Chief Ladiga Trail should soon cross Jax State’s campus

By Paige Soehren & Stephanie Pendergrass
The Chanticleer Staff Writer & News Editor

One of the capital projects JSU President Dr. William Meehan discussed at the recent Board of Trustees meeting was the completion of the Chief Ladiga Trail through JSU.

The Chief Ladiga Trail is 33 miles long. It begins around the Cleburne/Calhoun county line and travels south through Piedmont, Jacksonville and Weaver to Anniston.

The trail was designed to be a “family oriented pathway that provides a safe, non-motorized way to travel, exercise and relax while enjoying the outdoors,” according to the web site for JSU’s Environmental Policy and Information Center.

“We don’t have a start date at this time,” said Buffy Smith of the JSU News Bureau.

Last year, though, Smith reported that Gov. Don Siegelman awarded JSU $196,000 to complete the project.

The actual cost for the construction on the trail is more than the $196,000 JSU has been awarded, however. “I believe that (the price) was around two hundred-fifty eight thousand,” said Miller Parnell, of the JSU Physical Plant. “Most of the money is coming from a federal grant.

“We don’t have a start date at this time,” Parnell said. “I look for it to be sometime between the first of November and the tenth of November.” He was also unsure of the completion time for the trail.

Meehan reported at the trustees meeting that J.P. Morgan GC, Inc. of Oxford has been awarded the contract to run the trail through the University. He also said that JSU’s portion of the trail “will feature an information kiosk for the University and a parking lot and staging area for visitors using the trail.”

The actual plan to pave over East Alabama’s unused railroad and turn it into a recreational trail began in 1990, according to EPIC.

At that time, the Calhoun County Commission and the city of Piedmont received a grant from the Alabama Department of Transportation and began the first 8.9-mile segment of the trail.

Alabama’s “rail trail” was named after Creek Indian Chief Ladiga who signed the Cusseta treaty of 1832, according to the Great Trails web site. The treaty gave up the chief’s rights to some land in this area.

Then, in 1833, Chief Ladiga sold a portion of his remaining land to speculators for $2,000. This portion was the land that became the city of Jacksonville. When signing the

J’ville Police look for help in assault case

By Benjamin Cunningham
The Chanticleer Editor in Chief

Jacksonville Police are asking for help in their investigation of the robbery and assault of two residents of Jacksonville Place apartments two weeks ago.

The two women, both JSU students, were returning to their apartment in the Jacksonville Place complex on Ala. Route 204 at around 2:30 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 19, when the incident occurred, Investigator Fred Morrow of JPD said. Morrow asked that the victims not be identified to protect them from possible retribution.

“As they were going to their apartment they observed two black males at the bottom of the steps,” Morrow said. “One of the black males grabbed the first white female, and spun her around, put the gun to her, told her to give him (her) purse.”

After the woman complied, the man turned to her companion, Morrow said.

“He then turned to the second (victim), went to her, asked her for her purse, she didn’t have a purse, she didn’t have any money, and he just — I guess because he was mad, ended up beating her with the gun.”

According to police reports, the second woman was treated at Jacksonville Hospital with a cut over her left eye, a bloody nose, and bruises on her face. Morrow said she is now in her hometown with her family.

The men then ran toward another nearby building in the complex, Morrow said. A witness at the scene, who also asked not to be identified, said the men entered the building.

So far, the story ends there. Witnesses could not identify the men beyond giving a description, and Morrow said he’s had no substantial leads, though he suspects the men are still in the area. “I think they’re local,” he said. “Possibly even college students.”

Morrow is hoping someone with knowledge of the suspects or the crime will come forward with information helpful to his investigation. “There’s somebody that knows something from over there,” he said. “Anything that they tell me would be confidential. Their name won’t be brought up.

For those unwilling to talk to police, Morrow suggested an alternative in which the informant’s identity is kept anonymous. “If they don’t want to call me directly they can call Crimestoppers, if [suspects] are arrested and convicted they get a reward,” he said. Crimestoppers’ local tip line is 238-1414. Morrow can be reached at JPD by telephone at 435-6448.
British journalist lectures Jax State on state of media

By Josie Connell
Special To The Chanticleer

Remember turning on your television not so long ago and hearing about the Monica Lewinsky scandal 24/7? Remember opening up your newspaper to read only about O.J. Simpson’s troubles? Often, these types of “entertaining” stories get more news coverage than others. Journalist Godfrey Hodgson calls this type of media coverage “dumbing down”.

Hodgson spoke to approximately 100 people at the 14th annual Ayers Lecture Series Oct. 24 at the Houston Cole Library. The Ayers Lecture Series, co-sponsored by The Anniston Star and Jacksonville State University, brings world-renowned journalists to Jacksonville to discuss issues in the media.

Hodgson, an English native, has worked for three major British newspapers, is a frequent commentator for BBC World, recently retired as director of the Reuter Foundation Programme at Oxford University and has written several books on American politics.

Hodgson said “dumbing down” describes a media transformation that has taken place over the last 100 years where the focus is more on entertainment than news.

“I think we can say that many newspapers are guilty of both commercialization and sensationalism, but that other news media, including television news, cable TV, and especially magazines are even more clearly guilty.”

He attributed this transformation to the dual nature of the news industry: The struggle the media face to serve the public while still making a profit.

“Of course they (the media) must make money, and to do so they must be lively, attractive, fresh and alluring. But they are also the central nervous system of our society. If they simply fail to cover events ... (it) is dangerous.”

Hodgson said the only solution is self-regulation by the media.

“But unless and until the management ... that now control so much of American journalism come to appreciate that journalism is not just a business like any other, and to act on the realization that the uneasy relationship between journalism as a business and journalism as a vital component of the democratic system must be nudged back into a truer balance, then I fear that it will be back to Monica ... all of the time.”

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In one of the two sets of rules that govern the SGÀ senate, the senate parliamentarian is not allowed to vote. Although this rule has not been followed in recent history, senator Andrew Williams brought the rule to the senate’s attention. Now the senate must decide whether to follow the rule as is, add the rule to the constitution, or ignore it.

The parliamentarian is an appointed position within the senate. The parliamentarian is a sort of referee of the senate and is also a senator. She or he keeps the peace.

There are two sets of rules that govern the senate. First, there is the constitution, which always takes precedence. Second, there are Robert’s Rules, which are basic rules of parliamentary procedure such as the process of passing bills or the structure of senate meetings.

According to Robert’s Rules the parliamentarian is allowed to vote only on ballot issues. A ballot issue is an issue for which the verbal vote is too close to call so a vote on paper is called. Like any referee, under most circumstances the parliamentarian is supposed to remain neutral. According to April Dorsett, senator, “we as a senate were unaware of this rule” and so have not been following it.

In the last meeting on Oct. 29, Williams brought the rule to the attention of the senate. He believed that “if the SGA is to earn any respect from the student body then we must follow all of our own rules.” The senate cannot just “pick and choose and follow only the rules we like only when it’s convenient” Williams said.

Buddy Rodgers, senator, agreed that “the referee should not vote.”

Williams felt that the suggestions he only brought this to the attention of the senate because of some sort of vendetta against current parliamentarian.

Elizihabeth Davis, were “grossly unfair.”

Dorsett agreed that the senate must follow its own rules. On the other hand, she pointed out that the rule about the parliamentarian is only in Robert’s Rules and not in the constitution and that the constitution should always supercede Robert’s Rules. “To take away a senator’s voice now, after she has been able to speak thus far, is unjust,” Dorsett concluded.

Instead she suggested that a bill be introduced to amend the constitution to include the restrictions on the parliamentarian, and that the parliamentarian’s vote should be removed only after the bill passes. In that way the senate can decide what is fair.

When asked her opinion on the issue during the session, Davis declined to comment.

SGÀ Vice President Stephanie Janis said the issue will now go to the committees for discussion. The committees will then decide if they want to make a bill that would amend the constitution by adding the rules about parliamentarian voting.

Rodgers also pointed out that Robert’s Rules are just a guideline, so another option would be to simply ignore them. He suggested that the real issue is whether or not the senate wants to continue to follow Robert’s Rules.
Peer educators work to inform students about dangers of substance abuse

By Stephanie Pendergrass
The Chanticleer News Editor

One of JSU’s newest organizations, the “Peer Educators,” is a group that promotes wellness and good health to students.

According to an announcement from the Academic Center for Excellence, the Peer Educators program is offered through ACE and is sponsored by Rickey Naugher.

Naugher, director of Counseling and Career Services at JSU, said the main job of the educators is prevention. “They do a lot of prevention work and they do seminars on-campus and in the community as well. Their big thing is to go out and promote healthy lifestyles,” Becky Sproles, one of the peer educators said, “It also is a great way to learn leadership skills.”

According to ACE, JSU’s “Peer Educators work to share the message that excessive drinking and drunkenness are not the college norm. They feature alcohol free events in conjunction with educational messages and conduct support groups on a variety of issues when needed.”

The presentations the peer educators participate in “are geared for social issues that may affect students on campus such as alcohol, drugs, eating disorders, HIV, that kind of thing,” said Naugher. “They’ve probably exceeded our expectations so far,” said Roberts. “They’ve done a great job and they’re just in their infancy.”

According to Naugher it was his idea to have peer educators at JSU. “I presented it to the campus-wide substance abuse committee and they were all in favor of it,” said Naugher. “That’s been one of our goals (to get the peer educators together) through that committee and that’s how it was born.”

The counseling department chose the eight students serving as the 2001-02 peer educators. “We kind of screened them first and then we checked their grade point averages and made sure they were good students,” Naugher said. “Then we interviewed them and once they were selected they went through an intense training this summer.”

According to Naugher, the peer educators must be in good academic standing, maintain at least a 2.0 grade point average and participate in seven presentations during the year. “I like being involved with this organization because it has become an outlet to stand up for issues that I believe are very important,” said Sproles. “I think it’s important for the campus to have students advocating for issues college students deal with on a daily basis.”

Dr. Brenda Roberts, professor of nursing, is pleased with the job the peer educators are doing. “They’ve done an overall very good job.”

According to Naugher also said the group was doing a good job. “It’s a new group, they kind of came in with not many expectations because really they had no group to measure themselves by before that,” he said. “It’s been a learning process for them, but they’ve done an overall very good job.”

Roberts hopes that the University’s peer educators “can educate a large enough group of fellow students to start at least developing an awareness on-campus of substance-abuse concerns.”

For anyone interested in becoming a peer educator next year, Naugher said, “They need to look this spring and we’ll be having a recruiting time and they just need to put their name in over here at the counseling department. The current group will be doing most of the interviewing this time. They’ll select other members.”

According to ACE, the 2001-02 peer educators are Meredith Barnes, Mark Chequette, Natasha Cunningham, Latoya Granger, Mark Choquette, Natasha Stephens and James Vasquez.
Calhoun County schools get grant for history programs; JSU to help

By Laura Blasingame
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

The Calhoun County school system was chosen to participate in an American History project funded by a grant from the Department of Education.

Calhoun County is one of 60 school systems nationwide to receive the Department of Education Grant. According to the JSU News Wire, Calhoun County schools will receive $523,977 from the government to support a three-year program called “Learning America's Story Through Interesting New Genres,” or LASTING.

According to Dr. George Lauderbaugh, assistant professor of history, Dr. Veronica Carr, director of instructional services for Calhoun County schools, was instrumental in the acquisition of the grant as she primarily put the request for the initiative together.

Dr. Hardy Jackson, head of the history department, and Lauderbaugh also contributed to the grant proposal.

Under LASTING, members of JSU’s history staff including, Dr. Hardy Jackson, Lauderbaugh, Dr. Phillip Koerper, Dr. Suzanne Marshall and Mrs. Mary Stokosberry will conduct eight workshops per year for three years and two two-week summer instructions.

The goal of the program is to join University history teachers and Calhoun County history and social science teachers of grades K-12 together and explore in four areas that are available for enriching the students’ learning experience.

According to the News Wire, “collaborators will include JSU, the Amistad Museum of Natural History and the Berman Museum of World History.”

The program, essentially, is designed to “get ideas out and exchange them to make history more exciting in public schools,” said Lauderbaugh.

When asked if the program could be fairly implemented nationwide in that many areas differ in the quality and availability of historical resources, Jackson said that the fact that areas differed was the best part about the program.

According to Jackson, although the specific histories of regions differ, people respond to changes in much the same way. In essence he said, the goals of history are achieved by asking: How did people live? Why were the institutions of a time important? Why did people do what they did?

LASTING is hoped to help students achieve those goals.

JSU’s ROTC competes at Ranger Challenge

By Jeff Young
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

With all the recent talk about Rangers and other commando units fighting in Afghanistan, the JSU ROTC Battalion got a chance to experience some of the training that elite units go through by participating in the annual Ranger Challenge contest.

According to Master Sgt. Jose Barcinas Jr., the contest was held on Oct. 19-21.

The program took place at Camp Shelby and teams from 22 universities were involved. “I’ve competed in this event for three years,” said Chris Hopes, a senior cadet, “and every time it gets more exciting.”

Barcinas said the true purpose of the Ranger Challenge is “it tests the individual’s leadership, his physical ability and his stamina. It (also) develops teamwork.”

The teams were evaluated in three different phases. The first phase was a written exam and the Army Physical Fitness Test. The JSU team showed off its physical endurance by its cadets consistently doing 70 or more pushups in a two-minute time frame.

“We’ve been preparing for the physical fitness test for months now. We should be ready,” said cadet Paul Thiessen after doing over 80 pushups.

The Army Physical Fitness Test also included sit-ups and a 2-mile run. Three JSU cadets finished the 2-mile run at the head of the pack.

The second phase included a land navigation course, a grenade assault course, the weapon assembly and disassembly course, the rope bridge and basic rifle marksmanship.

JSU cadets were disappointed with their performance in the rope bridge. “We’ve been practicing the rope bridge since classes started,” said Gabriel Weaver, a senior cadet. “We knew how to tie knots better than anyone. We just choked under pressure.”

Despite the setback, team captain Paul Thiessen rallied the troops and prepared them for the next and final phase of the competition: the 10k-road march.

In the past, teams set to win the whole Ranger Challenge competition would lose it all because of fatigue and their inability to finish the 10k in a reasonable time.

However, the 10k became a defining moment for JSU as they beat six of the seven teams that started ahead of them, and they were nipping at the heels of that seventh team. Which happened to be a team from the Alabama ROTC Battalion.

“We truly became a team out there,” said Craig Bryant, a junior cadet. “A lot of us were totally wiped out, but we sucked our pain up and kept going.”

The Ranger Challenge contest ended with a closing ceremony in which JSU was awarded a streamer for their performance. “We did all right,” said Barcinas. “You normally have bronze, silver and gold streamers and we got the silver streamer.”

Many of the younger JSU cadets were motivated to do better at next year’s contest. Sophomore cadet Chris Kuszmian said, “I’m going to make sure I’m prepared to help the team win it all next year.”
In Our View

Voting is essential

Are you going to go the fourth floor of the TMB today to vote for homecoming queen? You have the chance to let your voice be heard, so vote!

In a similar token, campaign season has begun for most statewide offices in Alabama’s 2002 election. Who are you going to vote for? Do you know who’s running? Better yet, are you even registered to vote?

You should be. If young voters could make their voices heard, we might not find our board of trustees forced to raise tuition to deal with shrinking budgets handed down from Montgomery. Universities and K-12 schools might not ever have to deal with the specter of proration again. Based on past elections, though, it doesn’t look like our generation will have that kind of impact.

Recently the National Association of Secretaries of State conducted the New Millennium Study to look into the voting patterns of young adults. What they found out was that in the 1998 elections, only about 16 percent of Americans between the ages of 18 and 24 bothered to vote.

What inexcusable apathy! We are Americans in a democracy governed by the people through elected representatives. Voting gives us power to move the government. Why do so many young adults seem not to care?

If all of the people in the above mentioned age group would have voted in the 1998 elections, would the outcome have been different? There’s certainly that potential.

Alabama Secretary of State Jim Bennett has begun a major voter-registration drive aimed at young adults called the Alabama New Millennium Project. Maybe his effort will get the ball rolling.

It’s not hard to register to vote. There are State of Alabama Postcard Registration Application forms available on campus, at the driver’s licensing office, on the internet at the voter registration site of the Office of the Secretary of State, and from the county Board of Registrars.

It’s not just registering you need to do, though. After registering to vote, learn about those running for office and make an educated decisions at the ballot box. You may be surprised at the pride you’ll feel in having cast your vote.

So now that you’ve cast your vote for the woman who’ll be crowned at halftime this Saturday, why not take the first step in selecting the men and women who’ll take power in Montgomery next year?

Love is a many splendored thing ... sometimes

By Stephanie Pendergrass
The Chanticleer News Editor

While having some University conflict to complain about would probably be helpful right now, I just can’t think of any. I like all of my teachers, and I don’t have any real problems with the parking situations or with the traffic jams, which I realize we almost all have to endure anyway.

Instead, I’d like to talk about something that may seem like a girly topic, but what the heck, I am a girl. My topic concerns something everybody experiences sometime in life. Whether you’re young or old, you’re searching for it, and you can go a lifetime never finding it. My topic is love.

A wise woman once asked, “What’s love got to do with it?” Well Tina, I wish I could tell you. Throughout life we’ve been told, “Love is a many splendored thing.” Well I don’t know about anybody else, but I’ve heard “Love stinks.”

To find love is wonderful, it’s the greatest feeling. Having someone to support and believe in you and who is worthy enough to occupy your thoughts is a wonderful thing. My pet peeve in this matter is the lack of seriousness behind love.

Many people take love in two different ways. On one end of the spectrum is the “I’ll never fall in love” syndrome. These people think everyone is out to use and abuse them. Then of course there is the “I love everybody” syndrome. In this case, these people can’t go a single moment without having someone to call their own.

I’ve seen both of these syndromes in action. I have some friends who are happy to be single, and then some that act as if they cannot function without a significant other by their side.

I may be single and probably in need of a boyfriend, but truthfully, I’m getting by just fine. I think it’s good to be picky with the guys I date, which by the way I am. I also think it’s good to be alone sometimes.

When you have to depend on yourself, you learn some valuable lessons. I may be accident-prone and a procrastinator, but at least I know my limitations and how to work around them.

It probably sounds old-fashioned and incredibly naive, but I think everybody has someone that is perfect for them. Even though we may not always know it, “Mr. Right” or “Mrs. Right” is out there, we just have to look hard enough for them.

In April, my parents will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary. They give me the hope that true love is out there. After 24 years of marriage, I can assure you, they are still in love. They genuinely care about one another and look out for each other. It’s nice to see love still flourishing after such a long time, and it’s been a real learning experience growing up in a home that gives me hope for my love life.

I believe love is out there for everyone. Sometimes you have to risk getting hurt though and trust that everything happens for a reason. Getting hurt in relationships makes you stronger, and in the long run, the knowledge you gain may just lead you to that perfect person.
While you were away ... all the news that didn’t seem to fit

By Tim Jones & Vincent Schosdolki
Chicago Tribune (KRT)

Been wondering about Gary Condit and Washington intern Chandra Levy, who seems to have disappeared for a second time? How about O.J. Simpson, who took the witness stand in Miami last week and — ready for this? — did so without CNN providing non-stop coverage.

They’ve been shoved to the hind end of the media bus and are now, in their own way, editorial victims of the events triggered by Sept. 11. They’re back there with the Social Security lockbox, drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, Jennifer Lopez’s marriage and vigorous dissent.

This is no media conspiracy. After all, television, newspapers and magazines have for years reaped enormous profits from serving up a daily story diet that exceeds the USDA’s recommended levels for fat and carbohydrate intake.

James Naughton, the former executive editor of the Philadelphia Inquirer and now president of the Poynter Institute for Media Studies, said the redenfition of news in the past seven weeks is the biggest shift he has seen since the reporting of Watergate.

“What this has done is refresh our recollection of what matters to the point that real news is dominating, in the way that the Condit story and all that other fake news did,” Naughton said.

So what might have made the front page in most daily papers had it not been for the terrorist attacks? Here goes.

The Postal Service is pressing to push the price of a first-class stamp to 37 cents, up from 34 cents. Because the Postal Service usually gets what it wants, look for that to anyway.

The media-sponsored recount of Florida’s presidential vote, the one that is supposed to resolve who won last year’s disputed election, is on hold. Plans call for examination of the tally to begin in December.

Friedrich Leibacher, 57, opened fire and tossed a grenade in the legislature of the placid Swiss canton of Zug, killing 15 people, including three members of the canton’s seven-member government. Officials said Leibacher, who killed himself during the attack, was angry at government authorities over a dispute that started with a bus driver two years ago.

Bush Hough, the nation’s most-listened-to talk radio host, announced that he is nearly deaf. The story was buried in most newspapers, getting top-of-the-hour treatment only in the Onion: “Bush Limbaugh’s Love Affair with Sound of Own Voice Comes to Sad End,” the satirical weekly reported.

Toyota and Sony announced they had combined forces to produce a car that smiles, cries and changes colors depending on how you treat it. Called Pod, the car is normally orange, but it turns blue and produces water on its headlights if it has a flat tire or runs out of gas. No word on how it responds to potholes.

The number of layoffs announced since Sept. 11 topped 40,000, about the size of the city of Atlanta.

Norwegian and Russian diving crews, in a remarkable salvage venture, successfully raised the Kursk, the 17,000-ton Russian submarine that sank to the ocean floor in August 2000 after an on-board explosion. The crippled submarine carried 22 cruise missiles and a crew of 118, all of whom died. The vessel was attached to the bottom of a barge and towed to a dry dock in Siberia.

The murder rate in the United States reached a 35-year low last year, according to the FBI.

Proving once again that love is often blind, French attorney Isabelle Coutant-Peyre announced that she would divorce her husband to marry one of her clients, Illich Ramirez Sanchez, also known as international terrorist Carlos the Jackal.

Sharon and one of the eminence political scientists.

A global dust storm engulfed Mars, kicking up dust as fine as talcum powder up to 40 miles into the atmosphere.

Minnesota Gov. Jesse Ventura urged residents of the state to stop reading the two major daily newspapers in the Minneapolis-St. Paul area and to stop watching the local evening newscasts. That way, Ventura said, residents can protect themselves from the “half-truths, the National Enquirer journalism that’s practiced today.” Ventura recommended talk radio as the reliable source of information.

O.J. Simpson was acquitted in Miami on charges of road rage. Simpson smiled and said, “Thank you.”

And U.S. Rep. Gary Condit, D-Calif., will face a primary challenge from California Assemblyman Dennis Cardoza, who promised that he would not make character an issue. “As the San Francisco Chronicle noted, that won’t be necessary.”

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A clash of theories: bin Laden vs. Sharon vs. Bush & Clinton

By Max J. Castro
Knight Ridder Newspapers (KRT)

What intellectual debate pits Osama bin Laden, Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon and one of the premier political scientists in America against Bill Clinton, George Bush and Arab leaders?

The idea that brings together odd bedfellows and divides longstanding allies is the “clash of civilizations,” a thesis coined by Samuel P. Huntington, a renowned Harvard professor described by Henry Kissinger “as one of the West’s most eminent political scientists.”

Huntington believes there is an inevitable and fundamental conflict between Islam and the West. In his 1996 book, “The Clash of Civilizations and the Remaking of World Order,” he writes: “Some Westerners, including President Bill Clinton, have argued that the West does not have problems with Islam but only with violent Islamic extremists. Fourteen hundred years of history demonstrate otherwise.”

Huntington’s thesis has been officially contested by, among others, all the leaders of the Western democracies. That’s with the possible exception of Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi, who has said the West is superior to Islam, and Prime Minister Sharon, who speaks generically of “Arabs” as if they all constituted a single, monolithic, Nazi-like enemy.

Moreover, Huntington’s “clash of civilizations” is just one of many theses being argued in many lively intellectual forums. It’s also a thesis with which many Americans are becoming familiar, judging by a ranking of No. 32 attained by Huntington’s book on Amazon.com’s best-seller list.

Contrast that, for instance, with a ranking of No. 300 for “Orientalism,” a book by distin-

guous author Edward W. Said, in which the author seeks to expose Western scholars’ misconceptions about a supposed unchanging and exotic “East.”

But Said’s book is hard reading. Karen Armstrong’s “Islam: A Short History,” which argues that “the picture of Islam as a violent, backward and insular tradition should be laid to rest,” is at No. 11.

Huntington’s book makes his book particularly influential. The crux of his argument is that “the problem for the West is not Islamic fundamentalism” but “Islam, a different civilization whose people are convinced of the superiority of their culture and are obsessed with the inferiority of their power.”

Conversely, the problem for Islam is not the CIA or the U.S. Department of Defense but “the West, a different civilization whose people are convinced of the universality of their culture and believe that their superior, if declining, power imposes on them the obligation to extend that culture throughout the world.”

What is wrong with this reading? In the first place, as Said and others point out, the concepts of “the West” and “Islam” are labels that obscure enormous diversity and dynamism.

Second, people in every culture believe that their way of life is superior — it is called ethnocentrism and it is universal. But cultures are not inevitably engaged in violent clashes, so what makes the West/Islam one unavoidable?

Finally, it can be expected that people in any culture would object when people of another culture feel a threat to impose their ways. That is not a response specific to Islam. Moreover, in that case, the problem would be a power struggle resulting from arrogance, not a clash of civilizations.

But is such a conflict inevitable? And do the citizens of the Western nations really feel a need to impose their culture on Islamic societies? Huntington’s clash of civilizations turns out to be inevitable only if one believes that the only natural and possible relation between the West and Islam is one in which the West imposes its culture on the “other” by popular demand.

A respectful dialogue of civilizations is the alternative. Such a dialogue may not persuade hard-core zealots, but it will isolate and ultimately defeat them. It’s a conversation that will last longer and be more difficult than the fight against terrorism itself, but it is one we can’t afford if we want to be spared a future of endless horror and devastation.

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IN YOUR VIEW

Elizabeth Walker
Freshman
Special Education

“I’ve never voted. But I just turned 18 and I will now because every vote counts.”

E. “Downtown” Brown
Sophomore
Communications

“Yes, I vote, because it determines our future.”

Poonie Richardson
Junior
Physical Education

“Yes, because it’s my patriotic duty.”

Antoine Jackson
Freshman
Undecided

“I, you know, I want my opinion to be voiced.”

Micah Woodard
Freshman
Undecided

“No, because I don’t have the time or patience.”
WASHINGTON — As part of his effort to root out terrorists and their supporters, President Bush launched a crackdown Monday on foreign visitors who abuse their visas.

Saying that the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks “taught us an interesting lesson,” Bush announced the creation of a federal task force to tighten immigration policy. The inter-agency group will look for ways to screen potential terrorists and monitor visitors who violate the terms of their visas.

The Bush plan calls for more immigration and customs agents to be assigned to anti-terrorism, directs federal agencies to share information about suspected terrorists and orders the State Department to share more information with Canada and Mexico to help nab terrorists before they enter this country.

More than 7 million foreign visitors enter the country on visas each year, and about 3 million of them overstay their entry permits. About 500,000 foreigners are admitted on student visas.

At least 13 of the 19 foreigners who were involved in the Sept. 11 attacks entered the country legally on tourist, business or student visas. At least three of them over-stayed their visas.

“Never did we realize that people would take advantage of our generosity to the extent they have,” Bush told reporters at the White House. “The vast majority of people who have come to America are really good, decent people, people that we’re proud to have here. There are some who are evil. Our job now is to find the evil ones.”

The administration’s effort to tighten immigration policy is another example of the dramatic change in the political climate as a result of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. Before the assaults, Bush was prodding Congress to ease immigration restrictions, especially with regard to Mexico. Now his proposal for a new guest-worker program has been shoved aside by the war on terrorism.

“We welcome legal immigrants, and we welcome people coming to America,” Bush said. “What we don’t welcome are people who come to hurt the American people.”

Bush instructed immigration officials to be far more diligent in tracking visa holders and deporting violators.

“We’re going to start asking a lot of questions that heretofore have not been asked,” he said. “We’re going to make sure that when somebody comes, we understand their intended purpose and that they fulfill the purpose on their application.”

One leading anti-immigration activist dismissed the White House initiative as a halfway measure that falls far short of Bush’s declared goal.

“The system is dysfunctional at every point,” said Dan Stein, executive director of the Federation for American Immigration Reform, an organization that favors more restrictive laws. “All the information in the world isn’t going to help if you don’t have the personnel and resources to enforce the law. They don’t seem to realize that curtailing immigration itself is a vital part of the equation.”

Even supporters of Bush’s initiative acknowledged that it will require a substantial investment in technology and personnel to track visa holders. The Immigration and Naturalization Service currently has about 2,000 agents to monitor millions of foreign visitors.

“We’re basically starting at ground zero, with a long way to go up,” said Angela Kelley, deputy director of National Immigration Forum, a pro-immigration organization. “If there’s anybody who can pull it off, it’s George Bush. He has extraordinary support right now. I really do think people will fall in line behind the president.”

Bush instructed the new foreign terrorist tracking task force, headed by Attorney General John Ashcroft, to “develop a budgetary plan to support this effort.” The task force will take immediate steps to tighten current policy and recommend other changes that require congressional action.
Dezeray’s Hammer isn’t faking it

By Danni Lusk
The Chanticleer Features Editor

With the invasion of boy band and rap-metal music invading radio stations, Dezeray’s Hammer is hoping to bring a different sound to the mainstream music industry.

“Think what makes us unique is that when you turn on the radio, you hear boy bands and rap-metal,” said lead singer/guitarist Aaron Whisnant. “With the exception of bands like Lifehouse and Three Doors Down, we are one of the only bands that actually sing.”

Dezeray’s Hammer, named after a lyric from one of Whisnant’s earlier songs about a girl who could fake orgasms, hails from Spartanburg, S.C. They have been concentrating on building a local scene while one of their songs is yet to come.

With the song writing talents of Whisnant, propulsive bass work of Chris Francisco and rhythmic beats of Kenny Hogan on drums, Dezeray’s Hammer dispels the desire of any listener to change the station while one of their songs is playing.

JSU set to boogie down during Homecoming 2001

By Danni Lusk
The Chanticleer Features Editor

With homecoming week reaching an end, the biggest events have yet to come.

Today the SGA is hosting the annual “-Day” on the TMB lawn from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. The “carnival scene” will feature games, activities, cotton candy and snow cones free of cost, according to SGA Director of Publicity Robert Hayes. “Our goal was to make it a carnival scene to make it fun,” he said. “And it’s all free; that’s what makes it fun.”

Also on today’s schedule is the final vote for homecoming queen. Students vote for one candidate out of the top six that were elected last Thursday. The ballot table will be located on the fourth floor of the TMB and be open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

“Karaoke in the caf’” will take place in Jack Hopper Dining Hall Thursday from around 11 p.m. to 1 p.m., according to Hayes. Lunch will be $4 instead of the usual five, and the karaoke will be provided with the purchase of lunch.

Friday night will feature a “pep rally style” bonfire complete with JSU cheerleaders, the Southerners and a performance by the Ballerinas, according to Hayes. The crowning of the homecoming queen and the presentation of her court will take place at the bonfire.

SGA President Miranda Killingsworth will crown the queen. Also, banners made by students will be judged. The winners of that contest will be announced at the halftime of Saturday’s football game.

At 1 p.m., the Homecoming Parade will begin in the area around Taco Bell and travel to the parking lot in front of Stephenson Hall. The judges will be seated at the square. University students’ floats will be judged and the winners will be announced at the game.

JSU’s R·O·T·C. will perform a rope bridge demonstration at 2 p.m. at Paul Snow Stadium, across from Stephenson Hall, and will rappelling off the stadium at 3 p.m.

Finally, JSU will begin playing Tennessee Tech at 4 p.m. in Paul Snow Stadium.

This year, Homecoming is full of events to keep students busy. “The organizational council got together and everybody decided instead of trying to compete and have events at the same time,” said Hayes. “We could just fill up everybody’s time.”

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Homecoming 2001: election ends today

By Danni Lusk
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The last opportunity to get your vote in for homecoming queen is today.

Although there are usually only five remaining candidates, this year’s top-five election yielded a special case. “We narrowed it down from ten to six,” said SGA Publicity Director Robert Hayes. “And the reason there are six instead of five is because there was a tie.”

Rebekah Adams, Katie Clifton, Misti Haynes Cobb, Lauren Michelle Thrower, Sherry Todd and Emily Williams are the “DISCOver JSU” homecoming court. All together, there are three seniors, two juniors and one sophomore. The candidates’ activities range from involvement in a sorority to different community service projects. Additional information on the candidates can be found on the JSU News Wire.

Photographs and names of the top six to choose from will be posted on the bulletin board behind the polling station on the fourth floor of the TMB. Polling will take place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

SGA President Miranda Killingsworth will crown the queen at the bonfire on Friday night. The homecoming court and the queen will then be presented with flowers at halftime during the football game on Saturday afternoon.

Last Thursday, 622 students showed up to vote, only six less than last year. The SGA is hoping for an even larger turnout for today’s vote. “I think [having two elections] is to give more opportunity because a lot of times you don’t have a good voter turnout and with the voting for homecoming queen only being on one day, Thursday, you miss the Monday, Wednesday, Friday traffic,” said Hayes. “I think this is a way to give [students] more of an opportunity (to vote).”
Review by Jerry Clayton
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

“Monsters We Breed” is the latest album from the band The Line.

It comes with a different kind of punk rock that I haven’t heard in a long time. It’s not like your MTV-poppypunk-rock nor is it like your underground “as-fast-as-you-can-play” punk. It is what I can best call just underground music.

You can tell these guys do not want to be on the radio or MTV. Some of the songs have this rockabilly feel to them also which makes this band almost indescribable.

Actually, this band sounds like nothing out there in music. However, they are making no big impact in rock with this album. This is not a life changing record. The lyrics are dark and the music is a kind of dumb, get-on-your-nerves punk.

What’s kind of funny about the album is when you look at the cover, you can see these guys fit the role of punk rockers; but the more you listen the more you feel that it is just an act.

Like on the song “Watch Out”, it seems like the singer is trying to have a voice that he just cannot have. It ends up sounding like crap. At first, during this same song, he sings about meeting a girl at a bar, but near the end he just starts singing about evil stuff that doesn’t even go with the song. Having evil stuff in a song is pretty much what rock ‘n’ roll is all about, but it has to make sense too.

Macy Gray

The ID

Macy Gray shot to the head of the class with her 1999 debut, “On How Life Is,” an album of instant classics and intelligence that’s been rare in rock and R&B since the glory days of George Clinton and Sly and the Family Stone. With “The ID,” she shows us another corner of a garden where every patch is thorny, yet beautiful.

The opening song, “Relating to a Psychopath,” displays the humor and candor that typifies her writing. The lyrics lay her love needs bare to the world: “Love is a desert and I need it to rain.” So does the song titled “Freak Like Me.” “After what we did last night, I wanna be with you all my life! I’m so glad you’re a freak like me.”

Macy really sounds like a love-psycho in “Gimme All Your Lovin’ or I Will Kill You” (“and cry when you’re dead.”) Yeah, pretty weird, I know -- but that’s Macy for you.

The exquisite “Sweet Baby,” featuring Erykah Badu, has a vintage sound. It reminds me of the sounds of Billy Holiday. Along with “Boo” and the Otis Redding-style “Don’t Come Around,” this album has many songs that have that vintage feeling throughout. She also has the assistance of longtime Ray Charles and Beatles keyboardist Billy Preston, who provides spectacular organ work throughout the album.

One can see the range of Gray’s taste after glancing at the list of performers on the credits. Names like Badu, Angie Stone, Fos Def and Sticx (whose “Hey Young World” is the only song on the album not written or co-written by Gray), the Roots’ Questlove, the Red Hot Chili Peppers’ John Frusciante, and Macy’s own children are among the collaborators on her latest project.

“Ol’lilovin’,” showcases Gray’s fearless ability to shine from anywhere, absorbing input without prejudice and producing something unique as a result. “I’m so funkin’ beautiful, especially when I take my clothes off.”

Macy also displays her good-natured humorous side when she sings “Sexual Revolution.” “Don’t want to be your girlfriend, but boy, when you want the lovin’, come and see me”; from “Harry.”

Gray’s music hits harder than three shots of tequila where as some others are a mere wine cooler. One can hear echoes of everything from “The Threepenny Opera” to “The Beggar’s Opera” here, but the funk still lies within. “The ID” is a reflection of Gray’s personality -- irresistible.

Kottonmouth Kings

The Fallout

Once again the Kottonmouth Kings have improved upon their homegrown blend of punk and rap.

With an album titled, “Hidden Stash II” and song titles such as, “Brain on Drugs,” “All About the Weed,” “Family Trees” and “Grow Room Jam” it would be hard to miss what this act’s focus is on. If that is not apparent just take a look at the art work outside the disk and all throughout the liner notes.

Do not pick up this album if constant mentioning of drug use or cursing is offensive to you. Do pick this one up if you enjoyed any of their previous material. This disc is a step above and beyond anything they have done before. Kottonmouth Kings take the harder punk edge from their first major label release “Royal Highness,” and mix with the smoother rhymes and tighter beats of “High Society” their next major label outing.

One of the best songs on the disc is a cover of the Geto Boys song “My Mind Playing Trick: On Me.” With a steady backbeat this song could be one of the strongest tracks on the CD. If no for constant drug references this song would be a strong candidate for a radio hit.

“All About the Weed” has a reggae sound mixed with the usual Kottonmouth Kings sound due to Too Rude, another artist on their self-owned record label Suburban Noize, lending his raspy vocal skills to this track.

“Paid Vacation” pays homage to the new school of rap that flashes wealth and sells out as quickly as it starts, “Still same car/ Same zip code/ Didn’t move too far/ Same old friends.”

Kottonmouth Kings are still too much on the outside of mainstream radio to be heard when you turn on the radio. TV anc radio are not ready, but they still deserve to be checked out.

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**Useless Quiz**

1. What is a piece of music in which the composition follows a free-form rather than a conventional form, of an improvisational character?
2. What song by Aerosmith was written about Vince Neil of Motley Crue?
3. Catherine de Medicis was the first woman in Europe to use what?
4. In 1905, at least 19 players died in college and high school contests playing what?
5. Why was it important that Emerson Moser revealed upon his retirement that he was blue-green colorblind and couldn't see colors properly?
6. What was country singer Garth Brooks' birth name?
7. What is another name for a school of fish?

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**Crossword**

**ACROSS**

1. Attention-getting sound
2. Shading
3. "Tear" day
4. Capital of Italy
5. "Sid McWalter"
6. Capital on a pond
7. Small, small birds
8. Indigent gem
9. Deadhead
10. Gemini's carrier
11. Heel of McSorley
12. Burdock
13. Huge
14. Gaia Christie play
15. Kind of dollar
16. S.A.E., e.g.
17. Most of Mall
18. Rubber
19. Gunnie
20. Pincheye
21. Safety equipment
22. Queen goddess
23. Decisional subset
24. Two-note sound from a womanizer
25. Daytime show
26. Delicate fabric
27. Blue pant
28. Hotfoot it
29. Social nostrum
30. Bologna money
31. "Teachers' Star"
32. Chant oomph
33. Four pawlets
34. River of Lakes
35. "Auntie Mame!" cow
36. Pope Peggy
37. Laffer
38. Bleak, postally
39. Broken grandpa
40. D.C.
41. St. Louis landmark
42. Famous tough
43. Krull's rule
44. Hydrate system
45. Malin
46. Massive ref. work
47. Despite the fact

**SOLUTIONS**

6. Run soak
10. Singer Sam
11. Vod hay
12. Ladd and Grinn
13. Calendar
14. "Teachers' Star"
15. Chant oomph
16. Four pawlets
17. River of Lakes
18. "Auntie Mame!" cow
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**Horoscopes**

By Lasha Seniuk
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**Aries** (March 21-April 19): This week, friends and lovers may focus on past events or yesterday's romantic ideals. Monday through Thursday, expect loved ones to be moody, introspective and known. Gently encourage others to describe their regrets or address previously neglected issues. This is an excellent time to let go of unproductive memories. After Thursday, work mates and close friends will ask pointed questions, offer wisdom and encouragement.

**Taurus** (April 21-May 20): An important workplace or romantic partnership may enter a phase of emotional reversal. Tuesday through Thursday, watch for a close associate or loved one to revisit past issues of trust, attention to detail or possibly work-related. All of this is unavoidable. Remain gracefully attentive and all will be well. Some Taurus may also find that an old family pattern is repeated. Loved ones need concrete ideas and a new direction.

**Gemini** (May 21-June 20): Attraction and social enjoyment are on the rise. Before midweek, expect a close friend or potential lover to offer positive comments on your appearance or personal style. At present, both friends and lovers will be drawn to your physical energy and optimism. Don't shy away from new proposals. After Wednesday, last-minute invitations will be difficult to resist. Enjoy new activities but refuse to abandon important duties. Authority figures may be temperamental.

**Cancer** (June 21-July 22): Early this week, unusual financial or business opportunities will demand a quick response. Watch for a rare source of income to take priority. Newly established procedures and contacts will rapidly expand in the coming weeks. Pace yourself and ask authority figures for firm directions. After Friday, a unique romantic interest may arise. Expect age differences or long-distance love affairs to be prime concerns.

**Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22): Instructions from bosses or mentors may be confounding. Be on the lookout for unusual mistakes that may cause delays or tension with co-workers. At present, both friends and colleagues are prone to prideful displays. Tread cautiously and expect others to vigorously defend their actions. After Saturday, relaxation and private events will be key to creating an atmosphere of calm reassurance. Discuss new life goals and romantic plans with loved ones.

**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Early Tuesday, watch for a colleague or key official to propose a challenging new project. Joint finances and shared duties will work strongly in your favor. Respond positively to all creative ideas. Caution is still indicated, however; wait until early December before firmly committing time, extra energy or funds. After Wednesday, family routines are unpredictable. Work schedules, older relatives and home obligations are all features. Be prepared to make fast changes.

**Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): This is an excellent week to re-align work and social priorities. Expect friends and colleagues to act quickly on your proposals. Recent conflicts may be easily resolved. Watch for both loved ones and thoughts and inner observations with a loved one. At present, a recently shy friend or new lover may feel misunderstood.

**Scorpio** (Oct. 23-Nov. 22): Beginning this week, a friend may propose unique travel or educational plans. Over the next few months, new course work, exotic locations and other cultures will have strong appeal. Use this burst of creativity to expand your social life and explore life experiences. After Friday, discuss your thoughts and plans with a loved one. At present, a recently shy friend or new lover may feel misunderstood.

**Sagittarius** (Nov. 23-Dec. 21): Social or romantic relationships will be sweet-scented this week. Early Tuesday, expect a close friend or lover to offer sublime compliments or romantic encouragement. Many Sagittarians will enter a phase of vital sexuality and romance fulfillment. Creativity, spiritual understanding and artistic interests are also on the rise. Share your recent newfound interest with loved ones. Emotional intimacy and spiritual earning are rewarding.

**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 20): Prior to Wednesday, private reflection and sensitivity are key. Special, extra moments in quiet thought, if at all possible. Key issues are significant recent statements between friends, the past actions of lovers, difficult memories or family events. All of this may feel intense, but it will soon lead to key breakthroughs of personal understanding. Dreams, memories or spiritual insights will draw your attention in the coming weeks; listen closely to the inner voice.

**Aquarius** (Jan. 21-Feb. 18): Tuesday through Thursday, watch for a powerful romantic and business awareness to arrive. Although recent discussions may have been disjointed or chaotic, there is room for workplace advancement and deepening commitments between loved ones. Some Aquarians may also find that an older friend or relative now asks for added support. Family disputes and pride are strong themes. Go slow and expect a variety of conflicting statements.

**Pisces** (Feb. 19-March 20): Home relationships may be sentimental, loving and enjoyable. Over the last few weeks, many Pisceans have experienced distress or misconstructions in both romantic and family relations. Now, however, and over the next eight to 10 days, all initial relationships will stabilize. Use this time to re-establish important bonds with loved ones and encourage new activities with trusted friends.

**If Your Birthday Is This Week…** If possible, resolve outstanding financial issues or career matters by the end of this year. Planetary alignments suggest that practical concerns and money planning will greatly intensify over the next eight to nine weeks. Projects left unfinished after Jan. 11 will become complicated. Finalize as many practical details as possible in the coming week and all will be well. After mid-March, a romantic decision will be needed. Marital relations, living arrangements and home planning are accented. Intimacy and trust are due to significantly increase. Expect bold requests and time-sensitive proposals. For a private consultation, please visit www.mysticsstars.net.
Big names will visit the small screen for ‘sweeps’

LOS ANGELES -- The world’s richest man is planning to hobnob with “Frasier” this November. Microsoft chairman Bill Gates is slated to appear on the show on Nov. 13, as part of NBC’s November sweeps strategy. Gates will play a fan of the radio psychologist who drops by the studio during the celebration of the show’s 2,000th taping.

Gates is only one of several household names to descend upon viewers’ TV sets this month. Other big names include Farrah Fawcett, Pat Benatar, Blythe Danner, Nastassja Kinski, Elton John, Mariah Carey and, yes, Lionel Richie.

Other guest appearances slated before or during sweeps on NBC include Sean Penn appearing on two episodes of “Friends,” starting Nov. 1, and Parker Posey on “Will & Grace,” as well as Blythe Danner, Helen Slater and Beacon Bridges for a special one-hour Thanksgiving edition. Debbie Reynolds and Woody Harrelson will also return as guest performers. Sean Hayes will take a break from his “Will & Grace” role to play an intern on “Scrubs” (Nov. 6), on which Christa Miller (“The Drew Carey Show”) will also play a recurring character. Another ABC star, Mark-Paul Gosselaar (“NYPD Blue”) will head over to NBC to appear in an episode of “Law & Order: Special Victims Unit.”

In addition, Chris Noth (“Sex and the City”) will reunite with former “Law & Order” co-star Jill Hennessy when he appears in two episodes of the freshman drama “Crossing Jordan” (Nov. 19 and 26). Neill Patrick Harris will guest on “Ed” (Nov. 14), Valerie Harper will pay a visit to “Three Sisters” and Tiffani Thiessen will play a recurring character on “Just Shoot Me” starting Nov. 1.

ABC has also scheduled some household names to appear on its shows, including Juliette Lewis (“Natural Born Killers”) on “Dharma & Greg” and William Shatner on “Bob Patterson,” which both air Nov. 24. Queen Latifah, Farrah Fawcett and Denise Richards will appear on “Spin City” (Nov. 6) in two back-to-back episodes, as well as Michelle Phillips and Victoria’s Secret model Rhea Durham the following week. “The Mummy” star John Hannah will do a guest spot on “Alas” (Nov. 4), while “Dharma & Greg” will have Elfinan’s husband, Bodhi, drop by (Nov. 13), and Pat Benatar, with husband Neil Giraldo (Nov. 20). Also, Sid Caesar and Lassie will appear on “Whose Line Is It Anyway?”

Comedian Chris Elliot will drop by CBS’s “The King of Queens” (Nov. 5), “The Early Show’s” Jane Clayson and Dave Foley (“NewsRadio”) will appear on “ Becker” (Nov. 12), Jerry Van Dyke will guest on “Yes, Dear” (Nov. 19) and “The Guardian” will feature Robert Loggia and JoBeth Williams (Nov. 20). In addition, country music star Toby Keith will perform on “Touched by an Angel” (Nov. 23) and actress Nastassja Kinski will appear in an episode of “The District.”

Fox has booked Elton John and Jacqueline Bisset to guest on “Ally McBeal” on Nov. 26. Later in the year, “Ally” will also be graced by Mariah Carey, along with Jon Bon Jovi and the return of Jamie Gertz (Jan. 7). Former “Xena: Warrior Princess” star Lucy Lawless will appear in the premiere of “The X-Files” on Nov. 11 along with Cary Elwes (“The Princess Bride”), Michael Rapaport (Nov. 12) and Billy Zane (Nov. 19) will drop by “ Boston Public” while Pierce Brosnan does voicing duties on “The Simpsons” (Nov. 6). In addition, Drew Barrymore and Penny Marshall will guest star in sketches on the Nov. 3 episode of MAD TV,” which later in the month will also feature Mark-Paul Gosselaar and Jessica Simpson.
Northwestern State claims 42-17 win over Gamecocks

By Anthony Hill
The Chanticleer Sports Editor

There’s got to be many questions that coach Jack Crowe and the Gamecocks are asking themselves after last Saturday’s breakdown at Northwestern State.

Is Reggie going to be able to finish out the season? Can we win the SFL conference title? And how did they manage to lose by a final score of 42-17?

“You’ve got to have the ability to anticipate that when you’re stopping the run, what’s going to happen next?” said Crowe. “We haven’t been particularly good against the pass and we missed assignments offensively.”

Demon quarterback Craig Nall threw for 338 yards and three touchdowns to lead No. 15 Northwestern State (6-2, 2-1 SFL) over the Gamecocks (5-2, 2-2) last Saturday.

“I just wanted to come out here and work on some of the things I’ve been missing on the last couple of weeks,” said Nall. “It’s great to be back.”

Northwestern State and Nall didn’t take long to spark the fireworks. The Demons took an early 7-0 lead after Nall connected with Bernard Green on a 61-yard pass with 5:51 remaining in the first quarter.

“I just went for the ball and missed it,” said Gamecock defensive back Russell Green after the first score. “I think we need to work more on breaking up the pass.”

The Demons then built a 14-0 lead in the opening minutes of the second quarter when Jeremy Lofton scored on a three-yard run. The touchdown capped an amazing 95-yard, 10-play drive. The Demons scored another touchdown before Steven Lee hit a 38-yard field goal to make the score 21-3 at the half.

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“Silver is still loving it,” said Rogers. “They are a good defensive team, but I think we hurt ourselves more than they did.”

The Demons added to the pain on the ensuing drive after marching 68 yards in only eight plays and took a 35-10 lead.

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“My mindset going in was to bring us back,” said Mayo. “I believed we could’ve won, but we just didn’t make the breaks.”

The Demons ended all thoughts of a comeback after Freddie Harrison hauled in a 69-yard pass from Nall with 9:09 remaining in the game.

“I don’t think we weren’t playing hard,” said Crowe. “But we weren’t making plays.

“We can play better than we played,” concluded Crowe. “We’re capable of playing better.”

The Gamecocks will try to return to their winning ways on Saturday. They will face Tennessee Tech for Homecoming. Kick-off is set for 4 p.m.

ATO wins fraternity championship, but slips to independents; Alpha Omicron Pi sorority wins women’s intramural tournament

By Anthony Hill
The Chanticleer Sports Editor

The brothers of Alpha Tau Omega had something up their sleeves going into the intramural flag football championship game with Kappa Alpha fraternity last Wednesday.

Hey Thrill, we’re about to put on a show,” said ATO tailback Justin “J-Roc” Smith before the game. “These boys ain’t ready for us.”

“J-Roc” and brothers of ATO proved to be too much for Kappa Alpha as they beat them 21-7 for the fraternity championship.

The brothers of Kappa Alpha fraternity kept the game close throughout the first half, but they were unable to hold off the explosive offensive attack of ATO in the second. ATO used a nice mixture of long passes with quick-hitting option plays to pull away from

Fraternity champions Alpha Tau Omega.

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Alpha Tau Omega put the game away late in the fourth quarter after “J-Roc” scrambled 48 yards for the touchdown. ATO went on to stop KA on the next series and then ran the clock out to secure the victory.

“I told you that we were going to get them” said “J-Roc.”

“This game was personal,” said

ATO safety/ wide receiver Dairy Wagner.

“Man, we would’ve hate to have lost to them,” concluded ATO sack leader Jay Pace.

ATO was unable to continue their offensive magic and fell to the T-Dawgs in the overall intramural championship last Thursday, 25-20. The T-Dawgs advanced to the championship game after winning the independent championship last Wednesday.

Alpha Tau Omega made the game interesting by completing a couple of fourth quarter touchdown passes, but didn’t have enough time to complete the comeback.

“Man, yesterday was the Super Bowl for us — this is like the Blue-Gray game,” said Pace. “We’re buddies with all of those guys over there and we celebrated way too hard last night.”

However, the ladies of Alpha Omicron Pi sorority won the entire women’s flag football tournament by defeating Phi Mu sorority in the sorority championship, 6-0; and then defeated the ladies representing the Baptist Campus Ministries, 33-6.

“This win made us undefeated on the season and this is also the first time AOPi has won the championship,” said ATO head coach Nick Owens.

BCM began the game with an impressive 80-yard drive that was capped by a 6-yard touchdown pass from Meredith Cutting to Jamie Crane. The touchdown was set up by a 58-yard connection between Cutting and Crane.

The game belonged to Jessica Kidd and Elizabeth Davis and the ladies of Alpha Omicron Pi through.

AOPi turned up the pace of the game after Jennifer Mosley intercepted a pass midway in the third quarter. They went on to intercept three more passes in the second half.

Davis and Kidd seemed to be unstoppable in the final quarter of play.

“We came out a little flat-footed at the beginning, but our defense came through for us like they have all season,” said Owens. “Kidd and Davis played extremely wonderful — they’ve played like that all season.”

Davis finished the game with 136 yards rushing and three touchdowns, while Kidd completed 10- of-15 passes for 143 yards and three touchdowns.

Both teams are eligible to play in the state tournament hosted at Sanford University next month.
Cross country competes at A-Sun Conference Meet

From Staff Reports

The Atlantic Sun crowned its first champions of the 2001-02 athletic season last Saturday when Georgia State’s men’s and women’s cross country teams captured the conference titles in Panthersville, Ga.

The JSU men’s team finished eighth out of 11 teams and the women came in 10th out of 11 teams.

“We had a very much improved finish over last year where we did not score,” said Gamecock head coach Aimee Rivera. “Jan Kolar surprised everybody and did a great job.”

William Kenney of Belmont took first place in the individual competition with a time of 27:12. 31st following a time of 27:12.


Robert Laguerre, who came in 44th with a time of 18:14. JSU’s women finished with an average time of 22:01.

Heather Lee of Campbell University took the individual honors with a time of 17:00.

For the Gamecocks women’s team, senior Frances Archuleta continued to lead the charge by coming in 44th with a time of 20:31. Addie Ferguson came in 51st following a time of 20:59.

Freshman Aimee Pitzo’s time of 21:36 placed her in 59th place.

“Theresa stepped it up and played wonderful today, said Rivera. “That is what we needed her to do all year.”

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Gamecock volleyball team ends 10-game losing streak

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This has been a frustrating year for head volleyball coach Jose Rivera and the Gamecocks (6-15 and 2-6). They were on a 10-game losing streak going into their match with Mercer last Tuesday.

Sophomore Christina Cary led the Gamecocks over the Bears (15-14, 1-8) with 12 kills and 12 digs and the team’s first conference win of the season.

JSU beat Mercer in three straight games, 30-19, 30-27 and 30-25 at Pete Mathews Coliseum.

“It feels good to win,” said Rivera. “It is good to get the monkey off of our backs. We played tremendous.”

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One on one with “Thrill”/ “Chrissy”

By Anthony & Thrill Hill

Sophomore outside hitter Christina Cary was made for this column. She’s so candid, energetic, funny and refreshing. Chrissy is the only player that can make a serious miscue during a game seem humorous and not quite as bad. She’s not all fun and games though. Chrissy jumped into the JSU record books as a freshman. She is the only player that can be. She’s not all fun and games these days. Chrissy has figured out a comfort zone after three seasons and is now the “serious” person on the team.

Thrill: How are you, Chrissy? How has this season been for you? It must be kind of frustrating. You just ended a long 10-game losing streak. How do you feel about the way the season has gone?

Chrissy: Well, right now we’re trying to forget about the past and think about the future. We just want to put the rest of the season with more wins than we have right now.

Thrill: What kind of things do you do during your free time? Do you have any hobbies?

Chrissy: I have cried in the past. For the past two years I haven’t really gotten to that point. I haven’t really been so frustrated when I hit the Jax State bus. We call it the little “church bus.” It’s a small version of the Jacksonville State bus. We were playing teams like North Carolina and all of these other schools that were pulling up in these big, charter buses. They were all sitting there, staring at us when our little “church bus” pulled up.

Thrill: (Both laugh) Man, that had to be embarrassing.

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Thrill: How did you react to JSU when you first got here? We know this is a bit different from “Cali.”

Chrissy: Yes. This is very different from California in a lot of ways. But, for one it’s a lot slower here. I feel bad saying that. (Both laugh) I thought this was a cute campus and city. It wasn’t all that bad. A lot of people here are a lot more friendly than people back home.

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She gets really intense during the game. She’s really good at talking smack. I can’t keep a straight face when she does that. When she’s in her zone, she’s very serious.

Thrill: What kind of things do you do during your free time? Do you have any hobbies?

Chrissy: I usually spend my free time in my room, watching TV. I may go and talk to my suitemate, Traci. Sometimes I like to bother Meredith (JSU setter). I can’t stay in one place for too long. I just go from apartment to apartment and bother my friends. (Both laugh)

Thrill: Have you seen any good movies lately?

Chrissy: I haven’t had the chance to watch any. But, one of the movies I want to see is “Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back.”

Thrill: Do you have a favorite teammate?

Chrissy: All of them are so different. They are all different characters and have many personalities, so I don’t really have one favorite. I am definitely closest to all of the sophomores and freshmen. I am close to Janka Heurtt because we went to high school together.

Thrill: Do you still communicate with friends from high school?

Chrissy: Oh yeah. I talk to them all the time. In fact, I’ve got to call one of them tonight, because it’s her birthday.

Thrill: Well, let’s do a little free association.

Chrissy: OK.

Thrill: San Francisco 49ers.

Chrissy: Love ’em.

Thrill: Georgia State.

Chrissy: Not a big fan of them.

Thrill: Funny.

Chrissy: Danika Heurtt, (Freshmen Middle Blocker)

Thrill: Men and love.

Chrissy: (Laughs) No knowledge of it. (Both laugh)

Thrill: Are you in a relationship with anyone?

Chrissy: No, not right now. I’m what you would call dysfunctional with boys. (Both laugh) I have no skills in that area.

Thrill: That’s it Chrissy. Thanks for your time.

Chrissy: Oh, sure. It’s no problem man. (Both laugh)

Seniors Quoting Final Results

Cardinal Classic Final Results

1. North Texas
2. Lamar
3. Texas Tech
4. Southern Mississippi
5. JSU
6. Wichita State
7. Arkansas State
8. S-Louisiana
9. Arkansas-Little Rock
10. McNeese State
11. Sam Houston State
12. Nevada State
13. Louisiana-Monroe

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Men’s golf ends fall season with fifth place finish

From Staff Reports

The Jacksonville State men’s golf team finished fifth out of 13 teams after shooting a three-round 883 in the Cardinal Classic last Wednesday at Lamar University.

The Gamecocks finished 11 strokes behind tournament champions North Texas, who shot 872 as a team.

Texas Tech’s David Bolen finished first in the individual results, following a three-round total of 209.

The top finisher for the Gamecocks was Joe Campra, who tied for eighth place with a total score of 218 (70, 75, 73). Maissi Anselmo finished tied for 20th following scores of 73, 74 and 74 (221).

Steven Mackie finished tied for 27th after posting a 223 (74, 75, 76). Nick Macay fired a 226, which placed him in tie for 25th place. Macay shot rounds of 71, 81 and 74. Rounding out the Gamecocks was Angel Monguzz, who tied for 36th with a total score of 227 (75, 78 and 74).

The tournament concluded the fall season for the JSU men’s golf team. The Gamecocks will get back on the links in the spring.

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