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Up Til Dawn lends helping hand to cancer patients

By Audrey Hykes
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Ben Bowen is a patient at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and was just 16 months old when he was diagnosed with an often fatal brain tumor called an atypical teratoid rhabdiod tumor. ATRT is rare, grows rapidly and is almost impossible to remove completely. It is also difficult to treat with chemotherapy or radiation because of location, type and the young age of the patient.

ATRT was distinguished from other brain tumors less than 10 years ago. It is treated at St. Jude by administering chemotherapy directly into the head and spine for rapid absorption. Also used is 3-D conformal radiation therapy - radiation beams focused at the tumor site from several directions to help save brain function.

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, located in Memphis, Tenn., operates solely on donations and fundraising from organizations and programs throughout the country. A program called Up Til Dawn is an organization run by students from about 250 Universities. JSU is an active participator.

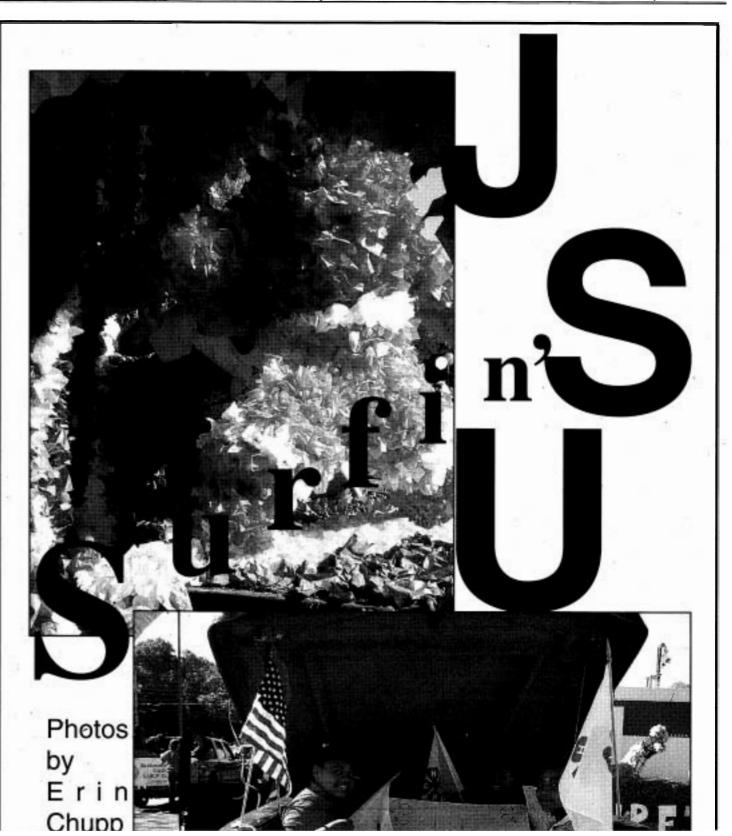
From JSU's standpoint, we try to help out because St. Jude helps all the hospitals," said Megan Radison, director of Up Til Dawn at JSU. The research results found at St. Jude are sent to every children's hospital in the country, and potentially the world, according to Radison. "In addition, about 700 Alabama children have also gone to St. Jude for treatment," she said.

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JAX cash passes, student says ballot wording may have swayed voting results

By J. Wilson Guthrie
The Chanticleer Editor in Chief

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Much to the delight of the SGA, a resolution pertaining to JAX Cash - a measure that would add mandatory meal plan costs into housing costs - passed Thursday by a 777 to 61 vote

JAX Cash passed by an overwhelming margin, but one student was not happy with the wording on a slip of paper that was handed to each voter. David Chambers told the senate during the student body report that the SGA was trying to influence the vote of younger students by adding a clause stating "we are confident that you will vote yes" on a slip of paper that was given to each student explaining the amendment.

Several senators who spoke on behalf of the SGA and Vice President of the Student Senate NAEM said that the senate was sorry the wording appeared to be misleading. Chambers responded that his concern was that of the SGA trying to persuade people to vote one way or the other on amendments instead of allowing them to vote their conscience.

In other business the senate re-announced the winners of the homecoming festivities and presented the organizations present with their plaques. Winn Dixie won the window decoration: the Comptroller's office and the Financial Aid office tied for the door decorations; Kappa Alpha and Phi Mu were third in the banner competition, Delta Chi and Alpha Zi Delta were second and Sigma Phi Epsilon and Zeta Tau Alpha were first. Kappa Alpha and Phi Mu were third in the float competition, Sigma Nu and Delta Zeta were second and Sigma Phi Epsilon and Zeta Tau Alpha completed the sweep with first.

The SGA is planning to try and resurrect the long-standing tradition of pep-rallies on

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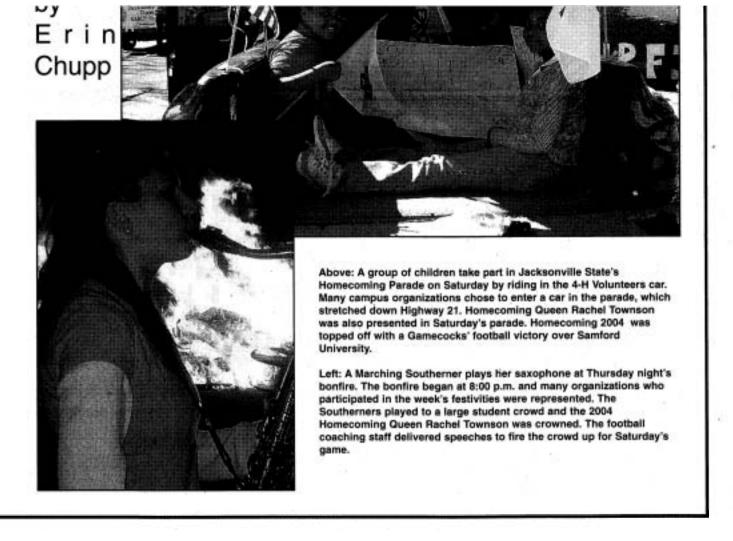




Photo courtesy of University Police Department

A UPD officer gives a vehicle on campus "the boot."

JSU drivers get the boot

By Elizabeth Thurman
The Chanticleer News Editor

The Jacksonville State University Police Department has given 23 cars "the boot" this semester. Not the hiking kind, but the kind that is attached to your wheels if you've received too many parking tickets.

The "boot" is an orange eyesore that students and faculty could be faced with if they have been written at least five parking or traffic tickets. Once the boots is on, it's not coming off until the outstand-

ing tickets are paid in full.

In the past four weeks, the UPD has busied itself booting vehicles on campus and has booted six in the last nine days. Failure to register vehicles seems to be the main reason some cars are getting the boot. "Some people are under the impression that they don't have to buy a parking decal," said Corporal Neil Fetner of the UPD. "Well, they do."

If a UPD officer spots a vehicle without a decal, a citation will automatically be administered, said Fetner. Once five citations are accu-

mulated, either for driving without a decal or a standard traffic offense, the vehicle will be booted and will remain immobilized until a decal is purchased and all tickets are paid.

Some people seem to think that if they buy a parking decal after they receive the citations – the initial citations will be voided. Not true. "If you received parking citations before you registered your vehicle, you will still have to pay the old one," said Fetner.

Gone are the days when the UPD had no way of tracing

the driver's record and each parking ticket felt like the first one. Many students may still be unaware of the new tracking system the UPD has implemented this year. With the electronic ticketing device, officers can now scan a decal and instantly know how many tickets that driver has been issued. This has enabled officers to write 10 times as many tickets a day.

Tickets must be paid in the Bursar's Office and parking decals can be purchased online at police jsu.edu.

By the numbers:

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Alpha Zi Delta: Thank you so much to the wonderful brothers of Delta Chi Fraternity for a great homecoming. Congrats to the JSU football team for your victory over Samford. The study bear award for this week goes to Lauren Grisham. Have a great week and Go Gamecocks! **Contact:** Jenny Wentworth, 435-5152.

Delta Zeta: Congrats Gamecocks on a great homecoming game. Congrats also to the 2004 Homecoming Queen Rachel Townson and our own Bryanna Nelms in the court. Congrats Delta Zeta 2004 Intramural Bowling Champs! Thanks to Sigma Nu for a great homecoming! We look forward to initiation this week. Good luck Neophytes. **Contact:** Jessie, jessiedzqt@aol.com.

Pi Kappa Phi: Thanks to the ladies of Alpha Omicron Pi for a great Homecoming week. Good luck Gamecocks this weekend against Eastern Illinois. **Contact:** Shu Cunningham, 782-6333

SGA: Senate meetings are every Monday at 6 p.m. in the TMB. The SGA Blood Drive is Nov. 16-17 from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. in the TMB. The SGA Pep Rally is Thursday, Nov. 18 at 8:30 p.m. in the stadium. Congratulations to the JSU football team on their Homecoming victory! **Contact:** Brian Snead, 782-5495.

Writers' Club: The Writers' Club is starting to accept submissions for the yearly edition of Something Else. See Dr. Harding in 213 Stone Center for details. The Writers' Club meets weekly at 3:00 p.m. on the 7th floor of the library. Punctuality is not a necessity. Contact: Jennifer Bacchus, jsu8748g@student-mail.jsu.edu

Zeta Tau Alpha: Thanks to Sigma Phi Epsilon for a great Homecoming! We had so much fun. Thanks to Kappa Alpha for a fun 80's mixer Tuesday night. Congratulations to the Gamecocks on their win against Samford. Have a great week! **Contact:** Heather Moore, heathern16@hotmail.com.

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

CAMPUS CRIME

- **Nov. 8** Amy Jo Elizabeth Hill, 21, reported a theft of property in Jack Hopper Cafeteria.
- **Nov. 8** Bradley Allen Dawson, 19, reported theft of property in Salls Halls.
- Nov. 5 Andrew David Black, 18, reported burglary and larceny in a room in Crow Hall.
- **Nov. 3** Michael D. Miller, 18, reported breaking and entering into his automobile and larceny in the Stone Center parking lot.
- Nov. 1 Jacksonville State University reported the theft of sand from Dillion Field.
- Nov. 1 Dafnie Noel Demby, 21, reported an assault in the Martin Hall parking lot.

Luverne man tried for killing girlfriend's family, says victims molested her

By Samantha Jafari Associated Press

LUVERNE, Ala. (AP) - Defense lawyers for Westley Devon Harris brought out testimony Monday in an apparent attempt to show his girlfriend prodded him to kill six members of her family to avenge sexual abuse in her rural home.

Prosecutors contend the alleged abuse occurred well before the killings of Aug. 26, 2002, and that an angry Harris gunned down the six because the family was trying to keep him away from the girlfriend, Janice Ball.

Ball, who was 16 at the time and had a yearold baby with Harris, has testified for the prosecution, saying she went in hiding with Harris for three days after the killings out of fear for her life and her baby. But she has also admitted wanting to leave the family farm, where her parents, three teenage brothers and grandmother were shot to death.

Crenshaw County deputies Ronnie White and Robin Daniels, under questioning by the defense Monday, said they got phone calls from Harris while he was on the run and that he told them to read letters from Ball that were at his mother's home.

White said Harris told him the letters would explain "what he had to do for his wife and baby." Daniels said Harris "told me if I read them, I'd understand why he did what he did."

The letters were not brought into evidence Monday, but last week the defense pointed to one of the letters from Ball to Harris in 2001 in which she says she wishes she had killed every person

"who put their hands on me when I didn't like it." In testimony, Ball said her father tried to "feel on me" when she was 11 or 12 and that her brother Jerry tried to have sex with her when he was drunk but didn't.

Another deputy, Edward Williams, who took Harris into custody when he surrendered, said Ball sat next to Harris as they rode to the jail. Asked if she appeared afraid of Harris, the deputy said no.

White earlier Monday testified that Ball could have been a suspect in the murders at the south Alabama farm near Rutledge. He said that when Harris was charged with six counts of capital murder, Harris told him, "If truth be known, you would take four of them back." There was no elaboration on why Harris felt four of the charges might have been changed.

Assistant District Attorney David Michaels brought out that White did not participate in any interviews with Harris or Ball and had not read over statements given by Harris or Ball.

The defense also tried to show that investigators were sloppy in the investigation, mislabeling a shotgun Harris sold to a friend after the killings and failing to keep a good record of who entered and exited the crime scene.

Harris is accused of gunning down Mila Ruth Ball, 62; her daughter, JoAnn Ball, 35; JoAnn's common-law husband, Willie Hasley, 40, who also went by the name Willie Haslip; and their sons, Jerry Ball, 19, Tony Ball, 17, and John Ball, 14. Janice Ball and her baby were living with Mila Ruth Ball when the killings occurred.

Howard Dean bashes Bush, another run still uncertain

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.

Keg party sparks suspension of UConn fraternity, some brothers kicked out of house

Associated Press

STORRS, Conn. (AP) - The University of Connecticut suspended a fraternity for five years and is evicting members from its on-campus house in the wake of an off-campus keg party in September.

Under the sanctions, the Chi Phi fraternity, which has about 30 members, will be not be allowed to "recolonize" until 2009, said John Saddlemire, the school's vice president for student affairs. Members of the fraternity will be relocated from their house in Husky Village to other on-campus housing, Saddlemire said.

"It's a strong sanction, but its certainly appropriate," he said.

Eight people, including four fraternity members, were arrested after a Sept. 25 party at an off-campus house rented by Chi Phi. The charges included

distribution of alcohol without a permit, sale of alcoholic beverages to minors and narcotics violations.

The four fraternity brothers were suspended from school for one or two semesters and sentenced to two years probation and 20 hours of community service.

About 100 people attended the party that included a live band and 14 kegs of beer, said state Police Sgt. Sean Cox, Mansfield's resident state trooper.

The fraternity, which has had a chapter at UConn since 1956. was informed of the suspension after a hearing last month, said Dan Murphy, the chapter's president. The fraternity's letter of appeal was rejected, but members have scheduled a Tuesday meeting with university officials in the hopes of getting the sanctions reduced,

Murphy said. "Chi Phi is not UConn's Animal House," Murphy said. "We're not big partiers. This was a one-time event. The one time we messed up is the time the university and the town began cracking down."

Saddlemire said the university has made it clear to all student organizations that it will not tolerate the sale of alcohol to minors, the sale of drugs, or assaults of any kind.

Murphy said the fraternity chapter will disband rather than continue as an unsanctioned organization, but members plan to form an alcohol awareness group to educate other student groups about of the dangers of allowing alcohol at parties.

"None of the guys who are members now will be here in five years," he said. "For us, it's all over."

SGA recognizes Homecoming week activities' award winners

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Thursday nights. "They had them the first year that I was here and then they just stopped," said SGA president Emily Williams. She went on to say that she would like to get the pep-rallies started again to boost school spirit and hoped that the 7-1 Gamecock football team and playoff hopes for the second year running would boost her efforts.

Williams and the SGA has one pep-rally planned for Nov. 18, two nights before the last regular season home game against Southeast Missouri State.

Continuing a busy week for the SGA, the senate's blood drive will be Nov. 16 and 17 in the TMB.

another run still uncertain

By Ellen R. Stapleton Associated Press

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) -Winning 51 percent of the popular vote does not give President Bush a "mandate" to ignore the views of the people who voted against him, former Democratic presidential hopeful Howard Dean said Monday night.

"We're not retreating. We're not giving up," Dean told an audience of nearly 1,000 people at a lecture in downtown Albany. "We're not going to stop fighting because we're going to stand up for ordinary Americans even though the President doesn't."

Dean called on Americans to concentrate on what they have in common. Emphasizing the key points of his failed presidential bid, Dean said most Americans were concerned about job opportunities, health insurance, public education and

"a foreign policy based on moral leadership and not military strength."

political future during a question-and-answer session after his 45-minute speech, Dean said he had not decided whether to pursue the chairmanship of the national Democratic Party or another run for the presidency.

Earlier Monday, Steve Grossman, a former chairman of the Democratic National Committee, said the former Vermont governor had told Grossman that he was considering a bid for the chairmanship.

But Dean said he was uncertain about his future.

"I don't know," he said. "It's a lot easier to run for president when you don't know what you're getting into. I will stay involved, believe me."

Dean also used his appearance to drum up support for his political action commit-

tee, Democracy for America, which according to its Web site, supports "fiscally When asked about his own responsible, socially progressive candidates at all levels of government."

> Internet innovation was a trademark of Dean's run for the presidency, organizing grass-roots support and raising more than \$50 million, a record for Democrats.

> Galvanizing the anti-war wing of the party, Dean was considered the front-runner for the nomination. But his campaign collapsed in January under the weight of failed expectations, multiple mistakes and a string of endorsements that hurt his anti-establishment creden-

> Dean dropped out of the race in February after losing to Sen. John Kerry in the Iowa caucuses and New Hampshire and Wisconsin primaries.

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Elizabeth Edwards diagnosed with breast cancer

By Ron Fournier and Randolph Schmid
Associated Press Writers

WASHINGTON (AP) - Elizabeth Edwards, wife of former Democratic vice presidential candidate John Edwards, was diagnosed with breast cancer the day her husband and Sen. John Kerry conceded the presidential race.

Spokesman David Ginsberg said Mrs. Edwards, 55, discovered a lump in her right breast while on a campaign trip last week. Her family doctor told her Friday that it appeared to be cancerous and advised her to see a specialist when she could.

She put off the appointment until Wednesday so as not to miss campaign time.

The Edwards family went straight to Massachusetts General Hospital from Boston's Faneuil Hall after Kerry and Edwards conceded on Wednesday.

Mrs. Edwards had a needle biopsy performed at the hospital, where Dr. Barbara Smith confirmed the cancer, Ginsberg said.

He said the cancer was diagnosed as invasive ductal cancer. That is the most common type of breast cancer, and can spread from the milk ducts to other parts of the breast or beyond.

More tests were being done to determine how far the cancer has advanced and how to treat it, he said.

Ginsberg said spirits are high at the Edwards household. "Everybody feels good about it, that this is beatable," he said.

Edwards, who leaves his North Carolina Senate seat in January, said in a statement, "Elizabeth is as strong a person as I've ever known. Together, our family will beat this."

The American Cancer Society estimated that nearly 216,000 American women will be diagnosed with breast cancer this year.

Treatments have been getting better. The current five-year survival rate for breast cancer is 87 percent, up from 78 percent in the mid-1980s. About 40,000 women die of breast cancer annually.

Overall, the society says about one in seven women will develop breast cancer in their lifetime.

Invasive ductal cancer accounts for 65 percent to 80 percent of all breast cancers, according to the Merck Manual of Medical Information.

Treatment usually begins with surgery, according to the National Cancer Institute. This could involve removal of the cancer itself and usually nearby lymph nodes. Lumpectomy, just removing the cancerous mass, is becoming more common, though sometimes removal of the whole breast is done.

Surgery can be followed by chemotherapy, radiation or hormone therapy.

Radiation can focus on a cancer site from a machine outside the

body or use a radioactive substance placed near the cancer in "seeds" or via needle.

Chemotherapy uses drugs that can stop or slow the growth of cancer that may have spread.

Hormone therapy removes or blocks hormones that can encourage growth of cancer cells.

In early stages of cancer a combination of the drug tamoxifen and hormone therapy is commonly used, the Cancer Institute reports.

The Edwardses married in 1977. They have two daughters, Cate and Emma Claire and a son, Jack. Son Wade died in a 1996 traffic accident.

Mrs. Edwards, born in Jacksonville, Fla., grew up hopscotching between the United States and Japan. She met her future husband at University of North Carolina law school.

She juggled a successful legal career and family for 19 years. Then, stunned by Wade's death, she quit work to have more children at an age when many contemporaries were easing toward grandmotherhood.

On the campaign, she dubbed herself the "anti-Barbie," a quick-witted, down-to-earth political wife who conn ected particularly well with mothers and fathers.

Up Til Dawn raises money for cancer

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Up Til Dawn has been at JSU for about four years, and it is the university's community service project to get all of the student organizations involved, as well as the faculty and staff. The organizations and the faculty form teams to raise money. A team consists of seven individuals. One of the seven is selected as the team leader, who serves as Up Til Dawn's contact person. Each team is responsible for raising \$750.

People who participate with

example, \$15,000 may only be enough to cover one treatment of chemotherapy for one child. "But that treatment may be what saves that child's life in the end," said Radison.

JSU students on the executive board of Up Til Dawn get to go to St. Jude every spring for a weekend in June, and it is a retreat sponsored completely by the hospital, according to Radison. They get to tour the facilities, the housing, meet people that work for St. Jude and some of its sponsors. They also have the opportunity to meet some of the children receiving treatment. Students



Each team is responsible for raising \$750.

People who participate with Up Til Dawn may also contribute individually. They are asked to raise approximately \$150. Even a small contribution is appreciated, Radison said.

Letter writing is the primary means of fundraising for Up Til Dawn. Pre-printed letters are given to students, faculty and staff so they can fill them out and send them to their family and friends. Up Til Dawn will even mail the letters for them.

Fundraising continues throughout the year, but a finale event is held every February to celebrate all the money made. This year's event will be held Feb. 11, 2005, and the goal that is being worked towards in fundraising is \$15,000. In 2003, Up Til Dawn raised \$11,000, but the program was not in operation for the 2004 year, which is why it is being brought back for the year of 2005.

Although \$15,000 may seem like a large amount of money, it's really only a small sum compared to what is needed for the many crucial treatments given at St. Jude. For

and some or its sponsors. They also have the opportunity to meet some of the children receiving treatment. Students who are interested in participating in Up Til Dawn should contact Megan Radison at the Office of Student Life.

As for Ben Bowen, he had completed chemotherapy and undergone his fourth operation by mid-August. Unfortunately, the tumor had not responded, and he was facing six additional weeks of radiation therapy. With a scarred, bald little head, he's rightfully referred to as a real trooper, always happy and smiling, even through the exhausting and appalling treatments.

His parents, Jennifer and Tom Bowen, say they just keep fighting and going on with life. "The biggest way to keep from being sad is being with Ben," his mother said. "He wakes up smiling. We focus on today and then tomorrow. I used to be a big planner; now I just think about today: maybe tomorrow we'll go to the zoo. There is definitely a shift in perspective. It's freeing actually."

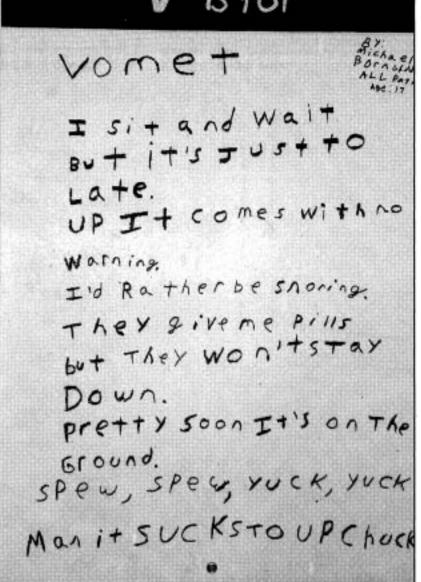
Ben's complete story is on the St. Jude website.



Photos Courtesy of the Office of Student Life

Above: Flags from across the world are hund a St. Jude. Each flag represents a country that has doctors or researchers that work for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. These doctors dedicate their work to treating children with all types of cancer. Up Til Dawn took a trip to the St. Jude Hospital earlier this year to tour the grounds and meet some of the patients being treated.

Right: The Alphabet Wall is located in St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. All poems on the Alphabet Wall were written by patients at St. Jude. Here a young patient describes the sickness that accompanies chemotherapy. St. Jude has a Target House on site where families of the hospital's patients can live for six months.



Alabama Dems want new party chairman

By Phillip Rawls
Associated Press Writer

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP) - Four of Alabama's top Democratic leaders called Monday night for the replacement of state Democratic Party Chairman Redding Pitt with someone who would be a stronger voice for the party in the 2006 elections.

Lt. Gov. Lucy Baxley, Agriculture Commissioner Ron Sparks, House Speaker Seth Hammett and Senate President Pro Tem Lowell Barron signed a statement calling for the move.

"As the Democrat elected officials who will place our names on the ballot in two years, we do not believe the current leadership of the Alabama Democratic Party serves our interests and we call on the State Democratic Executive Committee to call for an *election* in early December for a new State Party Chair," the statement said.

Pitt said he won't step down and he plans to serve the remainder of his term, which runs through January 2007.

"There is no vacancy," Pitt said in an interview Monday night.

Pitt added that he "was astonished" that officials he had supported would call for his replacement in a statement without giving him "the courtesy of a phone call."

Pitt, a former U.S. attorney in Montgomery, got elected state party chairman in March 2001

with the backing of then-Gov. Don Siegelman. He was re-elected to a four-year term in January 2003.

Criminal Appeals Court Judge Sue Bell Cobb called first for his replacement last week after Democrats lost all four statewide judicial races on the Nov. 2 ballot.

In an interview Monday night, Sparks and Baxley said Democrats care about faith, family, education and health care, but the state Democratic Party chairman is not getting that message to voters in a positive way.

"We do not feel we are being presented to the people the way core Democrats feel," Baxley said.

"It's about one position and one position only the chairman," Sparks said.

Baxley and Sparks said they had no one in mind for the position.

The two officials, who won their current posts in 2002, said Pitt spent too much time focusing on the John Kerry presidential campaign this fall and too little helping state and local Democratic candidates.

Pitt, a law school classmate of Kerry's, said in an interview Friday that he passed up an opportunity to work in Kerry's campaign to stay in Alabama and help state and local Democrats.

He said Monday night it will be easier to define Alabama Democrats' message in 2006 when the governor's race will be atop the ballot rather than a presidential race.

OPINION

Red state, blue state; morals does not a president make

By Patrick McCreless

The Chanticleer Managing Editor



Well, I hope everyone had a wonderful time exercising their right to vote on Nov. 2. But even if you didn't, I' m sure all of us can agree that it's a relief that the whole thing is finally over. Now I'm not trying to belittle the election. It was a very important election (many said it was the most important election in a generation) but lets face it, the election process can get a little draining.

I know I for one was particularly tired of the advertisements, as well as the sound bites of both candidates twisting each other's words around. Both men resorted to bending the truth and just flat out lying towards the end of their campaigns. I know that may make you feel bad, but what do you want from me, the truth hurts.

Now, let me just go ahead and tell you right up front that I voted for Sen. Kerry. Yes, I went right down to my voting place in that dismal rainstorm (boy wasn't that a nice touch) and voted for Kerry and Edwards. And I went in thinking Kerry had a decent chance of winning. Not in Alabama mind you, I knew good and well that voting for Kerry in this state meant that my vote would be instantly negated. I was voting just on principle. I just thought that nationally, Kerry had a solid 50 percent chance of winning.

And then I got up the next day and found out that he had lost. But I'm not bitter. Hell, I'm not even really mad. Sure I'm not looking forward to the next four years, but chances are that even with Kerry elected, we wouldn't have gotten everything he promised. That healthcare plan of his was a good idea, but he never did fully explain where in the world he was going to get all of the money for it.

It would have been nice to get that minimum wage increase though.

No, I'm not angry about the election results. However, I did get mad when I heard the main reason that people voted for

President Bush. All of the surveys done showed that the top reason people voted for Bush was because of his morals and values. Let me repeat that.

Morals and values.

And this was above both the economy and the war in Iraq. I mean here we are in a country trillions of dollars in debt, in a war we know was started on false pretenses, with tax cuts for the rich that Bush now wants to make permanent and yet the reason people voted was because of morals and values.

Now stop me if you think this is a little off the wall, but I always thought that a good reason to vote for someone was for solid concrete reasons that really effected me. I'm sorry, but voting for something abstract, like morals and values, is for me, just a little hard to swallow. Just because someone has good morals and values does not mean that they can run a country effectively. You can be the most honest, trustworthy person in the world and yet still manage to run the economy into the ground.

And this just doesn't go for domestic problems. You may be totally committed to using your solid morals and values when dealing with other countries and people of different ideologies but guess what, they might not share the same morals and values as you. And that is when you can get into a world of hurt.

But wait a minute. I just realized that I'm writing on the assumption that Bush actually has good morals and values. To me, it's a good chance that he doesn't. And that goes for Kerry as well.

Just try to step back and look at it from an unbiased, nonpartisan perspective. Here we are with two white men who are both extremely wealthy. One is a lawyer and the other a businessman from an insanely wealthy family in the oil business. Now, if you believe that most of the incredibly wealthy have never done a shady deal or two, then you're in serious denial. Both have been shown in the news to bend the truth and or lie to further their campaigns. And if I remember correctly, lying was not a good characteristic.

But maybe I'm just seeing things that aren't there. Maybe Bush really does have great morals and values. Hopefully, those morals and values will be enough.

The night that the lights went

Stupid things people do that we find amusing

PORTLAND, Maine (AP) — Politicians are no longer crying campaign slogans from the steps of City Hall. Instead, the cries come from loudspeakers blaring electronic squeals to ward off pesty pigeons.

Pigeons are flocking to City Hall in unusually large numbers this year, said Emmett Mead, director of public buildings.

Last week Mead installed a \$500 solar-powered machine that shrieks all day and runs on stored solar power at night — when most pigeons visit the front steps. "We just want to scare them," Mead said.

Pigeons usually find a new home every year, and for some reason City Hall has become popular this year, Mead said. For city workers, it is a costly and time-consuming task to deal with the droppings left by the birds.

City Hall isn't the only place under siege.

In September, officials at Dike-Newell School in Bath bought a similar device to scare away sea gulls. Hundreds of gulls were splattering cars, teachers and students and had become a health hazard. The noise keeps sea gulls from roosting on the school gym's roof.

Another business in Portland has used the sonic approach to frighten pigeons. For the past four years, DiMillo's Floating Restaurant and Marina has run a machine that produces ultrasonic noises.

"Some people say they can hear it, but it emits sounds I can't hear," said restaurant manager Gene DiMillo. "It does work. We don't have a pigeon problem."

Portland officials had contemplated electric shock devices on City Hall's ledges, but went with the sound machine and spikes on the ledges because of costs and safety issues.

But the birds seem to be winning the war.

A number of pigeons could be seen clustering on City Hall's windowsills Friday afternoon.

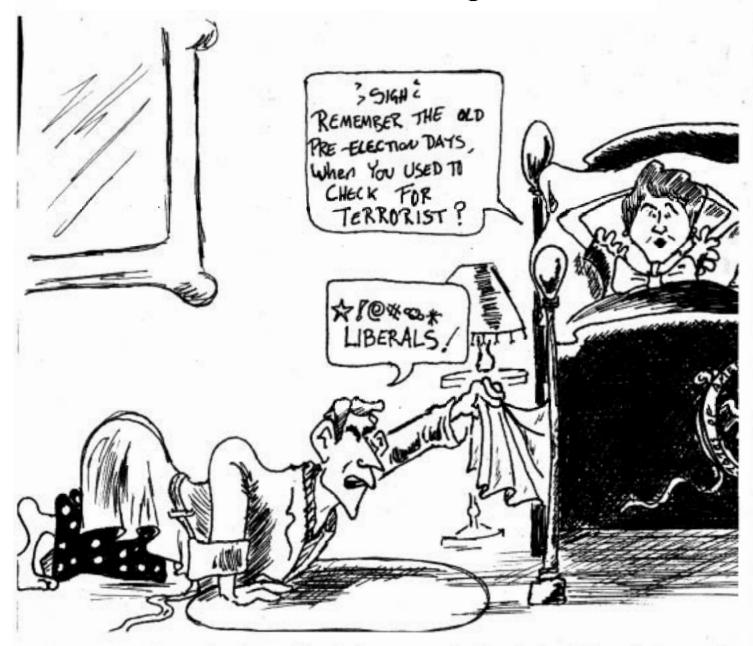
WELLINGTON, New Zealand (AP) — Pitcairn Island has selected its first woman mayor in its 214-year history, after former mayor and convicted rapist Steve Christian was sacked last week, British authorities said Monday.

The seven-member governing council on the remote Pacific island, first settled by mutineers from HMS Bounty, unanimously chose Steve Christian's sister to fill the post until a formal election is held Dec. 15, British High Commission spokesman Bryan Nicolson said.

New Mayor Brenda Christian is the island's former police officer.

Late last month, six island men were convicted of rapes and sex attacks dating back as many as 40 years on the tiny, isolated island midway between New Zealand and South

The night that the lights went out in Washington...



Dave Dillon is the editorial cartoonist for The Chanticleer

Late last month, six island men were convicted of rapes and sex attacks dating back as many as 40 years on the tiny, isolated island midway between New Zealand and South America.

Steve Christian, who claims to be a direct descendent of Bounty mutiny leader Fletcher Christian, was convicted of five rapes and sentenced to three years in prison.

Brenda Christian will preside over a 47-member community still coming to terms with the verdicts and the revelations of a reign of sex abuse by men on the island.

The six men's sentences, ranging from community service to six years in prison, will not begin until next year at the earliest, after appeals by their defense lawyers against Britain's jurisdiction over the island. If the men's sentences are upheld, they will serve time in a cell block they helped build on the island.

British authorities sacked Christian as mayor and his son Randy — who also was convicted of sex crimes — as chairman of a key island committee, after the pair refused to resign.

Nicolson said Brenda Christian, born and raised on the island, had spent some years living in Britain and returned about five years ago. She is trained in community policing.

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) — Chris Varallo thought it was quite amazing when he aced the third hole at Liberty Lake Golf Course. Then he went ahead and hit a second hole-inone on the 11th hole of the same round.

Odds against that are about 67 million to 1, according to Golf Digest.

"The first one was pretty amazing," said Varallo. "But after the second, everyone was in utter disbelief. Other people on the course heard the screaming and were coming over to see what had happened."

The 22-handicapper, an attorney, finished his round 31 strokes over par at 101 at the course located about 10 miles east of Spokane.

Varallo, who has never broken 90, called his two aces Saturday "the two best shots I'll ever hit." At 31, he said, he's reached the pinnacle of his athletic career.

"Both of them were good-looking shots," said Dave Knutson, a member of his foursome who works with Varallo. "In fact, they were almost identical — same trajectory with a little fade. And both of them were one hop and plunk!

"I'm very happy for him, but I'm dreading going back to work because I'm never going to hear the end of it," Knutson said.

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EATURES

'The Varsity' makes the cut

By Antoine Jackson
Chanticleer Features Writer

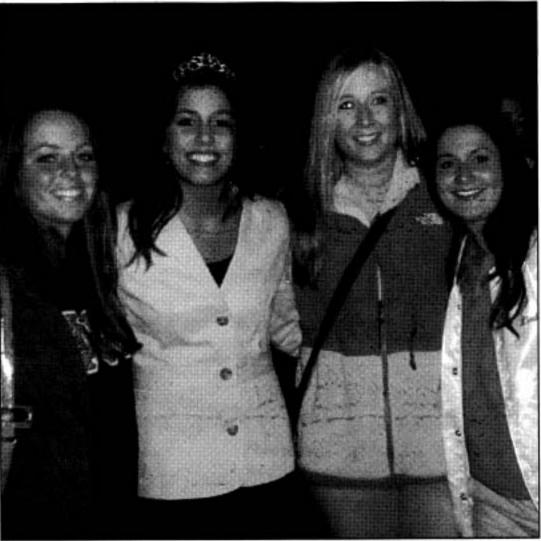
Last week I had the pleasure of taking my friend, Stacy, to her first punk rock show which featured Funeral for a Friend, Atrevu, and headliner Taking Back Sunday. During the drive to Atlanta, she bombarded me with questions such as, "Do you think we will get to meet any of the band members? What do you think the concert will be like? Do you think they will sound the same way they do on their albums?" I then interrupted her and told her the same thing I tell everyone else. "As for the concert, I really can't explain to you what it's going to be like. You'll just have to see for yourself."

When we arrived at the club, the Masquerade, we heard the show was sold out, which signified we should see a few good performances. Another surprise there was another band that would kick off the show named The Varsity. I'd never heard of them before, but when they started playing, I could definitely tell they were onto something with their catchy lyrics and style of play. The lead singer. Ben Fleetwood, reminded me a little of Tom DeLonge of Blink 182; however, that's the only characteristic in the band that can be compared to another band. Having a different approach to music is mainly what I like about this band. In this day in time, it is very difficult to separate a band's image from the pack, but if achieved a hand can rean

perform and write music. I then proceeded to tell him that I worked at JSU's campus radio station, and wanted to give this CD some air time because "I am feeling these songs," I told him. After about five minutes of chatting, Scott thanked me for purchasing the disc. I then recommended, "Hey, if you're ever in Alabama, drop by the radio station."

The rest of the band that hails from Wilmington, North Carolina is comprised of Nick Martin (drums), and other founding member of the band, Matt Hendricks (bass guitar), and Andy Mosley (guitar.) Bands that had an influence on The Varsity range from Lifetime and Glassjaw, to The Smashing Pumpkins, Hum, and Maroon 5. These bands may also help one figure out what their music may sound like.

As for the record, I think the five songs on their self titled EP (short record, usually about half the length of a full album) are wonderful. One track that has the potential of being a hit single is "Hello Goodbye." The cliché heartbreak song that makes you remember those painful words your ex once said to you with the addictive chorus that repeats "It's alright, it's ok, whisper this softly in my ear." The other song I believe will stand out is "Miss April Miss Practical." It reminisces on the days of being a trapped teenager wanting to skip town, and upon becoming old enough, accomplishing that feat. The chorus of this song is also catchy with the words



Erin Chupp, Features Editor

After being crowned Homecoming Queen 2004, Rachel Townson gathered with friends at the bonfire last Thursday night.

Know your Queen

By Coty Cockrell

·Chanticleer Features Writer

Rachel Townson, as you may already know, is Jacksonville State Coty: "Ok, here's something I have been wondering – What made you want to campaign for Homecoming Queen?"

Rachel: "It was such an honor to be sponsored by the Kappa

fears?"

Rachel: "I'm afraid of tornadoes and really bad storms, and I'm a little afraid of the dark...but don't tell anyone! The thing I'm most afraid of, though, is that I will live my

Ashes to ashes and much more

By Erin Chupp The Chanticleer Features Editor



Stone Mountain is a beautiful place to visit in Georgia, and the history is abundant; some of it chiseled right onto the vast side of the huge mountain itself. Many visitors travel to the park to be dazzled by an evening laser show. And if I ever got a taste of the good ol' country life before I came to Jacksonville, it was here.

Small children run around family picnic blankets. At the end of the show, General Lee "rides off" the side of the mountain and men with cowboy hats and big metal belt buckles give a rebel yell. Everyone joins in singing, "God Bless the U.S.A." There's pride in every American heart.

If you want the scenic view from the very top of the mountain, you can either hike up or ride the sky lift. But once on top of the world, walking on rocky terrain, you can pretend you're traversing across the moon, dodging craters and loose moon rocks that fall into the atmosphere once skidded over by your shoes.

It is a great feeling to walk as close to the edge as you can, staring past your house and many others. You can feel the rough ground beneath your feet and hear echos of laughter as people eat dinner before the laser show on the grounds below. The wind catches your hair and a powdered dust flies onto your face and dirt gets in your hair.

Wait! That doesn't sound like a thrilling moment to experience anymore. Maybe that's because it wasn't dust or dirt flying around. The last time I very difficult to separate a band's image from the pack, but if achieved, a band can reap the benefits of being different.

Ok, I'll step down from my soap box now. In the middle of the show, Stacy and I decided to take a break to get some fresh air and water. As we made our way to the back of the club, I decided to stop by The Varsity's merchandise booth to pick up a copy of their CD. While exchanging my \$5 for the CD. I felt a tap on my right shoulder and heard someone ask. "Hev man, where are you from?" I turned around to respond and low and behold, it was the guitarists (Scott Baker, one of the founding members) of The Varsity. I told him "I'm from Alabama and I'm a student at Jacksonville State University. Oh and by the way, the performance you guys just did was tight." Scott then started to tell me his band was from North Carolina, and were just trying to make it in the music business because they love to

old enough, accomplishing that feat. The chorus of this song is also catchy with the words "Not gonna let, not gonna let it go." The other songs on the album are awesome as well but may be perceived as mere album cuts. None the less, they are solid songs.

If anyone is interested in purchasing this EP, I would say go for it. It won't be money wasted if you are a punk rock/emo/pop punk fan. Also, visit www.thevarsityrock.com for more information on The Varsity.

Oh yeah, just so you know, Stacy thoroughly enjoyed her very first punk rock concert. What better way to start off a concert experience by going to see a headliner such as Taking Back Sunday, who happens to be one of my favorite bands! She said she now takes on my saying about concerts, "I really can't explain it to you. You'll just have to see for yourself."



Last minute tissue paper is stuffed on the Zeta Tau Alpha float in the Taco Bell parking lot before the Homecoming parade.

Rachel Townson, as you may already know, is Jacksonville State University's Homecoming Queen for 2004. I recently had the privilege of chatting with this down-to-earth, all-American woman. During our interview Rachel showed me a glimpse of the girl behind the crown.

Coty: "So Rachel, could you tell me a little about yourself here at JSU?"

Rachel: "I'm a physical Education major with an addon in health; that way I'll be able to teach it some day., I'm a senior and I'm from Cleveland, AL."

Coty: "Do you have any hobbies, activities, or affiliations here on campus?"

Rachel: "I don't really have a whole lot of time to do too much, but I exercise every day. I like to run long distance, like three or four miles. I also love to read, when I have time. I'm a sister of Phi Mu sorority, I'm the president of the Pan-Hellenic Council, I'm a member of the Hyper Club in the Phys. Ed. Department, and I'm the athletics editor for the Mimosa."

Coty: "What are some of your favorite things? Do you have a favorite band?"

Rachel: "Well, not really...My favorite kind of music is classic rock, though! Nicholas Sparks is my favorite author, hands down! My favorite classes so far have been my literature and English classes. My favorite color is purple, and my candy of choice would have to be Skittles."

Coty: "Do you have any hidden talents?"

Rachel: "Not really. I sing...I've sang at a lot of weddings. I played piano for a long time, but I love the outdoors, so eventually that won out to music!"

for Homecoming Queen?"

Rachel: "It was such an honor to be sponsored by the Kappa Alpha Order, I was thrilled to represent them. I'm just not really a pageant person, but I thought, Hey, it's my last year...why not?"

Coty: "Have you ever participated in an event of this nature prior to this year?"

Rachel: "I was in the pageant last year representing and sponsored by Phi Mu, but I wanted to give it another shot. I did a few pageant-like things in high school as well. It was fun, but it took me a long time to be able to be in front of a large number of people."

Coty: "Being chosen for Homecoming Queen brings with it the prestige of responsibility and leadership. How do you plan to use your influence to affect the students on campus and to improve life here at JSU?"

Rachel: "I've always wanted to set a good example, whether by being a hard worker or being diligent in my school work. It was a wonderful experience, and it was so rewarding to know that so many people thought so highly of me! I just love people, and if I can help others by being a positive influence, I will try to do as much as I can!"

Coty: "Could you please tell me some of your dreams and aspirations?"

Rachel: "Well, I'm getting married in May, which is going to be wonderful! I plan to move on to graduate school, either here or in Chattanooga. I want to teach college, and hopefully affect lives in a positive way like so many teachers have done for me. I know that sounds cheesy and cliché, but that's really what I want to do. That, and I want to travel. I want to go everywhere!"

Coty: "What are some of your

dark...but don't tell anyone! The thing I'm most afraid of, though, is that I will live my life and have regrets. I don't ever want to fall short of my goals!"

Coty: "Work, school, and all other obligations aside, if you had an entire day to spend how ever you so desired, what would you do?

Rachel: "I don't like to shop, so the mall is out! I'd like to take a long drive, nowhere in particular, and stop and see whatever I see along the way. Maybe I would go hiking somewhere. That would be the most fun for me – until I run out of gas!"

Coty: "Of all the people who have influenced you in the past, is there one that sticks out prominently in your mind? Who is one of your role models?"

Rachel: "Without a doubt, my mother. She's been through so many hardships in her lifetime; she's so strong! Sometimes I feel selfish when I'm around her because she has sacrificed so much for me. She's great, and I'd love to be like her!"

Coty: "Now is your opportunity to really speak out to the student body. What message would you like to deliver?"

Rachel: "Do not be afraid to be yourself – you'll never be happy! Don't try to fit in if that's not your true character. Set reachable goals so you can push yourself to achieve. Work hard in all that you do."

Coty: "Rachel, thank you so much for sparing you much demanded time and talking with me today! Before I go, do you have any closing remarks you would like to add?"

Rachel: "No, I just appreciate the opportunity to be here today."

a thrilling moment to experience anymore. Maybe that's because it wasn't dust or dirt flying around. The last time I stood in the pre-described position, I turned around to see where the dirt had come from and was pretty surprised to find the answer. My eyes focused; I saw a family, some cameras, some soft faces and...an urn.

It was then I quickly started brushing off my shirt and my skin. I realized I had Grandma all over me. A popular final destination I'm sure, and a scenic one at that. However, the family didn't much calculate the wind factor.

I stand on the mountain knowing it's dust, and convince myself not to freak out. It's kind of like cooking with alcohol. Once you reach boiling temperatures, the red wine you put in pasta sauce doesn't contain an alcohol content anymore and it's safe as an all ages meal. Sorry, that analogy may have been morbidly harsh.

This happened to me over the summer, but I'm reminded of the event because news stories about what loved ones do with cremated remains have been popping up recently. I find them all pretty interesting. One 12-year-old who loved to fish passed away and his parents are mixing his remains with cement to form a hollow ball that will be placed in the ocean near Sarasota and will help restore an underwater habitat.

After looking for other stories, I found that there are a number of people who don't wish to have their bodies shoved in wooden boxes and thrown underground next to everyone else. One company even leaves those left behind with a visual representation of the deceased going up to heaven. Your loved one can be released up into the sky inside a giant helium-filled balloon! Or are you more artsy? One woman got her mother's ashes painted into abstract works and gave them out to family members as Christmas presents. These days there are endless ways for people to feel at peace with the deceased.



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Peter Cincotti-Alys Stephens Center @ UAB

Chris Day-Parkway Christian Fellowship

Everyday Sunday-Parkway Christian Fellowship

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Virginia Samford Theatre
Will Hoge-Workplay Theatre
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25 Suaves-The Nick Bellydance Superstars & Desert Roses-Virginia

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Horoscopes

ARIES: (March 21-April 20)
Don't put all your eggs into one basket this week, especially regarding relationships.
Relying to heavily on others will only hurt and disappoint you. Motivation will take hold of you and with a little blood flowing your enthusiasm will affect all those around you.

TAURUS: (April 21 - May 21) The blues may be trying to follow you throughout the week. There is truly an abundance of love and affection surrounding you from just about everywhere, so there is no reason to stay withdrawn. Do not jump to conclusions about a co-worker, things aren't always what they

GEMINI: (May 22 - June 21) It may be time to make that commitment to a primary relationship that is long overdue. If you are having second thoughts, it is no doubt time to talk about whether or not it's worth investing more time and energy into something that may not be beneficial to either of you.

CANCER: (June 22 - July 23) You seem to be easily influenced during the week, which is very uncharacteristic for you. Could it be some sweet face has you in its spell? Try to keep your temper in check when someone in the workplace tries to push your buttons. Not everyone meets your high moral code.

LEO: (July 24- August 23) Communications will be very important during the week. Your significant other may be feeling left out and needs the reassurance that they crave, children may need guidance concerning educational matters, and friends need support regarding a life decision.

VIRGO:(Aug_24 - Sept. 23) Protect your feelings during the week by keeping them to yourself. If you do something nice for someone else, don't expect to be thanked. There are things that need to be done for their **SCORPIO:**(Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)

You have a lot going for you this week, so try to use that positive energy wisely. Keep your goals ever in mind, and be willing to wait for just the right time. Your self-confidence is renewed and those around you will no doubt benefit. Find approval and love from within.

SAGITTARIUS: (Nov. 23

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It may be time to make a change in a relationship that is eating up your time and energy - it just may not be worth the effort. If you are overloaded at work, let a supervisor know that you need help. Feelings will be expressed which are sincere, so take them to heart.

CAPRICORN: (Dec. 22-Jan.

20)

Stand up for yourself and don't let anyone, friend or family, get away with what is rightfully yours. If you are in the market for Mr. or Mrs. Right, they may be right in front of your eyes, so keep your eyes open. Don't be manipulated by guilt into doing something undesirable.

AQUARIUS: (Jan. 21-Feb. 19) Hard work and more hard work will give you an enormous sense of satisfaction this week. Time seems to fly because you are so wrapped up in a current project. This will lay a foundation on which success will surely be built. You will attract positive notice.

PISCES: (Feb. 20 - March 20) A fresh start this week may be

just what you need. Your financial situation seems to be improving steadily, though maybe not as quickly as you would like. This new beginning just may be marred by your inclination to go for glitter instead of substance and quality.

IF THIS WEEK IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You may be accused of being both elusive and shallow. And you are elusive in order to protect the privacy you consider so very precious. You are not shallow, but have the ability

to detach your emotions from your intellect, and tend to just skim the surface of many things.



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to someone else, don't expect to be thanked. There are things that need to be done for their own sake. Take people for what they are, not for what you want them to be.

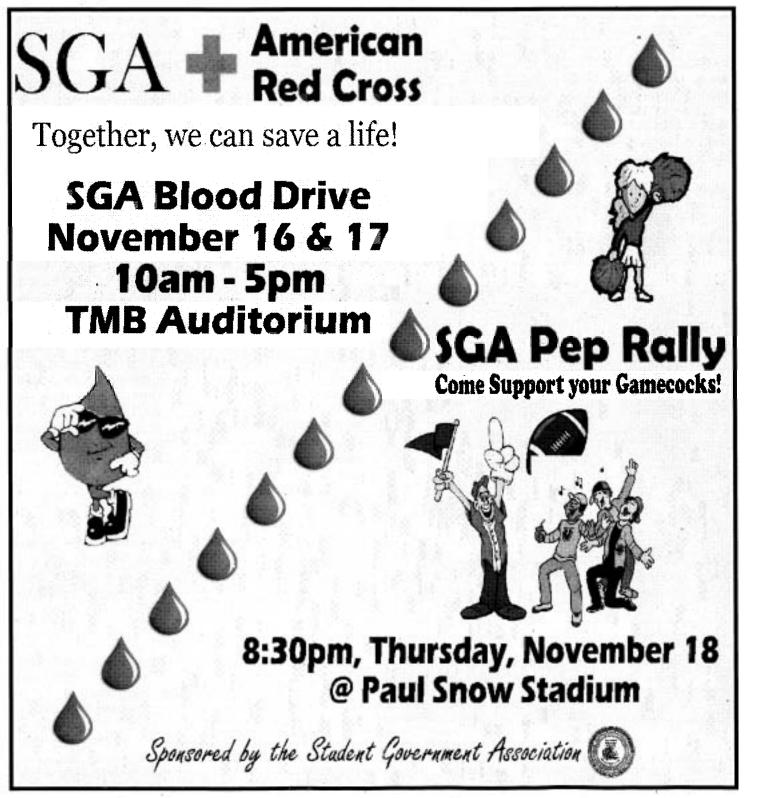
LIBRA: (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23) Your strength and courage will be required during this week to meet a personal challenge... this seems to be an inner struggle of self worth. You may become privy to information concerning a financial matter, don't take any advice lightly.



Ah, the holidays. A time of joyous celebrations, good friends and great big meals. Get a jump on your New Years resolution and join Gold's Gym today before the holidays have a chance to weigh in!

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JSU women's golf team closes season in fourth

From Staff Reports

Jacksonville State shot a 324 in Tuesday's final round to tie for fourth place at the Augusta State Lady Jaguar Invitational, played at the par-72, 5,954 yard Forest Hills Golf Club.

Maryland claimed the tournament title after scoring a 314 for a two-day score of 633, followed by Augusta State and Longwood College, who both shot a 641 to tie for second.

The Gamecocks tied with UNC-Greensboro with a total of 647 to round out the Top 5 in the field of 12 teams.

JSU was led by Shanelle Howell, who finished tied for third with a 154, followed by 10th place Mercedes Huarte's total of 158.

Marilen Fernandez-Ruiz (168) tied for 43rd, while Florencia Moran (169) tied for 47th and Sara Gallagher finished with a 176

The Lady Jaguar Invitational was the final fall event for the Gamecocks.



Ruiz

Gamecock volleyball team drops two in a row

From Staff Reports

Jacksonville State (18-7, 8-5) fell to Tennessee Tech (9-15, 5-9) Friday night 3-0 in an Ohio Valley Conference road match.

TTU swept the Gamecocks 30-27, 38-36, and 30-19. On the night, the Golden Eagles hit .224 to JSU's .057 to end Jax State's four-match win steak.

"Anyone can beat anyone in this conference," said JSU head coach Rick Nold. "We committed an unbelievable amount of errors tonight and Tennessee Tech took advantage of our mistakes."

JSU's Shari Weyer was the only Gamecock to hit double digit kills with 16.

Jacksonville State dropped its' second volleyball match in a row to Austin Peay State Saturday night, 3-2 (32-30, 30-28, 26-30, 26-30, 15-10). With the loss, the Gamecocks (18-8, 8-6) fell to fourth in the Ohio Valley Conference standings behind the Lady Govs (14-13, 9-5).

Freshman Abbey Breit led the JSU attack with 24 kills and 28 digs, while sophomore Shari Weyer added 22 kills. Rebekah Nichols recorded 14 kills and Jessica Starck had 11 kills and 21 digs. Libero Kisha West had 29 digs on the night and Emily Withers led in assists with 46.

Sarah Schramka had a double-double for APSU with 25 kills and 20 digs, as did Julie Burkhalter with 18 kills and 20 digs. Jamie Deturck had 57 assists and 14 digs.

JSU football team cleans house in Ohio Valley Conference weekly honors

From Staff Reports

One day after claiming a 51-18 homecoming win over Samford, Jacksonville State's Oscar Bonds and Craig Agee have been named OVC Players-of-the-Week, the league office announced Sunday.

Bonds earned his third honor of the season after rushing for a career-high 186 yards on 14 carries and two touchdowns to earn Offensive honors.

The senior running back helped the JSU offense rush for a school record 453 yards and a school record 646 total yards of offense. The Russellville native averaged 13.3 yards per carry and scored on touchdown runs of one yard and 79 yards.

Agee earned his second OVC Special Teams honor after returning three punts for 105 yards, and his first return went for a 75 yard touchdown early in the first quarter as JSU jumped out to a quick 14-0 lead.

Agee, a native of Taylorsville, Miss.; leads the nation in punt returns, averaging 22.92 yards per return and he has two of the nation's top 10 performances this season in return punts. His 148 yards vs Murray State is the top performance in I-AA football and his 105 yards on Saturday against Samford is tied for ninth best

Jacksonville State can clinch a share of its second straight OVC Championship this Saturday at Eastern Illinois.



Agee



Bonds

Intramural inner-tube water polo making a big splash

By Amado Ortiz

The Chanticleer Sports Editor

In a rematch of last years Championship Game, Phi Mu and Delta Zeta locked horns again in the first regular season game of the year for both teams. Phi Mu once again has a tough defense by only allowing Delta Zeta two goals.

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Attention

The Chanticleer Sports Editor

The fall semester race for the coveted All Sports Trophy is heating up down the stretch. There are only two remaining sports left in the season and teams are trying to position themselves for the Spring semester.

Inner-tube Water Polo

Phi Mu and Sigma Phi Epsilon started off great in defense of their Innertube water-Polo titles by winning both of their games in their respected conferences.

Sigma Phi Epsilon started out 2-0 with victories over T-N-T, and the Boycotters. The Boycotters played Sig Ep about as tough as anyone has played them over the course of their title run. Sig Ep won the game 7-6 to remain undefeated in the last two years.

Delta Chi has looked pretty good winning two early games in Water-Polo by remaining undefeated and tied with Sigma Phi Epsilon for the early lead in Water-Polo.

Delta Zeta locked horns again in the first regular season game of the year for both teams. Phi Mu once again has a tough defense by only allowing Delta Zeta two goals.

Phi Mu has never given up more than three goals since Water-Polo started and are hoping to keep their streak alive. Phi Mu won the early match 5-2 against Delta Zeta...

Alpha Omicron Pi defeated Alpha Xi Delta before the Homecoming break by a score of 3-2, and Zeta Tau Alpha also defeated Alpha Xi Delta by a score of 4-3.

By a combination of Major Sports and Minor Sports, the Recreational Sports Department annually offers the All-Sports Championship to a Fraternity Team, Sorority Team, Men's Independent Team, and a Women's Independent Team. Each team is awarded a specific amount of points depending on how they finish in a specific sport.

Sig Ep has a one point lead over Pi Kappa Phi going into the last two events. Delta Chi is right on their heels and should make for an interesting stretch run.





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Intramural sorority league off to a big splash.

Current All	S	port Standii	ng
Fraternity		Sorority	
Sigma Phi Epsilon-	5 1	Alpha Omicron Pi-	49
Pi Kappa Phi-	50	Phi Mu-	48
Delta Chi-	49	Delta Zeta-	41
Kappa Alpha-	44	Alpha Xi Delta-	41
Sigma Nu-	18	Zeta Tau Alpha-	37



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JSU spurs Samford in huge **OVC** win

Amado Ortiz The Chanticleer Sports Editor



Before I could even sit down and find my usual cheering section, Jacksonville State was up by two touchdowns over the Samford Bulldogs. Coach Crowe stated he wanted to jump on the bulldogs early but I didn't know it was going to go quicker than five offensive line-men at a buffet line.

The Gamecocks came through and made it a sweet homecoming. They came through in a very big way. I have a lot of friends that go to Samford and actually will be hanging out with a lot of them over the Christmas break at a conference.

It sure is going to make the conversation sweeter and more enjoyable for yours truly. Here's to you, Jacksonville State Gamecocks.

But before we start putting in the order for new jewelry this year, we have to take care of business. There are three teams sitting behind the Gamecocks in the OVC race with two losses. Murray State, Eastern Kentucky, Tennessee Tech are all waiting to leapfrog the Gamecocks.

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From Staff Reports

Jacksonville State celebrated its homecoming in style as Oscar Bonds had 14 carries for 186 yards and two touchdowns to lead the No. 15 Gamecocks past Ohio Valley Conference rival Samford, 51-18.

Jacksonville State (7-1, 5-1) rushed for a school-record 453 yards while holding the Bulldogs to just 100 yards on the ground. The Gamecocks also set a school record with 646 yards of total offense, compared to just 261 yards for Samford.

"We came into this game very hungry," said JSU head coach Jack Crowe. "To play a full football game was very important."

JSU took the opening possession 73 yards in four plays and scored on a 1-yard scamper by Bonds with 13:22 remaining to build a 7-0 lead. After forcing a three-and-out on the Bulldogs' first possession, Craig Agee took the punt 75 yards for the touchdown. Gavin Hallford kicked his second extra point and the Gamecocks led 14-0 with 11:37 left in the first period.

Agee finished with three returns for 105 yards and a touchdown. It was the second punt return for a score this year and the sixth longest in school history.

11:44 left in the first half when Shannon Fleming booted a 20-yard a 79-yard run with 0:02 left in the field goal to make the score 14-.

With just under a minute remaining before halftime, quarterback Maurice Mullins scored on a 24-yard run. The PAT attempt failed, so the Gamecocks were ahead 20-3.

Led by quarterback Ray Nelson, Samford took the ensuing possession 75 yards in just :35 to set up a 13yard touchdown reception by Jeff Moore. The two-point conversion was successful as Jacksonville State led 20-11 at halftime.

The Gamecocks scored three rushing touchdowns in the third quarter led by Marcus Mitchell to put the game out of reach. Mitchell scored first on a 2-yard run, then on an 11yard run six minutes later. Hallford kicked both PATs as the Gamecocks led 34-11 with 7:10 left in the third

quarter.

The bird-men protect this house

Samford's final score came as Drew Guess found the end zone after a 3-yard run to pull the Bulldogs closer at 34-18.

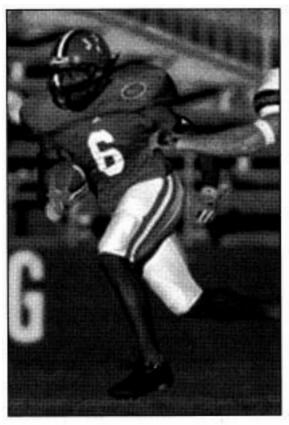
Bonds, who finished with his sixth Samford managed to answer with career 100-yard rushing game, scored his second touchdown of the game on

> In the final period, Hallford nailed a 33-yard field goal and third-string quarterback Taurean Rhetta added a 35-yard touchdown.

> On defense, the Gamecocks held All-OVC quarterback Nelson under 200 yards for just the second time this season. Nelson went 16-of-36 for 156 yards and a touchdown with one interception. He led the team with 13 carries for 75 yards.

> Mullins went 6-of-8 for 135 yards. He rushed 12 times for 58 yards and a touchdown as JSU finished with eight players carring the football. Jarvis Houston had four receptions for 102 yards to lead the receivers.

Jax State returns to action next Saturday at Eastern Illinois. Kick-off Craig Agee ran wild against the Bulldogs. is set for 1:30 p.m.



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Women's basketball starting to heat up at the Pete



From Staff Reports

Jacksonville State women's basketball team won its only exhibition game of the season by defeating the Miami Suns 73-61.

After trailing 32-31 at the half, JSU used the second half to pull away from the Suns outscoring Miami 42-29.

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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 "We're glad to Dagostino. have the opportunity to take our kids to Alaska and also have the opportunity to play at Duke and at home against Auburn."

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Tennessee Tech are all waiting to leapfrog the Gamecocks.

JSU has one conference loss and is in danger of being placed in all kinds of tiebreakers and computer bugs bigger than Y2K. So it is very simple: win the last two games and were strutting all the way to Tiffany's.

Hurdle number one comes all the way up in Illinois against an Eastern Illinois team that just lost an overtime thriller to guess who? Tennessee Tech.

For those of you who go home on the weekends and don't know the first thing about Jacksonville State. Tennessee Tech is the lone loss on the schedule for the Gamecocks.

So that should tell you that the Panthers can play. The game being on the road should make things a lot more interesting but the birdman should have the Gamecocks very focused.

"It's November. I think there is a style of football that comes with this. It's a more physical time of year and recovery time is tougher," said Crowe. "People coming back with bumps and bruises and getting that physical edge back, is what separates teams. It's like Steeler football. We will have to get our toughness hat on and go up there and get a win, come back and do it again."

Hopefully going on the road and losing to Tennessee Tech rattled the Gamecock's feathers just enough to know that they are going to have to win on the road to repeat as champions.

So turn it on to the Gamecock network and give Mike Parris some love as JSU tackles November championship football.

Those three words sure have been said around here the last couple of years. Here's another four words: Ohio Valley Conference Champs, and you can take that all the way to the bank.



Courtesy Steve Latham

JSU head coach Dave Dagostino is getting ready for a tough 2004/2005 schedule.

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"We were all over the place and very unorganized," said JSU Center Ann-Marie Healy. "We played better in the second half and more like a team."

Jax State's posted five players in double-digits, as they were led by Healy with 12 points. Rebecca Haynes and Katja Fuess had 11 each, as Freddricka Embry and Cobie Carlisle added 10 apiece. Carlisle also tacked on 10 boards.

The Suns' Chanivia Broussard led all scores with 14 points, as Sanale Mickele tacked on 13.

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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

Gamecocks moving on up in both polls

From Staff Reports

Jacksonville State moved up one spot to No. 14 after claiming a 51-18 Homecoming win over Samford in the latest NCAA I-AA Top 25 football poll, released Monday by The Sports Network. It marks the seventh straight week the Gamecocks have been ranked in the poll, which is the longest stretch in the school's Division I history of appearing in the poll. JSU appeared for four straight weeks during the 2001 season.

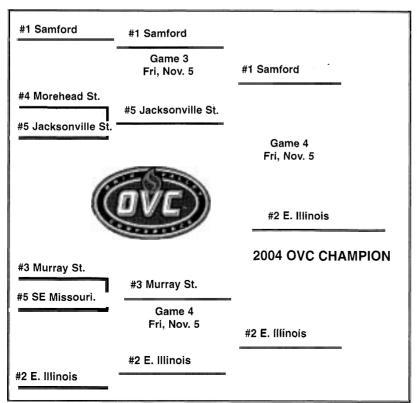
The Gamecocks moved up two spots to No. 14 in the ESPN/USA Today Coaches Poll, which was also released on Monday.

The Gamecocks can clinch a share of their second straight Ohio Valley Conference championship with a win on Saturday at Eastern Illinois. Kick-off is set for 1:30 p.m. in Charleston, Illinois.

The Sports Network 2004 I-AA Top 25 Poll (Nov. 8)

			13.Hampton	8-1	1,399
1. Southern Illinois (102)	9-1	2,667	14. Jacksonville State	7-1	1,253
2. Furman (3)	7-2	2,522	15.Harvard	8-0	1,160
3. Sam Houston State (1)	8-1	2,366	16.Eastern Washington	7-3	991
4. James Madison (1)	8-1	2,250	17.Penn	7-1	955
5. Western Kentucky	7-2	2,241	18.Cal Poly	7-2	828
6. Georgia Southern	8-2	2,150	19.Northwestern State	6-3	626
7. New Hampshire	7-2	1,887	20. Alabama State	7-1	502
8. Lehigh	8-1	1,783	21.UC Davis	6-2	494
9. Montana	7-2	1,757	22.Colgate	6-3	436
10.William & Mary	7-2	1,566	23.Montana State 6-3	314	17
11.Delaware	6-3	1,561	24.Coastal Carolina	8-1	261
12.Wofford	7-2	1,542	25.Southern	7-2	225

JSU futbol season ends to rival Samford in Tourney



From Staff Reports

In typical Samford and Jacksonville State fashion the game looked to be a 1-0 affair, as Samford's Rebecca Bohler scored the opening goal of the contest on a feed from Kim Matthews at the 13:27 mark, but for the first time since 1999, the game would not end 1-0.

"We gave up goals versus a wide open offense and you can't do that. It was very demoralizing," JSU head coach Lisa Howe said. "We lost to a team with a lot of offense weapons. Samford is very talented."

The Bulldogs tacked on another goal to force a 2-0 lead when Marian Wagner scored on a penalty kick at the 70:35 mark. The host Bulldogs would add one more goal, again by Wagner to seal JSU's fate and end the Gamecocks season. "I'm proud of our effort. I thought we played well," said Howe. "The score just doesn't reflect it."

Samford held a slight advantage in shots in the first half out-shooting Jax State six to five, only to see the Gamecocks out fire the Bulldogs 11 to four in the second half and for the game 16-10.

"Amen," said senior defender and 2004 First Team All-OVC member Breanne Milne. "They scored three goals and we didn't."

"We have a young team. We are going to lose-three Seniors," Howe said. "Tonight, we had some younger players step up and play like All-OVC players in Dausha (Hudack), Jess (Scerbo) and Jo (McCaughey)."

"We had a great season. It's a tough way to end." senior Krista Miller said. "I wouldn't have changed the season or the team for anything."

Jacksonville State soccer players Breanne Milne and Joanna McCaughey were named to the Ohio Valley Conference All-Tournament Team. This marks JSU's third and fourth All-Tournament team selections in the OVC.

"I thought Bree and Jo were very deserving of making the All-Tournament team," JSU head coach Lisa Howe said. "I thought they both played with a lot of courage and heart.Jacksonville State closes out the season with a record of 7-11-3