How to Survive Your Freshman Year

by Jerry Hinn, JSU Information Services

This is the time when college-bound high school grads turn their attention to a great mystery—how to make it through the freshman year in college while looking cool.

This involves being in the know, which involves detective work. According to counselors at JSU, some of the questions facing entering freshmen are: What major should I choose? What professors should I take? What classes can I take first?

At JSU, a lot of these questions get answered during a required orientation session. Other questions take a little more effort to answer.

Officials say that those who attend orientation have a big advantage over those who do not. Mary Cheatham of the JSU Student Development Office explains that during orientation “students are paired with upperclassmen (called peer counselors), tour the campus, and stay in the residence halls to experience dorm life.”

However, if you happen to miss orientation, you can still visit and check out the campus on your own. But what about the stuff not addressed during orientation? Things like the best places to hang out and where to get the best delivery at 1 a.m.?

Jimmy Whited, counselor coordinator, says the first thing a student needs is “information about what goes on on campus, what resources there are, what activities are planned — a general idea of what campus life is about.” He suggests talking with upperclassmen and professors.

Whited says you should really try to get to know your professors because they are a good source of information and assistance. In fact, he said it is a good idea to get to know, at minimum, one professor really well each semester — you may find a mentor or two for your college career and gain some good references as well.

Dorm life is another big issue for upcoming freshman. Ray Creel, director of Housing, says there are some things every dorm should have. Creel has a list of these things in a pamphlet called “Everything You Ever Wanted to Know About University Housing and Residence Life.”

Creel’s list includes a desk lamp, extension cord, flashlight, cleaning supplies, television, linen, alarm clock, flip-flops for the showers, and, of course, school supplies.

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The Rooster and the Taylor

Jerry Harris, JSU Information Services

How does it feel to be stalked by a 7-foot chicken?

“Romantic,” says Libby Taylor, a junior from Birmingham, the subject of the amorous antics of Cocky, the university mascot. Cocky knew he was stuck on Libby during a T-Day celebration. She did a Velcro jump and slid down a chute into Cocky’s arms. Her Velcro and his rooster suit stuck tight and they were literally all over one another.

“Cocky was flapping his wings trying to get away,” Libby recalled. “I guess you might say I really nuffed his feathers.”

Cocky’s identity is a closely-guarded secret. So the love story was steeped in mystery for weeks. Libby felt Cocky was a little “flighty,” but she enjoyed being in the bird’s “pecking order,” even though as his “chick” she had no idea what the inner bird was like.

This presented a problem for the smitten rooster, who didn’t want to run “afowl” of tradition by revealing his name.

In the end, Cheerleader Bob Loehr of Cartersville, GA, decided he was a man, not a chicken. He broke tradition and approached the love object unfeathered, I mean, unfettered.

Bob said “it hard not to show partiality to Libby” during half-time shows. A ballerina at that time, Libby got more than her share of Cocky’s attention. Bob, who always refers to his alter ego in third person, says “Cocky is supposed to give attention to everyone, not just a few.”

Libby learned to read Cocky’s sweeping gestures during his performances — including a few just for her.

“So, friends in the Southeastern, sitting in the stands waiting to perform, were saying, ‘Hey, Libby, what’s he saying now?”

And so it was, Cocky could perform before thousands while flinging secret love signals to Libby.

As their hearts migrated together, the two discovered they had a lot in common — including being very practical, a rare bird indeed.

“We talked about marriage, but we knew Libby would have to finish school first,” Bob said. “Education was number one.”

And although the two soon accepted the fact that they would wed, Bob wanted to make a “formal” proposal “at the right time.”

And after two years of dating, Libby had no idea when that special moment would occur.

On January 26, Bob asked Libby out to lunch and casually mentioned that Nancy Turner of the Alumni House had a gift for Cocky and her. He wanted to get it.

“This didn’t sound out of the ordinary to me,” said Libby. “By then, friends were giving me all kinds of Gamedcock gifts.”

Alumni Director Connie Edge greeted the couple and invited them to make themselves at home over by the fireplace, where the mantle was decorated by a set of new gamecocks.

Bob remembers that “Libby looked at the birds a moment, and I had to call her attention to one of them, which had a diamond ring on his head.”

According to Libby, “I was so surprised and didn’t know what to say.”

You could have heard a feather drop.

Bob took the ring, knelt and proposed. Libby accepted. Then Bob jumped to his feet and yelled “She said YES!”

And their friends at the Alumni House broke out in cheers.

“We met and fell in love here at JSU, and what better place on campus to propose than the Alumni House, where we will be reunited with our other friends for years to come,” Bob said.

Alumni staffers say Bob and Libby are the first couple to get engaged at the House.

Today, Bob, 25, is a working on a master’s in music education. He has served as Cocky for three years, and this semester is his last.

Libby, 20, is a junior major in communications.

As for the wedding date, the two plan to become birds of a feather the summer of 1999. They hope to roost in Georgia, where Bob hopes to teach.

World-Wide Traveler

by Rene Maddox, JSU Information Services

Ask Pearl Williams about her grandchildren, and you’ll get a geography lesson.

When you walk into Williams’ office at JSU’s Placement Office, one of the first things you notice is a bulletin board of neatly arranged postcards from all around the world — places such as New Mexico, New Orleans, Egypt, and Luxemburg.

On the other walls and her desk, you’ll see even more evidence that the JSU counselor is a world traveler. Williams says her grandchildren gave her the ideal excuse to travel.

With eight grandchildren and four sons, she has traveled to more than 14 countries over the past 13 years.

Three of her sons are in the military and have been stationed all over the world. Her oldest, Dwayne, is in a captain currently stationed in South Carolina; Forest, the middle son is a first sergeant in Germany; and Troy, is a staff sergeant in Panama. Roy, Troy’s twin, is a reporter for the Birmingham News.

Visiting her family has taken her to such places as Germany, Holland, Spain and France.

“Williams says one of the most interesting trips was to Egypt “because its rich history and culture.”

She also loved Germany “because of its fairy-tale-like castles, lakes, and snow-capped mountains.”

As a teenager, Williams dropped out of high school and worked several different jobs before realizing she was destined to hold minimum wage jobs without a degree. She wanted a professional career and a chance to travel.

She returned to school, took the ACT exam and began attending Jacksonville State. She majored in criminal justice and law enforcement:

“I knew the field was opening up for women, and I wanted a challenge.”

Williams became the first female hired by the JSU campus police.

“I was determined to prove myself,” says Williams. “I found ways to set myself apart from other officers.”

Williams said she first did this by directing traffic at Kitty Stone Elementary School.

“Other officers did not really want to do it,” says Williams. She then began speaking to elementary students about the dangers of dating, Libby had no idea when that special moment would occur.

“Their was no way I ever got a check for it. I think I did get a check for the Taylor’s.”

Most of the fun I’ve had being a reporter was within 20 miles of this spot. In the press box in O’Brien and the high school gym in Weaver.

My first real job was with my Uncle Ed. It was pick and shovel work, and it was hard. I started when I was 13, maybe younger. My job was to follow behind the people who would rake up the rock on the yards before we would plant the grass.

I would have a certain resourcefulness about them.

I always thought that if I ever get a crack in the door, I would get through it and be all right. My moma worked every half to death to kick that door open and a little for me, and she gave me that opening. And on the other side of that door was this place, this university.

I didn’t know if I would graduate, since I’m not good about sticking with things. I registered for a course, and it was feature

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Spring Fling Brings Out Fun in Everyone  

By Caryn Pearson, Staff Writer  

During students climbed the side of a snow-capped mountain and courageously entered a medieval joust at Spring Fling 1998, held the week before Spring Break.  

The unseasonably warm weather made the perfect backdrop to the events on the Quad. The SGA and the Students Organization for Deaf Awareness (SODA), in connection with Disabled Student Services (DSS), held activities and performances by Silent Expressions.  

Students wandered in and out from noon to 4 p.m. participating in the activities.  

"It’s a fun thing we have every year, to get people out," said Dale Wilson, SGA Senator. "And the turnout is pretty good."  

"It’s interesting, but we’re just watching," says Rikeda Foster and Charilla Brooks, who came out to cheer on their friends.  

There was a variety of activities including an obstacle course to challenge students abilities, and a bungee run to test strength and speed. Spring Fling also had an adventurous 28-foot climb to the top of the Rocky Mountain simulator. It’s a scary when you look down," said Christine Gerkrah.  

Students could also pump each other during a medieval joust.  

The joust is a lot of fun," said Ken Tilken. "But I’m a little disappointed about the jousting.  

A skydiving simulator was supposed to be among the attractions. According to Greg Swindall, SGA 2nd Vice President, the company didn’t cancel until the day of the Spring Fling.  

"Event Extras double checked the skydive simulator," says Swindall. Despite the loss of the skydiving attraction, students still came out to have fun.  

Spring Fling shared the Quad with demonstrations and performances with SODA and DSS. According to Dee Johnson, Staff Advisor for SODA, "the organization tries to participate with activities on campus, and Silent Expressions does whatever they can, just to whatever they can, with whatever is happening on campus."  

The Disability Awareness challenge, put on by DSS, demonstrated how it feels to perform everyday activities with a disability. Some of the demonstrations in the challenge included cutting pudding while wearing a blindfold that simulates blindness, and coloring with a marker that is equipped with a restrictor arm bands that simulate cerebral paralysis.  

Silent Expressions performed several songs in sign language. "They can show that it’s not just hearing people who can hear the music," explains Michael Case, President of SODA. "People can really begin to understand what our performance is about and that can touch their hearts."  

Silent Expressions has 15 performers and around ten songs, including "Car Wash Blues" said "The Gift," which they also perform at nearby churches.  

Students who ventured out to enjoy the activities, found a challenge in the process had "a little fun," said Wilson.  

Actually, The Jacksonville News took me back so I could finish school, I went for about a month and dropped out again.  

Bragg worked for The St. Petersburg Times and for a short time with The Los Angeles Times. Then he began reporting for The New York Times, after a stint covering the Haiti revolution, The Times sent him to its Atlanta Bureau, covering the South.  

This was close to home. If you’re a southern writer working for a newspaper, it’s a good place to be covering the South. It’s the top of the mountain, I guess.  

I loved newspapering when I was working The Chanticleer. I loved it when I was working at The Jacksonville News, at The Talladega Daily Home, at The Anniston Star, at The Birmingham News, and the others.  

I always tried to do a good job, but I’m not sure I do sometimes. It’s hard, writing about your home for outsiders, a very difficult thing.  

What I’ve never done is to cast the people I know best in any kind of light that may embarrass them or make them feel bad. I tell the truth, but you can tell the truth in a way that lets the folks keep their dignity. I guess I’m most proud of that.
Students for the Students

by Thomas Webb, Contributing Editor

"Basically, it changed my life," says Gina Orlando, SGA 1st Vice President about the Student Government Association (SGA) Senate. "I would like for it to be more widely known among amongst freshmen - and among all students."

All students at JSU are automatically part of the SGA when they pay their tuition to the University. The Senate, however, is a elected representative body that serves as the SGA's legislative branch.

Orlando, who joined the Senate last year, says she feels that involvement in the SGA is important and can really make a difference in a student's experience at JSU.

"I realized what a difference I could make," Orlando says. "I've learned numerous things to help me through my life."

Throughout the year the SGA sponsors many activities on campus to entertain and inform students. Get on Board Day offers students a chance to find out more about organizations who set up booths on the Quad. The Quad

Black History Month 1998: "To Participate in and Enjoy"

by Phil Attinger, Chanticleer Editor

David Lee Zeigler, director of Minority Affairs, has reworked Black History Month into a "full-month celebration," with activities for the entire student body.

In past years, Black History Month was handled by members of the SGA. While Zeigler admits that he does not know how successful past programs were, he does say students were disappointed. He hopes to keep students involved in an enjoyable February.

Ryan Parker, president of SJA's NAACP chapter, stresses that the activities are not just something to fill the calendar, but are planned for African-American students' participation: "And not just to participate in, but enjoy."

"And not only just African-American students," says Parker, "but anybody who wants to participate!"

Comedian Rickey Smiley performed at Leone Cole Auditorium and Minority Affairs presented a Black Film Festival, including "Emperor Jones," starring Paul Robeson, and "Go Down Death."

One focal point of the Month was the Soul Food Dinner Theater on February 12. Instead of a speaker, the play "Hooked on Love" was presented by the Pin Points Theater company, the Umqua Dance Troupe performed, and The Inspirational Voices for Christ sang.

"Hooked on Love" focused on love and relationships in musical comedy skits. Zeigler said the play was also a pre-Valentine's Day celebration.

Martin Luther King III visited JSU on Feb. 19, and spoke at Leone Cole Auditorium. Zeigler said the public was invited, as were students, faculty and staff of JSU. Admission was free.

The final event of the Month was the Mr. and Miss Black JSU Pageant held in Leone Cole Auditorium. PARKER says the goal is to hold a scholarship pageant. In 1997, Miss Black JSU was a classical pianist, and Mr. Black JSU was a vocalist.

Black History Month falls in February for many reasons. February is a convenient time to send history information to schools across the country. However, says Zeigler, the primary reason is that the birthdays of Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln both fall in February.

In addition, other African-American pioneers and institutions were born in February: W. E. B. DuBois, Langston Hughes, Eubie Blake, the NAACP, and the first Pan-African Congress.

Black History Month started back in 1926, when a man named Carter G. Woodson started what was then called "Negro History Week." Woodson was a Harvard historian who started a movement in 1915 to ensure that African Americans would never forget their history.

Negro History Week remained as it was until the early 1970s when it became Black History Month, and then transformed to Black History Month in 1976, "on the heels of the bicentennial celebration," says Zeigler.

Woodson also established the Association for the Study of African-Americans' History and Life. Zeigler says their main purpose is to organize Black History Month, research Black History, and provide the theme for the Month.

For more information, call 782-5886, or 782-5275, or visit the Office of Minority Affairs, 4th Floor, TMU.

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JSU’s ‘Southerners’ have Triple-Crown Show

by Amanda Laughlin, Staff Writer

As their 42nd year approaches, the Marching Southerners are gearing up the 1998 season to be one of the most exciting in its history.

With a highly experienced and successful staff, a fiery Latin-flavored musical show, and a jam-packed schedule, there is no doubt the Southerners will be the highlight of halftime shows.

Since 1994, when Ken Bodford took over as Director of Bands, the Southerners have grown by more than 100 members and have risen to new levels of marching and band performance,” says Ryan Fitchpatrick, a section leader in the Southerners for the past four years.

The Southerners will have three drum majors this year instead of the usual two.

The new drum majors are Gena Inglis, from Rome, Ga., and Lee Phillips, of Alexandria. Field Captain Zach White, from Austell, Ga., is the third member, directing on the field.

Corps International (DCI) finalist Carolina Crown, is the percussion coordinator.

Rodney Bailey, who has been the color guard captain head for Southwind as well as other successful Winter Guard International (WGI) winter guards, heads up JSU’s color guard.

Center Stage, JSU’s own winter guard, placed fourth at the Southeast Color Guard Circuit Championships and were WGI South Regional Finalists during their 1998 inaugural year under Bailey’s direction.

Mike Leofelholz, the newest member of the instructional staff, is better known as the marching drill and visual designer for DCI top six finalist Madison Scouts. He will now be designing the drill and visual aspects of the Southerners show.

To finish off the Southerners leadership, Jana Williams, from Gadsden, is the head Ballerina. This is her fourth year as a JSU Ballerina.

With such talented leadership, expect a dynamic halftime performance. As always, crowds come from miles around to see the ‘Southerners and Ballerinas.’

Veteran arranger Mark Fifer has a show that opens with selections from Sartavinsky’s “Firebird,” a fast and furious piece that carries on the Southerners tradition of Spanish-flavored opener.

The Marching Ballerinas will show off their famous kicks as the band takes a break and shows off a little brass with the tunes “Big Noise from Winnetka” and “Everybody Loves the Blues.”

The band will feature the WGI-caliber color guard during this year’s ballad, “NSSan Dorma” from Turnaroud, by Blazing Brass. Playing full force to the sky, the Marching Southerners’ trumpet line play a suave tune.

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The performances JSU has ever produced. There has been better, but not many.

Since this is an operaetta, there is more singing than in a normal musical, but that adds to the fun,” said cast member Justin Fox.

Fox talks about the use of swords in the show: “We do have some flashy stuff that should be exciting to watch.” He also describes the dancing as “A lot of jumping around, but no real intricate dance moves.”

Claren credits the cast’s singing to Jane Holloway of the music department. “She is a wonderful vocal coach, and everyone (in the cast) has responded very, very favorably to her work.

It’s just great to actually see something you’ve worked so hard on to be put on where people can see it and enjoy it. And, just for me, even though I really don’t get any onstage time, and even though I do get mentioned in the program, it’s just a joy to me, to make people laugh, to make people smile.”

Every spring, Claren teaches a directing class, where students direct a one-act play. The class has auditions which are open to all students. This year’s one-act played included "Not My Cup of Tea,” "Capit’s Row,” "Wanted: One Groom,” “Plaza Suite: The Visitor from Hollywood,” and "Work," a one-act written by Claren himself.

Tickets for most regular season shows are $6 for adults and $4 for children. Call the box office at 782-5648 for curtain times and reservations.

Noel Coward Opens Dinner Theatre

by Butty Smith, Contributing Editor

JSU’s drama department will present its Summer Dinner Theatre throughout July.

The season opens with Noel Coward’s "Blithe Spirit,” a comedy about a novelist getting involved in a séance with an eccentric lady medium and his dead first wife. Directed by Susan McCain, it stars Jen Penland, Ashley Pendley, Jarrod Simons, Jeremy West, Elizabeth Chandler, Lesley Gray and Jessica Duke.

--July 9-11, 16, 18: Buffet 6:45 p.m.; Show 8 p.m.
--July 12: Buffet 12:45 p.m.; Show 2 p.m. *Reservations are $19.95. No tickets sold at the door.

The second production is Anthony Shaffer’s " Sleuth.” No one is ever as he seems in this comic "who-udunit." Directed by Dr. Wayne Claeren, the cast includes Dr. Steve Whitton and Scott Croley.

--July 23-25, 30, 31, and Aug. 1: Buffet 6:45 p.m.; Show 8 p.m.
--July 26, Buffet 12:45 p.m.; Show 2 p.m. *Reservations are $19.95. No tickets sold at the door.

The drama department will also run a children’s show: an adaptation of "The Emperor’s New Clothes,” by Eric Traylor. Directed by Eric Traylor, the cast includes Jason Bozeman, Ashley Pendley, Jessica Duke, and Jarrod Simons.


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Let the Good Times Roll
by Angel Weaver, Staff Writer

Gambling was legalized on campus for one evening only when the SGA sponsored Casino Night on March 4.

At the Leon Cole Auditorium from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., students paid $3 at the door, and were given a cup with "money" to gamble with. Non-students were charged $5.

Activities included bingo, poker, blackjack, slot machines, roulette, and craps. Various JSU instructors participated by running the gambling booths and tables. JSU President Dr. Harold McGee helped to get it early in the evening by calling bingo.

Door prizes included T-shirts, sweaters, Value Meals from McDonald's, and free bowling passes. Refreshments were offered, and music was provided by 92.1.

Late in the evening, several of the poker and blackjack tables went high stakes, and the gambling took a serious turn. "Millions" were won and lost within an hour, as people tried to increase their funds.

At the end of the evening, several items were auctioned with Dr. Jeff Rush from the Criminal Justice Department serving as auctioneer. Various Greek organizations pooled their money and dominated the bidding. Items auctioned included a VCR, a pearl necklace, and free tanning visits. A radar detector sold for $52 million in "dollars," and the television sold for $65 million.

Jayon Johnson, Publicity Director for the SGA, says Casino Night was a successful fundraiser.

"We had one of the best turnouts we've ever had," Johnson said. Proceeds from the evening will go to improve the Houston Cole Library computer lab.

Jalapeños, Castanets, and Swirling Skirts:
Hispanic Heritage Month Comes to Jacksonville
by Rachel Watkins, Contributing Editor

The hot bite of jalapeños, the sharp clicks of the castanets, and the swirling skirts of a Spanish dancer.

It was all part of the Hispanic Heritage Month in March, which drew to a close with the Talent Show and Taste Festival, highlighting culture from all parts of the Hispanic realm.

Displays of native dress, examples of dance, and authentic music were just three attractions that awaited audience members in the Third floor auditorium of the Thoren Montgomery Building.

The evening's entertainment began with the introduction of an opera piece called "Bella Victoria," performed by David Zaula. The opera was followed by a Colombian duo, Diana and Giovanni, who performed a dance from their country.

Team captains received trophies from the March 5 soccer tournament. Marlena Alvarez-Medina, in traditional dress, explained the historic and cultural significance of the costume of her native country, Guatemala.

The largest part of the evening was devoted to the dance group, Rimo y Cultural, made up mostly of Hispanic dancers from the Anniston area. The dancers performed a separate dance, with native dances from Spain, Puerto Rico, Panama, and Cuba.

Jorge Gonzalez, president of the Hispanic-American Organization, explained that part of the purpose of his group is "to keep the Hispanic community that has come to this country abreast of its culture." The Hispanic-American Organization helped to bring Rimo y Cultural to the talent show.

Audience members fell into two categories—people who came to get a taste of Latin culture through their arts, and people who came to cheer for a friend or family member in their artistic endeavor.

Mike Porter, JSU student, says that he attended the talent show for two reasons: "My friend is in the show and for the food."

The event filled half of the 120-seat auditorium. The talent show itself was planned in less than two weeks.

After the talent show, Marriott Food Services and Acapulco Restaurant provided the food. A few dishes were prepared by the students. Along with the refreshments, DJ Joe Figueroa provided Hispanic music. Figueroa, a graduate student, hosted the final event of the evening, which saw the auditorium transformed into a dance floor to celebrate the end of Hispanic Heritage Month.

Party While You Eat
by Thomas Webb, Contributing Editor

Students eating lunch at Jack Hopper Cafeteria got a bonus with their meal last Spring—a concert by Billy McLaughlin.

McLaughlin and his band performed there as part of "Cafe Live," a new concert series sponsored by the SGA. Gregg Swindall, SGA 2nd Vice President, said the SGA wanted to do something different for the students.

"I looked at what we had done in the past," Swindall said. "We had the Coffee House program. The only problem with the Coffee House was that we'd have great people come in, but a lack of students."

The idea behind Cafe Live was that students would already be at the cafeteria, and so there would be a built-in audience for the performers.

"Instead of the Coffee House, I made it 'Cafe Live,'" Swindall said. "People come to the students, and we'd have a little entertainment. That's how Cafe Live sprung up."

Swindall said that having the Coffee House on weekends meant that many students were not in town. Disappointed by the turnout, the SGA wanted something when they knew students would be around.

"I figured, well, why can't we still give great people?" Swindall said, "but make sure they come to the students, instead of the students coming to them."

Turn on the Night Life
by Angel Weaver, Staff Writer

If professors on campus were wondering why many students stumbled into class one Thursday morning last Spring, they should wonder no more.

"Party Night" began a day earlier in Jacksonville, with the grand opening of Club Retro, Wednesday, Jan. 28.

The atmosphere of Club Retro is different from anything else in Jacksonville. Colored spotlighting around the dance floor, along with a first-rate sound system, give the room a disco effect. Seating is scarce, but club manager Paul Bohannon says more tables and chairs should arrive soon.

The club is designed to have a cafe/hangout atmosphere during the day, serving a short-order lunch menu. At night, live bands come in and Club Retro becomes a night-time hot-spot.

Retro debuted with a band called the Hog Mountain Lugg Nuts, which gave an interesting performance. They entertained the crowd with a variety of costumes, including (no kidding) prom dresses and Viking headdress.

When I interviewed members of the band before they went on, I asked lead singer Charles Forbus to describe their music. "We play cheese rock," he said. This turned out to be a lot of 80s hits with a few country favorites thrown in. And if you are curious about the name of the band, it has something to do with a lug nut they apparently lost while driving near Hog Mountain.

"We (the band) spent at least an hour on our hands and knees looking for that lug nut, and the name just hit me," says Forbus.

Thursday night, house DJ's Braz and Mookie hosted their dance program called "Area 51." They played a variety of dance music, including modern dance and hip-hop. Bohannon said that the club was pretty busy on Thursday, but the DJ's and dance programs on Friday and Saturday didn't attract the same crowd as Wednesday.

"It seems like people want to see more live bands," said Bohannon, "so we may have more bands later."

Since its opening Club Retro has booked such bands as The Groove Merchants, The Stone Weasels, and The Interpreters.

"Bohannon has pulled out all the stops for his opening season," says Bohannon. "This is just a preview," says Bohannon. "When we get everything organized, we expect things to be even better."
Disables Students Helped at JSU
by Jeanna Miller, Staff Writer

The Postsecondary Program for Sensory Impaired or PPSI opened in October, 1985.

At that time, it served 17 deaf and visually impaired students, and it occupied one room in the Ramona Wood Building.

In January 1990, the program expanded its services to include students with all disabilities, and changed its name to Disabled Student Services.

Today the DSS office occupies an entire wing on the first floor of Duagette Hall and employs five full-time staff members. It serves more than 140 students, including 28 deaf or hard of hearing, 30 blind or visually impaired, and 58 with learning disabilities.

When students suspect they may have a disability, the first thing they should do, according to DSS Director Dan Miller, is receive testing. The law requires that DSS have an official diagnosis of the disability, but DSS also wants to know some adaptations that could help the student while in college.

When DSS receives the necessary documentation, the student meets with Miller to fill out an Individual Postsecondary Program, or IPP. The IPP lists the accommodations the student needs to succeed in his or her classes. The student can then distribute the IPP to instructors or meet with instructors to discuss the accommodations.

DSS provides a variety of academic support services for its students. Readers help the blind and visually impaired with work both in and outside of class. Interpreters translate classes and other JSU activities into sign language for the deaf and hard of hearing. Scribes assist students who can't write, and sometimes, DSS hires students to speak or write for people with Cerebral Palsy. For those students who use adaptive technology or need a distraction-free environment, DSS can provide special testing accommodations.

Miller says the best way DSS can serve its students is to work adequately with instructors.

“Students at this age are supposed to... know what they need and advocate for themselves,” Miller explained. “What I am here for is to work with the instructors [to see] that they understand the intricacies of a particular student's needs.”

For more information, call Disabled Student services at 782-5093, or come by and visit their offices in Duagette Hall, room 143. 

Author: Aubrey W. Moody, Staff Writer

Opportunity is knocking once again on the doors of the communication department.

As some of you know there is a television studio here in Jacksonville. For those of you who don’t, it is located in the basement of Self Hall.

“The Department of Communication is modernizing the television studio to produce student newscasts and to teach non-linear editing as part of the new media track,” says Lloyd Dobyns, former NBC news anchor.

Dobyns, the JSU Ayers Chair of Broadcasting, will be the advisor for this medium.

The non-linear editing that will be taught allows random access of shots, says Dr. Ralph Carmode, professor in the communication department. With this, the video and audio information is stored in digital form on computer disks. Students are currently using linear editing, which uses videotape as the recording medium and does not allow random access of the shots.

The station’s equipment will be replaced with new cameras, monitors and TelePromters.

“Equipment has not been ordered, but will be in the next couple of weeks,” said Dobyns on May 13. “We will start designing a program after the equipment gets ordered. We are taking it slowly.”

The new television station will broadcast on channel 24 as a non-commercial station. Dobyns says it will be on a newswatch a week then work toward four nights a week. Eventually the station will feature interview programs and newsmagazines to cover events in and around JSU for the university needs.

Dobyns believes that some of the best benefits will be time for distance learning programs, student news programs, and experience for students in the communication department.

The distance learning program ties several classes together, even if they are not all at the same school, much like video conference learning, according to Dr. Franklin King of the education department.

When will this all begin?

“We don’t know anything for certain yet,” says Dobyns. “We’re still at the beginning.”
Want a Job?

by Phil Allinger, Chronicle Editor

In the next five years, a paper resume will be outdated, according to Dr. Robyn Eoff, Acting Head of the communication department.

She says that an employer will say, “Let me see your web page,” and you had better have one.

With a brand new Macintosh computer lab in Self Hall, help has arrived. After three years of requests, Eoff secured the funding, with just enough time to get everything installed last Spring.

Five classes will use the lab for instruction and projects, including Communication 315 “Introduction to News,” and Communication 415 “Advanced Print/On-Line News,” now titled “Internet Research.”

Lloyd Dobyns, former NBC anchor who holds the Ayers Chair of Broadcasting at JSU, taught one section each of COM 315 and COM 415 last Spring.

While teaching at Washington and Lee University last year, his department surveyed communications professionals and got an interesting result.

“If students didn’t know internet research, they could not get a job,” says Dobyns. When Dobyns arrived at JSU, he was asked what the department needed to improve. “Internet research,” he said.

Eoff agreed and had already been working toward that goal.

Chester Burgess III, of CNNInteractive, came to JSU Jan. 15, to speak to COM 415 students. According to Burgess, CNNInteractive uses the same software that students will use in the lab, including a computer networking software known as “Timbuktu.” Timbuktu helps CNNInteractive to control its web browser on the air, with shows like “World Today.”

In addition to print media, Eoff hopes that other classes will take advantage of the Macs. Hoping to add video editing software such as Adobe Premiere or Avid Videoshop, Eoff says that students could perform nonlinear video and audio editing without the generation loss that is typical of tape to tape editing.

Eoff would like the department to offer a course in web page design, using audio and video, graphics, word processing, desktop publishing, and other software, so students may produce work in “New Media” - a term used to describe web pages and CD-ROM multimedia.

The lab contains 23 Power Macintosh large-screen computers: one for the instructor, 21 for students in the class, and one extra as a spare. According to Dobyns, Eoff is already asking for three or four more computers, just to keep up with student needs.

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Eoff explains that students did newspaper layouts by hand just a few years ago, Eoff remarks, “We jumped from O'Neill's (theatre) and Mr. Osterbind taught a class.

This year, the class got into the studios of the Today Show by way of a relation. He managed to get a backstage pass to the show while the rest of the class were outside looking in. Nate met Katie Couric and Al Roker, and got a chance to meet James Taylor. Nate came outside and asked Dr. Whiton if he wanted to meet the musician.

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A New Look for Fall

TMB in Basic Brick

by Thomas Webb, Contributing Editor

Some proposed changes to the Theron Montgomery Building - more commonly known as the TMB or Student Commons - may be in place as early as the fall semester.

The $1-million-plus renovations on the 1960s-era building were scheduled to begin this summer, according to Don Thacker, Vice President of Administration and Business Affairs.

Plans call for a multi-restaurant food court to replace The Roost, the current restaurant on the second floor. The renovation plans also include the eventual encasement of the building in a brick shell that will resemble the facades of other buildings on campus, according to Joe Whitmore, Director of Institutional Development.

Inside, there are plans to build a new Senate Chamber for the SGA, and to move certain student-related offices out of Bibb Graves Hall and into the TMB. The offices of the SGA may eventually be moved to the unoccupied space on the third floor of the TMB, according to former SGA 2nd Vice President Gregg Swindall.

The food court, however, is scheduled to be the first stage of the renovation. Noah Rucker, Manager of Marriott Dining Services at JSU says The Roost will be completely redesigned.

“It will be renovated: new tables, new chairs, new concepts,” Rucker says. “We want it to be more customer-friendly. We want to make it comfortable to the multitudes, as far as we can.”

Rucker says the new design will include areas for studying, watching television, and maybe even surfing the Internet. Among the restaurants expressing interest in the food court are Chick-Fil-A and Taco Bell. Whitmore says that the entire first floor will be redesigned to be more accessible to students.

“Our ultimate plan is to open that area completely up,” says Whitmore about the future site of the food court. “Take those slats down, and those iron gates... that whole area is going to be a lot more airy, a lot more of a mall-type concept.”

The food court will be supported in part by a $15 charge on Student IDs, redeemable at restaurants in the food court. This charge was proposed and approved by the SGA Senate last year.

The changes to the TMB are part of the University’s overall plan to make the campus more accessible to students, and to provide more services and conveniences for students, according to Whitmore.

“That’s a constant goal that we have,” Whitmore says. “We’re always looking at ways to try to improve that kind of stuff.”

Crow Softly and Carry a Big Economic Stick

by Thomas Webb, Contributing Editor

JSU began its long history as a small teachers’ training school in 1883. The University has grown considerably larger since then, becoming one of the driving economic forces of Calhoun and Etowah counties.

The University’s pay-roll alone accounted for $32.9 million in 1995.

“Obviously the impact is tremendous,” says Jerry Smith, Jacksonville City Councilman and JSU professor. “They’re the biggest employer in town.”

Students and faculty spend a considerable amount of money in Jacksonville and the surrounding communities. Faculty, staff, and students spent an estimated $82.4 million in Calhoun County in 1991.

These facts come from the 1992 JSU Economic Impact Study written and published by Pat Wayne Shaddix and Dean William T. Fielding, members of JSU’s College of Commerce and Business Administration.

This spending has attracted many businesses to the Jacksonville area which cater to the students and faculty. This includes the large number of food service and retail stores in the central part of town.

“All of those businesses are there because of the University,” says Larry Sylvester, Executive Vice President of the Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce. “A lot of businesses find the University to be an asset.”

Indeed, many of the businesses in town seek to serve the University. Storefronts throughout town are adorned with window displays reading “Welcome JSU Students,” and “Go Gamecocks,” especially when a new academic year brings more freshman to the university.

Direct spending by faculty, staff, and students isn’t the only way that JSU impacts the community. Faculty, staff, and students of JSU, who make up 4.5 percent of the total population of Etowah and Calhoun counties, generate $122.5 million in tax revenue for local governments, including the city of Jacksonville.

“I hope we’re very serious about the University’s impact,” says Smith. “We encourage all our police to be sensitive — the University is very valuable.”

In addition to the 810 faculty and staff employed by the university, 5,601 more jobs were created by the University. This means 6,411 were employed directly by the University, according to the JSU Economic Impact Study.

The JSU Economic Impact Study estimates that the total impact of the University in 1991 was $201.8 million or 12.5% of the total business in Calhoun and Etowah counties. This figure does not include the expenditure of University-related organizations such as the ROTC, religious student organizations, or Marriott Dining Services (the University’s food service provider).

“The University is not only a major economic component in the area,” states the study. “It is an integral part of both Calhoun and Etowah counties, and is one of the contributing forces that serve to shape and define the area.”

Environmental Students Get Hands-on Experience

by Buffy Smith, Contributing Editor

“Most everybody goes to college and sits in class all day, but we get to do something,” says Michael Duncan, Jacksonville State University senior.

Duncan, majoring in Chemistry, says his environmental management internships give him vital experience and a welcome break from sitting in class.

Duncan, one of many JSU environmental students intern this summer, now works at the Anniston Army Depot. Over this summer, he will work with Westhouse Contracting Co’s Science Applications International Corp. to help build a demilitarization facility, better known as the Army’s chemical weapons incinerator.

“This may sound like a big job for a college senior, but according to chemistry professor Barry Cox such internships are becoming the norm for JSU’s environmental students, who are required to complete three internships before graduation.”

Melissa Bryant of Attalla, also a JSU environmental student, works at Gulf State Steel Plant with environmental managers and engineers on water testing and sampling.

“It’s been a benefit because I’m getting a lot of experience and hands on training,” says Bryant.

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by Caryn Pearson, Staff Writer

A friendly policeman can be a welcome sight. Here, JSU Officer Stephen Bridgman helps Tim Brousal get into his car after he looked himself out.

A bird's eye view. Martin Hall, home of Political Science, Chemistry, Geology, Geographers, Physics, Archaeology, Anthropology, Math and Astronomy, is the jumping off point of many of JSU's Science students.

Surf the Web or e-Mail a Friend for Free

by Scott Hopkin, Contributing Editor

If you're bored one afternoon, or you want to keep in touch with friends in other parts of the country, the JSU campus can help.

All students can get an email account from JSU simply by going to the Academic Computer Services office on the third floor of Bibb Graves Hall and filling out a request form. A week later, you will receive your e-mail address and temporary password.

JSU offers students a basic pine e-mail package. Dial-in students (off campus) can use their own package if they want. JSU also offers free browsing on the Internet, but some sites are blocked.

Students can access the web from their home computer or one of the many computer labs located around campus. Connection speed, however, is much better from the labs.

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Founded in the Spring semester of 1995, the environmental management emphasis in Chemistry is still considered a new course at JSU. In December 1997, Wendy Moring of Rockmart, Ga., became the first student at JSU to graduate with this degree.

Receiving numerous job offers, Moring took the position of Hazardous Waste Manager at Arizona State University. Moring says while interviewing for the job at ASU, she "overheard two professionals mention that chemists in Arizona are 'a dime a dozen,' but because I had such an extensive background in both chemistry and environmental management, I had an edge over all the other applicants."

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Fraternities & Friendship: An Answer for the ‘Abandoned Generation’?

by William H. Willimon, Professor of Christian Ministry at Duke University. Adapted from The Abstract from Shied and Diamond, a publication of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity.

In 1964, about 8 percent of freshmen came from separated or divorced homes. Last year, 38 percent came to college from separated marriages. Many of today's students have grown up as 'latch key' kids, with little adult interaction. This is a novel way to grow up, novel and perhaps impossible.

I am concerned that we may be losing, in American higher education, this classical connection between friendship and learning.

I took a four month journey into student life at Duke University. I met with hundreds of students, attended parties, and spent a number of nights wandering about or sleeping in the dorms. I issued a report, "We Work Hard, We Play Hard," in which I made some proposals for improving campus life.

Some faculty complained, "You have not been tough enough on fraternities."

While I did observe irresponsible behavior or a bad social climate in some fraternities, I came to believe that loneliness, detachment, and isolation were greater problems for our students.

A certain amount of detachment is needed in college years. Young adults must be given space: room to develop, experiment, and claim their identities for themselves. From what I observe, too many fraternities, the faculty and administrators are guilty of "over-distracting."

What often comes across to the student is a kind of silent contract in which we say to one another, "You stay out of my life, and I will stay out of yours.

Students leave the faculty free to pursue their writing and research, not troubling them about grades; in exchange, the faculty accept mediocre work from the students.

A student at Penn State told me that he had been there for two years, had never made a grade lower than "B," and had never had a professor that knew his name.

Aristotle believed there was no way to teach friendship. Friendship may be the greatest challenge on the modern campus.

We live in an impersonal society in which detachment is a way of life. Our national Constitution makes individuals of us all, which may be another way of saying "lone-

Leading a discussion one night in one of Duke's "lottery dorms," where students are placed at random, I realized that none of the students taking part knew one another. They had lived together in this dorm for the past six months and did not even know names.

"This is training," I cynically told them, "for a lifetime of loneliness in some high rise. If we can get you to think it is normal to be an individual who live next to you, or for them not to know you, then we give you a degree and call you an adult—a detached, free standing, isolated adult."

I noted in my conversations, the level of honesty and interaction were better in the fraternities than in the dorms in general. Why? Because good conversation thrives best among people who have the time and place to know one another, to move beyond being mere acquaintances to become friends.

"It's tough to make friends here," one fraternity member responded. "They don't want to go it alone."

Many believe that our society is peculiarly inept in the practices of friendship. Fraternities, therefore, could be seen as a counter-cultural experience, as training in the arts we have neglected.
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GREEK WEEK: JSU Greeks’ Week to Shine
by Stacy Groesk, Staff Writer
This spring, April 5 through April 9, Jacksonville State’s fraternities and sororities got together to celebrate a time loaded with activities designed to bring Greeks together for a time of fellowship, competition, and education: “Greek Week.”

New activities were added this year to make the week more enjoyable and to get more people involved. Delta Chi member Greg Swindall said the new activities worked.

“There was more crowd participation this year,” said Swindall. “People were more excited and seemed to enjoy events this year, especially the obstacle course.”

“This year, Greek Week was what it is supposed to be: a time for competition and friendship.” -- Greg Swindall

The obstacle course was one of this year’s new activities and also one of the main attractions, according to Rusty Taylor, InterFraternity Council Public Relations. It was a joint project between the Greek Week Committee and the ROTC department.

The ROTC department set up the obstacle course and supervised the event in order to assure safety, while the Greek Week Committee, as in all other Greek Week activities, acted as judges. The obstacle course consisted of dugs, pull-ups, a rope bridge, a marksmanship range, and a grenade throw.

“It was really a lot tougher than I thought it would be,” said Kelly Brown, of Zeta Tau Alpha. “We don’t train for this kind of things, that made it a lot harder.”

Events included a suitcase relay, a three-legged race, All-Star Softball, a volley-ball tournament, an obstacle course, relay races, golf driving and a night of pool, dart, football and air-hockey at Gaterz, said Taylor.

“The all-star softball game was a big hit” said Will Cambardella, a Kappa Alpha. Admission to the game was a canned food item and according to Taylor, more than 100 cans were collected and will be given to the Salvation Army for the Disaster Relief in Jefferson County.

Jennifer Steight, a Phi Mu, ran the 4/400 Relay. “It was a hard event,” said Steight. “Nobody had really trained for it, but everyone took it seriously.”

Not all of the events were based on physical strength and agility. Swindall said people turned out to watch their fellow Greeks display their talents through competition. Some talents were traditionally competitive, such as the 4/400 relay. Others leaned toward a more wacky definition such as the Belly Flop Dive contest.

This week was not only about having fun and friendly competition, it was also about education and helping others. Included in the Greek Week agenda was a blood drive and a date rape seminar. More than 140 pints of blood were given, with Zeta Tau Alpha and Sigma Phi Epsilon giving the most. Although the blood drive and the date rape seminar were both Greek Week events, they were open for public participation. In fact, schools and news organizations were invited to come and take part.

“If people know about it, it would help us get more people involved,” says Taylor, who wants both Greeks and independents to enjoy the week’s festivities. Open activities included an inflatable “mountain climbing” activity at Carpenter Village, said Meredith Busby, Panhellenic Council PR. An “Energizer™ Buny” balloon ride also ran from Carpenter Village during Greek Week, Cambardella said.

Greeks also hope to have as many as three live radio remotes from their events during the week, according to Meredith Busby, Panhellenic Council PR. Busby says that WRAX-107.7 “The X,” WLSJ-921 and VWOK-938 will carry live shows from Greek Week activities.

Another community project is a teddy bear drive, connected with the Greek God and Goddess Election held on fourth floor TMB. Each organization brought at least two teddy bears when they signed up their contestants, Cambardella said. The teddy bears were given to sick children at the Jacksonville Hospital.

The contest for Greek God and Greek Goddess sought open participation. See “Greek Week,” page 26.

The ROTC department set up the obstacle course and supervised the event in order to assure safety, while the Greek Week Committee, as in all other Greek Week activities, acted as judges. The obstacle course consisted of dugs, pull-ups, a rope bridge, a marksmanship range, and a grenade throw.

“It was really a lot tougher than I thought it would be,” said Kelly Brown, of Zeta Tau Alpha. “We don’t train for this kind of things, that made it a lot harder.”

Events included a suitcase relay, a three-legged race, All-Star Softball, a volley-ball tournament, an obstacle course, relay races, golf driving and a night of pool, dart, football and air-hockey at Gaterz, said Taylor.

Some students are awarded a Merit Scholarship, which is based on “academic ability and leadership potential.” Those students will get the stipend in addition to the scholarship which pays for tuition and books, along with an additional $100 per month stipend. At this point a student might be thinking “free money, where do I sign up?” Well, just like everything else, a little give and take is involved.

During the freshman and sophomore years there is no pressure to make a permanent decision about the future. Besides, most freshman and sophomores are undecided about a major, let alone a minor. But “once a student [in the military science program] becomes a junior and starts a third year, the commitment begins,” Biederkarken says.

At the beginning of the third year, students may sign a contract promising to serve in the Army as a second lieutenant.

The service obligation is for at least eight years. However, students have the choice of either active duty or reserve duty. Students decide at the beginning of their sophomore year how they will spend their service.

If a student decides to do eight years in the reserve, then one weekend of every month and two weeks during the summer for the next eight years will be spent on Army assignments.

Biederkarken says the reason a commitment is not made until the beginning of the third year, “is mostly designed so students can take military science classes, and check it out, to see if that is something they might want to consider as a career option.”

Whether a student chooses a military career or not, the Department of Military Science offers a lot of courses. See “ROTC,” page 26.

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Chapter Listing

Alpha Omicron Pi
Alpha Omicron Pi was founded at Barnard College of Columbia University in New York, Jan. 2, 1897.
AOPi’s largest chapter is Alpha Omicron Pi of Howard University. They have sponsored the Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority, dedicated throughout the year with fundraisers. AOPi’s philanthropy is Arthritis Research, and some of our community services include Adopt-A-Mile, Adopt-a-Browne-Troop, and sponsoring a needy child from our local schools.

Alpha Kappa Alpha
The Lambda Pi chapter of AKA holds up the tradition of AKA: the oldest Greek-letter organization in America founded by black women at Howard University in 1908.
Our goals and interests include scholarship, career guidance, health services, and the advancement of human civil rights.

Alpha Tau Omega
Alpha Tau Omega began as an idea in the mind of a young Civil War veteran named Otis Allian Glazebrook, who had helped bury the dead of both sides and believed in a better future.
He saw the bitterness and hatred that followed the silencing of the guns and knew that a true peace would come not from force but from within the hearts of men who were willing to rekindle a spirit of brotherly love.
On Sept. 11, 1866, Glazebrook invited two close friends to his home to read them the constitution he had written and invited them to join. It was the first Greek-letter fraternity founded after the Civil War and the first in the Confederacy.
ATO came to JSU in 1969, and the Eta Theta chapter is still a leader among Greek organizations.

Alpha Xi Delta
Alpha Xi Delta was founded at Lombard College, Galesburg, Ill., on April 17, 1893, and arrived at JSU on March 2, 1968, marking this our 30th anniversary.
Our philanthropy, “Choose Children,” sponsors children through the DHR, and we visit the Calhoun County Attention Home weekly, as well as raise funds for various children’s organizations.

Delta Chi
The Delta Chi Fraternity was founded Oct. 13, 1890 at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York. Originally a law fraternity, Delta Chi became social in 1921. It has since grown to an international organization with more than 120 chapters worldwide. Delta Chi alumni have achieved success in business, entertainment, government, and numerous other professions.
In 1968, Delta Chi was recognized as the first social fraternity at JSU. As times change, Delta Chi continues to be one of the top fraternities on the campus.

Delta Sigma Theta
At the inception of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., founded in 1913 at Howard University, the founders envisioned an organization of college women who believed in serious and strong community endeavors.
Through its programs and activities, Delta has demonstrated its vital concern for the social welfare, academic excellence and cultural enrichment of its members while de-emphasizing the social side of sorority life. Their ideals of scholarship and service have withstood the test of time.

Delta Zeta
Delta Zeta was founded Oct. 24, 1902 at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. The Lambda Gamma chapter was founded at JSU in March, 1977.
We have many fundraisers and projects for the speech and hearing impaired, and many worthy organizations.
We’ve adopted Gallaudet University in Washington, D.C. as our national philanthropy benefactor. Originally our project was to help furnish the school library, but as the cost of Gallaudet increased, so did the need for assistance in other fields. We will continue to assist Gallaudet as long as there is need.
Our academic program is designed keep members in good standing with a 2.3 grade point average minimum.

Kappa Alpha
The Kappa Alpha Order binds its members with one ideal and traditions. In the summer of 1865, Washington College in Lexington, Virginia voted unanimously to offer the college presidency to Lee. Among the students were James Ward Wood, William Nelson Scott, Stanhope McClelland Scott, and William Archibald Walsh—all attracted by the presence of Lee. There the four united to found the Kappa Alpha Order in 1865.
KA is a contemporary order of knighthood. It is composed of men who have been deemed worthy and to religious in their feelings. Our pledge to the ideals of modern chivalry thrive in gentlemen all over the country.

Kappa Alpha Psi
In January of 1911, a 20-year-old student led a group of 10 black collegians in forming a fraternity at Indiana University. They could not use most of the school’s facilities, residence halls, or dining rooms, but limited only by their imagination, they persevered, forming a bond that would flourish.
The Eta Mu chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., was founded at JSU on May 5, 1974. Kappa Alpha Psi follows a code of honorable achievement in all human endeavors.

Kappa Sigma
The Kappa Sigma Fraternity evolved from an ancient European student society in Bologna, Italy, during the 1400’s. It was founded in 1881, and has become one of the largest fraternities in the nation. It stresses academics with more than $70,000 in scholarship and leadership awards to undergraduates in the U.S. and Canada.
We began at JSU in March of 1973, with a very strong brotherhood based upon trust, loyalty, and dedication to the fraternity. We have made many donations, volunteered at charitable institutions, and have established a reputation for being gentlemen, thus living up to our motto: “The Most Wanted Man in the Country.”

Phi Beta Sigma
Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., an international organization for college and professional men, was founded in 1914 at Howard University, and has its principles, Brotherhood, Scholarship and Service, exhibited in the fraternity motto, “Culture for Service and Service for Humany.”

See “Chapter”, page 20

SO YOU WANT to meet new friends? a place to hang between classes? a chance to travel? a diverse group of friends? a better place to live? a cool place to worship? a place to be yourself? good music, water gun fights, ping pong, study room & cable tv?

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The Wesley Foundation is a United Methodist Campus Ministry where ALL JSU students are welcome! (and no, you don’t have to be Methodist.)
As one of the eight predominantly black Greek-lettered organizations, Phi Beta Sigma has a more than 105,000 members with 650 chapters in the continental United States, Switzerland, Europe, the Caribbean and Africa.

Pi Mu

Pi Mu was founded in 1852 at Wesleyan College in Macon, GA. A non-profit organization, with national philanthropies Project Hope and Children’s Miracle Network, we are the second oldest sorority in the nation. Our local philanthropies are Wessex House, Children’s Hospital, and the Battered Women Shelter of Gadsden.

Pi Kappa Phi

Pi Kappa Phi began Dec. 10, 1904, with the Alpha Chapter at the College of Charleston. Simon Fogarty Jr., L. Harry Mixon, and Andrew Alexander Kroeg Jr. were the founders. Delta Epsilon Chapter started at JSU on May 13, 1922, with Clyde McSpadden as the first initiate.

Many successful Pi Kapps came through Jacksonville, most notably, Randy Owen, from the group Alabama.

After serving a two-year leave of absence, Pi Kappa Phi returned strong in 1997. After the Fall semester ended, we increased our membership by more than 100% from a nucleus of seven. In intramural sports, we finished second overall for fraternities.

Thanks, Greeks, for your support and motivation, Very special thanks to Dr. John Hammett and Clyde McSpadden for making this all possible.

Sigma Gamma Rho

Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc., began with seven young women at Butler University, Indianapolis, Indiana, on Nov. 12, 1922.

We give leadership, service, and resources for removing barriers and inequalities, so that all people may develop their potential and exercise full citizenship.

Sigma Nu

Sigma Nu began at the Virginia Military Institute in 1869, in Lexington, Virginia. Along with Alpha Tau Omega and Kappa Alpha Order, they belong to the “Lexington Triad.”

Over the years, Sigma Nu has produced many well-known and respected leaders, such as Senator Trent Lott, Harrison Ford, Paul (Bear) Bryant, Pat Riley, and Charles Schwab.

Sigma Phi Epsilon

Sigma Phi Epsilon was founded at Richmond College in Richmond, VA on Nov. 1, 1901. JSU’s chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon (Alabama Theta) was chartered on April 14, 1990.

The Alabama Theta chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon provides programs to mold new members into positive role models for society.

By upholding its principles of virtue, diligence and brotherly love for its brothers, Sigma Phi Epsilon fully educates its members into successful college men.

Tau Kappa Epsilon

Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity was established in 1899 at Illinois Wesleyan University and has grown to become the world’s largest international fraternity with over 300 chapters and colonies in the U.S. and Canada.

TKE has built a solid foundation of more than 200,000 brothers: a number that is steadily growing each year.

TKE has only been on the campus of JSU for three years. In that time, TKE has thriven to accomplish many goals, such as initiating over 40 brothers.

TKE has helped raise hundreds of dollars for the Special Olympics, along with coaching youth softball during the Special Olympics each spring.

Zeta Tau Alpha

Zeta Tau Alpha Fraternity for women was founded by nine women at Longwood College in Farmville, Virginia on Oct. 15, 1898. Their purpose was to, “intensify friendship, foster a spirit of love, create such sentiments, perform such deeds, and mold such opinions as will conduce to the building up of a purer and nobler womanhood in the world.”

The Zeta Psi chapter at JSU was founded Dec. 6, 1969. For nearly 30 years, Zeta has remained a strong organization for women on this campus.

Zeta’s strong sisterhood has aided in its ability to meet quota year after year.

Scott Hopkin

If all goes well, next year’s Mimosa maybe on CD-ROM.

So says Dr. Gordon Nelson, Vice President for programs and project manager of a $5,000 grant to help high school students develop computer skills by making CD-ROM additions to their yearbooks.

Nelson says that if his current project at Jacksonville High School goes well, he will make a CD (Compact Disk-Recordable) available to JSU students, and talk with the Mimosa about making the JSU annual in a similar fashion to the Jacksonville High yearbook.

Nelson says he plans on incorporating the equipment and experience from his grant work at Jacksonville High into several classes he teaches, such as ED 410, Education in the Classroom, and this summer’s course EIM 505, Instructional Media.

What sets this CD-ROM project apart from others of its kind is the programs used to design the interactive yearbook. While most produced CDs use a director program of some sort, Nelson and his team are having students use HTML (a web based language) and Powerpoint (a business application) as the basic design engines.

“The students will learn things they can use in many other situations,” says Nelson. “It’s a little harder to do, but you develop skills that develop in many different directions.”

Though Nelson is in charge of the grant work, most of the trench work is being done by Jacksonville High teacher Pamela Inmon. Inmon, who teaches in the Jacksonville vocational building, has five classes totaling 111 students working on the project.

She says that the CD yearbook will be only loosely based on the school annual, primarily sharing pictures, but not the text. “We’re working in coordination with the yearbook committee...[but in our own structure.]

The CD will have student’s names, profiles, and pictures in a searchable index, as well as video clips of class and school activities. 
Hammond Hall: Open to Students and Art-Lovers Alike

by Phil Attinger, Chanticleer Editor

“Just having your pieces in this show is an honor,” said Karen Henricks of the 1998 Juried Student Exhibition.

Karen Henricks welcomed everyone who came in the rain and the cold. She quickly congratulated all students, and then announced the prize winners.

The show had Painting (oil and acrylic), Printmaking, Watercolor, Drawing, Sculpture, Photography, Ceramics, Color Theory, and three categories of Design, including Commercial, 2-Dimensional, and 3-Dimensional.

Jeannie Williamson won First Place in Photography for “Idées”. Joey Crews won First Place in Printmaking for “Haunted No More”. Commercial Design First Place was Seth Johnson for “North Alabama’s Growing and Harvest Seasons.” Johnson says he was inspired by the look and feel of his grandmother’s kitchen.

Paulette Parks took First Place in Painting for “Scape.” Mario Gallardo took Ceramics First Place for “Feapot,” and John Hancock, for an assembled piece titled “The Ant.” “The Ant” was even animated, with a gently-bobbing head.

Seth Johnson won First Place in Color Theory for “Simultaneous Contrast With Opposite Hues,” a 3-dimensional star-shaped piece based on a painter’s color wheel. Johnson chose to hang it rather than display it on a pedestal.

“It just happened,” said Johnson, explaining that he couldn’t see all sides of his color theory work until he hung it on the wall.

Anything that took that much time and energy is hardly an accident,” said Henricks.

Joey Crews received “Best of Show” for a warm deep-bronze, sculpted head, called “Inintrospectivity.”

JSU’s Art department has gallery openings at 7 p.m. on Tuesday nights throughout the year. The Juried Student Exhibit runs in the Spring, and Senior shows run every semester.

The Art department also invites artists from all over the country to exhibit their works and lecture for the students. Unlike most shows and exhibits, you’re invited, and can even talk to the artist.

If you’d like to try your hand, the Mini-Works show every May is open for anyone who wants to apply. The rule is that it must be paper and no larger than a dollar bill. Get your application early and get your pieces in on time, with your entry fee. Space is limited and so are the prizes.

For more information on the Art department or upcoming shows, call 782-5526, or take a beginner’s level Art class.

Where to Park? That’s the Question

by Phil Attinger, Chanticleer Editor

As all the incoming students begin looking over the campus and enjoying the scenery, ask yourself this one question:

“Where am I going to park?”

You and 8,000 other students will be asking that same question when you head off for your first class this September.

Guess what. We’ve got an answer. It doesn’t have to be a nightmare. There are plenty of places to park. You have to know where to look and how to park smart.

First of all, if you live in dorm, you’ve got it made. You’re already parked.

Everything on campus is within twelve minutes walking distance from the dorms and apartments. The driving distance, after pulling out, driving over and finding a new parking space, is closer to twenty.

Don’t Let STRESS Get You Down

by Phil Attinger, Chanticleer Editor

Are you burnt out? Will you burn out before you finish college? Do you think that all of your problems will crush you?

You are wrong. The amount of stress you feel right now does not have to overtake you. I am not a licensed therapist, and I do not see one, but most of us have stressed out at least once: going blank during an exam, losing keys, dread getting fired.

Once upon a time, we didn’t know the meaning of “stress.” Webster defines stress as “physical pressure” or “mental or emotional strain,” which sounds simple enough. “The Complete Book of Men’s Health” by Sarah Brewer, M.D., says that stress is a way to describe the symptoms produced by our response to pressure.

Brewer says adrenaline levels rise and our bodies are put into “red alert.” She also says stress comes from internal pressures, such as lack of relaxation or sleep, exhaustion and being unfit, as well as external pressures: changes in family or work.

While external pressures frustrate our sense of control, we generate most of our own stress internally and how we react makes the difference, Brewer says. Journalist Bill Moyers once spoke with Mythologist Joseph Campbell, who said, “Fear tells us to blame our parents for all the shortcomings of our lives, and Marx tells us to blame the upper class.... But the only one to blame is yourself. Your life is the fruit of your own doing.”

Since it’s our job, Brewer lists some methods for coping with stress:

• Work out what causes you stress and why, and find ways to adapt in a positive manner.

• “Change those things that can be changed, and learn to accept those that cannot be altered.”

• “Formulate decisions in unhurried circumstances, not under deadline pressures.”

• “Set realistic goals and tackle big problems one step at a time.”

• “Expect to make mistakes. Apologize and learn from them. Don’t give up when you get tough; this is a waste of valuable experience.”

• “Learn to be patient and to lose your sense of urgency, especially on the road.”

• “Talk more slowly and listen without interrupting.”

• “Be assertive and say ‘No’ and mean it. This will help prevent you being overloaded with tasks.”

• “Identify and respect your good points. Improve your shortcomings as much as possible, then accept them as a part of you.”

• “Don’t compare yourself unfavorably with others.”

• “Don’t expect others to change before you are prepared to change yourself.”

These steps may help. They won’t improve your life overnight. Life just doesn’t work that way. Stress isn’t the biggest problem. Telling yourself you have such a hard life is. Stop doing that, and stress may stop, too.

Where to park? Students have suggested more parking lots, but we don’t have the real estate. Some have suggested severely limiting where and how freshmen can drive on campus. JSU does plan on moving the core classes to the center of campus, but that won’t be this year. After all, we cannot expect the university to solve all our problems for us. We can make a difference, all of us, by ourselves. You have legs and book bags. Use them.

Gasoline prices will go up again, and with the money you’d save in gas from walking to and from classes—and (I do mean to mean) from Center and back—you could buy a thick anorak, strong backpack and hiking shoes.

If you don’t like walking, you could get a mountain bike. Two months of exercise on the bike, will keep off the dreaded “Freshman 15.”

Save your car for whenever you want to go out of town, or just upshot. But while you’re on campus, you’ll save on gas, you’ll save on wear on your car, and you’ll save on parking tickets if you use your head and use your feet.

One of the most crowded lots is behind Martin Hall and the Houston Cole Library, but there are open lots within walking distance, so shop around.

Students take painting, printmaking, ceramics, and photography classes.
College Necessity: Food for Thought

by Stacy Goode, Staff Writer, and Phil Attinger, Chonicle/st. Editor

Once a student finds somewhere to live and schedules classes, it’s time to turn to another basic college necessity...brain food.

After visiting the local Winn-Dixie, located on Pelham Road South, and purchasing the necessary Little Debby’s TM, Ramen TM noodles and a case of Coke TM, the discerning college student will then begin to examine other eating alternatives.

Where do we start?

How about fast food? Jacksonville has the majors: McDonald’s, Burger King, Taco Bell, Hardee’s, Huddle House, Pizza Hut, Domino’s, and though they hate to be called “fast food,” Subway. Grill barbecue ribs (Hwy. 204) to the excellent Chinese buffet at either China Star (south on Pelham) or Golden Dragon (on the Square).

At Cooter Brown’s. You can have everything from a hamburger to a well done ribeye steak. Start with roasted peanuts for a great appetizer. If you want privacy, there’s even a loft with three booths that overlook the main floor. One of the booths has its own A/C vent for those hot afternoons when you just want to “chill.”

Jefferson’s is legendary in Jacksonville for its Buffalo wings. Another cool feature of this place is its “bar-booths” tables set at four-and-a-half feet high with six bar stools set around each one. They’re great for not having to get up to walk around. Sit down in front of the big-screen and watch the game while having a Honey-Mustard Burger. When you’re done, sign your tip and tack it to the wall. Jefferson’s walls are papered with dollar bills that patrons have “personalized.”

Cecil’s Place (Pelham, across from McD’s) has been serving up sandwiches and ice cream for nearly twenty years. A great location it does well with every crowd.

Roma’s and The Village Inn, well-established Jacksonville restaurants, have tasty pizza and steaks (Roma’s) or a fine home-style buffet dinner (Village Inn). Just south of town is The Rocket, barbecue sandwiches that are worth the drive.

A little further out of town, you’ll find Lil’ Cajun Cookery (southbound, out-bound State Hwy. 21). The menu includes crawfish, shrimp, oysters, steak and chicken. They also have all-you-can-eat alligator, so try something spooky and new.

Sometimes, the midnight munchies will take control, especially when pulling an all-night cram session. You can call pizza delivery. Besides Domino’s and Pizza Hut, Jacksonville has Roma’s Greek pizza and Jacksonville Pizza, as well as Little Caesar’s. All have specials every week and are ready to help. If you’d rather go for a sandwich and get away from the books for a while, try Subway, open all night.

In addition to the Lil’ Cajun Cookery and our own two Chinese restaurants, Calhoun County has a wealth of foreign food. House of Chen in Saks and China Luck in Oxford are two premiere Chinese establishments in the Anniston area. Acapulco Restaurant is an excellent Mexican outlet in the Lenlock Shopping Center on Hwy. 21 South. Just near Acapulco are Pinocchio’s Italian Restaurant and Deli, a little slice of Italy in Lenlock. For Japanese grill, try Mikado Japanese Steak House in McClellan Plaza on the northbound side of Hwy. 21 in Anniston.

Top of the River has two locations: Gadsden on Rainbow Drive and Anniston on Hwy. 21, serving home-style seafood.

Finally, Oxford hosts several casual full-service dining establishments along Interstate 20. At Exit 185, you’ll find O’Charley’s and Applebee’s, each a fine dine. Also you’ll find Red Lobster, long known for excellent crab legs and lobster.

Just one exit east on I-20 is Lone Star Steak House featuring Texas flavor, and Cracker Barrel, with the look and feel of an old-time country store. Play checkers while you want to be seated. Whatever you do for food when you get to college, remember there are far more options than Cheese-whiz and Salads.

Day or night, students can enjoy the buffet at the Golden Dragon, on the Square beside Jacksonvile Pizza-Deli. Take out is available, but not delivery...yet.
Jacksonville State University has more than education, sports, theatre, and bars. It is also a place for spiritual awareness.

There is a diverse selection of religious organizations on and off campus for those students who are interested. The Wesley Foundation, sponsored by the United Methodist Church, offers a place for fellowship and worship. It does a variety of charity work for the university and Jacksonville community. It also offers housing for qualified students. The Foundation is located next to the old Jacksonville High School. For more information, call 435-2208.

Baptist Campus Ministries (BCM) also serves the spiritual needs of students. BCM also sponsors events to strengthen relationships with God as well as to entertain. BCM is located on the corner of Bennett St. and Pelham Rd., across Bennett from Martin Hall. For more information, contact minister Bob Ford at 435-7020.

Campus Outreach is an organization whose goal is to reach college students for Christ, and to build students into mature laborers for Christ, and to equip students to reach others. For more information, contact advisor Mark Jones at 782-5072.

The Episcopal Campus Ministry provides a community for students, faculty, staff, and others who wish to come. For more information, contact Rev. George Quiggle of St. Luke’s Episcopal Church at 435-9271.

At the corner by Martin Hall, Baptist Campus Ministries (BCM) offers both worship and missionary opportunities.

CD, from page 20
All recording work will be done by high school students in Inmon’s class and then transferred to a Zip disk (a large portable storage medium) through the application Transport, which was purchased through the grant. Inmon says that she has only been guiding students, and occasionally acting as an anchor to their wilder ideas:

“This is totally student driven. ‘They are doing their own organization.’

The estimated reproduction cost of the CD-ROM is only about five dollars. The set-up costs for the equipment, however, were much higher. Nelson says he has already spent four to five thousand dollars of his grant money on the two CD-R drives and one machine’s memory upgrades:

“I'm finding out you could do it for less...you could do it for one to two thousand, but we’re doubling it—one in the lab and one in the high school.”

Nelson says JSU is sharing an external CD-R with Jacksonville High that was bought from the grant money. The second CD-R bought, an internal drive, was installed in a computer in the education lab.

Abstract
Currently, the CD-ROM is designed for the PC platform, though both Nelson and Inmon want to expand the CD to multi-platform support. “We’re just trying to get on there right now,” says Inmon.

“I have very limited experience with HTML,” she says. “We use code from the web...went to books-a-million to see what we need. We’re trying to attack it in a step by step process...We’re not trying to be too fancy too quickly.”

Currently, yearbook sales at Jacksonville High are in decline. “Out of 850 students, we’ll probably sell a fourth of them [yearbooks],” says Inmon. Jacksonville High yearbooks are $40 each.

Currently, the CD-ROMs will only be an addition to the school yearbook. “At this moment, as a supplement to the yearbook,” says Inmon. However, both she and Nelson both foresee selling the CD as a separate item in the future

“I have some that say they prefer CD than the yearbook,” says Inmon. She also says though that some say they prefer a printed yearbook to a CD. Inmon says not every home has a computer in it, “no matter what you hear.”
NBA Pro Turgeon Turns Amateur for JSU Basketball

by Shannon Fagan, Contributing Editor

An NBA pro has turned amateur to coach basketball at JSU.

Mark Turgeon, a former assistant coach of the Philadelphia '76ers, was named this April as the successor to Bill Jones. "We're extremely excited about the addition of Mark Turgeon to our staff," says Gamecock Athletic Director Joe Davidson. "With his varied background, he brings a new dimension to our men's basketball program. We're confident in Mark's ability to help us compete in the Trans-America Athletic Conference on a yearly basis."

Coach Turgeon brings lots of experience with him. He has strong ties to the '76ers for head coach Larry Brown, at the professional and collegiate levels.

He began his coaching career as an assistant to Brown at the University of Kansas in 1987-88 academic year. That year, the Jayhawks captured the NCAA National Championship. He assisted Roy Williams, current Kansas coach, for four years.

While under Williams, he helped lead the team to a 130-41 record, including a second place finish in the 1991 national championship. In addition, two Jayhawk teams won Big Eight Conference championships and one Big Eight Tournament crown.

In April 1992, Turgeon became an assistant under Jerry Greer at the University of Oregon. In his five years there, Oregon had its first appearance in the NCAA tournament in 34 years. He also helped the Ducks post three consecutive winning seasons and was invited to the National Invitation Tournament. He rejoined Larry Brown as an assistant with the '76ers in April of last year.

Turgeon played basketball at the University of Kansas for four seasons. The Jayhawks posted a record of 108-33 while he was there. He was team captain for two seasons and a member of four teams to consecutively appear in the NCAA Tournament. The Jayhawks posted a record of 108-33 in those seasons.

First ... and Still Going!

by Shannon Fagan, Contributing Editor

A number of firsts—that's one way to describe several up-and-coming athletic programs here at Jacksonville State.

*Volleyball*

*Under new head coach Jose Rivera, the Lady Gamecocks had their first winning season since 1994, with a record of 25-13. This landed JSU in third place in the Western Division of the TAAC. The decision of which team would go to the conference tournament fell to the third tie-breaker. The Lady Gamecocks fell short of the tournament by one game.*

Lisa May was named to the TAAC All-Newcomer team and Amy Reaves was named Second Team All-Conference.

*Soccer*

In soccer, the Lady Gamecocks, led by Coach Lisa Howe, recorded their best season ever with the Gamecocks had their first winning season since 1994, with a record of 25-13. This landed JSU in third place in the Western Division and saw post-season play for the first time. They lost to eventual TAAC champion, with FAU prevailing.

JSU lost the first match of the tournament to Samford. It came down to doubles play with Foster being the conference championship, with FAU prevailing. For the entire season, Joni Epler was ranked nationally in batting average, doubles, and slugging percentage. Lauren Buck was also ranked in doubles most of the year.

Epler was named First Team All-Conference along with Christine Tucker and Julie Boland. Buck was named to the Second Team and Terrah Foster was a Third Team selection.

Gamecock Football Schedule

Sept. 5 at Alabama A&M 7 p.m.
Sept. 12 at Georgia Southern 2 p.m.
Sept. 19 MID TENN STATE 7 p.m.
Sept. 26 at Nicholls State 6:30 p.m.
Oct. 3 STEPHEN F. AUSTIN* 2 p.m.
Oct. 10 at McNeese State 7 p.m.
Oct. 17 SAMFORD (HC) 2 p.m.
Oct. 24 SAM HOUSTON STATE 2 p.m.
Oct. 31 ●OPEN DATE●
Nov. 7 NORTHWESTERN STATE 2 p.m.
Nov. 14 at Southwest Texas State 2 p.m.
Nov. 21 TROY STATE 2 p.m.

*The Stephen F. Austin game on October 3 is being considered for a live television telecast. If the game is broadcast, then the game would be moved to Thursday night, Oct. 1.*
Baseball Season Ends 34-20, Players receive All-TAAC Honors

by Shannon Fagan, Contributing Editor

May is the time of year in college baseball that the pressure is on. It's time for teams to make a statement. That's the month when conference tournaments are held to determine who goes to the NCAA Baseball Tournament. The Gamecocks were seeking to win their first TAAC Baseball Tournament Championship since joining the conference back in 1995.

JSU started the TAAC Western Division title with Troy State and hoped to add the tournament championship to their belt. However, things didn't go as planned for Rudy Abbott’s team.

Jax State got things off to a good start in the First Round of the tournament, as they faced the Campbell Fighting Camels in a best-of-three game series in Jacksonville. Here is a tournament recap for the Gamecocks.

Jacksonville State 14 — Campbell 5
On May 7, the Gamecocks cranked out 17 hits, leading to 14 runs. The team set a single-season record for doubles with 119. First baseman Jeff Tidwell accounted for 3 hits, including a home run. Sam Grant, Scott Green, and Dean Priery each belted out 3 hits as well, leading to several Gamecock runs.

Pitcher J.R. Allen won the distance, giving up only 4 runs and striking out a season high 12 batters. The win improved his record to 8-5 on the season.

Jacksonville State 11 — Campbell 10
On May 9, JSU hoped to close out the series with their second win over the Camels. However, Campbell jumped out to an early lead and survived a late Gamecock offensive attack.

Bryan Williamson suffered his third loss of the season. He pitched 8 innings, giving up 11 earned runs. Reliever Robbie Deason prevented the Camels from scoring in the ninth inning, giving the Gamecocks a chance to win the game in their final at-bat trailing by 3.

The Gamecocks plated two runs in the ninth, but Campbell shut the door on the comeback attempt. The win evened the series at one game, forcing a deciding third game.

Jacksonville State 22 — Campbell 9
Jax State's bats were red-hot in the final game of the series. They belted out 23 hits, proving to be more than enough as the Gamecocks blew out the Camels by 13 runs.

Centerfielder Jason Nunn led the charge. He cranked out 4 hits, leading to 9 Gamecock runs. Joel Rivera and Sam Grant also had 5 hits to help the JSU cause.

Cypress Hathom improved his record to 5-1. He pitched over 4 innings of work, giving up only 3 hits and striking out 6 batters. The win helped JSU to advance to the TAAC Championship Round in Kissimmee, Florida.

Central Florida 5 — Jacksonville State 0
On May 13, the Gamecocks were shut down by the pitching performances of Mike Maroth and Jason Arnold. They combined for a 2-hit shutout.

The only hit the Gamecocks could muster came off the bat of Clarence Prothro and pitcher Bryan Williamson. It was the first time JSU was shut-out in 152 games.

Williamson gave up 9 hits and 3 earned runs. He suffered his fourth loss of the season. The loss forced the Gamecocks to play top-seeded Florida International.

Florida International 3 — Jacksonville State 1
Things got started on the right track for the Gamecocks. They plated a run in the second inning and maintained the lead until the fifth inning.

Florida International took command of the game in the top of the fifth inning, scoring 3 runs. That would be enough, as the Gamecocks were held scoreless the rest of the way.

J.R. Allen went the distance for JSU. He gave up 7 hits and 3 runs in his final game of the season.

The loss ended Jax State's hopes for a berth in the NCAA Baseball Tournament. They finished the season with a record of 34-20.

Three Gamecocks were named to the All-TAAC Baseball teams. First baseman Jeff Tidwell earned First Team honors. He was listed fifth in the nation in home runs and ranked 19th nationally in runs batted in.

Above: Is it a knuckleball? A Gamecock pitcher gets ready—puffed out cheeks and all—to burn one in.
Below: A brief pause in the action, while the ref's check to see if we've scored another touchdown.

Right: Gamecock Coach Rudy Abbott strides to the mound for a conference with his pitcher during a close baseball game.
Above: He's running for points, but our team will get him down.
Can You HEP to Lower Tuition?

by Phil Aringer, Chanticleer Editor

As a student of a four-year university, you are experiencing the exhilaration of learning from recognized scholars and fellow classmates. You are building relationships with people from different ethnic, cultural and social settings. You are preparing to become an expert in your chosen field.

Rising costs and lowered funding have endangered Alabama's higher education system, and SGA President Ryan Kruzinski wants you to help.

"We need the Higher Education Partnership to keep tuition down," says Kruzinski.

The HEP started when universities such as JSU went from being "state-funded" to "state-supported", Kruzinski says. Essentially, JSU went from 80% state-funded to 20%. This lost funding had to be recovered. Some of this recovery has been in tuition hikes.

The Higher Education Partnership hopes to win back state funding, prevent further cuts and gather a community support base for higher education.

"It's good for the economic growth for Alabama to have students in the universities of Alabama," says Kruzinski, "any of them - two-year schools, four-year schools - because they contribute to the community outside of the school, and they don't leave the state to go to Georgia to go to school. They don't go to Tennessee or to Florida, and a college graduate makes a lot more money than someone who doesn't (graduate college)."

"I'm from Pennsylvania, and I'll more than likely stay in Alabama after graduating. I love this state," says Kruzinski. "There are a lot of good things about it that a lot of people would not understand."

Kruzinski points out the importance of being able to come to an affordable university like JSU and have smaller class sizes.

"For me to go to school in Pennsylvania, as an in-state resident, would cost me $9,000 [a year], and that's with lowest room and lowest board," says Kruzinski. "For me, this year, I spent less than four thousand.

"As matter of fact, the education that I have here is among the best that I've ever seen. The size of the classes is small. You can know your professors by their first name; they can know you."

Kruzinski wants all students, faculty, staff, alumni and friends of JSU to get personally involved and support the HEP. Students can join the HEP with a once-a-year donation of $5.

The goals of HEP are: 1) identify, recruit, organize and unite advocates of higher education; 2) advocate the needs and effectively communicate the importance of higher education to the people of Alabama and its leaders; 3) promote new education partnerships to improve the quality of life of the citizens in Alabama.

For more information, contact the Higher Education Partnership, c/o Ryan Kruzinski, 782-5491.

Shopping on Books can Save You a Bundle

by Phil Aringer, Chanticleer Editor

In a typical semester, I may spend as much as $300 on books and supplies.

Your spending may vary, but most of us will admit that once we get tuition out of the way, and have made the damage deposit on our room, books and supplies are the next big stumbling blocks.

Freshmen may be scared of the cost, according to Martha Love, information analyst for the National Association of College Stores.

Don't be scared. Don't be bothered. There are ways to avoid feeling the crunch.

First of all, try to buy used books. Even if the cover is coming off, you don't need it to be perfect, just to hold together well enough to be read. You may not even need the book for class if the professor tests mostly on lecture, or if you can share with a friend or roommate. A warning: Stay on good terms with that friend or it could hurt you during finals.

Second, try to get to the stores early, like now, during orientation. You've probably already found out what classes you'll be taking, especially if they are all core classes. See if the bookstore has some old books from last Spring that you could buy used. Few stores will refuse an early sale if it means they can clear out the store-room.

In Jacksonville, students once had the on-campus bookstore, the off-campus bookstore on the Square, and Boozer's Drug and Book Store. Boozer's isn't here anymore, so you only have two choices for textbooks..., unless you watch the bulletin boards for people needing some Fall semester cash. At one time the SGA organized a student textbook flea market — a swap, so to speak, where you could pick up some true bargains.

The next item to watch on your list is "everything else:" pens, notebooks; datebooks; audio-, computer-, Chemistry- or Biology-lab supplies; T-shirts; backpack; and that real cool JSU license plate holder.

Stop. Make a list of what you "know" you'll need, and cross-out about half of it. I'm not trying to say you won't need this stuff at some time. You just can't get it now.

And don't think about putting it on the VISA either. If you don't have the money for it now, you'll have even less later, so wait. You know why Mom and Dad have all that cool stuff? It took them twenty years or more to save the money (or to pay it off).

When you go to get your supplies, start early, a couple of weeks early.

Take your list and stick to it. Look around for the best price on pens, notebooks, and other little things that don't seem important. They add up.

When getting your textbooks, find out the refund policy and write it down. Post that information on your bulletin board with a nail. If the store has really strict conditions, then be sure you're going to stay in the class before splintering Coke on the book. The same goes for writing in the book.

If you want to sell the book or return it for refund, be sure the refund time-limit hasn't run out.

And if you want to sell the book, do it before the semester ends: The book for that course may change next semester, then you're left holding the old book.

In some classes, new books may only mean the page numbers have changed. Check with the professor or someone who has had that course if you want to use the old edition for the new class.

Some people want to keep their books and build a library. Good idea. You might want to get a good bookshelf... and some understanding friends to help you move them from apartment to apartment.

"I read. My friends read. A group of us read... together. Being a reader is a hobby that's not only fun, but you learn a lot...", says Boozer's manager.

Above: No stress here. Makia Bennett shows Ed Matthews a new tee shirt at the JSU Bookstore in the TMB, where everything for class should be available.

Right: Group study at the library. A group of students meet in the lobby of the Houston Cole Library to quiz each other the night before an exam.

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to find the two people who most personified what it means to be Greek. Beth Bules, an Alpha Xi Delta, and Shelley Knox, a Delta Zeta, tied for Greek Goddess, Sharee Rehberg, Sigma Phi Epsilon, won Greek God. There were also elections for "Most Valuable Person" and "Most Spirit," as well as a volleyball tournament.

For the sororities, Heather Dixon won MVP and Zeta Rho Alpha won Most Spirit. Alpha Xi Delta won in volleyball for the fraternities, Al Restrepo, a Kappa Sigma won MVP, and Sigma Phi Epsilon won most Spirit. Kappa Sigma also won in volleyball.

Overall, the Greeks truly enjoyed this year's celebration: "It is competition, but everyone really enjoys it," said Delta Zeta Jaime Henderson. "And I think it will get better in the future."

"This year, Greek Week was what it was supposed to be: a time for competition and friendship," said Swindall.

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For an appointment, call 782-5499.
Helping Hands Raise Home in Jacksonville

by Phil Attinger, Chancilar Editor

On a steaming Friday in May, some 50 people gathered in the mid-day sun to welcome a new family to Jacksonville.

By June, Habitat for Humanity began a reality in Jacksonville’s citizens building houses with help from the community and university.

Led by Bill Wright, executive director of the Calhoun County chapter, and Melanie Raulerson, Jacksonville coordinator, volunteers had a site chosen by mid-May and held a ground-breaking ceremony May 22 at the corner of Seventh Avenue and Second Street., approximately six blocks east of College Center Shopping Plaza.

Pecan trees spread out over the site, shading the lot. A rotting structure was removed before building.

Ken Wood, Jacksonville Building Inspector believes that the trees will be left alone to stay after the structure is removed, so the Habitat house may also have ready-made shade.

Jerry Smith and Jerry Gilbert of the Physical Science department have donated considerable time to this goal, as have Don Paxton and Dean Boswell, both retired professors, and David Lee Zeigler, director of Minority Affairs.

Several campus groups have already donated time and energy, such as Delta Sigma Theta service sorority. In the words of CoIltro Potts, chapter president, the mission of their 85-year-old organization is “for sisterhood and school, and to provide programs and activities which promote human welfare.”

Sisters of Delta Sigma Theta worked at the “loot-bere” fund-raiser held last year to benefit the Johnson Avenue community, according to Jaciea King, chapter vice-president. Sisters also painted the interior houses at Johnson Avenue, Potts says.

King says the sorority has helped Habitat for Humanity for at least 15 years. Potts says. Members of Delta Sigma Theta say they have celebrated its 25th anniversary on May 13 in time for the ground-breaking. Latondra Lewis, secretary, and Tammie Ragland, sergeant at arms, are also well involved.

Raulerson says the selection process is lengthy including home visits and interviews. The three criteria a family must meet are 1) that they live in substandard housing or are homeless, 2) that they have a very low income, and 3) they must be able to make the monthly interest-free payments for the house.

The family chosen for Jacksonville’s first house is Darlene Audy and her two boys, Scott and Brian, both enrolled in the Jacksonville city college system. Audy is employed with The Jacksonville News, and was on hand to thank everyone.

“It’s just a miracle that we’re going to receive this home,” says Audy. “Thank you for whatever part you played.”

After the speeches, 14 volunteers were urged to call and make arrangements with the coordinators, so that enough food and material will be available for everyone.

“It thrills my heart to have everyone here today,” says Raulerson. “It’s wonderful, all of us are coming together to provide homes for people in need.”

Raulerson says the framing work will begin after site preparation and all the foundation has been poured. Volunteers began building the house on June 6.

Students in need of tutoring should contact CII, which is located in the basement of the Houston College Library. Depending on individual needs and tutor availability, students may be assigned one-on-one or group tutoring. Tutorial assistance is available year-round, but it’s preferable to contact CII at the beginning of the year.

CII also offers a variety of learning skills classes to students with low ACT or SAT scores. These classes are in technical reading, mathematics, writing, and study skills, writing competency, pre-algebra, algebra, academic success, career planning and employability skills.

CII has a computer lab with tutorial software designed by McDade. Services are open to students of all classifications. With CII, “no student should ever fall into the quicksand of confusion.”

For more information, contact CII at 782-5570.

Better Safe than Sorry

by Sam Fiel, Director of Public Safety

A college campus is a place to Grow, but a college campus, like any other community, has its share of accidents, crimes and injuries.

Fortunately, the right attitudes and actions can help protect families and friends, fellow students and your campus. By following some crime prevention tips, we can all have a better place to live, study and work.

You can change your odds of becoming a victim of crime by avoiding situations that leave you or your friends vulnerable to crime.

1. Try to stay near streetlights and avoid alleys, parks, or dark isolated areas.
2. Don’t carry large sums of money. A front pocket is safer than a back pocket.
3. If you are being followed, cross the street, change direction or go to a well-lighted area and enter a store, residence hall or classroom.
4. Keep your doors locked and closed when you are alone—day or night—and don’t leave your door unlocked for someone visiting later.
5. Check the back seat before getting into a car and keep doors locked while driving.
6. Don’t hitchhike. There is no way to tell what kind of person will offer you a ride.
7. Campus Police should be notified of any threatening incidents or unusual behavior.
8. Make a list of your valuables and keep it in a safe place: brand names and serial numbers. Thieves sometimes go unpunished and property goes unrecovered because people cannot identify or recall exactly what it is.
9. Don’t leave your belongings (books, bags, coats, etc.) unattended in the gym, library, labs, lounges, offices or classrooms.
10. Call the University Police for an escort on campus when it’s dark or, a service provided by the UPD for JSU’s female students.

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Son of King Crowns Black History Month

by Buffy Smith, Contributing Editor

“King’s dream was an American dream,” said Martin Luther King III last February 19 to an audience of 500 n Leon Cole Auditorium.

The day of which my father dreamed is not today,” said King. “I know it’s not that day because black students have come out but white students on this campus — the majority of the students — are not here because it’s not important to them.”

King said that it’s important that we remember black history because black history’s american history.

“We have to challenge white students to come out and say this is something that you need to know,” said King.

King says that our failure to overcome racism is the root of all our problems.

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King says that 30 years after his father’s death, women are still earning less wages than men.

African-Americans with a college education on average earn what white high school graduates earn.

King says “our challenge (in education) has got to be to create a curriculum that is more inclusive and less exclusive.” King says that we need to change the way that history is taught in schools. “Many in our nation don’t have any clue to the contribution that black folk have made,” he says. King says that fulfilling the dream means

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—Martin Luther King III

that there are no inferior and over-crowded public schools because education is a leading priority of our national life. He says that the dream means that no young person is denied the chance of a college education because of lack of financial resources or discriminatory practices.

“In this dream,” says King, “we voice opposition to all forms of bigotry including racism, sexism, homophobia, and xenophobia.”

Fulfilling the dream means working to ensure that one day all of our children are not judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character.

King received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from Morehouse College in Atlanta, Ga.

King has served for years as a human rights advocate, community activist and political leader.

In the late 1970s, he represented President Jimmy Carter in two official delegations to promote peace in the world.

In 1984, King ventured to five drought and poverty-stricken African nations on a fact-finding tour. King was elected to political office in 1986 after more than 700,000 residents in Fulton County, Ga. On Nov. 1, King was unanimously elected the president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, 30 years after his father co-founded the organization in 1957.

King says that his father left the nation with a great challenge.

“He left us a blueprint on how to achieve it, if we only dare to follow his example,” says King.

“But I believe that we can and that we will make a difference tomorrow.”

“Learn your Civic Duties”

by Donna Huff, Staff Writer

The NAACP is providing Jacksonville State University students an opportunity to get involved.

“One of the primary purposes of this chapter is to register student voters,” said Chapter Advisor David Ziegler, who is Director of the Office of Minority Affairs.

The local chapter wants to register voters so that they can become involved in civic rights issues of today, Ziegler says.

“Not to demonstrate or to boycott (about issues),” says Ziegler, “but to be aware of them, to get involved in local politics while they are here at college, to learn about their civic duties.”

The chapter will also provide more leadership opportunities for African-American students, Ziegler says, which will help build skills they can use in other organizations.

Ziegler says he long-term goal is to make the NAACP a viable student organization on campus. Its membership has expanded from eight to 80 in one year.

The NAACP sponsored several events at JSU during Martin Luther King Week this year.

The work began with a trip to the King Center in Atlanta, followed by a day at Fun Fever with children from the Jacksonville Community Center. New officers were appointed that week, and the film “I Have A Dream” was shown. A member of the 14th Army Band, featured during the closing ceremony, performed the historic “I Have A Dream” speech.

“The NAACP is not just for African-American students, the NAACP is for any student,” Ziegler says. “We hope to encourage everyone to be a part of the NAACP.”

Fawkes Hunt

by Phil Attinger, Chanticleer Editor


But several kgs of gunpowder were packed in the basement waiting for an assassin’s match, and the assassin was apprehended just in time.

So, Great Britain remained under James I of England, and members of Parliament kept their lives.

So what? you might ask.

If you grew up in Great Britain, you’d celebrate Guy Fawkes (pronounced “Fox”) Day.

Bigger than Halloween in America, Guy Fawkes is the day when Britons celebrate their nation and the arrest, trial, conviction, and execution of the traitor Guy Fawkes.

People shoot off fireworks, build bonfires and burn effigies. The effigy burned last Nov. 5 wore a name tag, said Norman Prentiss of the English Department, “so we don’t throw the wrong ‘guys’ on the fire.”

For the past three years, the English Department at JSU has sponsored a Guy Fawkes celebration, with help from the Financial Aid office, Student Government, and Student Activities. With a bonfire on the IM Field, and coffee and cookies from Marriot, last year’s celebration drew a record crowd of about 200 to 300 students, faculty, and staff.

Gerald Dickens, the great-grandson of Charles Dickens, told the crowd about Guy Fawkes Night celebrations in England.

Russel LeMmon of the History Department summed up the story behind the event. Religious unrest between Catholic and Protestant faiths during the 1500’s led Queen Elizabeth to create the Elizabethan Compromise in 1558. She established an English Church with the best qualities of both so that everyone could be happy.

Apparently, not everyone was happy. Even though Elizabeth’s successor, James I, promised tolerance to Catholics, he came under the
The Music is Always Better at The Cross Roads

by Cathy Higgins, Staff Writer

Are you tired of the heavier music scene? Are you looking for something more mellow that you can just sit back and relax to? Maybe you prefer Herbie Hancock over Pearl Jam.

If so, 92-J may have a show for you. The Cross Roads combines blues and jazz every Sunday night on 91.9 FM from seven to ten p.m.

The show's former co-hosts, Reggie Hubbard and Price Derrick, agree that jazz music has a wide spectrum, including Dixieland, New Age, and Contemporary. However, The Cross Roads has reflected Reggie's and Price's laid back personalities.

The show will have new co-hosts in the fall, but it is expected that it will follow the musical philosophy and style of Reggie and Price. Here's what they say about the program:

"It's based around jazz and blues," Price says. "It's kind of more open and loosely based. "It's just stuff that you don't hear all the time," Reggie agrees.

The two started hosting The Cross Roads at the beginning of last fall when the show was left without anyone to host it. "Tim Spivey did it," Reggie says. "But after that, nobody was doing it." Reggie and Price were more than happy to take over, because they love the music. "I pretty much listen to the show. Sometimes during the week I'll see somebody and they'll say, 'Hey, good show on Sunday.' It's nice to get feedback from people," he says.

Through some of that feedback, Reggie discovered that Cross Roads appeals to a wider audience than just students. "Just recently I found out that there were some faculty members that were saying they liked it," he says.

"Some people probably hate it because it's not three chords and Chumbawamba," Reggie says.

Because Reggie graduates in August, he won't have much more time to host The Cross Roads.

When Reggie graduates, Price will continue doing the show. "I'll probably get somebody in to help me or take over the show next year," he says. "Just somebody with just a little bit different music taste. It's nice to have other input."

Although Reggie and Price play mostly the blues side of jazz, they welcome suggestions to keep the show fresh. "Any time we have new input, it's going to make things better," Price says. When Price graduates, he hopes that someone will continue doing The Cross Roads. "I'd like to have somebody come in and do it," he says. "But it's hard finding somebody that listens to blues and jazz who would be willing to come up and play every week for three hours."

For now Price still spends every Sunday night playing their favorite kind of music and hopes people who don't know about The Cross Roads will give it a chance. "If there's anybody out there that likes blues and jazz, give us a listen," he says.

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"Helping that family is their common goal. It's great how the community comes together to help."

Two other Greek-letter organizations have been active with Habitat for Humanity. Both Alpha Tau Omega and Kappa Alpha fraternities have served the community by helping to build houses in Anniston.

"We want to continue with our work because it makes us feel good to help others," says KA president Patrick Murphy. KA member Clint Kirkland says the work he's done for Habitat was exciting: "I can't wait to get back down there and hammer some more nails."

Call George Newland at 435-3105 to donate building materials or construction skills.

Call Don Paxton at 435-8978 or 782-5999, or call Jerry Gilbert at 435-4247 to volunteer your time and energy to help build.

Call Jerry Smith at 435-7263 or George Douthit at 236-1966 or 435-7611 to donate funds.

For any further information, contact Melanie Raulerson at 435-3468 (evenings) or 435-0473.

Dusk is falling...

When the classes have ended and parking lots have emptied, the lights flicker on and the cicadas begin chirping.

Usually one of the busiest corners on campus, the corner by Hammond Hall falls quiet in the evening air. Just wait until tomorrow...
Stephenson: Work Out ... or Hang Out

by Jennie Ford,
Contributing Editor

To fight that "Freshman 15," we figure that you'll probably want to work out once in a while. Well, with your trusty student ID, you can!

Stephenson Gym has racquetball courts, aerobics classes, a weight room, and basketball courts, and is open to all students with a valid ID.

Don't really want to work out? Stephenson is a great place to just hang out. With ping-pong, pool tables, video-games, even a sauna, you can practice relaxing just as hard as you practice your free-throws.

Also located in Stephenson is the Office of Recreational Sports. This office coordinates all of JSU's intramural sports. Whether you're into team sports or individual competition, there is an intramural sport for you.

Maybe you'd rather swim, run track, or play some tennis. If so, Pete Mathews Coliseum is the place.

As the home of JSU's tennis courts, track and swimming pool, the Coliseum is one of the places for some exercise. Students can also use the racquetball courts at the Coliseum or the basketball court, when teams aren't practicing.

Whatever type of physical activity you're into, JSU has a place for you to play.

For more information about JSU's Intramural Sports call the Office of Recreational Sports at 782-5075.

Left, top: Hug, two, three... Step aerobics and other workout classes meet in Stephenson and the Coliseum. Bring some energy and GO!

Left, bottom: Will it drop? Students in a two-man team basketball game wait as the ball bounces in the air before plummeting toward the basket. We'll never know if it was two, or a rebound.

There’s exercise inside academic-looking Stephenson Gym. Any student can use the facilities here. Just bring your student ID.

Below: From ping pong to arcade games to basketball to racquet ball to billiards, there's a lot to play in Stephenson Hall.

Left: Gamecock Jay Knowlton drives to the basket during a close game.

Above: Lady intramural football player gets set to throw the long bomb.

All-Around Athletes

We have photographs from the home games, the away games, and even some intramural games. The great action shots sing, but it all comes down to that moment, fans or not, that the game comes together in a one on one against the world.

To catch that moment is the photographer's job.

We have these moments for you.

Looking for the cutter! A Gamecock basketball player looks inside to find the cutting teammate. All the while, the defense is cutting him off from the basket.

Above: Guarding too close. A lady Gamecock is crowded by the opposing player.

Right: The 'whack' of a bat on a ball is a welcome sound for a softball player.
From Sports to Jazz to College Bowl

by Cathy Higgins, Staff Writer

WLJS plays a wide variety of music from jazz to hard core rock. But their versatility isn’t limited to the music.

This year 92-J’s team won Jacksonville State University’s College Bowl. The school champions spent this weekend in Montgomery competing for the Regional Championship. This year’s College Bowl was January 21 and 22. “College Bowl” is played much like the game show “Jeopardy,” where questions are called out and the first to buzz in gets to answer. Since it is done with teams, the other team has a chance to steal if a given answer is wrong.

“We played in the Independent Intramurals here. And we won it,” says 92-J team member Michael Amberson. “Then we played the Greek champions and we beat them. So by virtue of winning that, we got to go to the Regionals.”

The winning team is made up of four members: Stephen Benefield (team captain), Michael Amberson, Heather Brackman, and Chris Moorehead. They were nominated by communications professor Lloyd Dobyns, who served as the team’s faculty advisor.

According to Michael, JSU competed against twenty-three other schools from four states. “It’s a competition between college bowl champions from various colleges in Florida, Georgia, Alabama, and Mississippi.” he says.

“We played five games Friday night and six games Saturday morning,” he says. “Saturday was the killer. We won against Bainbridge. That was the first game that day. Then we played Berry, which finished in the top 8. Then we played University of South Alabama, which also finished in the top 8. Then we played the University of Florida, who won (the championship).

Those three games in a row were against three of the best teams. Then we played the last two, which we were capable of winning. But by then, they (JSU team) were so exhausted, there wasn’t hope in heck they were going to win against those two.”

The pressure at the Regionals tournament was high, making nerves tense and minds go blank.

Michael recalls one question in the first round where Stephen made a fatal slip. “In one of the questions that was asked, the answer was the poet. Robert Frost. Someone buzzed in. And instead of saying, ‘Robert Frost,’ he said, ‘Jack Frost.’ That was the first match. So we knew we were in trouble.

But Dobyns recalls that Stephen came back and gave the final answer to win that match. He also remembers that Michael went blank on an answer.

“When you start an answer and not enough time for an answer it for to be completely right, they can prompt you,” he says. “Michael gave Tyrannosaurus for ‘Tyrannosaurus Rex.’

That guy prompted him and even gave him ten seconds when he should have just given him four.”

According to Dobyns, Michael just went blank, unable to provide the rest of the answer.

The 92-J team may have lost the Regionals, but they plan to try again. “We’ll be back to defend our title next year,” Michael says.
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