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## “We can’t stop short”

**President reveals threats to power plants, urges community service**

By Jodi Enda  
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With Vice President Dick Cheney (left), and Speaker of the House Dennis Hastert (right) behind him, President Bush delivers his opening remarks during the State of the Union address in Washington, Tuesday night.

WASHINGTON—President Bush used his first State of the Union address Tuesday night to paint a grave and sobering picture of the potential dangers facing the United States and vowed to fight them head-on.

The president appeared resolute as he informed the public there are likely “tens of thousands” of terrorists still at large, that they have fanned out around the globe, that they were found to have diagrams of American nuclear power plants and water facilities and that they are seeking weapons of mass destruction.

“We’ll be deliberate, yet time is not on our side,” Bush declared in his third address to a joint session of Congress. “I will not wait on events while dangers gather. I will not stand by as peril draws closer and closer.”

Raising his voice, he thundered: “The United States of America will not permit the world’s most dangerous regimes to threaten us with the world’s most destructive weapons. Our war on terror is well begun, but it is only begun. This campaign may not be finished on our watch, yet it must be and it will be waged on our watch.”

Enormously popular as he

begins his second year in office, Bush delivered a 48-minute wartime speech to try to set the tone for the coming months and years, to rally the nation behind him for what could be a long and unpredictable battle against a different kind of enemy.

The president never mentioned Osama bin Laden, the Saudi-born fugitive who is considered the mastermind of the Sept. 11 attack on America. But much of his speech grew out of that day.

“We can’t stop short,” Bush said.

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## Spring enrollment dips under 8,000; still 6 percent over 2001

By Stephanie Pendergrass  
The Chanticleer News Editor

The number of students enrolled for the 2002 spring semester at JSU is currently 7,949, according to Dr. William Meehan, president of JSU.

A University press release from the recent Board of Trustees meeting reported that enrollment has risen from spring of 2001. Meehan confirmed that the increase was 6.7 percent.

Fall 2001 marked an all-time high for enrollment at JSU. Last semester’s total head count reached 8,478 students, a 5.9 percent jump from the previous fall semester.

While fall 2001 enrollment was higher than this spring semester, the president confirmed that that is common. “That’s not unusual; fall is always a high period,” Meehan said.

The goal for the enrollment management committee, meant to be reached by 2010, is 10,000, Meehan said. “I think at the rate we’re going we should get there before then. As long as we get there, that’s what I want to do.”

The president said that this year also marked an increase in credit hours at the University. “We had an increase of 6,082 credit hours, which was up 7.22 percent.”

Meehan recognized some of the reasons behind the growing enrollment at the University. He said that events such as preview days, orientation and talking about JSU help the University grow. “We need to take the veil off that best kept secret that we talk about here in Northeast Alabama,” said the president.

“Our faculty and staff work very hard to represent JSU very well,” said Meehan. He attributed rising enrollment to the hard work of the enrollment management committee, faculty, staff, admissions and recruiting staff and scholarships. “We have a wonderful campus to attend with outstanding faculty and students,” Meehan said.

While parking has continued to be a major concern on campus, plans to help the situation are being discussed. With rising enrollment, however, “It’s not going to make it easier for parking, that’s for sure,” said Meehan.

The president explained however, that much of the rising enrollment has taken place in distance learning. This consequently does not add to the amount of traffic at the campus.

JSU’s distance learning program offers a wide variety of courses for graduate and undergraduate students. According to the distance learning Web site, courses may be taken online, by videoconferencing or through college by cassette. Thus students are able to work independently, off campus.

Even with the physical absence of students who take classes through distance learning, Meehan confirmed that parking has always been a situation at JSU, just like at any other university. “It has continued to be [an issue] and probably always will,” said Meehan.

Besides the parking problem, JSU continues to face, Meehan is optimistic about what the school has to offer. “We have a wonderful campus to attend with outstanding faculty and students,” he said.

## Jax State set to party down at second “Up ’Til Dawn” this weekend

By Tamiko Goodman  
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

JSU will party this weekend “Up ’Til Dawn.”

Up ’Til Dawn is a fundraising group for children at St. Jude Hospital, of which some teams of local students have a part.

“What they do is, throughout the year, the teams raise money, and they have a certain amount that they have to raise, and the

event (this weekend) is to celebrate all the money that has been raised,” said Lindsey Passler, one of last year’s Up ’Til Dawn committee members.

The event will start at 6 p.m. on Feb. 1 and end Feb. 2 at 6 a.m. Money does not have to be raised on the day of the event.

The main goal of Todd and the “Up ’Til Dawn” committee is to bring the local community and JSU campus community together

to help save a child’s life.

The staff of Up ’Til Dawn is looking forward to 2002 being better than last year, according to Sherry Todd. Last year the organization raised \$20,000 from different contributors and hopes to exceed that amount. Last year was also the first year for Up ’Til Dawn at JSU.

They are looking for individual contributors or teams of up to seven members from

organizations (Greek, professional, etc.) on campus to help raise money. Each team needs seven members each to raise \$100 per person.

A letter campaign with about 3000 people has started to help with some of the fundraising. Corporate sponsorships and individual contributors from the Jacksonville community have given dona

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Phi Eta Sigma:** Eighty-two \$1,000 awards and twenty-nine \$2,000 scholarships are available nationally to members of Phi Eta Sigma for undergraduate study. Five \$4,000 scholarships are available nationally for the first year of graduate study. JSU members of Phi Eta Sigma are invited to apply. Local deadline for applications is Feb 22. **Contact:** Mr. Kinney in Stone Center 105.
- Alpha Tau Omega:** We'd like to thank the sisters of Phi Mu for participating our camouflage mixer and also Zeta Tau Apha for the participation in our country cookout mixer. We are looking forward to the upcoming pajama mixer with Alpha Omicron Pi. Good luck to everyone on the upcoming rush. GO GREEK! **Contact:** P.J. Wilhems, Watleyato@yahoo.com, 435-4063.
- The JSU Model Arab League Team Book Sale** will be held on Thursday, Jan. 31 and Friday (Feb. 1) in Rm 206 Martin Hall. Used paperback books will be sold at 25 cents each to raise funds for JSU students participating in this year's Model Arab League sessions. **Contact:** Clarence Blalock, 435-4231.
- The Student Health Center** (located between Sparkman and Mason Halls) is now providing Women's Health Care. Services include exams, female problems and birth control. The physician will be available on Thurs., 12:30 - 4:30 p.m. beginning Feb. 14. Please call 782-5310 for an appointment.
- Zeta Tau Alpha:** Congratulations to new Peer Counselor Stephanie Janis! You will do a great job. EC member of the week goes to Treasurer Jenna Miller. We'd like to thank AOTT for the great spaghetti on Monday night and commend the Up 'Til Dawn team for a great event! **Contact:** Amy Yancy, 782-6192.
- Phi Mu** is ready for Up 'Til Dawn this weekend! Good luck to our intramural teams and JSU's basketball teams. We are excited about our Golf Tournament, April 5th! All profits benefit the Children's Miracle Network. See a Phi Mu for details. Happy Birthday Lauren Throver! Alumni of the Month: Barbara Carroll. **Contact:** Brianna Bladen, 782-6145.
- Alpha Omicron Pi:** Good luck to the AOTT basketball team and also our college bowl team this week! We are looking forward to seeing everybody at Up 'Til Dawn Friday night! Also, congrats to our newest sister, Jennifer Hull! **Contact:** Kristi Smith, 782-6206.
- Alpha Xi Delta** wishes everyone a great week. We can't wait for our Jimmy Buffet mixer with Kappa Sigma tonight! Happy birthday to all of our January girls: Katie G., Heather, Melissa, and Becky. Congratulations sister of the week: Katie Lumpkin. **Contact:** Katie Green, JnryAngl01@aol.com.
- SGA: WALK TO CLASS** on Wednesdays! Speak out at the Senate meetings on Monday nights at 6 p.m. on third floor TMB Higher Education Day is February 21! Mr. and Miss Jax State/Mr. and Miss Friendly elections will be Thursday, Feb. 7. In Student Government there's always something to COCK-a-doodle-do! **Contact:** Robert Hayes, 782-5495.
- JSU Habitat for Humanity** will meet Monday, Feb. 4 at 7:30 p.m. in Stone Center, Room 230 (Please note new time). We will discuss plans for the "Hoops for Habitat" fundraiser. Everyone is welcome. **Contact:** Kim Weatherford, 782-5762.
- Delta Zeta:** Congratulations to our New Members Courtney, Crystal and Taryn. We love you. DZ's keep up the good work! Awards for the week: Sister- Tiah, Tiny-Turtle- Crystal, Twisted- Kimber, Support- Tiah, Alumnae- Kim Dalesandro, and Baby Turtle (Legacy of the week)- Madison Elizabeth Dalesandro. We hope everyone has a wonderful week! For more information **Contact:** Tavia McMunn- iamdaisycrazy@hotmail.com

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The Chanticleer reserves the right to refuse publication of any submission for any reason. We also reserve the right to edit submissions for style, brevity, and clarity.

## CAMPUS CRIME

- Dec. 2 — JSUPD reported fire alarm at Stone Center (Drama Dept.).

Information in the Campus Crime column is obtained from incident and arrest reports at the JSU Police Department in Salls Hall. These records are public documents which any individual has the right to examine under Alabama state law. If you believe this information to be in error, please call 782-5701, or contact JSUPD at 782-5050.

## Jeb Bush's daughter arrested for prescription fraud

By John Kennedy  
The Orlando Sentinel (KRT)

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Gov. Jeb Bush's daughter was arrested early Tuesday on a charge of prescription fraud, police said.

Noelle Bush, 24, is accused of trying to pass a forged prescription for Xanax, an anti-anxiety medicine, at a 24-hour Walgreen's drug store in Tallahassee.

She is one of three children of the Florida governor and his wife, Columba, who issued the following statement:

"Columba and I are deeply saddened over an incident that occurred last night involving our daughter Noelle. This is a very serious problem. Unfortunately, substance abuse is an issue confronting many families across our nation."

Bush asked the public and the media to "respect our family's privacy during this difficult time so that we can help our daughter."

"We will have no further comment on this issue," he said.

Noelle Bush is the second of three children and the family's only daughter. She graduated from Tallahassee Community College in 2000. More recently she attended Florida State University although



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she is not a student there now.

Noelle is the governor's middle child and a niece to President George W. Bush.

Her mother has worked on behalf of Informed Families of Florida, a nonprofit group involved in educating families about drug abuse.

Jeb and Columba Bush had said previously that one of their three children struggled with a drug problem following Bush's unsuccessful first run for governor in 1994. They did not say whether it was Noelle or one of her brothers.

President Bush's twin daughters, Jenna and Barbara, have both been charged with underage drinking. Last May, Jenna was charged with using someone else's identification to try to buy a margarita at a restaurant, and Barbara was charged with underage drinking.

The charges were dropped after the twins performed community service, attended alcohol awareness classes and paid \$100 fines. A separate underage drinking charge in April against Jenna Bush went on her record as a conviction because of the restaurant violation. A judge fined her \$500 and suspended her license.

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## SGA passes resolution for student seating in stadium

By Stephanie Pendergrass  
The Chanticleer News Editor

At the Jan. 28 meeting of the SGA, a resolution to designate a student section in Paul Snow Stadium was passed and nine students were appointed as senators.

After brief introductions, all nine students were voted on and appointed. These students include: Deidra Walker, Wendy Moncrief, Scotty Baker, Franklin Millin, Tiffany Bogus, Frances Clark, Misty Cassell, Jeremy Norman and Josh Robinson.

Two other students were interested in becoming senators.

Also on Monday night, a bill to appoint Corey Gossett as Justice for the Judiciary Committee was voted on and passed. Sean Greniger was appointed as Appropriations Committee Chairperson, as well.

Student bills 89, 90 and 91 were all passed by the SGA on Monday. These bills had been presented at the Jan. 14 meeting. Student bills 89 and 90 both concern the duties of the office and director of publicity for the SGA. It was announced that the student body would have to vote on student bill 90 and that opportunity would be presented when students vote for JSU's Mr.

and Miss Friendly.

Student bill 91 is a bill to amend a section of the JSU Constitution to explain the positions that hold Executive power in the Student Executive Board. This bill reads, "All Executive Power shall be vested in the Student Executive Board, which shall consist of the President, the First Vice President, the Second Vice President, the Chief Justice, the Controller, and the Director of Publicity."

In other business, Resolution 3 was voted on and passed. With this resolution a marked-student section will be present at Paul Snow Stadium.

Mark Choquette, senator, said he basically wants a red section to signify a student section at the football stadium.

According to the resolution, "The number of students in attendance at Jacksonville State has increased to an all time high, whereas, there is no conspicuously marked area for the seating of [JSU] students in [the stadium]."

The resolution also said that the mixing of students and fans has proven to spark a non-conducive environment in the past." With the passed resolution the University Police "would have a smaller area

to control and a reduction in complaints."

The student seating would also allow students to be more visible on TV broadcasts from the stadium and "a more relaxing atmosphere can be enjoyed by non-students with small children."

The SGA announced they would vote on student bill 103 at next week's meeting. This bill is "to replace the current SGA Code of Laws with a revised version which has been corrected for grammar errors and spacing," according to an SGA handout.

Also, student bill 104 was passed on to the Constitution and Code Committee. According to the SGA this bill is "to appoint Justices and SAC members at the Senate meetings without them being present due to the fact that their meetings are not the same time as the Senate meetings."

In other news, Robert Hayes, director of publicity for the SGA promoted Up 'Til Dawn participation by the senators. Also it was announced that the senate elections are approaching and students interested in possibly becoming senators should fill out a form in Rm. 402 in the TMB.



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**Up 'Til Dawn:** from page 1  
tions to help with this important cause.

JSU is the only school in Alabama that has this organization, which is affiliated with St. Jude Research Center, a children's hospital in Memphis, Tenn.

St. Jude is the product of Danny Thomas' dream of saving children with cancer and other catastrophic diseases, according to a handout from the SGA. St. Jude is now a renowned center for basic and clinical research into cancer and other life threatening diseases that affect children.

"The greatest thing about St. Jude is no one is turned away for treatment," Todd said. Whatever the child needs while they're staying in the hospital is provided through St. Jude.

According to a St. Jude pamphlet, the hospital also treats patients regardless of their ability to pay. St. Jude Children's Research Hospital has been giving children and their families hope for survival. St. Jude is the single largest center in the United States for the treatment and research of pediatric cancer and other childhood catastrophic illness. It is also the only childhood cancer research

center designed as such by the National Cancer Institute.

Because the treatment protocols developed at St. Jude are freely shared with the medical community, it is called, "a hospital without walls."

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Without the continued generous support of literally millions of volunteers and donors, the life-saving work that is taking place at St. Jude could not continue according to the pamphlet. Supporters of this work are embracing Danny Thomas' dream that "no child should die in the dawn of life," according to the pamphlet.

Anyone interested in Up 'Til Dawn should contact Sherry Todd or a committee member in the fourth floor of the TMB, Rm. 403 or 782-8054.

# Mickey Mouse visits JSU to recruit

By **Stephanie Pendergrass**  
*The Chanticleer News Editor*

Walt Disney World will be holding interviews for employment opportunities on March 15. Representatives will be at JSU to talk with interested students and recruit employees for the summer.

Pearl Williams, coordinator of part-time employment and career planning at JSU, said, "This is a real opportunity for [students] to gain some experience. The programs there are just second to none."

Williams explained that "Walt Disney World has been recruiting at Jacksonville State University for over 12 years and we're really fortunate to have them come to our campus."

Working for the summer at Disney World can add to a student's job experience. According to Williams, "The employment at Walt Disney World will be on their resume and they will meet students from all over the world."

Williams said that some of the students from JSU who have worked at the park have come back more mature and professional. "It opened up job opportunities for them," she added.

JSU has had many students to

take part in the job opportunities at Walt Disney World in the past. Williams said some of these students have worked as tour guides, singers and dancers. Other students have been a part of merchandising in the park's stores, working in transportation at the park and working at MGM Studios.

JSU currently has eight students working at Walt Disney World this semester.

Jason Jones, a senior at JSU, worked at Disney World in the fall, and plans on working there this summer. While he was there in the fall, Jones worked at Spaceship Earth, at Epcot Center.

According to Jones, students can make a lot of connections working at the theme park. "It puts you in an international spotlight where you get to meet people from around the world and actually experience other cultures," he said. "You gain a lot; you grow a lot as a person."

When asked what he would say to students interested in working for Disney, Jones said, "I would definitely say, by all means, go for it. It's an experience that you would never forget. Having Disney on your resume certainly can't hurt."

The University will hold its spring career fair at Stephenson Hall on March 14, from 9 a.m. to

2:30 p.m. Students who are interested in the Disney interviews should sign up at the career fair. Actual interviews with Disney representatives will be held on March 15, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., but students must sign up at the fair.

Along with Disney, many other recruiters will be present at the job fair. Some of these places of employment include: Mountain View Hospital, Regional Medical Center, Jacksonville Hospital, the FBI, Social Security, various police departments, Southtrust and Colonial Banks, Glenwood Mental Health Service, Dekalb County Extension Agency, and more.

According to Williams, 38 companies are already signed up for the fair, and 60 are expected to attend. "We have recruiters for all of the majors," she said.

Williams also said students should dress professionally, bring a resume, and be prepared to interview. The fair will be open to all students.

The job fair should be beneficial to students who attend. "It will be helpful because we have everybody in one place, and they don't have to go around to different places looking for a job; so that saves time and money," said Williams.

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# U.S. to aid in training Afghan military

By Warren P. Strobel  
Knight Ridder Newspapers (KRT)

WASHINGTON — President Bush told the head of Afghanistan's new government Monday that the U.S. military will help train a new Afghan national army, a significant expansion of the American role in rebuilding the war-shattered country.

Bush, welcoming interim administration Chairman Hamid Karzai to the White House, said, "Both of us have made the decision that Afghanistan must, as quickly as possible, develop her own military. And we will help."

Karzai says his administration's No. 1 priority is establishing security throughout Afghanistan, to prevent a return to civil war and warlordism.

In a television interview before meeting Bush, Karzai said he would welcome U.S. participation in an expanded international peacekeeping force. That force, which currently numbers about 2,100 troops, none of them Americans, has been confined to the capital, Kabul.

But Bush made clear he will not change his position against allowing U.S. combat troops to participate in

peacekeeping.

"Better yet than peacekeepers — which will be there for a while — let's have Afghanistan have her own military," the president said.

Bush's remarks reflect his inclination not to tie down U.S. combat forces in peacekeeping duties, as well as concern that American peacekeepers might become targets.

At an international conference in Tokyo last week, the Afghan administration proposed a national army of 200,000 to 250,000 soldiers to replace the hodgepodge of militias and tribal forces that dominate the country. That number would dwindle to 50,000 as the country's security increases.

A U.S. military team soon will head for Afghanistan to discuss the country's military needs with Karzai and Gen. Abdul Rashid Dostum, an ethnic Uzbek warlord who serves as deputy defense minister.

Money for the training will come from a \$297 million pledge of aid for the next year that the United States made at the Tokyo conference. America may transfer surplus military equipment to Afghanistan as well.

Bush welcomed Karzai to the

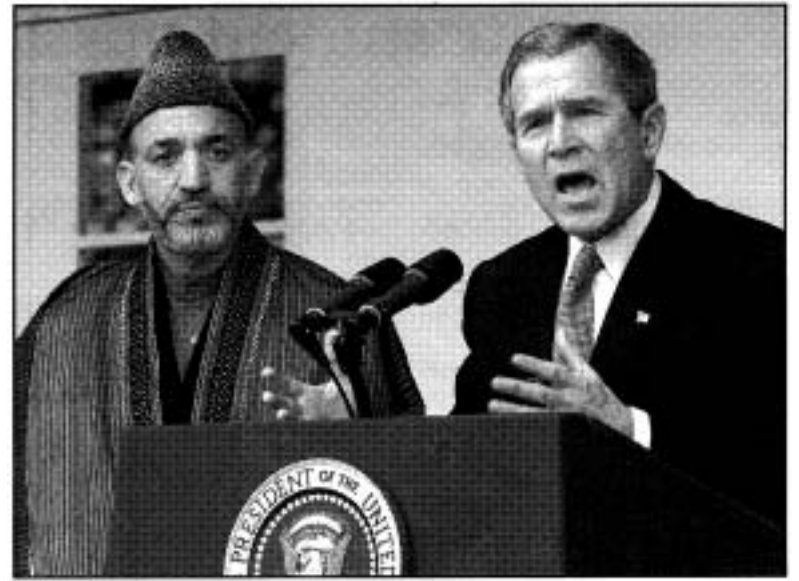
White House on a sunny and unusually warm January afternoon, lauding him as "a man who stood for freedom in the face of tyranny."

Karzai, clad in his trademark green cape, pledged that with international assistance, Afghanistan "will be strong and will stand eventually on its own feet and it will be a country that will defend its borders and not allow terrorism to return to it."

Along with the \$297 million pledge of reconstruction assistance, the United States has given Afghanistan \$237 million in humanitarian aid this fiscal year and spent billions more on the military campaign against the al-Qaida terrorist network and the Taliban regime that harbored it.

On Monday, Bush announced an additional \$50 million credit line from the U.S. government's Overseas Private Investment Corp. to finance development projects in Afghanistan by private American companies. The initiative would not involve new taxpayer money. OPIC supports U.S. business ventures in developing countries by providing financing and risk insurance.

Karzai is the first Afghan leader to



KRT/Chuck Kennedy

President Bush talks to reporters as and Interim Afghan Prime Minister Hamid Karzai looks on during a press conference in the Rose Garden at the White House Monday.

visit Washington in 39 years. The scene in the Rose Garden would have been unthinkable before the U.S. military campaign in Afghanistan led to the fall of the puritanical Taliban regime in early December.

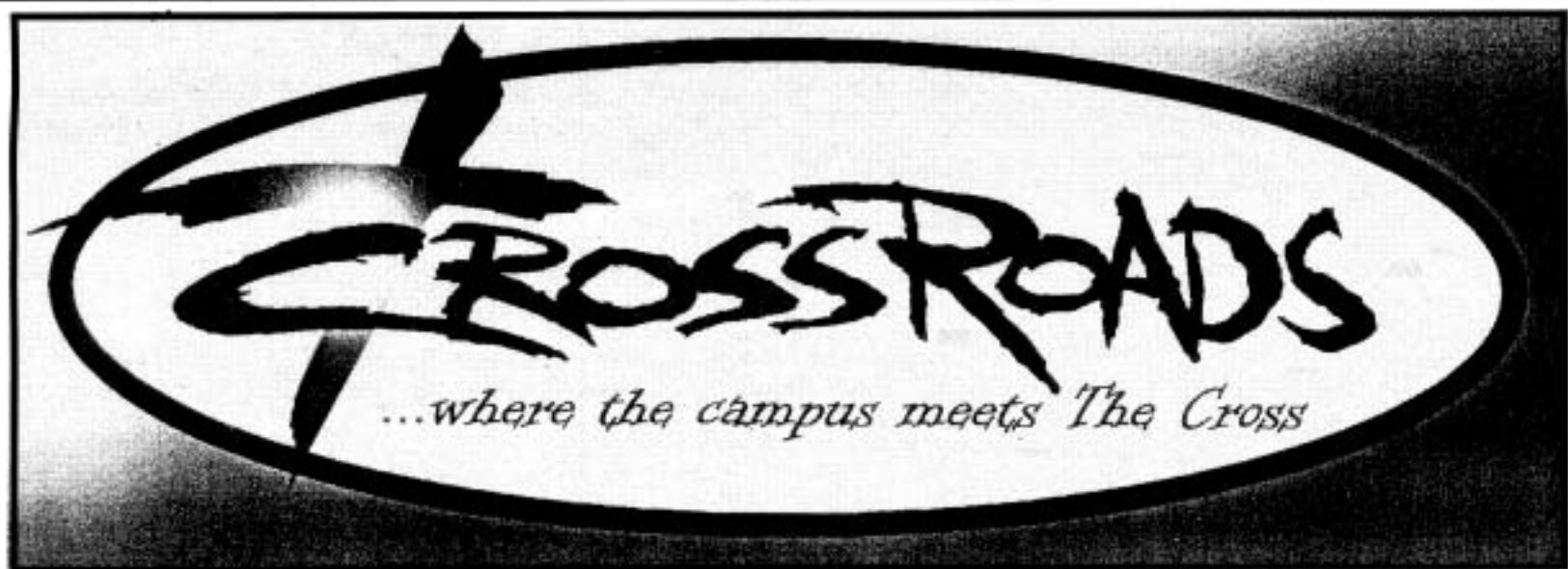
On Monday morning, Karzai participated in a ceremony in which Afghanistan's black, red and green flag was raised over the Afghan Embassy in Washington.

The facility, which is undergoing renovation, had been shuttered since 1997, when internal diplomat-

ic warfare broke out between the ranking official, who represented the pre-Taliban government, and his deputy, who had declared himself for the Taliban.

At the White House, Bush promised anew that the United States will not abandon Afghanistan once U.S. military operations there are complete.

"Chairman Karzai, I reaffirm to you today that the United States will continue to be a friend to the Afghan people in all the challenges that lie ahead," the president said.



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# Penn State student missing for 3 months; police have no leads

By Marc Schogol  
Knight Ridder Newspapers (KRT)

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. — It's been almost three months since anyone has seen or heard from Pennsylvania State University senior Cindy Song, and nobody has a clue where she is.

Song, 21, was last seen by a friend who drove her back to her off-campus apartment complex after a Halloween party that spilled into the early morning hours of Nov. 1.

Since Song was reported missing by friends three days later, local police and the FBI have conducted air searches, ground searches and dog searches of this hilly, wooded, rural portion of central Pennsylvania.

Missing-person flyers and posters describing the 5-foot-3, 110-pound Song have been widely posted and distributed. Investigators have questioned Song's friends and acquaintances and checked her phone, Internet, credit card and ATM records — and tips, including a possible sighting in Philadelphia.

The university community is offering a total of \$27,000 for information. But no trace of Song has been found.

It's not unusual for college students to disappear for a day or two, Penn State spokesman Bill Mahon said.

"They go away with a roommate or make other plans and don't tell their family and friends," he said. "A day or two. After that, you know something's wrong."

The last similar case anyone at Penn State can recall was in March 1987, when a female student was found slain in an off-campus apartment. The crime was never solved.

Hyun Jong "Cindy" Song, who is from Seoul, South Korea, came to the United States seven years ago to stay with relatives near Alexandria, Va. Song went to high school there and then went to Penn State, majoring in integrative arts. She had many friends, especially among the university's Korean community.

Since her disappearance, Song's mother has come here from Korea several times. Song's brother, Kiho Song, 26, has temporarily moved here from Korea to monitor the investigation, of which he has become critical.

In the weeks after Cindy Song's disappearance, there was much concern among fellow students — especially members of the student Black Caucus, which is especially sensitive to the experience of minority students on an overwhelmingly white campus.

But over time, the general level of awareness and interest has mostly vanished — as have most of the posters put up all over campus that urged anyone with information to call police at 800-479-0050.

"It concerns me, but I'm not especially afraid," Melissa Pothering, 20, a junior psychology major from Pottsville, Pa., said last week of Song's disappearance. With a new term, students have other pressing matters that demand their attention, Pothering said.

"It's like I've gradually put it in the back of my mind. ... It's just one thing that happened to happen. If it happened more than once, I would be concerned."

Kiho Song is very unhappy about that kind of attitude and about the investigation. He has complained to the South Korean Consulate in New York, several Korean TV news crews that have reported on the disappearance, and anyone else who will listen.

While they understand the family's frustration and anguish, investigators say they have done everything possible — including running down bogus tips.

On Jan. 18, an area resident reported getting a middle-of-the-night call from a young woman who gave her name as "Cindy" and said: "My place is a mess and my leg is bleeding," then hung up.

Police traced the call to two teenage girls, who were charged Jan. 21 with disorderly conduct.

"We want people to know we're



Philadelphia Inquirer (KRT)/Scott S. Hamrick  
Kiho Song, brother of Cindy Song, a 21-year-old Penn State University student who disappeared November 1, 2001, has interrupted his University Studies in Korea to publicize his sisters disappearance.

taking this very seriously," said Ferguson Township Detective Brian Sprinkle, the local police officer heading the investigation.

Sprinkle is frustrated, too. "We have no clues, no leads," he said. Investigators have even sent information on the case to America's Most Wanted in hopes that the TV show, which has helped find missing and wanted people, will do a segment on Song's disappearance.

Sprinkle is convinced that "somebody out there knows something about the disappearance." Or that somebody might have seen something. "That's the thing," Sprinkle said. "Somebody might not realize what they saw, didn't think twice about it and still might not think about it, but publicity might jog their memory: 'Hey I did see something that was suspicious!'"

What "it" was that somebody may have seen, nobody knows. Sprinkle makes a point of saying, "there are no clues or evidence suggesting that crimes were committed."

Was someone waiting for Song at her apartment that night? Did someone come after she returned? Had she arranged to meet someone?

Did she run out to a nearby all-night supermarket and get abducted?

Did she actually enter her apartment, which was otherwise empty because her roommate was away? Police said they believe Song did go into the apartment, where they found the backpack and cell phone she'd had with her at the party. But Song's brother theorizes that someone else could have put those items there.

Was substance use or abuse a factor? Song's brother said his sister's diary indicated she and some friends had experimented with marijuana and Ecstasy.

Police say that Song and friends had been drinking at the Halloween party and that Song had been slightly intoxicated, but that there was no indication of any drug use that night, or that Song was impaired when she returned to her apartment.

Was Song's breakup with a boyfriend about a month before her disappearance a factor? The brother believes it could have been. But police and one of Song's roommates, Youngjoo Kim, a 21-year-old

sophomore from Radnor, Pa., said Song was getting over the breakup. In any case, police said there was no indication that the former boyfriend was in any way involved in Song's disappearance.

Could Song have committed suicide or just decided to run away?

Song's brother said he can't imagine either scenario. Investigators will say only that they continue to pursue all possibilities.

Kiho Song continues to worry and chafe.

"Police investigators at this point are deadlocked," he said, through a university-provided translator, during an interview last week in the university's student center.

"Like everyone else," Kiho Song said, "they need to renew their attention to this case. ... I'm trying to make everyone aware, to ask anyone for help."

His mother and other members of his family have suffered greatly through this "tragedy," he said.


"What makes it even sadder," he said, "is that nobody knows exactly what that tragedy was."

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## Speech (from page 1): Bush says Iraq, Iran, N. Korea must not acquire weapons of mass destruction

"If we stopped now - leaving terror camps intact and terror states unchecked - our sense of security would be false and temporary."

Though his speech was overwhelmingly about war abroad, Bush also addressed his greatest fight at home - the battle against the recession. His top priorities, he said, are to defeat terrorism, to protect the nation from further attack and to revive the economy.

"As we gather tonight, our nation is at war, our economy is in recession and the civilized world faces unprecedented dangers," Bush said. "Yet the state of our union has never been stronger."

Echoing President John F. Kennedy's call to patriotic service, Bush also called on Americans to give something back to their nation. He asked citizens to commit at least two years or 4,000 hours of their lives to community service.

"If you aren't sure how to help, I've got a good place to start," he said. "To sustain and extend the

best that has emerged in America, I invite you to join the new USA Freedom Corps."

The USA Freedom Corps, he said, will respond to crises at home, rebuild communities and extend "American compassion throughout the world." To help fortify the nation against further terrorist attacks, he asked for retired doctors and nurses to mobilize in emergencies and for volunteers to help fire and police departments.

The president said the new volunteer organization would seek to recruit 200,000 people. He also said he would double the size of the Peace Corps, currently 7,000 strong, and expand its work to more Islamic nations.

"This time of adversity offers a unique moment of opportunity, a moment we must seize to change our culture," Bush said. "Through the gathering momentum of millions of acts of service and decency and kindness, I know we can overcome evil with greater good."

Bush made clear that the war that seemed so straightforward in Afghanistan is about to get more complicated.

He warned of three regimes in particular - North Korea, Iraq and Iran - that he said must be stopped from developing weapons of mass destruction that could be disseminated to terrorists.

"States like these and their terrorist allies constitute an axis of evil; arming to threaten the peace of the world," he said.

It was Bush's first speech to a joint session of Congress since he tried to calm the nation nine days after the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. Bush's first speech to Congress was to unveil his budget last year.

Bush walked into the House of Representatives chamber to loud applause and cheers, but quickly got down to business.

Vice President Dick Cheney sat behind him, a development notable only because the two men have been kept apart during much of the time since the Sept. 11 attacks. Interior Secretary Gale Norton was absent, to ensure that one Cabinet member would preserve the line of presidential succession should disaster strike the Capitol.

Bush said the intelligence gathered since the war began in Afghanistan pointed to the rough road ahead.

"Our discoveries in Afghanistan confirmed our worst fears, and showed us the true scope of the task ahead," he said. "We have found diagrams of American nuclear power plants and public water facilities, detailed instructions for making chemical weapons, surveillance maps of American cities and thorough descriptions of landmarks in America and throughout the world."

Late in October, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission put the nation's 103 nuclear power plants on alert after intelligence officials picked up indications that suspected al-Qaida operatives had been studying commercial reactors in several U.S. locations, including Crystal River in Florida. Earlier this month, officials warned that al-Qaida operatives also were using the Internet to study operations at

power plants and public water facilities.

Eric Tolbert, the president of the association of state civil defense chiefs and North Carolina's emergency management director, said he was not worried about nuclear power plants in his state.

"He is telling us as Americans what our vulnerability is and teaching us as Americans to take the threat more seriously and not to become complacent again," Tolbert said.

Bush emphasized that he expects other nations to join the United States in the battle against terrorism. He warned that "some governments will be timid in the face of terror. And make no mistake: If they do not act, America will."

With the nation in recession and Bush presiding over the first federal budget deficit in four years, he did not offer the usual list of spending proposals that mark most State of the Union speeches.

The administration is proposing a huge increase in defense spending - \$48 billion in the fiscal year that begins Oct. 1 - for a total Pentagon budget of \$379 billion. If Congress approves, the increase would be the largest in two decades. Bush noted that the war on terrorism is costing \$30 million a day.

Bush also is asking for \$37.7 billion for homeland security, almost double the current budget for that post-Sept. 11 program. He said he would focus these efforts on four key areas: bioterrorism, emergency response, airport and border security, and improved intelligence.

In an effort to boost the economy, the president pushed Congress to pass tax breaks for businesses and extra relief for the unemployed "in the same spirit of cooperation we have applied in our war on terrorism."

Bush addressed the mushrooming Enron debacle delicately. He chose not to point fingers, but to call for stricter accounting practices and corporate disclosure.

The official Democratic Party response to Bush's address reflected the public's broad bipartisan support for the war. House of Representatives Minority Leader Richard A. Gephardt of Missouri assured the president and the nation

that the country speaks with one voice against terrorism.

"Like generations that came before us, we will pay any price and bear any burden to make sure that this proud nation wins the first war of the 21st century," Gephardt said, echoing Kennedy's inaugural address. Since Sept. 11, he said, "there's been no daylight between us in this war on terrorism. We've met almost every single week and built a bipartisan consensus that is helping America win this war."

But Gephardt noted growing partisan divisions over domestic issues, intensified in this election year when control of both houses of Congress is up for grabs. The House Democratic leader said Democrats would not necessarily side with Bush on such issues as tax cuts, Social Security, Medicare, overhauling campaign-finance laws and the bankruptcy of Enron.

"I refuse to accept that while we stand shoulder to shoulder on the war, we should stand toe to toe on the economy," Gephardt said.

The president is calling for \$190 billion over 10 years to subsidize prescription drug costs for senior citizens. Most of that would not take effect for another three years, when his budget planners expect deficits to end.

In the meantime, Bush proposes a first step of spending \$77 billion over 10 years to help 3 million low-income senior citizens pay for prescription drugs through Medicare.

Joining first lady Laura Bush to watch the speech were interim Afghan leader Hamid Karzai, who met with Bush at the White House on Monday, and Teamsters Union President James Hoffa Jr., who supports the president's efforts to open the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to oil drilling.

Also present was Hermis Moutardier, a Miami-based flight attendant for American Airlines who spotted alleged attempted "shoe bomber" Richard Reid on Flight 63 on Dec. 22 and restrained him with help from others on board.

Sgt. 1st Class Ronnie Raikes of Chesterfield, Va., was beside the first lady. Raikes, whose right hand wore a brace, was wounded in an explosion in Afghanistan near the Taliban stronghold of Kandahar.

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## In Our View

### A time to celebrate our past

February is Black History Month.

"Recognition will do more to cement the friendship of races than any occurrence since the dawn of freedom," Booker T. Washington said.

Now is the month to recognize the African-Americans of our country, past and present. Recognition, as Washington pointed out, leads to understanding, which leads to friendship.

But, the recognition that occurs should not be of people who are necessarily different. As Frederick Douglas said, "The mind does not take its complexion from the skin."

The recognition should be that of people who were unfairly treated in America, and the great ones that helped fight for equality.

"I refuse to accept the view tht mankind is so tragically bound to the starless midnight of racism and war that the bright daybreak of peace and brotherhood can never become a reality," said Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. "I believe that unarmed truth and unconditional love will have the final word."

The words of King are inspiring and great. Why did he say them? Because of the conditions that were predominately present in America in the late 1950s and early 1960s. That's not so long ago.

Feelings of racism and disrespect toward any kind of people, at any time, are wrong.

Black History month is a time to remember Rosa Parks, remember King, remember Frederick Douglas, remember the many African-American heroes and what prejudices they had to fight against.

At JSU, this month's activities can go beyond remembering and studying African-Americans to celebrating. Through the whole month, many speakers and shows will be put on, as coordinated by David Zeigler, director of multicultural services at JSU. A sotry with the full scedule of the events is available in our Feature section, on page 11.

Further information about the events is available at the Multicultural Services Office on the fourth floor of the TMB.

It's also important to remember that February was chosen to host Black History Month by Dr. Carter G. Woodson, in 1926. Woodson chose February because it marks the birthdays of two men who had a big impact on the African-American population, Frederick Douglas and Abraham Lincoln.

Yet, February has even more significance in African-American history.

On Feb. 3, 1870, the 15th Amendment, granting blacks the right to vote was passed. On Feb. 12, 1909, the NAACP was formed. On Feb. 21, 1965, Malcolm X was shot and killed.

February is a month full of history and now of celebration for African-Americans. The events should always be remebered and drawn from for inspiration, not just by African-Americans, but by all of us..

Black History Month is a time when we should all come together to remember.

## Explore your feline side: learn from a cat

By Danni Lusk

The Chanticleer Features Editor



You can learn a lot of things from a cat.

Being the proud owner of four cats, I've noticed the day-to-day life of a feline is one to be greatly desired by all members of the human species. Let's take a few notes:

Relaxing is a top priority. Cats have a wonderful way of spending the day. Activities include sleeping on the sofa, eating a bit of food, playing with their fellow felines and then sleeping a little more on the sofa.

Life can be stress-free. The most stress a cat may encounter is figuring out a different way to knock the trash over.

You don't have to beg for some tender lovin' care. A cat draws that TLC right to them because they possess the "cute factor." No person can resist a cat's soft fur and cuddly face.

Attitude can be a good thing. My dog will do anything for my attention, however my cats simply don't care. Humans work around their schedule.

Being curious isn't a crime.

Felines feel they have a privilege to stick their noses into anything they want to — and they should. Curiosity is a good way to learn your way around the world. How else could the cat know you keep your ponytail holders she likes to eat in the basket beneath your sink if she wasn't just a bit curious?

Being cocky isn't a crime either. I had a cat named Gwen put on a sedative one time because she was sick and she couldn't keep her balance to save her life. Every time Gwen jumped onto a table, it looked as if the table kicked her off because her little body would just tumble right back to the floor. Despite her total embarrassment, she still stuck her tail high in the air and wobbled away as if nothing ever happened.

Good things come to those who wait. A cat will sit underneath a

flowerpot for up to 30 minutes, waiting for that one bumblebee to land so she can make her attack. And you know what? She gets the bee every time.

Cuddling always makes things better. Cats have an impeccable way of knowing their owner doesn't feel well. One of my four cats always comes over and lays on my tummy when I have a stomach ache, acting as a heating pad, and it always makes me feel better. Plus, the cat gets a little lovin' too in the process.

Anything within your reach can be yours. There's a fresh loaf of bread hidden in the very back of the highest cabinet above the refrigerator. Is it safe from the wrath of the cat? Only if she doesn't find it. However, the minute she smells the bread, searches it out and snatches it from its "safe" hiding place, it is automatically hers. After all, what human wants a half-eaten loaf of bread in which every piece has been nibbled on?

And finally, just because something is bigger than you, doesn't mean it's better. In addition to my four cats (two adults and two kittens), I have a 65-pound English bulldog named Frog.

Now Frog is quite a bit bigger than all of the cats combined but that doesn't mean he rules the roost. The one who takes the title of queen of the castle is Gwen — the most petite and youngest cat of them all.

Even if you don't care for cats, you have to admit, they have it figured out.

No wonder the ancient Egyptians domesticated them to keep them around — they make good advisors.



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# It's time for government by the people in Alabama

By Benjamin Cunningham  
The Chanticleer Editor in Chief



The temperatures are already starting to warm up here in Alabama, and so is campaign season. It's a little early to tell, but this could be one of the hottest election-year summers our state has seen in awhile.

One item that's sure to become one of the most hotly debated issues of the election is the revision or replacement of the Alabama Constitution of 1901. Chances are you've already heard a little bit about this in the state media. Get ready to hear a lot more.

Those on different sides of the issue are highly motivated. Those who support replacement of the state government's foundation document feel it could help to solve many of Alabama's chronic problems with education, state government budgets, local government issues, etc.

Those who oppose rewriting the constitution, or at least oppose a complete replacement, list many reasons for doing so. That list is made up mostly of things those people are afraid of.

They say they're afraid a new constitution would allow gambling and afraid it would allow special interests to hijack state government. A fringe element is afraid that it would remove recognition of God from the constitution and some even believe that it would erase Alabama's borders and place the state under control of the United Nations.

Sound a little fishy? It is. And not just that last part either. The forces opposed to constitutional reform are afraid of something all right, but it's got little to do with the reasons mentioned above.

## Collapse of the Kmart empire: the blue light of happiness

By Lenore Skenazy  
New York Daily News (KRT)

Attention Kmart schleppers!

If you, like me, can think of no better place to buy Elmo undies, \$7 slippers and delectable Little Debbie cakes coated with paper-thin artificial fudge, you will agree: Kmart is an American institution.

It must live to sell another muumuu.

And yet, it seems, the blue-light behemoth is in trouble up to its Nerf balls. Last week it appointed a new chairman - unfortunately a bankruptcy expert - in a desperate attempt to save the 2,100-store chain from being squeezed to death by Wal-Mart and Target: Wal-Mart being huge and cheap, Target being chic and cheap, Kmart being sloppy, spotty, understocked, over the hill.

And cheap. Not to mention boasting checkout lines longer than most parades.

Still, there must be something compelling about the place, because

Last Thursday, "For the Record," a statewide news program on Alabama Public Television, heard from two men on different sides of the constitution issue. Dr. Thomas Corts represented Alabama Citizens for Constitutional Reform, the group leading the effort for a rewrite. John Giles is president of Alabama's Christian Coalition and spoke on behalf of those opposed to a complete replacement of the constitution. "For the Record" anchor Tim Lennox moderated the discussion.

Earlier in the week Gov. Don Siegelman had laid out his vision for a rewrite: a statewide constitutional convention, made of up of ordinary citizens - not Montgomery politicians - working on a brand-new constitution, to be approved by a vote of the people when complete.

Giles and his group are against that idea. He said they support an article-by-article rewrite of the constitution by the Legislature, with a vote of the people for each new article, even though that process would work a lot more slowly, delaying the arrival of a new constitution.

Why? Giles pointed to special interests with deep pockets. "Any advocacy group, any special interest group, could spend millions bombarding the airwaves, doing direct mail and doing telemarketing," he said on the show. "Those poor convention delegates wouldn't even be able to get out of the car without folks trying to pull them one way

versus the other."

Giles seemed to think the state Legislature would be safer from the pressures of special interest money. He suggested that letting politicians deal with each article individually would protect the process from organized, well-funded groups seeking to bend state government into a form of their liking.

You know, groups like the Alabama Christian Coalition.

I think Giles is trying to save his organization the extra money and effort of having to buy advertising to oppose ratification of a new constitution. It'd be much easier for those groups to influence the outcome by leaning on the Montgomery politicians they already own. It's this that Giles and other powerful reform opponents are afraid of ... losing their control over the political process in Montgomery.

The governor's plan would prohibit convention delegates from accepting money from lobbying groups, would restrict lobbyists from coming within 30 feet of the convention site, and would prevent registered lobbyists from becoming convention members.

Giles' proposal would be much more to the liking of special interests groups, who already have lobbyists crawling all over the Capitol building, and have legislators trained to take money from their political action committees and vote accordingly.

Corts said he has more faith in the idea of a convention of delegates elected from the people. "The idea of a constitutional convention is something that comes from the people. It is a democratic process. And if we feel that there's no pressure applied to the Legislature (by special interests), we're mistaken."

I find myself there all the time and so do my friends. "Anything you might need, you find there," says Karen Vernon, 25, a secretary whose digs are decorated in late '90s Kmart. "It's got real basic things for the kids," adds another pal, Marla. "And it's got great deals, even on food. I once bought an 8-pound can of coffee there, but I wasn't going directly home, so I ended up carrying around this huge can of coffee ...

Yeah, yeah. Look, a bargain's a bargain. No complaining. And, frankly, we have Kmart to thank for the very idea of - hallelujah! - giant discount stores.

Kmart began as S.S. Kresge's, the nation's No. 2 dime store. By the 1950s, it was smart enough to realize the days of the five-and-ten were numbered - or at least had only a mere half century to go. So in '58, Kresge's opened its first discount department store.

As if it wasn't exciting enough to find off-price bras, bibs and barbe-

cues all under the same roof, Kmart went on to give its shoppers the thrill of the Blue Light Special. This was the bright idea of the manager at the Fort Wayne, Ind., Kmart in 1965. Anxious to sell leftover Christmas wrapping, he dragged a flashing police light to the department and gave shoppers only 15 minutes to grab all the outdated paper products they could. Only 15 minutes! Outta my way!

Six months later the Blue Light Special was part of Kmart karma nationwide.

The famous light's career went on to mirror John Travolta's. After some exciting years in the '70s, it disappeared, only to resurface a few years back - and fizzle anew. Thursday morning at the Kmart near me, for instance, the blue lit men's jackets attracted only one paying customer.

Same as that star vehicle "Swordfish."

So granted, the stores (and Mr. Travolta) need some kind of boost. It wouldn't hurt if they managed to

Corts said a re-write is the right of the people. "I think it belongs in the hands of the people, where the power is supposed to reside."

Giles didn't seem so sure the people would be up to the task. "You can't put a big document out there for the people to digest, you've got to do it in small pieces," he said. What he seems to be saying is that the people of Alabama aren't smart enough to draft their own constitution, but he's trying to say it nicely.

He also made a poor assumption. "It's unfair to throw a big document out on them." Giles is assuming a new constitution will be large, thick, and wordy, like the one reform advocates are trying to do away with. The entire point, however, is to draw up a simple, understandable, common sense framework for the state government. I think we can trust the people to come up with that in a convention, and to understand it when the day to vote for or against it comes.

Giles told Lennox he did have faith in the people, but remained staunchly opposed to a citizen-drafted constitution. Instead of government of, by and for the people, he and the Christian Coalition seem to support government of the people, by government, for the government.

Come on, we're the ones who are going to be governed. I think we should be the ones to say how it's done.

The current system has silenced the voice of the people in state government for far too long. It's time for a change. Instead of letting Montgomery politicians and lobbyists tell us how it's going to be done, we should be telling them how we want it done. And a convention of citizen delegates drafting an all-new constitution is the way to do it.

## IN YOUR VIEW

"Do you think Alabama's Constitution should be reformed?"

--Compiled by  
Joshua Bingham



Michael Newberry  
Sophomore  
Physical Education

"I'm from Georgia. I don't give a damn."



Damien Gaiters  
Sophomore  
Music Education

"Yes, it's old and very outdated."



Marshall Parker  
Junior  
Music

"Yes, they should reinstate prohibition."



Brian Collis  
Senior  
Music Performance

"I think it's just more proof that everything's better in Georgia."




Mardracus Russell  
Freshman  
Music Education

"It's too long and it should be revised."

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## Dancin' in a trance



The Chanticleer/Andrea Brown

Hypnotised JSU students dance on stage at Leone Cole Auditorium during the performance by hypnotist Dr. Gary Laundre last Thursday night. The comedy act was sponsored by the SGA's Student Activities Council.

## Celebrating a different heritage

By Nancy Sharp  
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

Everyday you wake up and get ready for school. You might be stressed because you are running late or cannot find a parking space at Stone Center.

Hopefully, however, none of us will ever have to walk through a picket line or withstand name-calling from peers on our way to class. David Zeigler, director of the Office of Multicultural Services at JSU, has not forgotten how far we have come.

For the past six years, Zeigler has organized Black History Month at JSU. For this February he has chosen the theme, "The Color Line Revisited: Is Racism Dead?" Zeigler has also chosen several speakers and activities that he feels will "educate as well as be entertaining."

On Feb. 6, the famous Judge Mathis will speak in the Leone Cole Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. He will be speaking about his accomplishments, which have enabled him to make a difference. Zeigler expects this to be one of the more popular events and hopes to see a "diverse crowd."

The Soul Food Dinner Theater on Feb. 13 at 6:30 p.m. in Leone Cole Auditorium, will feature "Hooked on Love" a heartwarming romantic comedy. The comedy deals with

"relationships and how to treat each other," said Zeigler. The JSU Gospel Choir and the JSU JAZZ Ensemble will be providing additional entertainment. Tickets, which include entertainment and a true soul food dinner, will be \$8 and can be purchased through the Multicultural Services Office, which is located on the fourth floor of the TMB.

Other events that will be taking place around JSU include the African American Heritage Month Pageant on Feb. 21 and the play, "The Soul of Nat Turner," which the Alabama State University Theater Arts Program will be presenting on Feb. 28.

The African American Association will also be bringing to life some of the forgotten names during Black History Month. Every Monday through Thursday during February, the African American Association will be speaking from 6 to 7 p.m. in the Multicultural Services Conference room, which is located in the Multicultural Services Office.

"Black history month should be an overall remembrance of the emotional and social struggles that the nation had to overcome," said Janeka Phillips, AAA entertainment chair head.

Phillips hopes that the forum will be a "time for reflection of our past so we can continue to use the

opportunities of the present to unify for a successful future."

Like Phillips, Herbert Wilkerson, president of National Pan-Hellenic Council, has been planning for the past year to have a re-enactment of the march on Washington around Trustee Circle. Wilkerson wants the march's focus to be on freedom in light of Sept. 11. The march will begin between Bibb Graves and Ayers Hall at 2:30 p.m. on Feb. 19.

The NPHC has invited the Boys and Girls Club of Jacksonville and Anniston to participate. The members are planning on carrying signs and concluding the march at Bibb Graves with a special program.

Wilkerson hopes that students will realize that they "are still part of the Dr. King's Dream."

Like many JSU students, Natasha Cunningham knows that she has to "be true to (herself) and be willing to pave the way for future generations."

Cunningham who is the treasurer of the NPHC, and a member of the Zeta Phi Beta sorority refers to "Black History Month as a time to look back and see how far we have come."

Cunningham is a firm believer that there is no room for racism here at JSU. Through Black History Month she hopes to continue the traditions of yesterday and the dreams of tomorrow.

## Dozi Zozu coming home to Jacksonville after Birmingham shows

By Katie Harris  
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

After playing the hot spots in Birmingham, a familiar face is returning to Jacksonville to play at Brother's Saturday Feb. 2.

Dozi Zozu hasn't made a local appearance in some time since they have been busy playing in popular Birmingham clubs such as the Nick, the Hippodrome, and the High Note.

The entire band consists of three musicians. Richard Howell is the lead singer and he also mixes drum tracks. Sam Dylan is the keyboard player. He mixes drum tracks and sings backing vocals. Trent White plays the guitar and also sings backing vocals.

The band's name came from a dream. "It came from a dream the keyboard player had. One of those where you wake up and think 'I should write that down.' Well that time he did," Howell said. Dylan then told Howell about the dream. "It already sounded so familiar to me like I had heard it before."

The 3 members of Dozi Zozu have been together for nearly 4 years. There have been other members in the past, but the 3 current members are the ones that make the band what it is, said Rogers.

The main thing that sets Dozi Zozu apart from other bands is their attitude. "We aren't trying to be so different," said Howell. "We just aren't trying to be anything in particular."

The sound the band produces is definitely original. "It's hard to define our sound because it's a combination of a lot of elements," said Howell. The band uses "synthetic and organic sounds" that come from "industrial and early punk influences, but it wouldn't sound that way."

Even the appearance of the band is not typical. "The first thing people usually notice and are surprised by is that we don't have a drummer," Howell said. "We just program beats with a drum machine and record them down on a minidisk or cd and use that."

The lack of a drummer leaves the background leaning toward industrial electronic. "We use a lot of samples but at the same time write actual songs," Howell said. "The songs themselves (are) sometimes kind of heavy and sometimes (have a) pop feel."

"We'll be something a little different to see and hear," said Howell.

Despite the band's unique sound they do not perform for shock value. "Although it might shock at times it's not intended to," said Howell. "Shock alienates a certain portion of the crowd and I want to entertain everyone there."

Another unusual aspect of Dozi Zozu is that each song is written by the entire group. "It starts with one person writing one part," said Howell. "No song has ever been completely written by one person; it's been a collaborative effort."

It's often difficult for the band to practice since Howell lives in Jacksonville. "The band is based in Birmingham since the other two guys live there," said Howell. "I



Courtesy Dozi Zozu

The members of Dozi Zozu, (clockwise from left) Richard Howell, Sam Dylan and Trent White. The Jacksonville band will play Brother's Bar Saturday night.

drive fairly frequently."

Howell is expecting to see "a few more faces" this performance than their last one at Brother's since they have created a following from their Birmingham shows.

Friday, Feb. 1 Jess Magers is inter-

viewing Dozi Zozu on 92J between 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. on No Cover, the local band show.

"The first gig we ever had was at Brother's," said Howell, "so it's kind of like home."

# University offers support, not criticism, to pot smokers

By Kimberly B. Marlowe  
The Seattle Times (KRT)

SEATTLE - Consider two men who smoke marijuana every day, one a grandfather running a small business in Pierce County, Wash., the other a single computer programmer in Seattle. College educated, articulate men with active lives and myriad interests, they've been getting high all of their adult lives. One recently quit, but the other has no intention of giving up pot.

John, 52, and Erik, 27, are miles apart in their attitudes about marijuana, but both participate in the Marijuana Check-Up, a research project at the University of Washington designed for the adult marijuana smoker "who isn't interested in treatment but wants a chance to ask questions or express concerns."

The free sessions are a kind of barter: John and Erik get factual information about marijuana and someone to talk to, in confidence, about smoking pot and how it fits into their lives.

The interviewers, in turn, say they get useful, candid responses to questions about how and why adults of all ages and all walks of life

smoke marijuana and why some of them choose to quit while others do not.

The \$1.3 million project, paid for by the National Institute on Drug Abuse, is not intended to take the place of prevention and treatment programs or 12-step fellowships for marijuana smokers, say project organizers. Nor is it meant to give marijuana smokers an "out" to avoid quitting or addressing their use. Rather, it is meant to attract people who, for a variety of reasons, are not choosing traditional treatment options.

The idea behind the Marijuana Check-up, project leader Roger Roffman of the University of Washington's School of Social Work says, is to "offer support to someone struggling with ambivalence in a way that is nonjudgmental and respectful." Participants "can look at their marijuana use without being pushed, prodded, labeled or diagnosed," he said.

It isn't clear how many marijuana smokers might want or benefit from something like the Marijuana Check-Up, but there's no question that pot smoking is a fact of American life and is often cited by smokers for problems they experi-

ence.

About 14 million people nationwide use illicit drugs, and marijuana is the choice 76 percent of the time, according to a 2000 study by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

A 1997 study by the agency found that of marijuana users who said they smoked pot at least 12 days in the previous year, more than half reported problems related to their drug use, including negative effects on their health and family life.

Roffman hopes the project model will add to "the continuum of care that now ranges from education to treatment." He says the Marijuana Check-Up is a way to reach a wide range of concerns and interests, such as those of John and Erik.

John's wife hated his smoking and the drinking that often went with it. His two kids sat through drug-education classes in school, squirming with the knowledge that their dad was a pothead. Buying the stuff humiliated John.

"Here I am, 52 years old, hanging around outside some creepy, smelly house waiting to buy pot," he says, his face flushing red at the recollection. "That was one of the worst feelings."

He decided to quit smoking dope and drinking last year after a painful confrontation with his wife. "She looked at me one day and said, 'I've lived with your drinking and smoking pot for almost 25 years, and I'm sick of it. I want you clean and sober.'"

But the 12-step meeting John attended made him uncomfortable, and he never went back. A self-employed small-business owner, John was worried about his insurance company finding out if he sought treatment with a doctor.

He answered an ad for the Marijuana Check-Up, went through the initial screening and was matched with one of the project's interviewers, all of whom are trained counselors.

John said he has not smoked marijuana or had a drink for several months and says he doesn't miss it. He credits his sessions at the Marijuana Check-Up with easing the transition. "I feel a new freedom, which is ironically why you smoke pot in the first place - to be free," he said.

Erik, who like John started smoking marijuana as a teen-ager, says he has no plans to quit.

"I find I enjoy a lot of things bet-

ter: reading, eating, sex, music," said Erik. "It heightens my senses."

But an occasional burning sensation in his lungs made Erik seek answers to the physiological effects of marijuana. He called the Marijuana Check-up last year.

"I saw they were looking to help people out, and it seemed like a good thing to support," he said.

At the start of each session, the interviewer asks Erik to rank his interest in evaluating or changing his marijuana use. Usually Erik says he is not considering any changes, but occasionally he says he's open to some discussion. The sessions are shaped by his responses, he said.

Erik says sessions are "more like a workshop than counseling." When he starts sessions by saying he does not want to make any changes, he spends his appointment asking specific questions or viewing videos on topics about marijuana or health-related issues, he said.

"The environment definitely makes you more aware about your pot usage," said Erik, "but I was really surprised that there was no pressure. I kind of drive the whole show, and if I want to make a change, or not, that's cool."



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# “Rock Star:” big hair flick is big fun

By Abbey Herrin  
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

“Rock Star” is sheer entertainment. The movie embodies the 1980s hair-band era. It combines tacky clothes, bad music and snotty attitudes that exemplify exactly what the decade really symbolized.

The story is simple: a small town boy makes it to the top only to find that success is bittersweet. The story itself is not what makes “Rock Star” stand out, however. The soundtrack and nostalgia of the 1980s are what makes the film praiseworthy.

Chris (played by Mark Wahlberg) idolizes Steel Dragon, a fictitious 80s hair band. So much in awe is he that he and his buddies form a Steel Dragon “tribute band.” His life revolves around this music; Chris is oblivious to the fact that he still lives with his parents and argues with his brother.

Chris is so caught up in this fantasy rock world that he strives to be identical to Bobby Beers, the lead singer of Steel Dragon. He is finally kicked out of the band because of this unhealthy preoccupation, and takes the rejection in a rock star fashion — he has a temper tantrum.

But lo and behold if the next day he isn't contacted by the lead guitarist of Steel Dragon, who offers him an audition to replace Bobby.

Accompanied by his high school sweetheart Emily (Jennifer Anniston), he travels to Los Angeles and instantaneously becomes part of the band that he worships.

The spotlight isn't all it is cracked up to be, and Chris and Emily struggle to remain true to one another in a lifestyle filled with sex, drugs and rock and roll.

The innocent couple is thrust into various sexual exploitations, causing their relationship to be rocky.

Although the story line is obviously very commonplace, other aspects of the movie compensate, especially the soundtrack. From The Culture Club's “Karma Chameleon” to Bon Jovi's “Livin' On A Prayer,” the vibe that the music conveys will make you want to slip on your favorite stone-washed jeans and Def Leppard T-shirt.

Also noteworthy is Wahlberg's performance. The same charisma that gave life to Dirk Diggler in “Boogie Nights” is apparent in “Rock Star.” Wahlberg's portrayal of a cheesy 80s rock icon is perfection. Anniston's performance as Emily is a breath of fresh air; her



Courtesy Warner Bros.  
Mark Wahlberg and Jennifer Anniston rock out in the 1980s-savvy movie “Rock Star.”

innocence and constant devotion to Chris help give the story life.

Michael Shamus Wiles is hilarious as Mr. Cole, Chris's supportive rock dad. He indulges his son's rock and roll fantasy: “My parents rock!” exclaims Chris at a Steel Dragon concert. On an interesting casting side note, A.C., the drummer for Steel Dragon, is played by Jason Bonham, son of Led Zeppelin legend Jon Bonham.

Although “Rock Star” is no blockbuster, I'd definitely check it out. Having grown up in the 1980s, “Rock Star” does not shame the 80s, but rather glorifies them in a sentimental way.

Who knows, cutoff sweatshirts and legwarmers may come back into style at any moment. I'll be ready, will you?

# A legal way to download

By Brian McCollum  
Knight Ridder Newspapers (KRT)

The record industry wanted to build a sleek jetway to the future. Instead, it's slapped together a gravel road.

The online services Pressplay and MusicNet quietly rolled out last month, marking the major labels' first big step toward selling digital downloads on the Internet. The concept sounds reasonable up front: For a flat recurring fee, users get access to thousands of songs by major artists.

The labels hope that legions of office-chair pirates can be coaxed to go straight by abandoning the Net's free file-swap programs and paying for the music they download. It's part of a crucial battle for oodles of money and control of the music marketplace — a battle the music industry began losing with the launch of programs like Napster that allowed fans to get nearly any song they wanted for free.

Now, \$10 a month can buy you a clear conscience. But it doesn't get you much else. MusicNet and Pressplay are rickety renderings of Napster and its descendants, which rocketed to popularity with their breadth of offerings and ease of use. Despite catalogs of more than 75,000 tracks each, the new pay services are frustratingly limited, and most users will probably come up empty trying to find all the songs they want.

MusicNet features artists on labels owned by Warner Music and Bertelsmann Music Group; Pressplay is backed by Universal and Sony. The fifth of the big five music conglomerates, EMI, has its hands in both. Content comes from the companies' catalogs. That should be a lot of music, but with MusicNet and Pressplay's lack of hot new hits or classic big shots, you get the distinct feeling the labels are withholding from users most of the stuff that drives big CD sales.

Because of antitrust regulations, federal officials won't let the labels sell songs directly to consumers, so the services are provided by licensees. RealOne Music handles the MusicNet subscriptions. MSN, Yahoo and Roxio offer Pressplay.

There are pesky restrictions imposed by each service — starting with the number of songs you can access each month. Pressplay's low-end subscription tier (\$9.95) allows 300 streaming songs and 30 downloads. MusicNet also starts at \$9.95, which gives you 100 streams and 100 downloads. Subsequent tiers allow additional streams and downloads. Listening to a stream is a one-shot deal, like picking a song from a jukebox. A download is a file stored on your computer for multiple listens.

But don't get too excited: These downloads have shelf lives. Pressplay songs become unusable when you cancel your subscription, and songs from MusicNet last only a month.

Almost as bad, the tracks aren't in the familiar, democratic MP3 format used by most music-swapping services. Instead they come in proprietary files, playable only on lumbering, exclusive software that must be installed before starting.

While Pressplay allows you to copy a limited number of downloaded songs onto your own recordable CD, MusicNet prevents you from doing so.

So imagine this pitch from the local cable company: Subscribe to us and we'll offer fewer channels than you get with free broadcast TV. We'll give you fuzziest reception and make it harder to operate your set. We won't let you hook up your VCR.

From the labels' standpoint, that's OK: People are infringing copyrights when they trade songs online, the reasoning goes. So any payment system, no matter how clunky, is the righteous way to go.

But good luck convincing folks out in the real virtual world, including a generation of computer users weaned on the easy, comprehensive utility of Napster and its followers free, user-driven programs such as MusicCity and Aimster.

Those last two continue to thrive, home to thousands of users' ever-growing MP3 collections made available for others to download. The record industry is banking that those programs will follow the fate of Napster, which was shuttered by a federal court after the industry sued it for copyright violations.

As for Napster, the Seattle company says it plans to relaunch in coming months. But it won't be the program you and your buddies feasted on your sophomore year. This will be the subscription Napster, the result of a deal with Bertelsmann.

Accessing Pressplay or MusicNet requires a credit card and the software download. Pressplay has the edge, offering a two-week trial that can be canceled before billing kicks in.

MusicNet doesn't offer a trial period, and the only available interface is the RealOne Player, a slow, graphics-heavy program that aggravatingly overrides your previous choice of player for MP3 and WAV files. MusicNet does have the upper hand if you're looking for additional content, including videos, news feeds and sports programming.

From there it's on to the search functions. Again, Pressplay gets the edge: If your search is unsuccessful and when you're looking for popular new music or an artist's biggest hits, it likely will be the service provides a tailored list of alternate suggestions. Try “Beatles,” and you won't get any Beatles songs, but you will get a roster of tracks from the Jayhawks (logical) and Lynyrd Skynyrd (huh?), among others.

MusicNet, on the other hand, responds to a fruitless search by asking you to check your spelling.

Pressplay also offers a browsing feature, allowing you to skim categories (“Cajun-Creole,” “Brazilian Jazz”) to find artists you might like. And it offers a kind of populist programming service, letting users post their own playlists compiled from available songs.

That's a nominal nod to the user-empowered atmosphere that has made the free file-sharing services so successful.

Yes, the record industry can make money on the Internet. It has a legitimate future there. But MusicNet and Pressplay reveal it's still got a long way to go.

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**NAS**

**Stillmatic**

★★★★

Review by Anthony Hill  
The Chanticleer Sports Editor

"This is the ending and my new beginning," Nas spits on the album's intro.

"Stillmatic" was just that. It was the end of Jay-Z's reign as the self-proclaimed "greatest rapper of all-time." And, it was the beginning of the Nasir comeback.

On Jay-Z's "Takeover," one of many vicious volleys in the ongoing Nas/Jay-Z beef, Jigga brutally sums up Nas' back catalog, crediting him with "one hot album every ten years, average." Jigga had everyone thinking about how weak Nas has gotten in the last decade.

Come on now, I love Nas. But, the Queens-bred rapper's output has been uneven, to put it nicely.



Courtesy Sony/Columbia

It seems like the Jay-Z beef has brought the best out of both MC's. On "Ether," Nas connects with some solid jabs on Jigga and his lips. He ridicules everything from Jigga's sparse mustache and Tai-Bo work-outs to his sporting of Hawaiian shirts.

On "You're Da Man," Nas takes listeners on a warped ride through his 10-year journey as a rapper. Large Professor's moody strings and spare boom-clap beat set the scene for the lessons Nas was trying to teach. He slipped a couple of bars for Jigga to think about as well. "Came in with my style / So, I

fathered you / I kept changing on the world since barbecue."

The hit of the album has to be "One Mic." Nas grabs the attention of all listeners with his pledge to only need one mic to survive. The intensity of the track increases with his emotions and then, suddenly drops back down after each verse. "All I need is one life, one try / One breathe of one man / What I stand for speaks for itself ... All I need is one mic."

One of the most amazing songs on the album is "Rewind." Esco manages to tell a story in its entirety, backwards. I've heard a lot of songs, but that was the first time I've enjoyed one that was delivered backwards.

On "U Got Ur Self a Gun," Nas proclaims that he's the only MC worth mentioning with Tupac and Notorious B.I.G. He announces his anger with other rappers trying to say they're better over a booming Sopranos-theme-song chorus. "It's the return of the prince, the boss / This is real hardcore / kid rocking

Limp Bizkit soft."

Sadly, the cuts that reveal Nas' depth and drive are near the beginning of the CD. The album seems to get rather dull after eight songs and begins to sound slightly watered down, even though some songs contain great messages.

Nas was striving to maintain street credibility while reaching for pop success on "Stillmatic" and those two audiences are difficult to satisfy at the same time. One moment he casts himself as a gritty cat who feels most at home on a project bench, calling out neighborhood snakes ("Destroy and Rebuild") and ducking gunshots ("One Mic"). The next, he's delivering dumb-down verses over the Track Masters' rinky-dink rendition of "Everybody Wants to Rule the World."

But, in the end, you have to refute Jay-Z's harsh assessments of Nas' discography. This gives Nas two hot albums in 10 years, instead of one. Esco proves that he's STILL an artist who can climb any heights with his breath-defying lyrics.

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- 6.) How many miles could a bee travel from the energy it gained from one gallon of nectar?
- 7.) What famous American sculptor rigged his front door so that it could be opened from his bathtub?
- 8.) What percentage of basketball players sport tattoos?
- 9.) How many liters of beer would it take to fill the Millennium Dome in Greenwich, London?
- 10.) The world population increases by about how many people per day?

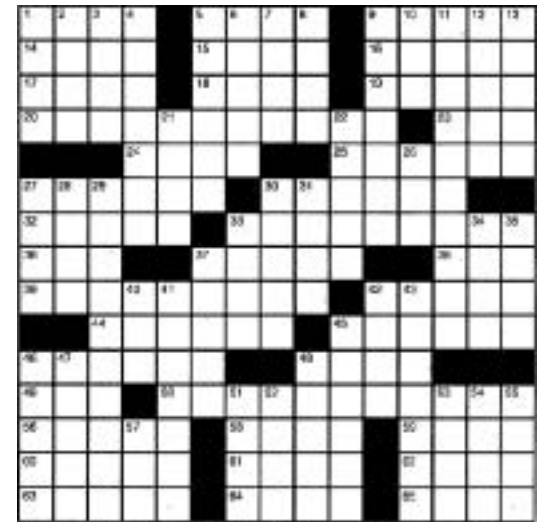
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- 2.) A quarter-pound
- 3.) Cuba, Brazil
- 4.) A hurricane
- 5.) William H. Taft
- 6.) Four million miles
- 7.) Alexander Calder
- 8.) 30 percent
- 9.) 3.8 billion
- 10.) 237,748



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  - 17 Edinburgh resident
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  - 19 Experimental jazz pianist
  - 20 Frugality
  - 23 Dent starter?
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  - 49 Also
  - 50 Epistolary afterthoughts
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- 22 Torn tickets
- 26 Make lace
- 27 Between jobs
- 28 Cleaning tools
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- 31 Topmost point
- 33 Pocket bread
- 34 Would-be atty.'s exam
- 35 A piece of cake
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- 40 \_\_\_ Darya River
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# HOROSCOPES

By Lasha Seniuk  
Knight Ridder/Tribune News Service (KRT)  
Jan. 28-Feb. 3

**Aries** (March 21-April 20). Sibling relations and family discussions may require extra attention. Remain sensitive to the career plans of others. Loved ones may feel vulnerable concerning recent business accomplishments, power struggles with managers or future goals.

**Taurus** (April 21-May 20). Listen to a friend or lover's social and workplace observations. Subtle information concerning the hidden plans of an acquaintance or colleague may be revealed. No serious overtones can be expected here, but do stay alert to rare business conflicts and new employment competitions.

**Gemini** (May 21-June 21). Private family tasks and financial management will have a strong appeal. Pay special attention to budget changes, home decisions or long-term payment schedules. Many Geminis are entering an intense phase of financial growth and business change.

**Cancer** (June 22-July 22). Family communications and intimate discussions with friends may reveal unusual information. Watch carefully for signs of withheld business or financial facts. Some Cancerians may also discover that a lover or marital partner needs to take extra schooling, make travel plans or enter into delicate business negotiations with authority figures.

**Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22). Find a quiet way to express love, affection and respect. Loved ones will need gentle reassurance or a subtle proof of loyalty. A recent increase in business disruptions or career decisions may have caused others to feel isolated or misunderstood.

**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Friends and lovers are open to your suggestions, comments or detailed explanations of recent events. New acceptance is a subtle indication that relationships will move in a positive direction. Expect a powerful wave of increased honesty and intimacy.

**Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Yesterday's financial records and bank information are highlighted. Expect money facts, figures and statements proving past actions to be the focus of discussion in both working and family relationships.

**Scorpio** (Oct. 24-Nov. 22). Social or family discussions will be complicated by misinformation. React honestly to minor confrontations and passionate ideas from loved ones. No long-term or serious effects can be expected here, so not to worry. Do, however, pay close attention to unreliable business or legal information.

**Sagittarius** (Nov. 23-Dec. 20). Renewed ambition and the resolution of recent disputes are accentuated. A brief period of complex duties and sluggish career progress will soon end. Expect an office rival or moody partner to relinquish control of a major project. Be thorough and

diligent.  
**Capricorn** (Dec. 21-Jan. 20). Enjoy quiet surroundings, gentle discussions and the company of trusted friends. Inner renewal and regained social awareness are strong themes. Loved ones will accept long-disputed ideas or unique family proposals.

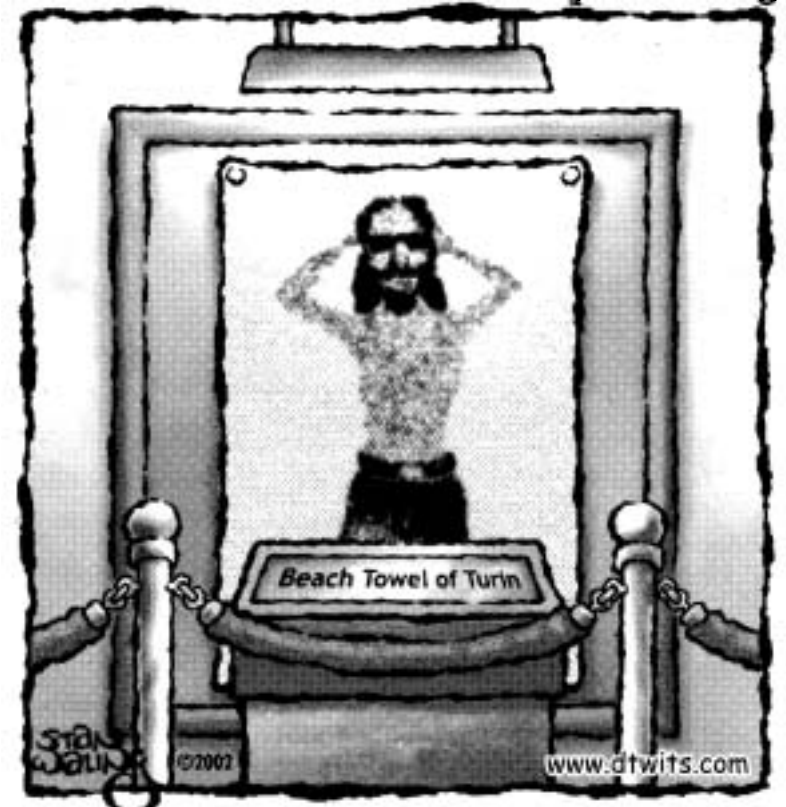
**Aquarius** (Jan. 21-Feb. 19). Fast money discussions and passionate romantic moments will be unavoidable. Use this time to establish a common sense of direction with loved ones and bring forth fresh ideas for financial or lifestyle changes.

**Pisces** (Feb. 20-March 20). Allow strong sentiments to subside. A recent wave of deep emotions or intense romantic questioning needs to fade. Let regrets and doubts pass naturally; this is not the right time to relive yesterday's events or ask for further clarification from loved ones.

**If your birthday is this week ...**  
Loved ones may seem distant or emotionally withdrawn. At present, sluggish responses from friends or vague statements from lovers is actually a sign that key relationships are preparing for rapid progress. Throughout much of March and April, expect newly revealed passions, fast attractions and a new appreciation of sensuality.

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## DITHERED TWITS by Stan Waling



# SPORTS

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## Gamecocks sink Campbell 78-66

Beat Savannah State, but can't put Georgia State away

By Anthony Hill  
The Chanticleer Sports Editor

The Gamecock basketball team looked as if they might've found their rhythm at just the right time. Then, they went to Georgia and lost it on the trip somewhere between Savannah and Atlanta. Luckily, they took a trip to North Carolina to play Campbell and relocated it before it was too late.

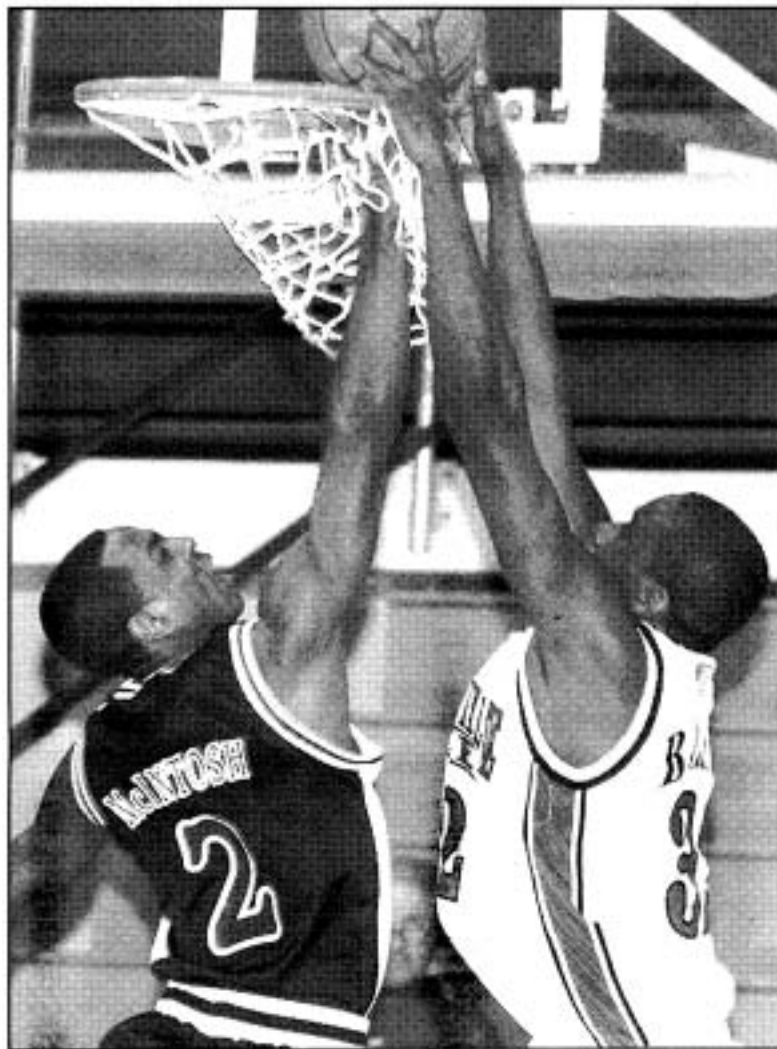
The Gamecocks were able to stomp Savannah State and Campbell, but weren't able to stop Georgia State from getting revenge for the beating Jax State handed it two weeks ago.

Jay Heard finished the game with 13 points to lead four Jacksonville State players in double-figures as JSU claimed a 64-55 win over Savannah State (2-16) last Thursday. The victory gave the Gamecocks their first back-to-back wins of the season.

Jax State, fresh off an impressive 59-56 win over Samford last Tuesday, also got 12 points each from Josh Perry and Omar Barlett, while Emerson Brown added 10 points to pace the Gamecocks.

"We're continuing to live up to our reputation of close games," said head coach Mike LaPlante. "I don't think we're ever going to have an easy game. One of the things we've got to learn is how to put a team away."

The Gamecocks are in a battle with a handful of other teams for positioning in the Atlantic Sun Conference. Only eight teams in



Courtesy The Anniston Star/Bill Wilson  
Junior center Omar Barlett slams one home despite the goaltending of Georgia State guard Lamont McIntosh at Pete Mathews Coliseum, Jan. 17. The Panthers defeated the Gamecocks 80-61 in Atlanta last Saturday.

the 11-game league qualify for the A-Sun tournament held Feb. 28-Mar. 2 in Orlando. Last Thursday's non-conference victory didn't count for anything, as far as conference standings.

The win may have helped the

Gamecocks confidence level going into the final stretch of the season.

The Gamecocks jumped out to score the first seven points of the game to take an early lead in the

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## Rifle team places fourth at Murray State tourney

From Staff Reports

The Jacksonville State University rifle team continues to shoot well this season. The Gamecocks traveled to Murray State to compete in the Roger Withrow Invitational last weekend and were able to shoot their way to a fourth-place finish.

The Murray State rifle team won its annual Roger Withrow Invitational rifle match, a three-day event that took place over the weekend at MSU's Pat Spurgin Rifle Range.

Murray State finished with an aggregate (combined) score of 6194, having the best smallbore score in the 18-team event at 4649 and the second-best air rifle score at 1545.

Kentucky's Blue team took second with an aggregate of 6190, Tennessee Tech was third at 6166, Jacksonville State's Red team finished fourth at 6115 and Tennessee-Martin was fifth at 6042.

Murray State sophomore Morgan Hicks (Tacoma, Wash.) had the best aggregate score, a 1576 out of a possible 1600. She

led all shooters in the smallbore with an 1182 out of a possible 1200.

Nebraska's Melissa Downsborough had the best air rifle score in the 120-shooter match with a 396 out of a possible 400.

Murray State now prepares for the national championship, gearing up for the NCAA sectionals, to be held at Murray State's Pat Spurgin Rifle Range at Roy Stewart Stadium on Feb. 8-10.

The Gamecock rifle team will return to Murray State to compete in the Sectional Qualifier on Feb. 9.

## Matthews paces Gamecock track team, finishes third in 400-meter

From Staff Reports

Freshman sprinter Eboni Matthews put on another great performance when she and fellow freshman Anna Armstrong competed in the LSU Purple Tiger Invitational at the Carl Maddox Field House last Saturday.

Matthews competed in two events, the 200 and 400-meter races. Matthews blew the doors off the field house track when she placed third out of 41 runners in the 400-meter race. She finished with a time of 58:47 seconds. Rice sprinter Yvonne Umeh finished first, followed by Houston sprinter Alicia Cave. Matthews came in 25th out of 56 runners in the 200-meter race.

Armstrong competed in the women's long jump competition. She jumped 5.14 meters to give her a 21st place finish out of 36 jumpers.

"I'm very happy with their per-

formances," said Gamecock head coach Aimee Dawson. "There was a lot of good competition here and for these two freshmen to come here and assert themselves, they did a great job."

The two freshmen from Jax State made a big impression at Baton Rouge, but most of the attention was on LSU long jumper Walter Davis. Davis was on a quest to gain a long jump title that eluded him a year ago.

Davis, the 2000 Olympian, came up with another impressive effort, winning the long jump on the final attempt of the competition.

"Walter is an incredible competitor," said LSU head coach Walter Davis. "He seems to know exactly what he needs and then he goes out and does it. He's truly a remarkable athlete."

The Gamecocks' final indoor meet of the season will be on Sunday when they travel to Tennessee State.

## Rams-Patriots game will be a rematch of their Nov. 18 battle

By Joe Ostrmeier  
Knight Ridder Newspapers (KRT)

ST. LOUIS — Super Bowl XXXVI will be a rematch of the St. Louis Rams' 24-17 win over New England on Nov. 18 at Foxboro Stadium.

The championship game will begin at 5:18 p.m. CST Sunday in the Louisiana Superdome in New Orleans.

"We won't get much sleep this week," Rams head coach Mike Martz said after their 29-24 win over Philadelphia in the NFC Championship game at the Edward Jones Dome. "They (the Patriots) are as well-rounded and well-coached in all three phases of the game as any team in this league."

"He (Bill Belichick) just does a terrific job coaching that team."

Rams quarterback Kurt Warner completed 30 of 42 passes for 401 yards and three touchdowns in the November win over the Patriots. Marshall Faulk ran 20 times for 83 yards and caught seven passes for 70 yards against the Pats, who are 8-0 since the loss to St. Louis.

"What a run they've been on since we played them," said Martz, whose team is 8-1 since the win in

New England. The Rams are 16-2 overall; the Pats 13-5 after their 24-17 win over Pittsburgh in the AFC Championship game Sunday.

Fox's top broadcasting team of Pat Summerall and John Madden will call the Super Bowl, with sideline reports by Ron Pitts. The network's studio team — James Brown, Terry Bradshaw, Howie Long and Cris Collinsworth — will handle the pregame show and half-time highlights.

Pop music star Mariah Carey will sing the national anthem, and Paul McCartney will be part of the pregame show as he sings a song dedicated to the victims of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

The games marks the second Super Bowl in three years for the Rams, and fourth overall. They beat Tennessee 23-16 in Super Bowl XXXIV on Jan. 30, 2000, in Atlanta, and lost 31-19 to Pittsburgh in Super Bowl XIV on Jan. 20, 1980, in Pasadena, Calif.

The Patriots are 0-2 in their Super Bowl appearances. They lost 35-21 to Green Bay in Super Bowl XXXI on Jan. 26, 1997, and lost 46-10 to the Chicago Bears in Super Bowl XX on Jan. 26, 1986.

Both games were in New Orleans.



# Gamecock women rally to beat Samford

By Jay Pace  
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

The JSU women's basketball team looked as if it might've fell further down the A-Sun standings after it loss to Mercer and Troy State last week. But the Gamecocks looked like they found their rhythm after they danced on Samford last Tuesday at "The Pete."

Jax State could've slipped into the eighth spot with wins over Mercer, Troy State and Samford. They were only two games away from that final spot to the A-Sun tournament.

The Gamecocks began their road to the eighth spot with a game against Mercer at "The Pete" last Thursday.

Jax State made numerous shots and staged two good comebacks in the second half, but Mercer proved to be too much in the end and won by a score of 73-62.

"We felt like it would really help if we could get these three at home," said Austin. "It would put us more toward the middle of the pack and that's what our goal is for the end of the season."

The Gamecocks started the game really sluggish and didn't look like a team that

was fighting to make the tournament in the first half. They began the game 2-for-15 from the floor and fell behind 14-8 in the first four minutes of the contest.

Mercer was the team that began the second half with a spark and connected on eight of 11 shots and took a 43-37 lead with 16:58 remaining in the game.

Shanika Freeman got hot midway through the second half and hit 11 of her career-high 16 points to help the Gamecocks tie the game at 59-59.

But the Gamecocks were only able to hit one more shot for the remainder of the game.

"Fred" Embry finished the game with 15 points and nine rebounds. Tiara Eady contributed with seven points, eight rebounds and three blocked shots.

"Fred and Tiara really showed up and played hard," said Austin. "We couldn't get Fred's shot to fall, but she's finally getting around to playing like we want her to and I think she's finally figuring out the next level."

The Gamecocks tried to regroup and get back on track by whupping Troy State (5-11, 4-5) last Saturday.

Well, the Gamecocks didn't get on track.

They fell further behind in the race for the eighth spot when they fell to Troy State, 52-42.

Missed shots and turnovers were the biggest enemies of the Gamecocks last Saturday. They were only 16-of-60 from the floor (26.7 percent) and committed 21 turnovers.

The Gamecocks were able to rally from 12 points down and shorten the Trojan lead to four points with 1:49 to go in the game. Trojan center Thea Herring then hit two free throws, followed by a 3-pointer by Chaquita Alexander to secure the win for Troy State.

JSU was led by Laura Baswell's nine points and five rebounds. Mathis added eight points and six rebounds.

Jax State tried to get back on track when it hosted Samford at "The Pete" last Tuesday night.

Freeman tied a career-high in points after she scorched Samford with 23 points to lead the Gamecocks past the Bulldogs, 69-52.

The 17-point victory was the largest win of the year for the Gamecocks.

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Courtesy The Anniston Star/Trent Penny  
Freshman point guard Heather Shepard drives between two Samford defenders Tuesday night at Pete Mathews Coliseum. The Gamecocks defeated the Bulldogs 69-52.

## Atlantic Sun Conference Men's Basketball Standings

Team	Conference			Overall		
	W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT
Troy State	9	3	.750	13	6	.684
Jacksonville	9	4	.692	15	7	.682
Florida Atlantic	8	4	.667	11	8	.579
Georgia State	8	5	.615	12	8	.600
Samford	8	5	.615	11	10	.524
UCF	7	5	.583	11	8	.579
Belmont	5	7	.417	8	11	.421
Stetson	5	8	.385	8	11	.421
<b>Jacksonville State</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>.385</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>.412</b>
Campbell	4	9	.308	6	14	.300
Mercer	1	11	.083	3	18	.143

### Recent results:

**Jan. 29**  
South Florida 84, UCF 79

**Jan. 28**  
Florida Atlantic 80, Belmont 78  
Troy State 76, Jacksonville 61  
Stetson 58, Mercer 55  
**Jacksonville State 78, Campbell 66**  
Georgia State 60, Samford 48

**Jan. 26**  
Troy State 68, Stetson 65  
Jacksonville 74, Mercer 58  
**Georgia State 80, Jacksonville State 61**  
UCF 86, Belmont 78  
Campbell 56, Samford 53

### Upcoming games:

**Feb. 2**  
Campbell at Stetson  
Belmont at Samford  
Georgia State at Jacksonville  
Mercer at UCF  
Troy State at Florida Atlantic  
**Savannah State at Jacksonville State (7:00 CST)**

**Feb. 4**  
**Jacksonville State at Belmont (7:00 CST)**  
Georgia State at Stetson  
Campbell at Jacksonville  
Mercer at FAU  
Troy State at UCF

## Atlantic Sun Conference Women's Basketball Standings

Team	Conference			Overall		
	W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT
Belmont	8	2	.800	14	3	.824
Campbell	8	3	.763	10	8	.540
Stetson	8	3	.763	9	9	.500
Florida Atlantic	7	3	.700	9	9	.500
Georgia State	6	4	.600	10	7	.615
UCF	6	4	.600	10	9	.526
Mercer	5	4	.556	8	8	.500
Troy State	4	5	.444	5	11	.313
<b>Jacksonville State</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>.275</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>.285</b>
Jacksonville	1	10	.100	2	16	.118
Samford	0	10	.000	1	16	.063

### Recent results:

**Jan. 29**  
**Jacksonville State 69, Samford 52**  
Statston 54, Jacksonville 39  
Georgia State 58, Campbell 56

**Jan. 26**  
Georgia State 71, Central Florida 67  
Belmont 71, Jacksonville 49  
Samford 54, Mercer 68  
**Troy State 52, Jacksonville State 42**  
Florida Atlantic 68, Campbell 67

### Upcoming games:

**Jan. 31**  
Belmont at Jacksonville

**Feb. 2**  
**Jacksonville State at Mercer (2:00 CST)**  
Belmont at Stetson  
Campbell at UCF  
Georgia State at Florida Atlantic  
Samford at Troy State

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## Take a look at statistics

By Anthony Hill

The Chanticleer  
Sports Editor



As any truly addicted fan of sports knows, one of the greatest pleasures is strolling through the morning paper and reading box scores and standings, especially during basketball and baseball seasons.

That's one reason why I decided to start posting A-Sun standings. That's all you really care about anyway.

One of the statistics I often check, regardless of the sport is attendance, although these days attendance figures often must be viewed skeptically since the invention of the decidedly bogus, "ticket distributed," euphemism. I have been at games in which entire sections of empty seats are evident throughout the stadium (I refuse to say which game or where). Then a guy rushes into the press box or the announcer says, "Tonight's attendance is 5,694."

Yeah right. That's what thought rushed through my head the last time I heard an announcement like that. Someone needs to look up the definition of attendance.

Basketball box scores can be misleading as well. One of my quirks is to check the shooting statistics after reading a game description. Frequently a game description will begin something like this: "Poonie Richardson (just to throw out a name) scored 24 points to lead the Gamecocks past Duke..."

Okay, now let's go to the box score. It may turn out that Mr. Richardson actually shot 7-of-29 from the field in leading the Gamecocks to victory. In that same game, Emerson "Downtown" Brown and Omar Barlett both scored 14 points and had nine assists, four steals and one turnover. Again, I'm just using some random names. But if that's what the box score happens to read, exactly who was it who led Jax State to victory?

A friend and I were having a discussion about an old basketball game that we both amazingly remembered. It was the 1985 ACC championship game where Georgia Tech beat North Carolina. I didn't remember much, but I did remember the ending. Bruce Dalrymple was absolutely brilliant that game. He made shots, he made steals, he got key rebounds at both ends and I think that he finished with nine

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# One on one with "Thrill:" Dana Austin

By Anthony "Thrill" Hill  
The Chanticleer Sports Editor

Head basketball coach Dana Austin is a rarity. She's a legitimate star who has remained a regular person. You don't hear negatives about her. She's probably one of the nicest people you'll ever meet.

She showed no signs of stiffness or fear during the interview. She was cool, calm and collective after every question or remark. When I asked her a question, she gave me an answer right away.

Coach Austin is the type of coach that most players dream of having. She's a coach that has done it all as a player, so it's easy to listen to what she has to say. She's also a teacher that's been rewarded for her ability as a coach. She was awarded the TAAC "Coach of the Year" in 1997.

If you've ever gone into "The Pete" and wondered who Dana Bright was, after seeing her jersey hanging from the ceiling, well, this is she. Of course, now her name is Mrs. Dana Austin.

**Thrill:** How are you today, Coach Austin?

**Dana:** I'm fine. I'm doing good.

**Thrill:** It seems like we've let our best chance of jumping into the eighth spot slip away last weekend. We were playing the two teams right above us in the standings. How disappointing was it to lose those games, especially at home?

**Dana:** It was very disappointing, because we saw an opening there to kind of climb ahead and try to reach or get to where our goals were at the start of the season. That was to finish at the middle of the pack. Anthony, the most disappointing thing for me is the lack of intensity we've showed in these last two games.

**Thrill:** The expectations were so high at the start of the season. Most of the players are fairly young. Where's the confidence level of some of the younger players? Most of them aren't used to losing.

**Dana:** You're exactly right. We worried about that from the losing standpoint. I'm sure that it's affected their confidence level. At the same time we've had to continuous-



The Chanticleer/Anthony Hill  
Women's hoops coach Dana Austin.

ly talk with them. We've had to throw these freshmen into a different situation than they would've been faced with at another Division I school. At most Division I schools, freshmen have an opportunity to get their feet wet. They've usually got a dominant player ahead of them to show them the way. Our freshmen really haven't had that opportunity. We don't have any dominant players. It's tough for any freshman to come in and compete, much less carry a team as a freshman.

**Thrill:** What's the team lacking right now? Surely, it's not talent. Is it leadership?

**Dana:** Well, I've said all year that we lack leadership. We don't have enough people who are vocal enough. We've lost some close games this year. We've lost games in which I thought we could've won with some leadership. We'll make some mistakes in the end. Some of those were young mistakes too. But, we do lack the leadership that's needed.

**Thrill:** It seems like some of the players aren't in sync right now, shooting. Does that worry you even more, going into the final stretch of the season?

**Dana:** Anthony, I think that's huge for us. Our offense is designed for shooters. We have to get a certain percentage of 3-point shots, a certain percentage of backdoor cuts inside the paint. Being in the little shooting slump we're in, that's huge for us. We rely on the outside shot so much. It's not like we don't work on it. These girls are coming in every single-day, getting somewhere between 100-200 shots.

**Thrill:** Coach Austin. Do you feel

any pressure to turn this season around? Not necessarily from anyone else, but pressure from yourself. You're a proven WINNER.

**Dana:** I do. I put the pressure on myself a lot of the time. I have to realize that we're a young team. But, I've got a lot of Jacksonville State pride, a lot of Gamecock pride and I want to see this women's basketball program get to where we can consistently finish in the top four of our class. There's a lot of pressure because I don't like to lose.

**Thrill:** How good is Shanika Freeman?

**Dana:** She's one of the most talented players that I've ever coached. She's very talented. She was lacking a lot of discipline from high school. And, she'll tell you that.

**Thrill:** Are you superstitious?

**Dana:** (Laughs.) Oh, I am a little bit. If we win a game, I like to wear the same jacket or earrings. So, I am a little bit.

**Thrill:** I just wanted to let you know that I thought you looked great last Thursday, with the all-black outfit.

**Dana:** (Laughs) Well, thank you. Nckell likes my black pin stripe. Every time I open a game without it she'll ask me where it is. I can't wear it every single game. (Both laugh.)

**Thrill:** Well, let's talk about something besides basketball for a moment.

**Dana:** OK.

**Thrill:** Do you ever think about switching jobs with your twin sister (Jana McGinnis) and coaching the softball team?

**Dana:** (Both laugh.) Yeah, when they're winning, I do. That would be fun. And, they've won plenty. When things are going bad it would be good to switch over there.

**Thrill:** What was the last movie you saw?

**Dana:** Uh, Oceans 11. No, it was Ali. Ali was my last movie.

**Thrill:** Did you like it?

**Dana:** Yes. I sure did.

**Thrill:** Does anyone ever get you and Coach McGinnis confused?

**Dana:** They do a lot of times. Some of the freshmen really confuse us. Freddricka (Embry) and several of them will go up to Coach McGinnis or they hesitate before

they say something.

**Thrill:** Do you have any pets?

**Dana:** No, but I've got a son. (Both laugh.)

**Thrill:** What if you weren't the basketball coach here. What do you think you would be doing?

**Dana:** I'd probably be teaching at the high school level. Possibly, coaching at the high school level. That's what I would be doing if I weren't here.

**Thrill:** Name one person who you would like to meet.

**Dana:** I don't know. I sure think a lot of Pat Summit.

**Thrill:** Right now ESPN is rating the sexiest players in sports. Who would you vote as the sexiest person in sports?

**Dana:** (Laughs.) Oh goodness, Anthony, I don't know. I don't even think about that. My mind has gone blank. (Pause.) I guess I would have to say Pete Sampras.

**Thrill:** Who's your favorite player to be around?

**Dana:** I never really have favorites. But I really like the personalities of Nckell, Tiara (Eady) and Amanda Tyus.

**Thrill:** Did you say, Amada Tyus? She seems so anti-social.

**Dana:** I know she does, but when she gets going, she really gets going. I don't have a favorite player, but you can't beat Nckell's personality.

**Thrill:** Free Association. Coach Jana McGinnis.

**Dana:** (Pause.) She's my soul mate, I guess.

**Thrill:** Heather Shepard. (Freshman point guard)

**Dana:** Fighter.

**Thrill:** University of Connecticut.

**Dana:** Dominant.

**Thrill:** Tim McGraw. (Country singer)

**Dana:** (Laughs.) Sexy. (Both laugh again.)

**Thrill:** Gamecock basketball.

**Dana:** My heart.

**Thrill:** Michelle Alford. (Assistant S.I.D)

**Dana:** My friend.

**Thrill:** Mr. Ricky Austin. (Dana's husband)

**Dana:** He's my number one fan.

**Thrill:** Thanks for the time, coach.

**Dana:** Thank you for coming, Anthony. We'll see you later.

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"That win feels good after the games on Thursday and Saturday," said Austin.

Jax State was in a must-win situation after it lost to Mercer and Troy State last week. The Gamecocks knew they had to beat Samford to have a shot at making it to the conference tournament in March.

Well, the Gamecocks kept their hopes alive after Shepard provided a spark to help the Gamecocks get the win. Shepard finished with a career-high 13 points against the Bulldogs.

"I have absolutely loved that girl's mentality

and heart ever since the day she's walked on campus," said Austin. "Heather got us going from the start."

Shepard and the Gamecocks jumped on Samford early and often. Shepard began the game by hitting three-straight 3-pointers to give the Gamecocks an early lead, 12-9.

"After I hit the second three, I felt like I was in a rhythm," said Shepard. "We've got a lot of talent on this team and sometimes all it takes is one person to get us going."

"Heather is the type of player that coaches love," said Austin. "We finally gave her an opportunity to start and she shows her mental

toughness, and it makes us feel sure that we made the right decision."

Samford came to within one point, 36-35 with 16:09 left in the game, but the Gamecocks went on a 12-2 run to stop any hopes of a Samford comeback.

Freeman put the nail in the coffin after she hit a lay-up with :10 remaining in the game.

"I thought Shanika really stepped it up for us in the second half," said Austin. "We see what playing with intensity and emotions will do. Now we've got to carry that on the road."

The Gamecocks will travel to Macon, Ga. to face Mercer on Saturday. Tip-off is set for 2 p.m.

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first five minutes of the contest. JSU held a 17-8 lead midway through the first half.

Savannah State sliced the lead to 17-13 at the 8:45 mark, but Jax State used 7-0 run to push the lead back to double-digits, 24-13, on a jumper by Heard with 6:12 left.

The Tigers cut the lead back to 26-19 with 2:33 left on a baseline jumper by Carlos Falls, but the Gamecocks score the final six points of the half to build a 32-19 lead at the intermission.

Jax State held its largest lead of the game, 41-24, after Scott Watson hit a lay-up with 14:01 left in the contest, but Savannah State wasn't quite ready to give up and began to slice into the lead.

The Tigers used a 27-12 run to cut the lead to 53-51 after Levi Williams sank a 3-pointer from the left side with less than three minutes to play, but Savannah State could get no closer.

Perry scored six of JSU's next 10 points to seal the win over the final two minutes of the game.

JSU hit 13-of-21 from the field to shoot 61.9 percent in the opening half, the best shooting performance in the first half this season by the Gamecocks. JSU finished the

game with its best shooting percentage of the season, hitting 57.5 percent (23-of-40) on the night.

The Gamecocks tried to do something they haven't done in a long time. Win three-straight games by beating Georgia State twice in the same season.

Well, the Gamecocks weren't able to get the third-straight victory or a second win against the Panthers as Georgia State defeated JSU by a score of 80-61, last Saturday.

Lamont McIntosh and Bam Campbell each scored 16 points to lead Georgia State (19-8, 7-4 A-Sun) past the Gamecocks in front of 2,126 fans at the GSU Sports Arena.

"You have to give credit to Georgia State," said LaPlante. "We made a run early in the second half to cut the lead to six points, but Georgia State came back with a run of their own to push the lead back to double-figures."

The Panthers took advantage of a poor shooting performance in the first half by the Gamecocks (31.0 percent) and built a 38-26 lead at halftime.

"I thought we did a good job holding down their key players," said LaPlante. "We just did an awful job of keeping down their

third or fourth or fifth options."

Jax State opened the second half and pulled to within 42-36, after Poonie Richardson hit a 3-pointer with 15:24 left in the game. Richardson finished with a game-high 17 points.

One of the unlikely heroes of the night was Cedric Patton, a transfer from Alabama, who scored a career-high 15 points on the night.

Patton hit a 3-pointer right after Richardson and took every bit of momentum the Gamecocks might've gained.

Georgia State came back to push the lead back to double-figures and the Gamecocks could get no closer.

Jax State then took a trip to North Carolina to play Campbell last Monday. The basketball team tried to revenge Campbell for a six-point loss handed to them on Jan. 19.

Heard scorched the Camels with a career-high 22 points to lead the Gamecocks past Campbell (6-14,4-9), 78-66.

"I'm so proud of these kids," said LaPlante. "These guys go on the road into a hostile and come away with a big win."

The Gamecocks jumped on the Camels early and began the game with a 22-9 lead during the first 10 minutes of the game.

Freshman center Travis Billings provided a spark from the bench when he tipped in a missed shot to help Jax State gain its largest lead of the game, 37-18 with 2:19 to go in the first half.

Jax State held a 39-25 lead at the intermission and it shot an 51.6 percent from the floor. The Gamecocks finished the game, shooting an amazing 52 percent.

"I felt pretty good with the way we played in the first half," said LaPlante. "But, with the kind of shooters Campbell has, you knew they would make a run before the game was over."

Jax State continued to shoot well in the second half, but Campbell made a slight run to cut the lead to 11 points, the last time came with only :25 left in the game.

Barlett and Richardson both contributed with 12 points for the Gamecocks, who have won four of their last six games.

Jonte' Jones finished with 16 points and 14 rebounds to lead the Camels while Tarick Johnson finished with 14 points and Adam Fellers added 12 points.

The Gamecocks will try to get back on track when they host Savannah State on Saturday. Tip-off is set for 7 p.m. at Pete Mathews Coliseum.

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rebounds. Okay, I just looked it up. He did indeed finish with nine boards.

Down the stretch Mark Price made about 10 consecutive free throws to protect the lead. He finished with 20 points, Dalrymple finished with 18 and Georgia Tech beat the Tar Heels for its first ACC title.

Tournament MVPs were selected by participating coaches at that time. Of course, there were only two coaches left in the building. It was the conference championship game. The rest of the votes were left up to the sports information directors in the building. On that particular day, Dalrymple got two MVP votes — one from Bobby Cremins, one from Dean Smith. I think that five SIDs, most of whom probably didn't even watch the game, got the final votes. They probably just looked at the box score and saw that Price had 20 points and voted for him. Price got the MVP and no, he didn't deserve it.

That's just how big of a role box scores play in sports. You never know how good or bad someone did until you look at the stats. So, pay attention to the numbers and not simply what someone tells you.

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