Ayers, JSU bring ‘Kudzu’ creator

By Dave Sharp
Editor

"He's got a kinkly sense of humor and you can never predict what he's going to say," said JSU Ayers Chair of Broadcasting Lloyd Dobyns. He was right.

On Wednesday, Nov. 10, Kudzu comic strip creator, and Pulitzer Prize winning editorial cartoonist, Doug Marlette addressed more than 200 people at JSU’s Houston Cole library to give this year’s Ayers Lecture.

Everyone in attendance seemed to enjoy the wit, jokes and stories Marlette delivered with enthusiasm, and the impressive showing of his editorial cartoons and comic strip afterward.

Marlette believes political cartoonists should be as direct, visual and as wordless as possible. His own personal test for greatness is simple. Can you remember their cartoons?

"To this day, picking up a pen or brush for me is an act of religious devotion, like handling a snake," said Marlette. "There's something sacramental and dangerous about it, and you never know who it's going to bite."

Marlette said that sometimes his work can be prophetic. "It sometimes happens that somewhere in the depths of our art, our lizard-brain radar picks up on something ahead of the rest of the heard."

The annual Ayers

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New housing director finds home at JSU

By Buffy Smith
JSU News Bureau

When Marie Humphrey was in college, students viewed the campus housing department as the money-minded, rent collectors.

That's an image she hopes to change at JSU in her role as the new director of housing.

"Some students perceive us as just the landlord, but we're more than that," said Humphrey. "We're passionate. We care."

Humphrey became JSU’s new director of housing in October. She came to JSU from the University of Alabama at Birmingham, where she served as assistant housing director and where she earned a bachelor's degree in English and a master's in international public health.

A residence assistant throughout college, all of Humphrey’s work experience has been in university housing.

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**Announcements**

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We would like to say "WHUP TROY" to the Gamecocks. Good luck to our intramural volleyball players! AOTD has great "Barnyard Bash" informals. Sigma Nu is looking forward to our Thanksgiving dinner mixer. Awards for the week:
- Alpha Xi Delta

We would like to congratulate all our new sisters, we love you! We want to say good luck to our volleyball players in intramurals. Good luck to the Gamecocks. We love you!

- Phi Mu

Our awards for the week go to: Phi of the Week: Alisa Abahansch, Phi Mu Lady of the Week: Summer Baggett; Sunshine Girl: Kimberly Mack!

Congratulations to our new phis. We love you and are proud to call you our sisters. Congratulations to the women who made Order of Omega: Jennifer Batts, Heather Corrigan, Courtney Ballinger and LeeAnn Jordan. Last Friday, we took all of the Boo-Boo bunnies made during Run week to the Children's Hospital. Thanks to all the new members who helped make a child's day during Run, our thoughts and prayers. Good luck to Phi Mu's awesome Volleyball team, we are so proud of you!

- Zeta Tau Alpha

Congratulations to all our new sisters. Congratulations to our New Member of the Year Emily Williams. Also, congratulations to our 2nd year Panhellenic President Allison Eason and Panhellenic Secretary Hollie Blass. Zetas will be selling $1 raffle tickets for a $100 prize. All proceeds will go to our philanthropy, the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. Good luck to ZTA's volleyball team. Good luck to the football team. Whup Troy!

**Free HIV testing:** Nursing Center Clinic. Tests done last Friday of each month. Testing done by a representative of the Alabama Department of Public Health. For more information, call 782-5432.

- **Students who have lost or accidentally thrown away their student handbook:** not to worry, most of your questions can probably be answered on your own. For a complete handbook visit www.jsu.edu/depart/handbook/.

- **Emotional Development Study:** Have you between eight-months and 30-months-old? JSU's Center for Child Development needs you for a study on emotional development in infants. Call Sherri Rastani (492-9627, e-mail: srastani@sm.jsu.edu) or Jennifer Benefield (492-9997, e-mail: jbenefield@sm.jsu.edu).

- **Need your flu shot?** The student health center is giving Flu shots. The cost is $10 available to JSU students and employees only. Shots will be given Monday and Wednesday afternoons between 1:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. and Friday mornings between 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Please call for appointments and remember your JSU ID card.

- **Hammond Hall Gallery will host a Faculty Art Exhibition. The show is free and will continue through Nov. 24. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, please call Steve Long at 782-5709.**

- **JSU Chamber Singers Madrigal Dinner Dec. 2-3, 7:30 p.m. at Leon Cole Auditorium. Call Dr. Corbin for ticket information at 782-5544.**

- **Applications for JSU Peer Counselor will be available in Room 201 of Bobb Graves. All applicants must have a 2.5 GPA and must have at least 24 semester hours. Applications are due Friday, Dec. 10. For more information contact Eric Mcculley at ext. 5278 or mcculley@jsu.edu.**

- **Dauphin Island Sea Lab:** All students wishing to take Marine Biology or Marine Geology/Geography courses at Dauphin Island Sea Lab during Summer 2000 may now register. Please see Dr. Romano, Room 202, Ayers Hall or call at 782-5035. All Dauphin Island Sea Lab courses are listed in the Spring 2000 bulletin on page 25.

- **New Directions offers counseling to students at JSU. New Directions is a Counseling/Prevention program that serves the students of JSU. The program has a three-fold purpose: 1) To provide counseling services to any student that needs a mental health issue addressed; 2) To help promote and provide the campus prevention programs; 3) To help educate the JSU community through educational classes and programs. If you have any questions concerning: alcohol, drugs, anxiety, stress or simply coping with college life you can contact Ricky Naugh of New Directions at 782-5815 or find them in Room 145 of Daughtee Hall.**

- **The Savannah Area Chapter of the American Society of Safety Engineers has awarded JSU student Samuel ‘Chip’ McCullough III from Jonesboro, GA., the Rex Gabriel Memorial Scholarship.**

- **JSU’s School of Sociology and Social Work will be hosting a "Call Out" Ceremony in recognition of the 140+ children awaiting adoption in the State of Alabama. The ceremony is being held at the Anniston City Meeting Center on Tuesday, Nov. 23, at 11:30 a.m. for more information, please contact Amy E. Smith at 231-9484.**

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Residence hall students get a free read, US top newspapers donated by Anniston Star

By Wendy Laminack
Assistant News Editor

 Instead of sitting in the dorm lobby fidgeting or twiddling fingers while waiting on a friend to appear from his or her room, why not read a paper instead? Catch up on world news or see what’s happening in the world of sports.

On Nov. 1, The Anniston Star began distributing papers free of charge to many of the dorms for the students at Jacksonville State University. Not only is The Star being made available, but so are USA Today and The Wall Street Journal. The papers are being dropped off Monday thru Friday between 6:30 a.m. and 7:30 a.m. Each paper is paying for the cost of distribution.

The newspapers hope to help the reading habits of university students. It’s a valuable service to the students, said Dennis Dunn of The Anniston Star. It enhances college life by allowing students to read what is going on in the world around them.

Penn State and Michigan State are also participating in a similar program, says Dunn. The program at JSU is called the Pilot Program. The goal of free distribution is to reach the students. Many don’t really have access to papers and they need that, says Dunn. “If they don’t read, they’re not as informed.”

The papers are located in the lobby in a stand. When you are finished reading, recycling bins are located nearby for easy disposal.

The service might be continued next semester, according to Dunn. The Anniston Star will confer with JSU President Meehan and the Vice Presidents of JSU to determine if the need for the service still exists, and to determine if it has been a valuable asset to the students. The administration is very excited, says Dunn.

Surveys will be sent out Dec. 2 and Dec. 3 to see if the distribution has been effective and to see if the students have been reading more. The papers will not be distributed during Thanksgiving.

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‘Firebugs’ light up the stage

By Kevin Cole
Features Editor

The stage heats up tonight as the JSU drama department presents Max Frisch’s “Firebugs.” This may be a simple story on the surface but the underlying message is like a call to arms.

The setting of the play involves pyromaniacs conning their way into people’s homes all over town and setting them on fire. The play centers on one particular case, that of Mr. Gottlieb Biedermann. The play is set in the home of this hair-tastic magnate who “desires complacency, status quo, being entertained all the time, above anything else, above facing reality,” said Susan McCain, Firebugs director. “And in doing so, of course not only does his house end up going up in flames, everybody else’s house goes up in flames.”

Biedermann, played by Michael Wald, is duped into letting these crazed men into his home.

Mr. Schmitz, played by James Lett, is an ex-wrestler who is over-bearing and dominates not only conversation but the dinner table as well. Willie, Schmitz’s partner, played by JustinYoung, is a waiter and they became friends while in prison.

The two crazed men prey off Mr. Biedermann’s false sense of security. Their interaction is comical although their intentions are quite.

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Reserve tickets now for Madrigal dinner

By Candra O’Neil
JSU News Bureau

Jacksonville State University’s Music department will host its seventh annual Renaissance Madrigal Dinner on Thursday and Friday, Dec. 2 & 3, at 7 p.m. in Leone Cole Auditorium.

Each evening will feature the JSU Chamber Singers, a cappella Choir as well as other minstrels of the court. Musical and variety entertainment will accent each course of the Renaissance feast. The Madrigal Dinner will consist of a seven-course meal.

The menu is as follows:

- Fruit display with bread and butter, vegetable soup
- Cornish game hen, wild rice, green beans, wassail, coffee
- Apple Brown Betty with whipped topping. Both evenings will begin with wassail followed by a seven-course feast.

The cost of the festivity is $25 per person (tax included); this includes the full seven course meal and an evening of entertainment.

Scholarship seats are preferred seating, and are available for $50 per person. (Twenty-five dollars is a tax deductible scholarship contribution to the JSU Choirs). Please send names for group requests together, as seating will be assigned as the orders are received. An early reservation is recommended to secure your table at the festival. If you have any questions, call Lady Corbin, the Choir director, at 782-5544.
The Town

editorial: Teachers are sick of it

By Kevin Cole

This past Friday, Birmingham teachers and employees staged a sick-out in response to Superintendent Johnny Brown’s pay raise of almost $30,000 a year. Nearly 600 employees called in sick, leaving schools highly understaffed. Monday, proved even worse, as 1,264 of the 2,100 teachers skipped work and the teacher’s work stoppage in Birmingham has begun. All I can say is, it’s about time.

Teachers have been getting the short end of the payroll stick for decades, and states like Alabama turn a deaf ear. Perhaps administrators and superintendents should take over teaching for a couple of weeks. Then they might feel their salary was well earned.

Superintendent Brown accuses the teachers of using the students as pawns in an adult game. Although on the other hand teachers have been modestly quite for a long time because of their pay and central office. It could very well be that Brown is trying to pull a guilt trip on the teachers in order to resolve this situation.

Monday, the Alabama Education Association encouraged employees not to return to work. Mayor Bernard Kincaid was able to bring the two opposing sides into a face-to-face meeting. AEA official Paul Hubbert feels that Brown will have to rescind his contract for the strike to end. The Birmingham School Board President, Larry Coleman, was quoted as saying “We’re going to stand firm behind our superintendent.”

The stand-off looks to be a long process, but maybe it will stir some emotion to better our educational system.

Some students out of 3,800 were absent on Monday as well. Many of the remaining students were kept in gyms because of lack of personnel. I grew up in a family of teachers. I know how little teachers get paid and how much they have to contend with. Through it all, the majority of teachers have humbly said they are not in it for the money. They go to work each day teaching our nation’s children, and accepting this great responsibility with little monetary reward. The biggest reward they receive is watching the children they have taught do something great with their lives.

There has also been some debate about the quality of teachers in this state. Whose fault is that? When you pay people meagre salaries for a job this difficult, your pool of teachers may be a little shallow. And when other states are offering more pay, better facilities and fewer headaches, it is hard to keep good teachers.

Teaching is a noble profession. But I’m not above saying there are some bad teachers out there. If you up the salary, you’re able to be more selective on who teaches in the classroom. Like any profession, the higher the salary, the stiffer the competition. The result is better professionals.

Education in this state is a hot topic. Everyone has his or her own solution. The real problem is, no one is picking a solution. Let’s make up our minds and do something. If one isn’t working, try another until we get it right. People have to be willing to sacrifice a little for the good of our children. The lottery was shot down, fine. Pick another solution and fast. Stop debating the lottery and try something else.

The problem in Birmingham is possibly one of many to come. Perhaps if parents are stuck watching their children and are unable to work, they would quickly agree on a solution. One thing’s for sure—raising the salaries of administrators and superintendents almost $20,000 isn’t the answer.

Tuesday night, on the late breaking news, Superintendent Brown asked the school board to rescind his contract. The board will reevaluate the contract in 60 to 90 days. This move by Brown has pacified the teachers but it is only a temporary solution to an ongoing problem.

Why is teaching one of the lowest paying professions? If this society can justify paying a professional athlete $6.5 million dollars, certainly we can afford a pay hike for those who nurture our children. Maybe schools should get corporate sponsors. The Budweiser school for the gifted or perhaps GAP Kids Elementary School. Teachers could get agents and battle over signing bonuses. “Hey did you hear Mrs. Jones got traded to Boston for Mr. Smith and a substitute to be named later?” We could even have scouts. “Mr. Little has a mean class average, and could possibly read 40 books this year.” That analogy may sound a bit ludicrous, but you wouldn’t feel bad about firing them if they weren’t performing. If you get paid that much, you better do your job well, or you could get sent to the minors.

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Thank You,
The Editorial Staff
They say, “All is fair in love and war.” Whatever happened to the honor, the chivalry, the respect, or whatever the hell that characteristic was that kept us from fully exercising the previous statement? Was it ever present in any of us?

I pray I’ve served my karmic sentence for the hate-crimes and wrongs I’ve committed while in love, and for once, for this period of unaccompanied, unadulterated manliness in which I now find myself. I don’t feel as though I’ve screwed up or that I’m being punished for what I’ve done. I don’t feel as though I need to be in a relationship or that I’m in a relationship that I don’t need to be in. I just contentedly sit around, with my bottle of Jim Beam, and witness all the happy kissers and lovely quarrelers. I’m simply watching the players play this relationship game that we’ve all played before. I just hope it’s easier to figure out the rules from the bench.

Okay, the first play of the game: Pop fly phone call to mid-left field. Center fielder is closing in. What’s this? The left fielder’s running away. He’s climbing into the stands. He’s asking for popcorn. He’s yelling to his teammate, “Don’t catch that phone call! Let it drop! I’m not here!”

The whole team is on their feet, “Don’t catch that damn phone call! You backstabbin’ center fielder! Don’t swat it away with information; just move away from the phone.”

The announcer’s final analysis of this particular play was that the left fielder shouldn’t have trusted anyone on his team, regardless of age, marital status, or eating habits.

Second play:

Pitcher’s on the mound. Beautiful batter standing over the plate. 95 miles an hour-WOAH! he’s bringin’ some heat and she likes it. Second pitch floats over the plate. He wants to give her a pitch to hit and she wants to hit it.

What’s this? The third baseman is calling time out? He’s walking toward home? He’s asking the batter for her phone number? I can’t believe this Jim! I mean, this is amazing. It was obvious that the pitcher was interested. He was really shootin’ some bullets there. Look at that cocky third baseman, walking back to the dugout, number in hand, singing, “I wish I had the pitcher’s girl.”

You know Jim, it wouldn’t have been so bad if the third baseman didn’t already have three girls, or if that pitcher wasn’t such a nice admirable guy. I can’t believe the ump didn’t say anything. The manager didn’t say anything about Rick Springfield over there in the hot corner calling time out. I guess we’ll just have to wait for the commissioner to levy a fine.

While I was asked to complain about the previous two plays, this upcoming gripe is all mine. Here’s the scenario:

A “red rover, red rover, please come over” player has been traded to your team. You two are in a relationship. You’ve been going out for about a year, or so. You know her. She knows you. Together, you know each other’s likes and dislikes. You know that many of the reasons that you two get along so well are your similar sensess of humor, similar interests, and perhaps, similar things that piss each other, or lead both to jealousy. So don’t ever come up to your MVP and say, “Today, while I was making copies, Jack leaned over the Xerox machine and, uninvited-ly, tried to kiss me. I told him I had a boyfriend.” Or, “Today, Rick, that guy in my undergraduate stacking class who drives that pink Pinto, tried to get me to join in a menage-a-trois with him and his girlfriend.” Why tell me these things? Do you want me to get jealous? Am I supposed to grab my Don Mattingly Louisville Slugger and smash some balls into the upper decks?

Don’t tell me this. I have my trials and temptations to resist as well. I know that some guys are dogs that will lift their leg for anything, and I’ve heard many girls say, “Guys are like parking spots—all the good ones are taken and the ones that are left are handicap.”

“We want what we can’t have.” “The grass is always greener on the other side of the fence.” Members of both sexes have to put up with the same thing. So just be a good girlfriend or a good boyfriend and resist it, like you’ll have to do when you get married. Ew! the “M” word, which, in effect, is the end of this playful, tutorial baseball game of recess and the beginning of class.

Well, I’m gonna stop here. I’ve become a little long winded and this editorial has run into extra innings. Maybe, in a few weeks, I’ll complain about the illegal plays that occur in the lawless dating game. Feel free to join another article, which can be joined in-progress, or feel free to read one in its entirety.
Dear Editor,

I would like to take the time to let everyone at Jacksonville State University know about a phenomenal teacher we have here. Her name is Audria White and she is a math professor. Last semester I decided to take Intermediate Algebra before I took the big leap into College Algebra.

Math has never been a subject I enjoyed and was definitely one I dreaded. I entered the classroom terrified of what the semester held in store for me. From the very first lesson that Mrs. White taught, I felt more confident in math than I had ever imagined. She always convinced her students that they could do the work and that they shouldn’t be scared of any problems that they faced. By the end of the semester I actually enjoyed doing math and conquered College Algebra during summer courses. I entered the classroom terrified of what the semester held in store for me. From the very first lesson that Mrs. White taught, I felt more confident in math than I had ever imagined. She always convinced her students that they could do the work and that they shouldn’t be scared of any problems that they faced. By the end of the semester I actually enjoyed doing math and conquered College Algebra during summer courses. I was thrilled when I found out that Mrs. White would also be teaching the next math class I was required to take, Basic Concepts of Math for Elementary Teachers. I knew that I would thoroughly enjoy having Mrs. White as my teacher once again, but I was not expecting what was to come during this class.

The semester started off well, and I began to look forward to the class. About halfway through the semester I found out about an upcoming doctor’s appointment I was having. I have Muscular Dystrophy, a disease that weakens the muscles, for which there is no cure.

With the help of my best friend, we found a doctor at UAB who specializes in Muscular Dystrophy. I had high hopes of hearing about some new types of research that might be able to make me stronger. I decided that I would tell Mrs. White about my appointment and ask for her prayers. She began praying for me the moment I told her and continued to have an optimistic attitude about the appointment as the days drew closer.

She wished me good luck for my appointment the day before I was supposed to go. That night she even called my dorm room to tell me that she was thinking of me and wished me good luck. I couldn’t have asked for more than her thoughts and prayers, but she didn’t stop there. On the day of the appointment I sat anxiously filling out the paperwork and waiting for them to call my name. That’s when I heard it, “Well, look who it is!”

I looked up, only to see the smile of my wonderful math teacher who had taken a personal day and had come to be by my side at the doctor. I told her that there was no way to thank her enough for coming and she humbly told me that it wasn’t necessary.

She was sitting there when I came out and she stayed until she knew exactly what was yet to come. I still haven’t found a way to thank her enough. My family was extremely touched by her kindness and now think of her as I do, she’s more than my favorite teacher here at JSU, she’s my friend. She’s an angel and a blessing in my life and I just wanted everyone to know it.

So thank you, Mrs. White, for your extraordinary teaching skills and for your unconditional support. I am sure that heaven is running over with your rewards.

Sincerely,
Nia Cox
from page 5. Firebugs

Eventually, not only do they find shelter and food under Biedermann’s roof, they also con him out of the match in which to burn it down.

The character Biedermann, which means every man, is a symbol of our society’s complacency. The play centers on this underlying theme of man’s complacency and our inability to evoke change, or a defense, in the face of danger.

The play is written to be applicable to any situation in which man’s blindness causes great suffering and destruction. Frisch may refer to the late 30’s and early 40’s and attitude to the Holocaust and Hitler’s takeover, but with the dawning of a new millennium, the play is just as relevant.

“Max Frisch is a Swiss writer, who lived through two World Wars,” said McCain. “He saw what happens when people don’t fight back and were not ready.” In a recent quote by Frisch, McCain said he talked about the survival of the species and if we will ever have a millennium. If we don’t stand up and resist the powers of something like a Holocaust the species will not survive. “It’s really neat to work on a political play like this,” said McCain.

The cast also includes Mrs. Babette Biedermann, played by Chrysa Norred, who is leery of the two pyromaniacs. Mandy Carter plays Anna, the maid. Anna has the undesirable job of waiting on the two firebugs, who become quite demanding. The production also features Dalmian Cordle, who plays the Policeman, Paul Williams, who plays the professor and Amber Moody playing Mrs. Kneeling.

The play is also a spoof of a Greek chorus in which a group of actors loom on the outskirts and chant philosophies both verbally and in sign language.

The play will run from Nov. 18-22 in the Stone Center auditorium.

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Jay and Silent Bob are back, and if you’re a Kevin Smith fan that means something. Smith’s fourth dialog-saturated film was released last weekend (earlier releases include “Clerks,” “Mallrats” and “Chasing Amy”) but this time he had Jay and Silent Bob, two biblically foretold prophets joined with Bethany (Linda Fiorentino) on a holy crusade to stop two excommunicated angels (Matt Damon and Ben Affleck) from entering a church in New Jersey. If the pair got in, it would allow them to re-enter heaven and ultimately undo all creation by proving that the word of God is fallible.

Bethany is the last descendant of Christ, his great, great, great, etc., niece. It turns out Mary and Joseph had other children after the famous martyr was born. She is the only one that can keep the two angels from exploiting the loophole they’ve found. Sound funny?

How about throwing in Chris Rock as the thirteenth apostle, Rufus, who has been allowed to come back to earth and travel with the unlikely saviors, Alan Rickman (“Die Hard”, “Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves”) as an angel whose job it is to act as the voice of God and Salma Hayek, a muse who’s gone solo and developed writer’s block. And God? Well if you don’t know already, it’ll be a surprise.

Though a satire, the movie seems to carry a very heavy message at the end as Smith voices his views on organized religion. He expresses that it is better to have a casual idea that you can feel good about than a belief that you are shackled too for the rest of your existence.

Smith’s films are best viewed at home with a finger on the rewind button so you can review what is actually being said, but I’d recommend seeing this in the theater if you’re a fan of Smith, his films or great dialog scenes.

Grade: B
Happy birthday, grandma - 106 times

HASTINGS, Neb. - Unsure of what to get her grandmother for her 106th birthday, Christina Rude decided to send her 106 cards. Rude originally wanted them to be postmarked from different towns with “Mary” in their names for her grandmother, Mary Akers. But there didn’t seem to be enough towns to get the job done, so she decided to get postmarks from towns with unusual names like Noveltv, Mo., Miracle, Ky., Purchase, N.Y., and Best, Texas. She enlisted the help of family members to get the cards out in time so they would have the unusual or even odd postmarks. Most of the cards arrived in time for Akers’ birthday on Nov. 6.

$2 shave costs lottery winner $67,000

BEIRUT, Lebanon - It was a $67,000 shave, but Sami Shour still came out a winner. Shour, who was short of cash, traded a 50% share of his $3,30 lottery ticket for a shave in the city of Tyre, An-Nahar newspaper reported. When the ticket won $134,000 in last week’s draw, the construction worker split the prize with his barber, Abu Fares Tafa.

Cold War nostalgia in a can

LAKE WALES, Fla. - Chalet Suzanne Foods Inc. is selling water that was canned in 1962 in response to the Cuban missile crisis. The food company was commissioned to can the water at a time when some feared nuclear war was inevitable. The cans are being sold for $15 apiece to raise money for the Cold War Museum in Virginia. About 300 cases of the 4,000 original cases remain. “We’ve kept this in our plant for years,” said Eric Hinshaw, a co-owner of the company. “In the past, we let friends take it with them for camping trips.” The water, canned from a well by Hinshaw’s parents, was part of the official Nuclear Attack Survival Kit.

Using the remote becomes an artform

AUSTIN, Texas - Men who hibernate in their recliners during football season can claim a new name for themselves: artists. The day after Thanksgiving, when the University of Texas meets rival Texas A&M University, 100 men are expected to plop down on the city’s main downtown bridge as part of The Remote, which John Kelso, an Austin humor columnist, is calling a “male statement performance art piece.” On Nov. 26, Kelso is promising to have big-screen televisions positioned in the city newspaper’s parking lot near the bridge so men can watch their nearby comfy chairs.

Choir student stole money to pay tuition

PRINCETON, N.J. - A choir student stole money to pay his tuition bill but got caught when he returned to the scene of the crime, police said. Cameron R. Cahoon, 26, a graduate voice student at Westminster Choir College, wrote a $1,100 check for tuition even though he didn’t have enough money in his account, according to police. Later that day, he broke into the college bursar’s office and stole two money bags containing $331 in cash. When he tried in again to return the bags, a school employee spotted him and called police. Cahoon surrendered and returned all but $12, police said. Cahoon was charged with theft and burglary. He could face expulsion from the 500-student school.

Illinois breeds hog-calling celebrity

PRINCETVLLE, Ill. - Jeff Smith’s penchant for calling hogs has made him something of a celebrity. He already is the two-time defending champion as Illinois’ best hog-caller. But he also fit the bill when restaurant chain Hardie’s was looking for ways to market its new pork sandwich. His “Hooey-ey! Whoop! Whoop!” proved to be perfect for a commercial set on a farm, where a befuddled farmer’s pig call goes unanswered. The pigs are presumably hiding - or have already met their fate as sandwiches. Smith, who runs a 1,500-acre corn and soybean farm, hasn’t become rich from the spots but will receive royalties from the ads.

Postman caught in the nick of time

FORT PIERCE, Fla. - Mail was disappearing from the main post office in Stuart, and officials suspected an inside job. To catch the culprit, a U.S. postal inspector mailed a Carrier watch to a bogus address. But the watch also included an electronic transmitter so the package could be tracked. After the regular mail carrier returned it to the office, postal worker John Bruce Cooper allegedly took the parcel. Authorities said they later tracked the watch beacon to Cooper while he was in his car. Authorities say they found the watch and two credit cards that were not his. Cooper was charged with embezzlement of a first-class parcel.

Door thief arrested after six-week spree

CLEVELAND - For most burglars, doors are just obstacles to the goods. But for one thief, the doors are the goods. David Lee Johnson, 35, was arrested in connection with a six-week robbery spree in which 19 antique doors disappeared off homes. Johnson, who has been charged with burglary, possession of criminal tools and receiving stolen property, was arrested after a woman saw someone swipe a door from a home on her street. He was arrested a few miles away at a shop, where 16 of the stolen doors were found. Most of the doors, which have been returned to owners, are made of heavy oak, sculpted with elaborate designs and fitted with glass. They’re worth $500 to $2,000 each.

For the love of money

ST. PAUL, Minn. - Carly Stipe says whoever stole her artwork - a dress made of 48 $1 bills certainly demonstrated what she was trying to express. The 1950s-style dress, which is made of money and paper clips, is supposed to depict greed. It is part of an art show of 96 pieces called “Vice,” meant to explore the seven deadly sins. “Oh my god, my artwork came alive,” said Stipe. Gallery director Colleen Mullins said a couple of people asked if the dress was made of real money and seemed to be hanging around. The gallery reported the theft, though Mullins said the garment probably didn’t exist anymore.

One latte and a getaway car - to go

REDMOND, Wash. - Police say a bank robber was foiled when he hired a limousine to complete his crime. The 27-year-old man hired a limousine to take him to a branch of Bank of America, where he handed a teller a note demanding money. He made off with an undisclosed amount of cash, some of which he used to buy latte at a Starbucks in the same strip mall. Then he used a pay, phone to call for his getaway car - the limo. A mall customer called police, who made their arrest just as the limo pulled up. The driver confirmed he had driven the man to the shopping center and was returning to collect him.

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Pat Metheny
A Map of the World

By Adam Smith

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Eagles manhandle Gamecocks

By Erik Green
Sports Editor

For the 18 seniors on the JSU football team, the last home game of their careers was anything but a fond farewell, as Georgia Southern came into Paul Snow Stadium and trounced the Gamecocks 51-14.

Everyone knew Georgia Southern was good. Everyone knew Adrian Peterson was one of the best backs in the country, but no one seemed to really know how good the Eagles were.

For the onlookers at Paul Snow Stadium on Saturday, Georgia Southern’s sheer muscle came to the forefront in the form of sophomore running back Adrian Peterson. Peterson had 18 carries for 168 yards and one touchdown. Quarterback Greg Hill who had 17 carries for 95 yards and three touchdowns also sparked the GSU running game.

JSU’s passing game was the only thing that seemed to work at all for the boys in red and white. Reggie Stancil led the Gamecocks with 20 completions for 249 yards and two touchdowns. Yeaville Ware led all receivers with six catches for 108 yards. Receivers Lorenzo Banks and Cedric Allen caught the only two touchdown passes for the Gamecocks.

JSU won the opening coin toss and elected to receive the ball, rather than let the high-powered Eagle offense on the field first. GSU’s Scott Shelton booted the ball 65 yards, and into the endzone for a JSU touchback.

JSU’s first possession was short lived; after three plays the Gamecocks were forced to punt. Georgia Southern fielded the punt, and returned the ball to the JSU 47-yard line. Hill and Peterson would begin the offensive onslaught by doing what they do best: lining up and running over the competition. Four plays and 47-yards later GSU’s Hill ran into the endzone for the Eagles first touchdown. The extra point was good, and with 12:52 remaining in the opening quarter, GSU had a seven-point lead.

The next three drives were relatively uneventful, but Georgia Southern wouldn’t wait very long before scoring another touchdown.

With 23 seconds left in the first, GSU’s Hill made his way into the endzone, and after the extra point, the Eagles were ahead by 14. JSU bounced back on their opening drive of the second quarter. The Gamecocks moved the ball 80 yards, and JSU’s Allen would find the endzone on a 20-yard pass from Stancil. After the extra point by JSU’s Brad Hopkins, the Gamecocks trailed by seven.

The next GSU drive lasted seven seconds, and ended with a fumble by Hill in the endzone. Georgia Southern recovered and scored.

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Lady Gamecocks crunch the Armed Forces in overtime

Pre-season basketball is in full swing at JSU

Lady Gamecocks gear up for a heavy season

By Joel Lamp
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Behind Lisa Baswell’s 24 points, the Jacksonville State Lady Gamecocks held on to beat the Armed Forces Exhibition team in overtime, 86-77.

The Lady Gamecocks opened the game on an 8-2 run, with Baswell scoring four of those points. The Armed Forces team stormed back to cut the lead to one, 12-11, after a three pointer by Sharon Lyons.

From there the Lady Gamecocks closed the half on a 28-14 run. Tiara Eady came off the bench to score 10 points in the first half. Senior forward Heather Mayes ended the first half hitting a running jumper at the buzzer to give JSU a 40-25 lead at the half.

The Lady Gamecocks opened the second half extending their lead to 19 with just 13 minutes left in the game. But the Armed Forces team would never fade away. They went on an 11-2 run to cut the lead to ten after a made jump shot by Latetsia Scott.

The Lady Gamecocks had a nine-point lead with just under six and a half minutes left. The Armed Forces team then went on an 8-0 run to take the lead, 66-64 with just over three minutes remaining. Heather Mayes gave JSU the lead, 67-66, on a three-pointer, with just over two minutes left in the game. The lead would swap back and forth between both teams. Scott gave the Armed Forces team a 68-67 lead. But Shenea Whaley answered with a baseline jumper to give JSU a 69-68 lead.

After Sylvia Smith picked her fifth foul on a rebound, freshman Amanda Tyus sank both free throws, to give JSU a 71-68 lead with 32 seconds left. Sharon Lyons tied the game with a three pointer with 19 seconds left, and Whaley missed a running jumper in the lane at the buzzer to send the game into overtime.

In the overtime, JSU took control early and never relented. The Lady Gamecocks opened a six point with just over two minutes left. Lisa Baswell opened the period with a turnaround jumper to take the lead. But it was free throw shooting that iced the game. Of the Lady Gamecocks 15 points in overtime, seven came from the free throw line, with the Lady Gamecocks going seven-for-eight from the line in overtime.

Whaley chipped in with 19 points and five assists. Eady scored 15 points and nine rebounds off the bench, and Mayes added 12 to go along with four assists.

The Lady Gamecocks open the regular season Saturday as they travel to Auburn.
College bowl projections

By Stewart Mandel
CNN

How much can change in a week? Ah, how much space do we have to write?

When last we projected the 23 bowls, it appeared the ACC would have one more eligible team than bowl spots. Then N.C. State went out and lost to 1-8 North Carolina and Duke knocked off Wake Forest, and now the conference might fall one short.

Or what of the Penn State Nittany Lions, who were in line for a Rose Bowl spot before falling to Michigan? If PSU can rebound and hold of Michigan State next week, it would be one of several two-loss teams considered for a BCS at-large spot, but the Citrus (and a possible glory matchup with Alabama) or Outback are more plausible destinations for the once 9-0 squad.

On the other hand, parity is so great in college football this season that a team like Tennessee will still likely play in the Orange or Fiesta Bowls despite losing to Arkansas last week. The loser of next week’s Florida-Florida State game should fall out of national title consideration but not out of BCS contention.

On the other end of the spectrum, Hawaii’s WAC-title clinching stunner over Fresno State shook up Vegas, and in Mobile, Ala. (though the new bowl’s organizers would land the shootout to end all shootouts if it matched).

Finally, several teams look to stave off bowl elimination next weekend. Ohio State is out unless it beats Michigan Saturday. Same for Maryland against Virginia, N.C. State against East Carolina, and Notre Dame against Boston College. The following week it will be Pitt against West Virginia and Arizona-Arizona State (winner goes, loser doesn’t).
NOVEMBER IS NATIONAL ADOPTION MONTH

The Jacksonville State University School of Sociology and Social Work and the Calhoun County Department of Human Resources will host a “Calling Out” ceremony at 11:30 am on November 23, 1999, at the Anniston Meeting Center to celebrate National Adoption Month. Volunteers will read the first names of the approximately 140 children who are waiting for adoption in the state of Alabama. The ceremony will raise the public’s awareness of the need for adoptive families for children with special needs. The Jacksonville State University Gospel Choir will perform at the ceremony and light refreshments will be served. The public is invited to attend. There will be information available regarding adoption services and volunteer opportunities involving children.

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