SGA may raise qualifications for senators, clarify constitution

By J. Wilson Guthrie
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

The SGA Senate may add new requirements for students who want to serve as senators, as it attempts to amend its Constitution and Code of Laws at the Oct. 28 Senate meeting.

Five bills, if passed, would change everything from wording and title names to job duties and adding tests for senators.

Jordan Brewer, Constitution and Code Committee co-chairman, said that some of the bills were brought up to clarify some things that the SGA already does but needs to clarify in the Constitution.

The biggest change being sought by Brewer is that of adding a test for senators.

“(The bill) requires senate members to be tested on parliamentary procedure and the (SGA) Constitution and Code of Laws,” said Brewer. “It’s not going to be as easy of a job to be a senator anymore … a lot of people just sit in there and don’t do anything and we are trying to get rid of that.

“Members of the senate have to be on two committees,” said Brewer. “In the constitution it only says one, it was changed a while ago in the Code of Laws, but never in the constitution.”

Three other bills deal with name changes for offices within the SGA executive council.

“The executive committee of the SGA … wanted (the names of offices) to sound a little bit more professional and a little bit more like the school sets (theirs) up,” said Brewer.

The bills would rename the offices of first and second vice president to vice president of the senate and vice president of student activities respectively.

A bill to rename the office of comptroller to vice president of organizational affairs is also up for vote. It would not only change the name of the office, the bill would also add responsibilities to the job.

“Right now (the comptroller’s) job is to allocate money,” said Brewer. “We’re adding more responsibilities to that job; there is not really a whole lot that job requires.”

The new responsibilities would be to control the Organizational Council. The council keeps track of student organizations and things such as which ones are still active and those that aren’t.

The last bill changes a redundancy in the wording of a section of the constitution dealing with voting.

“(The constitution) said they (the president and vice presidents) would be elected ‘by a popular vote by a voting student body’ basically it was just reiterating voting twice so I (took) out the second ‘voting,’” said Brewer.

JSU alters summers terms to ease administrative woes

By Jamie Eubanks
The Chanticleer News Editor

The summer schedule is a great way for students to get classes out of the way or to catch up if they are behind, but recently administrators say the number of terms is impossible to manage.

Last year there were 18 terms that overlapped and started and stopped at different times. This caused problems for financial aid, registrars, faculty and students.

“There are actually several problems with the summer schedules,” said Cathy Cambron, the acting registrar at JSU, “and it is multiplied with the fact that we have so many special terms.”

According to Dr. Becky Turner, vice president of academic and student affairs, “We set was due would be dropped.

“It’s a lot of work trying to keep the dates when everything is open and everything is closed and when grades are due. It gets really confusing.”

The software the mainframe uses to process registration, student financial records and financial aid treats each session as a separate term, according to Turner.

“The system can only hold so many terms,” said Vickie Adams, the director of financial aid.

“Like Marathon H, there was nowhere to put that in there to confirm a student.”

This system pays out by the main terms and when the Marathons have start dates in the middle it poses problems to get the system to write checks.

So financial aid was constantly going through the Bursar’s Office to keep the dates when everything is open and everything is closed and when grades are due. It gets confusing.”

Marathon H, which has many problems with the students being offered.

Residents on campus are not hanging around the front entrances of the residence halls as much as they were in the beginning of the school year because there have been more activities on campus, according to Marie Humphrey, Director of University Housing.

“It has been a challenge to overcome,” Humphrey said, “because we do have a challenge to make sure all of our students feel safe.”

“We would get complaints from the students and occasionally from the parents who come to visit,” said Police Chief
Mathews steps down as trustees’ chair

By Jamie M. Eubanks
The Chanticleer News Editor

The man who hitchhiked his way to JSU stepped down as chairman of the University’s board of trustees Monday.

Pete Mathews said Monday’s trustee meeting would be the very last time he would serve as chairman of the board, but he will continue to serve out the remainder of his term on the board. He cited poor health and the length of his service as reasons for his decision.

“I’m 85 years old,” Mathews said. “I’m legally blind, and I have served for 36 years (on the board of trustees).

The board voted unanimously to accept Mathews’ recommendation that trustee James Bennett, who is also Alabama’s secretary of state, serve out Mathews’ term as chairman.

“We have tenured faculty at our University that weren’t even born when ... I took (my) place on this board,” Mathews said. I have presided over the

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Trustees borrow $15 million, give 3 percent rate

By Benjamin Cunningham
The Chanticleer News Editor

JSU’s board of trustees approved a $15 million bond issue at the group’s quarterly meeting on Monday, and also approved the University’s budget for 2002-2003, which includes a 3 percent raise for faculty and staff.

The bond issue will fund several building projects. It will be repaid from tuition revenue generated in part from the $150 increase the board
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to confirm the student’s classes and then cancel it and put it back on when the term actually started,” Brown said.

Another problem was with course load. Students can take up to 16 hours in the regular Fall and Spring terms before they must pay extra fees, which many times discourages students from taking such a full load. But with the overlapping summer terms they could end up taking 18 hours or more.

Turner said this also creates a problem with academic advising.

“A student may be having difficulty in one term and not in another,” said Turner. “They may be suspended, for example, in one term, but another that overlaps they might be fine in.”

Cambron and Turner said the calendar committee has worked on a proposal to correct the summer schedule. It included some three-week terms, six-week terms and 12-week terms.

“I can see there would be some problems with that, but I like the concept that there’s a better control of that,” Cambron said.

In the three-week terms students would be in class for two hours and 45 minutes, five days a week. Some questioned if this would be feasible and if professors could adequately cover material and if students could retain the information.

“We have a SACS guideline that led us to those parameters,” said Cambron. Turner said it is not a perfect proposal. “It has problems,” Turner said, “and I won’t approve that proposal. But it was a place to start discussion.

“So while that’s going on we have to plan for next summer and we still have this imperfect system.”

To resolve this, Cambron has released this summer’s schedule in which the beginning dates of the Marathon terms coincide with the May, Summer I and Summer II terms. This eliminates the Marathon terms that started in middle of these regular four-week terms. So if students wanted to take classes in overlapping terms scheduling will be easier.

“After the summer period, we’ll take a look at how it worked, and really do a good evaluation of that from everybody,” said Turner.

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**Faculty to get new online access system**

By Jamie M. Eubanks
The Chanticleer News Editor

JSU’s faculty will soon be able to enter their grades online.

According to Cathy Cambron, JSU’s acting registrar, “We’ve been working since the beginning of this calendar year, toward getting the faculty members to be able to enter their grades online.”

This would prevent faculty from having to bubble in the Scantron-type forms that have been used for years.

“This goes back to making things better for the students,” Cambron said, “because they can get the grades quicker. We don’t have as much down time in processing since we don’t have to handle mounds of paperwork.”

The faculty did a test run this summer and Cambron said it went “beautifully.” She said it was administered in the smaller summer terms to detect any problems. This way they could be fixed before the regular semester started when more students are on campus.

Right now, faculty members are entering their mid-term grades online on the Faculty Access System. FAS functions much like the Student Access System. The faculty enters an ID and a password.

Once in the system, professors can check their rosters to see who’s registered, instead of waiting for it to be printed. When a student drops or adds a class, it immediately shows up on the professor’s roster.

“This was some of the confusion we ran into with the printed grade sheets, it would show them if they dropped,” said Cambron.

To enter grades with the new system, the professor simply finds the student’s name and clicks on the pull-down menu to select the grade.

“I think it’s high time,” said Dr. Benjie Blair, assistant professor of biology. “There will be a lot fewer mistakes made using this technology. The fewer times you have to transcribe information the fewer mistakes you have. There’s less paperwork.”

It is web-based, therefore, faculty can enter the system from any computer with internet access.

“Especially in the sciences, many times, we’re in the field,” Blair said. “We may have to be out in the field and leave early in the morning and if we’ve got a computer hooked up we can simply download our grades that way. If we’re at conferences, then I would still be able to upload my information that way. It will be more convenient.”

Once these scores are
Pelham J.SUPD occurring at Crow Hall. A mountain bike was stolen. from a vehicle occurring at Trustee Circle and Coffee Street.

The Society of Professional Journalists: Chris Wright and Steve Stevens from K-98's Morning Mayhem will speak Oct. 24, 4:30-5:30 p.m. in the Roundhouse. Oct. 29, Honda PR specialist Mark Morrison will speak at The Barn at 5 p.m. SPJ members vote for October Member of the Month in the voting box in Mike Stedham's office. Contact: Mike Stedham, 782-5713.

SGA: Tonight in Leone Cole at 7 p.m. is the Homecoming Pageant. Come and show your support. Also, Halloween night on the quad is the Rocky Horror Picture show. Senate meetings every Monday night at 6 p.m. Come and see what all the drama is about. Contact: Andrew Symonds, 782-5495, bradleyjohn18@hotmail.com

Tau Sigma Lambda: Congrats to Sig Ep and Alpha Xi for their wins in Turtle Tugs! Thanks to DZ for having us out to be a part of it. Are you a non-Greek male who is concerned about his campus and community? Check us out - we may be what you’ve been looking for! http://www.geocities.com/jvilletsl Contact: Justin Davis, jvilletsl@yahoo.com

Up 'Til Dawn and Kappa Sigma will host a Pumpkin Carving Contest on Halloween, Oct. 31, 4:30-6 p.m. on the front lawn of the TMB. Pumpkins are $7. Bring your own carving utensils. There will also be a costume contest and prizes will be awarded to all the winners. Come out and support Up 'Til Dawn. Contact: Jamie Eubanks and Tim King, 782-8054.

Zeta Tau Alpha: We had a great sisterhood retreat this weekend, thanks to everyone who came and had a great time at Six Flags! Good Luck to all our girls in the Homecoming Pageant tonight, you'll all do great. Contact: Amy Yancy, ztapsi@yahoo.com

2 B TRU and AAA would like to congratulate the winners of the Talent Showcase held on Oct. 15. 3rd-On Point/Melissa Dunson, 2nd-Tamara Pinkard/MIC, 1st-Mike & The Melodies. Don't forget to get your tickets to see Deuce Komradz on Oct. 31. Contact: RJ Armstead, RolanjeD@aol.com

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CAMPUS CRIME

- Oct. 15—JSUPD reported an individual carrying a pistol without a permit on Mountain Street.
- Oct. 15—Timothy Dustin Swafford, 19, reported theft of property to JSUPD. A cellular phone was stolen.
- Oct. 17—Mark Jones of Jacksonville reported criminal mischief to JSUPD occurring at Stephenson Gym. Two bathroom stalls were damaged.
- Oct. 17—Linda Love of Jacksonville reported theft of property to JSUPD occurring near the front doors at Bibb Graves. A JSU floor mat was stolen.
- Oct. 18—Tracy Eugene Thomas, 24, was cited by JSUPD for an open container violation occurring at Pelham Road N. and mountain Street NW.
- Oct. 21—Robert R. Houston, 21, of Anniston, was cited by JSUPD for nuisance: loud music from a vehicle occurring at Trustee Circle and Coffee Street.
- Oct. 21—Robert Wayne Chantock, Jr., of Douglasville, Ga., reported theft of property to JSUPD occurring at Crow Hall. A mountain bike was stolen.
- Oct. 22—Michael D. Hulse, 25, of Rome, Ga., was arrested by JSUPD for DUI occurring at Pelham Road North.

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.

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entered, they will immediately be available to students on the Student Access System when it is open. Professors can also view the grades after entering them to make sure they are correct.

“I was happy to see that they gave us a whole week to get them in there, because we were all worried that if we were all on the computer on the same day trying to put grades in what was going to happen,” said Gena Christopher, instructor of English.

Christopher said she entered her mid-term grades with no problem. With the web-based system there is the threat of hackers getting into the system and altering information.

“I feel a little uncomfortable about the security,” said Christopher. “It’s hard for me to judge because we haven’t done real grades. Mid-terms are different from real big semester grades.”

Cambron said the site is secure.

“It is ID driven and password driven,” according to Cambron. “We’ve built in all the security features we could think of.”

“I won’t say (a student can’t get into the system),” Cambron said, but there’s very little chance that it would be done. Passwords are stored elsewhere. Faculty members can only get into the classes they are teaching.”

When grades are updated or changed in any way, Cambron and the faculty member receive an email immediately.

FAS also allows faculty to email all their students via their student email accounts. Every student has an account. If they have another account all they have to do is forward their mail to that account.

“It will help the communication between faculty members and students,” Cambron said.

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and parking, Meehan said. “That guaranteed that we had enough revenue (to fund the increase).”

The board also approved the $50,000 purchase of a piece of land adjoining Mountain Street near Paul Snow Stadium. That purchase leaves just one plot not owned by the University between Mountain Street and Cole Drive, adjacent to the stadium. The land may someday be used for stadium expansion and parking, Meehan said. Purchases of land adjacent to University property are designed to “protect the University’s borders” the president said, giving the school room to expand and accommodate growth without becoming land-bound. “We want to be able to build out, and not be forced to build up,” Meehan said.

“After I’d been here practicing for 10 years, the people elected me to the legislature. And for the next 20 years, they elected me to either the (Alabama) Senate or the House of Representatives.”

He is the only person to serve as the chairman of both the Finance and Taxation Committee in the Senate and Ways and Means Committee in the House.

According to Mathews, “When George Wallace was asked, before a meeting of a group of educators, who he thought the greatest legislator he had ever known, he said Pete Mathews.”

During this time he also ran and was elected to the Public Service Commission.

For the last 36 years, he has served JSU and has helped many students receive scholarships along the way, especially students from his home, Clay County.

He gave $1 million to the University that, when he dies, will become the Ray Matthews Scholarship Foundation. The interest will provide scholarships to students who want to attend JSU.

“Eighty percent of that is earmarked for students from Clay County,” Mathews said. “I want them all to know how good God has been to me, this poor impoverished child,” said Mathews.

The latest shooting had yielded no “vehicle lookout to share. No person lookout to share,” meaning no enhanced description of the sniper or his vehicle.

“Were doing everything in our power to keep people safe,” the police chief said.

Stunned family and friends mourned Johnson on Tuesday. Some 30 relatives, some visibly upset, swarmed to Suburban Hospital in Bethesda, Md., where Johnson was taken by helicopter. Through a hospital spokesman they declined to comment.

Neighbors in Johnson’s cul de sac in Oxon Hill, Md., recalled the burly 6-foot-2-inch sports fan playing touch football outside with his two sons, one age 7 and the other in his early teens.

Steve Addison, who used to wash his car with Johnson, described him as “a real family man.”

Addison said, “He loved his boys. Always taking care of.
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Originally from the West Indies, Johnson was also known as something of a block leader and neatness freak, taking it upon himself to make sure neighbors didn't play their music too loud or let their modest yards become messy.

"He always was laughing and joking with you," said neighbor James Campbell.

A blue home-security sign was perched outside Johnson's tidy cream-colored townhouse.

At Montgomery County's commuter-bus headquarters, drivers took up a collection for Johnson's family. Some were visibly shaken.

"We take this personally." driver Greg Carrington said.

"We're a family."

Some drivers, who like Johnson must operate in the open, were fearful.

"You're pretty much a target. You're in harm's way. There's nothing we can do. We don't have bulletproof glass," driver Garfield Hardy said.

Johnson was preparing for his morning route when he was shot.

The site is bordered by an apartment complex, where some witnesses heard a single gunshot, and a wooded park. It is not near any interstates but is close to several busy multilane roads that funnel commuter traffic in and out of Washington.

The mood has been jittery in Montgomery County since the sniper attacks began, but nerves ratcheted up again Tuesday after the first attack there since Oct. 3.

"It's kind of unsettling now that all this is going on in Maryland again," said Laura Roberts, a PTA president in the nearby Montgomery County town of Kensington. "It's always more nerve-racking when it's in your back yard."

The shooter killed five people in Montgomery County on Oct. 2-3.

The county recorded only six murders in 2001, according to police department data.
Election time

Campaign season is drawing to a close as Election Day 2002 approaches. Who are you going to vote for? Do you know who’s running? Better yet, are you even registered to vote?

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

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

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

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

The Higher Education Partnership this year conducted a major voter-registration drive aimed at college students. Their goal was to register at least 5,000 students, faculty, and staff other “university people” at the state’s 15 four-year campuses. Since JSU’s SGA-sponsored portion of the drive is claiming to have registered more voters than any other campus with 160, it would appear that the statewide drive has fallen far short of its goal.

Unfortunately, if you haven’t registered by the time you’re reading this, it’s too late. The deadline to register to vote in next month’s elections was yesterday. Don’t let that discourage you, though. Register anyway, and make your voice heard next year.

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

And maybe, just maybe, you’ll be part of a majority of young voters who will change the way Montgomery treats colleges and college students.
"Why do you think more people do not attend JSU sporting events?"

--Compiled by Nicholas Thomason
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Because more and more people are becoming less interested in sports.

Jessica Walthall
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Criminal justice

"Because people like to go home on the weekends and they work during the week."

Kenya Hawking
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Marketing

"Because we are a small school."

Beth Price
Junior
Computer science

"Because people would rather go home and watch SEC games."

Chrisy Almaroad
Sophomore
Social work

"Because a lot of students commute here, and I know people who go to bigger schools to hang out for the weekend."

In Your View: Letters

Christianity is about love, not judgement

To Mr. Robbie Gilbert,

I will apologize on behalf of the people of the Christian faith. You are correct Mr. Gilbert in your assumption that our “way” is one of love. There is however, a small percentage who believe that in order to be a Christian one must go around hitting non-believers over the head with a family Bible.

To those of you out there who believe this way let me say this: Christ himself said I will open this letter with an apology for Robbie Gilbert and the actions of a vandal who defaced his property (...) just because they didn’t agree with his point of view. I don’t agree with the defacing of somebody’s property just because they decide to express an opinion different from that of the mainstream, but I don’t agree with people blaming Christians, as a group in general, for the actions of one individual.

We live in a depraved generation, the events of 9-11 should tell us this much, where people do some really messed up things. I don’t agree with the theory of evolution (...) that’s because I believe in the view of young earth creationism (the Earth is only about 6,000 years old according to the timeline of events in the Bible) and that we were all created by the Heavenly Father.

I don’t know the religious beliefs of the person who vandalized the car but if it was a Christian he/she obviously isn’t a practicing one or they could very well be a fanatic. People are people; we do some really stupid things and evangelical Christians have an even harder time than non-believers because they have to follow the example of Christ while denying their human nature.

say this much it’s very narrow minded of a person to come after a group of people instead of one individual who might have been a Buddhist, Hindu, Muslim or another atheist just to satisfy their need for a scapegoat. Yeah, let’s come after the Christians because they openly defy the belief of evolution and they really HATE that Darwin fish. You want to be mature about the situation go after one person and don’t blame this on a GROUP of individuals who hold a particular set of beliefs.

God Bless,
Bryan Minton

Campaign tactics are getting out of hand

It is my personal opinion that the Republican Congressional Committee has gone too far. I remember back when running for public office was an honor. Now it has been reduced to little more than a schoolyard argument.

Political debates are now reduced to cries of “did not” and “did so!”

My own hatred and sheer disrespect reached a boiling point when I received a propaganda flyer in the mail with a congressional candidate’s home phone number on it, instructing me to call him up and harass him.

I don’t know about the other voters, but that tactic had all the subtlety of Kim II Sung (Our great leader) and I’ll be damned if I’ll be coerced into voting for the people who would terrorize an innocent family just to win an election.

I personally don’t like people who make my choices for me and ramrod their candidate down my throat. It infuriates me that they think that they have the power to make me call up someone at home and harass them.

Where I grew up, doing that would result in serious trouble. To me, not being able to choose a candidate for myself makes this country the same as North Korea or some other country where people lack the ability to vote for whoever they please.

I may not know everyone else’s opinion but I do know that when the next election comes around, I’m going to think very hard about who I am going to choose for office.

Galen Jeong

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By Dann Lusk
The Chanticleer Features Editor

A "hell of a time" is to be had tomorrow night at the third 92-J Benefit.

The benefit begins at Brother's Bar at 8 p.m. with Ricky Carden taking the stage first. Following Ricky Carden is Blue Routes, Catalytic, Unit and an impromptu jam session featuring members of Snap 9A.

Saturday's lineup will kick off at 9 p.m. and feature Aeolian, Ladder 6, Caddle, Adelayda and Suburban Love Junkies.

"[There are] lots of acts that have played Jacksonville before," said Jordan Brewer, program director of 92-J. "And then [there are] also bands that are making a name outside of Alabama, not just outside of Jacksonville."

One act that has played Jacksonville before at The Last Straw is singer-songwriter Ricky Carden.

Blue Routes, formerly known as Kudzu Soup, got their humble beginnings in Anniston. They just recently released their first CD in April named after the band's original name.

Another band that recently released their first album, Snap 9A, will be appearing on stage with a select few of their members and some of their past performers of last spring's benefit, and Caddle will follow Aeolian. Both bands feature members of a band named Jetstar 7.

Adelayda is one of the more well-known bands playing the benefit. They recently began a southeastern airplay campaign and have been heard on stations from Tallahassee, Fla., all the way to 107.7 The X in Birmingham. Aside from 92-J, The X was the first major station to pick their music up, according to Jeff Holmes, lead singer of the band.

"The band is one of three returning to the benefit for a second time. They played our benefit last spring, and everybody I know was really impressed with their show," said Brewer.

Since their recent success, Holmes said their show is "more professional" now. "With our recent success, we've all been able to focus on our music 100 percent instead of having to work day jobs and whatnot," he said.

"[Loyal X listeners] may just be going to see Adelayda and they're gonna end up seeing four other bands that are gonna rock their asses off," said Brewer.

The final one of the bands expected to "rock their asses off" is the Suburban Love Junkies.

Cover for the benefit is $4.92 for 21 and up and $6.92 for 18 to 20 each night. "If [students] haven't seen any of these local bands, this is gonna be the perfect time because they're gonna be paying the price that they would to go see one band for five bands," said Brewer.

Music of the bands playing will be featured on 92-J, as well as band interviews before the benefit.

"We have a hell of a time — anybody that's ever been to a benefit knows this," said Brewer. "Everybody's just out to have a good time, enjoy some good music and just hang out."

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Chicago Tribune

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Homecoming yard displays will not be held this year due to the lack of interest from campus organizations, according to Andrew Symonds, SGA director of publicity. “They were a big hassle and really expensive,” he said. “It kinda needed itself out.”

The deadline for float applications is Oct. 30 at 4 p.m. Any organization is eligible to host a float. Applications must be turned in to the Student Activities Office located on the fourth floor of the TMB.

For more information on homecoming events contact the Student Activities Office at 782-5491 or go to the office located on the fourth floor of the TMB.

Organizational Spotlight: Rotary Club

By Katja Sunnarborg

The Chanticleer Staff Writer

Something new is coming to JSU’s campus this year called Rotaract, a program that’s part of Rotary International.

The first meeting for the Rotaract will be on Nov. 11, at 8 p.m. at the International House and according to Dr. Brent Cunningham, professor in the department of management and marketing, “This is a student organization, for all business minded students, not meaning just business majors, but students interested about business and international markets.”

In Cunningham’s words this club is essential to the University “because we know that we are becoming a global society and we can’t sit here (in the United States) anymore and say whatever we say is it. We have to know what is going on worldwide and this is one of those ways students can broaden their understanding and knowledge.”

Today there are 7,000 Rotaract clubs in 151 countries with more than 165,000 members and now JSU is becoming part of those numbers.

Cunningham will help with Dr. John Ketterer, the director of the International programs, to get Rotaract started at JSU, but eventually according to Ketterer, students will form an executive board of Rotaract and make the decisions.

According to Cunningham, there will be formal meetings, usually every two weeks, guest speakers, tours to local businesses, community activities, helping the local Rotary club and several other events happening during the year.

Also several students will be sent as representatives to the Rotary International convention, held annually in a different location somewhere around the world.

Some of the goals Rotaract has, according to Cunningham, is to develop professional and leadership skills, to emphasize respect for the rights of others, to practice and promote ethical standards as leadership qualities and to develop knowledge and understanding of the needs, problems and opportunities in the community and worldwide. “It is also a great opportunity to see Prozac, page 7
get to know about different countries and their way of doing business and also when getting an internship somewhere," according to Cunningham. "Rotaract is a great change for interaction and networking."

The Rotary Club at Anniston sponsors JSU’s Rotaract club and joining is free of charge. Also according to Cunningham, several professors and staff members at JSU are part of the Rotary International. “The purpose of Rotaract is to promote rotary type of activities among students who are future businessmen and future entrepreneurs,” said Dr. Ketterer. Its purpose is to broaden the understanding and knowledge of how businesses work in the United States as well as in other countries. It is can also be a stepping stone for Rotary later on.

that happiness is about material things or about status. Happiness comes from somewhere else, and that is where the “American dream” failed. I can truly relate to her thought, “Sometimes I wish I could walk around with a HANDLE WITH CARE sign stuck on my forehead.”

I do not wonder why this book is one of the most read books in colleges. For most of us, we have our bad days and problems, and we deal with them in our own ways. Wurtzel knows what it is like and she is not afraid to tell about it. She knows that there are days when you are so consumed by depression that you wonder why the whole world around you won’t stop and suffer with you, and then there are days when you couldn’t feel lonelier. In doing this she is giving hope, being an example herself. The world might be depressing, but that doesn’t mean we have to be.
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**Who's hot and who's not-so-hot**

By Anthony Hill
The Chanticleer Sports Editor

The Gamecocks' ultimate goal was to win the Southland Conference title, before the season began. After all, it's the football team's last chance at winning it before moving to the Ohio Valley Conference next season.

Well, No. 2 McNeese State took advantage of a few costly turnovers and executed its running game en route to a 28-20 win over the Gamecocks in front of 15,600 fans at Cowboy Stadium last Saturday. The loss also dashed any chance of the Gamecocks capturing a SLC title.

"We turned the ball over too much," said quarterback Reggie Stanton. "If we don't turn the ball over, it's the difference in the game."

"I think the difference in the game was Vic King," said head coach Jack Crowe. "I thought earlier, we couldn't stop McNeese State from running the ball. McNeese did a very good job of wearing us down and using two tailbacks."

King rushed for over 200 yards for the second-straight year against the Gamecocks, actually 208 yards on 25 carries to lead the Cowboys to the victory. He broke a 78-yard run to set up a Luke Lawton touchdown with 7:14 to go in the fourth quarter to seal the win for the Cowboys.

"That was the game," Crowe said. "Two (Martin) and 17 (King) made some plays on us. You take them out of the game I see it being flat even, to be honest with you."

The Gamecocks still had a chance to tie the game late in the game, but an off-sides penalty decreased their chances. Sophomore tight end Bakari Young jumped offsides on a crucial fourth-and-two play with less than five minutes to go in the fourth quarter.

"It's part of the game," Stancil said. "Those type of things hurt us, but that one play was part of the game. We had a lot of mistakes tonight."

JSU began the game with a 7-0 lead after DeWayne Cuffie scooped up a McNeese State fumble and sprinted 56 yards for the touchdown with 6:37 left in the first quarter. That was also Jax State's second fumble returned for a score this season and also the third consecutive game the defense has scored a touchdown.

"That kind of gave us a cushion, knowing they weren't going to just jump out on us early and just run the ball for the rest of the night," Cuffie said.

"DeWayne Cuffie played a great football game," Crowe said. "I think our defense gave up five plays that, in effect, were difference makers."

The Cowboys answered the score with a 63-yard, six-play drive, capped by a 7-yard touchdown run by Jacob Prim. John Marino connected on the PAT to tie the game at seven with 4:18 to go in the opening quarter.

Jax State regained the lead after Steven Lee hit a 34-yard field goal with 6:05 to go in the second quarter. It was his first since hitting the game-winning field goal against Alabama A&M earlier this season.

The Cowboys then took control of the game by scoring two touchdowns over the next five minutes. Jermaine Martin and Lawton caught touchdown passes from Pendavious to end the half with a 21-10 lead.

The Gamecocks began the second half strong after Ralph Jenkins hauled in a 32-yard touchdown pass from Stancil. Lee added the extra point to make the score 21-17 with 4:25 left in the third quarter.

Jax State pulled to within one point after Lee hit a 36-yarder with 8:31 to go in the game. But, that was as close as the Cowboys allowed the Gamecocks. Three plays later they scored on a long run and sealed the deal.

The Gamecocks are now in a do-or-die situation and must win the final four games in order to have a chance at the playoffs. That's the goal JSU will host Stephen F. Austin on Saturday. The game is set for 2 p.m.

"I'm optimistic," Crowe said. "I expect to win. We are now put on a challenge to win four games and get into the playoffs. That's the goal we're working with."

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**Soccer cools off in Florida losses**

From staff & wire reports

three Gamecock shots hit the crossbar. Junior Patty MacDowell scored the team's first goal at 5:41 of the first half, with a great pass from Lawton. Two Tech players,רכת, referring to the loss to UCF.

"We controlled the first half and allowed a goal, but in the second half, just didn't have the ball," MacDowell said.

**Cross country teams struggle at Auburn meet**

From staff & wire reports

for Jax State. Morgan finished 150th with a time of 27:00.5.
Volleyball gets two key A-Sun victories

From staff reports

With the season quickly coming to an end, the Jacksonville State volleyball team continues to push for a spot in the Atlantic Sun tournament. After dropping a match to Jacksonville University, the Gamecocks took their frustrations out on Stetson and Lipscomb this week.

JSU pounded Stetson 3-1 (30-32, 31-25, 33-35, 30-27) last Saturday. Senior Sarah Taylor had 19 kills and 11 digs to push the Gamecocks to a key Atlantic Sun victory. JSU had to come from behind in every game to contend for the match, even by as much as 11-4 in the fourth game.

"We dug a hole for ourselves in every game and we had the courage and heart to fight," said head coach Rick Nold. "We stuck it out and stepped up and made plays."

Junior Christina Cary had 15 kills and hit .433 on the night, while senior Meredith Duke had 17 assists and 14 digs, which were both career highs.

Junior Jennifer Brenneman added 16 digs and four assists for the Gamecocks.

Kira Smedley had 21 kills and 14 digs for Stetson, while DeeAnn Dempsey had 17 kills.

The Gamecocks improved to 9-11 overall and 4-4 in the Atlantic Sun Conference.

"It was a hard-fought game," said Brenneman. "We were down three games to none and we came back to win."
Nicholls downs SWT to retake SLC lead; Sam Houston beats S.F. Austin

**Nicholls State 24,**  **Southwest Texas 21**

SAN MARCOS, Texas (AP) — Josh Son ran for 106 yards on 19 carries and a touchdown for Nicholls State, which took a 24-7 lead and held on for a 24-21 win over Southwest Texas State on Saturday.

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**Sam Houston St. 10,**  **Stephen F. Austin 7**

NACOGDOCHES, Texas (AP) — Maurice Harris ran two yards for a touchdown with 6:36 to play as Sam Houston State beat Stephen F. Austin 10-7 on Saturday.

The game was scoreless until the third quarter, when Stephen F. Austin took the lead on Micha Williams' 3-yard touchdown pass to Kevin Landry.

The Bearkats cut the margin to 7-3 early in the fourth on Joey Price's 42-yard field goal.

Michael Thompson's interception, with 9:41 left, set up the winning touchdown.

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**Northwestern St. 38,**  **SW Oklahoma 0**

NATCHITOCHES, La. (AP) — Derrick Johnese ran for 104 yards and two touchdowns as Northwestern State defeated Southwest Oklahoma 38-0 Saturday.

Kevin Magee threw for 111 yards and two touchdowns for Northwestern State (6-1), which came into the game ranked No. 5 in Division I-AA.

Magee's longest pass was a 62-yard strike to Prentis West that gave the Demons a 7-0 lead less than two minutes into the game.

Johnese's touchdown runs went for 3 and 69 yards.

Southwestern Oklahoma (5-2), which is trying to win its third straight game after two games to start the season, beat Stephen F. Austin 28-24 this past Saturday.

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- Oct. 24
  - Northwestern State at Nicholls State

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- S.F. Austin at Jacksonville State, 2 p.m.
- McNeese State at Sam Houston State

Recent results:

- Oct. 22
  - Samford 3, Mercer 2
  - Jacksonville State 3, Lipscomb 1
  - Arkansas State 3, Belmont 0
  - NC A&T 3, Campbell 2
  - Memphis 3, Belmont 0

- Oct. 19
  - Troy State 3, Gardner-Webb 0
  - Samford 3, Jacksonville 2
  - Florida Atlantic 3, Belmont 0
  - Jacksonville State 3, Stetson 1

Recent results:

- Oct. 31
  - UCF 5, Samford 2
  - Florida Atlantic 3, Jacksonville State 0
  - Thomas 2, Troy State 2 (ot)

- Oct. 19
  - Campbell 1, Georgia State 0
  - UCF 3, Jacksonville State 0
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  - Jacksonville 5, Stetson 0
  - Florida Atlantic 1, Samford 0

- x-clinched berth in conference tournament Nov. 7-8, Buelles Creek, N.C. (top 5 advance)
1 on 1 with Thrill: Hometown hero Michelle Tippets

By Anthony "Thrill" Hill
The Chanticleer sports Editor

Freshman volleyball player Michelle Tippets is a legend in this area. She's a former All-State performer at Jacksonville High School. Tippetslettered in volleyball, basketball, softball and soccer.

All you have to do is simply say her last name and most people will know who you're talking about. The Tippets family is known for their athletic ability.

Michelle's brothers and younger sister all excelled in various sports. After a year without sports, Tippets decided to leave BYU and give volleyball another shot.

I caught up with her on Monday morning to see how the transition has been coming along and to find out why she chose to come to JSU.

Thrill: How's everything going Michelle?
Michelle: (Laughs.) Pretty good.
Thrill: Now, you didn't play any sports last year while at BYU. Why did you decide to come back to Jacksonville and play volleyball?
Michelle: Well, I just missed it so much. After high school, I didn't think I wanted to play anymore. I thought that I just wanted to be a student. And then, I got out there and I missed it so much.
Thrill: What was it like at BYU? I bet it was cold in Utah.

Michelle: Oh yeah. It was definitely a lot different than it is here. The classes were a lot harder too. But, it was fun. It was just a totally different culture.

Thrill: How hard is it to come back and play, after taking a year off? That's never easy, no matter what sport it is.
Michelle: No, when I came I felt like I was going to get kicked off the team.
Thrill: Were you bad?
Michelle: I was pretty bad. (Both laugh.) The first practice, I couldn't believe it. I was like, "Oh man. What am I going to do?" I didn't know if I made the right decision to come back or not. I was scared.

Thrill: I've seen it a number of times in my life, where an individual that happens to be Mormon, gives up their athletic dreams to go on a Crusade or complete a mission. How difficult was it for you to simply go without playing last year?
Michelle: I was just a student. I didn't have anything to identify with. I kind of felt small. I didn't have anything to do.

Thrill: What was it like to play your first game in Pete Mathews Coliseum, in front of your family and friends? It must have been a thrill for you.
Michelle: Yeah, it was a lot of fun. I was way nervous though. I was too jumpy. I felt like there were high expectations for me because of how I played in high school.

Thrill: Do you see any weaknesses in your game that came from being away from competition for a little while?
Michelle: Yeah, because college is totally different from high school. Totally different. It's a quicker pace. I'm still kind of slow, but I'm working on that too.

Thrill: Now you played a number of sports in high school. You've also been around sports your entire life. You can play soccer, basketball and softball. Is there a chance we can see Michelle play another sport before it's all said and done?
Michelle: Probably not. I played basketball in high school and all my teammates used to ask me why my little sister was so much better than me. I was pretty good at other sports, but volleyball was my thing.

Thrill: OK. Let's talk about the season for a moment. We're not doing that bad, but don't you think we could be doing a lot better? There's a lot of talent on the team.
Michelle: Yeah. I think we're getting a lot better. We just have stretches of games where we're really intense and others, where we're not too intense. We just need to put it all together.

Thrill: What type of things do you do before games? Do you have a ritual or anything like that?
Michelle: You know, I've been trying to find that good luck thing. I've been trying different socks and stuff. (Both laugh.) I haven't really found one yet. (Both laugh again.) I just listen to some good music to pump me up. I love Britney Spears. I get made fun of like Britney Spears. I get made fun of pretty bad because of that. (Both laugh.) We don't play her in the locker room.

Thrill: I like Britney too. You gotta get some Britney playing in there too.
Michelle: (Both laugh.) I know!

Thrill: Tell me how good you think the volleyball team is.
Michelle: Um, I think we could be pretty good. We're on at times, off at times. I think we have the potential to be good the next few years.

Thrill: How's your relationship with the team?
Michelle: Good. Everyone is really fun.

Thrill: Good. Now you've been around JSU athletics for a long time. Do you have an all-time favorite Gamecock athlete? It can be someone from the past or present.
Michelle: Jeremy Wilson used to go here. He used to go to Jacksonville High School. I used to like him a lot. (Laughs.)

Thrill: OK. We can go with that. Tell me what you like to do when you have free time.
Michelle: I love to hang out with my family. I have a really big family. I like to go shopping. Um, I like to see movies and rest whenever I can.

Thrill: What was the last book you read?
Michelle: I haven't read a book since high school.

Thrill: You haven't read a book since high school?
Michelle: Well, I've read textbooks. I read one at BYU that I had to read. I think it was called "A Separate Peace." Thrill: When you're looking for a significant other, what type of qualities do you look for?
Michelle: Got to have a sense of humor. It has to be someone I can joke around with. I just want a nice guy that likes to have fun.

Thrill: I've said it before, but you can play a lot of sports. What's your favorite sport to watch?
Michelle: I like watching football a lot. I just like watching sports that my brothers played.

Thrill: OK. Let's do some free association. Cameron Diaz.
Michelle: Cool.

Thrill: Purple.
Michelle: Favorite color.
Thrill: Jacksonville Golden Eagles. (Michelle's high school.)
Michelle: High school.

Thrill: Gamecock volleyball.
Michelle: Awesome.
Thrill: Britney Spears.
Michelle: Way cool. (Both laugh.)

Thrill: My idol.
Michelle: President Bill Meehan.

Thrill: He's a nice guy. He has cute kids too.

Thrill: Melissa Starck.
(Asst. volleyball coach)
Michelle: Awesome coach.

Thrill: Well, that's it. Good luck on the season.
Michelle: Thank you. It was nice meeting you.
Thrill: You too.
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