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· A Russian Soyuz rocket roared into the sky over the remote Kazakh steppes Tuesday, carrying aloft the first crew for the International Space Station and inaugurating a new era in human spaceflight.

• An Italian tanker carrying 6,000 tons of toxic chemicals is sinking in the English Channel, according to maritime authorities.

• A senior Israeli commander in Gaza, Shlomo Dagan, said overnight strikes launched by the Israeli army on three Palestinian buildings were a direct response to rising guerrilla warfare by some Palestinians.

· Concerns about a possible terrorist threat in the Suez Canal have prompted a ban on U.S. Navy vessels using the waterway, a decision that will extend the USS Cole's journey back to the United States. • AT&T Corp. is seeking a \$25 billion commitment from a handful of big financial institutions to create what would be one of the biggest credit facilities of its type ever arranged, according to a published report.

Third-party candidate Ralph Nader, in a Monday night appearance on CNN's "Larry

King Live," rejected growing concerns of some Democrats that he will draw votes from Democratic presidential candidate Al Gore ---and help elect Republican George W. Bush president.

• President Clinton defended his remarks Monday in an Esquire magazine interview in which he said congressional Republicans owe the nation an apology for his impeachment. But he also expressed anger that those comments had been released before Election Day.

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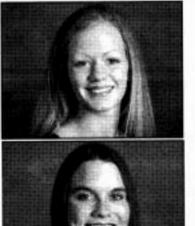
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By Wendy Laminack Staff Writer

Today is a very important day for five young women at Jacksonville State University. Today, the students of JSU cast their votes for the next homecoming queen.

Lorie Ash, 20, is a member of Phi Mu Fraternity. She is a senior majoring in marketing and minoring in business administration. Ash is a JSU JV cheerleader and serves as Panhellenic Chaplain. She is also a senator for SGA as well as the public relations director for Up 'Til Dawn. Up 'Til Dawn is philanthropic event hosted by colleges and universities nationwide. Proceeds from the event will go toward patient's medical costs at St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital.

Destiny C. Barnes, 21, is a senior majoring in graphic design. Her minor is communications. Barnes is a peer counselor and is the advertising/public relations director of the Art Alliance. In addition, Barnes is active in the Huntsville chapter of Designers Against Breast Cancer, a non-profit organization whose proceeds go to the American Cancer



Clockwise from top: Lori Ash, Destiny Barnes, Shannon Smith, Virginia Wyatt and Allison Eason

Society. Barnes enjoys modeling for the event and is also a member of JSU's Fastbreakers.

Allison Eason, 22, is a member of Zeta Tau Alpha. She is a senior majoring in criminal justice (FI) and minoring in security administration. Eason is a peer coordinator and is currently the president of JSU's Panhellenic Council. In 1999 she





was elected as JSU's Miss Friendly. Eason participates in several community service activities, such as Adopt-A-Mile, Adopt-An-Angel and Habitat for Humanity. She also

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officers react to SGA resolution

By Gracie Catchings News Editor

With the passing of SGA Student Resolution 01, the alleged misconduct of the University Police is under fire. SGA Student Resolution 01 has left officers confused as to why they are being reprimanded by the Senate for "less than tactful" conduct.

"It was a shock to me," Officer Chad Adams said. "I had no idea. I read it in the (Chanticleer). I couldn't believe something like that was written without being addressed to us.

"I don't even know what Brandon Lewis looks like or that he is the First Vice President Brandon

SGA Vice President. He throws out Lewis, UPD officers refer to Paul a lot of accusations. Evidently someone had a problem with us, and they went through him to let their voice be heard."

According to an SGA senator, speaking on the condition of anonymity, the writing and passage of the resolution was initiated when a senator complained of being harassed while receiving a speeding ticket. Complaints from other senators followed. The resolution was reportedly passed for all police officers in order to refrain from singling out one particular officer.

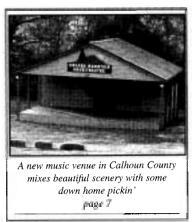
Fraternities often cause problems for officers. According to SGA Carpenter Village as "The Day Care." The Village is regularly in the spotlight on Sgt. Alan Cohen's third shift patrol. Whether breaking up fights or keeping DUI in check, UPD is not always welcome on the fraternities' turf.

"Some of the fraternity guys are under the misconception that that's their property," Cohen said. "They chose to live on campus, so now it's our property."

UPD officers are most often called when there is a problem at Paul Carpenter.

"They call UPD because someone

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By Gracie Catchings News Editor

On Nov. 1, Jacksonville's natural gas prices got a boost.

Residential costs increased 17 to 20 percent according to Mayor Jerry Smith. Commercial costs increased as much as 40 percent.

'We're having the same problems a lot of other cities are having right now," Smith said. "Natural gas prices have skyrocketed. At the rates we were charging to sell it, we weren't making any money."

The new rate will be revisited at the end of six months.

"We're hopeful that by the end of six months, gas prices will be down, and we can actually lower the rates," Smith said.

One reason rates have increased is because the exploration of natural gas has decreased. In 1998 there were 565 gas rigs in the U.S. according to the American Public Gas Association (APGA). That number decreased to 527 in 1999. As a result of this decrease in supply, gas prices for Jacksonville have almost tripled and more than doubled in the past year, climbing from about \$2.50 to \$4.90 per thousand cubic feet.

"Prices were extremely low in 1998, and people started closing up some wells because they weren't making any money," Jacksonville Utility Office Supervisor Michael Rinker said. "We went all summer without doing anything because we were hoping prices would come back down the closer we got to the fall.

"We could not sustain ourselves throughout the winter, charging our customers lower (rates) than what we were paying for it. Hopefully the increase is going to be temporarv.'

APGA reported that there are now 772 gas rigs in operation. This is good news said Rinker because a greater supply means lower rates for next year.

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.
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- please contact us at 782-5701 or call the JSU Police Department at 782-5050.

10-25-00: Kristen Faith Atkinson, of Eastaboga, Ala., reported breaking and entering a vehicle at Crow Hall parking lot to JSUPD occurring on 10-25-00. **10-25-00:** JSUPD reported "Information Fire Alarm" at

Dixon Hall occurring on 10-25-00. **10-25-00:** Gregory Lamar Jarrett,

of Jacksonville, Ala., reported unreasonable noise from a motor vehicle at Pelham Rd. and Mountain St. to JSUPD occurring on 10-25-00.

10-26-00: Patricia S. Lockhart, of Wedowee, Ala., reported harassing communications at Fitzpatrick Hall to JSUPD occurring between 10-20-00 and 10-26-00.

10-26-00: Suzanne Morgan, of Southside, Ala., reported harassing communications at Sparkman Hall to JSUPD occurring between 10-25-00 and 10-26-00.
10-27-00: Ceric Lemyron Allen, of Jacksonville, Ala., reported third degree criminal mischief at

Campus Inn Apartments to JSUPD occurring on 10-27-00. **10-29-00:** Michael Keith Bryant, of Dallas, Ga., reported harassing communications at Dixon Hall to JSUPD occurring on 10-29-00.

<u>Clubs And Organizations</u>

• Zeta Tau Alpha

Zeta is excited about Homecoming with ATO this week. Good Luck to Allison Eason and Shannon Smith as they run for homecoming queen. Remember to vote today in the TMB. All Zeta's are excited about the spirit bonfire this Friday. Awards this week...PC- Stephanie Janis, Cuddle Bunny- Allison Eason and Beautiful Zeta- Elena Prucha . A special thanks to the men who attended Destination Unknown. You guys were great sports and we hope you had a wonderful time at formal. Zeta will be cheering for the Fighting Gamecocks this Saturday. Good Luck!

• Alpha Omicron Pi

Good Luck to Ginny Wyatt in this week's Homecoming elections. AOII would like to wish the best of luck to the JSU football players on the game against Northwestern State Saturday. We would also like to thank the brothers of KA for an awesome Homecoming week so far. Awards for the week: Sister - Missi Brown, Positive Panda - Shannon Watkins, and Officer - Mandy Holland.

• <u>Phi Mu</u>

Phi Mu would like to thank Rufus Kinney for speaking at our meeting Sunday. We would also like to thank KA for helping and supporting Phi Mu's football team this year! Congrats to Lorie Ash for making Top 5. Good luck to the Gamecocks this Saturday against Northwestern State. We also want to wish good luck to the Phi Mu volleyball team. Phi Mu had a wonderful time with Delta Chi this homecoming week! The awards for this week are as followed: Phi Mu Ladies of the Week-Emily Powell and Heather Harper; Sunshine Award- Jennifer Alldredge and Stephanie Bedford! Phi Mu had a great time on Halloween with the Wessex House residents. Happy Birthday to Ashley Gwin! Have a great week! Go Cocks!

• <u>Delta Zeta</u>

Delta Zeta would like to wish everyone a fun and safe homecoming week. Good luck to everyone participating in homecoming events. Congrats and good luck to all homecoming candidates. We would also like to thank Pi Kappa Phi for coming to our meeting on Sunday. Also, this week, Delta Zeta is holding a canned food drive for the Rose Haven women's shelter. Any help with the drive would be greatly appreciated. For more information call 782-6226 or 782-6243. Good luck to everyone participating in intramural volleyball. Also we would like to thank all of our alumna for coming together and forming a new alumna association. We are very excited! Awards for this week are: Sisterhood Award - Jamie Sexton and Jennifer Ellison, Support Award - Kristin Rodgers, New Member of the Week Award - Stacy Dickeson, Twisted Sister Award - Leslie Godfrey and Brandi Apperson, and Alumna of the week - Jerriann, Mr. Germany, and Stephanie Englar.

Student Government Association

The Senate met on the third floor of the TMB on Monday October 24th. Guest speaker Kelly Greg talked about Little River Canyon. Today is J-Day! Go to the front lawn of the TMB and enjoy the many attractions, such as the sky-diving simulation, from 2-6. Also, Karoake in the Cafe is tonight. Eat for only \$3.00 and sing, too! Bills were passed to appoint Daniel Dewberry as SAC Homecoming Committee Head, and allocate money to Gamecock Hostesses, Kappa Alpha Psi, and NAACP. Come pack the Crow's Nest this Saturday for Homecoming. Go cocks!

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• Free confidential HIV testing is available at the Nursing Center Clinic, at Lurleen B. Wallace College of Nursing and Health Sciences. Please call 782-5432 to schedule an appointment. Office hours are from Monday - Friday from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and from 1 p.m to 4 p.m.

• Applications for Orientation Peer Counselor are available in room 201 Bibb Graves Hall. Requirements to become a Peer Counselor are: 2.25 GPA, 24 semester hours earned, have previously served no more than one year as a Peer Counselor, a strong desire to assist new students in their transition to JSU, and strong communication skills. Applications are due by 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 14 in room 201 Bibb Graves Hall. For more information contact Eric McCulley at ext. 5278.

• **The JSU Math Club** will have their next meeting on Monday, November 6 at 4:30pm in Bibb Graves, room 321. The program will feature a seminar in the LaTeX programming language, which is a mark-up language used to typeset mathematics. Anyone interested in learning about LaTeX is invited. Free food and refreshments will be served.

• The Student Health Center is currently administering flu vaccinations for JSU students and employees. The cost for the vaccination is \$10. Appointments will be scheduled for Monday and Wednesday afternoons from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Friday mornings from 8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Please call 782-5310 for an appointment.

JSU Gospel Choir to be featured on Atlanta show

By <u>Jamie M. Eubanks</u> JSU News Bureau

Jacksonville State University's Gospel Choir will once again be featured on television. Atlanta Live! on WATC TV 57 will be taping a performance of the JSU Gospel Choir on Friday, November 17, 2000.

Atlanta Live! is a television show that features a variety of singers when they pass through the Atlanta area on tour. Their music ranges from folk, contemporary and gospel. Atlanta Live!'s studio is located just outside of downtown Atlanta, and the JSU choir will travel there for the taping.

The JSU Gospel Choir will perform songs from their repertoire, which include "Healing," written by Richard Smallwood and other popular gospel arrangements. Dr. Myrtice Jackson-Collins wrote one of the songs the choir will sing.

This performance marks the fourth time JSU's Gospel Choir has been featured on television. They have made appearances at the Bobby Jones Diamond Festival Explosion XXII in Las Vegas, NV with artists such as Kirk Franklin and Vickie Winans; City Stages' Gospel Fest in Birmingham, AL; and Walt Disney World where Black Entertainment Television (BET) taped their entire performance.

After their taping, the choir will return to JSU to perform a concert at the Leon Cole Auditorium on Sunday, Nov. 19, at 6 p.m.

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 Homecoming top five elections to be held on the 4th floor of the TMB. ISLI Football vs. Stephen F. Austin @ 6:30 p.m. at JSU JSU Art Gallery showing: The Photo Essays of Ken Elkins at Hammond Hall Art Gallery from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Health Fair to be held on the third floor of the TMB from 9 nm. to 2 p.m. 	• JSU Art Gallery showing: The Photo Essays of Ken Elkins at Hammond Hall Art Gallery frum 8:30 mm for 4 pm. • JSU women's soccer vs. MTSU @ 3 p.m. at MTSU	 JSU volleyhall vs. Mercer 2 p.m. at JSU JSU rifle team vs. West Virginia at West Virginia, time TBA Cross country TAAC Championships at Campbell, time TBA 	
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JSU Launches Project Starshine II

By Jamie M. Eubanks JSU News Bureau

It's October 2001 and a satellite covered with 856 tiny mirrors is orbiting the earth. It looks like a giant disco ball. What makes it special? Elementary school children from all over the globe helped to construct it, and Jacksonville State University provided the materials.

Jacksonville State University is completing the first steps of the Project Starshine II, a student education experiment space designed to study the sun's activities. "These steps are crucial," said Tim Huddleston, director of JSU's Alabama Aerospace Teachers' Association & Aerospace Development Center. "Without the mirrors, the experiment wouldn't work."

JSU recruited 800 schools from the United States, Canada, Australia, Israel and Russia, to name a few. This includes over 28,000 students. Then, the mirror polishing kits were sent to the schools. They included an unpolished aluminum mirror of one inch in diameter, diamond polishing compounds, syringes, sandpaper, polishing cloth, optical tissue, inspection flats, plate glass for a smooth surface, lubrication, instructional video tapes and shipping supplies. Some of the materials were donated, but most of them were provided by the University.

"By participating in Project Starshine, students learn the fundamentals of scientific work," said Huddleston. "They realize why it takes so long to complete a project, because they actually have to com-



plete the tedious polishing." The mirrors must be properly polished to get the right amount of light deflection. If not the data sent from the satellite will be incorrect.

Once polished, the mirrors are sent back to Jacksonville State University for a final inspection. If they pass inspection they are sent to the Naval Research Laboratory in Washington, D.C., where they are placed on the satellite. A CD-ROM with the students' and teachers' names will also be placed inside the satellite.

The students' work does not end there. After the satellite is launched the students will be split into observation teams. The satellite's location will be followed via the Internet. Students will determine when the satellite can be seen from their hometown. At dawn or dusk, the observation team will use a tracking device, which will show their precise location. At the exact

moment the satellite crosses a specific point, the students will record the time. Their watches will be synchronized with the atomic clock in Boulder, Colorado, These results will then be posted on the Starshine website.

Students aren't the only people who can monitor the satellite's progress. Anyone interested can log on to the Starshine website at www.azinet.com/starshine.

"These observations will become a model, because there will be so many of them all around the world," says Huddleston. "It will help predict what courses satellites will take and when they will deorbit. So these students have participated in real active science."

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"With the prices as high as they are, there's an incentive for producers to try and open some new wells."

Another factor that increased rates is power companies that utilize natural gas to produce electricity

"In the past the electricity indushas relied primarily on try hydraulics and coal to generate electricity," Rinker said. "But now they're using more and more natural gas because they've found it's a cleaner source of energy. This has created a larger demand for natural gas."

Rinker and Smith added that the City Council hated to raise the rates at wintertime, but it could not be avoided. Natural gas is the only utility the city tries to make money from, and they were facing a loss.

"We will certainly try to pass any decreases along just as we have passed increases," Smith said.

Natural gas has been called the 'environmental protection energy' because it is the cleanest burning fossil fuel, according to Alagasco. Natural gas produces much less carbon dioxide and sulfur dioxide than oil or coal. In addition, oil and coal contribute to acid rain and global warming.

The Environmental Investigation Agency reported that in 1998 Alabama had 788,464 residential and 76.467 commercial customers who consumed a combined 73 billion cubic feet of natural gas. The average prices paid from local distribution companies were \$8.21 for residential and \$6.65 for commercial per thousand cubic feet. The city of Jacksonville purchases its gas from El Paso Merchant Energy in Texas.

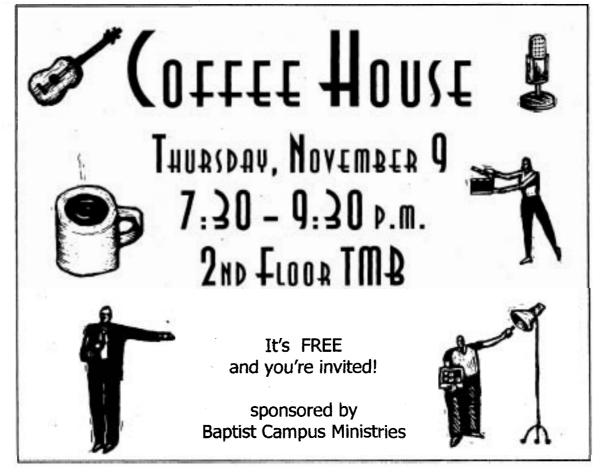
supports the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation by helping with Race for the Cure in Birmingham.

Shannon Smith 21, is a member of Zeta Tau Alpha. She is a senior majoring in secondary education/social science. She is JSU's Miss Friendly 2000. Smith is a peer counselor and participates in Race for the Cure for the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation and Adopt-A-Mile. She also serves as vice president of Legislative Affairs for Freshman Forum.

Virginia "Ginny" Ellis Wyatt, 20, is a member of Alpha Omicron Pi. She is a junior majoring in computer science and minoring in math. She is a group leader for JSU's Marching Ballerinas. Wyatt was nominated for Who's Who Among American Universities and Colleges. Upon graduation, she plans to attend the Atlanta School of Culinary Arts.

Voting for JSU's Homecoming Queen 2000 will take place on the fourth floor of the TMB today from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Voting is open to all JSU students. The queen will be announced at the bonfire Friday at 7 p.m.

Correction: In our story printed last week about the Homecoming pageant, we mistakenly left out some information. Stephanie Janis is from Huntsville and her parents are Mike and Sue Janis. Lori Ash is sponsored by the Phi Mu Alpha fraternity and is a senior majoring in marketing. She is from Trussville, and is the daughter of George and Michele Ash.





By <u>Joshua W. Bingham</u> Staff Writer

Nov. 7 is election day, the day when United States citizens of at least 18 years of age go to voting booths across the country and put in their two-cents worth toward the decision of who will be the next conductor of the big American political machine.

Are Jacksonville State University students going to vote? Are collegeaged people aware of the issues and do they feel that they have an impact? A survey of 20 volunteering JSU students was taken to answer these questions.

All 20 of the students were first shown pictures of George W. Bush and Al Gore to see if they recognized them, and yes, 100 percent of those surveyed acknowledged the famous faces.

Another question asked was if the students were familiar with the candidates' stances on Social Security reform. As stated in the Presidential debate on Oct. 3, Gore's stance is that of keeping the money in a lockbox and Bush's stance is that of allowing younger workers to invest part of their money in outside investments. Seventy-five percent of those surveyed were not familiar with this issue. As Charles Carmichael said, "To tell you the truth, I'm really just trying to listen, you know, see what catches my ear in this whole thing.

Another question asked was if the students were familiar with the candidates' stances on tax reform. One of Bush's stances is that of cutting taxes for every class and one of Gore's is that of cutting taxes for the middle class more than the wealthy. Eighty-five percent of those surveyed were not familiar with this issue. As Sebastian White said, "Fuzzy numbers?"

What about the Green Party? Well, one of those surveyed replied



For those who may not know, the candidates to the questions quickly with, "I'm voting for Ralph Nader." When Misty Layne was asked if she thought a vote for Nader would just be up in the wind, Layne replied, "No, because I think that if enough people vote for him this time then more people will vote next time and eventually our party will have somebody as president."

The biggest question asked was if the students were going to vote. Seventy-five percent said "yes," 20 percent said, "no," and one person was a foreigner. When asked what she thought of the American candidates' race for the presidency, Leilah Rampa from Switzerland said, "It's very advertising-like ... it is, um, it's unreal."

Of those not voting, Daniel McLaren said, "I hate presidential elections cause one of 'em's going to do something bad and so is the other one. So we're gong to get screwed whichever way we go."

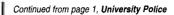
Of those voting, Paige Lilly said, "I'm going to vote, but I just don't know the people's views."

On the lighter side, of the 10 women surveyed, 40 percent thought Bush was the cuter, 30 percent thought Gore was and 30 percent thought neither of them was cute at all. Seventy percent thought

For those who may not know, the candidates are George W. Bush (left) and Al Gore (right) to the questions quickly with, "I'm voting for Ralph Nader." When Misty Layne was asked if she thought a vote for Nader would just

Election Day is close and there are definite differences in opinion about it. As David Damke said, "I feel we're picking between the lesser of two evils anyway, so, I guess I'm not doing my part as an American, but f#*k it."

However, perhaps Carrie McGowan said it best with, "If we would get educated, we would have a large impact on our future."



has a gun or for some other reason, and they're so happy to see you," Cohen said. "Then, 20 minutes later, they're cursing you again." Cohen also added that cursing is a violation of Jacksonville's city ordinance against disorderly conduct-punishable by jail time.

According to UPD, they are most often called in when fights erupt as sort of "turf wars" among the brothers of Paul Carpenter.

"When they have their parties, from time to time, it gets out of hand," Officer Adams said. "They definitely don't want us there until they need us, and they usually are not real friendly when we get there."

Sgt. Cohen added that dealing with a lot of intoxicated individuals can be somewhat humorous, but action has to be taken when they start getting aggressive.

"We leave the fraternity houses alone until we get called out there," Cohen said. "We could go to the fraternity houses and card people who are drinking. We just choose not to do it."

"If you stay out of trouble, we stay out of your hair," Officer Adams said. "We don't intentionally hunt for anything. Our purpose here is to see that everyone goes to school safely."

"We're out here to enforce the laws, protect people and make sure they're safe," Officer Matt Causey added. "We try the best way to diffuse any problems without destroying anybody's lives. We're not out to destroy people's lives at college."

Problems often arise because some students have the misconception that UPD officers are "toy cops" or not "real" cops and therefore don't deserve the respect that Jacksonville city policemen receive.

"We are certified, everyday, real law enforcement officers," Adams said. "We go through a 12-week academy that regular state of Alabama officers go through. We are not short-changed in any way. We are a real police department."

UPD also has jurisdiction over the entire city of Jacksonville, not just the University.

Officer Adams is optimistic about the future of UPD:

"Does it bother me that they passed the resolution? No. Is it going to affect the way we as police officers work? No. We are professional all the time; we do our job the same all the time."

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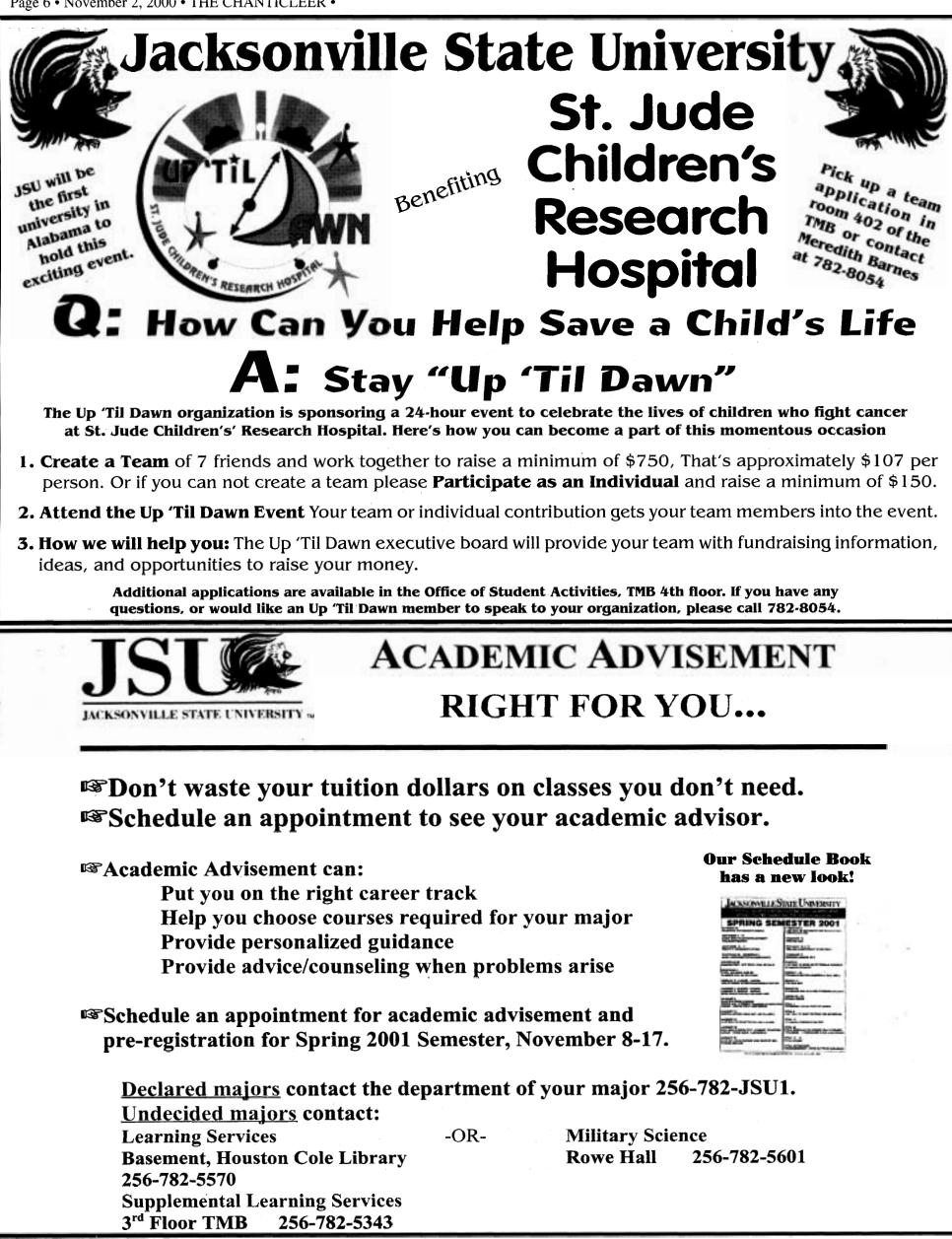
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Let me stand next to your fire

By Chris Betzler & Stephanie Pendergrass Staff Writers

Homecoming 2000 will start with a bang, or at least a big flame. That's right-it's almost time for another Jacksonville State University homecoming bonfire.

On Nov. 23 JSU's Student Government Association will sponsor a pep rally to support the football team in their homecoming game against Northwestern State.

"It should be a fun event for everyone to meet, mix and mingle," said Carra McWhorter, Senior Admissions Counselor and Cheerleader Advisor.

Music will begin at 6:30 to "try to create a nice atmosphere ... and get people pumped," said McWhorter.

This year's bonfire was built by JSU's ROTC department. It will be lit at 7p.m. The cheerleaders and band will be performing around the bonfire. The theme this year is "Down with the Demons," said McWhorter.

At 7:30, President William Meehan will announce the 2000 Homecoming Queen. Another big event of the evening will be a banner contest. Groups from all over campus will sport their banners in hopes of winning the \$150 prize for first place.

The pep rally should be over by 8:15, said SGA President Elizabeth Webb. Webb is hoping this year's will be one of the biggest ever.

The homecoming pep rally will have changes. Instead of being held on the customary Thursday, it will be held on a Friday. "Hopefully it will encourage them (students) to stay by giving them something fun to do," said McWhorter.

The cheerleaders are excited about the first pep rally of the year. Both Webb and McWhorter are hoping for a large turn out from the student body as well as alumni.



Scenes from 1999's Homecoming bonfire and Pep Rally. The Homecoming Queen will b announced at this year's bonfire.

homecoming game is Nov. 4, and

Jacksonville State University's the homecoming parade will take Continued on page 10, Homecoming

the highlands

By Christina Morrison Features Editor

The Cheaha Mountain Amphitheatre, a new music venue for northeast Alabama, will open with an all-day Blue Grass Festival on Nov. 4.

Jim Marsh of Old Davis Town owns and operates the amphitheatre, which is located on his 80 acre Gnat Valley Farm and adjacent to 20,000 acres of the Talladega National Forest. Marsh describes the venue as a "large grassy bowl" that provides a view of Mount Cheaha, Alabama's highest elevation.

The amphitheatre will open with a bluegrass festival including some of the best-known acts in the South such as: Brian Friezen-the 11-yearold banjo sensation, Bent Creek of

Piedmont. New Ground of Tuscaloosa, New River of Birmingham, Crossing the Gap of Birmingham, Rock Creek of Birmingham, and Foggy Hollow.

Northeast Alabama doesn't have many venues for bands to play in, and Marsh thinks his amphitheatre will go far to remedy that situation. Marsh has played bluegrass for 20 years, an experience which he said has helped him develop his amphitheatre.

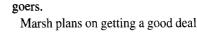
"I've played a lot of other peoples' venues. I just though it'd be nice to have something here and do it myself," said Marsh.

The amphitheatre can seat approximately 2,000 people and was built out of a hollow already in existence on Marsh's land. Marsh added concession stands, a stage and lighting.

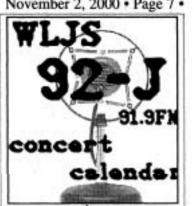


The picturesque atmoshpere of the new Cheaha Mountain Ampitheatre sets the perfect mood for erious pickin' and grinnin

He's also working on adjusting the gradient of the land in order to make the stage more viewable for concert



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Local Scene

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Editorial Who is Osama bin Laden and

what the heck's he got against us?

By Adam Smith Editor

In the wake of the explosion that killed 17 sailors on board the U.S.S. Cole, the U.S. government has fingered none other than Osama bin Laden as the culprit.

Who is Osama bin Laden, and what the hell's he got against us? He's a pissed-off Afghani on a mission to make trouble with all Americans for whatever reason. We have enough terrorists on our own soil. Why does this guy think he can start something?

The first I heard of the guy, he was threatening to put his explosivespacking Osama look-a-likes on American planes to blow them out of the skies. Unfortunately, it was in the wake of the Y2K paranoia, so for a while it did look like the end was near. We had enough to worry about with our fears of having to live off Vienna sausages for months without Osama stirring up trouble.

It was also around the same time all the world leaders were gathered in Seattle. There were riots, looting and a general lack of courtesy from the people there because Seattle imposed a curfew so the locals wouldn't be gunning down any big wigs. Osama was right on top of the heap again when he threatened to come to Seattle to blow up the proceedings. There was even the report that a Canadian ticket-skirt for some airline sold a ticket to someone who looked just like Osama. Where was the person going? Seattle of course. Nothing bad happened though. And I never heard that report again.

So now Osama is back once again to fill our lives with sunshine. Unfortunately he actually succeeded this time and he managed to take out 17 of our brave volunteers. And what really makes it worse is the fact that they didn't even have a chance. They had no idea what was coming. And that makes Osama doubly bad and doubly dangerous in

my book.

So now here's the golden question: why doesn't the U.S. do something about him? I heard the other day that the U.S. accosted ABC news trying to find out where they found Osama to interview him a couple of months back. ABC said they didn't know. Of course, I can't really say that I trust ABC. Are you going to give up a known terrorist to the government when you may have a chance to interview him again during sweeps week? It's a judgment call.

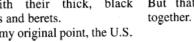
However, you also have to consider that all great terrorists have about 100 guys who follow them around and look exactly the same. That's something that really makes me mad. It wasn't Osama who blew the hole in the side of the boat. It was a couple of his underlings. Hey, Osama, do your own work. I'd call you a name right here, but it starts with a "p" and I couldn't print it.

All of Osama's toadies look and dress just like him. Same head wrap, same olive drab field jacket, same Tom Cruise-style mirrored sunglasses. Everything's the same. ABC might not have even talked to the real Osama bin Laden. It could have been a facsimile. Saddam Hussein does the same thing. However, his troops look more like French pizza chefs with their thick, black moutaches and berets.

needs to step up and liquidate this turd once and for all. With that in mind, I have a few ideas that would be cost efficient, time saving and would be a far worse punishment than anything the U.S. could come up with. So now, I present to you the longest run-on sentence I've ever written, combined with my ideas for punishment for Osama bin Laden and his gang.

I say flush him and his mod squad out of their Afghani harem, feed them four-day-old rotten, salmonella-infested chicken soaked in urine and wrapped in curry powder, put them on three-legged camels, tie their ankles to their heads, shoot them full of bad crystal meth and let he and his army of disabled camel riders parade through the streets of New York just behind the New York Yankees caravan, but just before John Rocker's. And if they are still alive after all that, I say we cut off their scrotums, feed it to them, and force them all to watch Kathy Lee's Christmas special.

That's the worst torture I can think of at the moment. Maybe the government could one-up me. I highly doubt it though. If left in the hands of the U.S., Osama will be captured, jailed and probably will see release before most petty drug offenders. But that's a different story all





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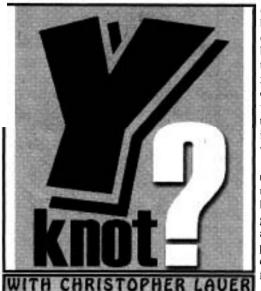
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My brain is so scattered. I am so confused. And on Tuesday, I have the privilege to help my country make a huge decision.

Long ago, our forefathers created a great nation. They created a nation that would not be run by nobility. They created a nation that would be run by intelligent and concerned individuals.

In their ignorance, but with good intentions, they set up rules that allowed only white males with land to cast a vote. Back then, money was more closely linked to intelligence. Many of our founding fathers earned the majority of what they had. They stood up and fought.

But the system they set up has become flawed. The Bush and Gore families are as close to nobility as this country will ever have. Money is no longer linked to intelligence. And unfortunately, only white males with money can run this country. You don't have to be smart. You just have to have millions in the bank.

People like Ralph Nader want to reform the way we elect candidates. That's great, but more importantly, we need to look at what we want from our candidates. We need to reform ourselves.

Ralph Nader will not be elected. although each and every one of us must be certain that Mr. Nader is concerned with the well being of the average, everyday citizen. But that must not be important. I guess he needs to be charismatic. He should have been Phil Donahue's running mate. He should have insisted that Donahue, Nader's spokesman, run for president and that Nader himself be vice president. Then you would be more likely to vote for Nader. you? wouldn't Superficial Americans.

What do you want in a president? I've heard many people cut on Bill Clinton, saying that he didn't do anything new, he was just smart enough not to change any of Reagan's policies. If it ain't broke, don't fix it. Is George W. Bush smart enough to do the same?

And I fear Bush will be our next president. He's going to change our relations with China. So Clinton sold the Chinese a U.S. port in California. And China's communist ind they kill their prisoners and sell he prisoners' kidneys.

Bush wants to sever ties with China, who is the major threat to

our country. If it ain't broke, don't fix it. You don't change someone by bearing down on them. You change them from the inside out, by opening your doors and welcoming them to the table. Bush holds the ignition key to the cold war machine.

Bush wants to build up our military and get us in a war with somebody. And I'm not going. Why do we need a military when we have peace? When we build our military, everyone is forced to build theirs. Are we more likely to go to war with a large

military or a small one? To those of you who believe that our country needs a large military to keep the peace, do you have a small nuke propping up the threshold of your peaceful abode?

There is no way in hell that Gore will be elected. Nader will just steal votes from Gore and there is no way in hell Nader will be elected. I'm not a religious man, but I pray I'm wrong.

I encourage anyone in this state who intended to vote for Gore to vote for Nader instead. I may be wrong in my understanding of the Electoral College, but I think Alabama is a Republican state. Therefore, your Gore vote will go to Bush.

On some CNN show, I heard an analyst repeating something that some political columnist wrote: "Vote with your heart where you can afford to and your head where you have to." I wish I could give credit where credit is due, but I don't think the Van Gogh of this statement will die in poverty.

The statement meant that if you live in a Republican state, your vote for Nader will sav a lot more about your beliefs and disenchantment with the government than your vote for Gore. Your vote won't go to Gore or Nader, but it will be counted and heard.

Historically, people of college age have been liberal. For one brief moment in our lives we are supposed to be idealistic and carefree. What is wrong with the JSU picture? Brainwashed, gun-toting, bible-thumping, right wing radicals, JSU's right for you. How can you fire a weapon with a bible in your hand? Liberals, watch for burning crosses. What is wrong with our nation? Nothing compared with what is about to be wrong with it.

Regardless if you agree or disagree, I hope I sparked your curiosity. You still have time to get the facts. We have great teachers in our history department who can explain the Electoral College to you in greater detail, but if you talk to Dr. Childress, take off your hat.

These are the homepages of this year's presidential candidates: w w w v o t e n a d e r . c o m, www.georgewbush.com and www.algore2000.com.

Please take a stand and say something. Vote.

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• OOOOHH! HEY, EASY THERE, DARLING! A man and a woman stole off to a peaceful meadow in the Czech countryside for a romantic rendezvous when along came a tractor whose driver was taking a shortcut to a party and did not see the lovemaking couple in the dark. He ran over the man's buttocks, injuring both parties.

• ARE THESE SEATS TAKEN? When four tickets to a New York Giants game were mistakenly delivered to a Hopatcong, N.J., man instead of to his neighbor across the street, he took full advantage of the opportunity, police said. The guy kept two for himself and his wife and sold the other two, not realizing that the rightful owner, Joann Koslosky, would assume the tickets were lost in the mail and get replacements from the Giants box office. It all unraveled when Koslosky and her three friends went to the game and saw the neighbors sitting in her seats. She told reporters later, "I said, 'Where'd you get those tickets?' They said they bought them from a scalper. I said, 'I don't think so."" Arrests followed.

 I'LL SHOW YOU HOW TO DRIVE, CRASH! A drunken 30year-old man in Berlin berated his wife's driving ability so vociferously that she pulled the family car over and got out along with their three little children, telling her inebriated husband to continue on without them. He did. A few minutes later, he sped too fast around a corner, rolled the car and was killed instantly.

• NICE TO SEE YOU AGAIN, HON, KABLAM' In 1979, Ben Holmes' Youngstown, Ohio, home was blown to pieces in an explosion, after which Holmes mysteriously disappeared and was not seen since. His wife, Addie, had him declared dead in 1987. Then. after 21 years, he suddenly turned up at his wife's •THE CHANTICLEER • November 2, 2000 • Page 9 •

home, after, police say, he apparently heard that she had gotten remarried. He came into her house, went upstairs and laid down on a bed. As soon as she saw him, police say, his wife opened fire with a .22-caliber handgun, wounding him at least twice. She was arrested. He was hospitalized.

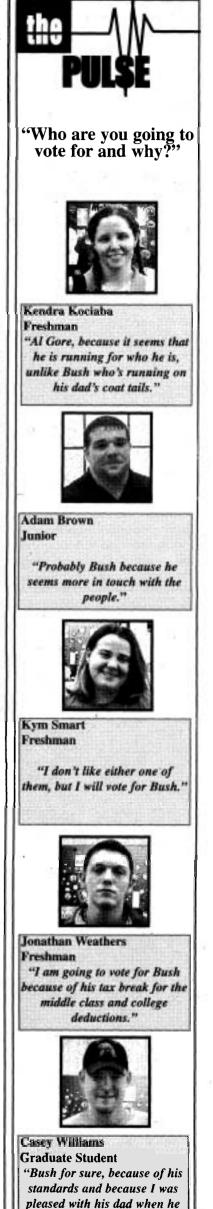
• FEEEEL-INGS! WO, WO, WO, FEEE-LINGS! Two Buddhist monks have been breaking their sacred vows to forswear worldly pleasures by living it up at a karaoke bar far from their temple in Bangkok. It is alleged that the two have gone to the saloon in a provincial area in disguise on numerous occasions where they have been observed drinking alcohol and singing karaoke into the late hours. Religious authorities have launched an investigation.

 LAS CRUCES, New Mexico - A man was arrested Tuesday after allegedly breaking into a library then calling 911 when he found himself trapped inside. Police said that while wandering through the library, after breaking a windowpane to gain entry, the man got caught between the outer and inner doors of the foyer. He then used the pay phone in the foyer to call for help.

 AKRON, Ohio - A 22-year-old woman, who was arrested for obstruction of justice, was sentenced to writing, "I will not lie to the police," 100 times. Her arrest came on September 22 when her husband, who was wanted by police, was found hiding in her attic." It was stupid," she said.

• LONDON, England (CNN) - In the cash-strapped, cachet-starved world of French communism, there are times for hammers and sickles. And there are times for handbags and slit skirts. October 13 was an occasion for the latter as the creme of France's Communist creme flung open the doors of the party's Parisian headquarters to a very unproletarian mix of supermodels, DJs, and fashion designers.





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Crowds applaud JSU's marching band as they pass by in 1999's Homecoming parade. The appear ance of the Marching Southerners at Homecoming Parades has been a staple for many years and they are sure to delight again this year.

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The 2000 Homecoming Parade will be held Saturday at 1 p.m. The spectacle promises something for everyone and will prepare the team and spectators for the JSU vs. Northwestern State game.

The parade will begin at Hardee's, run down Pelham Road North and will **conclude** at the entrance to Trustee Circle. The participants in the parade include: the homecoming court, the alumni award winners, the University President and the Mayor, the Marching Southerners, Carrollton, Jacksonville, and Glencoe High School marching bands, the Black Alumni Association, and the winners of the Cinderella Scholarship Pageant and many others.

Fraternities and sororities will also be apart of the extravaganza. Many are preparing floats for the parade. Candy, toys and Hawaiian leis, supporting the "Hawaiian Homecoming," will also be thrown to spectators watching the event.

In the opinion of Terry Casey, Director of Student Activities, the biggest features of the parade will be the alumni award winners, the Marching Southerners and the homecoming court representatives.

The 2000 Homecoming Parade promises something for everyone, cheering the Gamecocks on and should prove to be an exciting event.

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New JSU jazz CD puts a swing in your step

By <u>Christina Morrison</u> Features Editor

Jacksonville State University's Jazz Ensemble I has recently recorded its unique sound on the CD, "Extra Credit."

The CD features both traditional and contemporary jazz. Chris Culver, Director of the Ensemble and Assistant Professor of Music, said, "It's a combination of both contemporary and traditional, but I think if you put it in front of a Glen Miller fan, they'd say it was definitely contemporary. But then again, there's some straight-ahead kind of groove oriented jazz."

Culver arranged the song "Friday Night at the Cadillac Club," in which he also plays a trombone solo.

This is the second CD that the Jazz Ensemble has put out in recent years. The first CD was released two years ago to exciting reviews, which helped gain support for the second album.

Culver is determined to make the Jazz CD better and better each year. This CD was recorded in a professional Birmingham studio, and he

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hopes to get more polished as the years go by. He looks to put out the next CD in about two years with the support of the University.

"We put more money into it this year. The administration helped us out a lot. We also did some fundraisers for it. We went all out on the production," said Culver.

Most students in the Jazz Ensemble receive some type of music scholarship, whether it be jazz oriented or one of the many scholarships offered by the Music Department for Music majors.

Jazz scholarships are pretty hard to come by because they require the musician to be able to improvise throughout pieces of music. This improvisational ability is an integral part of a jazz musician's talent.

Culver said that the students really enjoyed making this CD, and the public is beginning to recognize the group's talent.

"Everything that I've heard about the CD is that it's been wellreceived, and we've just started selling them," said Culver.

The CD is available for purchase in the campus bookstore and in the Music Department. The CD can also be purchased directly from Chris Culver. He can be reached at 256-782-5883 cculver@isucc.jsu.edu. The CD

costs \$15 each, two for \$25, or three for \$30.



Spacey, Hunt put a big ol'

By Gracie Catchings News Editor

As I sat in the movie theater taking notes by the light of my date's mini flashlight, I began to wonder how one goes about writing a movie review. For those with impeccable taste in movies, I'm sorry if this review does not suffice. I'm new to this.

Anyway, I decided to test drive the film "Pay It Forward" starring Kevin Spacey, Helen Hunt, Jay Mohr and Haley Joel Osment. This was a decent movie, but the cynic in me could not help but call this movie a bit cheesy and unrealistic.

Spacey plays a seventh grade social studies teacher in Las Vegas who challenges his students to change what they don't like about the world. Osment, of course, is in his class and really takes the message to heart. He develops an idea he calls "pay it forward." Osment believes that if he can help three people improve their lives and then tell them to help three people in return, then the movement can essentially spread all over the world and make everyone one big happy family.

At the same time, another plot is unfolding. Jay Mohr plays an investigative reporter who happens to stumble on to the "Pay It Forward" phenomenon that has actually reached L.A. Mohr's vintage mustang is wrecked one night on assignment, and a high-powered lawyer gives him his Jaguar with the simple explanation of "paying it forward." After much pestering, Mohr convinces the lawyer to tell him what it's all about. Mohr is led to a gangster in prison who unfolds his story of "paying it forward."

One of the highlights of the movie is the way these two plots start to connect. It's sort of like the whole circle of life or something-a bit cheesy, but sweet.

Of course, no movie is complete without a love story. Helen Hunt plays Osment's recovering alcoholic mother. She works two jobs and essentially has a pretty crappy life. Hunt meets Spacey in a parentteacher altercation after Osment brings home a burn as part of his

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"Pay It Forward" plan. Spacey and Hunt clash at first, and Hunt's brash and uncouth nature is quite a contrast to Spacey's educated teacher Since this a sappy, healpersona. the-world type movie, you can probably guess the outcome of this relationship.

The one thing I really liked about this movie is that it is what I would call a fairly "clean" movie. There was not much language, graphic sex or violence. While some may flock to the theaters for that, I certainly do not. It was nice to watch a movie you don't get embarrassed about

I will admit that the whole idea of "Pay It Forward" is nice, but it's just too unrealistic. These days, every-

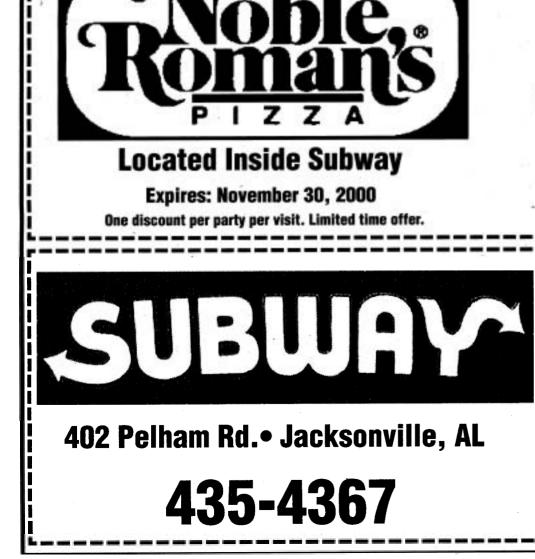
when you're on a date.

one is caught up in themselves, and people don't generally think about helping others. A common occurrence in the movie was that people did not understand why someone would help them out just to help them out. Call me a cynic, but sometimes I have a hard time believing that one person can make a difference.

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of support and bookings of his amphitheatre. "We've got three concerts planned within the next seven or eight months. I'd say we'll have five or six (concerts) a year. The Anniston Museum of Natural History is going to use it for some shows. So it's really not just for music. It can also be used for theater productions," Marsh said.

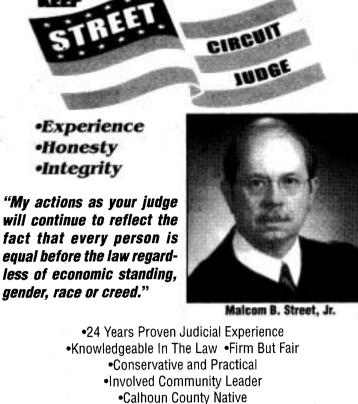
Marsh said that he's has gotten a good deal of support from the community and his family for this venture. "I had a great response from people in this area. People are already driving out here now. There have been 15 or 20 people out here today that came to find it. Our first show is coming up on Saturday, and we already have campers down here. I think we're going to have a lot of folks," said Marsh.

Marsh wants the public to tell him what shows to book for his amphitheatre. He also wanted to emphasize that JSU students are welcome to attend all shows. "All JSU students get a discount. I really want to reach the young college kids. We can put some things together that they'll enjoy. We'll know what to book if they'll let us know what they like," said Marsh. Marsh wants his concerts to also be a learning experience for anyone who wants to learn to play or sing and also for experienced players who just want to learn some new tricks. "They should bring instruments because this bluegrass weekend will be a great time for them to come and learn to play," said Marsh.

The bluegrass festival is an allweekend event and the cost is \$10, although JSU students get a \$3 discount. Concert goers should bring their own lawn chairs or blankets to sit on. To get to the amphitheatre JSU students should take White's Gap Road until it runs into Alabama 9 and take a right. Signs should be in place to direct you to the amphitheatre from that point on. The amphitheatre is located off of Alabama 9 about a mile before it hits U.S. 78.



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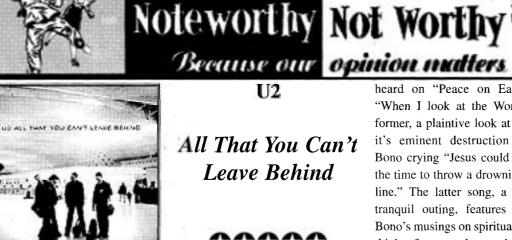
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Gorgeous-It's the only way to really describe U2's latest offering, "All That You Can't Leave Behind."

It's been three years since we last heard from the Irish lads. The last release, 1997's "Pop," was a disastrous flop. U2's bid for disco glory was a pale, forgettable outing only yielding a few, listenable songs.

However, U2 has established themselves in the rock world as twenty year veterans and almost anything they do from this point on will be forgivable. There won't be any forgiving necessary for the new album though. The band pulled together to make their best album to date, and that's saying a lot considering "War," "The Joshua Tree" and "Achtung Baby" are all considered contemporary classics.

With the new disc, the band decided to go back to doing what they know best. Bringing the dynamic duo of Daniel Lanois and Brian Eno, whose work on "The Joshua Tree" and "Achtung Baby" molded U2's sound, the CD is a lilting, surreal soundscape that feels as comfortable as an old pair of shoes.

Starting off with the single,



"Beautiful Day," U2 sets the stage for every note played on "All That You Can't Leave Behind." A drifting, muted pop outing, the lyrics are optimistic, and musically, the band has never sounded better.

That being said, this is one of the few albums that actually gains momentum as it sails along. You can definitely hear the new-age modernism in the instrumental flow of things. U2 might not have invented the Radiohead/Verve/Oasis sound, but they certainly laid the groundwork with "Achtung Baby." On the new album, they thrive in it.

The Edge's guitar parts are now pushed away from the front and serve more as a musical landscape on top of elegant piano, mellotron and quiet synthesizers. Drum loops are everywhere, but exhibit none of the coldness of usual percussion loops. You can tell these were actually crafted using drums, and not plastic boxes.

Bono's lyrics are stronger than ever. Turning inward and writing more about love, life and spirituality, his philosophical, yet passionate verses roll over the music with the quiet hush of a winter's ocean. Bono's moments of truth can be

heard on "Peace on Earth" and "When I look at the World." The former, a plaintive look at man and it's eminent destruction features Bono crying "Jesus could you take the time to throw a drowning man a line." The latter song, a peaceful, tranquil outing, features more of Bono's musings on spirituality ala "I think of you and your holy book while the rest of us choke."

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"New York" and "Elevation" are both heavier and prove that the guys can still rock with the best of them. The Edge's guitar exuberates a tone and grandeur not present on earlier outings. Known more for using guitar processors and different effects, his sound is now clean, and crisp in places and it's more effective than ever

Other high points of the album include the lovely ballad "Grace" and the catchiest song on the new disc has to be "Wild Honey," with an infectious chorus that will stay stuck in your head like a pleasant memory.

What more can be said about U2's latest offering? Remarkable, beautiful, mature, transcendental music played with passion and heart. That's all there is to it.

My advice: If you don't have this CD in your collection by the end of the year, you're just a loser.

By Adam Smith

What's your sign?

By Linda C. Black Tribune Media Services

• Aries (March 21-April 19) - Today is a 5 - You may have thought an older person didn't like you, but you may be wrong. A person who's been quick to criticize really thinks you're doing a good job. Keep it up. You might even get a promotion.

• Taurus (April 20-May 20) - Today is a 7 - Don't put off until tomorrow what you could do today, even if your mate is giving you fits. Don't be dissuaded. You can see what needs to be done better than anybody else. If you hurry, you can get it done before they realize what you're doing.

• Gemini (May 21-June 21) - Today is a 4 - An attractive person's in your life, but you don't have time for romance. Focus on a big job, instead. Chances of making costly mistakes are high. You might make a nice profit, but not if you have to do the job over.

• Cancer (June 22-July 22) - Today is a 7 - You're doing a good job and getting a lot of attention. Getting into a routine is hard when things are changing all the time. If anybody can do it, you can. Let others know how tough the job is, too - subtly, of course.

• Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - Today is a 6 - You may feel burdened, but don't complain too much. The workload gets easier, as somebody pitches in to help. You may be watched, with a promotion in mind. Pretend what you're doing is easy, and it might get to be that way.

• Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Today is an 8 - Are you the teacher's pet? Love and education are linked now. Are you learning something interesting from a person whom you find attractive? Or, do you get to be the teacher? Either looks like fun. Let vour enthusiasm show.

• Libra (Sept. 23-Oct 22),- Today is a 5 - You might feel like staying in bed all day, but you'd miss a big opportunity. You can provide a service to somebody who needs it, and that could mean more money in your pocket. Besides, you always feel better when you provide help.

• Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Today is a 7 - You're incredibly bright. You keep it to yourself, though. Nobody else knows how smart you are. Today try learning something you thought was too hard. You might have underestimated your abilities.

• Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Today is a 6 - If you're going to ask for money, do it first thing. As the day goes on, you'll be interested in other things, like a puzzle to be solved, for example. That could keep you busy for a few days. Get the practical stuff out of the way early.

• Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Today is a 9 - You're looking great. Your friends are talking about you. That's why they're giggling. Don't worry; everything they're saying is good. Why not treat them to dinner? They'll love it, and so will you. Don't forget that one special friend of yours, of course.

• Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - Today is a 5 - You're up against tough competition, but don't complain. You knew the job was dangerous when you took it. A person you don't like much tells you what to do, again. Well, best to stifle. Pick a battle you can win. This isn't it.

• Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) - Today is an 8 - You're lucky, good looking and you have a way with words. You know just what to say - and what not to say! Don't procrastinate. Move forward passionately toward your goal. Tomorrow you may not get this great a chance.







Gamecocks come up short against Lumberjacks

By <u>Anthony Hill</u> Sports Editor

The Gamecocks went into last Thursday night's game with hopes of not only snapping a three-game losing streak, but also to play better in the second half. The only problem was they didn't play well enough in the first half to give themselves a chance in end.

"They never quit, which is a lot, but in this case it's not enough," said Gamecock head coach Jack Crowe.

Stephen F. Austin jumped on top of the Gamecocks to take an early 14-0 lead into the half. The Lumberjacks lead would eventually turn into a 27-0 advantage. The Lumberjacks lead was due to an excellent performance by running back Derrick Blaylock, who led all rushers with 120 yards on the ground. Blaylock left the game midway into the third quarter due an injury.

"I sprained my ankle a little bit; they just held me out to keep me right for our next game," said Blaylock.

Stephen F. Austin capped a 15 play, 96-yard drive with quarterback Wes Pate scoring on a twoyard run on their opening drive. Ryan Rossner's extra point attempt lifted the Lumberjacks to an early 7-0 lead in the first quarter.

Lumberjack linebacker Bruce Bates blocked John Howard's punt early in the second quarter to put them up 14-0.

"We made enough mistakes in the kicking game that if we hadn't played great in the fourth quarter and I think that we did play exceedingly well late in the ballgame, but given the hole we dug ourselves into we were working against all odds," said Crowe.

Pate would throw two straight touchdown passes in the third quarter. The passes were caught by Beau Hodges and Freddy Lyons.

The Gamecocks then started to mount what would have been the greatest comeback in school history, as they scored 21 unanswered points. The first score of the night a 33-yard touchdown to Herman Bell from Reggie Stancil. Bell had a career-high of five receptions for 62 yards.

In the fourth quarter, Gamecock fullback Carlow James hauled in a10-yard pass to bring them within 13 points of Stephen F. Austin. After a Lumberjack punt, the Gamecocks punched it in the end zone again after Rondy Rogers broke loose off left in from 12 yards out to make the score 21-27.

It looked as if the Lumberjacks were going to seal the game after a



Running back Roger Bell makes a run during last Thursday's loss against Stephen F. Austin

good drive, but Rossner missed an 18-yard field goal attempt with 1:20 remaining in the game.

"I was a little worried because you don't want to give Reggie another chance; he's such a great player," said Pate. "Our kicker has been playing hurt for the past couple of weeks," said Lumberjack head coach Mike Santiago.

The Gamecocks took over at their own 20-yard line, and marched to the Lumberjack 47. The story of the night for the Gamecocks was the resurgence of tailback Roger Bell, who led them in rushing with 114 yards on eight carries. On fourth down and 13, Stancil's pass fell just out of the reach of Roger Bell. Stephen F. Austin then simply ran out the rest of the time on the clock.

"If I could've took one more step, I would've had it," said Bell, after the game.

The Gamecocks (2-5, 1-4) will host the No. 1 team in the conference, Northwestern State, on Saturday for Homecoming.



Gamecock Volleyball player Heather Beers "sets" down with Thrill in this week's One on One

Volleyball team in control of future

By Sports Information

To control its own destiny, the Gamecock volleyball team needs to continue to play consistently and keep getting better as the season's end draws nearer.

The Lady Gamecocks have won their last three matches in a row, with two of them being against Trans America Athletic Conference opponents. Mercer University was the latest victim Saturday afternoon as JSU struck again, 3-0 (15-7, 15-13, 15-13).

JSU hit over .200 percent in the entire match, something the Lady Gamecocks have not been able to do all season.

After Jax State dominated the first game with only four hitting errors, Mercer fought back in the second and found itself in the lead. The Bears were up 12-4, but JSU came charging back, scoring 10 unanswered points.

Jax State went on to win the third game after allowing Mercer to close the margin.

"We out blocked Mercer, but they dug the ball well," said head coach Jose Rivera. "We need to continue to play like this, play our game."

The statistics support Rivera, as JSU out blocked Mercer 10-2, while Mercer out dug Jax State 46-44.

The future led the Lady Gamecocks in the win. Freshman Christina Cary had 13 kills, while sophomore Theresa Lynch added 11.

Seniors Kelby Rumph and Heather Beers had double digit digs. Rumph had 12 digs and Beers had 10. Eysha Ambler had eight blocks, including two solos.

Mercer (7-21, 0-7) was led by Erin Jalbert and Amy Schrieber each 11 kills. Amanda Lee added 27 assist and 13 digs.

To assure JSU (9-15, 2-4) a spot in the TAAC post-season tournament, Rivera needs to lead his troops through three more conference wins. The last three on the list are Florida Atlantic, Central Florida, both of which are away and arch-rival Troy State at Troy.

Gamecocks hope to pull upset on Saturday

By <u>Anthony Hill</u> Sports Editor

The Gamecocks are slightly wounded after they came up short last Thursday night on a great comeback effort. That does not mean that they don't believe that they can win; they're just a little disappointed.

"I'd like to go back and put an eraser to everything and draw it over again," said head coach Jack Crowe. "Time makes it impossible to do that."

The Gamecocks will have a chance to make some changes and prove to themselves that they can win. They are presently suffering from a four-game losing streak. The team could very well have been 5-2 going into the Homecoming game, but a couple of blocked punts and good kickoff returns by opposing teams have landed them a 2-5 record.

"We're reevaluating everything and there will be some changes in the special teams, both in

what we do and who we do it with," said Crowe. "Our primary focus is not having a close ballgame lost by the special teams, and it's no secret that we have lost three games because we have given up a scoring play in the kicking game or a big return."

They will be playing the top ranked team in the Southland Conference, the Northwestern State University Demons. The Demons were upset 21-10 by Southwest Texas State University last Saturday.

"We didn't compete. We had some individuals just going through the motions," said Northwestern State head coach Steve Roberts. "The bottom line: a loss stems from a lack of effort and a lack of focus. We're going to have to play better than that if we plan on beating Jacksonville."

The Gamecocks only lost by a score of 28-24, when Southwest Texas scored on their last drive of the game.

"That just goes to show you how this confer-

ence is," said Delvin Hughley. "We feel pretty good going into this game. Southwest Texas beat this team easily and they barely beat us; you just never know what's going to happen."

The Gamecocks are playing great football for a half and then going flat for the remainder of the game. It seems like if it's not the defense, then it is the offense. The team simply needs to find a way to play a complete game, both offensively and defensively.

"I think that if we come out and play the entire game the way we played in the second half of the Stephen F. Austin game, we will beat Northwestern State," said Gamecock running back Rondy Rogers. "We have lost three conference games by a touchdown or less. We just need to get it together."

Kickoff for the Homecoming game is set for 4 p.m. at Paul Snow Stadium. The game will be televised by WJXS-TV 24.

One on One with "Thrill"



"It doesn't matter how short you are or how high you jump, but it's how much heart you have."

By Anthony Hill

I saw Heather Beers play for the first time during a volleyball tournament earlier this semester. I have to admit. that was one of the most exciting sporting events I've attended all year. They had great fan support and they played extremely well. She's on pace to be the all time leader in digs for the Gamecocks and she's presently third on the list. I saw the kind of leadership in Heather that you would usually see in an NFL quarterback or an NBA point guard. She possess great poise and leadership ability. Above all, she's as cool as the other side of the pillow.

Thrill: How are you doing, Heather? Heather: Uh, pretty good. (Laughs.) Thrill: There's only a few more weeks remaining in the volleyball season. Have you had the season that would've like to have had or thought you would?

Heather: Well, I would at least like to make it to the tournament and make it to the finals of the TAAC tournament. Thrill: You're leading the team in assist. Are you like the John Stockton of the team? Being that you don't really score a lot, but you set everyone else up for the kills.

Heather: Yeah, pretty much. I'm a setter and I usually touch the ball every time it comes over. Kind of almost like a quarterback. You don't get much of the excitement like the hitters, but I get excited when they put it away.

Thrill: You were an athletic standout at Lake Shore High in Buffalo, New York. You were first team All-State and team MVP during your senior season. Do you feel like you've done enough in college, athletically?

Heather: (Pause.) Pretty much. I played basketball one year. I really wanted to play basketball here, but it's a little different when you go from high school to college. I haven't really set records or anything major.

Thrill: Why did you stop playing basketball?

Heather: Well, Coach Rivera (volleyball coach) didn't really want me to play, and it was really too much.

Thrill: What was your most memorable moment here at JSU? Heather: Any moment?

Thrill: Yeah.

Heather: Oh jeez. (Pause.) I don't know. I can't really think of anything. Thrill: Okay. What was your most memorable moment in volleyball? Heather: Probably when I got hit in

the face by the ball and it knocked me all over the place. (Both laughs.) **Thrill:** Which game was that? (Laugh.)

Heather: It was like my sophomore year, when we played against Austin Peay.

Thrill: What type of attitude or approach do you take on the court? Are you laid back or do you get fairly excited?

Heather: I get pretty excited. I yell a lot. Not mean or anything, I just talk so much. (Laughs.) Thrill: What is Coach Jose Rivera

like?

Heather: What is Coach Rivera like? Thrill: Yeah.

Heather: Um, he's different. One moment he'll speak in English to us and then another time, he'll be speaking in Spanish to Margarita. But he gets real excited sometimes and other times he's really laid back. His mood changes.

Thrill: What was going on with the team during the losing skid? It seemed like you all would be beating teams and simply let them creep back

to take the victories away.

Heather: Yeah, we've been playing well, although our record doesn't show it. A lot of it has to do with the inexperience. I think that we are getting there now.

Thrill: You are a lot like your boyfriend, athletically. (John Burke, Rugby team captain.) You both are very good vocal leaders and your teammates listen to you. You both are also so intense.

Heather: Yeah, actually we are a lot alike. If I have something wrong with my playing, I just ask him and he tells me to just to knock it off and go on. He usually tells me the truth.

Thrill: Heather, it must have been a great honor to be named to the Syracuse Preview Classic All-Tournament Team.

Heather: Yeah, it was pretty awesome, especially since it was in New York. That was pretty cool. I also played against one of my friends. **Thrill:** Really?

Heather: Yeah, it was pretty cool. Thrill: You are from Buffalo, New York. Why did you choose to attend

JSU? Heather: Well, my brother went to school here. He used to play baseball here. And my grandmother lives about an hour away. So I've been coming to Alabama since I was young. I basically wanted something different. I didn't want to go to school in New York.

Thrill: Let's do a little free association.

Heather: Okay. Thrill: Kelby Rumph. Heather: Best buddy. Thrill: Is she, really? Heather: Yes.

Thrill: 2Pac.

Heather: 'Good tunes. (Laughs.) **Thrill:** Doug Flutie. (Buffalo Bills quarterback.)

Heather: Oh, he's the No. 1 man and he's back too.

Thrill: Chinese food.

Heather: Chicken and Broccoli.

Thrill: Beverly Hills 90210.

Heather: It should still be on. **Thrill:** Who are the people that you

respect more than anyone else? **Heather:** Definitely my parents. I have a lot of respect for them. My teammates and all of my close friends. **Thrill:** Does your shoulder still bother you?

Heather: No, it doesn't because I'm not playing outside. I'm playing setter this year, so I don't do the things that I did last year.

Thrill: What is your favorite sport? You played so many in high school.

Heather: Well, it is kind of a tie between volleyball and basketball. When I was playing basketball, I was missing volleyball and vice versa. Basketball is a little more exciting because you can shove people and hit'em. (Both laugh.)

Thrill: What do you want to do after you graduate from college?

Heather: That is up in the air. Either go and get a teaching job in Atlanta or go to graduate school. I really don't have any set plans. I don't know.

Thrill: Well, that's it Heather. Thank you for you time.

Heather: No problem. Thanks for the interview.

Golf team claims championship

By Sports Information

"We wrapped up the fall season 5. B with two good days of golf," JSU 295 head golf coach James Hobbs said. 6. F "We really shot well in the second 7. Ja round and had a steady first round 596 of golf," 8. F

Sophomore Jose Campra fired a 4-
under 68 in the final round after
shooing 72 on the first day to finish
in second place at 140, just one shot
behind the leader. Florida Gulf
Coast Community College's Adam
Gary claimed medallist honors with
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Angel Monguzzi finished in ninth place after shooting 146 and Adam Carlucci was tied for 16th at 148 after scoring two birdies on his final three holes. Alex Forsyth was tied for 26th at 152 and Steven Mackie finished with a 155.

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 9. Angel Monguzzi
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 16. Adam Carlucci
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 26. Alex Forsyth
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 45. Steven Mackie
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Cross Country competes in TAAC championship

By Sports Information

Jacksonville State's cross country competed in the TAAC Championship Saturday morning in Buies Creek, on the campus of Campbell University. The women finished 10th overall. The men did not finish.

For the women's team, Frances Archeuleta finished with a time of 21:08. She was closely followed by Addie Ferguson with a time of 21:31. Mindy Palmer came in with a time of 23:59 and Gina Davis had a time of 24:43. Jessica Warren rounded out the team with a time of 26:04.

The men were led by Ronnie Laguerre. Laguerre finished with a time of 27:37. Wil St. Jean was second on the team, coming in with a time of 28:16. Steven Taylor finished with a time of 32:01 and Jeff May came in with a time of 39:52. Dayton Niehuss did not finish, as he was taken to the doctor due to a case of mononucleosis.

Both teams' next meeting will come on Nov.11th at the NCAA District meet at the University of Alabama.



A Sports Editorial By Anthony Hill

I don't know which is better. The football team playing at home or them taking the air waves and playing an away game. They probably would get the same fan support either way. This season, in my opinion, is the worst season of fan support since I've been here at Jax State.

Yes, there are some students and fans that come to every home game. But, there also are those students who are just too lazy to come out and show a little school spirit. Enough talk about how the team is not winning a lot of games this season. Okay, they have caught a few bad breaks and have not been able to finish a few teams out. That talk is old. Anyone that has gone to the games or listened to them on the radio would tell you that they are a few plays away from having a great season

That is not really an excuse. I believe that if the team was 7-0 right now that we would still have the same amount of support in the stands. That simply disgusted me last Thursday night to have a nationally televised game and only about

Homecoming is more like "Home-going" 3.000 people in the seats. Come on now, you get in the games free! If you didn't some of you would cry and make a big deal about that. I don't blame the SGA for not bringing in a band this semester. I wouldn't either. They would probably just be wasting money, because no one

would show up. Everyone would be studying for an exam that night. Some of the students are just sorry. Another problem is the University

police. We all know that you are an accredited force, but sometimes you take that too far. For instance, at football games. There are not that many people at the games, so let the ones that are have a good time. Don't jump on people for being on the railings. Now, when students want to sit on top of the bleachers, that is fine to tell them to move away, but there is no reason to get on to anyone for being on the railings.

I was even more disgusted at Midnight Madness last week. The host of the event had to make people cheer and stand up. People were talking while coach Crowe, Dr. Meehan and Coach Mike LaPlante were giving a speech. That is just disrespectful and crazy. What type of Homecoming is it going to be here on Saturday? Do we all have to study for a test to be given Sunday? Chances are if you are studing for test a night before you take it, you are not going to do that well. Show some support for our team. How do

we expect for them to win if we can't and don't support them. More high school kids are at the games than college students. To be honest with you, the team played better after the crowd lessened. Maybe they could concentrate better after all of the people that came to the game to socialized had went home.

I hope that things look a little better this weekend. Everyone should

come out and at least show some school spirit. After all, it is Homecoming. Remember, there is more than just the Troy State game during the football season. I hope that we have some people in the stands for that game. And don't just show up; make some noise. It's a football game, not church. Some of you go to the games and look as if you are going to the Grammy Awards.

Loosen up and have a good time. This is college. You only live this life once.







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