SGA passes resolution against University Police

By Gracie Catchings
News Editor

The SGA recently passed Student Resolution 01 against University Police to prevent further alleged accounts of “less than professional” tact used by officers when addressing students.

“We believe the University Police Department does an excellent job in the way of protection and in staffing events,” First SGA Vice President Brandon Lewis said. “What the resolution talks about and what the sentiment of the Senate is that they (UPD) don’t treat students in a professional manner.

“They’re unbelievably quick to be condescending. It doesn’t cost an extra cent to be nice to people.”

The UPD has two functions, Lewis said. Those functions are to protect and serve. The Senate acknowledged the outstanding protection UPD provides, but “...time and time again,” Lewis said, “we have complaints about service.”

“It’s so very seldom that students will take the time to come to a Senate meeting and express concern,” Lewis said, “and when they do, it needs to be addressed.”

The resolution, according to University Police Chief Nelson Coleman, was passed before UPD knew of any instances to warrant such action.

“We’ve been doing a lot of good things this year,” Coleman said. “It’s kind of disappointing that the SGA would come out with something like (the resolution) that’s totally different from our experiences this year.”

JSU ready for completion of the Ladiga Trail

By Gracie Catchings
News Editor

Outdoor enthusiasts will have a smooth path to follow when Jacksonville State University completes its 1,500-foot section of the Chief Ladiga Trail.

JSU’s Vice President of Administrative and Business Affairs Don Thacker said construction will begin next spring. The trail is scheduled to be ready for students to enjoy in the fall of 2002.

“We’re waiting and looking forward to (the trail’s completion),” Thacker said. “It’s really going to impact our students, faculty, and the general public. It will be a great place to get away from the city.”

The pathway will continue behind the Kappa Sigma house in Paul Carpenter Village. Thacker added, and will connect to the southern end of the existing trail.

Jacksonville City Parks and Recreation Director Bo Batey said the city’s northern and southern sections of the trail were completed in the fall of 1999. Once JSU’s portion is finished, the Ladiga Trail will be the only trail in the Southeast that runs through a college campus. The acquisition of the trail property from Norfolk Southern railroad was a long and complicated process Batey said.

“We would love to turn out about 2,000 votes. If we turned out 2,000 votes it would completely revolutionize and change the way Calhoun County politics are approached.”

Anyone interested in registering should see one of the many student organizations around campus and all forms for registering must be turned in at the Student Activities Office by Oct. 27.

In related news, the presidential election is coming up next month. With Al Gore and George W. Bush in a close race for president, there is no telling which way the vote could swing. The campaigns of both of these candidates have been back in forth making this one of the closest presidential elections in some time.

According to USA Today, George W. Bush is getting help in the final weeks of the election from his mother, Barbara Bush, Senator John McCain, and many GOP governors in a high profile campaign strategy. Gore, on the other hand, has reportedly spent less money on his campaign and has had help from special interest groups who are airing commercials in his favor.
School 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 at the JSU Police Department at 782-5050.

Clubs And Organizations

Zeta Tau Alpha
Zeta Tau Alpha would like to wish all women participating in the Homecoming Pageant good luck tonight. Good luck to the Zeta football team. We had fun at the DZ turtle tug yesterday! Awards this week go to PC- Jennifer Cumbie, Social Bunny- Debra Moody, Strawberry- Amy Ginn, Cuddle Bunny- Amanda Beck, Sisterhood- Jamie Rotters, Leigha Cauthen, Melissa Powell and Elena Prucha. Happy Birthday to Ashley Jones and Missy Almaroad! Zeta's do not forget your composite picture on Sunday. Just a reminder that this is Breast Cancer Awareness month.

Alpha Xi Delta
Good Luck to Miranda, Tiffany, Heather and to everyone else participating in the Homecoming Pageant. Sigma Phi Epsilon we are looking forward to Homecoming. It’s getting closer!!!! We are proud of our Alpha Xi Football Players and all of their hard work. We had a blast at the pumpkin carving mixer with Sigma Nu. We are looking forward to the Halloween mixer with KA. Congratulations to Sister of the Week- Celinda Gardner, New Member of the Week- Jennifer Freeman, Study Bear- Amy Johnson. Everyone have a great week and study hard!!!

Student Government Association
The Senate met on the third floor of the TMB on October 9th. Larry Sims was the speaker. The Director of Publicity asked for help publicizing Homecoming. The 2nd VP announced there would be no concert this semester, but to look for one in the spring. 1st VP announced that the voters drive dates will be during Homecoming on November 18th and 19th. The organization that gets the most people to sign up to vote will win $300. The Chief Justice announced that on October 23 the Judicial and Code of Laws committee would be reorganizing the Code of Law. A bill passed to appoint Barron Jones, Cicely Hayes, Emily Doty, Heather Harper, and Earnest Fletcher to the Elections committee. Matt Wiram discussed the “Value Meals” at Chick-Fil-A, and a student activities fee was discussed. Team applications for Up Till Dawn Event, and Allocation applications are now available in the SGA office.

Phi Mu
Phi Mu would like to thank everyone who supported our “Children’s Candelight Ceremony” on Monday. We had an awesome time with KA during our “Safari Mixer” last Thursday (thanks Craig!), and a great time at the DZ Turtle Tug! Good luck to Phi Mu’s intramural bowling and football teams next week! Congrats to the recipients of the Phi Mu Ada Henry Scholarship Award: Ashley Gwin, Brooke Smith, Laura Cauthen, Melissa Powell and Elena Prucha.

Al~pha Xi Omega
Congratulations to Sister of the Week- Celinda Gardner, New Member of the Week- Jennifer Freeman, Study Bear- Amy Johnson. Everyone have a great week and study hard!!!

International House to host annual United Nations Day celebration
By Jamie M. Fakahs
JSU News Bureau

Students from all over the world and Jacksonville State University faculty will host the annual United Nations Day Celebration Sunday, Oct. 29 from 1:00-4:00 p.m. at the International House on the campus of JSU. Students, faculty and the public are invited to attend this entertaining and educational celebration.

About 20 international students and 15 faculty members populate the International House. At 2 p.m. these students will present a program consisting of songs in their native language and a dance. Some of the students will dress in their native costumes. One student from Korea will play the piano, and a Hungarian student and an American student have teamed up to sing a duet.

This celebration is also held to make the public aware of what the International House and International Programs and Services at Jacksonville State University are all about. Many think the International House houses only foreign students. This is not the case. American students share a room with international students. By sharing the same living quarters, these students learn about the cultures of other countries.

International Programs also has a new director. Dr. James Ketterer is now leading JSU in its endeavors to further international appeal. Dr. Ketterer most recently served as assistant professor of educational resources. Refresments will be served throughout the celebration, and the public will be able to meet and talk with the students who reside in the International House.

For more information, contact the International House at 782-5303.
Coleman encourages students to directly file complaints when an incident occurs.

“If you have a complaint, tell me what it is so I can do something about it. Tell me who was involved. Everybody else knows what to do. If they have a complaint, they come and complain. We have a good track record on that.”

There are several ways to file a complaint with UPD, Coleman said. Contact cards, anonymous and formal complaints and an anonymous telephone line are all ways to contact UPD about grievances against the department or certain officers. Coleman also stressed that he has an open-door policy and is available for anyone who needs to talk with him.

In a letter addressed to the SGA Senate from Chief Coleman, it was clearly stated that UPD’s records cannot support the allegations implied in the resolution. Furthermore, UPD did not appreciate having their reputation ruined by rumors or innuendos.

“We like to keep our department a top-notch department,” Coleman said. “We have great people and have good policies and procedures. We’re nationally accredited and do things on a higher level than most places. When something like this comes along and ruins your reputation, you can’t even defend yourself because you don’t know what the complaint is.”

“The University Police Department recognizes that meeting the student’s needs is top priority,” according to JSU’s website. “They realize that every responsibility, duty and policy must be geared to meet the needs and ensure the safety of the students.”

The SGA resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Jacksonville State University prides itself as being the friendliest campus in the South, and WHEREAS, the elected representation of the student body do not believe that several officers of the University Police Department are in compliance with obtaining that objective, and WHEREAS, the tactic of the officers when addressing students is less than professional, especially in light of their status as servants through employment, and FURTHERMORE, that courtesy and cordiality can be obtained through no additional cost.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the University Police Department take actions as to rectify the current behavior in the area of student relations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to WJJS 92.1, the Chanticleer, JSU President Dr. Bill Meehan, Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs Dr. David Watts, Vice President of Business Affairs Mr. Don Thacker, Associate Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs Dr. Alice Cusimano, Director of Institutional Analysis Mr. Joe Whitmore, Director of Student Activities Mr. Terry Casey, Police Chief Nelson Coleman.

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“By law, such ads cannot directly ask viewers to vote for the candidate, but they promote Gore's position and criticize Bush.”

Dr. Rick Davis of the Political Science Department feels that the media has focused on the polls during this election and less on the issues. He believes the media "has not had a major impact, except on the negatives," in the presidential race. The media has scrutinized both candidates throughout the election: Bush for his mistakes in vocabulary and Gore for his alleged exaggerations.

Davis also stated that the influence of the presidential debates on the election has been "more than usual," but minor overall. He believes the deciding factor in the presidential election is voter turnout. "High turnout will favor Gore, low turnout-Bush," and the Middle East conflicts could swing the vote either way.
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Two local favorites coming back to tear up J’ville

By Adam Smith
Editor

Late this week you may have found yourself saying "I’d love to see a live show in Jacksonville?" If so, you’ll have your chance this Saturday, Oct. 21 and Wednesday, Oct. 25 when two local favorites roll back into town.

Bloodkin, from Athens, Ga., is one of the few true rock bands around and their uncompromising rock sound serves as a death knell for the pop rock front of today. A healthy dose of driving guitar and smart lyrics, on behalf of singer Daniel Hutchens, provides a stable sound and allows everyone to remember how rock and roll should be played. Looking and sounding not unlike the Stones in their prime, they’re last release, “Out of State Plates,” is a near-perfect set of songs and serves as an appropriate representation of their live show.

The Bloodkin guys are also not afraid to kick out the jams in college towns all over the United States. “College towns are great,” said Hutchens in an interview with The Chanticleer last March. “You tend to gravitate toward them. They’re usually some of the best places to play.”

Known to mix in great forgotten songs like their take on the Dylan’s “You Ain’t Going Nowhere,” and a rollicking cover of the Rolling Stones’ “Happy,” the band is up front about their roots. They have also penned a few songs that have been covered by Widespread Panic (“Makes Sense to Me,” “Can’t Get High”). Their appearance is not to be missed by anyone who still believes in the spirit of true rock and roll.

The Mississippi-based Hannaward Pass is no stranger to the Brothers stage. The band has played Jacksonville several times since their first appearance earlier this year. Their influences are wide ranged, and someone could very well say that a band can be ejected from the building just like a patron can.

Fresh Kid Ice’s latest, “Still Nasty,” and also songs on Fresh Kid Ice’s latest, “Still Nasty,” Tickets are $20 dollars and limited. New stressed that anyone planning to attend needs to buy their ticket and get to the club as early as possible. “Once the doors are closed, the doors are closed. I’ll have to turn everyone else away.”

Will 2 Live be 2 raunchy for local club?

By Christopher Lauer
Managing Editor

Tonight, club-goers will be getting "as nasty as they wanna be" when The 2 Live Crew takes the stage at Jack’s Alley.

Thanks to weeks of hard work by Jack’s Alley owner Craig New, The 2 Live Crew is shaping up to be the biggest concert Jacksonville State University students will see this semester.

2 Live Crew took their Cartel, the Miami Bass sound will be performing many of their past hits along with songs featured on their new album, “The Real One,” and also songs on Fresh Kid Ice’s latest, “Still Nasty.” Tickets are $20 dollars and limited. New stressed that anyone planning to attend needs to buy their ticket and get to the club as early as possible. “Once the doors are closed, the doors are closed. I’ll have to turn everyone else away.”

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Editorial

Is downloading music wrong? Sounds like a job for Lars Ulrich: Man of Intense Greed

By Adam Smith
Editor

Heard any good music lately? If so, did you pay for it?

The whole Napster debate has slowed down tremendously as of late, but the appeals and the legal good or bad. The eternal question is yes and no.

I'm sure he didn't know at the time what kind of stomach he would create. Here's a typical college student who loves music, but doesn't have the money to go out and blow $15 a week on a new CD. Understandable, right? Metallica's Lars Ulrich says "no, you thieving bastard" or something to that effect.

Lars and a handful of others like Dr. Dre and Eminem have all come out against the Napster mogul and have said that people who participate in such crimes against humanity are nothing more than freeloading cheapskates, and that those same freeloaders are ruining the value of their "art". I say that's complete crap. Have you heard a Metallica album lately?

They have reason to be scared though. So many college kids were logging on and downloading files, universities all over the world put their firewalls on and blocked access to the site in fear of crashing their computer systems.

I, myself, am a frequent Napster user and find nothing wrong with it here's why. A compact disc costs $3 or less to manufacture. I'm not certain on this, but blank discs cost next to nothing. Costs on top of that would include the cost of printing, the jewel cases and art work. Which if you take all of those things into consideration, cost about $3 or less. Now, add a few bucks for the recording company or distributor's profit, and 50 cents or more going to the actual artist, dependent on royalties and contracts. What you end up with is a seven or eight dollar disc. Now, tack on another few bucks to the record stores who sell the actual discs. Who's making all the money here? It's the corporation and the merchants.

I was recently reading in a Rolling Stone article about how much bands get paid from touring. The numbers were staggering. It only proves my point. Most of these bands make a gazillion dollars from touring for just a few months. Metallica could tour for two or three years and make more money than they've ever made off the revenues from their entire catalogue, yet no one ever brings that point up. If they sell a CD, they may get a dollar or more considering their stature, but if they sell a $40 concert ticket, they get almost all of that.

Lars' point is that downloading music is stealing art. I'm not stealing art here, Lars. I'm not walking into the Louvre and taking the Mona Lisa off the wall and saying, "Hey I'm going to take this off your hands." I just want to hear Bob Dylan and Johnny Cash singing "You Are My Sunshine." Is that so wrong? If I didn't download it for free, I would have to pay $20 for a bootleg version sold out of the trunk of a car in a dark alley.

I have to be honest, I've downloaded a lot of music, and I've burned a lot too. But who am I really hurting? I'm not selling the burned CD's for a profit. If I was doing that, it would be wrong, and I certainly don't approve of that. It's called bootlegging or piracy and it is a crime. Downloading a few songs because I don't have the money to be ripped off by the man is not wrong.

Will I continue to buy CD's? Of course. I usually buy at least one every couple of weeks, or at least once a month. So I'm still paying my debt to the record stores of America.

Napster is indeed a timeless issue, and something that will live on in the consciousness of America for sometime. Just remember, Lars Ulrich isn't his company, and last but not least, if you buy your music, support independently owned record stores.

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Solutions
Dear Editor,

I have just finished reading your paper for October 12 and am writing in response to the "Y Knot" column. I'd like to start off saying that in many respects I agree with Mr. Lauer, whom I have enjoyed reading this past year or so. He makes several good points in regards to the apathy of the student body and the ineffectiveness of the SGA.

However, the SGA, as a student organization, is only as good as the students who make it up. The officers and senators seem to be trying to do a good job with the resources that they have available to them. As a freshmen, I know I don't know too many people who I'd have liked to have been on Freshman Forum, and I'm sure that, since they don't have a lot of friends, they wouldn't have voted for me.

Second, elections on this campus are nothing more than a popularity contest. I'm not saying that elections elsewhere are not elections either, but are sure that, since they don't have a lot of friends, they wouldn't have voted for me.

Also, the SGA has not done too well in terms of meetings, no announcement of meetings, no recognition that it even exists at all.

T.A. Bohlmann

Dear Editor,

Okay, for you Mr. Lauer, I think you are very self-centered. If you are so concerned about our student body, and why no one was at the SGA meeting, then why were you not there?

I guess you "suck" and couldn't get off your butt and go to the meeting. As for some of us, we have things that are a little more important, like a son with Bronchitis, or a car payment on a limited budget, or dealing with the state of Alabama that doesn't help single mothers in a four year institution. No report of the classes, no announcements of meetings, or any fun to go to because of the amount of work, besides the transportation and the sidewalks that day. No report of the minutes, no announcement of meetings, no recognition that it even exists at all.

Second, elections on this campus are nothing more than a popularity contest. I'm not saying that elections elsewhere are not elections elsewhere, but those who get elected are the people who want to get involved and can. I know if the Freshman Forum requirement were lifted I and about 5 of my friends would jump at the chance to become involved. I challenge the student body to care more and become involved, and the SGA to allow them to be.

Bessie Nance

Dear Editor,

This letter is in reference to Christopher Lauer's "Y Knot" column published in the October 12, 2000 issue.

Bravo! Finally, someone who isn't afraid to speak the truth, abrasive as it may sound. Thank you Mr. Lauer for your thoughtful and insightful column that really laid the cards out on the table. Unfortunately, we do suck!

So the SGA screwed up another concert opportunity. Are we surprised? What's the last decent thing they did for us besides bringing in cheap movies that aren't any fun to go to because of the "disruptive" class of people that attend them? Not much. I also read a story in the same issue that spoke of budgets and student taxation for activity fees. Absolutely not! JSU just raised my tuition about $100.00, again. Entertain me out of that budget because I'll be damned if you get any more of my money. Oh, and by the way, were you going to watch my son while I went to this concert or the SGA meeting, or volunteered for the school news paper?

You should really be concerned about what matters in today's society, not the education itself--is cheap education, which is on an annual increase. Soon, JSU may lose what little bit of credit it has left. Students are looking over their shoulders to see who is watching, talking on the phone, watching TV, listening to music, complaining about nothing to do, etc., etc. The list goes on and on. For those of us who are involved, there is only so much we can do to promote activity from our "DO NOTHING STUDENTS," unless of course we drag them to a meeting or two.

After all, there are only so many flyers that can be posted and who reads them anyway? Some may say that word of mouth is better. How many of us actually remember anything about meeting times and places when we are told? Not many of us can even remember what the teacher said in class the previous day! The point I am trying to make is this: if you are involved it is because of your own initiative. I know that you want people to join your organizations, but if they do not want to, you cannot force them. So why worry about it. One can only control what one does control. Maybe it is time to get involved and choose not to be like unregistered voters, SILENT. Nobody knows you exist!!!

My advice to you Mr. Lauer is to lighten up, stay involved, encourage others to get involved, and stop bashing those of us who are involved and doing the best we can. HAVE A WONDERFUL "ACTIVE" SEMESTER.

Sincerely,

Cindy Hayes

Dear Supposed Managing Editor Christopher Lauer,

I am one of the probably hundreds of "second-rate" students who would like to have you down and pole you in the middle of the stadium for all to see. In regard to your pathetic spill against the SGA (10-12-00), I would like to congratulate you on putting all of us sucky failures of students in our places, and for forcing us to "face the music." But, first, I would like to make a few minor corrections.

While you were procrastinating about a column that you hastily threw together in a desperate attempt to attack our school, our SGA, and our student body, the rest of us unorganized, intelligence-lacking students have been busting our tails to keep up our grades, stay involved and care about responsibilities in Greek or non-Greek organizations, hold a job, and support our University athletics and events. During the time that you were relying on ABC 33/40 and a few overly publicized campus setbacks to provide you with information for your joke of a column, you should have gotten off of your Swiss-Cake-Roll-eating tail and joined the rest of us on-campus for a little firsthand experience of what we call college life.

As disappointed as you may be in the SGA, they are trying really hard to provide this campus with a little more entertainment. And I think that they are doing a pretty good job, considering the fact that they have critics like you looking over their shoulders 24/7. Besides, the things that the SGA produce don't work quite as well as your column does at lining my cat's litter box. In fact, instead of blaming others for your problems as we are often wont to do, I think you should look into the state of Alabama and there policies.

Second rate college? You bet!

Sincerely,

Bill Smith

"Do you feel that the University Police treat all students with courtesy?"

Blair Allen Sophomore

"No. It's certain officers. Some just look for trouble."

"Yeah, I guess. I've never had a run-in with them, so I don't know."

"I think most of them do, for the majority."

Karl Conrad Freshman

"I have my doubts."

"I think they do."

JulieAnn Denson Junior

"I think it varies, but since I have a disability, I think they're very accommodating."

My name is not on this paper, so I will sign as anonymous.

Stephanie Pearson Sophomore

"They are just there when nobody wants or needs them to be."

Donnie Wells
North Mississippi Allstars

Shake Hands with Shorty

The first thing you’ll hear on “Shake Hands With Shorty” is the last thing that belongs there: a looped drum intro gives way to sampled vinyl voices, followed by a rickety slide atop steel strings. The song, Fred McDowell’s “Shake Em Down,” is then run through a punk shredder—fuzz and grinding grooves lay down while cane whistles and tremendously amplified drums make their entrances. And all the while that slide pummels along, loopy and thin and infectious.

The North Mississippi Allstars have some big, muddy shoes to fill. Luther and Cody Dickinson are the sons of legendary Memphis producer Jim Dickinson, and they are weaned on Mississippi’s north hill blues, a salt-of-the-earth concoction of Delta blues and electrified jukethearth boogie. Their sound defies their age, yet the rambunctious spirit prevents the affair from coming across as forced or anachronistic.

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Luther’s jugged, humming tone greases the rhythm section for the loping shuffles; every song is borne from the same fertile ground. Their impact relies on the pulse they work into, dueling each song into an endless dialogue. “Po’ Black Mullet” and “Skinny Woman” are springboards for their chugging, locomotive grooves. “Drop Down Mama” dishes up some fiery interplay between the band and soloing drums, and “Station Blues” lets the drums take centerstage, the guitar bursting out between snare rolls.

The album closes with a cover of Junior Kimbrough’s “All Night Long,” as relentless and unforgiving as those hot Mississippi blacktop highways. It’s an intentionally monotonous finale, stretching towards 15 minutes. Unfortunately it doesn’t quite achieve the intended effect—the album is too long to be slumped home by the walloping closer (it could easily be trimmed down by a few songs).

But the Allstars have made quite a debut; it’s uproarious and instantly likeable, with more edge and grit and humor and soul than many bluesmen three times their age can muster. They are poised to kickstart a long-neglected blues form into high gear.

By Graham Smith

Orgy

Vapor Transmission

Orgy’s newest album, “Vapor Transmission,” has much of the same sound as their debut album, “Candy Ass.” It contains much of the glam rock sound associated with the band since they became popular in 1998.

America’s favorite make-up wearing men are still using some of the most cutting edge computer generated sounds in the business. The band teams this with catchy lyrics and have made what will probably be a very popular album in 2000. Not only because of their music, but because MTV viewers have to be tired of all the overly made up adolescents singing their hearts out, and they are ready for something new, their third album, “Vapor Transmission.”

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The album closes with a cover of Junior Kimbrough’s “All Night Long,” as relentless and unforgiving as those hot Mississippi blacktop highways. It’s an intentionally monotonous finale, stretching towards 15 minutes. Unfortunately it doesn’t quite achieve the intended effect—the album is too long to be slumped home by the walloping closer (it could easily be trimmed down by a few songs).

But the Allstars have made quite a debut; it’s uproarious and instantly likeable, with more edge and grit and humor and soul than many bluesmen three times their age can muster. They are poised to kickstart a long-neglected blues form into high gear.

By Graham Smith

nice. They might have a hint of Nine Inch Nails, but they are still more or less the traditional Orgy sound.

There are a few songs on this album that sound like they should be on an extremely gory video game rather than on an actual music album. For instance, the song “Chasing Sirens” is a little bit too influenced by the band’s computer-generated experimentation. Songs like this one on the album have a slight Marilyn Manson sound, although it isn’t quite as strong of an influence as it was on their previous album.

My advice - if you’re an Orgy fan, go ahead and add it to your collection. If you have one of those really loud annoying stereo systems in your car, then you should go ahead and buy it as well. Other than that, I’d have to say that if you liked their first album, then you’ll probably like this one, too.

By Christina Morrison

What’s your sign?

By Linda C. Black

Tribune Media Services

- Aries (March 21-April 19) - Today is a 5 - Your mind’s probably on a domestic matter, no matter where your body is. Go over your scheme during your coffee break. If you’ve already figured out your plan by the time you get home, the job will be a lot easier.
- Taurus (April 20-May 20) - Today is an 8 - If you’re single, a close friend or your favorite sibling might find you the perfect mate. If you’re committed, double dating with that same sibling or close friend would be fun. Right now can be better than the good old days!
- Gemini (May 21-June 21) - Today is a 5 - Deep down, you’re lucky. You express yourself well, and that doesn’t hurt. Don’t get too talkative. Don’t pass along the news you just got from a co-worker. Keep doing your job. You’ll make a better impression on those who already know.
- Cancer (June 22-July 22) - Today is a 6 - You’ve got a bar under your saddle today. You’re anxious to go getting. The information you’re seeking is there, but you’ll have to dig for it. Being angry about that isn’t bad, by the way. It gives you more energy.
- Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - Today is a 6 - Resolving an old issue is worth the effort. It may take longer than expected, though. Once the cat’s out of the bag, you could learn all sorts of interesting things. Keep asking and listening.
- Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Today is an 8 - Have you felt thwarted lately? Held back? Unable to unleash your full potential? Conditions are improving for your personal growth. Finish that degree. If you already know it all, teach. Now, that’s a learning experience.
- Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) - Today is a 6 - Did somebody promise you money and never pay up? Remind them. That goes for the boss who owes you a raise, too. Unfortunately, what goes around comes around. You may need the money ’cause somebody’s bugging you!
- Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Today is a 7 - A distant friend or relative could come up with a fabulous scheme. If it involves a reunion with the old gang, the timing’s perfect. Volunteer to be in charge of the mailing list. You’ll be great at tracking everybody down.
- Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Today is a 7 - Your luck’s getting better. Venus, symbol of good luck and love, is coming into your sign. Don’t race off and do something foolish, however. Other indicators advise discretion. As you know, that’s sometimes the better part of valor.
- Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Today is an 8 - The grapevine works well for you. Need an attorney? A friend of a friend could be the perfect person. A recliner for the living room? Somebody may be about to toss one out. Line up your team so you won’t be working alone. You always do better with a few friends on your side.
- Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - Today is a 7 - Move quickly on an idea you want to push through. Getting your way is going to be more difficult for a while. Line up your team so you won’t be working alone. You always do better with a few friends on your side.
- Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) - Today is an 8 - Your dream vacation may be a while off, but you can practice. In the privacy of your home, share an exotic recipe with a cuddly friend. If you’re no cook, have it delivered. Add a romantic video, and voila! The perfect midweek mini-holiday!
I DON'T SEE ANYTH ... ARRGGGGH! Charles Hudson was sent out to a federal clean-up site on Kodiak Island, Alaska, to watch for bears. While he was dutifully walking about and trying to spot the wild beasts, a grizzly came up from behind and mauled him. He is OK.

WELL, HE FIT THE DESCRIPTION, ALMOST: Darby Lee Hape convinced Jeffery Matthews, his cellmate at the Evansville Ind., jail, that he could get him out on bail if he provided Hape with his Social Security number and birth date. Hape was awaiting trial on drug charges, but Matthews, being held on a misdemeanor, could be released on $200 bond.

After Matthews went to sleep, Hape called a friend, and told him to come to the jail and say he was bailing out Matthews. When the friend showed up with the money, and the jailers went to get Matthews, Hape answered the call, gave Matthews' vital stats, and was released. To make matters worse, jailers apparently didn’t realize that Matthews, the man who they were supposed to release, is black. Hape is white.

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Coffee House Setting!
A restaurant review
By Christina Morrison

The Old Henry Farm Restaurants have been hyped in Jacksonville ever since they were first planned. Although it has a great impact on Jacksonville's economy, the place could use a few improvements.

The first time I went to the restaurant was on the night of Jacksonville State University's first home game. To begin with, the food in the Harvest Family Restaurant, the middle level, was pretty good. I had the beef tips, which were tasty even though they weren't exactly cooked to my specifications. But the salad that came along with my meal left a lot to be desired. It was small, on a plate a little bigger than a saucer. It tasted all right, but it seemed more like some sort of 'health salad' instead of the hearty salads which I'm used to getting at similar places. The service was very good. Our waitress was perky, sweet and she kept bringing those tasty rolls they serve. So all in all this first visit was very encouraging. I figured that since they had just recently opened, they could only get better.

On my second visit to the Harvest Family Restaurant, the service wasn't quite as good as the first time. We had another perky waitress, but she seemed far too busy making the long haul back and forth from the kitchen for her other tables to actually give me my table the proper attention. The food was good, although it took the waitress over an hour to get our food due to a "mixup" in the kitchen. So, the service wasn't exactly what I had expected. Once again I figured they had only opened a few weeks ago and are working on getting the kinks out of the routine. So I tried to cut them some slack, but bad service has a large negative impact on any business.

Now, on to the third visit. This time we decided to go to the bottom level known as The Barnyard Bar and Grill. This area contains pool tables and video games and provides a nice laid back atmosphere. There are no servers on this level, only a bar where you can order your food. This level has a menu comparable to that of Jefferson's or Struts. I ordered the hamburger basket and paid about eight dollars. I could use a little improvement. The service was once again less than perfect. The clerk who took my order seemed like she needed a bit more training before she would completely have the hang of her job. The food took a while to prepare, and in one case, a cook had to go upstairs and get a certain food in order to complete a plate. The only really great thing about this experience was the fun to be had at the video games and pool tables. The area had a big screen TV, a wall lined with video games and 10 pool tables. It provided a place to hang out and play a few games with friends.

I think service is extremely important, almost even more so than the food, in any restaurant. I think that with time the staff will become more familiar, and therefore better at their jobs, but at the current moment could use a little improvement. The food was good on each occasion that I dined at the restaurant, so I would recommend it on that basis. Two people can eat a decent meal at the Harvest Family Restaurant for around $30. Two people can eat a meal at the Barnyard Bar and Grill Restaurant for under $20.

Rating: **
Stiller, DeNiro shine in “Parents”

“Meet the Parents” shows Ben Stiller’s comedic touch at its best with a little help from Robert DeNiro. The movie is beautifully funny and also has a decent storyline, two things that rarely go together.

Although this movie, with its PG-13 rating, doesn’t quite have the dirty humor of Stiller’s “There’s Something About Mary,” it has plenty of antics as well as running gags that make it just as funny. The main plot of the story is that Greg Focker (Ben Stiller) wants to propose to his girlfriend Pam Byrnes (Teri Polo), but as he is about to pop the question they find out that her sister is planning to be married in two weeks. So he decides to wait until after that wedding to propose. He agrees to attend the wedding, which will be at Pam’s parents house, and also meet Pam’s parents. He finds out that Pam’s father Jack Byrnes is an extremely hard man to get along with. The fact that Jack has a problem with Greg’s potentially offensive last name, among other things, sets the tone for the rest of the movie. It is all downhill after the moment they meet, because Jack has already made his mind up about what kind of person Greg Focker is (and yes, you say it the way it is spelled).

Although Ben Stiller is a great comedian, Robert De Niro really shines in this movie. He is extremely capable of being a great comedic actor. He is able to play the straight man even though he might be saying a line like, “You milked the cat didn’t you?” He plays the part of the father that thinks no one is good enough for his little girl perfectly. One of his funnier moments is when he is giving Greg a lie detector test. He asks questions such as, “Do you read pornographic material?” and still manages to do a great job at keeping his harsh character going. It could be that I usually expect to see him playing more serious roles, but I think he is hilarious in this movie.

Another great performance was delivered by Owen Wilson (“The Haunting,” “Armageddon”) who plays Pam’s ex-boyfriend Kevin. It is a small role, which is surprising because he has recently starred in the movie “Shanghai Noon” with Jackie Chan. But he shows his great comedic ability in this flick, which will probably help his career even more.

Although he is helped by a great cast, Ben Stiller still provides an amusing interpretation of his character. Ben Stiller wouldn’t be in a movie that didn’t have some animal making a fool out of Stiller’s character. In this movie the animal/villain is played by the cat Jinx, a beautiful Himalayan. The cat is able to do many tricks like shake hands and use a toilet, but also manages to get Greg into a lot of trouble as the movie progresses. This pet gag is a mainstay that keeps getting funnier and funnier in each movie Ben Stiller makes.

Stiller’s comedic ability is evident throughout this movie. The idea that he just can’t win serves to make the movie even funnier and also heightens the feeling at the end of the movie. This movie is definitely one to go see if you want a good laugh. It may not have the extremely low humor like that in “There’s Something About Mary,” but it is definitely as funny and worth the trip to the theater. Grade: B+

By Christina Morrison

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Nude Images Mar Cover Of Samford U. Student Directory

By Matthew McGuire
THS Campus

When Wisconsin and Idaho universities altered photos for university publications this year the subjects in the photos were fully clothed. The new student directory at Samford University in Birmingham, Ala., is a bit more revealing.

Several nude pictures are included in a mosaic that makes up the cover on the directory, which the school began to distribute the morning of Friday, Oct. 6. By mid-afternoon several students at the Baptist liberal arts college contacted the vice president’s office.

The cover’s creator, senior graphic design major David Carrigan, told university officials that he took the mosaic the cover from an Internet site, and that he believed the image was not copyrighted, said Vice President and Dean of Students Richard Franklin.

Carrigan had been in charge of creating an original mosaic of Samford Student faces, but because of software problems and a time pinch, he downloaded the completed mosaic from the Internet.

“I had no malicious intent to use material contrary to Samford mission statement or image,” Carrigan wrote in an apology letter to the campus and administration. “I am personally opposed to pornography and its effect on society and would have a moral obligation not to use the material.”

The school decided not to recall the several thousand directories but intends to discipline Carrigan, who initially told school administrators that the cover art was original and did not contain nudity. After Franklin defended Carrigan’s work and his statement that he did lift the cover image from the Internet.

In an attempt to hide the nude images, Carrigan blurred them using the graphic design program Photoshop.

“Being in the rush that I was in, I did not inspect the small pictures in the mosaic as carefully as I should have,” he wrote. “I could tell they were people but not what they were doing. I decided since I did not know what they were doing, I would distort the image with a gaussian blur.”

Franklin said he saw the cover before it was distributed but only “glanced at the cover and it seemed like [Carrigan] had completed what he set out to do and that the design would be nice.”

By using the graphic design program, Carrigan blurred them.
McNeese blanks the Gamecocks

By Anthony Hill

Sports Editor

The Gamecock defense gave the McNeese State Cowboys (5-1) a scare by only allowing six points in the first half, but it didn’t take long for the Cowboys to assert their control in the second half.

McNeese State quarterback Slade Nagle shook off a slow start to throw for 185 yards and two touchdowns in the second half for the No. 22 ranked Cowboys, which are in a three-way tie for first place in the SFL.

“McNeese extended its lead to 21-0 with 4:14 left in the third quarter after they went 22 yards in just three plays for a touchdown. Nagle connected with Jermaine Martin on a 31-yard pass and Herbert added the extra point.”

Auburn would later score two penalties in the second half.

The lead was pushed up to 27-0 early in the fourth quarter after Nagle tossed a 33-yard touchdown pass to Marcus Trahan. Herbert kicked the extra point to cap a six play, 64-yard drive with 13:37 left in the game.

Cowboys’ tailback Marcus Trahan made his first college start ahead of banged up All-American Jessie Burton. Trahan rushed for 89 yards and also caught a pass for a touchdown.

The Gamecock offense was led by Reggie Stancil, who finished with 106 yards through the air and Rondy Rogers added 64 yards on 15 carries. Cedric Allen finished the night with four receptions for 52 yards.

The Gamecocks will travel to Southwest Texas next Saturday in a crucial SFL game. Kick-off is set for 3 p.m. in San Marcos, Texas.

Gamecocks beat Tigers in a game of rugby

By Anthony Hill

Sports Editor

In case you didn’t know the Gamecock rugby team (4-1) is good.

“If we could just get a little more support from the school, it would really help us out,” said Gamecock inside center Tom Vandein. “We’re playing Division 1-A schools and we’re beating them. If we could get a little funding it would help us out.”

The rugby team is waxing opponents left and right. The Auburn Tigers were their latest victim after their 16-9 loss. They have now beaten Auburn and Alabama in the same season.

“We hadn’t beat Auburn in three years,” said captain Jon Burke. “Last year they were ranked. They went to the elite eight in the nation and that’s good, really good.”

The game started out with some hand hitting but the Gamecocks. Leading the list of Gamecock “head-bangers” was Ralph Rezza and Tom Vandein. Corey Dupree got the Gamecocks on the board with two goals in the first half. Dupree scored his first goal from about 25 yards out as he caught a pitch from Vandein and trampled over Tigers on the way to the end zone.

Dupree scored again from about the 15 yard line to put the Gamecocks up 10-0 in the first half. Auburn would later score two penalty kicks to bring the score to 10-6 at the half.

The Gamecocks got in penalty trouble in the second half. The Tigers narrowed the gap to 10-9 after a penalty shot was made by Tiger kicker Brock Hawer. “I thought that we had a chance after we hit the penalty kick,” said Auburn player Chris Champion.

Gamecock captain John Burke sealed the victory after he connected on two penalty kicks in the second half. Burke made the first one with 10 minutes remaining in the game and his final shot hit was under five minutes left in the game.

“We played a really hard game today,” said Burke. “I’m really proud of everybody. We gave it 110 percent the entire game and nobody gave up.”

Cross Country getting it going

By Sports Information

Jacksonville State University held its annual cross country meet at Fort McClellan on Saturday morning. The men finished third overall in the 8,000 meter run and the women finished fourth overall in the 5,000 meter run.


For the women, Francis Archuleta finished eighth in the individual results. Her time was 22:15:06.

With only three conference games left, head coach Lisa Howe seems confident that Jax State will still end the season in the top six of the conference and advance to postseason play.

“We played poorly this past weekend,” said Howe, speaking of the road loses to Florida Atlantic and Central Florida. “I am glad we could come off of such a performance and play with desire and the level of competition we did tonight. That is the closest we have ever played Jacksonville State and I think you will see both us and GSU in the tournament.”

“We have told the team the goal will come, just to keep playing well,” said Howe.

Georgia State improved to 3-2-1 in the TAA and 6-7-2 overall. Jax State traveled to Mercer on Sunday, where they defeated them by a score of 3-2. The three scores of that game where Emily Hulbert, Jane Little and Angela Tribble.

With the teams out in the past five games combined, The Lady Gamecocks (8-7, 4-3) play Stetson University today at University Field. The start of the game is set for 7 p.m.
One on One with “Thril”

By Anthony Hill

Should women play football? A sports editorial by Anthony Hill

Last Friday’s USA Today contained a story about a young lady who sued Duke University for not letting her play football. Well, she was rewarded punitive damages, ruling that Duke University cut her from the football team because of her gender. Oh yeah, she also received $1 million in compensatory damages. Come on now, I’ve been cut from a team before and I didn’t feel anything like I had just been done to me. Maybe that is one of the reasons why women shouldn’t play sports like football, it’s too damaging for them.

Me, this isn’t an issue of “Are girls able to play football or is it a battle of the sexes?” Instead, I wonder where the line should be drawn. Should sports be co-ed?

I have no answer to this, unfortunately, only an opinion. And my opinion is that sports should be kept sexually divided. It has nothing to do with whether or not girls are able to “keep up” with guys, but rather to keep the purity of the sport intact.

I’ve heard that there are girls who are too good for the girls’ team so they move up to the boys’ program. But what about the boy who is clearly more talented than his peers? Where does he go? Nowhere. Would the Bulls have been as good without Michael Jordan? Of course not. Girls without Shaq or Kobe. All good teams have two or three who can inspire the team to push its limits.

For this reason, it is important for girls to remain on their teams. As opportunities for female athletes increase, the talent level and the game itself improves. Women’s basketball is an excellent example. Not too many years ago, women’s basketball was a dull, slow game. But as the athleticism of the women improved and as women began to focus on it as a different game rather than a watered-down version of the man’s game, it changed. Where would some of those great WNBA players be if they had just been placed on some NBA teams? They would probably be sitting on the bench and coming in when the game was over.

Adding more players to a team can hurt the integrity of a game. A girls’ team with a male player is considered to have an added advantage. A female on a men’s team is scoffed. I’m a believer in girls making up the sport for themselves and as women began to focus on it as a different game it changed.

The problem of the girls who want to play football and are turned away is deeper than girls playing a man’s game. There are no viable substitutes for girls.

Do you turn them away and tell them to find another sport? In the Duke case, they did just that and got sued. Are there any good solutions? Women’s league could still agree with women playing football with guys. Maybe someone will come up with a women’s football league. Only time will tell what will evolve from all of this.
Gamecock volleyball on losing skid

By Sports Information

After hitting the ball well in the first two games, Jacksonville State dropped three straight to hand a key Trans America Athletic Conference volleyball match to Campbell, 3-2 (15-8, 15-8, 9-15, 7-15).

Seniors Kelby Rumpf and Einya Ambler only had one hitting error between them in the first couple of games. Just as the last few games at Pete Mathews Coliseum, the Lady Gamecocks went in the locker room for the eight-minute break between games two and three and somehow lost their fire.

Suddenly, the Camels were the ones hitting over .200 and that put a damper on JSU’s momentum.

The Lady Gamecocks were led by Rumpf, who had a double-double with 20 kills and 12 digs. Ambler had 19 kills with a .405 hitting percentage, while fellow senior Heather Beers had 40 assists.

The Camels were led by Sarah Peterson, with 14 kills and 11 digs. Karen Lewis added 17 kills and Tinsley Gordon had 12.

Jax State, who hasn’t managed a hitting percentage, while fellow overall and 0-3 in the conference, while Campbell improved to 12-11 and 3-1.
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