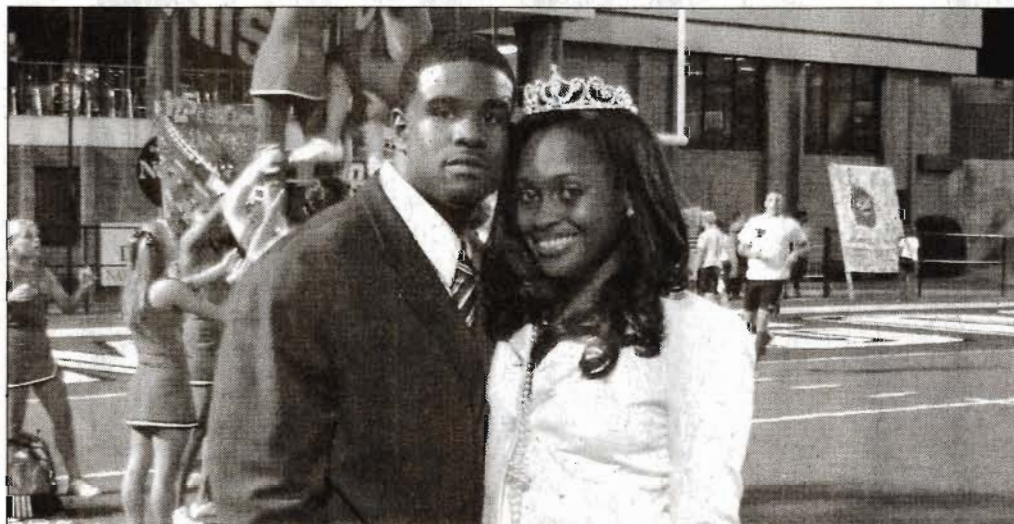


Gray elected homecoming queen



Homecoming queen Ashley Gray with her escort Greg Poinedujour on Friday night after the crowning ceremony. Photo by Mandy Pearson / *The Chanticleer*

By Allison Smith
Staff Writer

Homecoming elections drew a big crowd to the Theron Montgomery Building last Thursday, October 16, between the times of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Even from Pelham Road, all could see that one of the university's biggest events of the year was in progress. A large welcoming tent and many fun attractions were spread out in the front of the TMB.

While the election and the festivities were very expensive, the JSU Student Government Association graciously allowed for a \$7,500 budget

for all events and items needed in connection with one of the university's biggest celebrations of the year... Homecoming.

Student participation in the election was moderately high with 822 voters. With few incidents, the election and its connected festivities reportedly went very well.

"No complaints, everything went smoothly," said Tyrone Smiley, vice president of the student senate. The election itself consisted of an attentive staff and an easy to use voting system, which combined to form a well-organized process.

Students were casually

flowing in and out of the auditorium in the TMB where the homecoming court elections were held. Jasmine Rhine, a student voter, spoke with sound contempt over her personal experience at the polls.

"All you had to do was click," Rhine responded when asked about the swiftness and convince of the actually voting procedure. Students simply had to show either a picture i.d. or a student i.d. to the staff at the polls before casting their vote.

Throughout the last several days before the election campaign, signs and homecoming

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Steppin' out

Greeks perform step show for homecoming

By Mandy Pearson
Staff Writer

On Thursday, October 17 the JSU Step Show took place in the Leon Cole Auditorium. Every seat was filled and many were standing anywhere they could find a space. Stacy Jones an experienced veteran of the National Pan-Hellenic Council explained the history of stepping as, "a lot of elements that goes along with the National Pan-Hellenic Council's culture, especially with the step show. It has its roots in the culture of African Americans, so it's a way of bringing some of the things related to our culture to campus and presenting it to the community."

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"I needed to make sure to bring a crowd," Nixon said. "Because, without a crowd there is

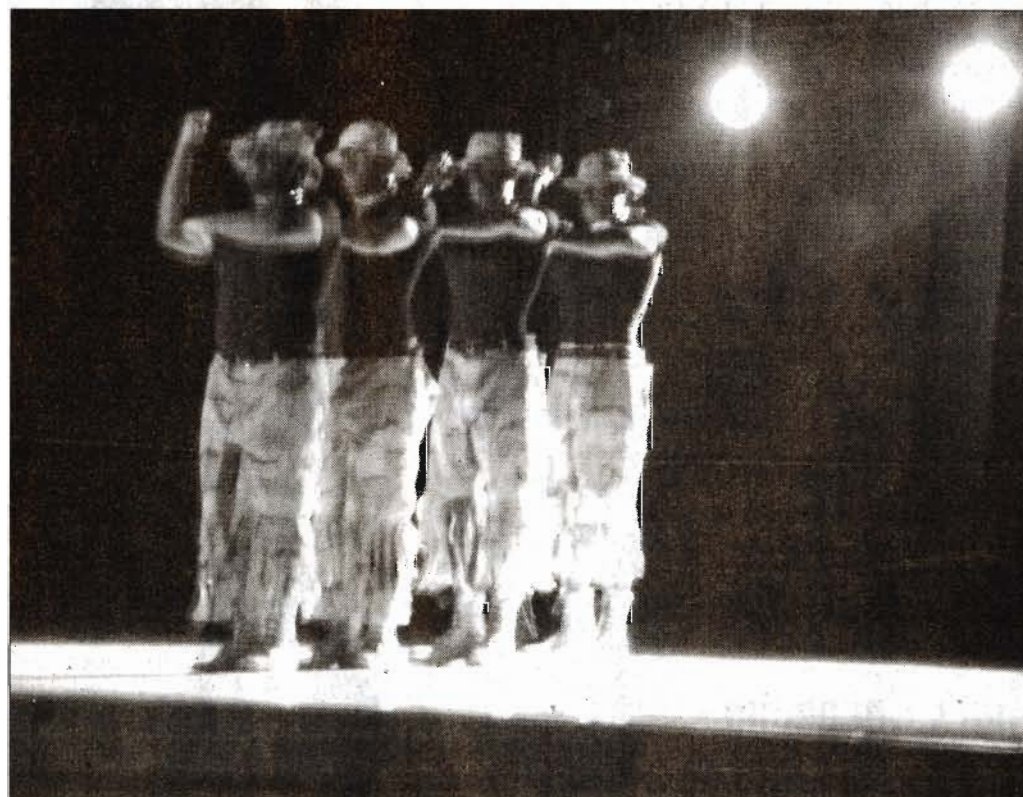
no step show."

The crowd responded well and there was such a turn out that many were tuned away, due to the full auditorium.

Three fraternities and four sororities participated in the step show. There were many different themes presented, such as "Thriller" by Alpha Phi Alpha. They decided on this theme because it just felt right considering the season, and by how much fun it would be. Other themes included Zeta Phi Beta's "Class the Following Week" reminiscing the past step show, Omega Psi Phi's "Dog" theme and costumes and Delta Sigma Theta's "Baseball" theme.

At the end of the night there can only be one winner in each division. The winner for the Fraternities was Phi Beta Sigma, with an eye catching theme of masked bandits running from the police.

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Members of the Omega Psi Phi fraternity perform at the step show as part of the homecoming week festivities. Photo by Mandy Pearson / *The Chanticleer*

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Dont get flung by the flu

Students can prevent the common fall crud

By Adri Hayes
Staff Writer

With the turning of the seasons from summer to fall, several students have begun to experience the seasonal affliction of Influenza, or the flu. But students have options.

"There are several ways to prevent the illness," said David Hofland, director of student services and advisor for pre-nursing. "The most effective is hand washing. The reason being that the flu virus is transferred by hand-to-hand contact."

If hand washing isn't an option several times a day, a small bottle of hand sanitizer can help in a pinch. Another way to prevent the flu is by getting a flu shot every year because the flu virus changes and is a very rapidly mutating virus.

Stressing yourself is not a good thing to do during flu season either. Stress can weaken the body's immune system and make you more susceptible to disease.

To keep your immune system strong, in addition to not stressing, get enough rest, eat healthy

meals and drink lots of fluids such as water.

Hofland said the symptoms of the flu are very much like a common cold.

"But with the flu, in addition to getting a stuffy head, runny nose, sore throat and fatigue, you will get a fever," Hofland said.

If you do find yourself with the flu, the best thing to do is to take Motrin (also known as Ibuprofen) or take Tylenol.

"There is no need for antibiotics, but if you start feeling bad, go to the doctor," Hofland said.

According to Hofland, chicken soup is actually helpful when sick with the flu. Besides the meat and vegetables, it is also a fluid and can help keep you hydrated since you lose a lot of fluid when you are ill. Chicken soup is also salty and that, along with the warmth of the soup, makes it a soothing combination.

Getting enough vitamin C also helps boost the body's immune system. Though it is traditional to drink lots of orange juice during a sickness, bell peppers and other vegetables also have a lot of vitamin C to offer a weak body.

Frat encourages excellence

By Sharon Montgomery
Staff Writer

Since its humble beginnings at Ohio University in 1985, Chi Sigma Iota has become a global organization dedicated to the progression of professional counseling.

Approaching its 24th birthday, Iota has 12,000 active members and over 58,000 members worldwide. CSI is one of the world's largest professional counseling organizations, and its 252 chapters stretch from the United States to the Philippines.

"We are just like any other Greek organization. We support and mentor each other in the field of counseling," Jacksonville State University Testing Coordinator and good standing member of CSI, Todd Prater said.

CSI has earned a great deal of respect in the world of professional counseling. A major reason for the organization's success is its high scholar requirements. Every member of CSI has to attend and graduate from graduate school, while obtaining a 3.5 GPA.

"With a 3.5 being the standard minimum GPA, all our members are top-notch students and people," Todd Prater said.

Jacksonville State University's Sigma Iota chapter, Kai Theta, was founded in 1988. Kai Theta's amount of active members have varied since its establishment in 1988, but old members always look forward to the yearly induction ceremony. The Kai Theta induction ceremony this year will be held on November 3 at 7:00 p.m. on the eleventh floor of the Houston Cole Library.

"One thing I like about Sigma Iota is that we have professionals out there in the world of counseling as well as graduate students, who all work together," Prater said.

On October 24, Kai Theta will be a part of the Alabama Counseling Association's Fall Workshop. The workshop will be held on the JSU campus at the Gamecock Center, and the guest speaker will be Doctor Ed Jacobs, founder and director of Impact Therapy Associates. The Alabama Counseling Association Fall Workshop is a workshop designed to bring professional counselors and students together to discuss new development and changes in the world of counseling.

By participating and hosting events similar to the ACA workshop, Kai Theta could possibly be in the running for one of the numerous awards given to the top individuals and chapters of Chi Sigma Iota.

Trojan Sexual Health Report Card puts U. Alabama at No. 49

By Brett Bralley
Uwire

The University of Alabama is ranked the 49th most sexually healthy campus in the country according to Trojan's Sexual Health Report Card released last week, climbing 32 spots from the 81st spot last year.

The rankings are based on criteria that include student opinion of the campus's student health center; sexual awareness programs; whether or not the campus provides contraception for free or at cost; if and where students can be tested for HIV and STDs; and Web site usability and functionality. It also uses criteria such as hours of operations at the student health center, separate sexual awareness programs, sexual assault programs and student peer groups on campus. Michelle Harcrow, coordinator and health promotion advisor for the Student Health

Center at the university, said although the university has made great strides in all areas that Trojan listed as criteria, the survey cannot be considered as scientific but rather as a marketing ploy for Trojan.

"[The Sexual Health Report Card] is not a reflection on us," Harcrow said.

Harcrow said part of the strides the campus has made include information booths that have been at the Ferguson Center. She also said student organizations can contact the Health Center and request programs regarding sex health and healthy relationships.

Bert Sperling, president of Sperling-BestPlaces, the research firm that conducted the study, said that he conducted his research by looking at different campuses' health center Web sites, asking student health personnel to participate in surveys and posting advertisements on Facebook asking students to give their opin-

ion of what their campus does to promote sexual health.

Sperling said that for large schools, Sperling-BestPlaces received over 100 responses and for smaller schools an average of 64 responses.

"This is the only study like this that's out there where it compares the student health centers and services like this," Sperling said. "I know it's only in the area of sexual health information, but I think it's a great resource for the different student health centers to see how they compare with other student health services around the country. We're not medical researchers and we're not saying what needs to be done, but we've done our research and got opinion from students."

Though Sperling said the research firm contacted Student Health Center personnel, Harcrow said that to her knowledge no

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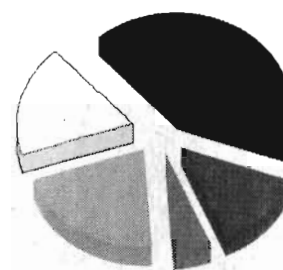
JSU sweeps the OVC Player of the Week awards

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QUESTION of the WEEK

What are you doing for Halloween?

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|---------------------------------|-----|
| ■ Going to a party | 42% |
| ■ Watching horror movies | 18% |
| ■ Dressing up as Dr. Meehan | 21% |
| ■ Eating as much candy as I can | 5% |
| □ Trick or Treating | 13% |



Next week's question:
What is your favorite candy?

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ON Campus

Briefs

The Anniston Morning Rotary is hosting a "Dancing With Our Stars" competition on October 25, at 7 p.m. at the Anniston High School Auditorium. Jacksonville State University will have three participants, President Meehan, Earl Warre and Pete Conroy. They are all working hard on their dance routines for the event.

Campus Crime

October 15

- An unlawful breaking and entering of a vehicle was reported at Houston Cole Library's parking lot. Items stolen include a radar detector valued at \$75.00, 5 CDs valued at \$40.00, one "Through Women's Eyes" book valued at \$62.00, one "Counter Culture" book valued at \$25.00, one "Political Personalities" book valued at \$20.00 and \$40.00 in cash.

- An unlawful breaking and entering of a vehicle was reported at the Theron Montgomery Building. Items stolen include one "Enjoyment of Music" book valued at \$77.00 and one pre-calculus book valued at \$150.00.

- An unlawful breaking and entering of a vehicle was reported at Curtiss Hall parking lot. Items stolen include a debit card, credit card, a black leather wallet valued at \$35.00, a Georgia driver license valued at \$25.00 and \$30.00 in cash.

October 16

- Assault was reported at Paul Snow Stadium.

- Nathan Jamal Landrum was arrested for criminal trespass at Brewer Hall, Room 141.

What's Happening

Thursday, October 23

- Alcohol Awareness Week, TMB Lawn 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

- American Marketing Association Meeting 101 Merrill Building, 12:45 – 1:15 p.m.

Friday, October 24

Picture of the week



Kim Sieb and her friend, Lorrie Morrison, (center) pose with some of the Football Alumni and fans during the homecoming game on Saturday. To submit your photo for "Photo of the week", email it to chantyeditor@gmail.com
Photo by Kim Sieb / Submitted to The Chanticleer

College tuition can be a kick in the groin, literally

By Allie Blood
Uwire

University of Missouri sophomore Michael Linneman is willing to sell a kick to his family jewels on eBay to pay for college.

Linneman posted an offer on eBay about three weeks ago titled "Kick me in the nuts to help me pay for college." The offer entitles the purchaser to kick Linneman as hard as he or she can in his testicles while the incident is videotaped. The starting bid is \$80,000 and carries a "Buy it now" price of \$150,000. So far, there have been no bids. Linneman recently removed the listing for personal reasons.

Linneman said the cost of his education is frustrating. Although he works for the Division of Information Technology and receives some

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Student Financial Aid employee Corina Blanc said the price per credit hour for an in-state student is \$245.65 per credit hour, making the cost for an in-state student enrolled in 12 credit hours a semester about \$3,000. For out-of-state students, it costs about \$4,400. Housing, which is the same for in- and out-of-state students is, on average, more than \$8,000 for a school year. Most students also pay more than \$600 each semester in fees.

Linneman said he doesn't expect anyone to seriously bid on the offer, but he said he has been noticed by Web sites that pick up unorthodox stories.

"I was hoping someone would want to use it in a commercial," he said.

The idea came from reading a book titled "Think and Grow Rich" which has a chapter

about 15 times on his offer.

"It's been a good experience," he said. "I've gotten a lot of people saying things like 'I really want to kick you in the balls but I only have \$5.'"

If someone were to follow through with the offer, Linneman said he would relinquish the right to sue the kicker for damages, though he's sure no one will bid on the offer.

"If I really wanted to do it, I would do it without paying him," said sophomore Nick Hennis, a friend of Linneman. "That's what friends are for."

Linneman said in the case of a bid from a trained athlete, like senior Missouri football kicker Jeff Wolfert, he might cancel the offer.

"If it were him, I don't know what I'd do," he said. "I'd probably have to reconsider."

Genius might be the word Hennis uses to describe the idea, but physicians disagree. University Health Care spokesman Jeff Hoelscher said the prospect of the sale was ludicrous.

"It's more than kind of unorthodox," he said. "I don't know what this person is thinking. I can't express enough that this is the wrong way to try to get through college."

In an e-mail, Student Health Center physician Jae Lee said he does not support any students, males in particular, receiving blunt trauma to the groin.

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•Biology Seminar Series, 130 Martin Hall

2:00 pm

Saturday, October 25

•Gamecock Gallop 5K and Youth Run

JSU Coliseum

8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

•Contest of Champions, Leone Cole & TMB Auditoriums.

7:00 a.m. – 12 midnight

Monday, October 27

•Carnation King, Leone Cole Auditorium

7:00–9:00 p.m.

•Boo Grams, 2nd floor TMB

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 28

•Blood Drive, TMB Auditorium

10:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday, October 29

•SGA Movie Night, TMB Auditorium

8:00 p.m.

•Japanese Language School, Sparkman

Hall Basement

8:00–9:00 p.m.

Corrections

In last week's issue in the article "Rogers addresses JSU students about bailout plan", Congressman Mike Rogers was incorrectly identified as a Democrat. Rogers is a Republican serving the 3rd district in Alabama. The Chanticleer regrets the error.

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Fellow students and eBay shoppers have commented

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"All of these conditions could have an impact on a man's ability to sow his genetic seed and will at the very least result in a lot of discomfort," he said. "So from a physician's standpoint, don't allow yourself to be kicked in the groin. Ever."

Report: Cultural shame regarding sexual activity

no one at the Student Health Center was contacted to participate in the study. Harcrow said the research done was not scientific.

"It's not a group of professional researchers that come together to do unbiased reliable research because real research is unbiased. It's just examining content in an area without trying to prove its point. [Trojan] has a spin and that's part of the whole publicity and marketing," she said.

Students can go to the Student Health Center for information on how to stay safe while having sex. Although free contraception is not available at the Student Health Center, there are several pamphlets about safe sex. Rosalyn Jefferson, a case review clerk at the Student Health Center, said students can get tested for STDs and HIV but may or may not be charged depending on the students' insurance plans.

Holly Kennedy, founder of Choice Alabama, said she doesn't think the university is a sexually-healthy campus. Choice Alabama hosted a Sex Ed Fair at the Ferguson Center Plaza last week.

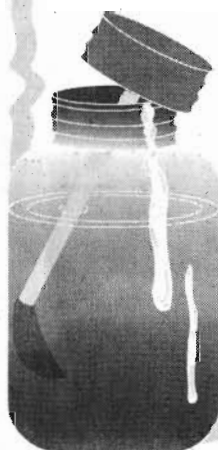
"Contraception isn't easily accessible [on campus]," Kennedy said.

Kennedy said another reason she doesn't find the university a sexually-healthy campus is because of the lack of free STD and HIV testing. Kennedy said one place students can go to be tested for HIV for free is the West Alabama AIDS Outreach.

"If we're the 49th [most] sexually healthy campus, then the rest of the nation is screwed," Kennedy said. "There's just so much shame here regarding sex—whether that's religious or cultural, I don't know. When people came to get condoms at the Sex Ed Fair when Choice Alabama was handing them out at the Ferg, there were a lot of people that would come up, look around, grab them and then scurry away."

Harcrow said the university has improved in being more of a sexually-healthy campus and will continue to improve.

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Gray: Ads around campus

campaign, signs and homecoming queen advertisements were located all over the campus in every size and shape. All of the top five candidates worked hard to make sure their names would be recognized by all the students who saw the ballots on election day.

The five ladies selected by the student body to represent JSU were Jessica Janssen, Kayla McCay, Ashley Gray,

Rachel Ginn and Jenna Wade.

Their names could easily be seen out and about on campus, illustrated by colorful fabric and poster signs, flyers and elaborately displayed on sidewalks.

All of the candidates worked hard and represented the school respectfully, but Ashley Gray took the crown as the Jacksonville State University homecoming queen for 2008.

Step: Great competition

They incorporated many complicated steps such as stepping while sitting in chairs and moving the chairs around.

The winner for the Sororities was Alpha Kappa Alpha with the theme of a high-class boutique. They incorporated many different props, a constant story line, as well as good precise stepping.

The winners were decided by a panel of 3 judges; Mardracus Russell, Misty Holmes and Stacy Jones. Holmes, A JSU Cheerleading Sponsor, was a first time judge for a Step Show. Holmes said she really looked forward to the honor and really wanted to see just how creative students at JSU can be.

Russell, the freshmen forum advisor, is no stranger to judging competitions. He has judged many band competitions, pageant competitions, including the Miss Alabama pageant, and is now the director for the Miss Jacksonville Pageant.

Jones has worked with the NPHC for many years. She has participated in many Step shows as well as coordinated them.

The judges looked for qualities such as excitement, creativity, togetherness, sticking to the theme of homecoming, staying in sync, originality, uniformity, precision, good stepping and whether or not the routine presented something new that has not been done before.

"I'm more interested in actual stepping than the skits," Jones said. "Stepping should be about actually doing the movement and the timing."

There are many motives for an individual to participate in a step show. Valencia Cantrell, a senior majoring in Health Education and a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha, said she decided to do the step show because she is competitive. "I like to perform, I like the winnings, having fun, and bonding as a sorority," Cantrell said.

"A step show has two components," Jones said. "There is the social outlet for students, an opportunity to participate in something that might be a little different. It's also an opportunity for other folks to engage in the culture here. Its for fun and in the spirit of competition"

Many in the audience said they enjoyed the show.

Not all who were part of the step show stepped. Michelle Alous, a junior majoring in Music Education and a member of Sigma Gamma Rho, acted as props mistress for her sorority. "It took us a month to put these props together, and around 400 hours," Alous said. "The hardest part was finding all the refrigerator boxes."

Many hours of hard work was invested in the step show by each sorority and fraternity. Some have been working since this past summer and their hard work paid off in the end. The main goal of any show is to simply please to crowd and this show accomplished that task. "The Deltas were on fire, but it was hard to pick a favorite," Eric McGowan a sophomore majoring in Industrial Technology said. "It was a good competition."

Google helps users staunch drunk e-mails

By Jane Smith
Uwire

In a world where communication is 24/7 and a drunken message can turn into a social war, one e-mail provider is trying to stop the late night e-oops.

The new feature added to Google's Gmail on Oct. 6, was named Mail Goggles after beer goggles, which simulate the way things appear to someone intoxicated. The feature is intended to stop drunk or tired messaging late at night.

When activated Mail Goggles asks five math questions which must be answered correctly within 60 seconds. The difficulty level of the questions is adjustable and can be set to levels one through five.

Jacqueline Jones, an Ohio University sophomore studying journalism, said that though she has never sent or received e-mails while drunk, she often receives late night text messages from her ex-boyfriend.

"I send a lot of text messages (when drinking), but I have a spell checker so people think I am in the perfect state of mind, she said. "So that feature for my cell phone would definitely be nice."

Like all experimental Gmail Lab features, Mail Goggles was created because of customer requests and the personal experiences of Google staff.

"Sometimes I send messages I shouldn't send. Gmail can't al-

ways prevent you from sending messages you might later regret, but ... Mail Goggles may help," said Jon Perlow, the Google engineer who created Mail Goggles, on the Official Gmail Blog.

Drunk e-mailing is not something that Kiersten Bonifant, a sophomore studying visual communication, turns to when she wants to communicate.

"I have probably IM-ed or Facebooked, but I have never e-mailed," Bonifant said. "I can't imagine signing into my e-mail and drunk e-mailing."

As for the consequences of drunken e-mailing, Facebook or texting, Adrienne Hapanowicz, a sophomore studying visual communications, said are normally easily resolved.

"It's all right in the morning. It's usually embarrassing, but fixable," she said.

But e-mail lacks many clues people gain from face-to-face or voice-to-voice communication such as tone, inflection and gestures, and that can lead to conflict, said Tom Daniels, a communications professor at OU.

"We have some pretty good evidence that e-mail exchanges make it easier for conflicts to emerge and those conflicts are harder to manage in that environment," Daniels said.

He added that a feature like Mail Goggles isn't capable of solving all the conflicts that instant communication can cause.

"There is a point at which it's time to log out of the email and have a face-to-face conversation," Daniels said. "E-mail is not the place to deal with complex problems yet many of us use the medium to do precisely that."

Pastor, Ala. prisons settle suit on inmate voting

By DESIREE HUNTER
Associated Press Writer

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP) The Alabama Department of Corrections has settled a lawsuit filed by a Dothan reverend whose voter registration drive for inmates was abruptly halted last month after the state Republican Party chairman complained.

The Rev. Kenneth Glasgow sued the department when officials stopped the registration drive Sept. 18 after GOP chief Mike Hubbard raised objections, including questions about the possibility of voter fraud.

The department initially welcomed the registration drive, saying it fit with efforts to get inmates ready to re-enter society when their sentences are completed.

Under the settlement, Glasgow and his group will no longer be allowed to bring voter registration forms into prisons and mail them after inmates fill them out. Instead, flyers titled "Voting While Incarcerated" will be posted on prison bulletin boards and in inmate law libraries, explaining how to register and obtain absentee ballots. Any copies that are lost, damaged or destroyed must be replaced within five business days.

According to the settlement, Glasgow applied for and received clearance as a clergyman to visit the prisons in that capacity and volunteers in his group will apply for the same status.

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tional Facility. "I thought we were in 2008, didn't know we were in 1968."

Corrections officials signed the settlement agreement Monday afternoon, four days before Friday's registration deadline for the general election.

"I'm not going to say I'm pleased, but I'm satisfied," Glasgow said of the agreement. "We are trying to restore people's lives

— we're not trying to cause any confusion. We are strictly nonpartisan and this is part of our ministry."

Glasgow said he's worried inmates won't have enough time to send off letters requesting absentee ballots and receive them in time to be postmarked by the Friday deadline.

Commissioner Richard Allen said he supported Glasgow's idea when he first suggested the drive over the summer, but changed his mind when the program began drawing attention — and criticism.

"I said it sounded like a good idea but didn't really think it through and what the ramifications would be," he said.

Hubbard sent Allen an e-mail two days after an Associated Press story about the registration efforts, saying the GOP supports the idea of registering more people to vote, but not when it comes to prisoners.

"Furthermore, I have concerns about potential issues with how this effort is being monitored to ensure no form of voter fraud occurs," wrote Hubbard, who is also minority leader of the Alabama House, which votes on the prison system's budget.

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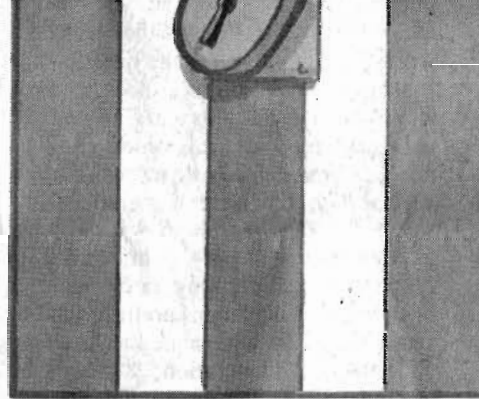
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Glasgow and his coalition of groups had visited three prisons and registered 101 people before the program was stopped last month after two days.

The reverend registered only prisoners who were actually eligible. Prisoners cannot vote if they have been convicted of offenses considered to involve moral turpitude, such as murder and other violent crimes.

Glasgow, a former inmate, said he was stunned by the drive's cancellation.

"It was just very alarming to me that people's prejudice and bias would come out in such a way," Glasgow said Tuesday on his way to minister to inmates at the Bullock County Correc-



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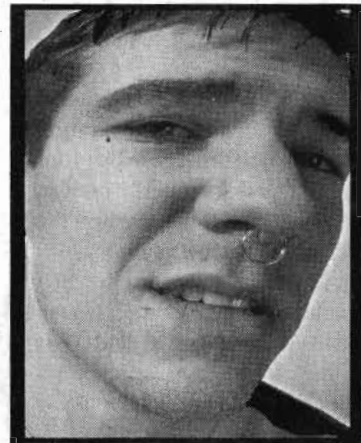
Allen said he received phone calls from inmates' families thanking the department for the registration drive and the only negative feedback came from the state GOP.

He acknowledged that the volunteers weren't doing anything for the inmates that they couldn't do themselves by contacting the Secretary of State's Office. But

he still decided to stop the drive because of a section in the state code that prohibits using state-owned property to promote or advance candidates for election.

It doesn't appear any candidates were being promoted, but the potential was there, Allen said.

"It's too risky," he said. "I'm not going to take the chance of having any staff members exposed to the possibility of being charged."



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Current vice presidential candidate Senator Joe Biden actually visited Jacksonville State University in May of 1985. This picture, featuring a very young Biden, and article ran in the May 23, 1985 issue.



Senator Joe Biden (left) and Senator Howell Heflin (right) stop to talk with Corrado Marollas (second from left) and Greg Spoon.

Photos by Jerry Harris

Biden addresses SCOAG delegates

By GREG SPOON

High school students from across Alabama converged on the campus May 10-11 for the annual Student Conference On American Government (SCOAG). This year's conference, sponsored by the university, political science department, SGA, and the Chanticleer, featured Senators Joe Biden (D-Delaware) and Howell Heflin (D-Alabama) as keynote speakers for the kickoff banquet Friday night May 10.

Biden, in addressing "The Media and the Political Process" theme, referred to great past supporters of the Constitution and First Amendment. He said "we would be better off having a media with no government than the reverse. In his remarks, Biden encouraged a diversity among the media which report governmental actions.

Senator Heflin, present at the banquet primarily to introduce Biden, did say, when asked how he felt the media had treated him, that he didn't agree with all the ways he had been portrayed, but he did believe the various means "balance out."

On Saturday morning, May 11, the student delegates and various visitors attended two seminars held in Harmona Wood Building. The seminars, led by Chris Waddle, managing editor of The Anniston Star, and state Rep. Glen Browder, also a political science professor, were moderated by Greg Spoon and Michael French, respectively.

Waddle discussed the media role in the political process. He cited various examples of the media's handling of issues over the years from colonial to modern days. He also provoked thought in the students by placing them in ethical positions to which they had to respond about the media's role.

Rep. Browder, on the other hand, addressed the political role in the process. Browder placed the students at a mock political press conference at which all three media, newspaper, TV, and radio were present covering the event. After the conference, he discussed the pros and cons of each media source. He later gave his viewpoints about the media adding that politicians can manipulate the press if desired by pulling various stunts to get coverage.

After the morning seminars, the students attended a luncheon held in the TMB auditorium. The luncheon speaker, Montgomery political advertising consultant Ed Ewing, talked to the students about how to run a campaign for public office effectively. He also gave the students a situation under which to work and develop a campaign.

The conference director this year was Jim Hyatt. Assisting Hyatt were Andy Goggans, assistant director; Corrado Marollas, finance director; Michael French, housing and entertainment director; and Greg Spoon, press and public relations director. Dr. Jerry Gilbert was the faculty advisor.

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Ideas of current 'slacker generation' created by baby boomers

By Molly Green
Uwire Opinion

I'm tired of getting discriminated against for my age. Everywhere I go, all I hear is, "Your generation is so lazy," or, "Everyone your age is pale and fat because all you do is eat and play video games in your basement."

These charges are everywhere: in newspapers, television, medical journals and, most notably, every other word out of my mother's mouth.

But amid these swirling accusations informing me that I am destined to a life of cream-filled snack cakes and Halo 2, I started to think that

1960s, boomer culture was, well, booming. This demographic credits itself with civil rates, feminism, gay rights and increased rates of literacy and higher education.

But with great power and success comes a hunger for more power and success, and with the end of the '70s in sight, the boomers began to worry that their reign as the world's movers and shakers was coming to a close. Generation X, babies born in the '60s and '70s, were entering the workforce, and the boomers could not allow this new generation to be more accomplished or special than they were. Generation X had to be stopped at all costs (see: Sular, "Heroes").

sector for as long as possible. They even have books about it (see: Dr. Terry Grossman's "The Baby Boomers' Guide to Living Forever").

According to an AARP survey of Americans aged 45 and older, 65 percent said they would delay their retirement if the economy does not improve.

Very clever, boomers. Using the economic crisis as an excuse to keep your claws tightly secure into the employment sector. What if this whole stock market fiasco wasn't an accident at all, but a ploy by the boomers to maintain control of, well, everything?

(Evidence: John Thain, CEO of Merrill

obesity. Because amid their fading posters of Woodstock and dusty editions of "On the Road," they can still think to themselves, "I may be old, but at least I'm not fat!"

The boomers have even expanded onto the Internet. The Baby Boomer Headquarters, a Web site by boomers for boomers about how great it is to be a boomer, boldly proclaims, "Folks, in 2008, the economy IS the Boomers! ... There are 75 million of us, we ARE the economy." The authors of the Web site are careful to add, "That is not bragging, that is just a statistical reality," followed shortly by their list of 300

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But amid these swirling accusations informing me that I am destined to a life of cream-filled snack cakes and Halo 2, I started to think that maybe something bigger was going on, because something about all this wasn't quite making sense. After all, how could we be the palest generation ever when we pretty much invented self-tanners?

Finally I realized that it wasn't about the pale skin, the exercise or even the videogames. It never was. That's all just ammunition in an epic power struggle between two generations. Here's what it's really about: hippies-turned-CEOs who refuse to relinquish control.

I speak, of course, about the baby boomers: the generation of babies born between 1946 and 1964, though these dates are sometimes disputed (all part of the boomers' ploy to widen their base, of course). Beginning in the

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The boomers quickly went to work spreading propaganda at alarming rates, planting seeds of doubt like a farmer carefully tending to his crops. Soon, no one wanted to hire Generation X. After all, Generation X was a bunch of slackers and rebellious hoodlums with bad attitudes.

This quick work secured the boomers' control of businesses, schools, government and everything else through the '80s, '90s and the present day.

According to Forbes Magazine, boomers currently make up one-third of the workforce, and they don't plan on leaving any time soon. Though boomers are now well into their 50s and 60s, they intend to remain in the employment

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(Evidence: John Thain, CEO of Merrill Lynch — baby boomer. David Moffett, CEO of Freddie Mac — baby boomer. Richard Fuld, CEO of Lehman Brothers — baby boomer.)

And herein lies the cause of all the attacks our food, technology, clothing, anything really. Generation X's time might be over, but a new generation is entering the workforce: our generation, Generation Y. Therefore, the boomers must begin propagating their vicious propaganda once again.

With practice from the '80s, the boomers are more efficient than ever, utilizing not only newspapers and word-of-mouth techniques, but new technology and television as well.

And let me just say, bjust can't get enough of those damn "20/20" specials about childhood

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Unfortunately, the boomers' evil schemes are working once again.

A recent Jobfox.com poll found that 30 percent of job recruiters classified Generation Y as "generally poor performers." Of four generations examined in job performance, Generation Y was ranked the lowest, while the baby boomers received the highest ratings.

Well, I'm not going to take it anymore. It's time for a new generation to take charge. Cheap jokes at the expense of our Xboxes and Wiis won't work anymore.

Well, my mom doesn't even know how to use her cell phone.



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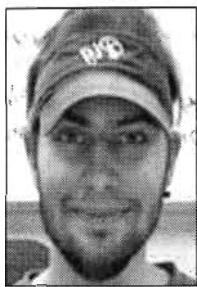
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Fat Phil's last stand

OK, I'll start with this: Tennessee will beat Alabama Saturday.

Already partly feeling that way, serendipity just reared its head, as I saw more Vols' license plates than Alabama license plates on a 15-minute drive I just took, a scenario more improbable than a team that had never had a winning record before this season blowing a 7-0 lead in Game 5, losing with its best pitcher in Game 6, then defeating the defending champions' best pitcher in Game 7.

But it will be just another in a recent string of upsets by orange teams (The Bengals evidently have not received this memo).

Speaking of which, I got a request to send a shout-out to Dr. Clark in the Jazz department, who used to teach at Texas. He said his burnt orange blood was boiling after seeing my picture two weeks ago.

I would have denied this request except that he says he taught the only Texas football player I've ever liked, Major Applewhite.

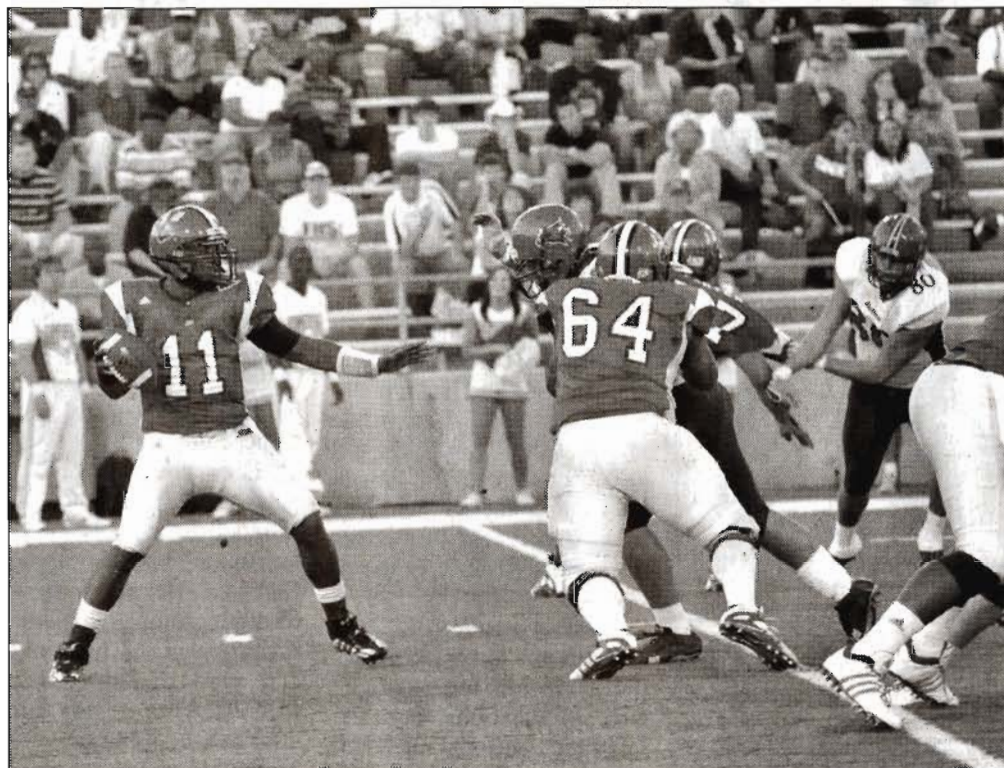
For those who don't know, before Mack Brown became a competent coach, he had these two quarterbacks. One was the highly recruited son of a Super Bowl MVP and the other was a lightly recruited undersized unknown.

Brown consistently started the former, Chris Simms, before calling on the latter, Applewhite, to bail him out.

Anyhow, Dr. C also said he taught Ricky Williams

Sports

(Home) Coming out party



Ryan Perrilloux drops back for one of his 18 completions on only 20 attempts. The junior followed his worst game with his best. Photo courtesy of James Harkins / JSUFan.com

Perrilloux answers critics, leads JSU to 31-21 win over Racers

By Jared Gravette
Assistant Sports Editor

The Jacksonville State football team got back to its winning ways last Saturday, defeating Murray State 31-21 in front of its Homecoming crowd.

"We were fortunate to come away with a 10-point win," JSU coach Jack Crowe said.

"Matt (Griffin) has got this team (Murray State) coming and coming on strong. They are a really good football team."

Much like in last week's contest against Eastern Kentucky, the Gamecocks (5-2, 3-1 OVC) relied heavily on the arm of Ryan Perrilloux. The junior from LaPlace, La., completed 18 of his 20 passes for 189 yards and four touchdowns against the Racers.

More importantly, Perrilloux didn't turn the ball over, something that plagued the JSU offense in its only conference loss of the season at ECU two weeks ago.

"I really think that we played in spots better than we have played all year," Crowe said. "I thought Ryan played efficiency wise, about as good as a guy could play."

Perrilloux was exceptionally sharp on JSU's opening possession, leading the Gamecocks on a three play, 58-yard drive that was capped off with a 39-yard touchdown pass to Maurice Dupree.

Dupree would set up JSU's next scoring drive using his excellent return skills. The Gamecock defense forced Murray State to

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JSU sweeps OVC Player of the Week Awards

From Staff Reports

Jacksonville State became the first school in Ohio Valley Conference history to win all four football Player of the Week awards after the Gamecocks claimed a 31-21 win over Murray State, the league office announced on Sunday.

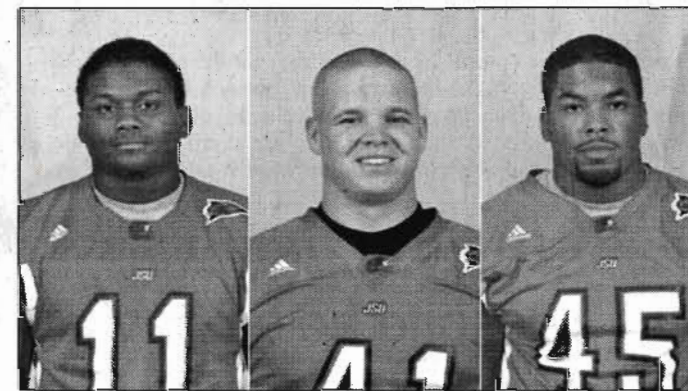
Ryan Perrilloux was named the Offensive Player of the Week, Alexander Henderson was named Defensive Player of the Week, Gavin Hallford earned co-Special Teams Player of the Week with Tennessee State's Eric Benson, while Perrilloux was named co-Newcomer of the Week with EIU's Desmin Ward.

Since the OVC began playing football in 1978, only five other times has a school claimed three OVC Player of the Week awards during the same week and this marks the first time since Tennessee Tech won three awards during the 2001 season.

Perrilloux posted the highest completion percentage in a single game this season in FCS on Saturday after connecting on 18-of-20 passes for 189 yards with a career-high four touchdowns. The junior signal caller had touchdown passes of 49, 10, 21 and 3 yards to run his season total to 13. He tied the all-time school record with his 90.0 completion percentage, which was set in 1981. Perrilloux has now won six OVC Players of the Week awards this season.

Henderson became just the second player in JSU's Division I school history to record more than 20 tackles after finishing with 21 total tackles, including 16 solo stops, in the win over Murray State. The Mobile, Ala., native also added one forced fumble and had two tackles for loss. It was the most tackles since Natarsha James had 18 vs. Samford in 2000 for a JSU player.

Hallford set the Ohio Valley Conference career scoring record by a kicker after scoring seven points in JSU's 31-21 win over Murray State on Saturday. The Phenix City, Ala., native had a 45-yard field goal and four PATs to give him 287 career points and is just three points behind Jacksonville State's all-time scoring leader David Gulledege. The 45-yard field goal tied his career-long and was the longest this season for the place kicker.



OVC STANDINGS

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of a Super Bowl MVP and the other was a lightly recruited undersized unknown.

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Anyhow, Dr. C also said he taught Ricky Williams and Roy Williams (The Texas receiver who always disappeared during the Red River Shootout, not the OU safety of the same name — and now same NFL team — who made one of the most incredible plays I've ever seen in OU's 14-3 win in 2001 when he jumped over a blocker and knocked the ball out of Simms' hands and into the arms of Teddy Lehman for the knockout score.)

Of course, this is just another chapter in the long-standing relationship between jazz music and marijuana.

That M.I.A. song "Paper Planes" really reminds me of Alabama and Penn State (who I also feel will lose this week). Somehow it seems like they're good, watching them is kind of addictive, but at the same time there's this thought — wait, this is good football/good music? What is the world coming to?

Getting back to music that is indisputably good, here's a list of songs that remind me of Phil Fulmer: Pink Floyd's "Brain Damage", Pixies' "Where is My Mind?" and Nine Inch Nails' "Head Like a Hole".

I can't believe I think this guy is going to beat Alabama. Sometimes you just get those feelings, despite all rational thought.

Better offense? Alabama. Better defense? Alabama. Better special teams? Alabama. Better coach? Alabama.

All that said, don't bet Tennessee +7 if you dislike money.

Meanwhile, I'm still unable to shave because Gareth Bale got red-carded 16 minutes into Spurs' last game, which led to a 2-1 loss to horrible Stoke City.

Luckily I don't care too much about outward appearances. On rare occasions when I want to drink alcohol, but am unable to drink liquor — when I can't get to the liquor store/lost all my cash betting on Tennessee — I drink what people classify as girly drinks.

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Team	OVC	Overall
<u>Tennessee State</u>	3-0	6-1
<u>UT Martin</u>	4-1	6-2
<u>Jacksonville State</u>	3-1	5-2
<u>Eastern Kentucky</u>	3-1	4-3
<u>Murray State</u>	2-2	3-5
<u>Eastern Illinois</u>	1-2	3-4
<u>Tennessee Tech</u>	1-3	3-5
<u>Southeast Missouri State</u>	0-3	2-5
<u>Austin Peay</u>	0-4	0-7



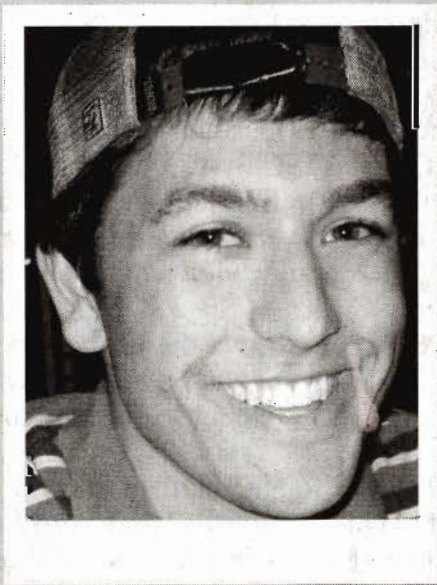
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9/20	@UT-Chattanooga	W 33-3
9/27	@ Eastern Illinois	W 23-10
10/04	SEMO	W 38-17
10/11	Eastern Kentucky	L 35-38
10/18	Murray State	W 31-21
10/23	@ UT-Martin	
11/01	Austin Peay	
11/08	@ Tennessee Tech	
11/15	Tennessee State	

Meet Ryan Rutledge,

The Chanticleer's Advertising Director

- Born on March 28 1989 in Atlanta, Ga., Ryan has one younger brother named Luke who is 16.
- He has brown hair, hazel eyes, weighs 185 pounds and is 6'1.
- He drives a bicycle and often wears converse sneakers.
- Ryan graduated from Kennesaw Mountain High School in Georgia, and ended up in Jacksonville, Ala., after receiving a full art scholarship.
- Though he has an immense talent and passion for anything art-related, Ryan decided to change his major to Recreation here at JSU.
- When he's not working for the Chanticleer, Ryan enjoys eating ribs, mac-n-cheese, pepperoni and onion pizza and drinking coca-cola. He is also a fan of all sports and anything dealing with the outdoors. He roots for the University of Georgia Bulldogs on Saturdays.
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Seniors hoping to lead soccer team to OVC tournament

By Jared Gravette
Assistant Sports Editor

For the Jacksonville State soccer team, an entire season's worth of practice and preparation all boils down to this weekend.

The Gamecocks (5-8-3, 2-3-1 OVC) currently sit in sixth place in the Ohio Valley Conference standings with just two games left to play, likely needing at least one win to get into the conference tournament for the first time in three years.

JSU is scheduled to take on Morehead State on Friday before finishing up the regular season Sunday against Eastern Kentucky. Both games will be played at home, where the Gamecocks are 5-2-2 this season.

But coming away with a victory in either game won't be easy, as both opponents currently sit in the top three in the conference standings.

"We just have to come ready to play on Friday and Sunday," senior midfielder Elsa Kurlycheck said. "We have the ability and we have the potential. We just have to put it to work."

With wins over both the Eagles and the Colonels this weekend, JSU could move all the way up to second place in the conference standings, but two losses could be devastating.

"I just know we have to win," Kurlycheck said. "If we win both games, that puts us in the best spot possible, and that is all we are looking at right now."

The Gamecocks have barely



Elsa Kurlycheck kicks the ball out of JSU territory earlier this season against SEMO. Kurlycheck and the Gamecocks will attempt to qualify for the conference tournament this weekend Photo courtesy of James Harkins / JSUFan.com / File

missed making the tournament in each of the last two seasons.

In 2006, JSU finished in seventh place despite having more wins than a Tennessee-Martin squad who got in because of a higher winning percentage. 2007 saw the Gamecocks finish tied for eighth.

"In the past, it has been a disappointment, but it's only been because of one game that we haven't gotten in," Kurlycheck said. "If we would have won or tied that one game, we would have been in both years."

This year the team has a different outlook. According to Kurlycheck, the 2008 Gamecocks are confident that they have what it takes to get over

the hump and back into the tournament.

"This year — getting into the conference tournament — we are going to do it," Kurlycheck said. "We all know that that's what we want to do, and everyone is willing to work hard."

The future looks bright for JSU soccer, as more than half of its roster is comprised of freshmen. But for Kurlycheck and fellow seniors Kate Kelly and Kristi Pereira, this will be their chance to get into the tournament with a shot at the conference championship.

"It would mean a lot to the senior class, and especially to me, Kate and Kristi to finish on a great note," Kurlycheck said.

Gamecocks looking for national TV win

JSU plays at UT-Martin on ESPN-U tonight in crucial OVC contest

By Jered Staubs
Sports Editor

Any questions JSU fans, players or coaches may have had about the Gamecocks' leader was answered emphatically last week as Ryan Perrilloux threw more touchdown passes than incompletions and had a quarterback rating of approximately 1,256.

The challenge for Perrilloux and the Gamecocks now is to repeat that effort on a short week of preparation.

Possibly making the task easier is the knowledge that the game has huge conference implications, and the fact that a national audience will be tuned in to get its first glimpse at JSU this season.

"This puts us in a sort of elimination game against UT Martin, who we were fortunate enough to win against here last year on a short week, but at least we were at home," coach Jack Crowe said.

"We feel the quality in the team we are playing they are 6-2, 4-1 in conference. Both of us are playing for the same thing. This is a long trip and a tough trip and on a short week, it is going to challenge us. It is going to take some character."

After getting demolished by recent FBS power South

Florida, the Skyhawks have looked as good as any team in the OVC. They have won six of seven, and the lone defeat came in overtime against current conference leader Tennessee State.

UT-Martin is leading the conference in scoring at over 40 points a game (helped largely by an 87-point outburst against lower division Concordia).

"They are explosive offensively," Crowe said. "Brandon Young is a transfer running back from South Carolina. He has led them through some outstanding rushing games. They ran for 300 yards against Eastern Illinois, who we all know is a very credible defensive football team."

That could spell trouble for JSU, who was gashed on the ground even in victory against Murray State.

The Gamecocks gave up 234 yards and three touchdowns rushing on only 36 carries. That 6.5 yards per rush is considerably higher than what JSU has allowed this season, but it will surely be a topic Crowe and the other coaches address this week in practice.

Another area of concern lies in two Skyhawk defenders that Crowe respects.

"Defensively, Ray Williams and Dontrell Miller are the key players," he

said. "Ray plays defensive line and is an all conference player. Dontrell has the numbers of an all conference player."

Despite Perrilloux's brilliance last week — and completing 90 percent of his passes in that win was certainly brilliant — he was sacked six times.

JSU did manage more success on the ground against Murray, and that balance will be vital against a team that can possess the ball for long stretches with its strong running attack.

The game will be televised nationally by ESPN-U (channel 148 on Dish Network and channel 609 on DirecTV) at 6:30 p.m.

Despite going up against Auburn and West Virginia, the game is sure to draw some national interest. Not only with the struggles of those teams, but also because people around the nation will have their only chance to look at Ryan Perrilloux this regular season.

If he can come anywhere near duplicating the performance he turned in a week ago, JSU will position itself quite strongly in the OVC.

Homecoming: JSU wins by 10 despite being badly out-gained by Racers

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Perrilloux did the rest, hitting Deonte Carter from 10-yards out to put the Gamecocks up 14-0.

The Racers answered quickly, when Charlie Jordan caught the Gamecock defense napping on a 74-yard touchdown run, cutting the lead to seven.

JSU's next offensive possession ended with a Perrilloux sack, but the Gamecocks caught a break when Murray State's Taylor Lanigan fumbled trying to return a Zach Walden punt.

Perrilloux took full advantage, finding Dupree in the end zone once again, this time on a play-action pass from 21 yards out.

The Racers' threatened to score late in the half, attempting a 29-yard field goal at the buzzer, but the Gamecocks' Monte' Lewis blocked the kick, giving JSU a 21-7 lead heading into the locker room.

Murray State would open the half with a nine play, 52-yard drive to cut the lead back down to seven, but JSU would increase the margin to 10 on its next possession after a Gavin Hallford 45-yard field goal.

The field goal was a career-long for Hallford, who set the Ohio Valley Conference scoring record by a kicker Saturday night.

"It was good to have Gavin back out there," Crowe said. "It looked like his leg was coming back."

The Racers scored again early in the fourth quarter on a Jeff Ehrhardt quarterback sneak, cutting the JSU lead to three at 24-21.

The Gamecocks struggled to stop Ehrhardt – who finished with 171 yards passing and 94 rushing – and the Racer offense all night long, as Murray State out-gained JSU by 123 yards

Unfortunately for Ehrhardt, Perrilloux and the rest of the Gamecock offense answered immediately after every Racer touchdown Saturday night.

Following Murray State's final score of the contest, Perrilloux drove the Gamecocks 42 yards on five plays, capping the possession with a 3-yard touchdown pass to Alphonso Freeney that put JSU up 31-21.

Murray State fought hard to stay in the game, driving the ball down to JSU's 1-yard line, but the Gamecocks stopped the Racers on three straight plays as time expired.

If not for this goal line stand and the blocked field goal before halftime, the game could have been completely different.

"We gave up some plays. However, I thought that the field goal block before halftime and having the goal line stand were just examples of a team that is trying to play above its talent," Crowe said.



Wide receivers Jeffrey Cameron (6) and Maurice Dupree (8) celebrate with other members of the Jacksonville State football team after a 31-21 Homecoming victory over Murray State. Photo courtesy of James Harkins / JSUFan.com

Staub's: Put 17.096 gallons of gas in a 16-gallon tank

Which reminds me, I wouldn't have picked Speedy Bail Bonding when bailing out my buddy if I knew the name was meant to be ironic.

Enough about me, let's talk about me and how my favorite team is a joke. I now have a bigger beard than Tom Cruise (I love words with such random double meanings).

American coaches have it tough, I guess, but listening to English fans derisively chant at EPL matches is incredible. "You'll be sacked in the morning" has been yelled at Juande Ramos the past couple losses.

Alexandria football fans aren't much better. I heard numerous criticisms of Frank Tucker, but the best/worst was "Show us how you're going to screw this one up Tucker" when AHS had the ball with a chance to win and 1:25 left.

The Alexandria/Oneonta was the best high school game I've ever seen in person, but I wasn't thinking about the game on the

way home.

An attractive girl hit on me big-time during halftime (I'm never wrong about this). The thing was, I don't know if she is a current student or someone who has already graduated.

As I'm watching one of the best halves of football I've ever seen, several questions continue to race through my head

(The result was a grammatical error in my game story, which never happens to me. Ugh.)

Does this girl not understand that I am obviously at least in my twenties? Would this girl hit on me if she was in high school? Why do people think I look good with a beard when I think I look terrible?

My hot friend Amanda and I had a pseudo-argument about the attractiveness of tattoos. She has four very small tattoos around her ankle, and was talking about getting some kind of Chinese writing or something somewhere. I don't really remember, I was too distracted by the hideousness of the tattoos she already has.

Anyway, she claimed that tattoos look refined on women but disgusting on men. She's half-right, which is a percentage all women should strive to reach (Editor's note: Please send all hate mail to chantysports@gmail.com).

My compromise is that tattoos should only be put in places where they cannot be seen when in the missionary position.

About five years ago, my grandmother took some kind of mission trip to Malawi. I'd never heard of it before or since until A-Rod says he and Madonna are going there on a "fact-finding mission" when her current tour is over.

I found this hilarious, and at least Red Sox fans can take solace in the fact that — while their captain, "clutch hitter" and highest-paid pitcher all gagged in the playoffs — they will have six months to make fun of A-Rag.

I can't be the only person to ask if A-Rod makes Madonna feel "Like a Virgin", right?