



Finals: Ugly people come in handy

By Elizabeth Thurman
The Chanticleer News Editor

As the dreaded final exams draw near, some JSU students are hustling to prepare for what could either redeem them or condemn them. Either way, the days leading up to finals for these guys are usually stressful, sometimes agonizing and never fun.

For the students who actually take advantage of Academic Preparation Day for last minute studying and not last minute partying, these are troubled times, indeed.

So, if you find yourself in a late night quandary on Tuesday, Dec. 7, pulling your hair out over statistics, chemistry or calculus, remember the following words of wisdom from albertson.edu.

1. It's late in the game. Budget what little time you have left.
2. Study the way that you do best. Some people study better with other people. Some people do better on their own.
3. Repetition works.
4. Review what you aren't familiar with instead of wasting time on stuff you already know.
5. Concentrate on the professor's teaching style.
6. Take notes on the reading chapter by chapter. It takes less time to review your notes than it does to reread the book.
7. Take notes on your notes to eliminate unnecessary information.
8. Review your notes and the chapter that goes with them to better understand them.
9. Mnemonic devices help, no matter how obscure they are.

These tips are well and good, but what will *really* help you out?

1. If you don't know it by now, you never went to class.
2. Throw your plans to "catch five minutes of sleep" out the window. You know you won't wake up to study some more.
3. Red Bull is good; Stackers are better; Adderall is the best.
4. Take a shower before you start studying; if you don't, you'll fall asleep dirty and be too tired to take one in the morning. Nobody likes a Smelly Smellerson.
5. Turn your cell phone off. As soon as it rings, you'll find some



Photos

4. Take a shower before you start studying; if you don't, you'll fall asleep dirty and be too tired to take one in the morning. Nobody likes a Smelly Smellerson.

5. Turn your cell phone off. As soon as it rings, you'll find some excuse to go out.

6. Take up a nasty habit like smoking or chewing tobacco. It helps relieve stress and it gives you an excuse to take a study break.

7. If you have a significant other, break up with him/her before you start studying. If you don't, one or both of you will say, "Let's just watch a movie" or "Let's just go out for an hour."

8. If your agonizing over a core class, just call it a night and take a "C" for the team. Nobody cares about those classes anyway.

9. Study partners don't work unless they're ugly or unavailable.

10. Take advantage of Little Caesar's \$5 large pizzas. Actually, do that everyday.

11. Sell your books back early so you'll have beer money.

Photos by Ken Catoe



Activists demand presidential recount; cite invalid ballots

Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) - Nearly a month after John Kerry conceded Ohio to President George W. Bush, complaints and challenges about the balloting are mounting as activists including the Rev. Jesse Jackson demand closer scrutiny to ensure the votes are being counted on the up-and-up.

Jackson, a civil rights leader, has been holding rallies in Ohio in recent days to draw attention to the vote, and another critic plans to ask the state Supreme Court this week to decide the validity of the election.

Ohio essentially decided the outcome of the presidential race, with Kerry giving up after unofficial results showed Bush with a 136,000-vote lead in the state.

Since then, there have been demands for a recount and complaints about uncounted

punch-card votes, disqualified provisional ballots and a ballot-machine error that gave hundreds of extra votes to Bush.

Jackson said too many questions have been raised to let the vote stand without closer examination.

"We can live with winning and losing. We cannot live with fraud and stealing," Jackson said Sunday at Mount Hermon Baptist Church.

An attorney for a political advocacy group on Wednesday plans to file a "contest of election." The request requires a single Supreme Court justice to either let the election stand, declare another winner or throw the whole thing out. The loser can appeal to the full seven-member court, which is dominated by Republicans 5-2.

Jackson said he agreed with the court filing planned by lawyer Cliff Arnebeck, who has represented the Boston-based Alliance for Democracy in

other cases.

"The integrity of our election process is on trial," Jackson said Monday in Cincinnati.

Elections officials concede some mistakes were made but no more than in most elections. "There are no signs of widespread irregularities," said Carlo LoParo, a spokesman for Secretary of State Kenneth Blackwell.

Blackwell, a Republican, has until Dec. 6 to certify the vote. The Green and Libertarian parties are raising money to pay for a recount that would be held once the results are certified.

Other critics have seized on an error in an electronic voting system that gave Bush 3,893 extra votes in a suburban Columbus precinct where only 638 people voted. The extra votes are part of the current unofficial tally, but they will not be included in the official count that will be certified by the secretary of state.

Some groups also have complained about thousands of punch-card ballots that were not counted because officials in the 68 counties that use them could not determine a vote for president. Votes for other offices on the cards were counted.

Jackson said Blackwell, who along with other statewide Republican leaders was a co-chairman of Bush's re-election campaign in Ohio, should step down from overseeing the election process.

"You can't be chairman of the Bush campaign and then be the chief umpire in the seventh game of the World Series," Jackson said.

Blackwell's office responded by saying the state has a "bipartisan and transparent system that provides valuable checks and balances."

"The problem seems to be that Rev. Jackson's candidate didn't win," said LoParo.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Alpha Omicron Pi: Congrats to our new officers! We know y'all will do a great job. We hope everyone had a safe and wonderful holiday. Illusion Ball is this weekend and we can not wait to see what LaShawna has in store for the "New Year!" We are so proud of the JSU football team for an awesome season. Great job guys and everyone have an awesome week. **Contact:** Emily Rollins, emily_rollins2001@yahoo.com.

Geography Club: Everybody's doing it...it's only natural! Once again, newspaper, white paper, colored paper, and aluminum cans are now being recycled at Martin Hall next to the library. Bins are located on each floor. Recycling at the TMB and Bibb Graves is coming soon. Recycle, damn it! **Contact:** Charity, 435-3551.

Pi Kappa Phi: Good luck to our No. 1 seeded intramural volleyball team on Thursday. Good luck to everyone on finals. Greeks, remember to turn in your fire safety codes! Hope everyone is looking forward to our centennial celebration on Dec. 10. **Contact:** Shu Cunningham, 782-6333.

SGA: SGA Coffeehouse is tonight at 7:30 in the TMB. Midnight Snack & Karaoke in the Caf is Wednesday, Dec. 8 from 10 p.m.-12 p.m. We hope all of JSU has a safe holiday break. **Contact:** Brian Snead, 782-5495.

Sigma Nu: Toys for Tots Drive is going on now. Drop donations off at the Sigma Nu house. **Contact:** Dave Chambers, 435-9809.

Zeta Tau Alpha: Congratulations to the Gamecocks on an awesome season! Congratulations to our new sisters. We love our wonderful new members. Good luck to everyone during finals! Study hard. **Contact:** Heather Moore, heathern16@hotmail.com.

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CAMPUS CRIME

Nov. 30 – A male subject was arrested at Crow Hall for receiving stolen property 3rd degree on warrant.

Nov. 28 – A male victim reported a stolen CD player and two CD cases from his car. The theft was estimated at \$400.

Nov. 27 – A male victim reported that his car was broken into at the Panhellenic House. Damages were estimated at \$300.

Nov. 23 – A female JSU employee reported that a projector was missing from a classroom in the Merrill Building.

Nov. 23 – A male victim reported that two keys were stolen from his room in Dixon Hall.

Nov. 23 – A disturbance between two fraternities occurred at the Roundhouse.

Columbian official claims rebels plotting Bush assassination

By Andrew Selsky
Associated Press

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — Colombia's government on Monday backpedaled on a sensational claim made by the defense minister that Marxist rebels wanted to assassinate President Bush during a recent state visit.

Defense Minister Jorge Uribe told reporters Friday that informants said the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, known as the FARC, instructed followers to "assassinate President Bush" during his visit in the seaside city of Cartagena Nov. 22, where he met with President Alvaro Uribe.

The defense minister, who is no relation to the president, did not say where the information came from, and there was no

indication Bush's life was ever in any danger: He was protected by 15,000 Colombian troops and police, U.S. troops and Secret Service agents during his 3 1/2-hour visit to Colombia.

Interior and Justice Minister Sabas Pretelt played down the comments Monday, saying he had no information about any assassination plot against Bush.

"There is nothing specific," Pretelt told The Associated Press. "What these terrorists organizations normally try to do is disturb the visits of any head of state ... like President Bush. But we took all (security) measures, and there was no disturbance."

The defense minister told reporters Monday he did not want to elaborate on his earlier comments, but his spokeswoman indicated he had either

misspoken or been misunderstood.

"The FARC wanted to make a noise because of Bush's visit, that's to say to place a bomb in Cartagena or something like that," spokeswoman Daisy Canon told the AP. "But a structured plan, with details to attack Bush, that we don't know about."

The FARC has not commented on Uribe's statement.

Carlos Lozano, managing editor of Colombia's Communist Party newspaper, who has had contact with rebel leaders in the past, dismissed the claim as outlandish.

"This is just another clownish statement from the minister," Lozano said. "He launches these rumors which lack seriousness. I think it is his way of

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Kellogg CEO appointed as new commerce secretary

By Terence Hunt
AP White House Correspondent

WASHINGTON (AP) - President George W. Bush picked Carlos Gutierrez, the chief executive officer of cereal giant Kellogg Co., as commerce secretary, working to build a new economic team to help sell second-term overhauls of Social Security and the tax code.

The nomination was Bush's first step in scaling

loss of 2.7 million jobs over the past four years as the country's trade deficit has soared to record levels. He also would be a key player in the administration's campaign for major changes in Social Security and the tax system.

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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.

Plane crash claims life of NBC exec's son

By John Marshall
Associated Press

GRAND JUNCTION, Colorado (AP) — NBC Sports chairman Dick Ebersol and his college-age son emerged from the wreckage of a chartered jet after the plane crashed, but authorities said Monday his 14-year-old son was presumed dead in the wreckage.

The 18-seat aircraft with six people on board crashed Sunday morning at Montrose Regional Airport in southwest Colorado, not far from the Telluride Ski Area. Two crew members were also killed.

The plane slid sideways into a road and the impact ripped the cockpit from the fuselage, and Ebersol's older son Charles helped his 57-year-old father through the gap, a witness said.

Matt Eilts, Montrose County chief deputy coroner, said Monday that a "complete and thorough search" revealed no sign of the second son on the plane, 14-year-old Edward, anywhere around the crash site.

"We believe at this time that the boy has probably perished within the crash," Eilts said. He said the search in the wreckage would get under way when federal crash investigators arrived later Monday.

A heavy snowstorm had eased up before the plane prepared to take off for South Bend, Indana, where Charles Ebersol is a senior at the University of Notre Dame. There was no immediate word if the weather was a factor in the crash.

The pilot and a flight attendant were killed, said Michael O'Connor, regional duty officer with the Federal Aviation Administration in Washington state. The co-pilot was hospital-

ized in Denver, while Dick and Charles Ebersol were hospitalized in Grand Junction, witnesses said. Ebersol's wife of 23 years, "Kate and Allie" and "McMillan and Wife" star Susan Saint James, was not on the plane. The family lives in Connecticut.

Kevin Sullivan, NBC Universal's vice president for sports communication, told the Rocky Mountain News late Sunday that Saint James would have "no comment at this time. She requested privacy, and she is at the hospital with Dick and Charlie," Sullivan said.

Neither NBC Sports nor St. Mary's Hospital in Grand Junction released any information on Dick and Charles Ebersol's conditions. The co-pilot in Denver was in critical condition, authorities said Monday.

Eyewitness Chuck Distel told The Associated Press by phone that he was driving on a highway parallel to the runway when he saw the plane skid sideways through a fence and brush before hitting a road that ripped the cockpit from the fuselage. The Denver Post said the plane had lifted off briefly before crashing.

Distel said Charles helped his father through the front of the plane and that the pair were walking around when Distel and an airport official arrived. He said Ebersol didn't say a word but the younger man cried and yelled "Oh, my God! Oh, my God!"

"I had to think for a second, 'who are these people?'" he said. "They weren't severely injured, they were in shock." Distel said Charles was able to climb into an ambulance, while the elder Ebersol was loaded onto a stretcher.

The wreckage burst into flames, forcing Distel and other

rescuers to get away.

A weekend storm that covered most of the state dumped more than 3 feet (1 meter) of snow in the Montrose area and Distel said there was light snow and fog at the time of the crash. Investigators from the FAA and National Safety Transportation Board were en route to the airport, 298 kilometers (185 miles) southwest of Denver.

The Montrose airport is one of several that serves Telluride, a popular ski destination for celebrities.

The plane was identified as a CL-602 Challenger, which could hold up to 19 passengers, registered to Jet Alliance of Millville, New Jersey. The company offered its condolences but said it had no additional information.

Known as a television innovator, Ebersol has a long history at NBC.

He became the network's director of late-night programming in 1974 and replaced Lorne Michaels for a rocky tenure as executive producer of "Saturday Night Live" in the early 1980s. Ebersol, of Litchfield, Connecticut, became president of NBC Sports in 1989 and recently signed a contract that keeps him at the network through 2012.

Ebersol is best-known for his love affair with the Olympics. A protege of Olympics-coverage pioneer Boone Arledge, he worked as an ABC researcher at the 1968 Grenoble Winter Games and carried on Arledge's philosophy of presenting the Olympics through storytelling, rather than emphasizing results.

"He is very innovative," Fox Sports chairman David Hill said Sunday. "He's obviously a great leader and, from my perspective, a very worthy competitor."

officer of cereal giant Kellogg Co., as commerce secretary, working to build a new economic team to help sell second-term overhauls of Social Security and the tax code.

The nomination was Bush's first step in replacing his economic advisers. The White House offered no promise of job security to Treasury Secretary John Snow, who has made clear he wants to remain.

Officials said the challenges of the second term could require leaders with different skills from the first term when the biggest problems were pushing tax cuts and dealing with recession.

Bush called Gutierrez a visionary and one of America's most respected business leaders, a man who rose to the top at Kellogg's from a first job as a truck driver in Mexico City peddling Frosted Flakes to local stores. Born in Cuba and brought to America at age 6, he had learned English from a bellhop at a Miami hotel.

"He is a great American success story," the president said Monday. "He understands the world of business from the first rung on the ladder to the very top."

At Commerce, Gutierrez would be charged with improving the fortunes of America's struggling manufacturing sector, which has seen the

The 51-year-old Gutierrez has been credited with overhauling Kellogg's operations and providing new life for such brands as Special K. Since he became chief executive officer in 1999, Kellogg's new sales have risen 43 percent, helping drive earnings per share up by 131 percent.

The nomination added to Bush's diversification of his Cabinet with Hispanics, women and blacks. While Gutierrez is not a Bush loyalist like other nominees, he emphasized that he shares the president's philosophy.

"I believe passionately in your leadership and the direction you've set," Gutierrez said, standing next to Bush at an announcement ceremony at the White House. "I believe in your call for a vibrant, growing entrepreneurial society, where everyone has the opportunity to experience the joy and the pride of ownership, where everyone can contribute and where everyone can benefit."

By taking the Commerce job, Gutierrez would succeed Don Evans, one of Bush's oldest friends, who wants to return home to Texas. Stephen Friedman, Bush's chief economic adviser, submitted his resignation letter Monday, saying he intended to return to the private sector by the end

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Suicide bombing kills Iraqis

By Robert H. Reid
Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Insurgents stepped up attacks on Iraq's fledgling security forces, killing seven Iraqi police and guardsmen Monday in a suicide bombing hours after storming a police station north of the capital. The military reported five new U.S. deaths.

Thirteen Marines were wounded Monday in a mortar attack south of Baghdad, the military said. No further details were released.

Military offensives in Fallujah and elsewhere have made November the second deadliest month for U.S. troops since the March 2003 invasion, with at least 133 American dead.

Monday's suicide attack occurred in Baghdadi a Euphrates River town about 120 miles northwest of the capital, where a driver detonated his vehicle near a police checkpoint, police Lt. Mohammed al-Fehdawi said. A hospital official, Hatim Ahmed, confirmed

seven police and Iraqi National Guard members were killed and nine were wounded.

Late Sunday, gunmen stormed a police station west of Samarra, 60 miles north of Baghdad, looted the armory, commandeered several police cars and fled after encountering no resistance, Iraqi officials said.

U.S. troops went to the police station Monday morning and arrested two dozen people, police said. American officials had no comment. U.S. and Iraqi troops recaptured Samarra from insurgents in September, but the city remains tense.

Two American soldiers from Task Force Baghdad were killed and three wounded Monday in a roadside bomb explosion in northwestern Baghdad, the U.S. command said. One American soldier died and two were injured in a vehicle accident 30 miles northwest of the town of Kut in eastern Iraq, the military said.

In addition, two U.S. Marines were killed in a weekend bombing south of the capital, a U.S. official said Monday. U.S.,

British and Iraqi forces have been sweeping through the area to clear Sunni insurgents from a string of towns and cities between Baghdad and the Shiite shrine cities of Najaf and Karbala.

Attacks have increased against U.S., Iraqi and other targets on the road leading from the center of Baghdad to the city's international airport, located on the western outskirts of the capital.

The British Embassy announced Monday that its staff would no longer be permitted to travel on the airport road, which the U.S. State Department has identified as one of the most dangerous routes in Iraq.

"We advise against all but essential travel to Iraq," the British Embassy said in a statement. "We urge all British nationals in Iraq to consider whether their presence in Iraq is essential at this time. Even essential travel to Iraq should be delayed, if possible."

South of the capital, U.S., British and Iraqi forces pressed

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Moon rock found in Antarctica, one of only 30 found on Earth

By **Deb Riechmann**
Associated Press Writer

ALBUQUERQUE (AP) — University of New Mexico researcher Barbara Cohen now knows for certain that the rock she found while trolling the barren Antarctica landscape is special.

She and a team of geologists picked up a chunk of the moon — one of only about 30 ever found on Earth.

"We found it almost a year ago, but the analysis wasn't finished until last month," she said. "When I found out it was from the moon, I was so elated. The team knew it was something interesting in the field, but we couldn't test there. We just had to wait."

Cohen is an assistant research

professor at the UNM Institute of Meteoritics.

She and a team of eight geologists collected the fist-sized meteorite on a six-week trip during the Antarctic summer, which is December and January. They were trolling the La Paz ice sheet on snowmobiles when they found it.

Finding a meteorite is like finding a puzzle piece to the universe because each chunk tells scientists more about how other planets and asteroids developed, Cohen said.

"It's a real primal thrill of discovery, because no one has ever seen that rock before you," she said. "If you know the rock you found is unusual, your mind just goes crazy wondering what it could be. It could be the first meteorite ever found from

Venus, or it could be from the moon or Mars."

Cohen's Antarctica trip was part of a National Science Foundation program to collect meteorites for the U.S. national archive. Scientists from all over the world are chosen each year to search Antarctic ice sheets for new meteorites, which fall on the ice and stick out in the snowy surroundings.

Lunar meteorites are important because they give scientists samples from other parts of the moon, Cohen said.

The rock, along with about 1,000 other meteorites collected on the same trip, were sent to Johnson Space Center in Houston, which separates the most interesting ones and sends them on to the Smithsonian Institution for analysis.

After analysis, the samples go back to Houston, and the Space Center sends out notification to scientists who might be interested in the rock. The rocks of interest are broken up and shipped out to the planetary science academic community, Cohen said.

"About 95 percent of the meteorites we find are ordinary chondrites, from asteroids, so of the 1,000 we picked up, about 950 were pretty normal," she said. "This was one of about 50 that were sent on to the Smithsonian, we knew it was something special when we found it."

With the analysis complete, Cohen plans to apply to get a chunk of the rock back from Houston.

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of the year.

In a statement, Bush called Friedman a vital member of his economic team, "a goodhearted man who possesses great wisdom and a can-do attitude." A senior administration official said that despite wide speculation that Friedman might become treasury secretary in Bush's second term, Friedman was never considered for the job because he expressed no desire for it.

Snow, 65, a former chief at railroad giant CSX, took over at Treasury in early February, 2003, replacing Paul O'Neill, who was fired by Bush as part of a shakeup of economic advisers. While Snow has been a loyal foot soldier for Bush's program, particularly in political battleground states, he has not been seen as a policy innovator and has not made much of an impression on Wall Street.

Bush's wife, Laura, predicted a big turnover in personnel. "This is an interesting year, you're right," she said at a ceremony marking the start of holiday decorating at the White House. "There'll be a lot of changes in the administration." Six of the Cabinet's 15 secretaries have resigned so far.

White House press secretary Scott McClellan said Bush "appreciates the job that (Snow) is doing. I'm not going to get into speculating on any members of the Cabinet beyond that."

McClellan said Bush was "looking at his entire team for a second term. We're moving into a second term, and I think over the course of history you've seen this happen before. The president is the one who ultimately makes the decisions about the make-up of his team."

The president also met Monday with Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld, but there was no indication whether they talked about whether Rumsfeld would remain.

Unlike predecessor Evans, Gutierrez doesn't appear to be a major Republican fund-raiser or donor. He isn't one of Bush's fund-raising "pioneers" and "rangers," and isn't listed as a donor to either of Bush's presidential campaigns.

Gutierrez made \$10,500 (euro7,926) in campaign donations at the federal level in the 2003-04 election cycle, including \$4,000 (euro3,019) to the U.S.-Cuba Democracy PAC and \$6,500 (euro4,906) to Republican congressional candidates, data compiled by the nonpartisan Center for Responsive Politics showed.

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trying to get the United States more involved in the war here."

Washington has provided \$3 billion in mostly military aid to help Colombia battle the rebels, who have waged

guerrilla warfare in Colombia for 40 years and finance themselves through drug trafficking, kidnapping and extortion.

Up to 800 U.S. troops and 600 U.S. contractors provide training, planning and logistics support to Colombia's armed forces.



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Art Students**



photos by Ken Catoe



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an offensive aimed at clearing insurgents from an area known as the "triangle of death." Two Marines were killed there Sunday, U.S. officials said, and British troops escaped serious injury Monday when a bomb exploded next to a Scimitar light tank from the Queen's Dragoon Guards.

The offensive, called Operation Plymouth Rock, was launched in part as a follow-up to this month's assault on Fallujah, the main insurgent bastion 40 miles west of Baghdad.

U.S. commanders want to cut off an escape route for Fallujah fighters and pacify the area so that national elections can be held Jan. 30. Sunni Muslim clerics have called for an election boycott, and leading Sunni politicians urged the vote be postponed. Leaders from the majority Shiite community have demanded the elections go ahead as scheduled.

In Mosul, however, the top U.S. commander told the British Broadcasting Corp. that elections could not be held in all parts of the city, Iraq's third

largest, under current security conditions. But Brig. Gen. Carter Ham said there was still time to get the situation under control.

The Pentagon, meanwhile, said Monday the U.S. military death toll in Iraq since the U.S.-led invasion in March 2003 stands at 1,251. That is up 21 since the Pentagon last reported a total on Nov. 24. At least 133 American troops have died in Iraq this month, including the two killed in Baghdad and a third who died in a vehicle accident in east-central Iraq on Monday. The deadliest month for U.S. troops in Iraq was last April, when 135 died.

In Geneva, the international Red Cross said Iraq's Red Crescent had set up a relief center in Fallujah to aid civilians, but doctors and nurses have been unable to treat the wounded because of continued fighting between U.S.-led forces and insurgents.

"There are many civilians who are still trapped in the city and don't dare to come to the Red Crescent office," said Rana Sidani of the International Committee of the Red Cross.

She said there was a shortage

of drinking water in Fallujah and the city water purification station was not working "because there is nonstop fighting around it."

At the Pentagon, spokesman Bryan Whitman said American troops in Fallujah reported finding nearly as many homemade explosives over the past three weeks as had been uncovered throughout Iraq in the previous four months.

Whitman said that in the Fallujah operations, troops found at least 650 homemade bombs, compared with 722 found throughout the country between July 1 and October 31. The attacks against Iraqi forces have raised concern, not only because of the many casualties but because most of the units have not been combat-tested. U.S. officials hope to transfer more security responsibility to the Iraqis, enabling the American military to draw down from the more than 138,000 troops now in the country.

The governor of Iraq's Shiite-dominated Najaf province said police had arrested his own security chief after uncovering an alleged plot to assassinate

top regional officials _ including himself. The aide, Ali al-Sheibani, was detained late Sunday, Gov. Adnan al-Zurufi told reporters on Monday.

"Ali al-Sheibani was arrested because he was planning to establish a terrorist cell aiming at assassinating the governor and other officials in Najaf," he said.

Although some Iraqi units are said to have performed well in Fallujah and other operations, others have not. The entire 5,000-member police force in the northern city of Mosul disintegrated during an insurgent uprising this month, forcing the government to send in reinforcements.

At least 50 people have been killed in Mosul in the past 10 days _ most of them believed to have been supporters of Iraq's interim government or members of its security forces.

A statement posted on an Islamic Web site in the name of al-Qaida in Iraq, led by Jordanian terrorist Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, claimed responsibility for killing 17 security force members and a Kurdish militiaman in Mosul. The claim could not be authenticated.

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So many girls, so little time

By J. Wilson Guthrie
The Chanticleer
Editor in Chief



Well, since my esteemed colleague so handily bashed the male gender two weeks ago, I have been asked to do a little categorizing of my own. I haven't dated a lot, but I have been in several long term relationships, and think that I can do a pretty decent job so, if you agree then let me know, and if you don't let me know that too.

The Psycho - This girl, as the name hints so subtly at, is freakin' nuts. She is the one that will show up at your door "pregnant" and want to know what you are going to do about it. Well, guess what? She's not pregnant, because you can't get pregnant by going out to dinner which is all that ever happened between the two of you. She had "problems at home" which means that daddy didn't buy her the right color BMW for her 16th birthday, and her mother, whom she probably learned most of this from, is a raging alcoholic. These are usually easy to spot. Check for the car first, then where they live. She is usually a brunette. These are rare, very rare. Run if you see them. They should be considered armed and dangerous.

The Controller - This girl -- you think -- is perfect. She loves you and you love her; things are going great. Everything is good. Then it happens. She gets comfortable. Instead of having a drink or two with you now, she doesn't drink. She doesn't want you smoke anymore, and you can forget your friends. That "cute" hat you used to wear - your favorite hat you have had since high school - is ugly and old and now you need another one, one that she is going to pick out. Nothing you do is good enough for her anymore. These are not rare. These abound and are impossible to pick out of a crowd. Be on the lookout, you might be dating one now.

The Morpher - This girl is much like the girl above. Nice. Sweet. Almost innocent. Just enough to make her unbelievably attractive to you. So you start dating. Things are going well, and you think that this just might be the one. Then something happens. Something changes to upset the balance. You know that sweet, innocent girl you thought that you knew? Now she is a regular at Brother's, dancing on the bar. Doing God knows what, with God knows who. These are EVIL. Pure unadulterated EVIL. Warning: stay away if you can. The worst thing about this one guys: she will destroy you for any other women.

The Dater - This girl is not that bad, if you like this sort of thing. All she wants to do is date. Nothing more, nothing less, just date. Things might get physical, still just dating. Bad thing about this

Stupid things people do that we find amusing

AMSTERDAM, Netherlands (AP) _ Authorities have arrested seven suspects and seized 70 kilograms (150 pounds) of cocaine found elaborately hidden in the foundations of burial crypts, the Dutch national prosecutor's office said Monday.

The drugs were encased in massive rubber pillar bases with a core compartment made of steel. The street value of the haul was estimated at euro3.5 million (US\$4.6 million).

U.S. authorities had tipped Dutch authorities about the shipment of drugs, which is believed to have traveled from Mexico, through the U.S. city of Houston to Luxembourg before ending in the warehouse of a company that carves grave monuments in the south of the Netherlands.

Dutch prosecutors said Monday that they had arrested six suspects in a raid on the warehouse in Gorinchem last Wednesday, three Dutch, two Mexicans and one Columbian. An additional Dutch suspect was arrested in Belgium Saturday.

Prosecutors were also investigating three possible earlier shipments by the same group.

VILLACH, Austria (AP) — Someone was stealing cash from a shop, but thanks to a video-camera, authorities got their man — and it was a mouse.

A security camera set up inside the shop in Villach in the southwestern Austrian province of Carinthia helped the owner figure out who was making off with euro50 bank notes from the cash register. It turned out to be a mouse looking for nesting material, officials said Monday.

The critter was caught on camera with its paw in the till, Austrian television reported.

The shop owner, whose name was not released, became suspicious after two euro50 (US\$65) bills went missing.

NEW YORK (AP) — A man accidentally shot himself in the face while robbing a deli in the South Bronx, police said.

Latie Whitley, 34, and another man walked into the 20/20 Deli at 362 Willis Avenue at about 12:30 a.m. Saturday, police said. They held the store's owners at gunpoint, swiped about \$1,400 and fled.

At some point, Whitley's gun fired, grazing him on the face, police said. Officers found him shortly thereafter, standing outside his apartment on East 143rd Street.

He was arrested and taken to Lincoln Medical Center in stable condition.

Charges against him were pending, and police were still searching for his accomplice, said Sgt. Kevin Farrell, a police spokesman.

HOUSTON (AP) — As if a plain old thong wasn't enough to accentuate what isn't covered, a Rice University MBA student has shed some neon light on the skin with a glow-in-the-dark version.

Beau Carpenter, an avid runner who also works at NASA, initially thought of creating glow-in-the-dark jogging clothes, but practicality evaporated when thongs captured his attention during his Internet research. He enlisted Chris Harris, an electrical engineering student at Rice, and Marcus Brocato, a chemistry lab manager at the Houston private university, to develop the GloThong.

"Being guys, it didn't take us long to gravitate to them," Carpenter told the Houston Chronicle in Sunday's editions. "My co-workers find it endlessly entertaining."

The thongs have lightweight, water-resistant batteries that, when fully charged, illuminate the straps for two hours in various neon colors, including blue, pink and yellow. Wearers can use a wall adapter to charge them up, but car chargers are available for those on the go.

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The Good Girl - Finally, with this one guys, what you see is what you get. Some people would consider this type of girl a tease, but when you look at it, you just wanted her to tease you. This is the girl that you really want to date, maybe marry. But guess what? She wants you to buy the cow without tasting the milk. If that's your thing fine, but, unlike O.J., I don't buy gloves unless I try those bad boys on a few times. Easy, very easy to spot. Always wearing skirts and the latest long hairstyles. Perfect family and perfect upbringing and so sweet you want to drink a glass of milk.

The Really Good Girl - This one can be easily described with a particular Ludacris song. She will do anything with anyone and deny it the next day. This girl is one of the worst. She just won't admit to what she really is. Come on ladies, if it walks like a duck, talks like a duck and acts like a duck, guess what; it's a duck. Also very easy to spot, and it can be fun too. I liken it to deer hunting. First, you have to get up really really early in the morning. Drive over to Paul Carpenter Village, a.k.a. Fraternity Row. If you are very quiet, you can see them slink across the yards to their cars and try to leave as quietly and inconspicuously as possible. If you really want some fun, try to talk to one of them as they are leaving.

The Everlasting Friend - This girl can out-drink you. That says it all. She will party with you till the sun comes up and go to class with you drunk. She can burp, fart and has on more than one occasion urinated like a man. She is one of the guys. Always has been and sadly, always will be. She is also the sweetest, kindest and ugliest girl you know. Thoughts of this one in bed make you feel like you would be sleeping with your best friend. You might have fooled around with this girl in the past, but decided that it is better that you are friends. This one occurrence has left her with a life long crush on you.

So, in closing, I just want to let you guys know that not all women fall into these categories, but some do. So be careful, it's a tough world out there. And what ever you do, before you turn out all the lights, check all the doors and windows, and look under all the beds, because there just might be a Morpher in your house.

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"We're selling attention," Carpenter said. "You kind of feel like Cinderella until the Glo runs out."

WORCESTER, Mass. (AP) — A man was charged with stabbing two relatives after they allegedly criticized his table manners during Thanksgiving dinner.

Police said the fight broke out Thursday when Gonzalo Ocasio, 49, and his 18-year-old son, Gonzalo Jr., reprimanded Frank Palacios for picking at the turkey with his fingers, instead of slicing off pieces with a knife.

Palacios, 24, described by police only as an uncle, allegedly responded by stabbing them with a carving knife.

He is charged with domestic assault and assault with intent to murder, Detective Sgt. Thomas R. Radula said.

Police said Ocasio Jr. suffered stab wounds to the chest, back and right side. A nursing supervisor at the University of Massachusetts Medical Center said Friday she had no information on his condition. His father was treated for a stab wound in his arm.

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) - A father's attempt to teach his daughter a lesson about abusing alcohol backfired when the teen led authorities to a stash of drugs and illegal weapons inside his house.

Police arrested Kevin Winston, 46, early Friday morning on numerous weapons and drug charges, including possession with the intent to distribute and drug possession within 1,000 feet of a school. He was being held at the Essex County Jail.

"He called us on her and ended up getting locked up himself," said Newark Police Director Anthony Ambrose.

The incident began at 2:45 a.m. Friday when the 16-year-old came home drunk and unruly. Winston called police, but when they arrived, the girl told police she feared for herself and her four sisters - aged 3 through 15 - because her father stored drugs and weapons there.

She led them to a hidden crawl space above the ceiling where they found four semi-automatic guns, including an AK-47; a sawed-off shotgun, 9-mm handgun, .22-caliber rifle and more than 70 rounds of ammunition.

They also found 617 vials of cocaine plus drug paraphernalia.

The children were placed in the custody of a relative by the state Department of Youth and Family Services, Ambrose told The Star-Ledger of Newark.

"This was routine police work," he said. "Officers responded to the scene, and acted upon the information received from the 16-year-old. It's a step in the right direction."

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) - Aid workers and celebrity chefs created a stir on the banks of Sydney Harbor on Friday by cooking up what they hoped will be the world's largest risotto - a seven-ton tub of rice and peas - to raise awareness of world hunger.

"There are literally tens of thousands of children dying every week from malnutrition," said Robert Glasser, Chief Executive of Aid agency CARE Australia.

He said the Sydney cook off also would raise awareness of the role rice can play in combatting world hunger.

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FEATURES

Who you gonna call for a stress buster?

Ring in December

By Erin Chupp
Chanticleer Features Editor

Thanksgiving is over, and for many, the tryptophan from the turkey is still begging our bodies to relax. However, the five day Thanksgiving holiday break is only a teaser. Students must return to school only to discover the dark and ominous presence of finals looming over their heads. Bring on the stress, well-defined as a response to a demand placed upon you.

Stress is actually good for you. If you did not have any stress in your life, you would be a lifeless vegetable. However, there is positive stress and negative stress. Positive stress might be winning an award after working hard and finishing an art project. Negative stress basically comes when there is no relief or release of the tension in your muscles and high heart rate.

The type of negative stress college students will probably experience during finals is mental. Mental stress can become negative when you ignore the basic needs of your body and mind and continue to push yourself into an oblivion of work and exhaustion. This will also result in physical pain by causing headaches, heart dis-

***REST-** Know your body and the rest it requires to function properly. You may perform more poorly on an assignment or exam if you studied all night and got no sleep rather than studying an appropriate amount and resting your mind.

***EAT PROPERLY-** Late night snacking tends to increase during finals. Try to keep your body happier and healthier by drinking water or hot teas after dinner when you begin to study notes and write papers. This will fill your stomach and not give your mind as many urges to stand in front of an open refrigerator or call out for pizza late at night. If you must snack after dinner go for fruits or a good stomach filler like popcorn, and preferably not the "movie butter" flavor. The Learning Center at the University of North Dakota says, "Sugar highs and lows often translate into emotional highs and lows." Your adrenal glands, the ones which produce adrenaline, use Vitamin C during times of stress. You can bump up your Vitamin C intake by eating fresh citrus fruits. What you eat will have an affect on how you feel and how well you study.

***TAKE BREAKS-** If you know you are going to have a long evening working on school

to-do list with small amounts of time doing something to take your mind off your work. Maybe you would enjoy an ice cream from TCBY, or perhaps you have a television show you love to watch each week. The key to

and possibly avert an oncoming headache. You may have to break down in order to get down to work. Talk your troubles out.

***EXERCISE-** Getting in a good workout or even just tak-

dents will find it helpful to make a complete list of everything they need to finish by December 14, and check each one off upon completion. This will cause a feeling of achievement and will lessen your depression with the loads of work still on your plate.

***CONTROL YOUR ENVIRONMENT-** Create a healthy learning environment to study. Listening to classical music is one idea and has been proven to help. There are some who believe the theories of the Mozart-Effect and others who do not. This effect is the idea that listening to Mozart's classical music enhances your brain. However, whichever is true, the music certainly won't hurt you. Playing music without words will help you concentrate on your work and create a good environment. It may also help to change rooms to obtain a different atmosphere.

***BE POSITIVE-** This goes back to the saying, if you think you will do bad, then you'll do bad. Your mind is very powerful. Keep a positive attitude, giving yourself affirmation for working hard and completing school.

***JUST DO IT-** It's a school thing. You know you have to take finals. Either way, after December 14, the fall semester



Courtesy Erin Chupp

Student experience many levels of stress during finals and should gain stress management skills in order to cope with this time of year.

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First comes love, then comes marriage. Yes, this is correct. But what is the appropriate time frame in between these two ideas?

Sometimes I am mocked, but there's not a way in the world I would get married while still in college. I'm not struggling to hold off either. I know of people who had this same philosophy, and therefore arranged to be married the day after walking at their graduation.

There is plenty of time for everything. Some people argue that they are in love and don't want to waste time. However, I know these people have already consummated their relationship and currently live together. So what are they gaining by getting married? Sounds to me like a tax break or financial aid for school.

Also, as I sit and ponder all of the work I have left to do before the holiday break, I don't know where keeping up a good marriage would fit. Besides my work at the paper, there's about 10 essays, an oral presentation, art projects and exam notes to study. Marriage, especially the first year, requires time and effort. Something most of us don't have to spare while in school.

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mind and continue to push yourself into an oblivion of work and exhaustion. This will also result in physical pain by causing headaches, heart disease and ulcers.

Here are a few things to keep in mind over the next two weeks:

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this point is making sure you actually return to your books.

***GET SUPPORT-** Finals and exams stress everyone out. Talk to friends and family members about your stresses. Remember, it's your party and you can cry if you want to. In fact, crying will actually release a lot of ten-

ing a walk with friends will help relieve tension and stress in your body. The UNC at Chapel Hill's Counseling and Psychological Service says, "a twenty-minute walk has been proven to be a better tranquilizer than some prescription drugs.

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These comments stem from several weddings popping up all around my life. I suppose I've arrived at that age where all of your friends start getting married and things start to change.

However, I haven't expected some of the phone calls I've received. One came from a good friend in high school who I keep up with, but lives a few states away now. She's always been one to fall head over heels for each guy she's met, so the engagement call was shocking and expected all at the same time.

My difficulty in accepting the information and her decision comes when I put all of her information together. She moved away at the beginning of the summer, met the man of her dreams and was engaged by October.

It was at this time she decided to get married two months later and then move to Montreal! I asked her about finishing school and the "I'm sure I'll get around to it" response I received did not give me much hope.

I recently returned from attending a wedding where the now husband and wife are both in school, but they are worried about where their money will come from. The guy will probably have to go ahead and get a job because they decided to get a house right away and have many bills to pay.

This situation happens to many people. I don't oppose the couple, or the wedding itself, rather the timing.

You have the rest of your life to be with someone, and you can continue to date them at the current time. Just because you're not married doesn't mean you're not happy.

Is there anything you've been dreaming about doing? Make sure you have fun, enjoy your life. Don't make too many plans. Have the time of your life and when the time calls for a ring, congratulations and best of luck on a new journey.

O'Ryan in a bad way

By Antoine Jackson
Chanticleer Features Writer

There aren't too many people who have heard the name O'Ryan associated with R&B singers, but there is one now. O'Ryan is the younger brother of Marques Houston, lead singer of Imx, and Omarion, former lead singer of B2K. After spending years watching his older brothers perform, O'Ryan is the most recent member of the Houston family to break into the music business. He released his solo self titled debut album on October 19, 2004. Ok so I know this article is almost a month late but that's all right. It's even more reason to go get this album.

Unlike his brothers, O'Ryan has chosen to start his career off by making a solo album, something his brothers didn't experience until earlier in their careers. Something else that sets O'Ryan apart from his brothers is that he chose to do his album with producers that aren't that well known. This helped contribute to the different sound of his album with the exception of one song.

"Bad Situation" is one of the three songs written by Marques Houston that is featured on this

album. It could possibly be considered one of the best songs on the album also. This upbeat song is about a girl developing feelings for her boyfriend's best friend and the best friend (O'Ryan) developing feelings for her also. The best friend knows that he wouldn't dare try to hook up with her because he best friend means way too much to him. Now that's true friendship!

"In A Bad Way" is another excellent track that talks about it being whipped by one's significant other. The song says that it's ok to be embarrassed or look like a loser to your friends because you are so taken with this person in the worst way.

Another upbeat song that may catch your attention is the song "Shorty." It features rap artist J Kwon. Ok, so you're at a party and you're posted up with a few friends. You look across the way and see this fine young specimen looking sweeter than a plate of yams with extra syrup and you decide to make your move towards her to see if she would like to dance. She says yes and you spend the rest of the night dancing and chilling with this girl. This song also has beat (meaning it's filled with bass if one would like to play it loud in their car.)



Courtesy Patrick McCreless

The Senior Art Exhibit is now on display in Hammond Hall Gallery.

One other song that can't go unnoticed is the hit single "Take It Slow." It talks about finding that special someone and not wanting to mess up anything in the relationship. Thus meaning things should be

taken slow and O'Ryan vows to do whatever the girl would like.

These are some powerful messages coming from a 16 year-old R&B artist and the album is definitely worth a listen. Fans of R&B may find

themselves surprised at the work O'Ryan has comprised.



Jacksonville:
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Dubconscious -Brother's Bar

Birmingham:
12/02/04
Abstrakt Khemistry-The Nick
Mad Happy-The Nick
R-Tist-The Nick
Citizen Cope-Workplay Theatre
VHS or Beta-Zydeco
12/03/04
Jive Train-Barking Kudu
Steve Riley & Mamou
Playboys-Kelly Ingram VFW
Post 668
Through The Sparks-The Nick
Wes McDonald Plan-The Nick
Drew Emmitt Band-Workplay Theatre
12/04/04
Taylor Hollingsworth-The Nick
The Damnells-The Nick
The Shore-The Nick
12/06/04
Retrospect-The Nick
12/07/04
Demon Gione-The Nick

Atlanta:
12/02/04
El Vez-Echo Lounge
Alexi Murdoch-Smith's Olde Bar
Honestly-Smith's Olde Bar
Jen Foster-Smith's Olde Bar
The New Left-Smith's Olde Bar
Free Sol-TBA
Big D And The Kids Table-The Masquerade
Go Betty Go-The Masquerade
The F-Ups-The Masquerade
Voodoo Glow Skulls-The Masquerade
12/03/04

Horoscopes

ARIES: (March 21-April 20)
Use whatever clout you have to get some creative changes off the ground. Friends can really come in handy during times like this. Someone may want to flirt and tell you pretty lies, but don't be taken in, just enjoy the entertainment. Pay attention to your spiritual side.

TAURUS: (April 21 - May 21)
Keeping your nose to the grindstone is quite commendable this week, to a point. Your superiors may be more impressed is your approach is more balanced. Learn to delegate if management is one of your goals. Both courage and integrity will do well for you.

GEMINI: (May 22 - June 21)
Your hard work may have just finally brought about completion and success. Enjoy the admiration of those around you; you definitely deserve it. Spend wisely on any spree you find yourself on. Don't keep your stress to yourself; such pent up emotions will make you ill.

CANCER: (June 22 - July 23)
A little self-contemplation will get your week off and running on a positive note. You may be pleased with your work up until now, but want to improve in various areas. Allow a troublesome problem that has been hanging over your head for some time; take care of itself.

LEO: (July 24- August 23)
There is a fine line between having a good time and overdoing it, and your body is likely to be the best judge of that this week, just make sure to listen. If your current relationship is a bit unbalanced, playing the roles to faithfully may cause resentment.

VIRGO: (August 24 - September 23)
Money matters may not be as fruitful as you had expected

you and those you love. You need to make a choice.

SCORPIO: (October 24 - November 22)

A slow start this week will make it a week of catching up. Your heart is probably not in your work and it will show. There seems to be some contradictions about commitment to a romantic relationship. There are important factors to be weighed before making decisions.

SAGITTARIUS: (November 23 - December 21)

There is a sense that you are walking on quicksand during the week, and there is little you can do about it. Make any necessary sacrifices of time and energy to correct this uncertain situation. You and your significant other make a connection and become even closer.

CAPRICORN: (December 22 - January 20)

Don't be caught up in your own ideas and point of view that you cease to hear what those around you are saying. Let go of the need to always be right. You may be frustrated at what seems to be your lack of progress, but take the time to realize just how far you've come.

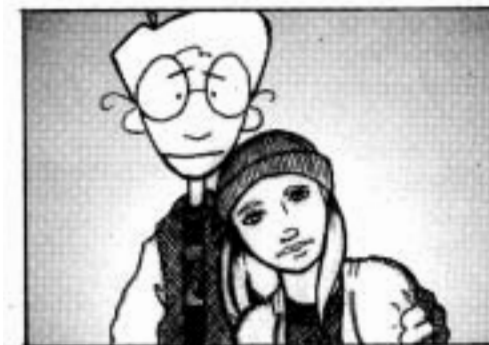
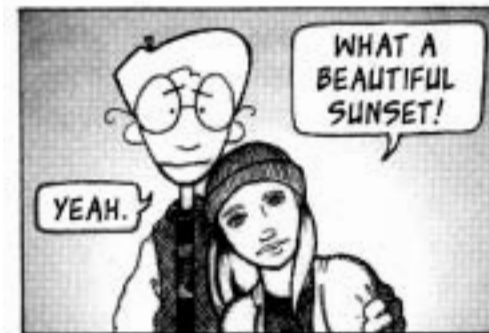
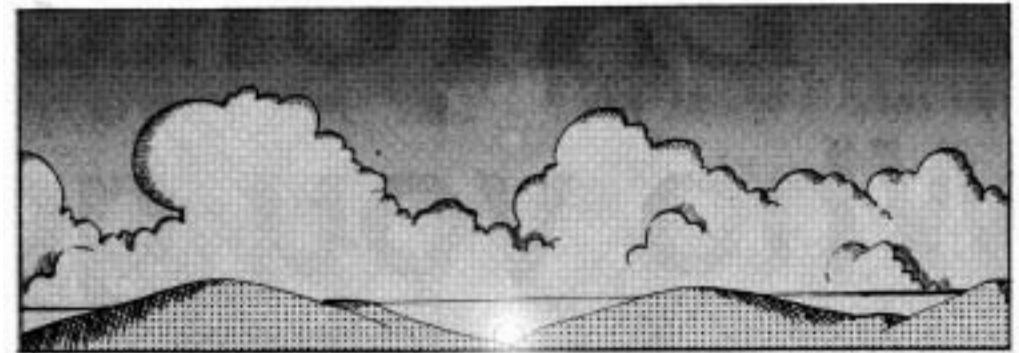
AQUARIUS: (January 21 - February 19)

You will get ahead by working hard during the week. Nothing less than your reputation is at stake, but not to worry, because your work is above reproach. Shortly you will be riding high on the waves of success, enjoy it for you deserve every bit given to you.

PISCES: (February 20 - March 20)

A financial windfall is quite possible this week. Prosperity is definitely a main issue for the next couple of months, so instead of whining, it's time to take action. A surge of inspira-

Beating Around the Bush by Bryan Stone



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What if page two of *The Chanticleer* looked like this?

~~Rutgers basketball team~~ under gag order

While hoping that the furor caused over remarks made by [redacted] dies down, [redacted] have come under fire again, this time for [redacted]. The American Association of University Professors has criticized the Rutgers administration for [redacted].

because they are [redacted] censorship. [redacted] where or when the game would be replayed yet, and we didn't want to jeopardize any possible decision by [redacted].

Two days after student protesters demanding the resignation of [redacted] halted the Scarlet Knights' game against the University of Massachusetts, guard Damon Santiago told a *Zargum* reporter that he thought [redacted].

Senior forward Jamal Phillips told a reporter that [redacted]. "The forum has been used to make

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Voodoo Glow Skulls-The Masquerade
12/03/04
Goodnight City-10 High
Steep Canyon Rangers-
Red Light Cafe
Bradley Cole Smith-Smith's
Olde Bar
Matt Stillwell-Smith's Olde
Bar
The Elvis Show-Smith's Olde
Bar
Pepper-The Masquerade
Umphrey's McGee-Variety
Playhouse
Citizen Cope-Vinyl - Atlanta
12/04/04
Steve Riley & Mamou
Playboys-Knights Of
Columbus
"A Peter White Christmas"-
Robert Ferst Center For The
Arts
Mindi Abair-Robert Ferst
Center For The Arts
Rick Braun-Robert Ferst
Center For The Arts
Acras-Smith's Olde Bar
White Animals-Smith's Olde
Bar
Marilyn Manson-Tabernacle
Full Blown Chaos-The
Masquerade
Hatebreed-The Masquerade
Love Is Red-The Masquerade
No Warning-The Masquerade
Terror-The Masquerade
Bain Mattox-Vinyl - Atlanta
12/06/04
Magnetic Fields-Variety
Playhouse
12/07/04
Nas-Earthlink Live
St. Somewhere-The
Brandyhouse
Devilinside-The Masquerade
Diecast-The Masquerade
E-Town Concrete-The
Masquerade
Twelve Tribes-The
Masquerade
12/08/04
Le Tigre-Coca Cola Roxy
Theatre
Lesbians On Ecstasy-
Coca Cola Roxy Theatre
Measles Mumps And
Rubella-Coca Cola Roxy
Theatre
Lostprophets-Earthlink Live
Brandon Kelly-Smith's Olde
Bar
Old Crow Medicine Show-
Smith's Olde Bar

VIKINGO:(August 24 - September 23)
Money matters may not be as fruitful as you had expected this week, after all the effort you put into these financial gains, try not to let it get to you. Maybe it's time to make changes instead of being weighed down with so much responsibility. Think things out carefully.
LIBRA:(September 24 - October 23)
Stick with those who have loved and supported you through thick and thin. There is someone in the immediate vicinity that is jealous of your friends and family, and will try to drive a wedge in between

College Concoctions

Jessica's Ro-Tel Chicken

1 boneless chicken breast
1 can spicy Ro-Tel tomatoes

Put chicken breast in a bowl and cover with can of tomatoes. Microwave on high until the chicken is cooked all the way through. The tomatoes keep the chicken moist. Enjoy!

Michelle's Tuna-Noodle Casserole

1 large can of tuna (drain it)
one small bag of potato chips (crush chips in bag)
a package of elbow noodles
1 can of cream of chicken and a little milk
1 pkg. shredded cheese (sharp or mild)

Preheat oven to 350- boil noodles-pour can of cream of chicken in a bowl with enough milk to make it pretty creamy-get a large casserole dish and put in layers of noodles, crushed up chips, some tuna, and then cheese. (make the top layer noodles)- pour creamy mixture over top and then put on more cheese- cook in oven for about 20 min or till cheese on top is melted and browned a little.

Cara's Breakfast Burrito

1 Tortilla
A Few strips of Bacon
Eggs
Salsa
Sour Cream
Lettuce(Optional)

Scramble the egg, then cook the bacon. Put them on the tortilla. Put salsa and sour cream on the salsa and if you want to put lettuce on it. Then wrap it up and eat. It's fast, easy and yummy!

is definitely a main issue for the next couple of months, so instead of whining, it's time to take action. A surge of inspiration will enable you to do whatever needs doing, and be innovative with solutions.
IF THIS WEEK IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: The thought of being free has always been important to you, and you may invariably dream of escaping to another location. You can also travel in your mind by reading books or renting videos. Unusual people you meet now may turn out to be inspiring.

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One play here, one play there!

Paladins end Gamecock season early

From Staff Reports

By Amado Ortiz
The Chanticleer
Sports Editor



It was a cold in day in Greenville, South Carolina and it couldn't have been any colder for the Red Bandits.

Jacksonville State went into the NCAA Division I-AA red-hot and were on a mission to win their first I-AA playoff game. But the Paladins would have something else in store for the Gamecocks. Let's clear up one thing before we go on. What is a Paladin? Sounds like something you would cook with, don't it. Honey, would you please pass me the paladin!

Well almost but not quite. A paladin is a holy knight with magical abilities. They say most paladins have the ability to heal wounds by touch. The second thing we need to clear up is before any of you students start saying "Man we got killed" by simply taking a glance at the scoreboard.

I know a paladin has magical abilities but if you take away the first quarter of the ballgame, the Gamecocks have a serious shot of winning the game.

I know that is why they play four quarters and all of them count but in the second quarter after the JSU offense got rolling, we were hitting and blocking them right between the numbers.

Oscar Bonds tore off a huge 55-yard gain and it seemed like

Former Florida starter Ingle Martin threw four touchdowns to lead Furman to its first NCAA Division I-AA playoff victory in three years, 49-7, over Jacksonville State on Saturday.

Martin had scoring passes of 48 and 3 yards to Isaac West and a TD throw of 3 yards to Brian Bratton as the Paladins (10-2) took a 21-0 lead and were never pressured by the Gamecocks (9-2). Furman faces either James Madison or Lehigh in the second round at Paladin Stadium next Saturday.

Martin's touchdown passes gave him a school record 21 for the season, surpassing the mark of 19 set by Furman coach Bobby Lamb in 1984. He also matched Lamb's record of four touchdown throws in a playoff win over Rhode Island in 1985.

Jacksonville State entered the playoffs after winning the Ohio

Valley Conference for the second straight year, but is still looking for its first I-AA playoff win.

It was Furman's prize transfer who did most of the damage. Martin was wooed to Florida by the ol' ball coach, Steve Spurrier, three seasons back as one of the best. But despite starting four games in 2003 for Spurrier's replacement Ron Zook, Martin fell behind younger star quarterback Chris Leak and chose to leave The Swamp for Furman.

So far, it has been a wonderful union. The Paladins shared the Southern Conference championship and were seeded second in the NCAA's 16-team playoffs. That success continued against Jacksonville State.

On Furman's second possession, Martin connected with Bratton on a 19-yard pass and then went deep to West for the Paladins first touchdown.

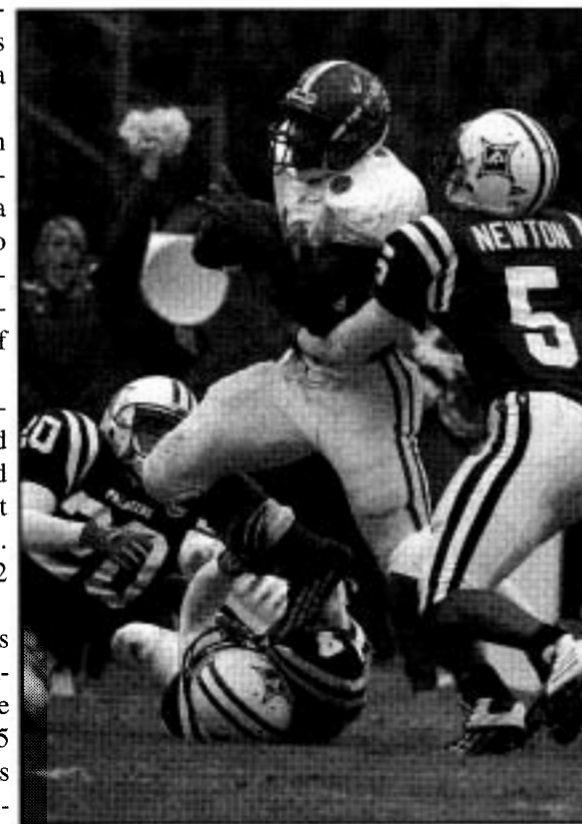
Martin and the Paladins scored again the next time they got the ball. The 6-foot-3 Martin leaped

over a defender as part of an 18-yard run on 3rd-and-10. Four plays later, he and West hooked up on a second score.

Martin was in control and on target on Furman's following possession as well. He completed a 20-yard pass to Bratton to get to Jacksonville's 27. The two finished off the drive with their 9-yard touchdown pass at 14:54 of the second quarter.

Martin added a 1-yard touchdown run in the third quarter and closed his game with a soft 3-yard TD toss to tight end John Rust with 6:26 left to make its 42-7. Martin finished 14 of 19 for 282 yards.

Furman's defense also did its part. When the Gamecocks threatened to make a game of it in the second quarter after runs of 55 yards for Oscar Bonds and 4 yards by Raynodd Zeine for a touchdown, the Paladins held them off the scoreboard the rest of the way.



Courtesy Steve Latham

Oscar Bonds gaining some tough yards against the Paladins in the first round of playoffs.

Delta Chi, Phi Mu claim IM water polo titles



Congratulations to Delta Chi, Phi Mu, and Brick house for winning the innertube water polo championships.

Phi Mu defeated Delta Zeta 4-2 for the second straight year to win their third consecutive water-polo championship.

Delta Chi defeated two time defending champion Sigma Phi Epsilon 5-3 to win their first fraternity conference



blocking them right between the numbers.

Oscar Bonds tore off a huge 55-yard gain and it seemed like we could run to the right side whenever we wanted to. Jacksonville scored a couple of plays later to make it 21-7 and the Furman crowd was stunned.

The Gamecocks on the scoring drive just lined up, pinned their ears back and straight hit Furman dead in the mouth, and I bet you five to one odds the Paladins were thinking what kink of magic would get them out of this mess.

After every game you can go back and highlight a couple of plays that changed the game. Well the scoring drive was instrumental and huge for JSU.

A play that really killed some momentum was when the guy in the white hat that seems to be every other teams best player made an absolutely, positively, blind, bonehead, horrible, worst call I have ever seen in person.

Maurice Mullins drops back and hits Jarvis Houston on a 15 yard out. As Jarvis is in his route, he makes the catch and his momentum takes him out of bounds. The defender also running alongside Jarvis runs out of bounds as well.

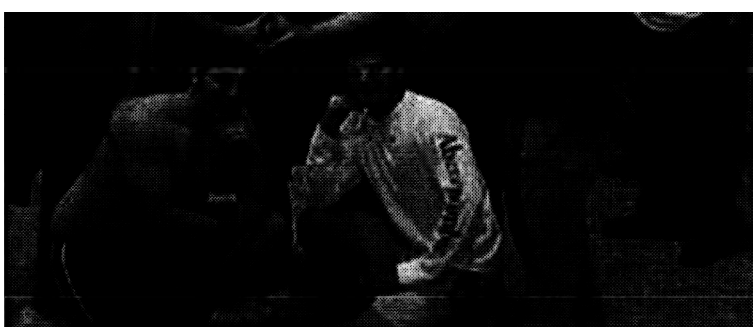
The guy in the white hat says Jarvis is down in bounds and the clock keeps running. The Gamecocks had to rush the kicking unit in and JSU missed the field goal attempt to end the half.

Jarvis wasn't even tackled, he didn't even fall down. Matter of fact he barely caught the ball in bounds so how on earth does the clock not stop.

I haven't seen any film and I don't want too. I haven't talked to the coaches about it but from the stands, that call looked ridiculous.

By the way Coach Crowe was looking they felt my pain as well. To go down by seven or 10 points would have been huge and the game would not have gotten out of hand.

But give Ingle Martin and the Paladins some credit, they're pretty good but so are we and I would like to see them come to Paul Snow and watch what kind of magic we can do.



Courtesy: Amado Ortiz

Delta Chi defeated two time defending champion Sigma Phi Epsilon 5-3 to win their first fraternity conference innertube water-polo championship.

Brick-house defeated Delta Chi 5-3 to win the men's university championship for water-polo.



Courtesy: Amado Ortiz

Gamecocks rack up All-OVC honors

From Staff Reports

JSU head football coach Jack Crowe was named Coach of the Year and eight players have been selected to represent the Gamecocks on the 2004 All-Ohio Valley Conference Teams.

Crowe was named Coach of the Year after guiding the Gamecocks to their best record since entering Division I-AA and their second straight Ohio Valley Conference Football title.

"I think this year, I got more help than I've ever gotten as a head coach," said

Crowe. "I really think I'm working with the best assistant coaching staff that I've ever been around and I'm very fortunate."

The Gamecocks had five players earn OVC first-team honors, including senior running back Oscar Bonds, center John Pettus and guard Rod Olds round out the offensive selections. Senior defensive back Russell Green made the defensive first team, while sophomore Craig Agee earned first-team return specialist honors.

"I'm very happy and pleased for the players that made the OVC All-Conference team," said Crowe. "All but

two of the players are seniors and I think that speaks well for their impact on our football team.

Bonds, a senior Russellville, Ala. native, broke the school scoring record and led the OVC with 19 touchdowns this season. He is third in the conference in total rushing yards and second in yards per game and earned Player of the Week honors three times.

Both Pettus, a senior from Lineville, Ala., and Olds, a junior from Panama City, Fla., have started every game and anchored an offense that leads the OVC in scoring, rushing and total offense. The unit only allowed seven sacks, which is

also an OVC best.

Agee, a sophomore Taylorville, Miss. native, leads the NCAA and the OVC with 17 punt returns for a 21.2 average. He has two returns for touchdowns and earned Player of the Week honors twice this season.

Green, a Birmingham, Ala. native, led the OVC with six interceptions, including two in his final home game. He also had 53 tackles, 10 deflections and two fumble recoveries and helped lead a JSU defense that ranks fifth in the nation in rushing defense.

Volleyball team closes season in semi's of OVC

From Staff Reports

Jacksonville State eliminated the 2003 Ohio Valley Conference Champions Morehead State, 3-1 in the first round of the leagues volleyball tournament, Saturday.

After falling in the first game of the match 28-30, the Gamecocks won three consecutive games (30-23, 32-30, 30-25) to claim the victory.

"Every time we've played them (MSU) their defense has been very tough," said JSU head coach Rick Nold. "Both times we've played them this year, the matches have gone five games, so we knew this match would be a challenge as well. Once we got comfortable with what they were doing we played better."

First team All-OVC Abbey Breit led JSU with 16 kills, while Kisha West led the team defensively with 26 digs. Suzi Terrell recorded her second career double-double with 12 kills and 11 digs.

Jessica Starck had a double-double as well with 11 kills and 18 digs, including back-to-back game winning kills in game three. Shari Weyer, also an

All-OVC first team member, had 11 kills and six total blocks. Kim Halbach added six blocks. Emily Withers also recorded a double-double with 31 assists and ten digs, while Annie O'Connor added 23 assists.


It marks the first time JSU has advanced in a post season tournament since moving to Division I in 1995.

Jacksonville State fell to Eastern Illinois (25-5) 3-1 (30-28, 30-24, 26-30, 30-25) in the semi-finals of the Ohio Valley Conference Volleyball Tournament. JSU kept things close in game one, with the Panthers taking an early 9-5 lead, but Jax State came back and led by as much as 22-19. An Abbey Breit kill tied the game at 26 and later a Rebekah Nichols kill tied the match at 27, before the Gamecocks lost 30-28.

Shari Weyer led Jax State in game three with eight kills and no errors, including the game winning kill to take the win 30-26.

Weyer led JSU with 21 kills and only three errors, hitting 486 on the day. Abbey Breit added 16 kills and Suzi Terrell finished with ten. Kisha West had 17 digs on defense, while Jessica Starck added 15 digs.

JSU finished the year 21-9 overall.

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Special Edition



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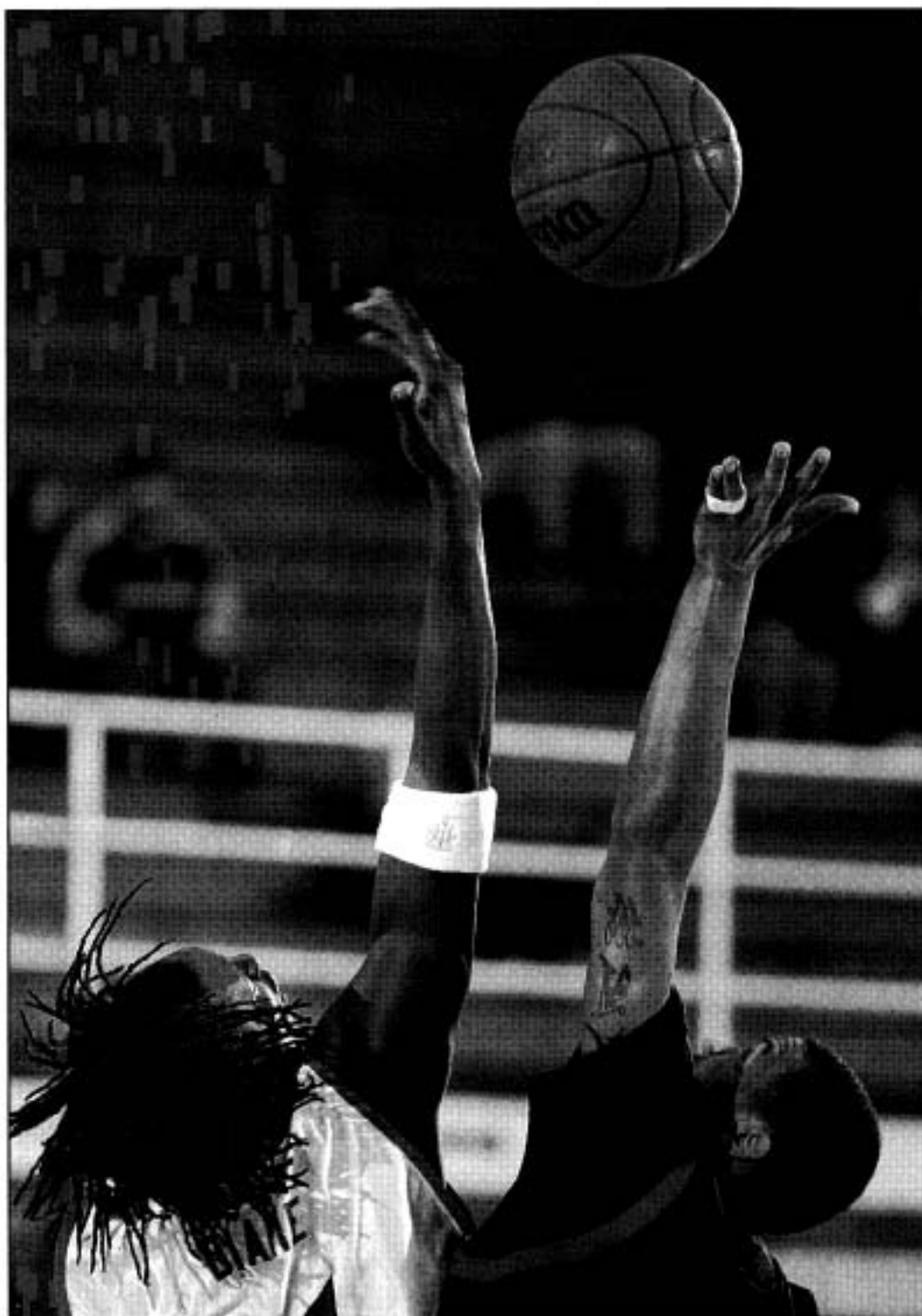
The rest of the starting lineup is up for grabs among three veteran reserves, two freshmen and a quintet of junior college transfers.

There will be one constant this season and his name is Walker D. Russell all the way from Rochester, Michigan.

Walker has already had an impact this season by winning OVC player of the week honors. Russell started all five games and averaged 20.0 points, 7.4 assists and 3.4 rebounds in the first five games of the season in an average of 34.4 minutes.

The junior preseason All-OVC pick shot 54.2 percent from the field and 80.6 from the free throw line and scored a season-high 28 points in JSU's 90-74 win over Western Carolina in the BCA Classic.

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All pictures Courtesy Steve Latham

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| Top left: | Coby Carlisle in the zone |
| Top right: | Walker Russell taking it to the hole |
| Bottom left: | High riser Abdou Diame in a jump ball |
| Bottom right: | Coach Dave Dagostino with Heather Shepard |

Women basketball season outlook

From Staff Reports

The 2004-05 Jacksonville State University women's basketball 27-game schedule features a trip to Alaska, a road game at Duke and a home game against Auburn.

"We feel like we've put together a very competitive schedule," said JSU head coach Dave Dagostino. "We're glad to have the opportunity to take our kids to Alaska and also have the opportunity to play at Duke and at home against Auburn."

After opening the season at Tulane on Nov. 23rd, the Gamecocks travel to Fairbanks, Alaska, on Nov. 26-27, before returning home to open the season against UNC-Wilmington on Dec. 12. Jax State travels to face Duke on December 15, then returns home to face Carson-Newman and Alcorn State before Christmas.

The Gamecocks open the new year on January 2 against Auburn before Ohio Valley Conference play begins on January 4 against Samford and is the first of a 16-game league schedule. The OVC plays six home-and-home series, then split the

remaining games. JSU hosts Murray State and UT-Martin and travels to Southeastern Missouri State and Eastern Illinois.

Jacksonville State will have four starters returning from a year ago. The team reached the OVC Tournament in its first year in the league, dropping a first-round decision to Eastern Kentucky 65-63.

Players to watch this year include Shanika Freeman, Cobie Carlisle and Katja Fuess. Freeman was selected to the All-OVC first team last season.

She also ranked nationally in scoring (19.4ppg) and rebounds (10.2rpg). Freeman also recorded 15 double-doubles last year, giving her 50 for her career.

Carlisle saw action in 28 games last season and receiving six starts. Carlisle finished the season ranked third on the team in scoring (9.9ppg) and second in rebounds (5.4rpg).

Fuess played in all 28 games last year starting all but three of them. She also scored in double figures eight times last year.



courtesy: Steve Latham

Pete Matthews Coliseum: Home of the men and womens basketball team

From Russell pg.8

When asked about his role on the team, Russell

CS: Who is the player in the NBA your skills are most like?

Men basketball season outlook

From Staff Reports

After graduating five players, Jacksonville State coach Mike LaPlante has to improve last year's 14-14 record with an almost entirely new team.

"Three of the five players we lost last year were shooters. We brought in some good, qualified shooters to take those spots," said LaPlante. "How quickly they can adapt their game to this level will show in our favor. The key thing is having to rely on returning players."

Walker Russell is the only starter returning to lead the Gamecocks alongside lettermen Abdou Diame, Anthony Wilson and Brad Peters. Russell, a junior point guard from Pontiac, Mich., is the leading scorer returning. He averaged 12.7 points per game and finished with a JSU Division I school record 182 assists.

He earned Ohio Valley Conference Newcomer of the Week honors twice during the 2003-04 season after joining the Gamecocks from Chipola Junior College.

A pure point guard who understands how to run a team, Russell is a 2004-05 OVC preseason all-conference second team pick. He led the conference with 6.5 assists per game and finished the season ranked ninth nationally in that category. Russell scored in double figures in 12 of the last 13 games, saving his best for last with a career-high 32 points and 10 assists in the first round of the OVC tournament at Morehead State.

"Hopefully we can build on where he left off towards the end of the season," said LaPlante. "That's the kind of contribution he was making. He had a very good off-season and he wants to lead this team in the OVC."

The Gamecocks won their last three OVC games, defeating Tennessee Tech, Samford and Tennessee State to finish tied for fifth in the league with a 7-9 conference record.

Diame will be counted on as an anchor in the paint. He transferred from Auburn two years ago and is still looking for his breakout season with the Gamecocks. The 6-foot-9 forward showed potential during two seasons at Auburn (25 points vs Grambling, 19 at Florida) after signing with the Tigers from the talent-rich Oak Hill Academy (Va.), where he was a Parade All-American.

After sitting out the 2002-03 season, Diame saw action in 25 games, recording 15 starts last year for Jacksonville State. He scored in double-figures six times, including 10 points in JSU's first-ever OVC contest on Jan. 3 against Austin Peay. Diame tossed in a career-high 15 points at

Freshmen Dorein Brown and Brandon Davis lead a group of talented newcomers alongside junior college transfers Carlos Lumpkin and Rod Venner, who were teammates at Atlanta Metro College for the last two seasons.

"Two freshmen that will stick out are Dorien Brown and Brandon Davis," said LaPlante. "Brown and Davis will be a very good players, not just in the future but this year as well. The combination of the two will be a pretty formidable tandem for four years."

Davis played at West End in Birmingham and averaged 14 points, 7.5 rebounds and 2.5 blocks as a senior. Long, skilled and athletic, he was a first-team all-state selection after leading the Lions to a 28-5 record last year. Davis also played in the AHSAA North-South All-Star basketball game, where he was named the North team's Most Valuable Player.

A tough, hard-nosed competitor, Brown will provide immediate help with his rebounding and defensive skills. The team MVP at Bellingham High School, he averaged 20.5 points and 11.0 rebounds as a senior en route to first-team all-state honors. He was named one of the Boston Globe's Top 5 basketball players in the state.

Venner led Georgia in scoring last year (22 ppg) while Lumpkin led in rebounding (13.1) when both led Atlanta Metro College to the semi-final round of the junior college regional tournament.

Lumpkin earned all-conference honors after averaging 13.3 points and 13.1 rebounds per game and was named Co-Most Valuable Player after his sophomore season. An outstanding shooter with great range, Venner will provide instant offense for the Gamecocks.

He averaged 22 points and five assists as a sophomore and was a second-team junior college All-America selection. Venner earned first-team All-Region honors after leading Atlanta Metro to a 23-6 record. He was also named Most Valuable Player as a freshman at the Pensacola Tournament as the Panthers finished with a 20-11 record.

"Carlos is an old-school throwback," said LaPlante. "He is not fancy, just exceptionally skilled and understands how to play. Rod is an outstanding shooter. He has the potential to score any time he touches the ball and has been impressive in the preseason skills program."

Former Shelton State standout Jeremy Law can play anywhere on the court, and Beville State guard B.J. Spencer can put points on the scoreboard in a hurry with his outstanding shooting ability. Law's teammate at Shelton State, Tim Lewis, will provide depth in the backcourt.

When asked about his role on the team, Russell blushed for a second and proceeded to say, "Leader. Quiet Leader and leader by example." Chanticleer Sports caught up with the junior guard to get up close and personal.

CS: What is your season outlook?

Walker: OVC Championship. Basically OVC Championship. They didn't give us much respect in the preseason rankings but a better than what the experts think.

CS: How are the newcomers?

Walker: Real good. The freshmen are not playing like freshmen. The JUCO's bring a lot of experience. We are starting to come together as a team but everybody is contributing.

CS: Your favorite NBA player?

Walker: Mike Bibby

CS: Who is the player in the NBA your skills are most like?

Walker: Jason Kidd. Not really but he is a good person to say.

CS: Why Jacksonville State?

Walker: Coach Laplant said I can come in and play early and all three years so I'm here.

CS: Quote that you live by?

Walker? Don't talk about it, be about it!

CS: One thing the Chanticleer readers must know about you?

Walker: I'm single. Not looking for a relationship but I'm single and you can put that in writing.

Hopefully Walker and the rest of the Gamecocks can solve the answer to their season but you didn't hear it from us first. "They don't how the newcomers are going to play," said Russell. "but that's okay we'll show them."

year for Jacksonville State. He scored in double-figures six times, including 10 points in JSU's first-ever OVC contest on Jan. 3 against Austin Peay. Diame tossed in a career-high 15 points at Austin Peay later in the season.

"As a fifth-year senior, this is Abdou's last go around," said LaPlante. "I know he has worked hard and is looking forward to the challenge of establishing himself within the OVC. If he stays healthy - watch out."

Junior guards Brad Peters and Anthony Wilson provide veteran leadership on the court. Wilson appeared in 25 games last year, averaging 2.3 points and 1.6 rebounds. He is an excellent athlete with the ability to score, hitting 4-for-8 from the field and 3-of-4 from the free-throw line for a career-high 12 points in a win over Tennessee State.

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Spencer averaged 17 points and shot 41 percent from behind the arc as a sophomore at Beville State. As a freshman, he helped lead the team to a 31-4 record and a sixth-place finish in the national tournament.

"We have a tough road schedule with 15 games. Last year, we were 2-12 on the road because it's very difficult to win on the road. Championship-caliber teams find a way to win on the road," said LaPlante. "We know it's going to be a challenge, but all those non-conference road games have to develop this team into being tough mentally on the road. We've got to improve on that."

2004 Women Schedule and Roster

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| 11/9/2004 | vs Miami Suns Exhibition | W | 5 | Heathar ShepardG | 5-4 Senior | Bloomfield, N.Y./Bloomfield Central |
| 11/23/2004 | at Tulane | L 51-54 | 10 | Laniece Thomas G | 5-6 Senior | Chicago, Ill./Maria Highschool |
| 11/26/2004 | Alaska-Fairbanks Tourney | L 43-67 | 13 | Cobie Carlisle G | 5-9 Junior | Lima, Ohio/Lima HS |
| 11/27/2004 | Alaska-Fairbanks Tourney | L 73-75 | 14 | Ann-Marie HealyC | 6-3 Junior | Killenaule, Ireland/Seoil Ruain |
| 12/12/2004 | vs UNC-Wilmington | 2:00 PM | 15 | Katja Fuess F | 6-2 Junior | Mission, B.C./Heritage Park Sec. |
| 12/15/2004 | at Duke | 6:00 PM | 20 | Rebecca Haynes F | 6-2 Freshman | Birkdale, Australia/Moreton Bay |
| 12/19/2004 | vs Carson-Newman | 6:00 PM | 21 | Shanika FreemanF | 6-1 Senior | Chattanooga, Tenn./Chattanooga HS |
| 12/20/2004 | vs Alcorn State | 6:00 PM | 22 | Courtney SlaughterG | 5-7 Sophomore | Dolton, Ill./Thornwood HS |
| 1/2/2005 | vs Auburn | 3:00 PM | 23 | Jordan Stapp G | 5-5 Freshman | Newell, S.D./Newell HS |
| 1/4/2005 | vs Samford | 5:00 PM | 30 | Minerva AmputchG | 5-11 Freshman | Sydney, Australia/Sydney Church of England |
| 1/6/2005 | vs Tennessee State | 5:00 AM | 35 | Nina Bliss F | 6-1 Senior | West warwick, R.I./Rhode Island CC |
| 1/11/2005 | at Longwood | 6:00 PM | 42 | Shari Riley F/C | 6-0 Senior | Detroit, Mich./Martin Luther King HS |
| 1/13/2005 | vs UT-Martin | 4:00 PM | 44 | Ashley Clay C | 6-6 Sophomore | Marietta, Ohio/Warren HS |
| 1/15/2005 | vs Murray State | 5:00 PM | | | | |
| 1/20/2005 | at Eastern Kentucky | 4:30 PM | | | | |
| 1/22/2005 | at Morehead State | | | | | |
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| 1/29/2005 | at Eastern Illinois | 2:05 PM | | | | |
| 2/3/2005 | vs Austin Peay | 5:00 PM | | | | |
| 2/5/2005 | vs Tennessee Tech | 5:00 PM | | | | |
| 2/7/2005 | vs Utah Valley State | 6:00 PM | | | | |
| 2/10/2005 | vs Morehead State | 5:00 PM | | | | |
| 2/12/2005 | vs Eastern Kentucky | 5:00 PM | | | | |
| 2/17/2005 | at Tennessee Tech | 5:30 PM | | | | |
| 2/19/2005 | at Austin Peay | 5:15 PM | | | | |
| 2/22/2005 | at Samford | 5:00 PM | | | | |
| 2/24/2005 | vs Longwood | 8:00 PM | | | | |
| 2/26/2005 | at Tennessee State | 5:00 PM | | | | |
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2004 Men Schedule and Roster

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| 2 | Anthony Wilson G | 6-3 190 Jr. | 11/14/2004 | vs Air Force Academy / BCA Classic | L 42-59 |
| | | | | Tuscaloosa, AL./Thomas More HS | |
| 3 | John Ketterer G | 6-1 170 Fr. | 11/15/2004 | vs South Carolina State / BCA Classic | L 72-80 |
| | | | | Jacksonville, AL./Jacksonville HS | |
| 4 | Brandon Davis F | 6-7 195 Freshman | 11/16/2004 | vs Western Carolina / BCA Classic | W 90-74 |
| | | | | Birmingham, AL./West End HS | |
| 5 | Jeremy Law G | 6-5 205 Jr. | 11/19/2004 | vs Mississippi Valley State | W 83-76 |
| | | | | York, Ala./Shelton State JC | |
| 10 | Walker Russell G | 6-0 170 Jr. | 11/21/2004 | vs Berry College | W 85-73 |
| | | | | Pontiac, Mich./Chipola (Fla.) JC | |
| 11 | Brad Peters G | 6-4 185 Jr. | 11/23/2004 | vs Shorter College | W 112-94 |
| | | | | Snellville, GA./South Gwinnett HS | |
| 13 | B.J. Spencer G | 6-4 190 Jr. | 12/1/2004 | at Wofford | 6:00 PM |
| | | | | Starkville, Miss./Beville State-Summiton | |
| 20 | Tim Lewis G | 6-3 185 Fr. | 12/4/2004 | at Jackson State | 7:00 PM |
| | | | | Prattville, AL./Shelton State JC | |
| 21 | Abdou Diame F | 6-9 235 Sr. | 12/15/2004 | at Coastal Carolina | 7:00 PM |
| | | | | Thies, Senegal/Auburn | |
| 24 | Rod Venner G | 6-2 185 Jr. | 12/20/2004 | at Delaware State | 6:00 PM |
| | | | | Morrow, GA./Atlanta Metro College | |
| 32 | Carlos Lumpkin F/C | 6-6 230 Jr. | 12/22/2004 | at Mississippi State | 7:00 PM |
| | | | | Winder Barrow, GA./Atlanta Metro College | |
| 33 | Dorien Brown F | 6-8 225 Fr. | 12/29/2004 | at Arkansas | 7:00 PM |
| | | | | Lynn, Mass./Northfield Mountain Herman Prep. | |
| | | | 1/4/2005 | vs Samford | 7:30 PM |
| | | | 1/6/2005 | vs Tennessee State | 7:30 PM |
| | | | 1/13/2005 | vs UT-Martin | 7:00 PM |
| | | | 1/15/2005 | vs Murray State | 7:30 PM |
| | | | 1/20/2005 | at Eastern Kentucky | 6:30 PM |
| | | | 1/22/2005 | at Moorehead State | 6:45 PM |
| | | | 1/27/2005 | at SEMO | 7:30 PM |
| | | | 1/29/2005 | at Eastern Illinois | 7:05 PM |
| | | | 1/31/2005 | vs Reinhardt | 7:00 PM |
| | | | 2/3/2005 | vs Austin Peay | 7:30 PM |
| | | | 2/5/2005 | vs Tennessee Tech | 7:30 PM |
| | | | 2/10/2005 | vs Morehead State | 7:30 PM |
| | | | 2/12/2005 | vs Eastern Kentucky | 7:30 PM |
| | | | 2/15/2005 | at Austin Peay | 7:00 PM |
| | | | 2/17/2005 | at Tennessee Tech | 7:30 PM |
| | | | 2/22/2005 | at Samford | 7:30 PM |
| | | | 2/26/2005 | at Tennessee State | 7:30 PM |
| | | | 3/1/2005 | vs TBA / OVC First Round | TBA |
| | | | 3/4/2005 | vs TBA / OVC Championship | TBA |

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