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Senate kills out-of-state tuition bill

By Stephanie Pendergrass
The Chanticleer News Editor

A bill that could have lowered tuition for out-of-state students who attend school in Alabama was killed by the state's Senate last Tuesday.

According to the Anniston Star, the bill could have given Jacksonville State the autonomy to name its own price on out-of-state tuition.

The Senate voted 19-12 to kill the bill.

According to the Anniston Star, "In 1996, the Legislature mandated that Alabama's public universities must charge out-of-state students at least twice as much tuition as students who live in Alabama. The purpose was to make sure that Alabama taxpayers didn't subsidize the education of out-of-state students."

While larger universities in the state, such as Auburn and Alabama, were against the current bill, smaller universities, such as JSU and Troy State University, were in favor of the bill. If the bill had passed, many feel it could have brought more out-of-state students to Alabama universities.

JSU is working to get 10,000 students enrolled at the University, and the passing of this bill could have been a positive move for the University.

Dr. Bill Meehan, said he was "disappointed that they weren't able to have the Legislature pass that," and that he "knew that Auburn and Alabama were opposed to it."

While Meehan said the bill was important, he made the point that, "It was not a do or die thing with us."

Meehan emphasized that JSU is a bargain for students. "We are an extremely good buy," he said.

The president also reported that JSU is the second-cheapest four-year university in the state.

According to Meehan, tuition will probably go up next year at JSU. "We're looking at that, I have not received a recommendation from

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Hoops for homes



The Chanticleer/Andrea Brown

JSU students and faculty face in a basketball benefiting the campus Habitat for Humanity chapter Tuesday night. The faculty won the game 22-14, which raised \$682.10.

Roden wins SGA runoff; senators to be inducted April 8

By Stephanie Pendergrass
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Elections for JSU's SGA senate were held March 5 and 6. The election resulted in a runoff for the controller position between Marlana Chandler and Crystal Roden.

On Tuesday the runoff election was held and Crystal Roden was named the senate's controller for 2002-03. Roden won the vote with 140 votes, while Chandler had 129 votes.

The election also decided the 35 senators who would be a part

of the senate. While 60 students ran for the position, the 35 who were chosen include: Crissy Almaroad, Frances Archuleta, Blake Arthur, Brianna Bladen, Fallon Brantley, Jordan Brewer, Katie Carter, Jennifer Cash, Chris Cook, Lacey Daniel, Elizabeth Davis, Stephanie Deese, April Dorsett, Ashley Downing, Lyndsi Eubanks, Kelly Hamilton, Alesha Ingram, Cambrey Jordan, Zach Kilgore, Lisa King, Timothy King, Kimber Merrill, Heather Miller, Franklin Millin, Jennifer Mince, Jeremy Norman, Alison Pierce,

Housing office, band members spat over RA positions at Dixon Hall

By Katie Harris
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

Scheduling conflicts and the possible change of Dixon Hall resident assistants could spell the end of JSU's band dorm program.

Last week, letters were sent out from the JSU housing department for the rehiring of RAs. One of the qualifications for rehire is the ability to attend the training. RAs must attend a two-week training period that occurs during the same time that JSU's marching band, the Southerners, holds its band camp.

The University opened Weatherly Hall as a band-only dorm in 1995, and Southerners have filled all the dorm staff positions since then. The Southerners moved to Dixon Hall this summer after Weatherly was scheduled for demolition.

According to band director Ken Bodiford, the housing department knew when band camp occurred since Dixon has to be opened earlier than the other dorms.

"In the past I have always been very cooperative with allowing the RAs to miss a portion of band camp so that they can go to their training and get the information that they need and come back," said Bodiford. "There is no way I can dismiss kids for two solid weeks of band because we learn our whole

show then."

Sandy Lynch, band office secretary, said, "Missing two weeks of band camp would not make them role models to the rookies and it would compromise the tradition of excellence that we're known for."

According to Bodiford, Marie Humphrey, director of university housing, told him that the students that marked they could not attend training were not even considered at all.

"We aren't saying Southerners can't be RAs," said Humphrey. "I think it will be very much a compromise." According to Bodiford he has not received a phone call from housing to make arrangements for Southerners wanting to maintain their RA positions.

Humphrey believes that the compromise is one for the individual and not the administration. "I think some of the students are having a problem because they are having to choose," said Humphrey. "They have to choose one or the other."

"If the expectation is that RAs will get training, then the students that pursue that path need to cooperate to get trained like everyone else," said Dr. Rebecca Turner, vice president of academic and student affairs. "If it can't be worked out so that they

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Marshonntri Reid, Mardracus Russell, Andrew Symonds, Elizabeth Walker, Emily Margaret Williams, Emily Renee Williams, Amy Yancy and Holly Yates.

The rest of the senate consists of the executive council, which was already decided, due to unopposed candidates. Robert Hayes was named SGA president for 2002-03, Stephanie Janis will serve as 1st vice president and Mark Choquette is the SGA's 2nd vice president.

According to Hayes, next year's senators will have their

first mandatory meeting April 1 and will be inducted into their senator positions April 8, at a banquet.

Hayes said he was "very excited overall for the new elected senators," and he explained that this year's elections brought new people into the senate. "We have a large majority of new senators that have come in, people who haven't been involved before."

Hayes is optimistic about the new senate members. "That to me represents fresh ideas," he

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Alpha Omicron Pi: Congrats to this week's Sister of the Week: Alison Pierce, and this week's Positive Panda Award winner: Jennifer Mosely. Good luck in the upcoming softball games! Happy birthday to Sarah Thompson. I hope to see everyone this weekend! **Contact:** Leann Davis, leannJSU@hotmail.com.

Alpha Xi Delta: Congratulations to Jenn, Katie C., and Frances for making senator! Congrats to Katie G, Katie C, Brynn, Addie, and Heather for making Gamecock Hostess! Thanks ZTA for a great Big Man on Campus last night! Great Job JSU cross-country and track and field! Sister of the week: Trina Kulakowski. **Contact:** Katie Green 782-7535.

Ambassadors: Would you like to help assist in recruiting new students to JSU? Become a JSU Ambassador! Applications are available through March 18 at the Visitor Center. **Contact:** Tracy Phillips, 782-5260.

Career Placement Services hosts workshops in preparation for Professional Connection Interview Day - Apr. 10. Resumania is March 19, from 2-10 p.m. in 305 TMB. Students seeking help should bring resumes on discs. On March 20, from 10-11 in 101 Merrill, corporate executives will present "Interviewing Skills" and "Corporate Dress." **Contact:** Career Placement Services, 782-5482.

Delta Zeta: Congrats Kimber - SGA; Allison and Jenn - Gamecock Hostess! Happy Birthday Hailey! We're looking forward to Alumnae cook-out this weekend. We had fun participating in Pi Kappa Phi's War of the Roses! Awards this week: Sister- Tiah, Tiny Turtle- Allison D., Twisted- Allison G., Support- Natalie, Alumnae- Connie Edge. **Contact:** Tavia, Deltazeta4u@hotmail.com.

Freshman Forum: Due to a shortage of canned food items at our local Salvation Army, Freshman Forum is sponsoring a campus-wide canned food drive, "You Can Help!" If you would like to Donate canned food items, please bring them to the Office of Student Activities, 402 TMB by March 21. **Contact:** B.J. Baker, 782-7445.

Join a **JSU Field School fun-filled program!** Exploring Chief Ladiga Rail-Trail, March 16; 9 a.m.-3 p.m., \$5. Frog Pond Adventure, March 16; 7 p.m.-9 p.m., \$10. Edible Plant Workshop, March 23; 9 a.m.-3 p.m., \$20/person. Canyon Hike, April 6; 9 a.m.-3 p.m., \$15/person. Pre-registration required - call today! **Contact:** Tatiana C. Tatum, 782-5697, ttatum@jsucc.jsu.edu.

Phi Mu: Thanks Pi Kappa Phi for an awesome War of the Roses. Good luck to our softball team, and we are looking forward to Little Miss JSU this Saturday! We also enjoyed ZTA's "Big Man On Campus" yesterday. Phi Mu Lady of the Week, Crystal Mashburn. Have a great week everybody! **Contact:** Brianna Bladen, 782-6145

ROTC: We have what you need: money for school, an opportunity in leadership training skills, and a guaranteed job upon completion of your degree. Jacksonville State will hold a scholarship board on April 4, at 10 a.m. at Rowe Hall. This board will be offering two and three-year scholarships. **Contact:** Cpt. Dean Shackelford, 782-8023.

The **SGA Blood Drive** will be on Tuesday, March 19 and Wednesday, March 20 from 11 a.m.-4:30 p.m. on the third floor of TMB. Tell your friends-SGA Concert Featuring Rascal Flatts will be Apr. 12! SGA-Leading the way in 2002! **Contact:** Robert Hayes, 782-5491.

Sigma Tau Delta's annual Faculty Scholars Bowl will take place on Wednesday, March 20, at 3 p.m. in Rm. 230 Stone Center. All JSU faculty and students are invited to attend this entertaining and lightly competitive match-up of English Department faculty. Please join us! **Contact:** Gloria Horton, 782-5409.

Zeta Tau Alpha: Thanks to everyone who supported Big Man On Campus last night, and congratulations to the winners! Programs' Council Praise this week goes to Shannon Stephens for being a wonderful chaplain, and the PC Member of the week is Danza McAbee, thanks for all that you do to make ZTA great! **Contact:** Amy Yancy, 782-6192

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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

- Mar. 5 - Ronnie Laguerra, reported criminal assault to JSUPD occurring at Crow Hall parking lot.
- Mar. 6 - Jonathan Ross Jones, of Jacksonville, reported theft of property to JSUPD occurring at Patterson Hall.
- Mar. 7 - Leah Sharp Willbanks, of Gaylesville, reported harassment to JSUPD occurring at Brewer Hall.
- Mar. 11 - Ivodricq Juanez Beavers, 21, of Anniston, was arrested by JSUPD for disorderly conduct occurring at Curtiss Hall east side parking lot.
- Mar. 11 - Robert Rashad Houston, 21, of Anniston, was arrested by JSUPD for disorderly conduct occurring at Curtiss Hall east side parking lot.

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.

Ambassador applicants sought

By Tomiko Goodman
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

JSU ambassador selections for 2002-03 are under way for new members and applications are due by March 18.

The Ambassadors serve as official representatives of JSU at most school events and assist in on-campus recruiting.

According to a University press release, students interested in becoming an ambassador must have a cumulative GPA of 2.25, have completed at least one full-time semester and be currently enrolled as a student at JSU with a least 12 semester hours.

The press release also said that the duties of an ambassador are to serve as an official representative at events hosted by JSU, such as graduation, presidential functions, board meeting, career fairs and Preview Day. Ambassadors also accompany admissions counselors to area high schools to recruit students to JSU and assist in on-campus recruiting events.

Peer counselors and SGA members are asked not apply for the ambassador program because ambassadors will represent the University in place of counselors and officers at some of the events, according to the press release.

Organizations are asked to help promote the program by sharing the information with other students. Students that are chosen to be ambassadors will receive two hours credit. The program is set like a class to help education students at JSU, according to the press release.

Tracy Phillips, ambassador adviser, said two student will be selected to serve as ambassador administrators and will receive monetary compensations for their work.

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the budget committee yet, but I have a feeling that it will."

Be that as it may, JSU's tuition remains low compared to other four-year universities in Alabama. Meehan said that the current amount for out-of-state students shouldn't go higher than its current doubled rate of in-state tuition. "It will only go up proportionally from what we go up on the in-state tuition," he said.

According to the University's Web site, JSU's in-state tuition is currently at \$1,470, and its out-of-state is doubled at \$2,940 for students enrolled in 12-16 hours a semester.

The president continues working to keep tuition at a minimum. "Our tuition will be at or below the medi-

Applications for positions are due March 18 in the Visitor Center. On April 2, a mandatory meeting will be held with all applicants at 6 p.m. at the Gamecock center. Interviews will start April 10 in the Alumni House from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. A meeting with the new ambassadors will be April 24 in the Gold Room located at Bibb Graves at 10 a.m. A retreat has been schedule May 29-30 at Lake Guntersville for the new ambassadors.

Latoshia Miller, a former ambassador, said the program offered a number of interactions with high school students. She also said the program offers an opportunity for students to become active and involved with other students on campus.

According to Miller, ambassadors are a good influence on students that are considering JSU as a prospect to further their education. Students will have to be devoted to the positions to get the full benefits of the program. Ambassadors represent JSU at most of the events sponsored on-campus and are the first smiling faces a visitor will see, Miller said.

Ambassadors also get to meet President Meehan and other faculty on campus. Saturday, March 16 the ambassadors will be available to meet in several building on campus to help parents and students get familiar with JSU.

Miller said the ambassadors play a major role in influencing students and families to visit the "Friendliest Campus in the South."

Applications for ambassador positions are available at the Visitor Center between 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Students may contact the Visitor Center at 782-5260 for more information.

an cost of four-year schools in the state of Alabama," he said. "We're not going to be the most expensive school."

According to the Anniston Star, Sen. Gerald Dial, D-Lineville, pushed for the bill to pass. "The senator said rolling back tuition to attract more out-of-state students would be offset by the money the students would spend in Alabama on food, clothing and entertainment."

Meehan realized the amount of money that out-of-state students pay when they come to the state. "Students that come in, that aren't from Alabama, from out-of-state, spend a tremendous amount of money," he said.

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said. "New faces bring new things to the senate and I think that will strengthen it."

He attributed the interest in the senate to this year's SGA. "I'd like to believe that it was positive reaction from this year; the activities that we've offered and the involvement we've shown by the performance this year."

Senator Jordan Brewer thought the new faces in the senate were positive too. "I think it's a good thing because it's good to have new people coming in that want to get involved and that want to make changes."

Brewer explained that having people with experience in the senate is important as well, because they know how the group works. "It's good to have old and new people in it," Brewer said. "I think we're going to have a good year next year."

Brewer, who has already served the University as a senator, decided to run again this year. "I liked being involved and I liked knowing what was going on and I liked having a hand in changing things that were wrong

with the student government and what was wrong with JSU," he said.

Brewer explained that being independent makes it more difficult to get elected, but diversity in the senate is important. "It's hard for an independent to get a lot of backing in the SGA elections," he said. "Greek people who run have a lot of backing from their fraternity or sorority, and so there's a lot of block voting involved."

"I think it's best to have a senate that's not just Greek," Brewer said. "It's Greeks and independents, old and young, and a little bit of everybody in there because you need a little bit of everybody in there to represent your school, because that's what it is. Not everybody's Greek and not everybody's independent."

While the SGA senate will tackle many issues next year, Hayes said his first order of business will be to "organize the student judiciary council before the end of spring semester." This act will consist of lining up nine justices and selecting a chief justice.

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SGA seeks students for state board

By Stephanie Pendergrass
The Chanticleer News Editor

The SGA's senate meeting started with Robert Hayes, SGA president-elect, announcing an opportunity for senators at JSU. The department of transportation wants college students across Alabama to have input on upcoming safety regulations. The committee will have students to advise, help regulate safety laws and to help promote safety for students on campus across Alabama.

Hayes also announced that the career fair for JSU students will be held in Stephenson Hall today from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Preview day will be Saturday, March 16 across campus. Students are asked to come out and help make this day a success.

Joy Boyd, 2nd vice president, announced tickets for the spring concert, featuring Rascal Flatts, will be on sale to students for \$8 on Friday, March 15. Tickets for this price will be sold until Wednesday, March 20. On March 21 tickets will be sold to the general public for \$15.

Andrew Symonds announced the blood drive will be March 19 and 20. The blood drive will be in the TMB auditorium from 11 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Door prizes will be given away to students who participate.

Kimber Merrill announced the parking committee will meet on March 18, at 5 p.m. on the third floor of the TMB. Students that have questions and concerns may attend this meeting.

Among the bills passed Monday night was one that amended a section of the Code of Laws which reads "A Student Activities Council (SAC) shall exist to provide a variety of activities for the student body."

Another bill approved allows potential candidates for office to miss one mandatory SGA meeting. The election clerk or the 1st vice president must approve the absence prior to the meeting.

The senate also allocated \$100 to the Political Science Model Arab League for the spring semester 2002.

Miranda Bryant, Holly Pinson and Lexi Skelley were appointed to the elections committee for the remainder of the 2001-02 academic year.

Students that have questions, concerns and comments can contact the office of student activities at 782-5491 on the fourth floor of the TMB.

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can do both, I think they will have to choose." Synette Gandy, assistant director of housing, who manages the RA program, was unavailable for comment by press time on Tuesday.

According to Bodiford, the Southerners are upset that non-Southerners may have the RA positions in the band dorm. Humphrey does not believe this to be a problem since, "the needs of the Southerners are going to be similar to the needs of other students."

Bodiford disagreed. "The schedule of the Southerners' dorm is different than any other dorm because of the times we practice and perform."

Humphrey said, "If we are servicing the need of our students there shouldn't be any conflict with that even though we're not a part, even though that RA may or may not be a part of that group."

Security is another major concern for the band since they have so much money invested in instruments, said Bodiford. "Parents feel secure that the dorm is locked when the band is on a trip." Humphrey believes the

only security issue is having the dorm open so students can always access the living space that they paid for.

The Southerners are so upset that many are considering moving off campus. "I have already had four or five apartments call me about the dorm situation and said they will let the kids live in the apartments for the price of the dorm," said Bodiford.

"They're willing to uphold the reputation even if it means relocation," said Lynch.

Stephanie Bell, RA, said that if she has to choose between the RA position and the band, "I would definitely choose marching, there's no question." She then went on to say, "I am in the process of finding somewhere else to live and as soon as I do I will move out."

Scott Carter, RA, believes things could have been handled more professionally. "I've actually decided to move out next semester. I'm getting out of housing completely."

Michael Ahlschwede has lived in the band dorm for four years. "I would not ever live in any other dorm other than the band dorm." He

is now planning to move off campus.

"Most of the RAs have leadership positions in the band which automatically gives them the respect level that RAs would like to have," said Troy Hicks, who has lived in the band dorm for five years. "I would move off campus with the Southerners in a heartbeat."

Dixon resident Ben Underwood said he feels that the results of Humphrey's policies are terrible. "I can't live with people that I do not know and trust," he said. "I don't want them in charge of my room, my friends, my hall — it's just unacceptable."

Paul Sizemore, RA, said he had a meeting with Gandy. He told The Chanticleer that he had mistakenly marked that he could attend the training and was assigned to Crow Hall. He said he then went to Gandy to discuss the conflict, and said she told him that all he could do was turn in his resignation.

Sizemore said he asked if Gandy was not hiring him based on his scholarship requirements and he told The Chanticleer that she said "I guess you can say that if you like."

Marching is a requirement for Sizemore's band scholarship.

"I would hope that the Southerners wouldn't leave because of who the RA is or RA may not be," said Humphrey. "I would think that there was more to them than that, more grit."

Humphrey then addressed the possibility of the Southerners moving out. "As far as if that's the case, we will put students where we can fill the beds. I don't see us having a problem with that."

"In the past two weeks just dealing with the housing department has taken some of our most prominent students and has put a horrible taste for JSU in their mouth," said Bodiford.

"Some changes I've made unpopular and some I haven't made unpopular," said Humphrey. "I can't worry about if we have an RA change if that's going to affect our students."

Humphrey explained why this is happening, "All student staff that want to be resident assistants have to be trained appropriately in order to do their job effectively, period."

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Bush marks anniversary of terrorist attacks by outlining U.S. war strategy

By Ron Hutcheson
Knight Ridder Newspapers (KRT)

WASHINGTON—On the six-month anniversary of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, President Bush called on nations around the world Monday to join the second phase of the war on terrorism, vowing to pursue and destroy "terrorist parasites" wherever they hide.

Flanked by ambassadors from more than 100 countries, Bush marked the six-month milestone by renewing his commitment to a relentless global war against terrorists and their allies. He prodded other governments to join the fight and promised U.S. aid to any willing partner.

In the clearest statement yet of his phase-two war strategy, Bush said the United States would rely on other nations to root out home-grown terrorists, but would lead efforts to prevent terrorists from obtaining nuclear, chemical or bio-

logical weapons.

"There is no margin for error, and no chance to learn from mistakes. Our coalition must act deliberately, but inaction is not an option," he said. "Men with no respect for life must never be allowed to control the ultimate weapons of death."

Bush outlined his plan for the war's expansion at a solemn ceremony on the White House's south lawn. His audience included about 300 relatives of the Sept. 11 victims, members of Congress, Supreme Court justices and most of Washington's foreign diplomatic corps.

Flags from more than 150 countries flapped in the crisp breeze under a blue sky that stirred memories of the beautiful late-summer morning that was shattered by tragedy six months ago. As he spoke, jets from nearby Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport occasionally roared over-

head while wary Secret Service agents scanned the skies from the roof of the White House.

The White House ceremony was part of an international day of remembrance for the Sept. 11 victims.

In New York, a crowd near the flattened World Trade Center fell silent at 8:46 a.m. and again at 9:03 a.m. to mark the moments when two hijacked planes slammed into the twin towers. At the Pentagon, another Sept. 11 target, Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld mourned the victims with representatives from 29 countries that have joined the anti-terrorism campaign in Afghanistan.

In London, British Prime Minister Tony Blair hosted Vice President Dick Cheney at a ceremony at Blair's official residence, Number 10 Downing Street.

And in Afghanistan, U.S. troops fought the hard-core remnants of Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida

forces. Meanwhile, the second phase of the war is beginning to unfold in the Philippines, Yemen and the former Soviet republic of Georgia. In all three countries, American military officials will help train local forces to combat terrorists.

More than 600 U.S. military personnel, including at least 160 elite special forces troops, are already in the Philippines, and Bush said he will soon send as many as 150 military trainers to Georgia. The details of American involvement in Yemen, which borders Saudi Arabia on the tip of the Arabian Peninsula, are still under negotiation.

Bush prodded other nations to take similar front-line roles in the anti-terrorism campaign, saying the United States "expects governments everywhere" to join the cause.

"We will not send American troops to every battle, but America

will actively prepare other nations for the battles ahead," he said. "Every civilized nation has a part in this struggle, because every civilized nation has a stake in its outcome."

The president reaffirmed his determination to do whatever it takes to defeat terrorism.

"This mission will end when the work is finished. ... The havens and training camps of terror are a threat to our lives and to our way of life, and they will be destroyed. I will not relent in this struggle for the freedom and security of my country and the civilized world."

Bush offered no hints about his next moves against Iraq, Iran and North Korea, the three countries he labeled the "axis of evil" for their work on weapons of mass destruction. His warlike denunciation during his State of the Union address in January rattled U.S. allies who favor diplomacy over military action.

Without mentioning any country by name, the president repeated his warning that rogue nations could arm terrorists with devastating weapons of mass destruction.

"Terrorist groups are hungry for these weapons and would use them without a hint of conscience," he said. "These facts cannot be denied and must be confronted."

Echoing Franklin Roosevelt's declaration that Dec. 7, 1941, was "a date which will live in infamy," Bush said Sept. 11, 2001, would be remembered as "a day of decision, when the civilized world was stirred to anger and action" against terrorists. He said terrorists would remember the date as "the day their reckoning began."

The president, who once vowed to take bin Laden "dead or alive," never mentioned the terrorist leader in his glowing assessment of the war's progress. Although the American-led coalition ousted Afghanistan's hard-line Islamic Taliban regime, which had been harboring bin Laden and al-Qaida, he and other top al-Qaida leaders have eluded capture.

Bush counseled patience and suggested that the hunt for bin Laden and his lieutenants is far from over.

"For terrorists fleeing Afghanistan - for any terrorist looking for a base of operations - there must be no refuge, no safe haven," he said. "Every terrorist must be made to live as an international fugitive, with no place to settle or organize, no place to hide, no governments to hide behind and not even a safe place to sleep."

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In Our View

Small schools get the shaft

Last Tuesday Alabama's State Senate killed a bill that would have helped JSU's out-of-state students. If the bill had passed, universities in the state would have been able to set their own rate for out-of-state tuition. Current state law mandates that public colleges and universities charge non-Alabamians at least twice their normal tuition.

With the killing of this bill, it seems as if the opinions of smaller universities in the state are not prized as much as the larger ones. The University of Alabama and Auburn University opposed the bill. Enough said, as far as the Senate is concerned.

UA and AU seem to feel that students are willing to pay their high prices (they currently set their out-of-state rate higher than the minimum required by law) so why on earth would anyone want to lower that price? Alabama and Auburn probably felt that allowing the state's smaller schools the chance to lower out-of-state tuition would hurt their enrollment, and thus their bank books.

Auburn's Interim President William Walker saw the bill as an attempt by smaller universities to get a greater share of Alabama's education budget and to increase enrollment.

In all actuality the bill could have helped JSU's financial bottom line. Smaller universities aren't getting enough from the state's Legislature now, so they're forced to find alternative sources.

JSU may not be known for its quantity, but it is known for its quality and what's good for this University could be beneficial to the rest of the state.

Maybe Auburn and Alabama felt threatened by the possible ability of smaller universities to take away from their enrollment. With JSU able to set its own out-of-state rate, we might have seemed more appealing to a prospective student than a bigger, more expensive university.

Those in favor of the bill believed Alabama would make up lost revenue by the amount of money students would spend on personal items, like entertainment, food and clothing.

Schools like JSU and Troy State pushed for passage of the bill, and once again it looks like we're on the short end of the stick.

Why exactly do larger universities get the say in Alabama? They may bring in more students, offer a wider range of classes and have bigger facilities, but the quality of their students isn't any better than those at JSU. Yet basically what they say goes.

While Auburn and Alabama may be better known, compared to JSU and other smaller universities, they're not necessarily speaking for the betterment of the state.

Giving schools the chance to determine their tuition would have been a great thing. Having lower out-of-state tuition would have helped the University meet its enrollment goal of 10,000, and it would have brought some much-needed extra income.

While the Legislature hastily killed that proposal, crying "Roll Tide" and "War Eagle" all the way, so far they've shown no inclination of helping solve the real problems in higher education: lack of proper funding.

Roy Moore and a case of change for the worse

Based on what you've read and heard up to now, you might assume that Alabama Chief Justice Roy Moore is opposed to change in any form whatsoever.

True, Moore's about as conservative as they come. He is, after all, the famous Ten Commandments Judge, glorified hero of the religious right. Change is obviously not up his alley. Among other things, he's opposed to the current grass-roots movement to change Alabama's Constitution. By reading the man's statements, opinions and declarations, you'd get the impression that it probably pains him just to change his underwear every day.

As it turns out though, Moore is all for changing the rules, as long as those changes benefit him.

It's come to light recently, through top-notch reporting in The Anniston Star, that Moore and the rest of the Alabama Supreme Court voted in October to change the rules regarding how judges in Alabama are investigated for misconduct.

Under the old rules, the state's Judicial Inquiry Commission could conduct investigations of judges without revealing to that judge who'd filed the complaint, the

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nature of the complaint or even that an investigation was taking place.

This confidentiality was important. Judges are powerful people, with control over how government functions, over the private property of individuals and corporations, and even control over life and death.

If a judge discovered that someone had filed a complaint against him, he could make life very difficult for the individual who filed the complaint. And if he were to learn the nature of the complaint, he could make life very difficult for investigators, hiding, destroying or altering evidence, silencing potential witnesses, etc. To counter this, the JIC had the right of confidentiality to ensure the integrity of its investigations.

Roy Moore knows those rules of confidentiality very well. Back in 1996 he was under investigation by the JIC for possible ethics violations. At the time he was still just an Etowah County Circuit Judge, in the midst of the Ten Commandment fight that would make him famous.

The JIC had received complaints about Moore's alleged use of his office to turn a profit selling replicas of his Ten Commandments plaque.

Once he caught wind of the investigation he fought it tooth and nail, demanding the Supreme Court block it, and petitioning the JIC for copies of all information relating to the case. The Supreme Court denied Moore's request in 2000, and the JIC, in keeping with its policies, refused to give him the information he wanted.

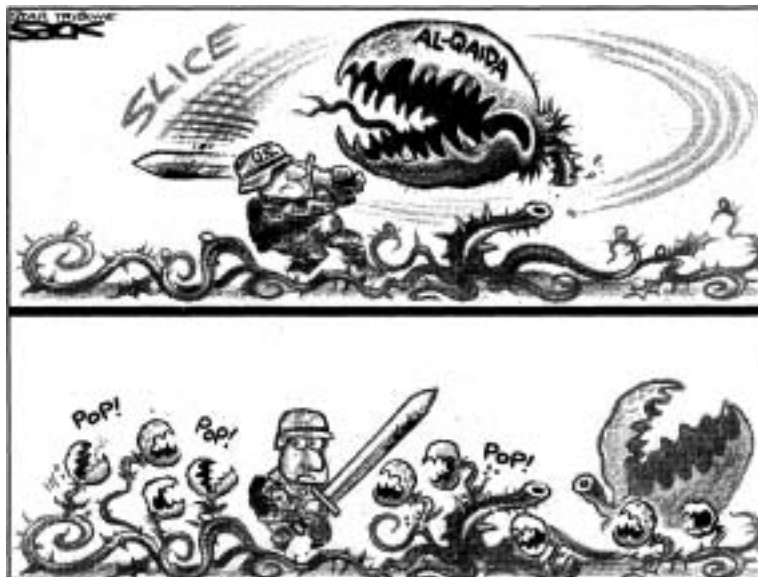
Two years later finds Moore elected to the high office of Chief Justice of the Alabama Supreme Court. Time apparently hadn't healed the wounds of his previous legal battles, and he and seven of the other justices voted -without consulting or informing anyone - to change the rules. If anyone in Alabama wants to file a complaint against a judge, they'll now have to deal with the consequences of the judge knowing about it.

The JIC has already dropped a case against Supreme Court Justice Harold See because of the new rules rather than violate promises of confidentiality to witnesses and informants.

The Supreme Court's power to change these rules and effectively exempt itself from investigation of wrongdoing is evidence that there's an inherent imbalance of power built into Alabama's state government. This imbalance arises in part from the weakly written Constitution of 1901, which doesn't guarantee the careful balance of power our nation's founders gave the federal government in the U.S. Constitution.

So while Moore remains opposed to a new constitution for Alabama, you can expect to see him continue to amplify his own power any way he can by changing the rules.

Which begs the question, how long will it be before he's trying to change the rules in those Ten Commandments to make sure he's still untouchable?



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Did they only cut down half of the cherry tree?

I was sitting at home, minding my own business, taking a break from researching and typing, watching TV, and a commercial aired across my window to the world telling me that if you buy drugs, you support terrorism.

I balked and took another look. Words printed across the screen told me the same. It pissed me off.

Is it a lie? Well, not entirely. But it's not the whole truth either. It is a grain of the truth blanketed over to scare people into reacting one way.

What's ironic is the group that sponsored the commercial is called "Truth. The Anti-Drug."

The truth the commercial refers to, according to Truth's Web site, is that 12 of the 28 terror organizations identified by the U.S. Department of State in October 2001 traffic drugs for income.

The whole truth is that there are a lot of hippies in northern California who grow marijuana for a living and a lifestyle, not for terror. As I drove through Canada one summer, I was informed that the best weed comes from British Columbia — Canadian terrorists? Read High Times magazine. Are the stoners and trippers covered in that publication talking about terrorizing?

The whole truth is that around here, if somebody were to buy drugs they would probably be helping to pay some Joe's water bill.

Yes, drugs are bad for your body and it's not good to be addicted to anything except oxygen, food, water and sleep; but that should be the thrust of the anti-drug campaign. The real "Truth," if you will.

I feel violated when a group takes

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advantage of the Sept. 11 attacks and spins them to fit its agenda. To me, that's what Truth has done.

While reading around the site, I read that the Partnership for a Drug-Free America surveyed parents and 62 percent said that "knowing use of illegal drugs supports terrorist activities would be helpful to them in talking to their kids about drugs."

In the same survey, 59 percent of children age 12-17 "said that knowing illegal drug use helps finance terrorist attacks against America makes them less likely to use drugs."

Therefore, commercials are airing messages that **drugs support terrorism** in the crusade to stop drug use and fulfill the prophecies of surveys; but let's remember, that's only part of the truth.

I wonder, do folks actually accept for truth what they're told by reputable sources such as the TV and, say, the U.S. government? We must remember that there are sly ways of telling things without conveying the whole truth, and before preaching a heard "truth," a sensible person should research.

Case in point: The Office of Strategic Influence, quietly established after Sept. 11 as part of the Bush administration's effort to reach Islamic populations around

the world, is being closed after it was reported by anonymous defense officials that it would spread disinformation to foreign press.

On Feb. 19, the New York Times reported that the OSI was "developing plans to provide news items, possibly even false ones, to foreign media organizations" in an effort "to influence public sentiment and policy makers in both friendly and unfriendly countries," according to one official.

Was the OSI going to spread lies? Planting disinformation in hostile nations has long been a tactic in military information warfare. But, Defense Secretary **Donald Rumsfeld** said that the OSI would not take part in disinformation campaigns or **deliberately** spread false information in order to influence public opinion, according to CNN. He claimed that OSI is being shut down because "off the mark" editorials and cartoons have damaged the **office so much that it wouldn't** be able to run effectively, not because defense officials leaked some classified information.

Lies, lies, lies — ~~don't~~ you love them?

During the Vietnam War, the United States relayed that its planes had accidentally bombed the Cambodian village of Neak Luong. The U.S. Embassy reported that the damage was minimal, but New York Times reporter Sydney H. Schanberg wanted to investigate.

The Embassy tried to keep

Schanberg from getting to Neak Luong, but he found a boat ride and stayed a day and night in the Cambodian village interviewing and taking pictures.

He found extensive damage. The Air Force spokesman was quoted as saying there was a "little bit of damage to the northeast corner of the hospital" and some "structural cracks" in a wall. Schanberg found the village hospital demolished.

Other "truths" the government had said were investigated by Schanberg, and similar grievous understatements were found in Neak Luong.

When local authorities heard of Schanberg's presence, they put him in confinement. But he managed to send his story.

Schanberg won a Pulitzer Prize and a Sigma Delta Chi Award for his coverage of Cambodia.

Is it only the job of journalists to investigate and research statements for truth, being skeptical of what they're told? No, everyone should take organizations' statements with a grain of salt and a grimace of wonder.

Everybody has an agenda, and telling half-truths (wait, is that lying?) is a popular tactic for furthering those agendas.

Let messages piss you off, let them make you wonder, and investigate. You know, the Internet really facilitates that nowadays.

Otherwise, by the afore mentioned definition of truth, you can start claiming that alcohol won't get you drunk, cigarettes won't detour your health, we have A's in all our classes and we can all fly like birds.

IN YOUR VIEW

"Are you happy with the results of the SGA elections?"

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Andrea Brown
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Julie Campbell
Junior
Secondary Ed. Science

"I don't know what the results are."



Mandy McKenzie
Freshman
Undecided

"Yes, I think that Robert will do a good job."



Jaquan Harris
Freshman
Drama

"Actually, I don't know who was running, and I don't really care."



Julie-Anne Dentici
Sophomore
Special Ed., Spanish

"I don't think the elections were completely fair, because it seems to be all about the Greeks."



Trish Underwood
Junior
Secondary Ed.

"I don't know the results."

Taking the work off campus: changing federal work study

By Jane Eisner

Knight Ridder Newspapers (KRT)

The nation's colleges and universities, the Bush administration and some U.S. senators soon will have to answer a question worthy of an advanced seminar in philosophy:

How much can we expect of a good thing?

Every year the federal government spends more than \$1 billion on work-study programs for about 1 million college students. Since 1965, the funds enable students to cover ever-rising tuition bills, and in a happy coincidence, provide a steady stream of cheap labor in cafeterias and libraries on America's campuses.

Until last year, 5 percent of each college's work-study jobs had to be in that alternate universe off campus — where kids need tutoring after school and soup kitchens need an extra cook and the elderly need meals delivered to their homes. Then, in a grand and hard-fought gesture, Congress raised the minimum to 7 percent for this year.

The protests that followed were frequently from the nation's top-rated (and, ahem, wealthiest)

schools, who said it was burdensome and unfair to enforce such a mandate. Many of those schools barely made the grade as it was.

So when Sens. John McCain, R-Ariz., and Evan Bayh, D-Ind., introduced a bill to raise the floor to 25 percent, they expected fierce resistance from the higher education lobby.

They didn't expect that the guy in the White House would see their marker and double it.

But in fact, tucked inside President Bush's sweeping and ambitious call for a renewed commitment to national service is the requirement that every college and university devote 50 percent of its federal work-study funds to the community.

"Going from 5 to 7 percent was a blood-letting," Bayh said in a recent interview. "We thought 25 percent was a bold commitment. Fifty percent could be a war."

The administration's proposal is woefully spare of details. No explanation of when schools will have to reach the 50 percent mark, nor what the penalties will be if they don't. There's vague talk of incentives, but no mention of monitoring such an

audacious increase.

Nonetheless, you've got to give these folks credit. A few years ago, George W. Bush's Republican party loathed the idea that Washington should push and fund community service. Now the President is jumping atop the wheels of government and grabbing the lever himself.

"We wanted to set the bar high," said Leslie Lenkowsky, the new CEO of the Corporation for National and Community Service. "We're challenging them to take this very seriously."

They should. While on average, 14 percent of federal work-study funds go to community service, many of the most prestigious schools are at the bottom of the class. And while plenty of volunteer work happens on campuses, college students in general offer less of their time to community causes than the average adult.

Worse, they arrive on campus with a dismayingly poor history of service. A poll of this year's freshmen at four-year colleges conducted by the University of California at Los Angeles found that more than half said they spent less than an hour a week doing volunteer work during

their final year in high school.

How do you think that compares to time spent in front of the television?

Lenkowsky's argument, and it's a good one, is that the habits of citizenship start young. By the age of maturity, the moment a student is launched into adult life, good habits must be ingrained for a lifetime.

Still, it is fair to ask: How much can we expect of a good thing? Do nonprofit organizations have the capacity to absorb 300,000 more volunteers and give them productive work? Is it right to require this only of those students unable to afford college on their own?

These issues ought to be debated when the President's proposal goes to Capitol Hill within the next month. Meantime, college campuses should be adjusting to a new reality: There are strings attached to that public money, and the community is pulling them.

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Rolling eleven at Casino Night



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JSU student Brandy Robinson tries her luck at craps this past Thursday night at the SGA's ninth annual Casino Night.

Spotlight on JSU's Panhellenic Council

By Lindsey Passler
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

Jacksonville State University's Panhellenic Council hopes this year's Greek Week, along with many other things, will be more "philanthropic," according to President Mary Beth Edwards.

This year's Greek Week, hosted the week before Spring Break, will include an item drive for Amber Reid's, Miss JSU, foster care platform, Positive Advisement Leads to Success and a Penny Drop, to raise money for United Way. These events combined with Greek unity events such as a cook-off, a game of ultimate frisbee, a faculty car wash and Greeks at the Bowling Alley are quite a change from the usual track-and-field events.

"We have been working closely with IFC (Interfraternity Council - men's fraternity council) and NPHC (National Pan-Hellenic Council - the traditionally African-American Greek Council) to eliminate the competition between Greeks," said Edwards. "The main reason is to show the community and the campus that the Greeks are not just a wild group of college kids, but rather that we do help other people and organizations."

JSU's Panhellenic Council is a

member of the National Panhellenic Council. The NPC was formed in 1902 to set standards for recruitment of members, according to Edwards. Although, the purpose of the council has evolved through the years, the main purpose remains the same.

"We are the governing body over all of the sorority women on JSU's campus," said Edwards. "We organize sorority recruitment each year and promote Greek unity among all the Greek organizations."

This year, Panhellenic hopes to improve the quality of recruitment and increase the number of women attending recruitment. "Last year, we had a major increase in the number of women that came through recruitment," said Edwards, "and we hope to have an even larger increase this year."

The council has also compiled an alumni newsletter, "The Iris," which provides each sorority with a space to publicize its accomplishments to its alumni. "This newsletter is to keep the alumni of each sorority informed of campus activities and events as well as information about their chapter," said Edwards.

The group encourages involvement around campus and in the community through its Five-Star

Program. "This program consists of certain criteria including philanthropy, community service and membership," said Edwards. Each chapter lists their accomplishments in these areas, and a non-biased panel evaluates the organizations to see if they have done an adequate job representing the Greek organizations.

Recently, Panhellenic hosted the annual Greek Awards ceremony on Feb. 28. "This event honors the Greek organizations who have worked hard throughout the year," said Edwards. The awardees are selected based on the Five-Star Program.

The council is comprised of seven women from the five different sororities on campus. Each officer is selected through an application process. The applications are sent to each sorority and the sororities choose who they want to fill the positions. Each officer must have a 2.5 GPA and previous council members can only fill the president and vice-president positions.

Panhellenic Council also hosts other organizations on campus such as: Junior Panhellenic, Rho Lambda and Order of Omega. These groups contain only Greek members but see **Spotlight**, page 10

JSU's International Week highlights cultural diversity

By Katja Sunnarborg
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

"This is our chance to shine," said Amanda Veerapen, a JSU student from the Republic of Mauritius, about International Week.

International Week began Sunday with a bus trip to a United States versus Ecuador soccer game at Birmingham's Legion Field, and is going to last until Saturday's Taster's Fair and Talent Show.

With many events during the week on campus, "International week is here to get the community involved with the international students at our school and to show people different view points on cultures," said International Programs Coordinator Debbie Russell.

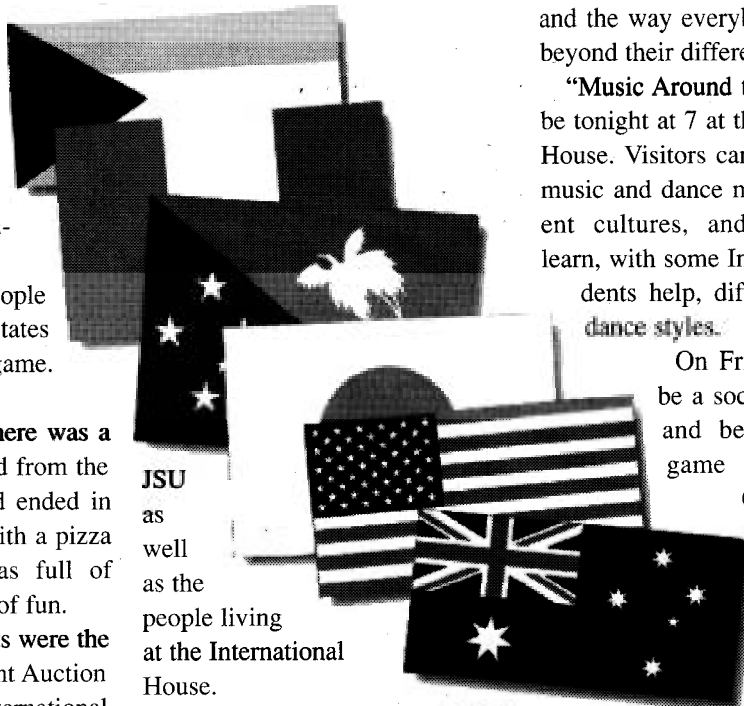
International Week, organized by the International Student Organization every year, is meant

to be for everybody in the community of Jacksonville as well as the students at JSU. "We want everybody to come and find out who all our international students are," said Russell.

A group of about 40 people attended the United States versus Ecuador soccer game. The US team won 1-0.

On Monday night, there was a treasure hunt that started from the International House and ended in the TMB Auditorium with a pizza party. The evening was full of games, friends and lots of fun.

Some of the big events were the Heritage Day and Silent Auction on Tuesday and the International House Event on Wednesday, both located at the International House. These events gave the opportunity to learn more about the different countries that are represented at



JSU as well as the people living at the International House.

The play, "One Hour Around the World," presented by the students living in the International House, helped people become more aware of the things that happen around

and the way everybody is similar, beyond their differences.

"Music Around the World" will be tonight at 7 at the International House. Visitors can check out the music and dance moves of different cultures, and maybe even learn, with some International students help, different cultures' dance styles.

On Friday, there will be a soccer tournament and beach volleyball game at Stephenson Center at 2 p.m.

It is an opportunity for non-international student to get a team together and play

against the international students, have fun and meet new people.

The last event of the week will be the Taster's Fair and Talent Show

at TMB Auditorium at 5 p.m. on Saturday. Participants will be able to taste the different foods from all around the world, when the international students of JSU make their favorite dishes from their home countries. For more information on the events call 782-5674.

One of the main reasons for International Week is to bring awareness into the campus about the different people and cultures that are in our University. The more people meet International students and get involved with them, the more understanding there is going to be in this world, said Russell.

"We need understanding right now concerning different cultures, ways of doing things, religions ... different everything," Russell said. "The better we know what the world is like out there, the better off we are as ... Americans."

Good cast almost "Made" it a movie worth seeing

By Abbey Herrin
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

"Made" is a poorly written attempt at a mafia spoof, but has some special features that make it a great movie nonetheless.

Written, directed by and starring Jon Favreau who wrote "Swingers," I expected nothing but the highest quality from this movie. I must say that I was disappointed in some respects. But, some very comical lines, good actors and a shocking cameo by an icon deem "Made" worthy of rental.

The premise is Bobby (Favreau) is a struggling boxer who strives to support his unfaithful girlfriend (played by Famke Janssen) and her daughter. Bobby becomes mixed up in a ring of organized crime, led by Max (Peter Falk), and ends up getting a "job" doing some sort of underhanded mafia-type mission. He is accompanied on this trip by Ricky, his idiotic sidekick, played by Vincent Vaughn. In the journey from Los Angeles to

New York, the two end up in various uncanny predicaments, usually provoked by Ricky, who loves drinking at all hours of the day.

The plot of this movie is extremely mundane; I had trouble following it at parts and never really understood what the purpose of the mission was. This is unimportant, however, as a well-cast movie can rise above a bad plot.

Favreau is great as the level-headed part of the duo, while Vaughn offsets him perfectly with an obnoxious and ignorant air. The comical electricity is apparent between these two, and it works. Most of the entertainment in "Made" is a result in the conflicting personalities of Ricky and Bobby.

Aside from the starring roles, there are a couple of unusual actors thrown in the mix. I was astounded to see Dustin Diamond, a.k.a. Screech from "Saved by the Bell," in a cameo as himself. There is a hilarious scene where Ricky and Bobby



Bobby, played by John Favreau (right), is an aspiring boxer who refuses to abandon his dreams, despite the urgings of his friend Ricky, played by Vince Vaughn (left), to pursue a higher position within a mob organization in the movie "Made."

are trying to get into a swanky nightclub and the bouncer ignores them and lets in Dustin Diamond instead.

Also, Shaun "P. Diddy" Combs plays one of the mob bosses in New York. Why? "P. Diddy" is almost as bad at acting as he is at dancing and rapping over old Police and Led Zeppelin songs. Still, seeing "P. Diddy" in a movie is always an unexpected twist, and an almost humorous

one at that.

"Made" may lack the plot to hold one's attention for an hour and a half, but what it lacks in plot it makes up for by having a strong comedic presence like Vaughn, but above all, Screech is in the movie.

Bottom line: If you are directing a movie and decide that it isn't going very well, call Dustin Diamond and see what he's doing. It could save your ass.

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serve different purposes.

The Junior Panhellenic is similar to the Panhellenic council, but serves only new members of each sorority, according to Edwards. "The Junior Panhellenic gives the new members a chance to learn more about the Panhellenic Council, and also gets them involved with new members from each sorority."

Rho Lambda and Order of Omega are both Greek Honor societies, but each has different qualifications. Rho Lambda is only for Greek women that have a 2.75 GPA have shown campus, chapter and Panhellenic leadership. Greek men and women are able to join Order of Omega if their GPA is above the all-Greek average and have been involved on campus.

The Panhellenic Council officers include: Scholarship/Treasurer, Heather Harper; Public Relations, Jenn Jones; Secretary, Kristen Rawlins; Third Vice-President of Junior Panhellenic, Elizabeth Davis; Second Vice-President of Judicial, Bonnie Borden; First Vice-President of Recruitment, Jenn Foster; President, Mary Beth Edwards; and Advisor, Cara Dawn Byford.

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Guinness finds a stout role in the kitchen

By William Rice
Chicago Tribune

Everyone knows the beer will be flowing freely from bottle and tap next week as Irish people the world over celebrate their patron saint, St. Patrick. But with the moment still several days into the future, let us pause and relate for 'bibers-in-waiting something of the history of one of the lovely brews they will be quaffing.

To begin, it is virtually certain, on the beautiful and mystic green isle known as Ireland, that the first name children recognize, after mother, dad and perhaps St. Patrick, is Guinness.

Today, Guinness is an international company that deals in whiskey and wine as well as beer and whose extensive holdings include a number of breweries assumed to be its competitors.

But the company's roots are in a family business that dates back to 1759 and is based on a product called Guinness Extra Stout.

Stout is defined, quite simply, as "a dark, almost black, beer of the ale family." It is closely related to porter, though porter is less full-bodied. These beers are toasty and rich and feel creamy on the palate.

About 200 years ago, Arthur Guinness II, who was given to innovation, began using unmalted roast barley in place of some of the traditional malted grain to make his Dublin stout. Roasted barley gave the ale a distinctive charred and bitter fruit character. Combined with a strong dose of hops, it produced the world's first "dry" stout, meaning the dominant taste was bitter, not sweet.

The brew was successful from the first and Guinness took great satisfaction in knowing that by using less malt, he was denying the British treasury a source of income. Malt was taxed by the ruling British government, but roasted barley was not.

Today there are other stouts made in Ireland, most notably two from

breweries in Cork, Beamish, known as the "Protestant" brewery, and Murphy's, the "Roman Catholic" brewery.

The dark ale takes many forms, but the one we know has a particular tangy acidity.

Dry Irish stout can make a very satisfying companion to food. Shellfish, especially salty oysters, is well matched with the peppery taste of stout. Beware, however, using this bitter ale with only tart ingredients.

Instead, "sweet" meats such as pork and game will welcome a marinade containing stout, and it can be used for baking, especially in combination with chocolate and sweet fruit.

Here are two examples.

Porter Cake

Makes one

This is a good choice for a breakfast coffeecake.

4 cups all-purpose flour
1/4 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon baking powder
1 cup superfine granulated or brown sugar
1/2 teaspoon freshly ground nutmeg
1/2 teaspoon allspice
2 sticks (8 ounces) butter, unsalted preferred, at room temperature
3 cups golden raisins
1/3 cup chopped diced orange peel
1/3 cup glacéed cherries
1 1/4 cups porter or stout
2 large eggs, beaten

1. Heat oven to 350 degrees. Grease and flour a 12-cup bundt pan.
2. Sift the flour, salt and baking powder into a large mixing bowl. Add the sugar, nutmeg and allspice. Blend in the soft butter. When finely crumbled, add the fruit. In a separate bowl, mix the beer with the beaten eggs. Pour liquid into the other ingredients and mix well.
3. Pour this batter into the bundt pan and bake until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean, about 1 hour.

4. Cool cake in the pan before unmolding it. Store in an airtight

container.

Beef and Guinness Stew

Six to eight servings

2 pounds lean stewing beef, trimmed of fat and cut into 2-inch cubes
3 tablespoons vegetable oil
2 tablespoons flour
Salt, freshly ground pepper
Ground red pepper
2 large onions, coarsely chopped
1 large clove garlic, crushed
2 tablespoons tomato puree, dissolved in 1/4 cup water
1 1/4 cups stout, Guinness preferred
2 cups carrots, cut in bite-size chunks
Sprig of thyme

1. Pat the meat dry and toss in a bowl with 1 tablespoon oil. In a second bowl, combine flour, salt, pepper and a pinch of red pepper. Toss the meat in this mixture

until all the pieces are coated.

2. Heat remaining oil in a deep frying pan or Dutch oven over high heat. Brown the meat on all sides. Add the onions, garlic and tomato puree to the pan; stir well, cover the pan and cook over medium heat for 5 minutes. Add 1/4 cup Guinness to the pan and, as it begins to boil, scrape the bottom with a wooden spoon to dissolve any meat bits.

3. Add remaining beer, carrots and thyme. Stir, cover the casserole, lower the heat and simmer atop the stove for 2 to 3 hours, stirring occasionally. Alternatively, cook in a preheated 300-degree oven. Taste and adjust seasoning as desired.
4. Garnish with chopped parsley and serve with mashed or boiled potatoes.

Both recipes adapted from "The Complete Book of Irish Country Cooking" by Darina Allen.

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3/14/02 Natalie Merchant - BJCC Concert Hall
3/15/02 12 Stones - The Nick
3/16/02 Jars of Clay - Birmingham Theatre
Five For Fighting - Five Points Music Hall
Wayne Mills Band - Zydeco
3/18/02 DJ Logic - Five Points Music Hall
3/19/02 Deathray Davies and Dressy Bessy - The Nick
3/20/02 Nelly Furtado - Five Points Music Hall

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3/14/02 King Konga - 10 High
Five for Fighting - Coca Cola Roxy Theatre
David Allan Coe - The Brandyhouse
3/15/02 Angie Aparo - Coca Cola Roxy Theatre
Lithp - Smith's Olde Bar
Nelly Furtado - Tabernacle
Joan Baez - Variety Playhouse
3/16/02 Puddle Of Mudd - Coca Cola Roxy Theatre
3/17/02 NAS - Earthlink Live
Jars of Clay - Tabernacle
3/18/02 Robin Williams - Fox Theatre
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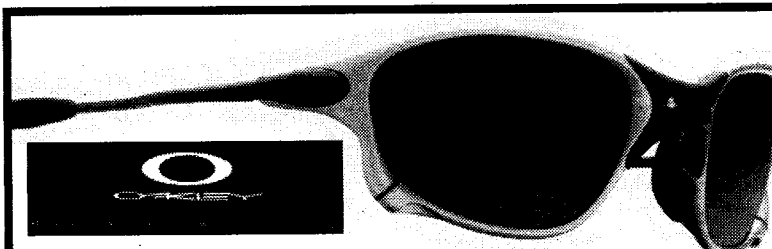
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- 4.) What is the fullest part of a ship's bow called?
- 5.) How many pounds of potatoes must you eat to gain one pound?
- 6.) How many acres are in a square mile?
- 7.) About how many hot dog vendors are in metropolitan New York?
- 8.) What does "Erin go bragh" mean?
- 9.) What man's birthday is the only one whose is a legal holiday in every state?
- 10.) Only 8 percent of American adults say they eat out on what holiday?

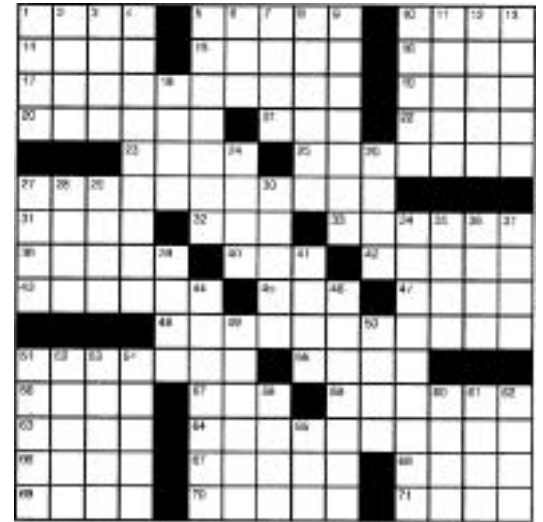
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 - 31 Actress Anderson
 - 32 Sentimental drive
 - 33 Barked like a peke
 - 38 Chekhov or Bruckner
 - 40 Tango team
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 - 43 Put on pounds
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 - 27 Banner
 - 28 Gossipy Barrett
 - 29 Against
 - 30 Dubuque man
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 - 39 Deion's nickname
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HOROSCOPES

By Lasha Seniuk

**Knight Ridder/Tribune News Service
March 11-17, 2002**

Aries (March 21-April 20). Revised work definitions will captivate much of your time and attention this week. Before Friday expect authority figures to replace reluctant or sluggish personnel. For many Aries workplace changes will now pave the way for important career gains and fast financial planning. Thursday through Sunday watch for loved ones to be highly sensitive concerning the recent actions or comments of a friend. Avoid serious social discussions, if at all possible.

Taurus (April 21-May 20). A slow approach to new assignments will bring steady success this week. Over the next nine days expect key officials or business contacts to be momentarily confused or emotionally unavailable. At present, authority figures may feel pressured by incoming information from many different sources. Remain calm and wait for obvious or repeated instructions. Wednesday through Saturday accent small financial disputes and family budgets. Ongoing debt may be a vital issue.

Gemini (May 21-June 21). Social events and light romance will be rewarding this week. Expect restlessness between friends or vague romantic communications to no longer strain key relationships. Use this time to improve long-term relations or introduce new activities to the group. A recent wave

of social mistrust and boredom now needs to end. After midweek sudden intuitions and emotional wisdom will be difficult to resist. Employment strategies, rare projects and planned career changes are accented.

Cancer (June 22-July 22). Recently confused work assignments and short-term business projects will soon work in your favor. After Tuesday expect previously reluctant officials to allow greater creativity or workplace freedom. Use this time to imprint your personal style on new projects or begin fast business ventures. Both will progress without hidden resentments. Thursday through Sunday social relations may be briefly irritating. Avoid risky subjects, romantic comments or public criticism.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22). Before Wednesday official documents or unusual permissions may cause confusion. Expect colleagues to be moody, introspective and doubtful. Planetary alignments also indicate, however, that this is a strong time for renewed commitment to difficult projects. After midweek watch for team priorities to be revised. A fresh perspective will soon bring positive results. Later this week a close friend may begin to let go of old wounds. Be supportive and expect fast social decisions.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Late Tuesday watch for a friend or lover to present unusual proposals. Group events, travel plans or unique social

gatherings may all be on the agenda. Remain cautious. Over the next eight days loved ones may need to publicly state their feelings and then quickly make changes to social plans. Restlessness or boredom may be an ongoing concern. Expect rare moments of stress and frustration. After Thursday financial speculations and business ideas will be scattered. Avoid risk.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Loved ones will this week openly discuss their needs and future intentions. Over the next eight days expect compelling overtures and new levels of passion. Several weeks of social misinformation and vague promises will now end. Watch for fast progress in long-term relationships. After Friday an unusual proposal may arrive. Single or unattached Librans can expect sudden declarations of love or highly seductive invitations. Respond candidly. No hidden agendas exist.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Emotions are now a strong influence. Before Thursday expect lovers and friends to publicly address recent disappointments or ask probing questions. All is well, so not to worry. Do, however, watch for loved ones to discuss rare events or release unwanted emotions. After Friday temperaments and expectations return to normal. Pace your responses and wait for a clear signal that it's time to move forward. It is an oddly demanding week. React honestly

to bold statements.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Love, flirtation and sentimentality are accented early this week. Expect romantic attraction and sensuality to be unusually compelling. Many Sagittarians may also find, however, that loved ones need extra time to put their doubts to rest. Remain patient. Unpredictable social behavior and romantic events will this week create a rare bond between lovers. Friday through Sunday rest and contemplate newly aligned social or romantic priorities: wisdom and balance will soon arrive.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 20). Home relations and private romantic encounters will be pleasing this week. Late Tuesday watch for intriguing invitations to cozy, intimate events. A quiet or slowly seductive approach to romance is now best. Over the next few days loved ones will respond positively to shared home comforts, family acceptance and private experiences. After Thursday news from a previously hidden business or financial source may be confusing. Avoid quick reactions and wait for clarity.

Aquarius (Jan. 21-Feb. 19). Discuss complicated family decisions with loved ones before the end of this week. Planetary alignments now indicate that many Aquarians will now begin a short but intense period of emotional change in home relationships. Key issues may involve financial divisions, planned family events or the health and well

being of older relatives. Important money breakthroughs and restructured home plans are due before the end of March. Open discussion is the key.

Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20). Monday through Thursday a friend or colleague may express minor jealousies concerning workplace advancement or lost business opportunities. Be diplomatic and wait for others to regain their faith in their own potential. This is not the right time to question the skills or abilities of fellow workers. After Friday watch also for an unusual or completely unexpected romantic flirtation. Someone close may soon reveal deep feelings of love or attraction. Stay calm.

If your birthday is this week . . . friends, lovers and long-trusted relatives will soon ask for more of your time, dedication and emotional energy. Close relationships are now due for a much-needed boost of enthusiasm and shared goals. Watch for a powerful wave of social and romantic involvement to arrive in the coming weeks. Over the next eight to nine months, financial proposals may also cause excitement. Pay special attention to rare opportunities concerning medical services, counseling, human resources or social sciences. Little can actually be decided until late August, however. Go slow and plan for a steady expansion of career options by early fall. For a private consultation, please visit www.mysticstars.net.

SPORTS

The Chanticleer - March 14, 2002

JSU baseball team wins four straight

From Staff Reports

The Jax State baseball team got back in the swing of things when it beat Alabama A&M and West Alabama last week. The Gamecocks snapped a three-game losing streak with a 16-2 win over the Bulldogs last Thursday.

Matt Ruckdeschel went 3-for-3 and drove in a pair of runs to lead Jax State to victory over Alabama A&M.

Jessie Corn (1-0) tossed five solid innings, allowing just two hits and recording eight strikeouts, to get his first win of the season. Aaron Sims (2-2) lasted just one inning to get stuck with the loss for the Bulldogs.

Jax State scored three runs in the first and built a 7-0 lead with four more runs in the top of the second inning. The Gamecocks added three more runs in the third to extend their lead to 10-0.

The Gamecocks took an 11-0 lead in the fourth inning after Travis Suereth scored on a bases loaded walk, but A&M cut the lead to 11-2 in the bottom of the fourth after Keith Witherspoon had a two-RBI triple.

Jax State then scored five runs in the fifth inning to seal the win. Josh Nix tossed two hitless innings on the mound for JSU.

Ben Phillips and Scott Smith each finished with a pair of hits and two RBIs, while Clint Carroll drove in two runs to lead JSU's 10-hit attack.

JSU returned to action with a three-game series against West Alabama over the weekend.

Smith finished the day 5-for-6 and Ruckdeschel extended his hitting streak to seven games to lead Jax State to a pair of wins over West



Senior first baseman Nic Brown picks off a West Alabama base runner Sunday at Rudy Abbott field. JSU swept the weekend series with the Tigers 5-2, 8-4 and 10-5.

Alabama last Saturday.

Steve Shippey tossed the first complete game of the season to lead Jacksonville State to a 5-2 win over the Tigers in the first game of a double-header at Rudy Abbott Field.

Shippey tossed seven innings, allowing six hits and recording four strikeouts, to run his record to 2-3 on the season. Chris Dimasi allowed seven hits to get stuck with the loss for the Tigers.

The Gamecocks took a 3-0 lead in the third inning after Suereth led off with a single to right center and Andrew Tarver followed with a walk. Carroll then loaded the bases on a bunt single down the third base line.

Heith Comer then knocked in a run after reaching on a fielding error to score Tarver. Carroll scored on a sacrifice fly by Phillips. Smith then had a RBI double down the left field line to give the

Gamecocks a 3-0 lead. Smith finished the game 2-for-3.

Jax State pushed the lead to 5-2 in the bottom of the fifth inning. Brian Haskins led off with a single followed by a single to right center by Travis Suereth, who finished the game with a pair of hits.

Tarver had a sacrifice fly to right field to score Haskins and Suereth scored on a single by Ruckdeschel.

In the second game, the Gamecocks took a 2-0 lead after Smith stroked an RBI triple to right center and later scored on a Tiger error in the bottom of the first inning. Smith finished 3-for-3 with three RBIs in the nightcap to lead the Gamecocks.

West Alabama cut the lead to 2-1 after Carlin Holman had a sacrifice fly to score Carl Wiggins, who reached on a walk.

The Gamecocks then exploded for four runs in the third inning to open up a 6-1 lead, but the Tigers scored

three runs in the top of the fourth, highlighted by a Brooks Tinsley two-run homer and a Scott Merkich solo shot, to cut the lead to 6-4.

Jax State pushed the lead to 8-4 after Smith had an RBI single and Ruckdeschel, who finished with a pair of hits, scored on a wild pitch.

Lucas McCollum (2-2) had three strikeouts to get the win for JSU, while Clay Armstrong (1-1) got stuck with the loss for the Tigers.

The two teams wrapped up the three-game series with a single game at Rudy Abbott Field at on Sunday.

Tarver went 4-for-4, including a two-run homer, and drove in three runs to lead Jacksonville State to a 10-5 win over West Alabama (6-16) as the Gamecocks claimed the three-game series sweep.

C.R. Palmer (3-0) picked up the win in relief after pitching three

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Crimson Tide takes down JSU softball

From Staff Reports

The Jax State softball team ran into some stiff competition in Tuscaloosa last Wednesday. Crimson Tide All-American Shelley Laird came out firing, striking out nine of the first 12 Gamecocks she faced as the No. 16-ranked Crimson Tide softball team (16-9) defeated in-state rival Jacksonville State (11-4), 5-1.

Laird (7-5) finished the evening with a season-high 15 strikeouts, allowing one earned run en route to her 98th career win.

The Tide took an early lead in the second inning. Lacy Prejean led off with a single and took second on a sacrifice by Angela Johnson. Jackie Wilkins then blooped a hit into shallow center field and took second when the ball scooted past a diving "Breezy" Oleman in center field putting the Crimson Tide runners on second and third with one out. Leah White then laid down a bunt on a suicide attempt with Prejean coming from third.

However, Gamecock first baseman Andrea Tomey threw a wild ball to catcher Melinda McDonald and allowed Prejean

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Shanika Freeman named Atlantic Sun Freshman of the Year



Courtesy Steve Latham
Shanika "Nip" Freeman.

By Anthony Hill
The Chanticleer Sports Editor

The Jax State women's basketball team made a strong run at the final spot in the A-Sun tournament. The run came to an end when the team was unable to win some close games during the final stretch of the season.

The Gamecocks' strong efforts didn't seem to go

unnoticed. Jax State's freshman forward Shanika "Nip" Freeman was named the Atlantic Sun Conference Freshman of the Year by a vote of the league head coaches last week.

Freeman, a native of Chattanooga, Tenn., led the Gamecocks in scoring and rebounding last season with 14.7 points and 7.7 rebounds per game and had eight dou-

ble-doubles on the year. "Nip" also finished the season very strong by scoring at least 20 points in five of the last six JSU games.

"It is a tremendous honor for her," said JSU head coach Dana Austin. "This shows that Shanika earned that respect of other coaches in the conference."

"For a freshman to step in and do what she has done is

tremendous. She will tell you she still has a lot of work to do, but she can definitely be one of the best players that I have ever coached and one of the best to come through JSU," concluded Austin.

Campbell forward April Cromartie got the league's top honor for the second-straight year by capturing the A-Sun Player of the Year

award. Cromartie led the league in scoring with 17.1 points per game and finished second in rebounding with 9.4 per game.

Mercer's first-year head coach Sharon Baldwin captured the A-Sun Coach of the Year honors after leading the Bears to a sixth-place finish and a 15-12 overall record.

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and Wilkins to score to increase the lead to 2-0.

Laird ran into trouble in the fifth inning. With runners on first and second, she threw a wild pitch, advancing Sam Gutierrez and Jessica Ford. Then with two outs, she threw a second wild pitch, scoring Gutierrez and cutting the lead in half.

Alabama immediately responded in the bottom of the inning when Ashley Courtney hit a one-out triple down the right field line to score Suzanne Olcott, who had singled earlier in the inning. Jackie McClain then doubled into the right center field gap scoring Courtney and extending the lead to 4-1.

In the bottom of the sixth inning, Alabama loaded the bases on two singles and a walk. Casey Cockrum pinch hit for Olcott and hit a bouncer to the right side, scoring Wilkins for the final score.

Prejean paced the Alabama offense with a 3-3 effort, while



The Anniston Star/Trent Perry
Junior pitcher Veronica Davis winds up.

Wilkins was 2-3 with two runs scored.

The loss marked the Gamecocks' largest margin of defeat on the season.

The Gamecocks will return to action when they travel to Rock Hill, S.C. to play in the Winthrop Invitational Tournament tomorrow.

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innings and allowing just four hits. Bobby Wynn's tossed the final three innings to get his second save of the year. Josh McLaren (2-4) lasted five innings to get stuck with the loss for UWA.

The Tigers built a 3-2 lead in the third inning, after Carl Wiggins knocked in Martin Jackson, but Jax State took the lead for good in the bottom of the third inning after Smith singled through the left side and scored when Brown slugged his first-career inside-the-park homerun off the right centerfield wall to give JSU a 4-3 lead.

Each team added a run in the fourth and the Tigers tied the score at 5-5 in the sixth inning after Case had an RBI double to right center, but the Gamecocks tacked on three runs in the bottom of the sixth inning.

Tarver had an RBI single and Ruckdeschel drove in a pair of runs to give JSU an 8-5 lead as he extended his hitting streak to eight games.

The Gamecocks will return to action tomorrow when they host Jacksonville University. The game is set to start at 6:30 p.m at Rudy Abbott Field.

Track team runs at Samford

From Staff Reports

Jax State athletes competed in several categories in both men's and women's events at the Samford Classic in Birmingham Saturday.

Talented freshman Eboni Matthews put on a show once again in the women's 200-meter dash, where she finished third overall with a time of 25:39. Lisa Moseley came in 13th place.

Finishing in multiple events were Anna Armstrong, Eysha Ambler and Lachandra Bartholomew. Armstrong finished third out of 12 athletes in the women's long jump and seventh in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 1:12.75.

Ambler finished second in the high jump event with a leap of five feet. She also took 11th place in the javelin throw. Aimee Pitzo was also in the high jump, coming in fourth

place with a jump of four feet, 10 inches.

Also in the javelin throw with Ambler were Danika Heartt, who finished seventh, and Kari Borr, who placed 10th in the event.

Bartholomew finished seventh in the shot put event and came in 10th in the discus throw. Princess Thomas finished fifth in the 400-meter run with a time of 1:03.88 and Addie Ferguson had a 13th-place finish in the 5,000-meter run.

Several Gamecocks competed in the women's 800-meter run, led by Frances Archuleta's ninth place finish with a time of 2:34.51. Traci Reid and Rachel Doak finished in 16th and 17th place, respectively.

In men's competition, Jan Kolar finished 18th with a time of 16:59.45 in the 8,000-meter run.

The Gamecocks will now prepare for the Disney Relays in Orlando, Fla. this weekend.



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One on one with "Thrill:" Ashley Martin

By Anthony "Thrill" Hill
The Chanticleer Sports Editor

OK. Maybe I have already interviewed Ashley Martin once this year. She's one of those people that you try to talk to as much as possible. Heck, she's one of those people that you try to see as much as possible.

Besides, I heard that she wasn't going to play football anymore and I thought she might be able to give us some insight on why she chose not to strap on the pads for another season.

As often happens with athletes, we talked about everything but sports. We talked about music, her love life, the dog and firefighting. She and I were truly oblivious to what we were supposed to be doing. We played terribly.

That's the only time she likes to play around. Martin is all business on the field. I interviewed her right after practice on Monday evening to find out what's new in her life, among other things.

Thrill: So, what's new Ashley?

Ashley: Not a whole lot.

Thrill: Um. What do you want to talk about?

Ashley: (Laughs.) I thought you were going to have all that planned.
Thrill: Sometimes. Then, there are times I simply like to go off the top of my head.

Ashley: Whatever you want to talk about then.

Thrill: (Both laugh.) OK. How are your classes going this semester? Do you have a full load?

Ashley: (Sigh.) They're going OK. I'm doing well in them. They're just hectic.

Thrill: So, you're not playing football next year. You're just going to concentrate on soccer. Why did you choose to completely give it up?



Ashley: Coach Howe chose for me. She decided that the scheduling was too hectic. And, she wanted me to just concentrate on soccer.

Thrill: What was the most exciting thing to come out of all the attention you received?

Ashley: The most exciting thing was becoming a part of the (football) team. I liked getting really close with the guys. It's really cool the way we receive each other when I see them out somewhere. I'll go up and hug them. It's really cool.

Thrill: That's cool. How big did all of this get back in Sharpsburg, Ga.? (Ashley's hometown.)

Ashley: I didn't get a chance to go home much. I don't really know. My mom would know better. A lot of my friends came to the games and a lot of them said they kept up



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Junior midfielder/forward Ashley Martin.

with me. I'm really not sure.

Thrill: Has any of the attention changed you a little bit?

Ashley: I hope that it hasn't changed me as a person. It's opened up a lot of opportunities for me. I can walk around campus now and people will say "Hey, you're Ashley Martin." I'm usually like, "Whoa!" So, I get to meet a lot of people that I wouldn't have met before. Sometimes I feel like I have to be more careful what I do. Sometimes I feel like I live inside a glass house.

Thrill: I know that you are friendly with the football players, but you probably thought some of them were cute before you played. Do you find any of them to be attractive?

Ashley: You're putting me on the spot. (Laughs.) My face is going to get red.

Thrill: It's OK.

Ashley: (Laughs.) I don't get embarrassed "Thrill." Of course I thought some of them were cute. I'm a girl. During the season I was dating somebody and me and the players kept it on a professional level. I joke with some of them all the time, but it never reached that level.

Thrill: Well, how's your love life now?

Ashley: Pretty low-key. (Both laugh.) I recently broke up with my boyfriend of a year and a half. But we still talk and we're still best friends. Everything is just really weird right now.

Thrill: That must be hard to deal with life without a person you'd grown accustomed to being there.

Ashley: Yeah. It's really weird. But it was a long-distance relationship and he lived six hours from here. Now I can talk to someone if I'm approached or something, which doesn't happen often. (Laughs.) If that were to happen, I could.

Thrill: So what do you do nowadays to keep yourself busy?

Ashley: School and soccer are the main things. I like to run a lot too.

Thrill: Now Ashley, I see you jogging all the time. How many miles do you actually jog each day?

Ashley: (Laughs.) I

don't know. I cheat a little bit. I walk some of the hills. The course that I run is about 4.6 miles, but I don't run all that. I don't really know.

Thrill: So what's going on with the soccer team right now?

Ashley: We played one half against someone about a week and a half ago. But every tournament, every weekend is different. Sometimes we'll play a seven versus seven tournament. Not too many teams have a full team because of graduation. We're really excited because our work is paying off over the weekends.

Thrill: Do you think some of your teammates get tired of all the attention you get?

Ashley: Yeah. I do.

Thrill: A lot of people don't know this about you, but you're also a firefighter. How did you get into that?

Ashley: I don't really know. I just went to the chief one day and told him that I was interested. I had to go through some paper work and I go to meetings once a month to stay active.

Thrill: That's different. Who's your favorite JSU athlete?

Ashley: I have a lot of favorites. I

really like Poonie Richardson. I like watching him play. And I don't even like to watch basketball. So, that's really up there. I can't narrow it down to one football player. I like them all.

Rondy (Rogers) is definitely one of my favorites.

Thrill: What music group or singer have you been listening to lately?

Ashley: One of my English teachers gave me a jazz CD and I've been listening to that lately. But my favorite singer is Jack Johnson. I've been listening to him lately.

Thrill: Let's jump into free association.

Ashley: Uh oh!

Thrill: Coach Lisa Howe. (Head soccer coach)

Ashley: Leader.

Thrill: Mrs. Stacey Martin. (Ashley's mother)

Ashley: Best friend.

Thrill: Emily Hulbert. (JSU soccer teammate.)

Ashley: Awesome.

Thrill: Julie Fowdy. (Professional soccer player)

Ashley: Team player.

Thrill: Stone Center.

Ashley: (Laughs.) Class.

Thrill: Favorite actor.

Ashley: Russell Crowe.

Thrill: OK. Now tell me about this dog that you have to walk everyday.

Ashley: OK. I met an older lady named Marion Miller who's only got one arm.

So I walk the dog (Peaches) for her. I like hanging out with her. I just use the dog as an excuse to hang out with her.

Thrill: Man, that is so sweet. I mean that.

Ashley: She's a cool woman. Really cool.

Thrill: So Ashley, who's going to win it all in the NCAA tournament?

Ashley: I don't know, Mississippi State is on a roll.

Thrill: You've got to be kidding me. MSU isn't going to win the tournament.

Ashley: I don't like them. I just saw the SEC tournament. I don't like them or anything. I'm pulling for Georgia. I don't know who's going to win it.

Thrill: Oh, OK. Well, I think that's it. Thank you for the interview.

Ashley: Thank you Thrill. See you later.



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