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By Wendy Laminack Assistant News Editor

With the titles of Miss Jacksonville State University 1999 and Miss JSU Homecoming Queen 1999, Amanda Laughlin said her next big goal on her agenda would be to graduate from JSU in August 2000.

"My card is full," said Laughlin. "This is the end of the road."

Being Miss JSU has taught Laughlin many things about herself. She feels she "has the confidence in herself to achieve goals," and has learned to be a better public speaker.

Because Laughlin was the local winner, she was able to continue to the Miss Alabama Pageant. She feels she was able to learn even more about herself and about the things that mattered most to her in life.

"I learned that being the prettiest person or being the thinnest person or the most talented person in life is not something that is going to matter in the long run," said Laughlin. "I know that I can take the goals that I have, which is to graduate and have a family," she said, "and not worry about success in the other areas that are unimportant."

"I think I've learned that if I set my mind to anything, I can accomplish it.'

"At the end of the road, when I am old," said Laughlin, "I want to be remembered as a good Christian example and as a person who has influenced a lot of other lives." As far as being Miss JSU Homecoming 1999, "it was an honor to be nominated by my sorority two years in a row ... really it (winning) was a shock to me at

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hich controls calls on the campus.

By Anthony Hill Staff Writer

Busy signal after busy signal is what you might get on a daily basis if you try to dial off campus during the week, according to students and faculty here at JSU.

"I think that it is very disappointing when you are trying to reach friends and family that stay off campus and you simply can't, because the lines are saturated," said and expand the communications

Sonquez Williams, a JSU sophomore from Phoenix City, Ala.

Daily histogram reports show between the hours of 10 am and 11 pm the entire telephone system is completely busy. "You can bet that when the system is maxed-out, the next caller will receive a fast busy signal," said Evin Thompson, manager of telephone services.

The goals of the telephone service department are to maintain, improve

services rendered by the telephone system; to permit an easy exchange of ideas, information and data as necessary to meet administrative and academic challenges faced by the campus community, according to the departments' web site.

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"There are occasions when we are trying to complete business transactions during the day, between the hours of 8:00 and 4:30 and we are unable to complete these transactions because the phone lines are busy," said Raquel Bryant, administrative assistant of Multicultural Affairs.

"I really don't know what they are doing about the problem of communicating, but it should have been done a long time ago," said Donell Mitchell, a sophomore from Dallas, Tex. "If one can not dial out at night or whenever, then how are they supposed to deal with emergencies that could occur during the day; that is simply dangerous."

The telephone service department has a system upgrade scheduled to begin during the Thanksgiving holidays and is expected to be completed a week into December. "We are going to upgrade the switch, that's

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Guest speakers share their experiences and losses during Alcohol Awareness Week



igns a football card for Marcus Albright.

By Amy McElroy News Editor

While some came for an autograph or simply to catch a glimpse of the former Crimson Tide running back, many came for the message that he was about to share.

Speaking to more than 215 people who gathered on the 11th floor of the Houston Cole Library last Wednesday evening, Bobby Humphrey shared his trials and tribulations with alcohol and drugs, and how he was able to overcome them.

The former All-American running back from the University of Alabama and All-Pro running back



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Panama has reverted Panamanian control after the last wave of U.S. airmen pulled out on Monday. The closure of the air force base marked the end of a U.S. air presence in Panama that began in 1916. Panama will assume control of the Panama Canal on Dec. 31, when all U.S. forces will be gone. North Korea accused the U.S. and South Korea of a joint military exercise, which has increased aerial spying on the communist country. North Korea's foreign news outlet, KCNA, said that Washington and Seoul have mobilized more than 600 warplanes for assault drills over South Korea. Luis Alfredo Garavito has confessed to killing 140 children in Columbia, South America. If found guilty Garavito would be the worst serial-killer in Columbian history.

Five men have been charged with first-degree murder after they stormed the Armenian Parliament. The attack left the prime minister and seven others dead.

 Crash investigators of EgyptAir Flight 990 informed stunned relatives that intact bodies would not likely be retrieved from the shattered wreckage. 80 Egyptian officers were said to be on that plane. · Boeing has stopped delivery on four Boeing models because a cockpit part was made improperly and could burn too easily, according to a company spokesman. Delivery of 34 planes is being delayed while officials decide what to do.

· A trick-or-treater in Hesperia, Ca., was beaten repeatedly and stabbed after knocking on his neighbors door on Halloween. The 12 year-old was beaten so hard with a golf club that the club broke. The boy is in critical but stable condition.

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Campus Crime Docket is never, and will never edited unless an incident report involves a minor.

- Items in the Campus Crime Docket are obtained from incident and arrest reports at the JSU Police Department.
- JSU students have the right to view these public records.

 If any information is incorrect, please contact us at 782-5701 or call the JSU Police Department at 782-5050.

. 10-26-99: Kristen B. Wilson of Dallas, Ga., reported harassing

communications to JSUPD occurring at Sparkman Hall.

 10-28-99: Danny Wayne Brown of Jacksonville, Ala. was arrested on charges of resisting arrest and disorderly conduct by JSUPD occurring at Park Place II apartments.

· 10-31-99: Erick Kamangu of Jacksonville, Ala. reported trespassing to JSUPD occurring at Dixon Hall.

. 11-01-99: David R. Copeland of Jacksonville, Ala. reported theft of services to JSUPD occurring between 9-21-99 and 10-20-99

· 11-01-99: Sam Kirkland, of Guntersville, Ala. reported theft of property to JSUPD occurring at Martin Hall between 10-29-99 and 11-01-99



The sisters of Phi Mu had a great time in Gatlinburg this weekend. Thank you to all the seniors Beth Sellers, Misti Schreiner, Summer Bagwell, Aimee Hopkins, Patti Anne Townsend, Brandy Slimp for making this trip happen. Thank you to all the Phi Mu Ladies for making Phi Mu such an awesome chapter. Hope everyone has a wonderful week!

SGA brings game show, students could win big SSS

By Gina Rae Smith SGA Corespondent

This is.... Jeopardy! Well, not exactly. However, the SGA is bringing a similar quiz show to the JSU campus, giving students an opportunity to flex their cranial muscle.

Next Tuesday from 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m., teams of students will compete for cash and prizes at the food court in the TMB in a game show called Think Fast."

The structure of the competition will be based on team effort. Groups of students will form teams in order to take part in the event. All university organizations are encouraged to participate, including teams composed of JSU dorm residents.

This particular SGA event has been scheduled for midday, as opposed to the late afternoon and evening time slots often given to other SGA activities. "We wanted to give students who live off campus a chance to participate in our activities," said SGA second vice-president Donnell Humes. "We also wanted to try something new. A game show isn't something you'd typically think of as being an SGA activity."

Attendance at SGA-sponsored events has increased this year, a sign of growing interest among students to become more involved on campus. With a wide variety of activities spanning the course of both semesters, Humes believes this trend of increase will continue.

The SGA hopes "Think Fast" will be one of the most successful events this year. With a top prize of \$200 and an energetic, entertaining host, the food court promises to be full on Tuesday.

Clubs and Organizations Announcement

· Free HIV testing: Nursing Center Clinic. Tests done the last Friday of eac 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 JSU' website. For a complete handbook visit www.jsu.edu/depart/handbook/.

• Emotional Development Study: Have a child between eight-months and 30months-old? JSU's Center for Child Development needs you for a study on emotional development in infants. Call Sherri Restauri (492-0927, e-mail--st4472@sm.jsu.edu) or Jennifer Benefield (435-9997, e-mail--st2179@sm.jsu.edu).

• Academic Center for Excellence (ACE) Fall 1999 Workshops began with Time Management on Sept. 9. This is the first of many workshops throughout the semester. Please see the events calendar below for new times, locations and subjects. For more information, contact Pearl Williams at 782-5475.

• Need your Flu shot? The student health center will be giving Flu shots beginning Mon., Oct. 18. 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, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, please call Steve Loucks at 782-5708. • Applications are now available for membership in Order of Omega, the

National Greek Leadership Honor Society. Interested persons should have the

following qualifications: - Membership in a Greek-letter organization

- G.P.A. equal to or greater than the all-Greek average of 2.56
- At least 3rd or 4th year status at completion of Spring 1999

- Leadership in the Greek Community and Jacksonville State University

Applications are available in the Office of Student Activities and are due Wednesday, November 10th. Please contact Cara Dawn Byford, Assistant Director of Student Activities, at 782-5491 for more information.

· Who's Who applications are available in the Office of Student Activities. If you meet the eligibility requirements please pick up an application. The due date is Nov. 5:

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

• Applications for JSU Peer Counselor will be available in Room 201 of Bibb Graves. All applicants must have a 2.25 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@jsucc.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 782-5038. All Dauphin Island Sea Lab courses are listed in the Spring 2000 bulletin on page 29.

• The 13th Annual Phi Mu Alpha Southern Classic Marching Band Contest will be Saturday, Nov. 6. Preliminaries will begin at 11 a.m. and finals will begin at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

• The Chanticleer Staff encourages, or rather thrives, on reader feedback. If you have an opinion about anything, drop us a letter or e-mail. We are located in Room 180, Self Hall. Our e-mail address is isu chanticleer@hotmail.com.thanks.





from front, Amanda Laughlin

from front, Telephone

considered herself a very "popular" person, although she is very involved on campus.

"In high school, I was never nominated for homecoming court or anything like that," she said, "so it's kind of strange for me to be on that level in college, which seems to be on a bit of a higher level."

Currently, Laughlin is involved in many activities. She is still involved in her platform for Miss JSU, Breast Cancer Awareness, which includes appearances at schools and churches, and also local pageants in which Laughlin MC's or judges. Laughlin is the choreographer for JSU's Show Choir ENCORE!, the 1st Vice President for Zeta Tau Alpha (she is in charge of all the committees in ZTA) and was a Peer Counselor for the past summer.

Laughlin feels that God has been very gracious to her. "As many times as I rebel from what I feel like is Christ-like, He has been overly generous to me."

Laughlin has been at JSU for five years, four of which her tuition was paid for by a faculty scholarship. She received a scholarship for Miss JSU, which is paying for her fifth year. She has also received numerous other scholarships from show choir, Miss Alabama, Good Year, ZTA and others. "All of my family is healthy, we all love each other and I don't come

from a broken home," said Laughlin. "I feel that I have been very lucky." "In my life, I've gone through several things that I thought were going to make me happy or successful, or several things I thought were important to me," said Laughlin. "First I thought it was popularity or good grades, a successful career, a boyfriend...and people have different things in life that they think can make them happy," she said.

"I've found that in the end, the only thing that's going to matter, the only thing that's eternal, is having the right relationship with God," said Laughlin. "It's probably not the coolest thing now to do, but it's the only thing that's eternal and the only thing that's lasting and the only way that you can achieve salvation."

"Once you're right with God, He can order your life according to His will, which would make you happier than you would be if you tried to do it on your own strength anyway."

Laughlin is the 22-year-old daughter of Kenneth and Linda Laughlin of Glencoe, Ala. She has a brother, Drew, 18, who is also attending JSU. what actually operates the equipment and handles the calls going in and coming out," said Thompson.

During the repairs, software will get upgraded in the switch, then Bell South Telecommunications will cut over to the new system. "The system will contain an additional T-1, which will add about 24 channels," said Thompson.

Many students feel that the department should add call waiting to the system and others feel that the computer usage is a leading contributor to the problem and some feel that the entire problem is an example of poor planning by the university.

"First of all you need to understand that I am starting my third week in this position, so two and a half weeks ago I had no knowledge of this problem," said Thompson. "We are not satisfied at giving excuses, I am glad that I came in at a time when this upgrade were already set to take place, but I am glad that we are about to address it," said Thompson.

Famous cartoonist to speak at JSU

By Dave Sharp Editor

Kudzu comic strip creator, and Pulitzer Prize winning editorial cartoonist, Doug Marlette will be at Jacksonville State University to give the Ayers Lecture this year.

Marlette's editorial cartoons and comic strip can be found in newspapers all over the world.

"The Ayers Lecture Series, held every year, is specifically designed to bring in a nationally known journalist of some type to speak about the state of the art (journalism) as that person knows it," said JSU Ayers Chair of Broadcasting Lloyd Dobyns.

Marlette has won every major journalism award for his editorial cartoons including the famous Pulitzer Prize in 1998.

His work has appeared in Time, Newsweek, The New York Times and The Washington Post, and he has appeared on NBC's Today Show, CBS's Morning News, ABC's Good Morning America, ABC's Nightline, National Public

Radio's Morning Edition and Newshour With Jim Lehrer, according to a JSU Newsbureau article.

Marlette has also had some practice as an "Ivy-leaguer." "He is the only Harvard Nieman Fellow who is a cartoonist," said Dobyns. "Nieman Fellowships are handed out to the brightest newspaper people, the one's that are really up and coming."

Marlette will be speaking on the 11th floor of the Houston Cole Library on Wednesday, Nov. 10 at 2 p.m.

Dobyns expects the lecture to be very funny. "He's got a kinky sense of humor and you can never predict what he's going to say."

Doug Marlette

Pulitizer Prize-winning editorial cartoonist, *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* and *Newsday*, and creator of **Constitution** comic strip on the **JSU** campus for the Ayers Lecture series...



Wednesday, Nov. 10, 1999

11th Floor, Houston Cole Library, 2:00 p.m.



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for the Denver Broncos and Miami Dolphins was just one part of Alcohol Awareness Week sponsored by New Directions, Counseling Services and Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc.

Humphrey spoke of the drinking that occupied his college days and how it stood as the beginning of a domino effect for the drugs that were to come later. "That's all it is," Humphrey said, "one thing leads to another."

Starting out with beer, Humphrey soon began drinking gin. Smoking marijuana would soon follow and then cocaine.

"Marijuana is the gateway for every other drug," Humphrey said. "Once you try marijuana you're gone."

Humphrey credits being introduced to drugs to being in the wrong place at the wrong time. After trying it once, Humphrey said, it went from there.

Urging students to surround themselves with positive people he also spoke of the importance of setting goals and attaining them.

"A man once told me, 'A person who fails to plan, plans to fail."" Humphrey said.

Things began to turn around for Humphrey as he sat in jail in Columbus, Ga. After being arrested for possession of marijuana, cocaine and charged

with disorderly conduct, he began to look back at the mistakes he had made in his life.

"I thought about how I would go out and speak to kids and tell them what not to do, and here I was doing it," Humphrey said. It was here he made the commitment that things were going to change as soon as he walked out of that cell.

"Since that point, I haven't picked up a joint, I haven't seen any cocaine, I haven't drank beer or wine, and I haven't touched a cigarette," Humphrey said. "I have been clean since that day."

Bobby Humphrey wasn't the only guest speaker to visit JSU for Alcohol Awareness Week. On Thursday a small group was on hand at Houston Cole Library as two mothers spoke of the precious lives that were taken by drunk drivers.

Giving the statistics a name and face Glenda Richardson, stood beside the overhead projector while photographs of her husband and two young sons flashed before the audience.

The family was on their way out of town when they were hit head on by a drunk driver who had been celebrating his return from Vietnam. The driver had been drinking for two days without being sober.

Richardson, who was badly injured, woke five days after the accident to find she had lost her husband and both children.

"You cannot imagine the total devastation that you feel when your told that everything you care most about in life has been taken away from you." Richardson said. "That the children you were planing to see graduate from high school, choose a career, maybe go to college, or have grandchildren won't."

Like Richardson, Joyce Jones also brought photographs of the son she lost to a drunk driver. Jones' son, Marcus, was a 19 year-old college student at Tuskegee University. Marcus had come home for Classic Weekend, which was the weekend that rivals Alabama A&M and Alabama State would play.

Trying to keep her composure, Jones wiped away the tears as she spoke of the accident. As Marcus lay sleeping in the front seat of a Jeep Cherokee, a truck heading the wrong direction hit them head on going about 90 miles per hour.

After being called about the accident, Jones and her family rushed to Carraway Hospital to see Marcus. It wasn't long before they realized he wouldn't make it. An organ donor nurse approached them and said that there was no hope and wanted to know if they would consider donating Marcus' organs.

"If you don't have any children," Jones said,

"You don't know what it feels like for someone to ask you to donate your child's organs while they're still living." After considering what Marcus would want they agreed to donate everything but his eyes.

"I told them they couldn't take his eyes," Jones said. "He had to keep his eyes so he could play basketball with the angels."

"We're not telling you not to drink," Jones said.

"We are just asking that you don't drink and drive. I don't want your mother's having to go through what we have."

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 preention 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 New Directions at 782-5815 or find them in Room 146 of Daugette Hall.

JSU's Eminent Scholar finishes lectures on American democracy

By Dave Sharp

Editor

JSU's Eminent Scholar Dr. Glen Browder finished up his eight-part lecure series last night predicting the future of American Democracy.

Within the lecture series, Dr. Browder analyzed disturbing trends in American democracy, and what might be done about it. Dr. Browder claims his central message "is that America is changing in important and unsettling ways and that we have an obligation to our children and future generations to deal constructively with these changes."

Dr. Browder first posed his question: "Is America dying?," defined his conceptions of "America," "American democracy" and "dying" and then presented several propositions as the basis of his "dying" analysis.

He ended the series by discussing two alternative "what if" scenarios epresenting less radical notions regarding "How we can restore America" in the new millennium.

Dr. Browder's lecture transcripts are available on the JSU website at: www.jsu.edu/news/browder. Those who were in attendance at last night's lecture received a preview of the work Dr. Browder will be presenting Saturday, Nov. 6, to the annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association in Savannah, Ga.

Dr. Browder has said his series was not a "doom and gloom lecture eries." What he hoped to do is help students of JSU and the public gain an appreciation for America and American democracy and that the two still worked.





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The Bachelor The Bone Collector The Insider

On video new

Big Daddy Saving Private Ryan The Thin Red Line

CD releases

Mariah Carey-Rainbow

Counting Crows-This Desert Life

Foo Fighters-There Is Nothing Left to Lose

Rage Against the Machine-The Battle of Los Angeles

Ice Cube-War & Peace Vol. 2: The Peace Disc

Dr. Dre-Chronic 2001

Danzig-6:66 Satan's Child

Pet Shop Boys-Night Life

D.J. Spooky-Vs. Scanner

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Fiona Apple-When The Pawn... Pokemon-Soundtrack

The Artist Formerly Known As Prince-Rave Un2 the Joy Fantastic

End of Days-Soundtrack

Savage Garden-Affirmation

The World Is Not Enough-Soundtrack

Tonic-Sugar

The Doors-The Complete Studio Recordings and Essential Rarities

Toad the Wet Sprocket-P.S. (A Toad Retrospective)

Various Artists-My Christmas Album

Natalie Merchant-Under the Influence

Mike Ness-Under the Influences



<u>By Kevin Cole</u> Features Editor

A wonderful display of art from those who teach it, opened this week at the Hammond Hall Gallery.

The show contains current pieces from each member of the Art faculty. Most pieces reflect the courses they teach. Marvin Shaw has both three dimensional works, as well as intricate wood cut prints. "I put the wood pieces in because our students don't see enough 3D," said Shaw. "I like it as much as flat work. I escape from one to the other."

Carter Osterbind has displayed a series of oil paintings. "I'm taking an image and repeating it;" said Osterbind. "I can do one very realistic and that kind of angers it down. The other ones I can get as crazy as I want."

The show also contains; beautifully textured Watercolors by Gary Gee, amazing photography and mixed media pieces by Charles Groover. The show also displays intricate and colorful design pieces by Diana Cadwallander and mesmerizing vases and larger than life teapots.

If you enjoy art exhibits this show not only has talented artists but you can actually take a course from one of the these artists. The gallery is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m.



One in a series of woodcut prints by Marvin Shaw in this year's Faculty Art Show at Hammond Hall Gallery.

Ecstasy, not as euphoric as you think

By Christopher Lauer Assistant Features Editor

What happened to the good ol' days of sitting in the corner and drinking beer? Is the dancing, sweating and excessive water consumption all part of a health trend sweeping college campuses?

No, it's the drug-crazed side of the 90's dichotomous lifestyle, riddled with the number one designer drug-Ecstasy.

Rolls, tabs, X and ecstasy are all street names for the drug, MDMA (methylenedioxymethamphetamine). MDMA is a synthesized version of a nuerotoxin found in animals. It is a stimulant/hallucinogen combination that sells for around \$30.

Rumors surfaced over the summer of a shipment of 10 to 15 thousand tabs that hit Jacksonville. Any student who enjoys what little night life Jacksonville has can tell you that X is everywhere but if they are asked what exactly ecstasy is, no one knows. A few students' responses were similar: "I think it is made up of heroin, cocaine and just a bunch of different stuff."

"It's one of the most frightening [drugs]," said Dr. Stephen Taylor of the Alabama Psychiatric Services, the largest psychiatric outpatient service in Alabama, which is located in Huntsville.

MDMA acquired the name ecstasy due to the heighten sense of sexuality it produces in the user.

Ecstasy, like other stimulants, "directly stimulate the

pleasure center in the brain. They activate the same chemicals that are associated with our body normally when we feel good, happy, or experiencing pleasure," said Dr. Taylor. "They activate those same chemicals but they do it in a much more direct way and a very powerful way.

"So when you are doing that and also engaging in something pleasurable, you get a heightened sense of that pleasurable activity. So if it's dancing, if it's listening to music, if it's having sex, it greatly increases the euphoria that you get from it," said Dr. Taylor.

"The problem with that is, shortly after you get the intense euphoria, then you get the other effects of stimulants which are paranoia, hallucinations, thought disorder-all of the symptoms that are classic for schizophrenia. In fact, the very same chemicals that are in overabundance because of your brain's own pathology in schizophrenia are the exact same chemicals that are released in overabundance when you take drugs like cocaine, or any other stimulant, including ecstasy."

One of the problems with a drug in Jacksonville that heightens sexuality was addressed by Amy McElroy in the September 23 issue of The Chanticleer which included the cover story "Sleeping with the enemy of JSU;" an article that reported the alarming number of STD's on the JSU campus.

All sorts of substances have been passed off as

calendar Birmingham 11/04/99 Leo Kottke--Zydeco 11/06/99 Leftover Salmon-Five Points Music Hall 11/06/99 Third Day-Boutwell Auditorium 11/06/99 Agents of Good Roots & Leftover Salmon-Five Points Music Hall 11/06/99 Neckbones--Nick 11/08/99 Drain STH & Filter--Five Points Music Hall 11/08/99 North Mississippi Allstars & Hobex-The Nick 11/12/99 Percy Sledge--Municipal Center Atlanta 11/04/99 Los Lobos-Roxy Theatre 11/04/99 Michelle Malone-Smith's Olde Bar 11/05/99 Bolt Upright-Tabernacle 11/05/99 Kid Rock-Tabemacle 11/05/99 Leftover Salmon--Roxy Theatre 11/05/99 Leo Kottke--Variety Playhouse 11/05/99 Mick Taylor--Dark Horse 11/06/99 Seven Foot Politic-Echo Lounge 11/07/99 Average White Band-Culture Club 11/07/99 Me'Shell NdegeOcello-Fox Theatre 11/07/99 Sting-Fox Theatre 11/08/99 System of A Down & Limp Bizkit-Philips Arena

11/09/99 Beth Hart & Marie Wilson-Hard Rock Cafe 11/09/99 Danzig--Roxy Theatre

11/10/99 Chris Cornell-Tabernacle

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What effect do you think the soon to be released docudrama, "Y2K: The Movie," will have on our society?

I think the guys who are going to talk doom and gloom and the sky is falling, as far as Y2K is concerned, in a docudrama, are going to have a tough time selling it to the American people. Most of the stories that have been done, recently in the news, talk about the way people have adjusted to Y2K.

I think most Americans are of the belief that; we are going to transition from the 31 of Dec. 1999 to the first of Jan. 2000 in pretty decent shape. That in deed the sky will not fall.

I think the news media, to its credit, has gotten that story out. Of course we have yet to find out. A lot of horror stories are coming out over-seas about Y2K (concerning) flying over-seas. Airlines are cutting back on their flights. Not a whole bunch of people are going to be traveling during that Dec. 31 to Jan. 1 period. Some airlines are not going to be flying at all. So from that standpoint there could be a little cause for concern. But I think the over all premise, if it's that disaster is about to befail us all on the 31 of December, when the clock strikes twelve, I think that's going to be a real tough sell on the part of these people.

Jerry Chandler has been involved with three docudramas, one for CBS, ABC, and USA.

The OLDA **Editorial : Will NBC cause Y2Kaos**

Woe is me. Woe is me. The end is near. Banks will go belly-up, businesses will be ruined. There will be no more Barber's milk and Merita bread at the grocery store. I won't be able to sign on to AOL Instant Messenger and talk to my friend Heidi in Baltimore.

Yes, Y2K is upon us. Locusts and plagues will ravage the earth. Planes will fall out of the sky. People with pacemakers will drop dead. The world will come to a complete stand-still. However, is it all truth or fiction?

NBC will air their newest made-for-television venture, "Y2K: The Movie," on Nov. 21. The movie apparently will prey on the fears of all doomsdayers across the U.S. Y2K analysts are worried that the movie may make things worse than they actually are.

Do people really believe everything they hear, watch and read? Let's not forget a little ditty called "The War of the Worlds." If you're not familiar with it, Orson Welles concocted this piece of radio brilliance about martian invasion, and in the process caused a lot of people to soil themselves.

Of course the main difference between Welles' creation and "Y2K: The Movie" is Welles' broadcast was thought to be live. The movie is obviously taped. However, it would be easy for someone to get just as worked up.

Let's break down this scenario. Yes, Y2K is coming. We're already a little on edge about the whole thing. Is it really in NBC's

By Adam Smith



best interest to make a movie like this? While I can sit at home and watch it with my bag of popcorn and convince myself it's just a movie, some will watch with the clairvoyant belief that these are the things to come.

NBC is just not realizing the problems that could possibly come of this. We've been inundated with "The End is Near" and all of this "Y2K" garbage for the last year, and people are starting to believe it. I myself am trying to keep an open mind about this whole new millennium thing during the day, and I cry and shiver about it at night.

Another thing people have to consider is, so what if the end is near? What will it matter to you if the moon falls out of the sky on New Year's Eve and we all die from the common cold?

I say, so be it. The world has become such

a drag, ending it may not be the worst idea. I've become sick of the violence and no goodwill towards men actually. I say if God wants to pull the plug on New Year's Eve, that's grand.

Now that I'm off of my soapbox, I'll go back to my central point. There will be enough fear and apprehension of Y2K that NBC doesn't have to make it worse. Variety magazine reported that the film is "a disaster picture that imagines near-apocalyptic results." The New York times calls it "a movie for the chronically panic-stricken."

If NBC has any sense at all, they'll release a disclaimer saying that the movie is absolute fiction, and that they have no knowledge of future events. I myself am not worried about the movie. I'll probably get a kick out of it. It's the idiots who will believe it that scare the hell out of me.

I'll be honest. I'm sure I'll have a few cans of spam and tomato soup stashed somewhere between mounting bottles of water. I believe it's better to be safe than sorry. But I'm not going to withdraw all of my money out of my bank. But I'm realistic in the aspect that my few pennies aren't going to cause a nation-wide depression.

I also believe that if the government says that we're ok, we should be fine. Then again, I don't believe everything the government says, nor do I believe that NBC knows our fate.

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Thank You, The Editorial Staff



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Beef: Fish heads will roll for the fans of asinine editorials

From the title, some of you may be thinking I'm gonna bitch about those patchouli wearin' hippies that go to all those damn love-ins that they call concerts, and that I'm just so conservative and mis-in-formed that I spelled it wrong. But no. Even though them Spotted Owls are some damn good eatin' and all, as long as I, Christopher Lauer, have my Gun in my hand, them tree-huggers is fine with me.

Why would I waste my time, and your time, talkin' about a bunch a' long-haired, log-lovin' flower children, when I could be expressing my beliefs on an important social and political issue? Why waste the 5 minutes I have been given to reach thousands of people by discussing something as menial as the lottery, or a New York City art exhibit, when I could be starting conversations all over JSU on something that urks me to very center of my far right-wing core?

That's right-fish tanks. I'm here complaining about people who own fish tanks...especially the one's with fish.

I mean, it's all right to have 'ah' fish tank, just don't put fish in it. You'cn throw greazy rags in it, or hold used motor oil or dog kool-aid in it (anti-freeze). You'cn keep your favorite copies of *The Chanticleer* in it. Or better yet, donate the fish tank and *The Chanticleers* with a couple of matches to a few homeless bums on a street corner and maybe, just maybe, they can keep their jobless, schizophrenic (choose a politically correct slang term for 'buttocks') warm for a few hours.

There are many, many more ways to use a fish tank that are much more interesting than simply using it as a place to imprison fish. You'cn keep 'er in the carage and throw empty beer cans in 'er. Hell, when I was knee-high to a grasshopper, me and my brother decided we'd make a terrarium.

By Christopher Lauer



It turned out to be a torture-slash-death chamber for frogs. That's why I consider a terrarium a justified use of a fish tank.

It's just the act of takin' the tank in your house, and fillin 'er fulla water-now that really urinates on my snake skins. 'Cause that can mean only one thing, your gonna drop some mangly-ass fish off in there and start pullin' people into your home as if you've just added a new feature to your home entertainment system.

The fish swim. They frickin' swim, okay. And if I wanted to watch swimming, I'd flip to "Baywatch" and wait for someone to drown.

But swim is all they do. Occasionally, you may find a fish with a long noodle hanging from seemingly unknown origins. That's always interesting for all of three seconds, yet, repulsive for the rest of the day. You can't pet 'em. They don't bark. Let's face it, even if fish took a step up on the evolutionary ladder, they still wouldn't be worth a damn as pets. Not that I believe in evolution or anything, I just can't see anyone curled up in bed next to a purring amphibian anytime soon.

After visiting dope-fiends break the coma caused by your tank decorations, after the initial 30 minutes of excitement about owning a fish tank wears off, that damn tank just sits in the corner and gurgles, while the fish continuing dying and searching for a way out. If I wanted to watch a fish die, I'd hop on a tuna boat and harpoon those damn dolphins, or run over some whales or something.

You fish tank owners, with your little fish, are twisted individuals playing your own little perverted game of God. And I hate you. But before I go off to my room and pout, I wish a plague of Ick on all of you. Let you bottom feeders die and your aquariums become overrun with green slime. Let your fragile flowers float first, and then let the mediocre swim blindly through the green glass cesspool you have erected until they curse the memory of you and that crappy confetti food you used to throw at them. When the neighbors find your slimy corpse, let them flush the few goldfish that are left, 'cause you can't kill those damn carp no matter whatcha do.

After all the fish tank owners, and their little fish, have successfully been flushed, me and my militia friends will start an unabashed no-holdsbarred war on all pet stores, focusing on the fish sections, but if a few ferrets have to get it...oh well. Unfortunately, an occasional Great Dane may catch a few shards of glass, but that's only because it's difficult to control the blast from a fish tank bomb.

And just remember, until all the fish tank owners, with their little fish, are completely erased from the surface of this Earth, no one has the right to call me crazy.



•Forum•

Dear Editor,

People have different ways of dealing with stress. They deal with it through music, relaxing baths, through competitive sports, even seeking professional help. Some people, sadly, have no way of coping with stress. As I look back over my academic years, I see that I have had my fare share of it. Fortunately, I have been able to deal with it because of four little words: Patience, Prayer, Positive Thinking and Perseverance. Although I've had more than my fair share of rough times, applying these "Four P's" has helped me tremendously.

"...Good things come to those who wait..." We live in an instantmicrowave-TV dinner-56k modem I-want-it-give-it-to-me-now age where everything is geared toward fast service. However, not everything is caught up in this speed revolution. Some things just take time. This is where Patience comes in. I realize that I have to exercise patience and just plain wait on some things. For example, I am a typical student in that I never have much money. Although I want lots of money now, I know that realistically this is not going to happen until I get my degree and get established in my field and start saving and investing. Patience teaches me to look at the long run instead of here and now. ing up and I do not know which way to turn, I go to my knees and talk to my Maker. For some reason I cannot explain, I just feel better expressing my worries.

• The third "P" in my method is trying to look on the bright side of things, or Positive Thinking. I believe in the phrase "nothing is as bad as it seems." **Sometimes difficult** homework gets me down. I try to look on the bright side and say a month from now, this will be easy. Many times it is easy to let pessimism get in the way of our goals. However, no matter how dark your **hour** is, dawn is just around the corner.

"Ninety-nine and a half won't do." Even when things are going bad for you, keep on going. Sometimes if it's appropriate, I will develop tunnel vision. No matter what else is going on around me, or no matter whatever tries to block my path, I will try to Persevere. I keep my eyes locked on my goals. When other people back out, jump out, flip out, fall out, roll out, drop out, pass out and black out, I will not quit until I walk out with my degree.

Patience, Prayer, Positive Thinking and Perseverance are the "Four P's" that keep me on track. No matter how stressful a situation may seem I know things are more manageable when I apply this technique.

Lala Jabang

For me, nothing does it like Prayer. When the class assignments start pil-

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Dear Editor,

I allowed a week to go by and gave the Baptists all the room they need ed to say their peace on the editorial in which they were blamed for the lottery being voted down. Also in that edition was an article about the Hardee's star. I know it may not be as earth shattering as the lottery but would like to express my opinion as well.

Since when have you, Mr. Sharp, become the car fashion guru of the south? You say that the star only helps to show how redneck the south, and more importantly Alabama are. Well I for one have the star on top of my antenna and hardly consider myself as a redneck.

In fact the more stars I see the happier it makes me. My fiancee and I are in our first semester at JSU. Her father is the regional Vice-president of Hardee's and has worked very hard to turn that company around during its conversion process. Each time we see the star on someone's car we know that money has been spent at Hardee's. That money will eventually make it to her father which will then be passed on to her and in the end be spent at this university. So as you can see Jacksonville has a closer relationship with the star than you thought.

What ever happened to a person's freedom of speech? If the person wants to adorn their car with one star or a million stars, who are you to say if it is or is not fashionable? Maybe that person has enjoyed eating at Hardee's and would like to encourage others to eat there as well. Or maybe just maybe they think the star looks good on their car. Whatever reason maybe they have the right to put it on and not give two cents of monkey poo what vou think.

In the end you have just as much right not to have a star as those who choose to brighten their antenna with the Hardee's logo. They should not however be subject to ridicule from you because of it.

One last question Mr. Sharp. Exactly why did Hardee's fire you?

Jared Duncan

-Forum-

Dear Editor: My name is Amanda Hayes. I am the new president of the Foothills Chapter of the AEC here at Jacksonville State University. We saw the need for an environmental group to help improve awareness of the damages that have been done to our planet. To try to educate the public on the things that they can do to make this land one that we can be proud of. Now in our second year on campus we have plans to get recycling improved on campus and in the community. We are trying to make caring for the environment a little bit easier to do.

Our speaker at our last meeting on Oct. 19,1999 was Ron Smith, a Natural Resources Biologist working presently on Ft. McClellan. Mr. Smith did a timely presentation on the Gray Bat. This is a recovering endangered species, which utilizes Ft. McClellan as a feeding ground.

On October 22,1999, a movie titled "Bats" was released. We feel this movie does not show the real behaviors of the small mammal. What caused the malfunction of the bats is not in question. What is in question is the motive behind the movie. I have been told, "It's just a movie." We would like to remind those who agree with that statement to think about the movie "Jaws.'

When "Jaws" was released the number of Great White Sharks killed out of fear skyrocketed. A great number were killed due to the fear and paranoia the movie caused. It is the concern of the Foothills Group that this movie is bound to do the same thing. This is especially terrifying when you realize that a very large population of an Endangered bat lives right next door. We would not like to think about what could happen if the population as a whole took this movie seriously.

It is our goal to make the community and campus more environmentally aware and to try to make the world we live in a little bit more caring. We only have one world. If there were only one of an animal, we would call that endangered.

Again, we meet every third Tuesday of each month in Room C, Curtiss Hall at 4:15 p.m. We encourage students, and community citizens to join us in our quest for the preservation of our amazing planet. Our next meeting will be Nov. 16, 1999. Our speaker will be Sylvia Thompson. She is the Executive Director of the Animal Shelter. Ms. Thompson will be sharing a very special message about Animal Abuse and what we can do to help stop

For more information on the Foothills chapter please feel free to contact me at 782-0737 or contact Foothills vice president Sharon Cooper at 782 6956

For more information about preventing animal abuse, you may contact Ms. Thompson at the animal shelter at 236-1581. Amanda Hayes

•Forum•

Dear Editor,

In looking through your Oct. 21 issue, I noticed there was no "Letters to the Editor" column. Nevertheless, 1 am sending this letter in the hope that the column was merely left out of that issue for lack of contributions.

I was fascinated by the diatribe of Mr. Christopher Lauer in the Oct. 21 issue. It brings to mind several thoughts. First, omniscience must be a terrible burden. That is the only way that he could have gotten the information he purported to have in blaming one group for the defeat of the lottery. I voted in that election and nowhere on my ballot did it require, or even ask, my denominational preference.

Second, as a responsible editor, you need to get that young man some help. Anyone who is as angry as he is needs help badly. Obviously, he was angered by the fact that not everyone in the state of Alabama agreed with his infinite wisdom. But, he was so angry that it led him to defame the poll workers in a most ungentlemanly fashion. May I suggest that you refer him to the very excel lent counseling service at JSU?

Finally, no mention was made of the fact that almost every leading newspaper in the state of Alabama took a stand against the lottery. Perhaps it was professional courtesy not to point out that, in all probability, there were the major factor in the lottery's defeat.

I hope that subsequent comments on hot topics will ake a more reasonable, logical approach. It is appropriate that Mr. Lauer's column was labeled "Crier," for that is certainly what he was doing!

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Sincerely, Robert B. Ford, Jr.



Dear Editor.

I have to say I've followed the debate about the education-lottery issue with some interest. My father taught music at JSU. My mother taught high school in Jacksonville. I am now covering the goings-on of the school board in Highlands County, Florida.

It's a lot like home. Having a lottery has not solved all their needs. It hasn't hurt, but nothing ever fills a gap especially money.

Money has a way of creating a new gap, because as soon as you think money will solve the problem, you need ever higher piles of the stuff I am pleased to find that here, in a community much like the one I knewand in many ways different --- money is not the primary issue.

They don't have that much of it anyway. They have to be smart at putting it to its best use. No, what they have here is people, a highly diverse population, retirees who do not always lend a hand to help educate other people's children and a local newspaper man - not from my paper, thank goodness - who remains convinced that everything intended to keep order around here is part of a great conspiracy of corruption.

It isn't, but he likes to think so. Does any of this sound familiar? I hope so.

The truth is that every school district has to make sure its kids are getting the best education they can get, no matter how much money it has or doesn't have. Money doesn't teach people. People teach people to focus your attention on attracting people who cared about the subject and the kids, and you'll have good education.

that's what you have at JSU. The world may not know





Unfortunately the talented clean members of the band are having to suffer because of lead singer Scott Weiland's highly publicized drug problems. Unless you haven't heard, Weiland is currently serving out a one-year sentence in a California prison because of his battle with the needle and spoon. However, Weiland is in fine voice on the new CD and the rest of the band kicks and swaggers as good as they ever have.

To give you a brief history of the band, they emerged in 1992 with their multi-platinum debut, "Core." The album spawned such alternative classics as "Plush" and "Sex Type Thing." Their 1994 release, "Purple," was better featuring "Vaseline" and the terrific "Interstate Love Song."

Since we last heard from the STP boys on their 1996 release "Tiny Music," Scott Weiland released an ill-fated solo album, and Eric Kretz and brothers Dean and Scott DeLeo formed the equally illfated Talk Show with singer Dean Coutts. Both projects were flops and their rock and roll future hung in the balance.

Rock fans everywhere rejoiced when news of a new STP album was in the works. Thankfully, Brendan O'Brien, producer of "Purple" and "Tiny Music," was back manning the controls.

The album starts off with the explosive "Down," in which Weiland sings "pleased to meet you, nice to know me. What's the message? Will you show me." As usual, Weiland's lyrics have a simple, but effective appeal.

. The next two songs, "Heaven & Hot Rods" and "Pruno" have a similar enough sound to make you feel like you're listening to a mid-seventies Boston alburn. However, Zeppelin-esque riffs keep you interested enough.

The high point of the album comes with the fifth track, "Sour Girl." The song ranks with one of STP's best, with stellar acoustic rhythms by Dean mixed with delicately plucked electric lines. Weiland's vocals are almost breathtaking as he sings about his ex-wife.

Weiland comes clean (so to speak) on "I Got You." Our favorite druggie sings about his "craving for the good life that sees me through troubled times when my mind begins to wander to the spoon." It may be Weiland's most honest montent.

Overall, the CD is another great STP album. I don't think these guys are capable of making a bad CD. The playing is great throughout, and Weiland actually sings like he gives a damn. Our advice: If you're a true STP fan, this is a must-have. It doesn't serve as the best introduction to the band, but it's not bad. "Sour Girl" and "I Got You" are worth the price of admission alone.



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'American' finds hidden beauty, could be a major Oscar contender come Spring

By Dave Sharp Editor

An invitation to subtle perverseness is sure to hypnotize you in the tragic, dark comedy "American Beauty."

This silver screen debut of British theater director Sam Mendes takes a haunting look at what American suburbia has become at the end of the twentieth century while defining, to him, what is truly beautiful.

The Burnhams (Kevin Spacey and Annette Benning) are a middle-aged, middle-income, and a middle-of-the-road married couple who is fed up with the others cynicism cultivated after many years of marriage. But, they put on the facade that

ally on the verge of an emotional breakdown until she fanati-

cally adopts gunplay as a hobby and a way to blow off steam.

desperately withdrawing from her parents, as well as her dete-

riorating sense of life, and is perhaps the only real thing in the

family. Jane hates only one thing more than her perverted

Their daughter, Jane (Thora Birch), is the rebel in the family

they have a nice, normal life set in a suburb sporting the trendy cars and lower-white collar jobs so prevalent in America.

Father Burnham is stuck in his drone-like job barely making it from day to day without snapping when he learns his company is downsizing and he will be one of the first to go. He decides it's time to move on but not without blackmailing his company for about \$60K with some dirt he has on an executive.

Mother Burnham is a strongwilled, positive-about-life ice queen who sells real estate and literally goes to bed with the competition. She's not as strong as she looks and is actu-



friend.

Spacey leers at Mena Suvari in one of his many midfe-crisis fantasies about his daughter's best friend.

March.

Angela (Mena Suvari) is the stereotypical, teenage, manipulative prom queen willing to sleep with anyone to get ahead in her soon-to-be-modeling career and plays an important role in Jane's self-discovery. The most prolific acting comes from

father, drooling over anything with breasts she brings home,

and her fake mother, who actually carries two faces for the two

very different levels of confidence she has, and that's her best

Wes Bentley, who plays Jane's next-door-boyfriend Ricky who also likes to get her dad high. Ricky is ruled by his militant, ex-marine father whose charge has ruined his wife's mental state and any relationship he could ever hope to have with Ricky.

Mendes gives a harsh look at life and society while teaching us that we all need to "stop and smell the roses (a repeating symbol and theme in the movie)."

The mix of first rate performances from all the actors. Mendes' peculiar direction and his vision of what is truly beautiful in life makes for a sure nod from Oscar in the "big five" categories come

I'd recommend this movie anytime you get a chance to go and see it. Grade: A



from page 5, Ecstasy

Ecstasy, including pure amphetamines, methadone and mixtures of these two that include anything from worming pills to fish tank oxygenating tablets.

"That makes it, in my mind, even more dangerous because literally. you have no idea what you're getting," said Dr. Taylor. "If you did know what you were getting, and if you could say for sure that it was a pure stimulant/halucinagen combination, then you still have the dangers inherent with stimulant and halucinagens, which are many. You literally become psychotic. Your judgement goes completely out the window. You have a very good chance of fatal cardiac infarction."

Taylor agreed that Ecstasy usage was on the rise among high school

and college age kids. His explanation: "I don't think you hear enough of the numerous stories of the other people who are not as famous, don't have as much potential to be rich and famous, whom tried something, maybe not for the first time, maybe they did it several times and got away with it and therefore were lulled into a false sense of security about it and then one time had a bad trip or it finally affected there heart. even though it hadn't done it the previous 30 or 40 times they did it, and caused a fatal cardiac eurythmia.

"Those are the people you don't hear a whole lot about. And it's sort of like playing Russian roulette every weekend," said Dr. Taylor. "But if they're not the type of people who would do that then they ought to think seriously about doing

what they're doing when using these so-called designer drugs. They are dangerous in ways that medical science hasn't fully worked out yet."



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The Life of Business and the Business of Life

The title of a new biography written by JSU's Professor Jackson

By Amanda Voss Staff Writer

Professor Harvey H. Jackson writes for pleasure to cover a very important part of history.

Professor Jackson (the head of the Department of History and Foreign Languages) has just written a biography on Henry C. Goodrich.

The book, entitled Henry C. Goodrich: A Life of Business and the Business of Life, tells the story of this leading Southern business manager and his rise to become CEO of Inland Container Corporation in Indianapolis, Indiana.

"Goodrich's career is unique in that he was involved in sales, manufacturing, and energy," according to JSU newswire.

"I learned of Mr. Goodrich through a friend of mine who knew him and his family," said Professor Jackson. "Since his career covered so much of the economic and business history in the United States since World War II, studying him seemed a natural way to study a period in which I was interested."

"The book took about two years to research and write," said the author. "It was easier to research because Mr. Goodrich was alive and could be interviewed, and he kept extensive records that were made available to me." Professor Jackson also expressed his desire to write a bibliography

his desire to write a bibliography again, since his first book was a bibliography written about twenty years ago.

This book, released by Black Belt Press, will be available in most chain bookstores and is the first book written on this nationally leading businessman.



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 How many toes grace each of a guinea pig's hind feet?

What island country do the most cruise ships visit?

What body part becomes infected if you contract cholera?

What Bachman-Turner-Overdrive song title did Ronald Reagan often repeat?

 What base is a batter awarded if the ball gets stuck in the ivy in Wrigley Field?
What jungle-dwelling primates are most

likely to break bones falling out of trees?



Santa Fe honored with best Frito pie

SANTA FE, N.M. - Where did this piece of snack food cuisine come from, anyhow? For years, Santa Fe legend has held that Woolworth's restaurant worker Teresa Hernandez came up with Frito pies sometime in the 1960s, pouring leftover chili, meat, onions, tomatoes and beans over Fritos to boost sales. The Wall Street Journal carried a different tale - that Daisy Dean Doolin invented Frito pie in 1932 in her San Antonio home. John McCarty, a longtime Santa Fe resident and former Frito-Lay executive, said he hired a home economist who put together a cookbook of recipes, including Frito pie. There may be no clear-cut answer. But, the best Frito pie, according to the chip company, is clear: Santa Fe Frito pie.

Crab traps save man's life

TAMPA, Fla. - Overboard without a life jacket in the Gulf of Mexico, John Harris became innovative. Harris, 53, relied on flotation devices borrowed from crab traps to keep him above water while he awaited rescue. When Harris' nephew reported him missing, and a state officer spotted his boat with no one aboard, the Coast Guard launched a full-scale search. When a vessel rescued Harris later in the day, the improvisational buoys had kept him afloat for 30 hours. He was in good condition at Naples Community Hospital, a spokeswoman said.

Welding masks are Halloween fad

NORTH RIDGEVILLE, Ohio - Watch out for ghosts, goblins and those scary welders. The latest holiday hit in this Cleveland suburb is novelty welding masks, with helmets fashioned in the shape of devils, dogs, androids and more, all complete with dark visors. One welder, Jason Kuchta, eyed the hand-painted masks appreciatively, saying they were way too nice to wear on the job. The masks, made by a branch of Pro Plasti-Form of Gardena, Calif., weren't designed for Halloween per se, but the company doesn't seem to mind. "At \$59.95, you can do whatever you want with it," said Mary Sawyer, who handles the firm's sales.

Information-age trip up

WHITMIRE, S.C. - Planning to stick up the corner store? Make sure your pager isn't left behind in the process. Police say a woman with a gun took about \$150 from the K&W Video Store, but left a book bag behind with a pager inside. To solve the crime, deputies simply used telephone records to trace the pager to 19-year-old Ernest Jennings III, said a Newberry County sheriff's investigator. The pager led police to his home, where they spotted the getaway car. He and 22-year-old Kimberly McGowan were arrested and face conspiracy and armed robbery charges.

A 'mooving' experience

MOUNT VERNON, Wash. - "They had no taste. They were clean as a whistle," Mary Heath exclaimed after puckering up for the 6-week old Holstein calves, named Rise and Shine. The Washington Elementary School Principal fulfilled her end of the bargain after promising her students that if they reached their goal of 60% school participation in the student fund-raising drive, she would kiss a cow. The kids met their goal and raised \$11,000 by selling Christmas gift wrap and chocolates over two weeks. The money will go to theater and other student programs.

 Who plays a paleontologist on Friends? (Actor and character's full name)
8. What Asian animal's pelt can fetch

\$100,000 on the black market? 9. Who won the Hiesman Trophy in 1985 and baseball's All-Star game

MVP award in 1989? 10. What six-foot-four-inch creature did a Carolina preacher accuse of being a "New Age Demon" and "the Purple Messiah?"

11. What aging pop icon forgot the lyrics to "We Can Work it Out" on MTV Unplugged? 12. What U.S. president's birthday saw the last ringing of the Liberty bell, in 1846?

13. What catcher, asked during spring training what his hat size was, answered: "I don't

know I'm not in shape yet"? 14. What wedding anniversary is celebrated with a gift of platinum?

 What country banned the Bible, the Koran and the Talmud in 1926?

 What barrier took 1,700 years to build?
What original Saturday Night Live cast member banged drums for Steely Dan before they made it big?

18. What Governor was on hand at home plate to greet Hank Aaron when he broke Babe Ruth's home run record?

The kindness of a stranger

NORWALK, Ohio - Chris Kempf's first fishing trip to Lake Erie last month seemed like a disaster until he hooked some human kindness. About eight miles off of South Bass Island, the 26-year-old lost the leather wallet his wife, Jennifer, gave him on their wedding day. Then, earlier this month, an envelope arrived from Ontario. In an enclosed letter, retiree Andy Cincurak told Kempf he found the wallet near his cottage and had carefully dried out the contents, including Kempf's treasured family pictures and a cross Kempf's mother had given him. Cincurak said he was glad to return the wallet. Kempf said he wants to buy Cincurak dinner.

Pie baking contest spurs political romance

SPRINGFIELD, Ore. - Springfield Mayor Maureen Maine, 43, plans to get hitched to Lowell Mayor Warren Weathers, 52, after a whirlwind courtship that began with a pie-making contest. The two met last February but sparks didn't begin to fly until July, when Weathers challenged Maine to a pie-making contest at Lowell's annual Blackberry Jam. Weathers lost and treated Maine and some colleagues to dinner at the town's only restaurant. The wedding is set for Thanksgiving Day, but it will definitely not be at City Hall.

Poetry brings in big bucks

DENVER - Bill Collins knows a lot more about gearshifts and spokes than iambic pentameter and sonnets. The owner of the Bill Collins Bicycle Shop mistakenly received a \$2,000 check from the University of Colorado for a poetry reading and workshop. The payment was intended for Billy Collins the regional poet, not Bill Collins the bike mechanic. The mechanic couldn't believe someone could get paid that much to read poetry, but he made arrangements to send the \$2,000 check back to the university.

Bandit steals king of fat record

LEHIGHTON, Pa. - A portly (and growing) raccoon with a taste for snack food has waddled his way into the record books. The Guinness Book of Records last week named Bandit the world's heaviest raccoon, tipping the scales at 52.5 pounds. Since his last trip to the vet, he's gained another two pounds. Owner Pepper Klitsch said Bandit's favorite foods include potato chips, french fries, blueberry slurpies, Swiss cheese crackers, white cheddar cheese curls and Froot Loops cereal. Do we feel envy or disdain?

Man off hook for one-cent bill

EVANSVILLE, Ind. - Herman Wicker is off the hook for a recent emergency room bill, even after refusing to give one red cent to a collection agency to clear up the matter. The bill, which said the 85-year-old man owed a penny to a doctor at an Evansville hospital. Wicker said he was surprised about two months ago when he received a letter explaining the charge. He had not received a bill from the hospital or the doctor, he said. "I just couldn't believe it. I just couldn't believe it," Wicker said. Wicker telephoned the collection agency, pointed out the amount due was one cent and said he wasn't going to pay it. About 10 minutes later, the company called back to say an error had been found.

Llama victim of mistaken identity

GREAT FALLS, Mont. - What's the difference between a deer and a llama? Well, a 21-yearold hunter opened the state's big game season Sunday by mistakenly shooting a 300-pound llama on the Cascade Hutterite Colony near Fort Shaw. The man didn't realize what the hornless, long-necked, woolly animal was, until he was rejected by a meat processor. "There are no charges, and this guy is absolutely humiliated," Game Warden Steve Vinnedge said.







Gamecocks lose to conference leaders

By Erik Green Sports Editor

JSU's football team had bad luck against conference opponents this season, and on Saturday, as the Gamecocks went to Stephen F. Austin, they found themselves playing catch up, only to lose 33-16.

Stephen F. Austin is the number one team in the Southland Conference, mostly because they have played more conference games than Troy State. SFA is number one for another good reason: running back Isiah Stoker. Stoker stroked the Gamecocks with 35 carries for 304 yards, and three touchdowns. SFA had 322 yards rushing and 193 yards in the air.

The Gamecocks were held to 66 yards on the ground, and, as usual, JSU posted high numbers passing, with 224 yards on 18 completions.

The Gamecocks have been a notorious fourth quarter team this year, and against SFA, the first JSU points came in the last 12 minutes of play.

The First three-quarters were all SFA. For most of the first half, both defenses held strong, but with 1:52 remaining before intermission, SFA made their way to the 23-yard line and kicked a field goal. The Lumberjacks capitalized on their next possession, and with less than a minute left in the half, SFA's quarterback Wes Pate connected with receiver Jay Stegall from



Despite a valiant effort, the Gamecocks lost to another conference opponent on Saturday.

one yard out, to give the Lumberjacks a 10 point lead.

In the second half, SFA's Stoker went wild. SFA moved down the field in the opening 30 seconds of the half, and after two plays, Stoker ran into the endzone for the second Lumberjack touchdown. With less than 10 minutes to play in the third, Stoker broke free of Gamecock defenders, and raced unscathed 57 yards down the field for another SFA touchdown.

The game remained 24-0 until early in the fourth quarter, when Stoker took a three-yard run into the endzone, to put the Lumberjacks up by 30.

Without the benefit of a mercy rule, the Gamecocks pushed the ball down the field on their next possession, and JSU running back Mike Daies scored from 10 yards out to put the Gamecocks within 23.

On SFA's next possession, the Gamecocks stepped up and got a safety, closing the gap to 21. JSU took over after the safety, and moved the ball 52 yards on six plays to score another touchdown on the hand-off from Reggie Stancil to Rondy Rogers. With 5:23 left in the game, JSU trailed SFA 30-16. The light of hope for JSU was short lived, as SFA's Ted Woodard closed the book on the Gamecocks by nailing a 25yard field goal. The Lumberjacks would hold on to win by the final score of 33-16.

SFA, improved to 6-2 overall and 5-0 in the conference. JSU fell to 2-6 overall and 1-4 in the conference.

The Gamecocks will be on the road in yet another tiny tongue-twisting town next week as the travel to Natchitoches, La. to take on the Demons of Northwestern State. The last JSU home game will be Nov. 13 against Georgia Southern.

Lady Gamecocks kick out Cancer Tournament

By Joel Lamp Assistant Sports Editor Sports Information

Jacksonville State claimed the second annual Kick-Out Cancer Tournament by defeating Middle Tennessee State 3-0 on Sunday, and a scoreless tie against Georgia Southern on Friday

In the Georgia Southern match, goalkeeper Adrianna Finelli had brilliant game, facing 20 shots and making seven saves, three of which came in the two overtime periods.

Angela Tribble paced the Lady Gamecock offense, getting three shots. Allegra Pound had two shots to help the Lady Gamer's cause.

On Sunday the Lady Gamecock offense woke up. Tribble opened the scoring with a breakaway goal with just under six minutes left in the first half. Andrea Poole got the assist after setting her up with a pass over the defenders straight to Tribble.

With a 1-0 lead at the half, Meghan Barker gave the Lady Gamers a 2-0 lead just ten minutes into the second half. She fired a shot from the edge of the penalty box, and was set up by a pass from Poole.

With a 2-0 lead, Jennifer Weatherspoon put the match away with another breakaway goal. She was lead beautifully by Mary

Stephenson, who dropped the pass over the defender's heads, and Weatherspoon blasted it by the goal keeper.

For the regular season, the Lady Gamecocks went 11-3-5. They are the number four seed going into the Trans America Athletic Conference Tournament, which starts Friday.

Two years ago, the JSU women's soccer program made its first ever post-season appearance at the Trans America Athletic Conference Tournament. They lost to eventual champion Georgia State in the first round.

In the two years since, the Lady Gamecocks have improved vastly. Last season left a bitter taste in the Lady Gamecocks mouth as they did not make the conference tournament. This season, they finished fourth in the conference and face number five seed Florida Atlantic in the first round.

Jax State is looking to wash away that experience two years ago, and claim the third conference title for Jacksonville State since moving to Division I five years ago (Softball won the TAAC in 1995 and Men's Golf won in 1997).

First up for Jax State is Florida Atlantic. The Owls beat JSU in Jacksonville earlier in the season 2-1 in overtime. In that match,

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from page 13, Cancer Tournament

JSU scored a controversial goal that was overturned because of a delayed offsides call. With a chance to avenge that loss, the Lady Gamecocks have a good chance of defeating FAU.

The winner of that first round match advances to face number one seed Central Florida. JSU played Central Florida earlier in the season to scoreless tie, as goalkeeper Adrianna Finelli had nine saves. The tie to JSU is the only blemish on UCF's conference record, as they raced through the TAAC going 8-0-1.

If the Lady Gamecocks upset UCF, anything can happen in the finals as they could face Stetson, Jacksonville University, or Georgia State.

The Lady Gamecocks begin and end at goalkeeper. Finelli, a sophomore, who has set the school record for most shutouts, as she has held the opposition scoreless 11 times this season. She also has set the school record for most shutout, in career, as she has 13 so far. She is ranked 12th in the nation in goals against average, with a .625 GAA.

For the Lady Gamecocks to win, they will need solid play from their top players. Senior Andrea Poole has

Ashley Martin fights for possession for the er in JSU's Kick Out Cancer Tournament.

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led the Lady Gamecocks in scoring this season as she has eight goals and 24 points on the season. Freshmen Angela Tribble and Emily Hulburt have also come up big for the Lady Gamecocks. Tribble has seven goals and Hulburt has six goals to go along with her five assists.

If the Lady Gamecocks play as well as they have showed at times this season, this team has a shot at claiming the TAAC and advancing to the NCAA Tournament.

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The Southland in review

By Erik Green Sports Editor

The Southland Football conference has been labeled the "toughest conference" in NCAA division IAA, and for good reason.

Some of the best teams in the nation call the Southland Conference their home, from topranked Troy State to Stephen F. Austin, ranked number 20 in the Division IAA polls, to our very own JSU who had a stellar season last year. Every year, Southland teams stand out in Division IAA.

JSU has had their share of top quality athletes to compete in DIAA's Southland Football Conference. Current Gamecock receiver Joey Hamilton wrote his name in the conference record books this year. Last season, Montressa Kirby left JSU as one of the best quarterbacks in Southland history.

This year, other teams have brought players to the spotlight of DIAA. Troy State quarterback Brock Nutter is nearing the 2000-yard mark in passing yards, and has the second highest percentage in the Southland with 58.0. The leading passer in the Southland calls Sam Houston State his home. SHSU quarterback Chris Chaloupka leads the Southland in almost every category imaginable in regards to quarterbacks. Chaloupka has 2110 yards passing, and 16 touchdowns. He has a quarterback rating of 61.0. Chaloupka has given up 11 interceptions on the season.

In years past, McNeese State has been the

proverbial powerhouse of the Southland, but this year, the Cowboys have suffered their share of defeats. Cowboy quarterback Blake Prejean is still one of the best in the country. Prejean has thrown 170 passes this season, and has completed 94 of them, for 1168 yards and eight touchdowns.

Northwestern State boasts the best running back in the Southland in Tony Taylor. Taylor has 186 carries for 1029 yards, and 12 touchdowns.

Stephen F. Austin has two running backs who have legitimate claims to the second spot in the running back category. Karon Coleman, and Isiah Stoker are arguably the best position backs in the Southland Conference. Coleman has 89 carries for 765

> yards and 10 touchdowns, and teammate Stoker has 104 carries for 681 yards and five touchdowns. Sadly, a good bit of Stoker's yardage came against JSU this past Saturday.

JSU boasts some of the finest receivers in the Southland. Hamilton has 48 receptions for 625 yards, and five touchdowns. Cedric Allen has come into his own during this, his junior season, with 28 catches for 297 yards and three touchdowns. This season, JSU has had many tough battles to face. The loss of All-American Montressa Kirby was one of the biggest, but two quarterbacks with little game experience came in and got their feet wet, and in the process, the two-redshirt freshman racked up their share of numbers. Reggie Stancil has 99 completions for 1281 yards, and nine touchdowns. His counterpart, Tim Gallahan, has 49 completions, 582 yards, and four touchdowns.

If the experts are correct, Troy State will win the National Championship in DIAA. DIAA does something a little unusual to most people familiar with college football; they have a championship for the national title. Most people who watch college basketball know that the team on top after the regular season is not necessarily destined for the National Title. I think this year is the year of the Trojan, and Troy State will probably win it all, but be on the lookout for number two Tennessee State.

This year has brought forth an exciting season of Southland Football, and we must now wait for the championship to see if the Southland is really the "toughest conference" in DIAA.

Walter Payton dies at 45

From CNN

Walter Payton, the all-time leading rusher in NFL history and one of the most popular players ever, died Monday after a long battle with a rare liver ailment. He was 45.

Payton, whose nickname was "Sweetness," once said that he only wanted people to know that" he was always giving it his all." And for 13 seasons, no player gave more of himself to the NFL. Born in Columbia, Miss., on July 7, 1954, Payton was a first-round draft pick out of Division II Jackson State in 1975, It was hi task to help the legendary Chicago

Bears return to glory. For much of his early career, he got little help. Even if the Bears weren't always on the right path, Payton barreled straight ahead. Payton was a carefree spirit but a tenacious runner. Relying more on power and sheer will than

speed, it was Payton's philosophy to punish defenders before they could hurt him.

In 1976, Payton led the NFC in rushing, gaining nearly 1,400 yards. The next season, he ran for 1,852 yards, was named league MVP and helped the Bears make the playoffs for the first time in 14 years. That year Payton also ran for 275 yards in one game against the Minnesota Vikings, a single game record.

Payton led the NFC in rushing every year from 1976 to 1980 and became the league's highest paid player, and some said the most underpaid as well.

In 1982, "Sweetness" as he came to be known, finally started to get some help Mike Ditka took over as Bears coach and Jim McMahon was drafted to play quarterback. In 1984, the Bears won a division title and on October 7th, Payton stepped into football immortality by breaking Jim Brown's all-time rushing record. Payton finished his career with more than 16,700 yards, which remains an NFL record.

That season, the Bears were finally on the verge of the Super Bowl, but lost the NFC Championship game in San Francisco to the 49ers. Afterwards, a grieving

Payton profoundly said that, "Tomorrow is never promised to you." But the next season, "tomorrow" finally came.

ed The 1985 Chicago Bears were one of the greatest teams in NFL history. With McMahon at quarterback,

and Hall of Fame linebacker Mike Singletary and defensive lineman Dan Hampton leading defensive coach Buddy Ryan's fabled "46 defense," the Bears steamrolled through the rest of the league, losing just one game.

It was Payton who paced the team and after two playoff shutouts at frigid Soldier Field, "Sweetness" was finally Super bowl bound.

The Bears routed the New England Patriots 46-10 to take home Super Bowl XX. The only blemish was that Payton didn't score a touchdown. The Bears didn't become

a dynasty as expected, and Payton's NFL career ended after the 1987 season, when, in the final moments of a playoff game against the Washington Redskins, he fell one yard short of making a first down that would have kept a potential game-winning drive alive.

In 1993, Payton stepped into the Hall of Fame. As always, he did things differently, choosing to be inducted not by a coach or teammate, but by his own son.

Six years later, Jarrett Payton stood by his father's side again. It came during the most difficult public appearance of his life when he went before the media to talk about his life-threatening liver ailment. Despite being on a donor's list for a new liver, a replacement was never found.

Walter Payton played foothall with an enthusiasm and joy rarely seen. Not only was he one of the NFL's greatest players, he was also his team's most kindred spirit, one of Chicago's most beloved citizens and one of sports' true gentleman.

The game of football won't soon see another like Walter Payton. And all those who saw him, will forever miss him.

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above) JSU's mascot Cocky can't believe how much fun he was having at Fan Day, a day set aside to introduce JSU athletes and cheerleaders to heir fans.

below) JSU's GoGo Girls light up the court with a demonstration of their outine seen often at JSU Basketball games.





