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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. "Its 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. Rebecca 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

Housing seeks to reduce loitering around dorms

By Miranda Bryant
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

Loitering around campus residence halls is decreasing after student and parent complaints, and more student activities 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



JSU students pass time in front of Sparkman Hall on Tuesday. University Housing is trying to keep students from loitering.

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...vice president of academic and student affairs, "We set up multiple Marathons because programs and departments thought a particular Marathon would meet their unit's needs, but what has happened is that it has evolved into so many that it's impossible to manage it well."

Cambron said these problems are especially evident when students try to pay for their tuition during these terms. She said if a student was taking overlapping terms and tried to pay for one of them, the student may end up paying for the wrong one without knowing it. Therefore, the classes for the other term that

...financial aid was constantly going through the Bursar's Office and Computer Services to correct students' financial aid simply because the mainframe program won't handle all the Marathon terms.

Vivian Brown, the scholarship coordinator, said her biggest problem with the system came when students were registered in overlapping terms, because the system paid for both of them at the same time even though one starts later.

"The only way I could keep it from paying out was to put it on

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ally from the parents who come to visit," said Police Chief Nelson Coleman.

Humphrey said the activities on campus are piling up.

Students from Freshman Forum and the Student Government Association were concerned about the high degree of loitering that bothered so many students going in and out of the residence halls at night, but the issue has been helped as the number of student activities has picked up.

"The loitering used to bother me," said freshman Heather Moore, "but I think it's cleared

up." JSU students pass time in front of Sparkman Hall on Tuesday. University Housing is trying to keep students from loitering around dorm entrances after some students complained of feeling unsafe.

Moore is a resident of Sparkman Hall, where most of the loitering happened.

According to Humphrey, many students do not begin studying until midnight, so they need somewhere to go in the evening.

"We are having things at Leon Cole auditorium," Humphrey said, "and we are trying to get recreational areas inside the residence halls."

"People used to hang out all over the front steps," said

Aubree Nisley, a freshman resident of Fitzpatrick Hall.

"We don't have a common area in some of the residence halls," Humphrey said, "and students don't want to be too far away from their buildings."

Marquis Wood, a sophomore, said the resident assistant at Dauge Hall has had to clear people out from the front entrance, but they are not ticketed for loitering.

The University Police Department works closely with Housing on this loitering issue,

said Humphrey.

"If someone is bothering you, then we need to know," Humphrey said. "The police need a description."

Aside from the added activities around campus, the weather has prevented some students from gathering outside

"It's been too cold to hang out here at night," said Brandon Coleman, a resident of Dauge Hall.

"JSU is always going to have this issue," Humphrey said "It's all about socialization."

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 am 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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Trustee James Bennett.



The Chanticleer/Benjamin Cunningham
Pete Mathews presided over his last trustees meeting as chairman of the board on Monday. The 84-year-old Mathews has served 36 years on the board.

Trustees borrow \$15 million, give 3 percent raise

By Benjamin Cunningham
The Chanticleer Editor in Chief

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

passed at its April meeting. The projects include the \$8 million renovation of Ayers Hall, which will house the mathematics, computer science and technology departments.

Renovations to the athletic field house, to the old Jacksonville High School gym and to a newly purchased building on Fort McClellan will also be financed through the bond issue. Plans are for the former high school gym to

become a multi-purpose athletic facility, and for the Ft. McClellan building to house classroom space for JSU and Gadsden State Community College. Construction on all the projects should be completed during the 2004-2005 school year, according to JSU President Dr. Bill Meehan.

The faculty raises were made possible through increased tuition revenue as well.

"We've increased 7.1 in student fees," said Meehan. **see Trustees, page 4**

Police ask for dialogue with sniper

By Shannon McCaffery, Seth Borenstein and Tony Pugh
Knight Ridder Newspapers

ROCKVILLE, Md. - A bus driver was shot and killed Tuesday in what appeared to be the 10th slaying by a Washington-area sniper, and authorities revealed the chilling partial contents of a note the sniper left them over the weekend: "Your children are not safe anywhere at anytime."

Montgomery County, Md. Police Chief Charles Moose, whose investigators believe they have been in contact with the snipers for several days, late Tuesday used a press conference to deliver a cryptic response to the sniper, possibly in regard to his reported demand for millions of dollars.

Moose said police had researched the option presented "and found it is not possible electronically to comply in the manner that you requested." Moose urged the assailant to call back and continue the dialogue.

"You indicated that this is about more than violence," Moose said. "It is important that we do this without anyone else getting hurt."

Moose refused to elaborate or take questions.

The threat against children was added as a postscript in a letter left Saturday near a steak-



KRT Photo/Chuck Kennedy
Montgomery County Police Chief Charles Moose, center, flanked by FBI Special Agent in Charge Gary Bald, right, issues a statement during a press conference, Tuesday in Rockville, Maryland.

house in Ashland, Va., where the gunman wounded a Florida man. In the note, the sniper sought a reported \$10 million.

Richmond, Va., area officials shut down schools Monday and Tuesday in response to the note. In Montgomery County, where students have been kept inside and the schools locked down since Oct. 3, schools remained open Tuesday and Superintendent Jerry Weast said in a letter to parents and staff posted online that schools would open again Wednesday. Weast said it was to "underscore the importance of maintaining the operations of our schools today, even under the most difficult of circumstances."

Early Tuesday morning, Conrad Johnson, 35 and a father of two, was gunned down on the top step of a commuter bus in Aspen Hill, Md. If the killing is connected to the sniper, it will mark the shooter's return to Montgomery County, where the rampage began and where the death toll already stands at five.

Johnson was shot just two long blocks from the Michael's craft store where gunfire shattered a window Oct. 2. Patrons were unharmed. Ballistics evidence from the store matched the gun subsequently used by the sniper, who has since shot 12 people. Three of his victims were

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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 stu-

dents 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 the 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.

Summer Term Changes

2002 Calendar

May • April 30-May 28
 Summer I • June 3-June 28
 Summer II • July 2-July 30
 Marathon A • April 30-June 28
 Marathon B • June 3-July 30
 Marathon C • May 13-June 7
 Marathon D • June 10-July 12
 Marathon E • July 15-Aug. 9
 Marathon G • April 30-June 11
 Marathon H • June 12-July 24
 Marathon J • April 30-July 30
 Marathon X • June 13-July 31
 Marathon P • Aug. 29-Dec. 10
 Marathon Q • Jan. 7-April 23
 Marathon R • April 30-July 30
 Marathon S • July 31-Aug. 23

2003 Calendar

May • April 29-May 27
 Summer I • June 2-June 27
 Summer II • July 1-July 29
 Marathon A • April 29-June 27 (May/Summer I)
 Marathon B • June 2-July 29 (Summer I/Summer II)
 Marathon G • April 29-June 10 (six-week term)
 Marathon H • June 11-July 23 (six-week term)
 Marathon J • April 29-July 29 (twelve-week term)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Alpha Omicron Pi:** Congrats to this week's Sister of the Week- Leslie Daniel, and Positive Panda Award-Ashley Stedham. Good luck to Ashley, Kristi and Sarah in the Homecoming Pageant. Thanks to everyone who gave money for Stick Up for Arthritis. **Contact:** Leann Davis, leannJSU@hotmail.com
- **Alpha Xi Delta:** Good luck Carrie, Courtney, and Katie tonight in the Homecoming Pageant! We know you'll do a great job! We hope all our new members had a great Big/Little Week! We love our new littles!! Sisters of the week: Jessica S. and Kaleena. New Member of the week: Jessica Smith. **Contact:** Katie Green: 782-7535.
- **The Archaeology Club** will meet Oct. 24 at 7 p.m. in 142 Martin Hall. Archaeologist Keith Little will give a presentation entitled "Bonehead Archaeology or An Introduction to Archaeology." All students are encouraged to attend and refreshments will be provided. **Contact:** Dr. Harry Holstein, 142 Martin Hall, 782-5656 or hholstein@jsucc.jsu.edu
- **Career Placement Services:** "Secrets for Success" panel discussion on Oct. 30, at 1:45-2:45 p.m., 101 Merrill Building. Ten distinguished alumni will speak to students about achieving success and avoiding pitfalls in the business world. **Contact:** Janet White, 782-5482.
- **Criminal Justice Department Seminar Series "Satanic Tourism"** Oct. 26 at 8 a.m. This seminar will offer an overview of the possible impacts, alternative lifestyles, beliefs, and practices can have upon a person's behavior. **Students may receive one credit hour (CJ 488) Speaker: Dr. Gordon Arthur Crews, Pd.D. **Contact:** William Coulter, will_coulter@yahoo.com
- **Delta Zeta:** We are happy to be celebrating our Centennial Year today!! Thanks KA and Sigma Nu for two great mixers. Thanks to everyone who came out and supported our annual turtle tug it was a huge success!! Congrats to our newest new members. We love our Little sisters!! **Contact:** Tavia McMunn at lamdaisycrazy@hotmail.com
- **Freshman Forum** is looking forward to meeting our SGA Bigs. **Contact:** Katie Scott; katiescott@hotmail.com
- **The Jacksonville Area Association for the Education of Young Children (JAAEYC)** will meet on Oct. 24, 12:30-1:30 p.m. in 108, Ramona Wood Hall. All members and prospective members are invited to attend. The topic will be "Preparing for Student Teaching: What You Can Do Now." **Contact:** Shoney Brice, julia_16171819@hotmail.com
- **The International House** invites the JSU community to "The United Nations Day Tea" on Oct. 27 from 1:30-4 p.m. The program will begin at 2 p.m. Please join us as we celebrate the diversity of the JSU community and share the richness of our cultures. **Contact:** Dr. John J. Ketterer, director, 782-5303, jketerer@jsucc.jsu.edu
- **The International Student Organization** is having a Halloween Party on Nov. 1, at 8:30 p.m. in the International House Basement. Students and faculty are welcome to dress up and join us in the festivities. **Contact:** Debbie Russell, 782-5674, drussell@jsucc.jsu.edu
- **Peer Counselors:** Come on Gamecocks - think outside of your shell! Become a Peer Counselor!

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 hook-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

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International House Basement. Students and faculty are welcome to dress up and join us in the activities.

Contact: Debbie Russell, 782-5674, drussell@jsucc.jsu.edu

• **Peer Counselors:** Come on Gamecocks - think outside of your shell! Become a Peer Counselor! Applications are now available in the Office of Student Activities, room 402 TMB. **Contact:** Rosalind Moore and Robert Hayes, 782-5491.

• **Phi Mu** thanks Kappa Sigma for a great pumpkin-carving mixer. Congratulations

Lexi, Panhellenic's new 2nd vice president. Dig into your pockets and help out our philanthropy with Trick-Or-Treat for change this Halloween! Sunshine Award: Jill; Athlete: Paige W; Phi Mu Lady of the Week: Alyson. We Love our Phis! **Contact:** Brianna Bladen, 782-6145.

• **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/jvillets1> **Contact:** Justin Davis, jvillets1@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. Everyone visit Delta Chi's Haunted Forest and have a great week! **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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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

- 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 Charnock, Jr., of Douglasville, Ga., reported theft of property to JSUPD occurring at Crow Hall. A mountain bike was stolen.
- Oct. 22—Michael D. Hulsey, 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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Little (Z)	Y	Marsh	N
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 entered, they will immediately
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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
 nowhere. 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
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 their student email accounts.
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 cation between faculty mem-
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 said.



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dent enrollment," 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.

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growth of Jacksonville State University from maybe 3,000 students to 9,000, and the campus to be more than triple in size."

Mathews' beginnings, however, were very humble.

"I was a child of the Depression," Mathews said. "My mother in the 30's rented a house for \$5 a month. At one time, my mother was 10 months behind on her payment. That's how impoverished I grew up."

That all changed for Mathews shortly after he graduated from high school. He said he was hanging out at a filling station when a football coach approached him with some good news.

"He said, 'I understand they have money to lend up in Jacksonville State Teachers' College.' The next morning I hitchhiked to Jacksonville. I went in to see the president, Dr. Daugette, and made arrangements to borrow money."

Mathews received his state teacher's license, but the military soon called his name. He served for four years during World War II. When he got out, the GI Bill allowed him to attend law school.

He returned to his hometown of Ashland, Ala., where he practiced for 10 years.

"After I'd been here practicing 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 Pete Mathews 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.

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wounded, including a 13-year-old boy who was on his way to school in Bowie, Md.

After Tuesday morning's shooting, police swung into action, clamping roadblocks on some of the main traffic arteries in the Washington region as the morning commute was getting under way. Traffic was snarled for miles until roadblocks were lifted midmorning.

Police cast an even wider net Tuesday than they had before, pulling over male drivers in all sorts of vehicles instead of focusing on the white vans and box trucks that witnesses at earlier shootings had described and on which authorities had concentrated.

"The dragnet is a long shot," said Joseph McNamara, a former San Jose, Calif., police chief and FBI consultant. McNamara said such a technique was most successful when authorities had a particular license plate number, vehicle or suspect description to narrow their search.

Moose said 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.

"We're 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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boys, always taking care of them."

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.



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OPINION

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In Our View 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, staff and 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 state-wide 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 decisions 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.

Discipline, support and example: that's mom & dad

When I was little, I got in trouble a good bit with my parents. The youngest of two children, I had to have my fair share of attention, which ultimately came as I cried and told on my sister for hitting me, or starting some various form of fighting.

OK, OK, so maybe I was a little dramatic as a child (not much has changed), maybe I did throw the all-too-occasional temper tantrum, but I was punished for my actions. My parents, cool and calm as always, had a couple of kinds of punishment. Groundings or spankings, and every now and then, a combination of the two, were our usual forms of discipline. I

By Stephanie Pendergrass
The Chanticleer Managing Editor



for one would choose a good grounding over the latter.

When my sister and I would get in trouble for our random acts of stupidity, I didn't understand what were supposed to be learning. Maybe my parents just liked sending us to our rooms, maybe they liked us being scared of another spanking. As I've gotten older though, I've begun to understand the point they were trying to get across.

I feel like I'm very fortunate to have had parents that punished me when I did something I shouldn't have. Don't get me wrong, my whole childhood wasn't an endless collection of punishment. My

mom and dad bragged about their kids. They consistently told us they were proud of us, and continue to do so. My parents tried to instill some morals in me, and teach me right from wrong though. I'm hoping I behave as if I have some morals. If so, thanks Mom and Dad.

In their endless pursuit of teaching me lifelong lessons, my parents have let me make my own mistakes, and consequently learn from those. They've taught me through their mistakes as well, and I'm forever grateful for all that they've done over the years.

One of the particular lessons my parents taught me, is the fact that I'm not better than anyone, but at the same time no one is better than me. They taught me that I'm equal to anyone else, and through hard work, I can achieve just about anything.

Another lesson they've taught me is that family comes first. You can pick your friends, but not your family. And while sometimes you'd rather be around the people not related to you, there are obligations to meet within the family unit.

I've seen my mom and dad completely stop what they were doing, to be with a sick or hurt family member. They comforted my great-grandmother as she was dying; they've taken my grandfather to the emergency room on

many occasions; when my grandmother's basement flooded, guess who was there, and the list goes on and on. My parents are many things, but selfish isn't one of them. Their work in looking out for others is constant.

When I was younger, I had so many role models. I was extremely naive, and trusted that everyone had the best of intentions. Over the years however, my parents have been two of the role models that have stood strong. They haven't let me down and have shown me what I ultimately want to be.

When I feel like I'm getting nowhere, that my future's unclear, I talk to my parents. Believe it or not, but our parents were once our age too. Amazing, I know. Usually as the scene plays out, I'm told not to worry, to pray about it, and to work hard. They taught me to be fairly levelheaded, as my dad recently told me, and they trust me and my decisions.

I live my life to make myself happy, but in many decisions you make, you have to take other people into consideration. While I've probably never done exactly what my parents have told me to do, I hope they're ultimately happy with the actions I take. Nothing means more to me than knowing my parents love and believe in me, and I hope the feeling is mutual.



IN YOUR VIEW: QUESTION OF THE WEEK

"Why do you think more people do not



“Why do you think more people do not attend JSU sporting events?”

--Compiled by
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Corey McDaniel
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“Because more and more people are becoming less interested in sports.”



Jessica Walthall
Junior
Criminal justice

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



Kenya Hawking
Junior
Marketing

“Because we are a small school.”



Beth Price
Junior
Computer science

“Because people would rather go home and watch SEC games.”



Chrissy 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 he did not come to condemn and judge.

Judgement belongs to God. He did not command us as Christians to “go ye into all the world” and destroy personal property.

We are to share our faith in love. Instead of tearing the Darwin fish off, perhaps you should have left a tract.

I believe in witnessing aggressively, but with an aggressive love: not an aggressive hate.

Mr. Gilbert, there is a God and he loves you. That’s the true message of our faith.

Amy Carroll

Don’t blame Christianity for acts of an individual

I’m going to 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,
Bryant 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 **subtly** 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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FEATURES

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Third 92-J Benefit jams tomorrow night at Brother's

By Danni 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 members of Killing Jacob and Dirk Elvis for an impromptu jam session, according to Brewer. Snap 9A is originally from Jacksonville.

The fledgling band **Unit**, from Jacksonville, recently won Open Mic night at Brother's.

This will be their first benefit performance, according to Brewer.

Catalytic, a veteran of the first benefit, has been getting some recent mentions on Birmingham's 107.7 The X after frequenting The Mill's weekly "Beer, Bands and Bingo" event.

Brewer expects a larger turnout for this semester's benefit than past shows because of locally-based groups such as the ones playing on Friday night. "Each of the bands that have played Jacksonville before have their own little following like Blue Routes and Snap 9A," he said. "And bigger named bands like Adelayda and Suburban Love Junkies will probably be bringing people from Birmingham just to see them here."

Those "bigger named bands" will take the stage on Saturday night. Aeolian, Ladder 6, Caddle, Adelayda and Suburban Love Junkies will begin their night-long set at 9 p.m.

Aeolian, a local band that won Open Mic night at Brother's, will open the show.

Ladder 6, a past performer 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 sta-



Saturday night performers, Adelayda, will hit the stage around midnight. They have received recent airplay from such radio stations as 107.7 The X in Birmingham. Adelayda is one of three returning bands to the 92-J Benefit. Courtesy Adelayda

tion 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 music 100 per-

cent instead of having to work day jobs and whatnot," he said. "[You'll] see a good live show and the music's always played true to form."

Brewer looks forward to seeing Adelayda's show since their success to see how the show has changed and how the audience will react to them now. "Now that 107.7 The X has picked up on them and two of their songs from their EP, lots of people are starting to pick up on Adelayda.

"[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."

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 per-

fect time because they're gonna be paying the price that they would 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."

People's craving for fries is something of a mystery

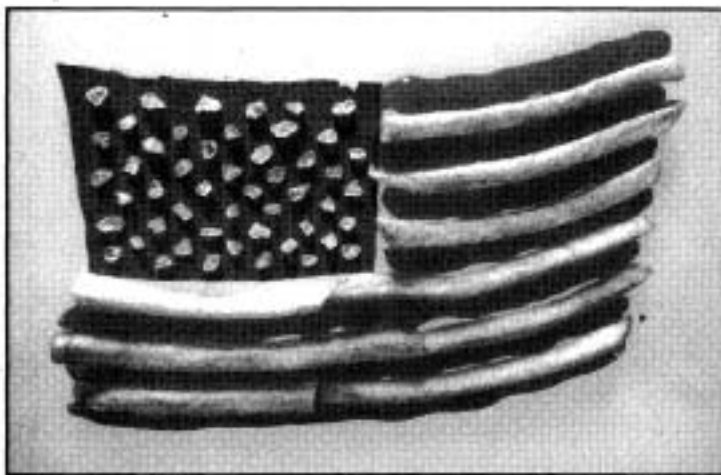
For one thing, it has salt. "Evolutionarily, salt was important to our survival," says

University of California at Davis.

Among the complicating fac-

"Homecoming Hoedown"

SGA starts homecoming off with the pageant and hopes to end it with a "bigger and better parade"



Chicago Tribune/Bob Fila

For one thing, it has salt.

"Evolutionarily, salt was important to our survival," says Alan Hirsch, neurological director of the Smell and Taste Treatment and Research Foundation in Chicago. That may be why salt is at or near the top of our list of food cravings.

And then there's fat.

"We know that fat is very important in flavor" because it affects the aroma of food, which in turn strongly affects our experience of taste, Cadwallader says. Fat controls the release of aroma, allowing only a little bit at a time to escape.

And, of course, we have the potato factor. Here we can give thanks to what scientists call the Maillard Reaction, a chemical reaction involving amino acids and sugars, which produces what we know as that great cooked-potato taste.

But the fry's appeal isn't as neat as a list of ingredients or as clear-cut as a chemical equation.

"No one actually knows why people like certain foods, so you can only make generalizations," says Michael O'Mahony, a professor of food science at the

University of California at Davis.

Among the complicating factors is the psychology of food: We're introduced to french fries as small children, so eating them can trigger positive emotions such as nostalgia, Hirsch says. And we eat fries as treats, so they remind us of times when we felt deserving of a reward.

Taste itself tends to be subjective, with people bringing emotional baggage — say, a bad food poisoning incident - to the table, along with a lifetime of habits and expectations.

Scientists who study taste can't chase such factors from the lab. They ask ordinary people to rate foods on a nine-point scale, Cadwallader says, a process that highlights the subjective nature of taste: "It's a personal opinion, like politics."

And consider this: People tend to like the foods they have grown accustomed to, and avoid the ones that are unfamiliar.

In other words, eating french fries leads to eating french fries.

"I suppose if (McDonald's) made fried broccoli, the next generation would like it too," Hirsch says.

that other foods satisfy our craving for salt and fat, trigger childhood memories, and undergo the chemical reactions that lead to satisfying cooked or "browned" flavors.

And yet none occupies the same place in the American food pantheon as the fry.

"I'm not sure why they've gotten to the point where people appreciate them so much," says Keith Cadwallader, a professor of food science at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Certainly, the fry is a good candidate for side-dish stardom.

By Nara Schoenberg

Chicago Tribune

Add this to the great mysteries of modern life, up there with the ultimate destination of missing socks and the existence of the Adam Sandler Fan Club: What makes the french fry taste so good?

There are answers of course, with ordinary fry-eaters offering, "It's the fat, stupid," and experts pointing to everything from chemistry to nostalgia to evolutionary psychology.

But if you're looking for The Answer, good luck. The truth is

Organizational Spotlight: Rotary Club "Prozac" gives mysterious hope

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

Review by Katja Sunnarborg

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"One day you realize that your entire life is just awful, not worth living. One morning you wake up afraid you are going to live," wrote Elizabeth Wurtzel in her memoir "Prozac Nation," a self-portrait of a young girl growing up into adulthood with depression.

What Wurtzel puts in front of the reader is a scary sight, saying between the lines that this could be you, and this is what some of us go through. While sometimes the reader might feel drawn back from the book - like I did - other times it is impossible to stop reading. It is a book that made me sad, happy, and angry —

Homecoming Hoedown

SGA starts homecoming off with the pageant and hopes to end it with a "bigger and better parade"

By Danni Lusk

The Chanticleer Features Editor

The "Homecoming Hoedown" begins tonight at Leone Cole Auditorium.

The pageant selecting the homecoming court for Nov. 7's crowning will begin at 7 p.m., according to Mardracus Russell, homecoming committee chairman.

Elections for top five and homecoming queen take place on Oct. 31 and Nov. 7 on the fourth floor of the TMB. All students are invited to vote.

This year's theme, "Homecoming Hoedown," will play host over J-Day and the bonfire on Nov. 7 and a "bigger and better parade" on Nov. 9, said Russell. The homecoming queen will be crowned at the bonfire.

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 weeded 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.

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all mixed up at the same time.

One of the powerful statements in this memoir, "The fog is like a cage without a key," forces the reader to stop and think. While clinical depression and other mental illnesses are in growing numbers in our nation, it is interesting to read what one single person goes through when suffering from these illnesses. What Wurtzel is saying is that we shouldn't ignore this; it is a problem and it is right in front of us.

"That's the thing about depression: a human being can survive almost anything, as long as she sees the end in sight," Wurtzel explains to the reader. "But depression is so insidious, and it compounds



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daily, that it is impossible to ever see the end." This is something many of us find ourselves experiencing, which

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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."

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from **Prozac**, page 6

keeps us from knowing what is wrong. That is why this book is important — to tell all those people why they are like they are, and how to deal with it.

Why I found this book as good as it is, is that it gives some mysterious hope to the reader. Most of us want to relate to someone or something and this book gives a target. It is a book that speaks for all, breaking the illusion

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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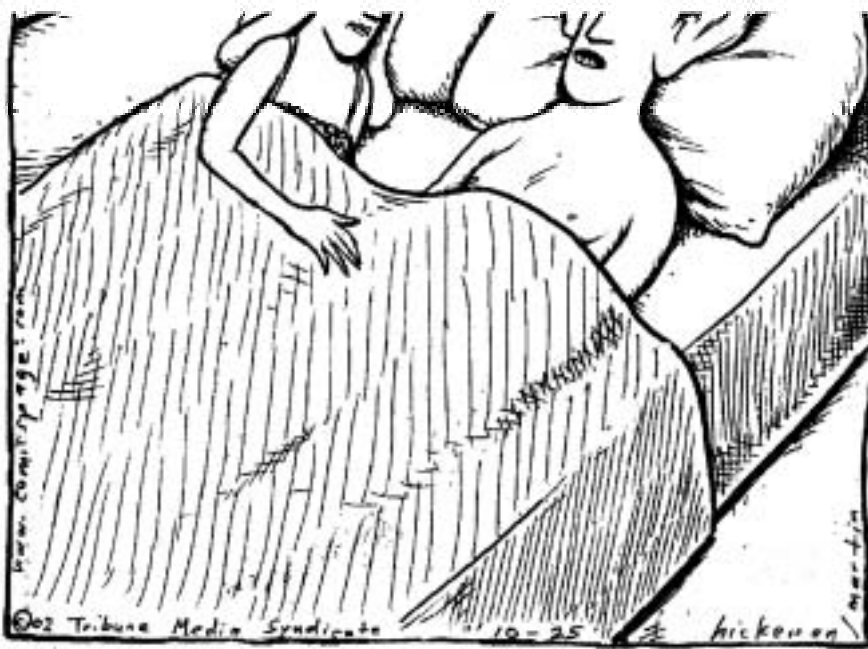
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Who's hot and who's not-so-hot No. 2 Cowboys lasso Gamecocks 28-20

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 Stancil. "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 offside penalty decreased their chances. Sophomore tight end Bakari Young jumped offside 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



Courtesy The Anniston Star/Kevin Qualls
Junior defensive back Neika Willis snatches a pass intended for a McNeese State receiver during Saturday's game in Lake Charles, La. Willis recorded his second interception of the season with 11:47 left in the game. The Gamecocks lost 28-20.

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 Pendarvis 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. 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."

By Anthony Hill
The Chanticleer Sports Editor



All right. Who's hot, and who's not here at JSU? People always ask me who's doing what here at JSU. I usually respond by saying, "Well, the soccer team is playing well and the football team is still trying to make the playoffs, the golf team is still pretty good, and ... I can't wait until basketball season begins."

It's pretty funny how most students perceive the athletics here at Jax State. Most students assume that every team is horribly bad. The fact is most of the teams are pretty good.

Sure, we haven't won a slew of conference titles, but we have won some. The men's golf team won the Atlantic Sun last season. The women's softball team either wins it or almost wins the conference every season. The JSU rifle team is also a consistent contender every season. And, our women's tennis team usually plays very well each year. The men's team is OK, I guess.

Let me set the record straight before the basketball season even starts. I'm going on record by saying that the men WILL win the A-Sun this season. Yeah, I said it. The men will win the conference this season. I know that Poonie Richardson, Jay Heard, Omar Barlett and the Gamecocks will ball out this season and bring

Soccer cools off in Florida losses

From staff & wire reports

three Gamecock shots hit the crossbar.

Junior Patty MacDowell scored the match's first goal at

referring to the loss to UCF. "We controlled the first half and allowed a goal, but in the heat we just didn't have the

Cross country teams struggle at Auburn meet

From staff & wire reports

for Jax State. Morgan finished 150th with a time of 27:02.05

ball out this season and bring Pete Mathews and JSU a conference title. I also think the women's team is good enough to win the conference. There's not too many women who can hold Heather Sheppard, "Fred" Embry and Shanika "Nip" Freeman. They're by far three of the best sophomore players this University has seen in a long time.

Head coach Jack Crowe said that the football team was no longer in the hunt for the conference title, but they're still putting forth effort to make the playoffs. I believe the Gamecocks can put aside the eight point loss they suffered last week and concentrate on winning the rest of the games. There's no reason we shouldn't and won't still make it to post-season play. We have to win all four games remaining on the schedul. After seeing us virtually beat ourselves against the No. 2-ranked team in the nation, I know we can win out. I just hope the team believes that too.

I'm not even gonna to talk about the soccer team. The volleyball team is getting into the swing of things — I think. Their season is winding down and they're trying to finish the season strong, and make the A-Sun tournament. It's head coach Rick Nold's first season here, and fans and supporters can already tell the difference in the teams performance.

So, as you can see, there's more than meets the eye when it comes to athletics here at JSU. We have talented teams full of very talented athletes. Sometimes all they need is some fans to come out and watch them. No one can play very well if no one cares to see them play.

Would most of you try as hard in your classes if you knew no one cared what your grades were at the end of a semester? Would you be completely motivated by your own satisfaction? Probably not.

So, just think about that the next time you're wondering why a certain team isn't doing as well. Maybe they just need a little MORE support. And, Jax State DOES have some good teams and athletes here. So, cheer on your Gamecocks.

After beginning the season on a very high note, the Gamecocks got a taste of reality this week when they took a trip to the Sunshine State to face the University of Central Florida and Florida Atlantic.

JSU seemed to have hit a dry spell and dropped games to both teams. UCF beat the Gamecocks 3-0 last Saturday, while Florida Atlantic also shutout the Gamecocks on Monday.

The week began with JSU falling to UCF at UCF Soccer Field over the weekend. The Golden Knights improved to 12-4 overall and 7-1 in the conference with the win.

"I know the score doesn't show it, but if someone watched this game they would say that JSU can compete," said head coach Lisa Howe.

JSU out-shot UCF 13-9 and

Junior Patty MacDowell scored the match's first goal at the 33:59 mark in the first half as she hit an arching shot over the JSU goalkeeper Amanda Stephens from 10 yards out.

UCF added to it lead at the 67:04 mark when senior Amanda King scored her fourth goal of the season.

The Golden Knights closed out the scoring at the 75:56 mark when freshman Jennifer Montgomery scored her team-leading 13th goal of the season to give UCF the 3-0 win.

The Gamecocks then traveled to Boca Raton to face FAU (11-4, 8-1 A-Sun) on Monday. The Owls also defeated Jax State 3-0 in an Atlantic Sun match-up, that will ultimately be a factor in deciding the post-season tournament rankings.

"We didn't play as well as we did Saturday," Howe said,

and allowed a goal, but in the heat we just didn't have the energy to come back. We didn't create scoring chances and our defense and goalkeeping let us down today."

The match was a battle from the start with back and forth play, until Julie Ferguson scored over her defender to take the shot at point blank range to score what would be the game-winning goal.

In the 50th minute Rhonda Jones scored for the Lady Owls, while Janine Aylward scored the final FAU goal of the day.

JSU was out-shot 13-7 and Gamecock goalkeeper Amanda Stephens finished the game with six saves.

The soccer team will try to regain its winning ways after it travels to Nashville to face Lipscomb on Sunday.

From staff & wire reports

The Jax State cross country team seemed to stagger a little after traveling to Auburn to compete in the Auburn Invitational at Indian Pines Golf Course last Saturday.

The Gamecocks didn't finish as well as they might've liked, being this meet is the last competition they will see before the A-Sun meet next month. Neither the men or women's team finished near the top of the competition.

The men's 8,000-meter race kicked off at 8 a.m. with Southern Methodist University claiming the title with 52 points. Clemson and Georgia followed in second and third, respectively, while the Gamecocks came in at 29th with 787 points.

Matt Morgan and Dayton Niehuss were the top finishers

for Jax State. Morgan finished 159th with a time of 27:02.95, while Niehuss came in at 176th with a time of 27:26.97. Sam Cordts and Dustin Little rounded out the runners who finished for JSU.

The women started their 5,000-meter race at 9 a.m. with Virginia Tech taking the team title with 64 points. Auburn finished second with 94 points, only three points ahead of third place-finisher, Georgia Tech. The Gamecocks finished last with a score of 903 points.

Aimee Pitzo was the top finisher for the Jax State women. She came in at 167th with a time of 20:44.86. She was followed by Rachel Doak (215th), Traci Reid (230th) and Johnnett Roby (231th).

Jax State will now get prepared for the Atlantic Sun conference meet. The meet will be held at Troy, Ala., on Nov. 4.

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 and junior Meredith Duke had 54 assists and 13 digs. Senior Alison Wright had 17 digs, defensively and freshman Kisha West had ten kills and ten digs on the night. Junior Jennifer "Jen



The Chanticleer/Nicholas Thomason Junior outside hitter Jennifer Brenneman dives for the ball during Saturday's match against Stetson. The Gamecocks won 3-1, improving to 9-11 overall, and 4-4 in the Atlantic Sun Conference.

Bren" Brenneman added 16 digs for the Gamecocks.

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

The Gamecocks improved to 9-11 overall and 4-4 in the Atlantic Sun with their 3-1 (30-22, 30-27, 30-27 and 30-28) victory over Lipscomb on Tuesday.

Brenneman led the Gamecocks with 12 kills, hitting .524 on the day and 14 digs. JSU has now won its last four out of five matches.

The month of October, we have played more aggressive and the past two matches, Chrissy (Cary)

and Meredith (Duke) were off, but tonight they got back on track," concluded Nold.

West had another double-double with 11 kills and 16 digs, while Taylor had 11 kills and 14 digs. Cary contributed with 14 kills.

Duke also had another 50 assists match and Wright finished the game strong with 17 digs on defense.

The volleyball team will try to continue its run for the A-Sun tournament when it travels to play Gardner-Webb on Saturday. The match is set to begin at 6 p.m.

Women's golf finishes third at Mission Inn Fall Classic

From staff & wire reports

The Jax State women's golf team seems to have a good year every season. This year doesn't seem any different.

The JSU golf team had another strong outing this week when it competed in the Mission Inn Fall Classic, hosted by Stetson.

The Gamecocks, fresh off winning a tournament last week, finished in third place after firing a 641 on Tuesday.

Indiana led the entire tournament and claimed team honors with a 36-hole total of 614 to lead the 17-team field, followed by Wisconsin's 633. Illinois finished fourth at 646 and Rollins, Georgia State and Southern Methodist each carded a 648 to tie for fifth place.

Freshman Marilen Fernandez Ruiz finished with

an 80 on Tuesday to tie for 10th place with a 157. Senior Colette Murray tied for 23rd with a 162 followed by Marie-Eve Dion and Florencia Moran's 162 and a tie for 28th place. Angie Green scored a 166 to tie for 40th place.

IU's Karen Dennison finished at 149 to claim medalist honors, while teammate Danah Ford scored 150 for second and Cara Stuckey was third with a 151.

The Gamecocks return to action next Tuesday when they travel at Stockbridge, Ga. to compete in the John Kirk/Lady Panther Invitational.

The men's golf team, after dominating the Chattanooga Intercollegiate, will return to action on Nov. 3-5 when it competes at the South Alabama Fall Beach Classic.

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4. Furman Paladins	5-2	2,119	6
5. Eastern Illinois Panthers	5-2	2,044	7
6. Maine Black Bears	7-1	1,979	8
7. Grambling State Tigers	6-1	1,678	9
8. Appalachian St. Mountaineers	5-2	1,629	3
9. W. Illinois Leathernecks	6-1	1,625	10
10. Georgia Southern Eagles	5-2	1,624	13
11. Bethune-Cookman Wildcats	8-0	1,610	11
12. Villanova Wildcats	6-2	1,510	4
13. Portland State Vikings	5-2	1,406	12
14. William & Mary Tribe	4-2	1,200	14
15. Northeastern Huskies	6-1	1,172	15
16. Massachusetts Minutemen	5-2	984	20
17. Northern Iowa Panthers	4-3	751	21
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24. Western Kentucky Hilltoppers	5-3	243	NR
25. Wofford Terriers	5-2	219	NR

Dropped Out: No. 16 Northern Arizona, No. 23 Stephen F. Austin, No. 25 Southern Illinois

Others receiving votes (in order of points, minimum of five required): Northern Arizona, Eastern Washington, Pennsylvania, Towson, Hampton, Florida A&M, Illinois State, Duquesne, Stephen F. Austin, Alabama A&M, Gardner-Webb, VMI, Princeton, Fordham, Harvard, Wagner, Alcorn State, East Tennessee State, Southeast Missouri, Delaware, Jacksonville State, Richmond, Sam Houston State.

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USA TODAY/ESPN Division I-AA Top 25 Poll

The USA TODAY/ESPN Division I-AA Top 25 college football coaches poll, with number of first-place votes, record in parentheses, total points and last week's ranking:

(Records through October 19, 2002)

TEAM	PTS	PVS
1. MONTANA (61) (7-0)	1,573	1
2. MCNEESE ST (2) (5-1)	1,494	2
3. NORTHWESTERN ST (6-1)	1,406	5
4. FURMAN (5-2)	1,282	6
5. EASTERN ILL (5-2)	1,217	7
6. MAINE (7-1)	1,139	8
7. GRAMBLING (6-1)	1,063	9
8. WESTERN ILL (6-1)	1,058	10
9. BETHUNE COOKMAN (8-0)	1,022	11
10. APPALACHIAN ST (5-2)	991	3
11. GA SOUTHERN (5-2)	965	13
12. VILLANOVA (6-2)	865	4
13. PORTLAND ST (5-2)	834	12
14. WILLIAM & MARY (4-2)	781	15

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.

Southwest Texas cut the lead to 24-14 in the fourth quarter on Cody McCauley's 43-yard touchdown pass to Sedrick Brown. Lee Davis ran 1 yard for a TD with 2:36 to play, making the score 24-21.

Nicholls State (6-2 2-1, Southland) took a 14-0 lead in the first quarter on Son's 3-yard scoring run and a 9-yard run by David Plaisance. The lead was cut to 14-7 on a 46-yard fumble recovery and touchdown by Greg Pitts.

The Colonels added a 2-yard TD run by Rogers Williams and a 42-yard field goal by James Wilcox in the third.

Phillip Brook ran for 82 yards on five carries for Nicholls State.

Davis had 93 yards on 22 carries and a touchdown for Southwest Texas (3-4, 0-2).

Nicholls State rushed for 327 yards.

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 Bearcats 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.

Travis Tobaben was 17-of-35 for 216 yards and a touchdown for Sam Houston (3-4, 1-1 Southland).

Williams was 10-of-17 for 83 yards, a touchdown and an interception for the Lumberjacks (4-3, 1-1).

Northwestern St. 38, SW Oklahoma 0

NATCHITOCHES, La. (AP) — Derrick Johnese ran for 104 yards and two touchdowns as Northwestern State defeated Southwestern

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 establish itself as a Division II playoff contender, managed only 79 total yards and drove deep into Northwestern territory only once but missed a 36-yard field goal. Reade Box completed five of 18 passes for 42 yards. He was sacked three times.

Magee's other touchdown pass was a 5-yarder in the third quarter to Brent Smith. Shelton Sampson scored for the Demons on a 9-yard run and Tommy Hebert hit a 24-yard field goal as Northwestern jumped out to a 31-0 halftime lead.

Jimmy Jenkins led Southwestern Oklahoma on the ground with 30 yards on 11 carries.



All times Central Time
Home events in bold type

Oct. 26

- **2 p.m. — Football vs. S.F. Austin, Paul Snow Stadium.**
- Volleyball at Gardner-Webb, Boiling Springs, N.C.
- **Rifle vs. Ole Miss & Xavier, Home.**

Oct. 27

- **Rifle vs. Ole Miss, Home**
- 6 p.m. Soccer at Lipscomb — Nashville, Tenn.

Oct. 29

- Golf (w) at John Kirk/Lady Panther Inv., Stockbridge, Ga.
- Volleyball at Samford, Birmingham, Ala.

Oct. 30

- Golf (w) at John Kirk/Lady Panther Inv., Stockbridge, Ga.

Nov. 1

- **7 p.m. — Soccer vs. AUM, University Field**



Southland Football League Standings



Atlantic Sun Conference Volleyball Standings

Team	Conference			Overall		
	W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT
UCF	8	0	1.00	14	10	.583
Georgia State	8	1	.889	19	11	.633
Troy State	5	1	.833	15	7	.682
Florida Atlantic State	7	2	.778	12	12	.500
Stetson	6	3	.667	10	12	.455

Atlantic Sun Conference Women's Soccer Standings

Team	Conference			Overall				
	W	L	T	PCT	W	L	T	PCT
x-Jacksonville	8	0	2	.900	13	1	2	.875
x-UCF	8	1	0	.889	13	4	0	.765
x-Florida Atlantic	8	1	0	.889	11	4	0	.733
x-Jacksonville St.	7	3	1	.682	10	4	1	.700
x-Georgia State	6	2	2	.625	8	8	2	.550

13. PORTLAND ST (5-2)	834	12
14. WILLIAM & MARY (4-2)	781	15
15. NORTHEASTERN (6-1)	732	14
16. MASSACHUSETTS (5-2)	679	20
17. LEHIGH (5-2)	442	19
18. NORTHERN IOWA (4-3)	415	23
19. EASTERN KY (5-3)	411	21
20. IDAHO ST (4-2)	357	22
21. WOFFORD (5-2)	218	NR
22. SO CAROLINA ST (5-2)	216	17
23. WESTERN KY (5-3)	195	25
24. NICHOLLS ST (6-2)	168	NR
25. NORTHRN ARIZONA (4-3)	151	16

Dropped Out: No. 18 Youngstown St, No. 24 Sfa
 Others Receiving Votes: YOUNGSTOWN ST 136, PENNSYLVANIA 91,
 EASTERN WASH 85, TOWSON 79, HAMPTON 65, ILLINOIS ST 59,
 ALABAMA A&M 45, FLORIDA A&M 43, DUQUESNE 40, SAM HOUSTON ST
 27, FORDHAM 27, SFA 22, GARDNER WEBB 20, ALCORN ST 16,
 HARVARD 16, PRINCETON 14, JACKSONVILLE ST 12, HOWARD 2,
 MOREHEAD ST 2.

Team	Conference				Overall			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Northwestern State	1	0	40	27	6	1	231	133
McNeese State	1	0	28	20	5	1	184	123
Nicholls State	2	1	52	44	6	2	214	125
Stephen F. Austin	1	1	24	24	4	3	208	112
Sam Houston State	1	1	32	35	3	4	140	180
Jacksonville State	1	2	54	64	4	3	159	184
SW Texas State	0	2	48	64	3	4	142	172

Recent results:

Oct. 19
 Nicholls State 24, SW Texas 21
 Northwestern State 38, SW Oklahoma State 0
 Sam Houston State 10, S.F. Austin 7
McNeese State 28, Jacksonville State 20

Upcoming games:

Oct. 24
 Northwestern State at Nicholls State

Oct. 26
S.F. Austin at Jacksonville State, 2 p.m.
 McNeese State at Sam Houston State

Florida Atlantic	7	2	.778	12	12	.500
Stetson	6	3	.667	10	12	.455
Jacksonville	4	4	.500	9	12	.429
Jacksonville State	3	4	.429	9	11	.450
Samford	3	5	.375	11	11	.500
Mercer	3	7	.300	11	14	.440
Gardner-Webb	1	7	.125	2	21	.087
Campbell	0	5	.000	2	15	.118
Belmont	0	6	.000	4	19	.174

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

x-Jacksonville St.	7	3	.682	10	4	.700
x-Georgia State	6	3	.636	6	6	.559
x-Samford	6	4	.591	12	5	.694
Campbell	4	5	.444	6	7	.467
Gardner-Webb	2	5	.286	4	9	.321
Stetson	2	7	.111	5	10	.333
Troy State	1	9	.100	2	13	.156
Mercer	1	8	.100	1	13	.125
Belmont	0	6	.000	0	14	.000

Recent results:

Oct. 21
 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
 Mercer 1, Gardner-Webb 0
 Jacksonville 5, Stetson 0
 Florida Atlantic 1, Samford 0

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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. Tippets lettered 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 that bad?

Michelle: I was pretty bad. (Both laugh.) The first practice, I couldn't believe it. I was like, "Oh man. What am I goin' 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



Freshman outside hitter Michelle Tippets

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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.



Britney Spears, as if you didn't know that.

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 tryin' to find that good luck thing. I've been tryin' 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

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 go 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. (Laughs.)

Thrill: Gamecock volleyball.

Michelle: Awesome.

Thrill: Britney Spears.

Michelle: Way cool. (Both laugh.)

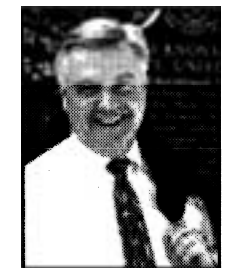
My idol.

Thrill: President Bill

Meehan.

Michelle: He's a nice guy.

He has



Dr. Bill Meehan

cute kids too.

Thrill: Melissa Starck.

(Assistant volleyball coach)

Michelle: Awesome coach.

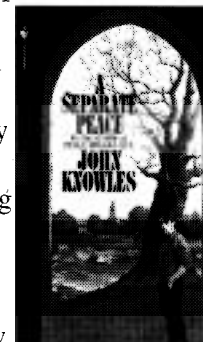
Thrill: Well, that's it. Good luck on the season.

Michelle: Thank you. It was nice meeting you.

Thrill: You too.



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