it's hard to see, because of the bright colors from the lights. The first two victims think someone in the audience has a buzzer starting their "gluteus max." It's only Ronnie stamping his foot. "X-ray vision boy" thinks everyone around him is naked. Wait, now he thinks he is naked and he runs off the stage. Why is the audience singing Happy Birthday?

The audience keeps laughing at a girl who doesn't know her name. I want to tell her it's Kellilyn Johnson, but she doesn't think it's something different. Everyone asked Ronnie where is she counted 11 fingers on her hand.

The girls we're seated between get up and argue that the hypnosis isn't working for them. I don't know, they ARE running around the room to the "Road Runner" theme song. Oh no, it's my turn. Ronnie gives us cups of water, and now he's bringing us something to drink. It's water, but Ronnie tells us it is 180-proof alcohol. He stumps his foot again and the first victims jump out of their chairs. Another chair, I'm laughing uncontrollably right now. I am laughing so hard that I'm crying and I can't stop.

We are sleeping again and wake up disco dancing back to our seats. The audience is holtering, "SGA," and we stand up and scream, "This is going to be a great year!"

When we kiss and hug three people our hypnosis ends.

Many of the students felt they were hypnotized. It's easy to be hypnotized if you are willing to go under, but if you can't let go of things in your head you'll never go under. Ronnie says, "It's hard to hypnotize someone who can't let go."

Amber Moody
Volunteer Writer

Students go under at the SGA hypnosis show

London songbird sings with soul

Dave Mathews
Features Editor

Even as much as I love music, I have to admit I was beginning to think the whole industry had become a bit redundant. My interest in new and upcoming artists began to take a turn toward disinterest. It was a feeling I did not want to have. I started to draw myself closer to the classics, or should I say, my classics. Led Zeppelin, Bob Dylan, and the Police, just to name a few. "You're just getting old," friends would say. Old? I'm not getting old, I would say I'm just getting harder to please.

I thought to myself, "When was the last time I purchased an album that I was able to listen to front to back with no interruptions?" As I searched my memory banks I came up with several on my list that I consider great albums. Alice N' Chains "Jar of Flies," Prince's "Purple Rain," and "Synchronicity" by the Police.

I have either been lucky or I have over the years gained an ear for good music, usually being able to pick out one hit wonders on a regular basis. Growing up in the eighties also helped in crafting my skill.

So what makes a great album? According to Phil Spector, "There are three essentials you need to make a great record: a song, a happening melody and a singer with total conviction." I agree. There has to be a certain soul put into the music. It not, it has no life, no feeling. There is no denying the timeless appeal of music. It lets you find a connection with life and feelings and provides a way to get lost in a chaotic world. I needed a break from the music, so I checked out who E! Entertainment is playing at two locations very accessible to Jacksonville toward the end of this month. At the Hard Rock Cafe in Atlanta on September the 25th, and at the Oak Mountain Amphitheater in Pelham the following night. If you get a chance, give "I Megaphone" a turn in your disc player and check out who Er Entertainment calls, "some of the big breakout stars of the year."
Fun Day

Students took in the breeze and petted the pouch.

Kellilyn Johnson, and other SGA officers gather to laugh and talk under one of JSU's shade trees.

Thanks to David Ziegler and the African American Association, hot, fresh food filled the buffet line.

The late afternoon sun drew crowds to see the organization booths or just to talk with friends.
A Guild is formed, and out to make art

Amber Moody
Volunteer Writer

Potters Guild- what is this you’re asking? The Potters Guild is a new student organization initiated by the students. It is an official club registered with the SGA. The club meets to create new items. These items are then sold to help the art department.

Kelly Gregg, a member of the club and a professor of Geography and Anthropology says the Potters Guild is “A group of interested students, faculty and community members who were interested in the arts. This last summer they formed this group to help the art department of JSU.”

Steve Loucks, a faculty advisor to the club and a professor of Art, says, “The goal of the club is to raise funds for workshops and to purchase equipment and supplies for JSU’s art department, as well as to enhance the learning experience for students.”

The Guild’s first project is to sell pottery on the quad during Parent’s Day, September 19. Pottery objects are made from moist clay and hardened at a high fire temperature. The club has worked hard on 1998 JSU commemorative ceramic tiles. The tiles, stoneware and other functional pots will be sold.

There will also be demonstrations during Parent’s Day. Loucks says, “I will be demonstrating throwing pots on the wheel and students will be demonstrating Raku firing.” Raku firing, according to Loucks, is a firing project derived from an ancient Japanese firing technique. Ceramic pieces are heated up very quickly to around 1900°F and then taken out of the kiln and placed in a combustible material for post reduction effects. Mario Gallardo, a student at JSU, will demonstrate the Raku firing.

The wheel demonstration will be between the Roundhouse and Hammond Hall on the quad. The raku firing demonstration will be behind Hammond Hall. Loucks says, “It’s great to work with the students and all their creative energy.” To get more information, contacts are Paulette Parks and Cyndy Porter in the ceramic department, or Steve Loucks at 782-5708.

I’m Goin’ Straight to Hell Jacksonville!

Adam Smith
News Editor

For those students who really enjoy a good kick-ass rock band, there just so happens to be one coming to town this evening.

Drivin N Cryin, an Atlanta-based group will be roaring into Jacksonville tonight and will play a date at Brother’s Bar in Jacksonville. DnC’s mix of roots music, punk, and flat-out rock and roll always pleases the die-hard fans, and always wins over ones who were too young to remember the group during their heyday.

The lineup has stayed fairly consistent through the years. Formed in 1985, Kevin Kinney has remained the group’s leader. His original lyrics and melodic ideas have always kept the band fresh and extremely popular with college radio. The band’s second album entitled “Smarter” became an instant college radio staple even though it was recorded in just three days.

During the late eighties the band enjoyed more success following massive tours with other college radio darlings such as R.E.M. and Soul Asylum. However, in 1990, Kevin Kinney decided to take a break from the band to record his first solo album, “MacDougal Blues.” That album was in fact produced by Peter Buck, who is R.E.M.’s guitarist. The folk- acoustic sound to the album gave no indication of what DnC’s next turn would be.

Drivin N Cryin’s 1991 album “Fly Me Courageous” was a bold new step in their career. The album went gold, and spawned two hit singles, “Fly Me Courageous” and “Build a Fire.” Both videos garnered the band national attention by receiving airplay on MTV. However, the band met with much critical disappointment with their release of their 1993 album, “Heavy Smoke.” Even though the album was hyped as a disappointing follow-up to “Courageous,” according to Kinney, “it was one of the most realistic, albeit painful records the band’s ever made.”

During a much needed break, Kinney released another solo album, “Down Out Law.” However, DnC regrouped again in 1995 to record “Wrapped In Sky” for their new label, Geffen/DGC. The band kept playing many live dates as well. They played approximately 200 dates in 1996 alone.

The band’s newest offering, which is self-titled, offers up more of the same dependable rock and roll with the always welcome rootsy influence. It’s that same sound that has made them one of the most durable bands in rock, which is a substantial feat given that the rock and roll scene changes as often as the weather.

Drivin N Cryin are one of the few bands who have experienced both the luxuries of the rock arena and the filth of the bar room floors on a regular basis, and have lived to tell the tales. They are in fact one of the few bands left to stay faithful to the rock and roll tradition. DnC can play it down and dirty, but they always play it from the heart. They are a good bet know matter what the venue may be.

Do yourself a favor and check them out tonight at Brother’s.

Volunteer writer

The Chanticleer has opportunities for enthusiastic people willing to write about what goes on around JSU.

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One story a week goes a long way.
They're on their way to bug city

Buffy Smith
JSU News Bureau

J.H. Robison of Albertville likes his new black 1998 Volkswagen Bug because of the attention it draws.

"It's the most attractive car on the road. I drove across the bridge in Gadsden a while ago and four young people in a red sports car screamed, 'Yeah! I like it!'" says Robison, a 79 year old retired minister.

JSU employee Marie Henson of Jacksonville is a little shy. She bought her new red 1998 VW Bug just because she loves the car — not for the attention. But she's always nice enough to let people look it over.

"I'm proud of it, and if I'm in a hurry, I would rather be late than blow someone off because it's just not my nature," says Henson, the student supervisor of Jacksonville State University's Stephenson Hall.

Though they possess slightly different motives for purchasing their new luxury cars, Robison and Henson have a strong connection: they are father and daughter of a family that has owned more than 50 Volkswapen Bugs in the past 30 years.

It seems that bug collecting has become a family tradition. Robison and his wife Margaret currently own six cars, four of them are VWs: two VW pickups, a '72 bug and the new '98 bug. Robison says that he's owned 18 VWs in his life.

"My original thought of a VW was that I hated them. I thought that they were the ugliest thing there ever was," he says. "Then I bought a gold one and from then on I was sold on them."

The "gold one," that he refers to now belongs to Henson. She owns too: '94 gold bug, a '71 blue bug and her new red one. She's counted 14 bugs that she has owned.

"I've always liked bugs," says Henson. "I've never had one that I didn't like and I've never had one that was bad."

She first learned about the 1998 VW Bug by reading articles in newspapers announcing its manufacture.

"I told my husband that I was going to have one of those cars, I didn't care what it takes," she says.

Henson clipped every news article she found about the Bug and showed it to her father, who at first was uninterested, but then started wanting one as much as she did.

"And he ended up getting one before me," she says.

They both ordered and paid a deposit on their new bugs last January.

After months of waiting, Robison's car finally arrived at Sierra Motors on March 21. He was the first person in Alabama to purchase one.

"It was weird, I couldn't stop it without folks covering it up, wanting to know what it was," he says.

Henson bought her new Bug on July 21.

"Everybody is just fascinated with the car because it's so unique and there's so few of them around," she says. "Most people haven't gotten to see them up close."

"At first, they start telling you about the VVs that they've had," says Henson. "Then they want to see the inside and outside, under the hood, and they want to know about the gas mileage and whether the engine is in the front or in the back."

The new VW Bug is classified as a luxury car and far surpasses the older models, according to Henson, because it can come with air conditioning, anti-lock brakes, air bags, a power package, automatic drive, an alarm system and much more.

The gas mileage is also great, according to Robison and Henson, who say that a gas engine gets 30 miles to the gallon and a diesel engine gets 50.

"It drives and handles the best of any car that I've ever had," says Robison. "It registers 140, and I can guarantee that it will do 100."

But it you're hoping to buy a 1998 VW, you can count on waiting in line. Henson says that right now, the cars are coming in a few at a time. Prospective owners are notified of availability in order of the date the deposit is made.

Robison is still on a waiting list. He's ordered two more 1998 VWs, and he's expecting one to be in by January.

Henson says she will buy another VW Bug in 2000, when the convertible models come out.

The happy owners of two of a kind.

Crossword Companion

ACROSS
1 Row 23 Par
4 Who's me 25 Place to sleep
6 Throw at wedding 26 Thus
12 One (Scot.) 27 Noise
13 Festival 28 Damage
14 At a distance 29 Rosters
15 About 32 Verb
17 Rim: Edge 33 Pottery
19 Yes (Spanish) 35 Near
20 Beetle 36 Claw
21 Cask 38 Signal with head movement
22 The Pope 39 Iron

DOWN
1 Tree 41 Stir
2 Black bird 42 Sketched
3 Blush 43 Verb (p.t.)
4 Craze 45 Wing-like structure
5 Lick up 46 Color
6 Southern state (abbr.) 47 Time of day (abbr.)
7 Mixed vegetables 48 Japanese sash
8 Slap 49 Lump: mass
9 Provided 50 Hurt
10 Box 52 Pour forth
11 Great lake 54 Eggs
16 Not (prefix) 57 Russian emperor (var. spelling)
18 Impersonal pronoun 58 Snoozes
20 Porch 59 Criticize
21 Porch 26 Thus (Latin)
26 Thus (Latin) 28 Males
29 Kettle top 29 Males
30 Common vetch 30 Common vetch
31 Worry 31 Males
32 Verb 32 Verb
33 Prisoner (slang) 33 Prisoner (slang)
34 Cow sound 34 Cow sound
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Lex

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Why’s the Beef?

Dave Mathews, Features Editor

The complaint. What a powerful device. Normally I try my best to hold my own to a minimum, partly because I have worked in retail. However, given my chance to vent a little frustration about the way things are, I have come up with a few things (in no particular order) that I feel I complain about more than usual. Some of these may relate to my own and some of these may seem a bit irrational. However, they are mine and this is my moment to shine:

1. Vending machine bill acceptors.
2. Prehistoric ATM’s.
3. Store clerks with no personality.
4. Two dollars and forty-five cents for a pack of cigarettes.
5. Eighty-five cent soft drinks.
7. A hair in my mouth!
8. Phone-using drivers.
9. Home video previews, 20 minutes? Really?!
10. The media.
12. The President’s reputation.
13. Drive-thru intercoms.
15. Telemarketers.
16. Hang-ups at the beep.
17. Hair on (my) soap!
18. Late fees, (give me a chance!)
19. Sorry no COD’s.
20. Sunny no smoking.
22. Infomercial enthusiasm.
23. Twenty or more items to the express lane.
25. School shootings (refer to number 14).
27. Individuals trapped in a decade.
28. Twenty-four hours in a day.
29. Mondays (Tuesdays if I miss Monday).
30. People who complain too much.

I’ve given you thirty complaints, which were surprisingly easy for me to rattle off. My last complaint, which pertains to people who complain too much, would have to be the cream of the crop. The coup de grace of all my complaints, if you will.

In this world full of negativity, I believe we should realize how beautiful life is in all of its wonder. Whine! Whine! Whine! It is so easy to do. We should focus more on the positive things in our lives as well as in this planet. By doing that simple task, we can make the best of what we have. Life is too short to have a problem with every thing. In conclusion, my beef is really quite simple. My advice is to ease up because there is always someone who has it worse.

Remember the good old days when a family would all gather around the television set at night and they would tune in to a night of good clean wholesome programming? The father of the family would sit down with his pipe and his daily newspaper. Then they would all enjoy the evening news together. There were stories of presidents doing good deeds, kissing babies, and maybe even a story about a boy being reunited with his lost dog. Sounds touching doesn’t it? Frankly I don’t remember those times. I have seen pictures though, and it looks really groovy.

However, we’re living in the nineties now. We live in a society created by an O.J. Simpson and Menendez brothers-crazy media. We must not forget about the Jon Benet Ramsey scandal either. Now our own president has become fair game. The recent release of the Starr report has placed our America the beautiful at an all-time low. Everywhere we look today, we see the president’s troubles in full color. Who’s to blame for all of this? The president? The fact of the matter is, the president’s affair with Monica Lewinsky is between the president, his family, and God. Unfortunately the real blame lies with us, the media, which is really just a reflection of our society.

When did it become good and well to start exposing our leaders as the crooked and unethical people they really are? We used to have a great deal of trust in our politicians and especially in our president. Remarkably enough, it was a trust we had even though we knew how much they cheated and lied to us. This current presidential scandal is something new and different though. There’s sex and perjury involved here. Those two words are rarely seen side by side, but in this case, they are.

This story does need to be covered by our trusty and always-reliable media, don’t get me wrong. However, I recently have come to doubt how trusty and reliable they are. The fact of the matter is our media have done a really poor job in covering this story with any kind of dignity. The people we count on the most for truthful and factual information have let us down in a big way. The media defined every ethical and moral principle in order to reach the sensationalism and scandal. We want the truth. We expect to get it from our televisions and newspapers. How many times have we heard “sources say,” and “according to” in all of the media hype surrounding this case. The whole investigation has had more leaks than a freshly-mowed garden hose.

One thing we have to consider is that if a president had committed this act thirty or forty years ago, we never would have never known about it. We’ve all heard countless tales of various presidents through the years having affairs (F.D.R., J.F.K., and L.B.J.), but the media of yore never would have never touched a scandal like the one we have now. Today’s mass-market media is a different breed. Power hungry and ruthless. However, it just so happens that it’s paying off in a big way. Not so surprisingly, a presidential scandal or a car chase on a LA freeway smells a lot like big bucks.

Unfortunately, like a child staring long and hard at a toy store window, we find ourselves increasingly mesmerized by the scandals of today. Therefore we are willing to live with things that may not be true to satisfy our daily scandal fix. I pride myself on not being overly hypocritical, and I too find all of this interesting. I will occasionally let my television stay on whatever channel happens to be drudging out the president’s troubles. However, I always feel like a loser shortly thereafter.

The media has our trust for good reason. During the presidential scandal the media stepped over many facts to get to the big headline. However, we tune in each night to get the latest scandalous fix like it’s the greatest thing since government cheese. This may all sound hypocritical coming from a person who sees a possible career in the media, but I’d probably “sell out” in a second if I saw enough zeroes on a paycheck. Then again, maybe not. I guess I’ll have to burn that bridge when I come to it, or something like that.

Indeed these are fascinating times in which we live. As repulsive as the presidential scandal may be to most, we can’t go lock ourselves in a cave and hope it will go away. Ignoring the story would be the equivalent of closing your eyes as Haley’s comet flies over, or plugging your ears as the latest Matchbox 20 song is being played on the radio. On second thought, doing the latter is OK. However, to ignore this historic event is to deny us a piece of a historical time no matter how badly the media covers it. So until a police chase occurs on highway 21, or one of our local leaders has a scandalous affair, I’ll just sit back and play commentator to it all.
Dear Editor,

Thank you for your feature article on Jacksonville nightlife entitled “JSU Nightlife: Still Alive and Kicking.” It was somewhat informative, and for those who didn’t already know, shed some light on an exciting place to have a good time in a small Alabama city. It described in little detail, however, the quality and diverse types of artists and talent who perform in a tiny spot on the map called Jacksonville.

Brothers’ Bar is a well established tavern which is known throughout the southeast. As a performer, I have been to cities all across bordering states and interfaced with people who have heard of “Brothers.” It has held many national acts within its walls, from Charlie Daniels to Col. Bruce Hampton to “Drivin’ and Cryin’.” To focus and article on the “Velcro Pygmies,” and 80’s, “glam” cover band which attracts more locals and “out-of-towners” than college students is misleading. Granted, Thursday nights in J-Ville are famous all around, there are many other local favorites which could and should be mentioned in a college newspaper.

Gaterz Bar is a locally owned and operated establishment which is more than a place to “down a few beers.” They offer Karoake, live music, a regulation size volleyball court and a saloon-type atmosphere with good tables, darts and the only foosball table in town.

Retro Club and Café is also more than just a “dance club.” There are different themes for each night and only two to three per week are devoted to strictly DJ type dance music. Live bands play as much as twice to three times some weeks. It was also not stated in your article that bands such as “The Interpreters,” who held the number one video on M2 (a division of MTV which is seen in over 100 countries) played at “The Retro.” Bands ranging as diverse as “Rollin’ in the Hay” (bluegrass) to “Martyr” (heavy metal) frequent this establishment.

Furthermore, comparing a southern-owned and operated college bar and grill to a New York disco known for its open sexual activity and blatant drug abuse is ludicrous. A college bar with college employees working their way through school being compared to a bar ran by Steve Reubel, a homosexual heroin addict who served time in prison for income tax evasion and also died of AIDS is an insult. Retro Club and Café’s mission was and is to create an environment which caters to all students, not just those who like to dance.

Furthermore, those who make a sport of “sitting back and laughing” at those who chose to do so are usually the ones who either can’t dance, and/or leave alone.

Chris Robinson, manager, Café Retro and Café, and JSU student.

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Proactive health care and free, all-day

"I'm as excited now as I've ever been (to be doing this work)," said Carol Notar of Jacksonville Hospital. "I'm amazed that I still love it!"

Notar gave free body-fat percentage readings to anyone who wanted to know, and even some who didn't.

Under one roof, visitors gave blood for the Red Cross, had cholesterol checked, learned bike safety, and heard how to prevent stroke, heart attack, cancer and even tooth decay.

The First United Methodist Church of Jacksonville held its first ever free health fair last Saturday in their recently completed McWhorter Activities Center. According to the event organizers, this is only the beginning of a semester-long program of events to involve the community and JSU students.

Susie Dempsey, one of the key organizers, says that since the church first built the new addition, "everyone in the community borrows it, even the High School Junior and Senior Prom." The whole idea behind the free health fair was a service to the JSU and Jacksonville community. All day long, people drew for door prizes and snacked on fresh fruit, vegetables, light chips and pink lemonade.

Susie and Wayne Dempsey, Judy Hay, and the members of the church's Rebekah Circle organized the event which drew a diverse crowd. However, many of the participants and organizers read like a "Who's Who of JSU."

The Dempsey's recently retired from JSU: Wayne from the Math department, and Susie from the Music department. Garry Harris, the church's Children's Director and Activities Center Supervisor graduated from JSU and still plays in a jazz band like he did in school. Connie Edge, director of the JSU Alumni House, gave blood and stayed around for some of the seminars and door prize drawings. Edge's mother, Gladysce Cornelius, came to hear the lecture on preventing and living with stroke.

With a shrug, Cornelius said, "You get older and you just don't notice. That's just life."

Even organizers had a stake in the lectures. Wayne Dempsey took particular interest in Dr. Russell Ingram's lecture "Preventing Heart Attack." Wayne, retired from JSU for two years, has had heart surgery to correct a valve and a hole he helped move bicycles out to the safety seminar, and laughed it up with other participants.

Though most of the visitors were mature adults, organizers were pleased with the turnout.

Beginning at 9 a.m. and running until 2 p.m., the event hosted both speakers and activity booths, a bike safety course for children outside in the parking lot, as well as a line-dancing course in the church's Fellowship Hall.

Some of the lectures had a particular message for young people. Sherry Blanton of the Cancer Society spoke at length, both behind the podium and at her booth, of the need for young folks to take a pro-active interest in their long term health.

"Be proactive and not reactive to your body," says Blanton. "If you don't care, no one else will."

Blanton expresses particular concern for the habits taken by college- and teen-age people today. Smoking is on the rise for Generation X, and in addition to ads that glorify smoking as fun and athletic, Blanton points at parents and other adults who smoke for setting a bad example.

"Not doing it keeps your kids from smoking," says Blanton. "(smoking parents are) giving kids a reason to smoke and a disease." Blanton says that after 20 years of side-stream smoke, a child could very easily have enough exposure to carcinogens to begin developing cancer.

Smokeless tobacco has it's problems as well. Dr. Bruce Cunningham, a dentist whose practice is near the Jacksonville Hospital, confirmed that he finds leukoplakia, the beginnings of lip and oral cancer, in kids who claim they don't dip. "Dr. Bruce Cunningham, a dentist whose practice is near the Jacksonville Hospital, confirmed that he finds leukoplakia, the beginnings of lip and oral cancer, in kids who claim they don't dip."

Blanton's positive message: "Stop your bad habits, adopt a proactive health attitude, and you may avoid cancer later in life." She warns people to stop drinking, or cut back considerably, because of the danger of stomach cancer. Blanton also warns people to avoid unnecessary sun exposure, especially tanning beds, which she calls "cancer boxes" because "they intensify the harmful UV rays." She suggests using 15 sun screen against the sun, especially between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., when the sun is at its most intense.

"Your skin is like an elephant," says Blanton. "It remembers."

Another protection from cancer is to know your history, and to take it seriously, says Blanton. She affirms that being tested regularly and doing self-exams for both breast cancer and testicular cancer can save a person's life through early detection.

Later on in the day, Cunningham held his own seminar on myths and methods surrounding tooth decay. In a style not unlike a preacher, Cunningham gave an animated performance holding up products that he thanked for making his practice such a good one.

While displaying a 2-liter Coke bottle, he thanked the company for helping his practice. According to Cunningham, cavities are caused by bacteria that live off the sugar in the foods we chew and the drinks we sip. When these bacteria use the sugar, they produce an acid that leaches the calcium out of our teeth.

"An 'acid attack' can last twenty minutes at the minimum," says Cunningham. Throughout his lecture he repeated that it's how much and how often.

"When we eat something sugary, whether candy, cookies, or even fruit, we should finish it quickly and rinse with a good neutral drink like water," says Cunningham.

As for cleaning teeth and keeping healthy gums, Cunningham believes in keeping things simple. He explains how baking-soda and peroxide toothpaste brands may contain as little as 5 percent baking soda. "DenialCare and PeroxCare are about 50 percent baking soda, which is as low as I'm willing to go," says Cunningham.

Holding up a bright yellow box of Arm and Hammer baking soda, he says, "This box — 100 percent baking soda. For the best use of baking soda for your teeth, Cunningham suggests buying a box of baking soda and a bottle of hydrogen peroxide.

Wet your toothbrush with the peroxide, dip it in the baking soda, and brush with that," says Cunningham. Most of what people pay for in toothpaste is packaging and flavorings, according to Cunningham.

Cunningham also promotes a specific brand of powered dental irrigator called the "HydroFloss." Cunningham says that the HydroFloss uses an electromagnet to reverse the polarity of ions in tap water.

According to Cunningham, when this charged water hits the bacteria on our teeth, it makes it impossible for them to hold onto our teeth, and then we can rinse them away easier.
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The Chanticleer is offering some new comic strips to add to our previous line-up, and would like your opinion.

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JSU Sports

Despite impressive showing, Jacksonville State loses offensive shoot-out 51-32

Shannon Fagan
Acting Sports Editor

If there is ever such a thing as a good loss for Jacksonville State, then Saturday's game against traditional Division I-AA football power Georgia Southern would be it.

The Gamecocks proved they were ready to play Saturday against the Eagles. They had over 400 yards in total offense and 22 first downs. At one point, Jax State even held a 10 point advantage. However, Georgia Southern proved in the end why they are nationally ranked by defeating JSU by the final of 51-32.

"We played a great football team," said coach Mike Williams. "They wore us down right there at the end. It was a close football game, one we had a chance to win."

It looked as if things would be tough early on. The Eagles took the ball on their first possession and drove it 64 yards, resulting in Chris Chambers 21 yard field goal. It gave Georgia Southern the lead at 3-0.

On the ensuing kickoff, the Gamecocks established an impressive drive of their own. Quarterback Montressa Kirby took to the air and completed a 70 yard strike to receiver Joey Hamilton for the touchdown. The extra point attempt failed, but JSU was now on top 6-3.

It was a lead that wouldn't last for long. The Eagles' Jevon Sullivan took charge on the next drive accounting for 25 yards and a one yard touchdown run. The point after made it 10-6.

After both offenses cooled off, it was time for Eurosius Parker to get in the act. Parker returned a Georgia Southern punt 79 yards for the touchdown. This time, the extra point was good and the Gamecocks found themselves on top once again, 13-10.

Jax State's defense then took matters into their own hands. Calvin Nichols forced a fumble and recovered the ball at the Eagle eight yard line.

It didn't take long for the offense to capitalize. Running back Tywone Dyson bulldozed his way in for a touchdown from two yards out. Brad Hopkins' extra point gave the Gamecocks a 20-10 lead with just over a minute to play in the first quarter.

That would be enough time for the Georgia Southern offense to score once again. In three plays, the Eagles drove 83 yards to close the gap. This time, scoring honors went to running back Adrian Peterson. Peterson dashed 45 yards for the touchdown. The point after made it 20-17 in favor of JSU.

After the explosive first quarter, things settled down in the second. The only points put on the board in the quarter were by the Eagles. Chris Chambers tied the game at 20 with his 34 yard field goal.

The Gamecocks got the ball to start things in the second half of action. They put together an impressive drive to take the lead once again. Leading the way was Montressa Kirby and Tywone Dyson. Kirby accounted for 65 yards passing and Dyson rushed for 17 yards. Kirby finished off the drive with his two yard sneak into the end zone. Brad Hopkins' kick was no good, but the Gamecocks were back in front 26-20.

That would be the last time the Gamecocks would hold the lead. Later in the third quarter, Georgia Southern came right back and scored on a 21 yard field goal to take a 29-26 lead.

Both teams were playing with everything on the line, and both defenses were playing with a purpose. The lead changed hands several times in the last few minutes of play, but neither team could capitalize on the possession.

In the end, it was an overtime battle between Jacksonville State and Georgia Southern. The Gamecocks were unable to score on their first possession, and the Eagles capitalized on the possession.

Jacksonville State's Delvin Hughsley returns the ball after an interception.

Soccer team battles rain, evens record against Stephen F. Austin in overtime

Erik Green
Volunteer Writer

The Lady Gamecocks soccer team evened their record against Stephen F. Austin in the rain on Friday. Rain forced the Lady Gamecocks' game against Centenary to be canceled. Here is a recap:

Jacksonville State 1 Stephen F. Austin 0 (OT)

Midfielder Andrea Poole led the Gamecocks with five shots on goal to produce the win. Forward Jennifer Weatherspoon fired three shots for the Lady Gamecocks.

Jill Feeney, Megan Steinbach, Amy Buchannan, Megan Barker, Wendy Holleman, Mary Stephenson, and Ceildh Beck each contributed a shot to the win.

Goalkeeper Adriana Finelli was perfect on Friday with four saves keeping Stephen F. Austin out of the net all day.

Midfielder Jessica Messner led Stephen F. Austin with two shots and goalkeeper Elizabeth Eafit kept the Lady Lumberjacks out of trouble in regulation with eight saves.

The game remained scoreless in the two periods of play which led to the Gamecocks win with Poole scoring with four minutes thirty seconds remaining in overtime.

Jacksonville State ran out against Centenary

The Lady Gamecocks were scheduled to play at Centenary on Sunday, but the game was rained out. The Lady Gamecocks will play on Friday at Charleston Southern beginning at 2 p.m., then on Sunday at College of Charleston beginning at 11 a.m. The Lady Gamecocks are 2-2 overall and 0-1 in Trans America play.
Volleyball team drops to 2-5

From staff reports
Jacksonville State’s volleyball team suffered two losses this Saturday. They did not allow this disappointment to hinder their performance Sunday when they had a three match victory against Florida International.

JSU 13 3 9
FAU 15 15 15

Florida-Atlantic University won all three matches against JSU Saturday. This disappointment was followed by another loss for the Lady Gamecocks to Wright State University.

WSU 15 16 15
JSU 10 14 10

Although they did not win, JSU had some standout performances against both Florida Atlantic and Wright State. Lisa May had ten kills against FAU. Jenni Williamson had eight digs in the FAU game.

As Jacksonville State began to warm up against Wright State, other notable performances were made by Amy Reeves who had twelve kills, and Lisa May, who had nine kills. Amy Crow led with eight digs, followed by Melanie Linder with six digs.

On Sunday the Lady Gamecocks were ready for action. They won their first match 15-3, and they won their second and third matches 15-4. Amy Reeves once again stood out with 13 kills.

For now, the Lady Gamecocks’ current record is 2-5.

Promoting leadership: the link organization

Mark Word would definitely be a candidate for a JSU team leader after his game at Alabama A&M.

Erik Green
Volunteer Writer

Chains have performed various jobs for centuries.

From securing logs on wagons to pulling a stranded car from a roadside ditch, chains have aided man in his tasks.

Chains mean something a little different to the JSU football team.

For head football coach Mike Williams and the Gamecocks, chains symbolize leadership.

Throughout the season, you can catch Gamecock leaders wearing a single link of chain around their necks. “The link organization is a prestigious organization, where players can earn links themselves, and the coaching staff are members of the organization,” says defensive coordinator Charles Kelly. “It consists of people who are loyal, trustworthy, and committed to do all the right things all of the time. It’s an organization to promote leadership.”

“The team leaders play a vital role,” says Gamecock Linebacker Ryan Freeman “Coach Williams expresses leadership more than anything else at practice and in the game. You can tell when we’ve had a bad practice, because coach Williams lets us know at the end of practice that we need leadership. When we have good practices and good games, it’s because the leaders stepped forward. We feel if the leadership is not there, we will be in the same place we have been in for the past two years, but with leadership we’ll take our step forward to go where we want to go.”

Many Gamecock fans hope this year’s football season will be a turning point for the program into a winning team for the next millennium. The Gamecocks spend more time in preparation than most people know. On any given day you find many of the gamecock football players watching game film in the early morning hours as well as lifting weights, participating in team meetings, going to practice, and of course keeping up with their studies. During this time, the coaching staff are looking for the assorted few who can reach above the rest to become leaders.

One of the Gamecocks most notable leaders is quarterback Montressa Kirby, on his way to becoming one of the greatest quarterbacks in JSU history. Kirby, a senior from Anniston High School has had a sensational career at JSU and is an outspoken leader on the field and off.

“The first game showed signs of some good leadership,” said Kelly. “When you get in tough situations that’s when your leaders have to rise. That’s one concern: we’ve got to have better leadership both offensively and defensively. Through the link organization developing those leaders, I think we’ll get to that point.”

The Gamecocks have a good deal of confidence in their leaders and as work continues to improve, the Gamecocks continue to improve. With an opening day win at Alabama A&M, then suffering a heart breaking defeat at Georgia Southern this past Saturday, the Gamecocks look to move forward. They plan to win in the home opener Saturday against Middle Tennessee State University.
The Shots Heard Around the World

Shannon Fagan
Acting Sports Editor

Thank you Mark McGwire and Sammy Sosa! You have given baseball fans across the planet the opportunity to see history. But, most of all, you have brought the game of baseball back from its dark days.

Take a trip with me now back to memory lane. I'm not talking about 30 or 40 years ago. I'm talking about the year 1994. You remember, that was the year baseball was abruptly halted because of the strike.

It was one of the best seasons in history. Several records were on pace to be broken. History-making was on the horizon. That season was the original "Great Maris Chase".

Who could forget that season? Matt Williams, then a San Francisco Giant, was playing the role of Mark McGwire. He was blasting shots out of the ballpark at a record pace. In the American League, Ken Griffey Jr. was chasing Maris too. Like always, he is in the hunt every year for the homerun title.

Then there was the great Tony Gwynn of the San Diego Padres. Gwynn had a legitimate shot at leading the league in three statistical categories (For you die-hard baseball fans, the Triple Crown). He even scored the winning run in the All-Star game to cap a wonderful, yet abbreviated season.

And what about that All-Star game? It was one for the ages. I remember Fred McGriff's two-run homerun to centerfield off of Lee Smith. That blast tied the game, sending it to extra innings in which Gwynn was batted home by then Montreal Expo Moises Alou.

Oh yes. I remember that the Expos—not the Braves—were leading the National League East by a comfortable margin. They were probably going to face the Yankees (go figure!) in the World Series.

But, all that came to a screeching halt when the players and owners couldn't settle their differences. The fans (including me) were robbed of a fantastic season. We felt betrayed...until McGwire and Sosa saved baseball.

This season has pulled the fans back to the ballparks and back to watching baseball on T.V. Thanks to the nightly shots by the dynamic duo, there is a rejuvenated interest in the American pastime.

McGwire and Sosa are also to be commended for their tremendous character and sportsmanship. They both had taken the approach that if it happens, it happens. McGwire and Sosa were also pulling for one another. They thrilled off what the other did. It was like "anything you can do, I can do better" in a friendly sort-of way.

When McGwire finally broke the record on September 8, it was only fitting that it was against the Chicago Cubs. Sosa and McGwire were facing one another. When McGwire's shot left the yard in the fourth inning, you couldn't help but feel the goose bumps. The only way it could have been better would have been Sosa going deep as well.

Sosa would get his record-breaking homer last Sunday. First, he tied Maris early in the game with a rocket-shot that went out of the stadium. Then, for even more dramatics, he belted another one late in the game that left Wrigley Field as well.

It remains to be seen how many blasts both of these men will have. But, there is one blast they should be credited for that wasn't a homerun. And that is bringing the game back once again as the true American pastime!

Cross Country Invitational

Women's 5,000 Meter Run Team Scores
Krisey Sorter JSU 21:03 1
Kelly Brooks JSU 21:04 2
Angelina Edwards Alabama State 22:57 3
Kauisha Smith Alabama State 22:01 4
Leslie Gardner JSU 22:56 5
Leigh Weatherman JSU 23:07 6
Rachel Richards JSU 23:43
Kerri Mikle JSU 24:01
Elizabeth Bracy Alabama State 25:24
Naomi Tunstall Alabama State 25:35
Maheria Mesidor Alabama State 26:32
Makia Bennet JSU 27:59
Jewel Bridgeman JSU 28:32
Lawrenthia Usher Alabama State 28:42
Tabithia Simon Alabama State 28:49
Andretta Jefferson JSU 30:19
Detra Davis Alabama State 30:27

Men's 8,000 Meter Run Team Scores
Shaun Griffin JSU 27:54
Jason Webb Alabama State 28:40
Anthony Robbins Alabama State 28:48
Jebreh Harris Alabama State 29:30
Jeff May JSU 29:51
Dana Cronin JSU 30:41
Adam Harris JSU 30:51
Nick Cutchins JSU 31:03
Andrew Archer Alabama State 32:39
Christopher Lewis Alabama State 35:26
Bret Strickland JSU 35:36
Akos Hegyi JSU 37:10
Thomas Carter Alabama State 38:13
Mark Henderson JSU 50:14
Greg Dean JSU 50:15

Gamecock Calendar

September 18
Volleyball at Southern Illinois Invitational TBA
Soccer at Charleston Southern 2 p.m.

September 19
Football Middle Tenn. State (Parent's Day) 2 p.m.
Cross Country at Georgia State Invitation 9 a.m.

September 20
Soccer at College of Charleston 11 a.m.

September 23
Soccer Troy State 7 p.m.
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Last Week's Results

Marshall 42
McNeese State 20
Nicholls State 41
Northwestern St. 24
Sam Houston St. 17
Stephen F. Austin 28
Northern Arizona 38
Troy State 14
Northern Iowa 17 (OT)
Miss. Valley St. 26
Southwest Louisiana 22
Chadron State 6
Tarleton State 3
Southwest Texas 16

This Week's Schedule

Troy State at UT-Chattanooga
Henderson St. at Northwestern St.
Texas A&M-K'ville at Sam Houston St.
Hofstra at Southwest Texas
Stephen F. Austin at Northeast La.
McNeese State at Southern Utah
Nicholls State—Idle

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Southern put together a 53 yard touchdown drive. Quarterback Greg Hill completed a 49 yard bullet to his receiver Chris Johnson.

This gave the Eagles excellent field position at the Gamecock four yard line. After an illegal procedure penalty the ball was pushed back to the JSU 12 yard line, but it didn’t matter. Adrian Peterson rambled for six on the next play. The extra point made it 27-26 in favor of Georgia Southern.

The Eagles weren’t done scoring. After another field goal by Chambers, Montresa Kirby was intercepted on the Gamecocks’ first offensive possession in the fourth. Adrian Peterson once again found his way into the end zone with a 27 yard burst up the middle. The point after made it 37-26.

This week the Gamecocks host their first home game of the season. The Middle Tennessee State Blue Raiders will come to Paul Snow Stadium this Saturday. Kickoff is scheduled for 2 p.m.
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