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- · NATO forces on Monday detained the most senior suspect to be arrested for alleged war crimes in the former Yugoslavia, an aide to former Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic.
- A first of its kind gun control law, requiring built-in gun locks on all handguns sold after January 2003, is headed to Maryland's governor for his signature.
- In a stinging rebuke, a federal judge Monday ruled Microsoft Corp. violated the nation's antitrust laws by using its monopoly power in personal computer operating systems to competition.
- stifle "Microsoft's anticompetitive actions trammeled the competitive process through which the computer software industry generally stimulates innovation and conduces the optimum benefit of consumers," U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson wrote in a scathing, 50-page opinion released late Monday afternoon.
- Microsoft's competitors applauded a federal judge's ruling Monday that the Redmond, Wash.-based software giant violated antitrust laws by trying to monopolize the Web browser market.
- A U.S. government agency has identified a new virus that can erase hard drives and take control of a user's modem in order to dial a 911 emergency line. The National Infrastructure Protection Center warns that the virus may cause emergency authorities to check out many bogus 911 phone calls.

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priville State University's Athletic Director

By Erik Green Sports Editor

The search has come to an end. Jacksonville State University's President Bill Meehan announced last Friday his choice for JSU's third fulltime athletic director. Former Jacksonville University (Jacksonville, Fla.) Athletic Director Tom Seitz was chosen to fill the JSU AD position left vacant after Joe Davidson resigned in January.

"What I'm trying to do now is meet with all the head coaches and staff," Seitz said in an interview on Tuesday. "We're trying to have a period of assessment or evaluation to find out exactly where we stand."

His first step after accepting the position was to begin determining the needs and priorities of the athletic department as a whole. Seitz said.

"(We have) to develop a vision and a game plan for the program based on what our needs are, then we can move forward," Seitz said. "It's important to have everyone on the same page."

Seitz accepted the position at JSU after eight years at JU.

During his tenure at JU, Seitz played a part in improving athletic facilities and he doubled the number of athletic staff members and number of athletes participating in sports. Under his leadership, JU added seven new sports, including football. More teams participated in NCAA championships than any time in school history. He organized and formed the JU Athletic Foundation, which tripled athletic contributions to the university.

"Tom is the best AD we have ever had in the history of JU athletics, said JU trustee Tom Donahoo in a press release issued after Seitz's resignation. "More has been accomplished under his tenure than any other time."

" I had been at Jacksonville University for eight years and I was looking for a new challenge and opportunity" Seitz said. "I realized that although there are challenges here, that also creates an opportunity. I have always been in situations where we looked to build a direction or a program that can excel at a higher level. I think that opportunity

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ROTC students honored

North Carolina's safety reputation model for other colleges

By Daryl Lang and Erin R. Wengerd Knight-Ridder Tribune

A 1996 fraternity fire that killed five University of North Carolina students on graduation day also left a legacy of change in safety measures for student housing. New fire-prevention policies - including mandated sprinkler systems in fraternity houses - have given North Carolina a safety reputation that has become a model for other college campuses.

Pennsylvania's legislators and fire officials are investigating ways to lessen the financial impact of installing sprinkler systems in student residences, an issue brought to the forefront by recent fatal fires at New Jersey's Seton Hall University and at Bloomsburg University.

"Sprinklers are expensive, but what's the cost of a life?" asked David Felice, chief fire inspector for the Centre Region Code Administration.

Rep. Michael McGeehan, D-Philadelphia, said last week that he plans to propose legislation to put sprinklers in university residence halls. An early draft of the bill calls for a \$75 million loan program to help universities install sprinkler systems in all dorms within five years.

'We're cognizant of the fact that it will cost an enormous amount of money," McGeehan said, adding that the bill could grow in scope — perhaps to include off-campus housing like fraternities—as he gathers more

McGeehan plans to be at Penn State on April 3 for a presentation on fire safety sponsored by the Masons of Pennsylvania, Acacia Fraternity and the Interfraternity Council.

Locally, state Rep. Lynn Herman, R-Philipsburg, contacted McGeehan to express interest in co-signing the fire safety bill. Herman said he plans to meet with Centre Region fire officials this week to discuss steps to make student housing safer.

Though the Centre Region Code Administration encourages fraternities to install sprinkler systems, only nine of Penn State's 52 fraternity houses have them. "The chances of life loss in a structure that has sprinklers is significantly lower," said From the JSU News Bureau

Jacksonville State University's Reserve Officer's Senior Training Corps hosted its annual Spring Awards Ceremony on March 21, in Rowe Hall. The following students were honored for their military excellence. Seniors:

Curtis M. Armstrong-Department of the Army Superior Cadet Award, ROTC Honors, Battalion Commander's Academic Award, Cadet Battalion Commander's Award, Grady McBride Memorial Award, Scabbard and Blade MS4 of the Year. William T. Cambardella—AMVETS WWII Award, Jason B. Gay-Sergeant York Award, ROTC Honors and the Edward D. Pierce Memorial Award. David L. Godfrey-ROTC Honors and the Daughters of the American Revolution Award. Delyne V. Hatcher—ROTC Honors and the Reserve Officers Association Award. Courtney L. Hawkinsthe Bronze Athletic

Award and the VFW Award. Rosemary Holley-ROTC Honors, Bronze Athletic Award, American Legion Military Excellence Award and Daughters of the American Revolution Award. Kenneth M. Hollins-Ranger Challenge Team Member, Cadet Honors, ROTC Honors, Platinum Athletic, Battalion Commander's Athletic Award and the National Defense Industrial Association Award. Cona' M. Houze—Battalion Commander's Military Award, ROTC Honors and WAC Association Award. Victor R. Satterlund-Ranger Challenge Team Captain, Cadet Scholar, Platinum Athletic Battalion Commander's Athletic Award, George C. Marshall Award. Cadet Battalion Commander Award and the Dr. Earnest Stone Ranger Memorial Award. Christopher Schelb-ROTC Honors, American Legion

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Campus Crime

- The Campus Crime Docket is never, and will never be, 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.
- 3-21-00: Gregory Maddox, 20, of Piedmont, Ala., was arrested on charges of violating city ordinance 387 (unreasonable noise from a vehicle) by JSUPD occurring on Trustee Circle.
- 3-22-00: Angela Woodard, of Jacksonville, Ala., reported criminal mischief to JSUPD occurring at Fitzpatrick Hall between 3-19-00 & 3-21-00.
- 3-22-00: Lawrence Clinton Gillespie, of Jacksonville, Ala., reported criminal mischief to JSUPD occurring behind Rowan Hall.
- 3-22-00: Cornelius Lee Anderson, 25, of Harvest, Ala., was arrested on charges of disorderly conduct by JSUPD occurring at Fitzpatrick Hall.
- 3-22-00: Richard Scott Smith, 19, of Cummings, Ga., was arrested on charges of violating city ordinance 387 (unreasonable noise from a vehicle) by JSUPD occurring on Trustee Circle.
- 3-22-00: A JSU dormitory guard reported criminal trespass to JSUPD occurring at Dixon Hall.

Clubs And Organizations

Kappa Sigma

The brothers of Kappa Sigma hoped everyone had a fun and safe Spring Break. We are looking forward to our annual 'Back on the Farm' event- this weekend. The fraternity recently elected new officers. Congratulations to Larry Lombardo-President, Steven Turner-Vice-President, Brandon Maye-GMC, Drew Laughlin-Treasurer, Kurt Sopata-Secretary, Nick Couch-pledge educator and Derek Blagburn-pledge educator. If you would like to enter our current raffle for a brand new 27" RCA color TV please call 782-7530 or 782-7533. Tickets are \$1. Drawing for the winner will be on April 9. We are also looking forward to working at Talledega Speedway during the race this month. We hope everyone enjoys the final month of this semester. Study hard for upcoming finals.

Panhellenic Council

We hope everyone had a won-Break! Spring Congratulations to Sigma Nu on there 25th year at Jacksonville State University. Thank you to all the Panhellenic Executive Officers and the Panhellenic Delegates for attending the 2000 South Eastern Panhellenic Conference last week. At this SEPC 2000 our Panhellenic awarded Programming was Excellence in the areas of Education. Leadership Recruitment and Women's Issues. Thank you to all the Greeks who participated during Greek Week. It was a great success! Thanks to Alpha Xi Delta for hosting the all Greek Karaoke Mixer last night. We had a blast! Don't forget to support Phi Mu's Annual Little Miss JSU, Friday, April 7 at 6 p.m. in Leone Cole. Don't forget to attend the Recruitment Rules meeting on Thursday April 6 at 7 p.m.

in Leone Cole. The Spring Football Game will be on April 8, so please go and support the Gamecocks! Have a great week!

Phi Mu

We would like to welcome everyone back. We hope that everyone had a wonderful Spring Break. We would like to invite everyone to come out to our annual Little Miss JSU pageant on April 7 at Leon Cole Auditorium. All proceeds are donated to Children's Miracle Network. We want to thank everyone for the great time during Greek Week. Congratulations to ZTA for 1st place, Phi Mu for 2nd Place and Alpha Xi Delta for 3rd Place and Alpha Omicron Pi for the Spirit Award. Great job to all the fraternities that participated in Greek Week also! We hope that everyone has a wonderful week.

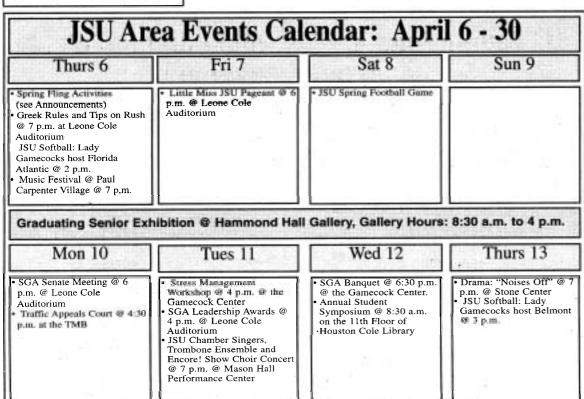
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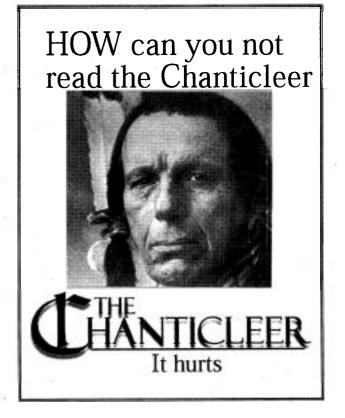
We would like to welcome all JSU students and faculty back. Awards this week...EC Member of the Week, Mary Cash, Strawberry, Emily Williams. Zeta wishes our softball team good luck this week! Also, don't forget about J-Day this Saturday at two. Please make plans to attend our 4-man scramble golf tournament this Sunday at 2 p.m. It will be held at Pine Hill. The entry fee is \$30, which includes 18 holes and cart rental. All proceeds go to our philanthropy: the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. We enjoyed the Karaoke mixer that Alpha Xi Delta sponsored this week. We also wish Phi Mu luck with their Little Miss JSU pageant. Congrats to Jamie Whatley and Wendy Laminack on their engagements. Also, Happy Birthday to Leslie Perkins, Amber Stillwell and Wendy Laminack!

Announcements

- Free HIV testing: Nursing Center Clinic. Tests done the last Friday of each month. Testing done by a representative of the Alabama Department of Public Health. For more information, call 782-5432.
- Domestic Violence Training Conference: Friday, April 7, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the JSU Gamecock Center. The cost is \$25. Limited seats are available. For more information, please contact Ted Embry at (256) 235-2558.
- Student Accounting Association will be providing income tax preparation assistance again this year. This assistance will be available from February 21 until April 15. They will be available on: Mondays and Wednesdays from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. The place is the lobby of Merrill Building.
- CCBA Student Chapters of SAM & SHRM are hosting the First Annual Etiquette Dinner and Awards Ceremony on April 10 at 6:00 at the Alumni House. All students, faculty and staff are welcome to attend. Speakers for the evening are Mrs. Connie Williams, JSU and Mr. Steve Sessions, General manager of Honeywell. Tickets are \$5.00 each and can be purchased by contacting Dr. Krauss at 782-5272. Limited seating available.
- Hammond Hall Gallery is hosting the Graduating Senior Exhibition. Gallery hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- · JSU's Student Government Association presents SPRING FLING! Thursday, April 6: Boxer Bots, 12-4 p.m., Quad. Beat out "end of the semester" stress by participating in a robotic boxing match; Friday, April 7: Little Miss JSU Pageant, Leone Cole Auditorium, 6 p.m.; Saturday, April 8: J-Day Football Game, Paul Snow Stadium, 2 p.m. For more information, contact the Office of Student Activities at 256-782-5491.
- The Annual Student Symposium will be held this year at 8:30 a.m. on the 11th Floor of Houston Cole Library.
- 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:

jsu_chanticleer@hotmail.com, thanks.





JSU students honored in ROTC Spring Awards ceremony

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Scholastic Award and the Gallant Pelham Award. Kelvin V. Simmons—Ranger Challenge Award.

Juniors:

Steven A. Armstrong—Color Guard Ribbon, Cadet Scholar and Retired Officer's Association. Alexandria Athanasakis—Color Guard Ribbon and Cadet Scholar. Michael C. Athanasakis—Ranger Challenge Team Member, Gold Team Athletic Award, AUSA Military History Award and the Outstanding Airbourne Cadet Award. Donnie R. Belser—Color Guard Ribbon and Scabbard and Blade MS3 of the Year. Michael P. Burns-Color Guard Ribbon. ROTC Honors, AFCEA Medal and Scabbard and Blade Cadet of the Year. Tal Chicako— Outstanding International Falrel—Cadet Scholar

L. Jerrett—Silver Athletic Award. LaShanda Mack—Color Guard Ribbon, Cadet Scholar, ROTC the Retired Officer's Association. Shane V. Miller-Color Guard Medal. Millicent Peyer-Color Guard Ribbon, DA Superior Cadet Medal, ROTC Honors, American Legion Military Award. Roy Quinn—Color Guard Ribbon, Cadet Honors and ROTC Honors. Christopher Roper— Color Guard Ribbon. Michael D. Simpson-Ranger Challenge

Team Member, ROTC Honors, Gold Athletic Award and Reserve Officer's Association Medal. Team Member, Gold Athletic Chanese M. Smith—Cadet Award, Military Order of the Scholar and Most Improved PT Purple Heart and the Best Ranger Award. Erika L. Taylor—Cadet Scholar, Bronze Athletic Award and the Don F. McMillan Memorial Award. Timothy J. Vanalstine—Color Guard Ribbon, ROTC Honors, 'AUSA Medal and Most Improved Grades Ribbon. Robert T. VanDine—Ranger Challenge Member. Battalion Commander's Military Award and the Silver Athletic Award. Stanley Williams—Color Guard Ribbon and the Cadet Scholar. Marquis A. Wilson-Ranger Challenge Team Member, Platinum Athletic Award and the American Legion Scholastic Award.

Sophomores:

Jeffery Buckner—Color Guard Student Award. Robert R. Ribbon, Reserve Officer's Association Award and ROTC and VFW ROTC Award. Gregory Honors. Randall J. Franks-Ranger Challenge Team Member, ROTC Honors and the Military Order of World Wars Medal. Honors, USAA Spirit Award and Joshua P. Hodgins-Ranger Challenge Team Alternate, ROTC Honors and the National Ribbon, ROTC Honors and Sojourners' Award. Christopher Military Order of World Wars A. Hopes-Ranger Challenge Team Member, ROTC Honors and the Silver Athletic Award. Paul J. Thiessen—DA Superior Silver Athletic Award and the Cadet Medal, Battalion Commander's Millitary Award, Cadet Scholar, ROTC Honors, Color Guard Ribbon, Cadet Scholar, ROTC Honors and the Color Guard Ribbon. Jeffery G. Young-ROTC Honors and the



Students honored by JSU's ROTC in ceremony

Society of the War of 1812 Hayden—ROTC Medal.

Freshman:

Nathan Applebaum-Cadet Scholar, ROTC Honors and the Military Order of World Medal. Thomas

Honors. Jennifer G. Jones---Cadet Honors, ROTC Honors and the Sons of the American Revolution Color Guard Ribbon and Bronze Award.

Compression Cadet:

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JSU's Athletic Director seat filled, optimism held by Seitz

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exists here...I think we can have something special here."

The mission of the university, accomplishments, but to move on

"We're proud of the past history here," Seitz said. "Now we really need to focus on the future and bring this program to a Division I level and be successful at that

Possibilities are limitless for JSU, according to Seitz, and his goal is to remain optimistic about the future of Gamecock athletics.

"The glass can be either half empty or half full," Seitz said. "I look at it from being half full and we're going to try and make it

One of his biggest goals, Seitz said, is to get students involved in athletic events.

"Support the program and come to the games," Seitz said. "That's the biggest thing. We will make sure students are aware of the activities on campus and try to get it where coming to the games is the thing to do."

"I think the thing we have going for us is we're a Division I program, we're a state school, but we're not so big where you're going to become a number in a classroom, "Seitz said. "You're attention here and still be able to compete at the top level."

The first major decision Seitz Seitz said, is to remember past has to make is hiring JSU's new basketball coach.

> "That's one of the things on the front burner," Seitz said. "I've been really pleased with the response, as far as the interest from applicants. I think that's a credit to what Mark Turgeon had done and also what the potential is here. We're trying to move as quickly as the system allows to get somebody on board, obviously the sooner the better. We're trying to move as quickly as possible in filling that spot."

Before his time at JU. Seitz was the Executive Director of the Palm Beach County Sports Authority, Inc. He also worked at Rollins College as Associate Athletic Director. He was an assistant basketball coach at Oglethorpe University, his alma mater, and served as an assistant at Baptist College at Charleston.

Seitz received a degree in Business Administration from Oglethorpe in 1980, before receiving a Masters in Business Administration from the Citadel

Seitz is married and has two children. His daughter Taylor is 10 and his son Brad is seven. .

North Carolina leader in fire safety, colleges take heed

Shawn Kauffman, a fire inspector for Centre Region Code Administration and assistant chief of the Alpha Fire Company.

In the state Senate, lawmakers passed a resolution this month to study the feasibility of installing sprinkler systems in high-rise buildings, including college dorms. The U.S. Senate is considering at least two bills concerning college fire safety. One, the College Fire Prevention Act, proposes \$500 million in grants over five years to install sprinklers in

Another bill, the Fire Safe Dorm Act of 2000, would require colleges to produce statistics about the number of dorm fires, similar to the way they are presently required to report crimes. None of these programs are as intense as the efforts at UNC-Chapel Hill, however. There, the town council required all Chapel Hill fraternities to have sprinkler systems by August 2001; half of them already do.

The University of North Carolina

earmarked \$38 million for fire safety improvements on campus, including sprinklers, according to their Web site. The state gave \$1 million. In addition, health and safety officials at the university train someone at each fraternity and sorority house to serve as fire marshal. As an extra bonus, the Office of Greek Affairs awards fraternities \$100 if they pass safety inspections with no violations.

Walt Wisedlang, Centre Region fire marshal; said he hopes to see similar improvements in State College. "I think there's a wave starting here," Wise said. "Hopefully we can make

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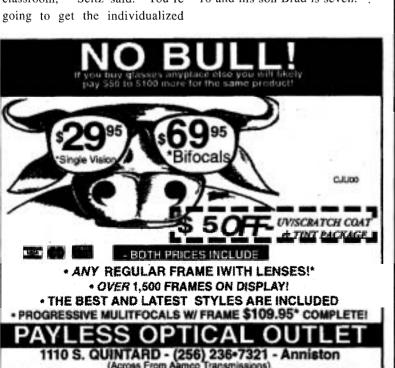
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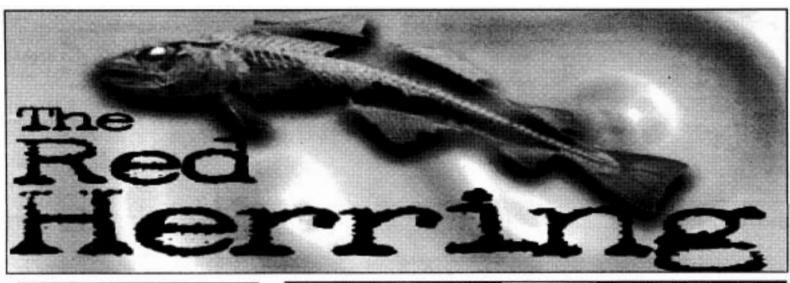
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Senior Show 2000



The annual senior art show opened last Tuesday. The exhibit features artwork from seven graduating students.

This years show features work from:

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Adrianne Martin David Parker Nate Penland

BFA Graphic Design

Row Bowden Shay Mayo

BA Photography Jill Brothers

BFA Painting

Jamie Pickle

The artwork ranges from CD jackets, book covers, package design, Web design, photography and paintine

The show is a required exhibit from graduating seniors. It allows

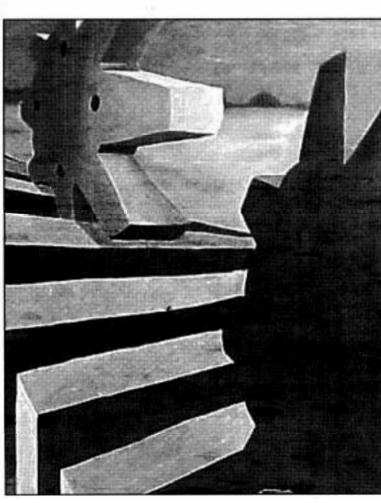
viewers to see the talent JSU students possess in their field.

Some of the students are unclear as to what the future holds for them but they have dreams. "I plan to work in the web design field," said Roy Bowden. "I plan on owning my own studio and do wedding photography," said Jill Brothers.

Others were a little more general. "I just want a job," said Jamie Pickle. "By the way all my artwork is for sale."

Still some have a higher calling, "I am going into seminary," said Nate Penland who plans on attending Southwestern, in Fort Worth. "I'll go wherever God leads me," said Adrianne Martin.

If you are interested in seeing some of the talent here at JSU stop by the Hammond Hall Gallery, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and catch a glimpse of some graduating artists before they're gone.





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4/11/00 Eels & Fiona Apple--

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4/7/00 Joan Baez--Variety Playhouse
4/9/00 Eve, Juvenile, L.O.X., Drag-On, Lil' Wayne & DMX--Philips
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4/13/00 Mindless Self Indulgence, Staind & KORN--Philips Arena



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Sides of the Brain

Joseph Arthur-Come to Where I'm

Magnified-Stand in Traffic

Editorial

Separation of Church and State: Where do we draw the line?

By Christopher Lauer

This past spring break, eight JSU students from the Chi Alpha Organization (Church of Christ) went to the Whiteriver Indian Reservation in Arizona. The intention of this trip, according to participating missionary Shon Cornett in an interview with *The Chanticleer*, was to "go door to door spreading the gospel" and "to teach children about the gospel of Jesus." The 'mission' trip was partially funded by Jacksonville STATE University's Student Government Association.

Upon learning this, my questions and concerns quickly mounted:

- 1. Those poor Native Americanshaven't they suffered enough at the hands of the overbearing, religious white man? Can't those missionaries stand to let Apache and Hopi Indians keep what is left of their original spirituality? Maybe the Apache and Hopi should be teaching the Christians about love, respect and honesty.
- 2. Spread the gospel of Jesus Christ? Yeah, just in case they've never heard of Jesus way out there in Arizona.
- 3. What is the SGA of a State funded institution doing allocating money to a religious group? Is this legal? What is, or whatever happened to, 'the separation of Church and State?'

It was concern #3 that interested me the most, because it was closer, something tangible, something I could effect and something that effected me. So like any curious person searching for answers in this New Age of Enlightenment, I surfed the net.

I came across a Supreme Court ruling that was made, oddly enough, on March 22 of this year. The Supreme Court upheld the University of Wisconsin's studentfee system that was being used to finance campus groups engaging in political speech deemed objectionable by fellow students. Some of the groups receiving funds from the Student Government Association of the University of Wisconsin were the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Center and the International Socialist Organization.

The Supreme Court upheld the right of the University of Wisconsin to continue funding these controversial groups as long as the SGA and the university

remained "viewpoint neutral" and as long as the groups engaged in political and ideological expression

Now back to JSU. Was the SGA "viewpoint neutral" in their decision to help finance this mission trip? Would they just have quickly given money to eight atheists picketing outside Judge Roy Moore's courthouse? Besides that, the money given to the SGA by the university should be used, as I understand, to benefit the students of JSU, the university and the community of Jacksonville. So besides helping to finance a fun-filled spring break getaway for 8 JSU students, what did that money do for the rest of the students? What did the money do for the university? What did the money do for the community? Did the money even help to convert the Christian godless Apache and Hopi Indians? Is spreading the gospel a burden to be carried by Jacksonville State University?

Every answer I found just gave birth to more questions. Every Supreme Court document I filed through had to be deciphered with dictionary-in-hand. Finally, with deadlines closing in and weight restrictions holding me to brevity, I realized I wouldn't be able to answer all these questions on my own, nor was it up to me to answer them.







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Marah

Kids in Philly

If for no other reason than gall alone, Marah must be admired. On their second outing, this Pennsylvania four-piece sets their sights on the most tricky projects a rock band can attempt: the concept album. It's an idea that has consistently yielded mixed results: the Kinks and the Who managed to pull off some amazingly convoluted musical narratives that were surprisingly impressive, while thousands of progressive-rock bands of the late seventies drowned beneath the weight of their own pretense.

But Marah is a different breed entirely. Both iconoclastic and deeply reverent, they mine the veins of a deeply American music while refusing to bow to any of its expectations. On "Kids in Philly," leader Dave lay down over one another, Bielanko shoots his hometown through the same microscope that Ray Davies did Muswell Hillbillies. Bielanko's Philadelphia is cluttered with dead end streets and dead end jobs, barstool prophets and hopeless losers.

Perhaps it's a homecoming for

Marah. Taking their name from the Biblical city (literally meaning 'bitter'), the group-banjoist Dave and brother Serge Bielanko on guitar, drummer Ronnie Vance and Danny Metz on bass-released their debut album on the Mississippi-based Black Dog Records, and subsequently embraced a rural, twangy edge. It's a long way from Philadelphia, Miss., to Philadelphia, Pa.

Musically, Marah sounds like mass chaos: the songs, swollen with more instruments than could comfortably fit in a studio, are linked by snippets of conversation, rattling remnants of tunes that refuse to end politely. Dave Bielanko strums a tinny banjo and narrates with a drunken, gravelly rasp. Guitars while the drums pound like construction equipment. A horn section bubbles up now and again, and a chorus of singers squawk and whoop seemingly for the hell of it. It's a ramshackle orchestra that threatens to fall apart at any minute.

And amidst all this is some

music. devastating Bielanko's wordy, rhythmic lyrics take on the voices of bigots and drunkards and bus passengers and haunted war vets. Like Tom Waits, he namechecks characters he hasn't previously introduced-his songs are crowded with people he assumes we know. And we do know them: he pins names on the faceless crimes that flash across the evening news in "It's Only Money Tyrone;" he adopts the persona of a redneck 'Catfisherman" under the city's highway bridges, he's the hopeless dreamer who scats his tattered emotions on the scenery of the city in "My Heart is the Bums on the Street."

Elsewhere his influences are trickier—the opening "Faraway You" is a raucous, stomping march that echoes Philly's traditional Mummer parades. "Round Eye Blues" is likely the album's By Graham Smith

finest moment: set to a droning banjo chord and a loopy, spacious drum rap, it unfolds like a fever dream. Images and sounds of the Vietnam War are conjured up by the Motown Philly soul that plays in the narrator's head: "I was shakin' like Little Richard, and I was sweatin' like old James Brown." And it's not funny at all. The song's far-off familiarity morphs into the doowop of 'Be My Baby' before giving up in exhaustion.

"Kids in Philly" is a riotous mess, as crude and ragged as the city itself. It's a home, though. "I don't care to see a new horizon," Bielanko pines from behind the wheel of a car he's never driven. He adds with reluctance "...or to watch an old horizon disappear." Is it worth escaping?

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Bitter, indeed.

Attention

Last week's edition of The Chanticleer (March 23, 2000; Volume 48, Issue 24) featured our Annual April Fool's spread, "They Cantbeclear," meant to bring an element of humor and fun to the students of Jacksonville State University.

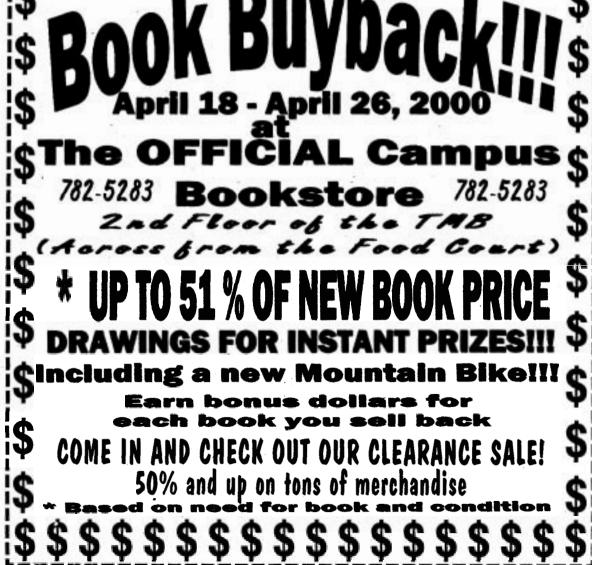
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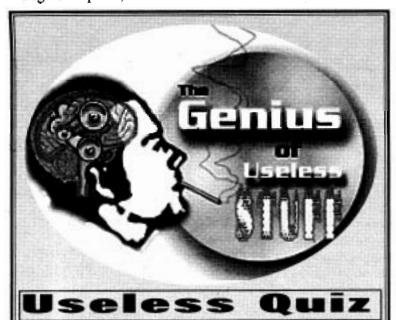
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Dave Sharp Editor







- penned the lyrics to "Mack the Knife" and "Alabama Song"?
- 2. What direction does the west wind blow?
- 3. What did speed skater Kriten Talbot donate to her ailing brother a month before the 1994 Olympics?
- 4. What country provides Cuba with most of its new cars and computers in exchange for sugar? 5. What nation bid adieu to the
- United Kingdom in 1921?
- 6. What are the two main constitutes of Bronze?
- 7. Who coined the Maxwell House slogan "good to the last drop"?
- 8. Who were the first people to blow their noses into paper tis-

- 1. What German playwright 9. What country did the U.S. secretly invade in 1970?
 - 10. What animals, when first brought to America in 1634, were raised mainly for their hides?
 - 11. What crime fighter said the reason he never married was "because God had made a woman like Eleanor Roosevelt"?
 - 12. Who brought Frank Gorshin's TV role to the screen in "Batman Forever"?
 - 13. What does "MI" stand for in the spy business?
 - 14. What was the only TV show of the 1980s to put its theme song atop the "Billboard's Hot 100"?
 - 15. What basketball team was the first in major league sports to be named for an insect?



Woman sentenced in strange viola saga

CHICAGO - A woman who stole a rare Italian viola from a junk dealer, conspired to have him murdered and later married him, has been sentenced to two years in federal prison. Wednesday's sentence ended a strange saga that went awry when Quintella Benson and her co-conspirator hired an undercover FBI agent masquerading as a professional killer to bump off Boisie Watson. Benson, 35, admitted stealing a 274-year-old Dom Nicolo Amati viola that Watson had bought at a flea market and giving it to Robert Heiss, who took it to a dealer for appraisal. The dealer recognized it as property of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and called police. Benson and Watson have since reconciled and are now married.

Punishment by country music

ALEXANDRIA, La. - Henry Nelson Jr., 20, and Jon Driggers, 26, pleaded guilty to violating Rapides Parish's ordinance prohibiting "loud and offensive noise" by playing loud music in their cars. They were fined, given a suspended jail sentence and

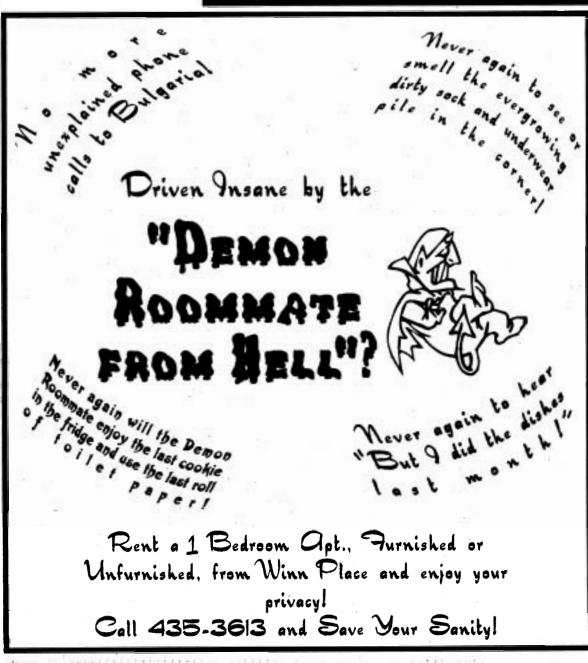
three-hour "music appreciation" session. "I thought if they had to listen to stuff they hate, it would teach them to respect other people's rights," state District Judge Tom Yeager said. So he made them listen to country music, which they said they hated.

Firefighters have to cut their manes

ORLANDO, Fla. - The city's 27 female firefighters are criticizing an order to cut their hair, saying it

probation - and ordered to attend a harkens back to the days when women were not welcome in the fire department. Fire Chief Charlie Walker, who took office in November, issued the order, saying he was enforcing existing policy and would not allow firefighters to merely pin their hair up. The head of the city's labor relations bureau said the rules that female firefighters' hair cannot extend more than 4 inches below the collar and men's hair cannot extend below the collar - were made for appearance and safety reasons.







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Lady Gamecocks roll past Stetson, page 10

Gamecocks struggle during Spring Break

By Erik Green Sports Editor

After a big win against Alabama A&M on March 22, the JSU baseball team lost both games of a series with Troy State and went 1-of-3 with Campbell during Spring Break.

In the first game against Troy on the 24th, the Gamecocks had five errors and allowed nine runs in their 9-5 loss to the Trojans.

JSU's Jason Nunn started things off by scoring the Gamecocks first run in the first inning. The Gamecocks held the single run lead until the third inning when TSU's Brandon Holmes scored on a single by Casey Smith.

The Gamecocks regained the lead in the bottom half of the third inning, and added an additional pair of runs. Troy mounted a comeback in the fifth inning and tied the game at 3-3.

In the sixth inning, things began to come unglued for the Gamecocks. Two of the five Gamecock errors came in the sixth and TSU took advantage of them. The Trojans added three more runs before the JSU defenders could end the charge. Troy got their final three runs in the eighth inning.

Mike Helms, Joel Stapleton, and Andy Keith led the Gamecocks with a pair of hits each.

JSU pitcher Bill White was the losing pitcher, his first loss of the season.

In game two of the three-game series, former Pleasant Valley High School standout Cale Wright pitched a complete game shutout for the Trojans. The Trojans scored their eight runs in the last four innings of the game, one in the fifth inning, two in the sixth inning and five runs in the seventh inning.

JSU's Joey Shiflett was the losing pitcher for the Gamecocks.

In game three, the Trojans started strong by scoring three runs in the second inning, but the Gamecocks countered in the bottom half of the third inning, tying the game at 3-3.

TSU came back and scored two runs in the fourth inning and one in the sixth to clinch the third Trojan victory of the weekend.

After the series with Troy, the Gamecocks traveled to Sewell-Thomas Stadium on the campus of the University of Alabama and defeated the Crimson Tide 8-5. Jason Moser led the Gamecocks with three hits and one RBI in the win. JSU's Brandon

Culp was the winning pitcher.

Following the win against Alabama, the Gamecocks hosted Campbell in a double header last Friday night.

Shiflett was the winning pitcher in the first game of the series, striking out 10 batters and giving up only four hits. The Gamecocks edged the Camels 4-2,

The Gamecocks scored their first two runs in the second inning on a Brandon Stripling double. The final two Gamecock runs came in the third and fifth innings. The Gamecock defense held Campbell scoreless until the ninth inning. Both of the Camels' runs came during their last at bat.

In game two, the Camels bounced back and beat the Gamecocks 7-1. Jeff Huff and Jeff Davis each had a pair of hits for the Camels in the win. Campbell's Corey Byrd allowed only one hit and struck out five JSU batsmen. JSU's White received his second loss of the season. JSU's Helms had two of the Gamecocks three hits in the game.

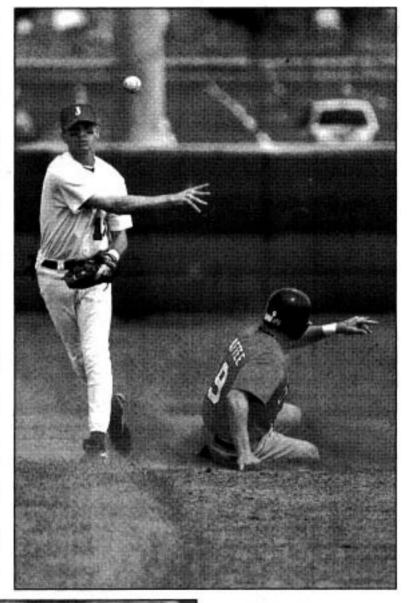
On Saturday, the Gamecocks lost game three of the three game series with the Camels 6-4.

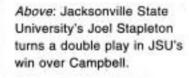
Five of the six runs scored by Campbell were unearned and were the result of five JSU errors.

The Gamecocks held on until the eighth inning when Campbell scored two runs to break the 4-4 tie.

The Gamecocks fell to 19-16 overall and 2-7 in the Trans America Athletic Conference.

The Gamecocks are on the road against Florida Atlantic on Friday.





Left: Jacksonville State University's Brandon Stripling waits to make the play at the plate during JSU's three-game series with Troy State.



Photographs by Lyle Bernse

Tennessee Tech claims Banister Classic

From JSU Sports Information

With the conditions ripe for good rounds, Tennessee Tech took advantage, claiming the 2000 Chris Banister Classic, at the par 72 Silver Lakes Golf Course on March 21 by firing a 317 as a team.

After a tough first day, where the conditions were far from ideal, the course lightened up its wrath. As the temperature rose, the scores went lower. In all, there were 10 rounds in the 70's as opposed to just one in the first round. Troy State posted the low round of the day, firing a team total of 313 to finish in second place, two shots back at 648.

In the individual competition, Aroha Fanning of Jacksonville University came from behind, firing the best round of the tournament, a two-over par 74 to claim medalist honors, with a two day total of 154 (10-over par). Fanning closed out the tournament on a tear by shooting even par on her last nine holes. Marie Mattfolk of Jacksonville State took second place, one shot back at 156 (11-over par), after shooting a 77.

Jacksonville State, which posted a 317 in the final round and finished with a 651 total, took fourth place. Maria Borjesson helped lead the Lady Gamecocks, finishing in a tie for 11th after shooting an 83 for a 165 (21-over par) total. Kathy Johnson rebounded from a tough first round to fire a 77 to finish in a tie for 17th with teammate Marieeve Dion, who shot an 83 to finish at 164 (24-over par). Angie Green rounded out the Lady Gamecocks lineup, shooting an 80 to put her in a tie for 23rd at 169 (25-over par).

Lady Gamecocks sweep Stetson

By Erik Green Sports Editor

Lauren Buck and Christine Tucker led the JSU softball team in sweeping conference foe Stetson on won game one 7-2 and game two 7-

Buck went 6-for-8 with a homerun and Tucker had a grand slam in the double header.

In game one of the double header, Stetson jumped out to a 2-0 head start at its first at bat. The Hatters would not score another run.

In the third inning, JSU's Toni Duncan stole home to put the Lady Gamecocks on the board. Later in the inning, a single by Buck scored Tucker to tie the game.

The Lady Gamecocks struck again on their next at bat. Duncan came to the plate and sent a shot over the right field wall for a solo homerun, her first of the year.

The Lady Gamecock offense stayed quiet until the sixth inning. Julie Boland started the offensive charge for the Lady Gamers, by hitting a single that scored Duncan, who was waiting on third. Tanya Carter came to the plate and reached first base after a fielding error, sending Boland and Tucker home to add two more runs. Buck came to the plate and hit a single, driving in Carter. The Lady Gamecocks held on to win 7-2.

Jill Wilcoxson was the winning pitcher for the Lady Gamecocks. Wilcoxson (11-6) pitched seven full innings and gave up two runs off

In game two, Buck and Tucker struck again to lead the Lady Gamecocks to a 7-5 win in the nightcap.

Duncan started things off for the March 25. The Lady Gamecocks Lady Gamecocks in the second inning by reaching first on a fielder's choice, scoring Stacy Smith.

> The Lady Gamecocks held on to their 1-0 lead until the fourth inning when Tucker added four extra runs to the margin by slapping a grand slam.

> Stetson got on the board in the bottom half of the fourth inning when Wendy Smith drove in Katie Harrigan to put the Hatters within

In the fifth inning, Buck came to the plate and hit her fifth home run of the season to put the Lady Gamecocks up by five runs.

The Lady Gamers scored their final run in the top of the seventh inning when Meghan Maskel's flyout scored sent Buck home from

In the bottom of the seventh, Stetson scored three runs on a Harrigan homerun. The Lady Gamecocks were able to hold off the Hatter charge and won the game

Meadow McWhorter was the winning pitcher for the Lady Gamecocks. Buck came in to pitch in the seventh inning and picked up her first save of the season.

The Lady Gamecocks host in-state rival Troy State today. The game begins at 3:00 p.m. at University

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Tennis teams gear up for TAAC **Tournament**

From JSU Sports Information

On the 22nd, The Gamecock tennis teams traveled to Macon, Ga., where they participated in the 2000 Trans America Athletic Conference Tournament.

The women's team routed Trans America Athletic Conference rival Mercer, 8-1.

The men's team lost a close match, 5-2.

For the women, Sally Pearson won at number one, 6-2, 6-0. At number two, Sophie DeSmet went three sets before putting the match away, 6-1, 3-6, 6-1. Camilla Bourke took out the number three spot, 6-3, 6-3.

Number four Vanessa Gomez continued by winning 6-2, 6-2. Manda Martin took control at number five, winning in a rout, 6-0, 6-0.

Heather Miller suffered the only loss of the day for JSU, losing 6-1, 6-1.

In the doubles matches, Pearson and DeSmet won at number one, 8-1. Jessica Gomez and Bourke teamed together to win at number two, 8-6. Vanessa Gomez and Martin cleaned house at number three, 8-1.

In the men's match, the Gamecocks jumped out in front, 1-0

claiming the doubles point. Rian Greaves and Stuart Marcus lost at number one, 8-4. Sam Grant and Steve Taylor teamed up to claim a tight 9-8 win at number two. Matthew Wilson and Will Wright won the number three match, 8-6. Mercer won five of the six singles. including a tough three-setter and two close two setters. Taylor lost at number, 6-2, 6-4. Wright picked up the lone win for JSU, 7-6, 6-4. Greaves lost a tough match at number three, 6-1, 6-3. Larry Lombardo fell at number four, 0-6, 6-4, 6-3. Sanjay Weerakoon, fighting cramps throughout the second set, lost at number five, 6-4, 6-3. Matthew Wilson lost another tight match, 6-4,

"It was a good win for our women," said JSU head coach Steve Bailey, whose women's team improved to 8-6 overall and 3-2 in TAAC play. "If we can continue our momentum into next week where we play some of the better teams in the conference. We can put ourselves in a position to claim one of the top five seeds at the conference tournament."

The Gamecocks continue in the TAAC Tournament next weekend.



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