



Dr. William Meehan sat down in his office with Arts and Features Editor Doran Smith to discuss the Transit system, proration and other issues facing students at JSU.
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Talking with the President

In part one of a three part series, Dr. Meehan talks with The Chanticleer about the issues facing students at JSU

By Doran Smith
Arts & Features Editor

Smith: Thank you for meeting with me, Dr. Meehan: I'm going to start off with a question for you is in relation to the new transit system. Do you believe that the Gamecock Express has been executed properly and for the benefit of all students?

Meehan: The transit system will be something that, when the students learn how to use it, will benefit a large number of students. It is a huge mind shift and it is a big change for Jacksonville State University because we have always been able to drive our own cars and move them around campus for years. It has been that

way since the 1960's when I was a student. We have seen several things that have been impacted, though.

The first thing that has changed has been the volume of traffic we have seen on campus. Second, we want to try to make the campus more pedestrian friendly. In recent years, the Student Government Association has had an initiative has to increase the number of students that walk to their classes. Each of the SGA administrations has continued that policy.

Lastly, other campuses around the state, beyond just the University of Alabama, Auburn or Troy, have implemented their own transit systems. Long range, it is an opportunity for students

to save money. And it is an efficient way to move students through town, as well. Our international students, for years, have been asking for this. Most of them don't have cars. But it is a mindset, for most of us. Getting on a bus is what you don't learn how to do, whether you live in Collinsville or Jacksonville. If you live in a big city, than you've used mass transportation before and you know what a convenience it can be.

Smith: Do you believe that it is going to be a benefit for students?

Meehan: I think they will be a benefit. You know, I have been trying to ride the buses

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November is the month for fuzzy faces

Students hope to raise prostate cancer awareness through facial hair growth

By MJ Ortiz
News Editor

November is the new November and a mustache is the new shave.

It was not a major fashion mogul or a movie star who decided this, but a few beers influencing a couple of friends in Adelaide, Australia back in 2003.

Reportedly, the friends started discussing 80's fashion jokingly and decided it was time to give the mustache a second chance. It was time to bring it back.

The purpose was serious and the intentions were, well, clean shaven; to be walking "billboards" raising money for prostate cancer research.

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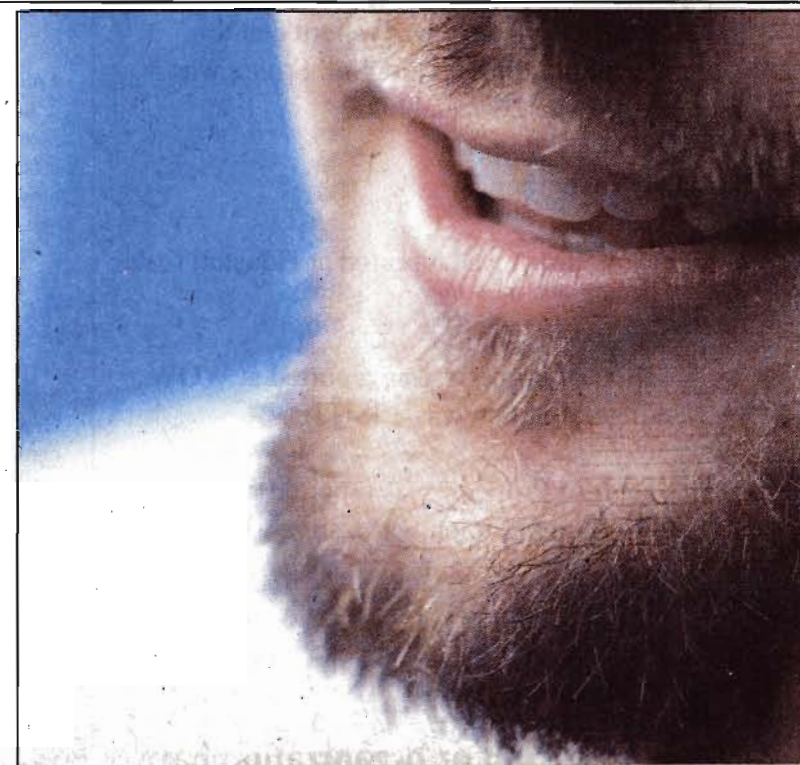
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Prostate cancer is the second most common type of cancer among men in the United States.

As of this year, the National Cancer Institute has reported that there have been over 192,280 new cases and 27,360 deaths because of prostate cancer; and 8,400 new cases and 380 deaths have been reported for testicular cancer.

Freshman Bradley Johnson decided that the responsibility to bring awareness to Jacksonville State University should fall on his shoulders. "I stumbled across the statistics for the disease," Johnson said. "I think it shocked me because one in every six men will be affected by prostate cancer. I read that it is the leading cancer among men from 18 to 35. I figured I have lived here for 5 years, I work here, and I go to school here. I am part of the community and wanted to do something."

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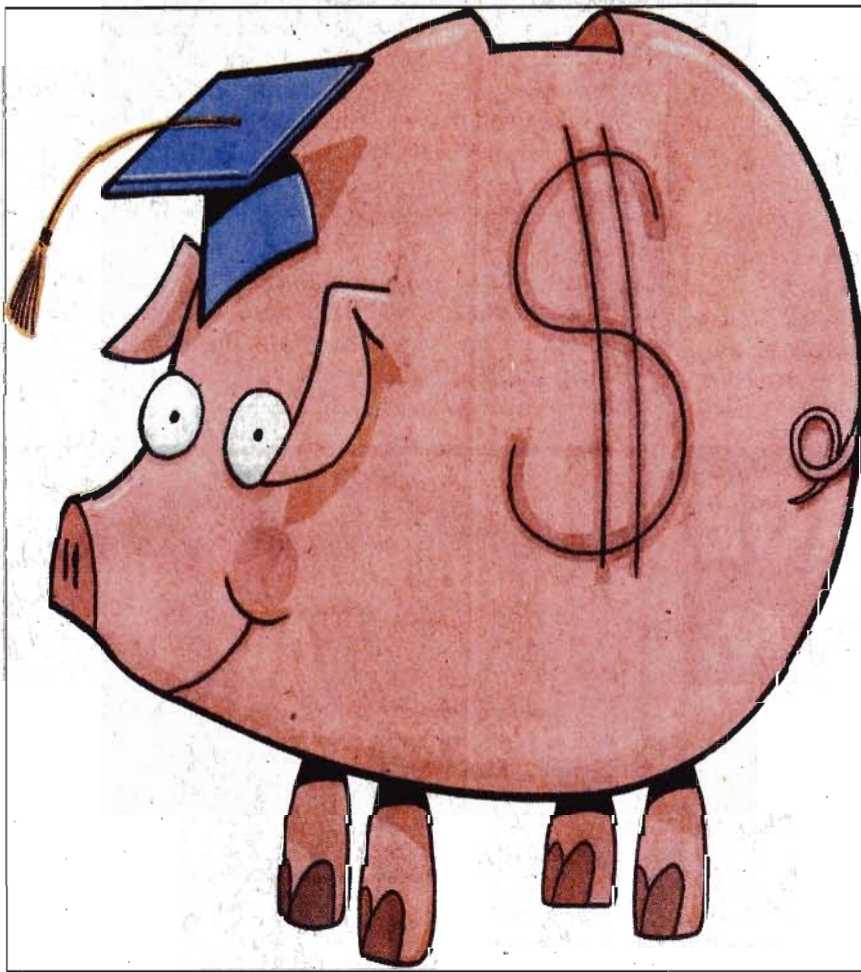
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Johnson started his own team called Cock Fuzz, and he is hoping his little sand stone will help change "the face of men's health." "I want to get some awareness and raise some money," Johnson said. "Hopefully this can turn into a yearly event here in Jacksonville."

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The goatee is a popular form of facial grown for Movember, sometimes called "No shave November. Stock Photo



Checkbook challenge

Students learn money management techniques at JSU workshop

By Alison Nichols
Staff Writer

On Thursday, November 5, students gathered at the roundhouse for a "Balancing your Debt" workshop. Students were given a packet of materials full of helpful tips and ideas on how to manage money more efficiently. Mr. Isaac Chappell Jr., a regional extension agent, was the speaker for the workshop. Chappell is from the Alabama Cooperative Extension system. Chappell communicated to students the importance of having a spending plan.

"If you don't have a plan for your money...you are always going to be complaining," said Chappell. A slideshow of the important tips was presented to the students. Some of the benefits of budgeting

that were mentioned: it gives you control of your financial situation, helps you build assets and improve your quality of life, and reduces money related anxiety.

A daily spending diary was also another important aspect students could implement into their daily lives. Every time you go to Wal-Mart, buy gas, go eat, or do anything that involves spending money; write it down in your diary. This helps you keep up with how much you spend. This plan can help students from going broke or bouncing checks. "If you fail to plan....you plan to fail," said Chappell.

If students constantly find themselves in a pinch for money, get a job or even a second job. It's not how much money you make; it is what you do with it. This tip could help students meet ends and

pay bills. Students can cut out certain areas of spending, but not fixed expenses, such as water and electricity.

Another way for students to help save money is to take advantage of using coupons or discounts and not buying the name brand stuff. When Mr. Chappell was asked to give JSU students' one piece of advice to all students he said, "Pay yourself first...learn to save and invest." Always have 70, 20, and 10. What is 70, 20 10? Try and take 70% of your paycheck to pay for all of your bills and living expenses. Take 20% and set aside a "rainy day fund" for those unexpected expenses. Finally take 10% of your check and invest it or save it. Students are welcomed to meet with Mr. Chappell about any other money or debt questions.

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How do you prepare for midterms?

I cram my eyeballs out- 100%

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What is your favorite part of Thanksgiving?

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ON Campus

News Briefs

In honor of veterans both past and present, the Jacksonville State University ROTC program hosted a Veterans Day luncheon at Rowe Hall on Nov. 11 at noon.

Military personnel, civilians and supporters from throughout campus attended the event to show their appreciation for the service and sacrifice of America's vets. This year's event became even more poignant due to the recent and untimely death of Maj. (ret.) Fouad Aide, a decorated Army veteran and familiar face at many area Veterans Day observances, who had been scheduled to speak at the luncheon. Maj. Aide passed away on Friday, Nov. 6. In Maj. Aide's place, Lt. Col. Richard White delivered the address, which included a tribute to Maj. Aide.

Campus Crime

Monday November 2

- Theft of property was reported in Dixon hall. Stolen was a Black Play station 3.

Wednesday November 4

- Theft of property was reported at the Merrill building parking lot. Stolen was a break Evan 26 speed bike.

Thursday November 5

- Harassment was reported at Houston Cole Library.
- Theft of property was reported at WOW Wingery. Stolen was a JSU ID.
- Theft of Property was reported at Houston Cole library. Stolen was a silver 8 GB i-Pod.

Picture of the week



The JSU ROTC hosted a Veterans Day luncheon Wednesday honoring veterans both past and present. If you would like to submit your photo for "Photo of the week", email it to chantyeditor@gmail.com Photo by Angie Finley / JSU

JSU Undergraduate Wins Award for Poster Presentation

From Newswire

Several students from Jacksonville State University attended the Southeastern American Society for Microbiology meeting that was held in Savannah, Georgia, November 5 - 7.

Mrs. Jennifer Kelly was awarded 1st place for her poster presentation. Her project was entitled "Comparison of Single Verses Multiple Applications of the Probiotic Eubacterium Cellulosolvens 5494 and Its Effect on the Growth Rate of Nile Tilapia (*Oreochromis Niloticus*)". Her mentors were Dr. Benjie Blair, Dr. Mark Meade, and Dr. Chris Murdock.

Ms. Sandy Trail presented a paper entitled "Yeast Extract Supplementation as a Membrane Stabilizer for *Rhodotorula Glutinis* Following Elec-

troporation". Her faculty mentor was Dr. Blair. The research was performed in conjunction with Dr. Todd French from Mississippi State University and Mr. Chris Steed, a JSU biology graduate student.

Mr. Chris Steed presented his work entitled "Vitamin B Effects on Recovery of *Rhodotorula Glutinis* Post-Electroporation". He was also mentored by Dr. Blair. Ms. Trail and Dr. French were also listed on the poster.

Ms. Kayla Smith, a graduate student in biology, presented an oral presentation entitled "Leech Community Composition on Freshwater Turtles in Northeast Alabama". Her faculty mentors were Dr. George Cline, Dr. Mark Meade, and Dr. Chris Murdock.

November 9-13 is National Distance Learning Week

From Newswire

The National Distance Learning Week (NDLW) is November 9-13, 2009. The purpose of this week is to generate greater awareness and appreciation for distance learning, including K-12, Higher Education, Corporate, and Military, while recognizing leaders and best practices in the field.

In recognition of this week, the JSU's Office of Distance Education encourages ALL faculty and staff to participate in a series of free webinars offered by the United States Distance Learning Association.

To review the listing of various webinars and their descriptions and to register, please visit

<http://www.usdla.org/index.php?cid=115>

Please note these webinars may be viewed in the location of your choice on any computer with an internet connection.

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Through Cöck Fuzz, John- Armstrong's Foundation.

What's Happening

Does your club or organization have an upcoming event you would like publicized?

Send your events to
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Thursday November 12

- Counseling, Disability Support Services Open House 2-4 p.m.

Friday November 13

- Autism SOS - Save It or Shave It, JSU Quad, 12-2 pm.

Saturday November 14

- Fall Preview Day.
- JSU Football v. Tennessee Tech University, noon@JSU.

Sunday November 15,

- German-Italian Memorial Service, POW Cemetery at Ft. McClellan, 11:00 am - 2:00 pm.

Wednesday November 18

- Native American Event, TMB Auditorium, 10 am - 2 pm

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JSU hosts preview day Nov. 14

From Newswire

Prospective students and their families will have the opportunity to learn more about JSU on Nov. 14, when the university hosts its annual Fall Preview Day.

During the browse session, university representatives from all departments and areas will be on hand to answer questions. There will also be housing and financial aid sessions, campus tours and door prizes.

Afterward, the university invites all prospective students attending the Preview Day to

be our guests as the JSU Fighting Gamecocks take on Tennessee Tech University.

No reservations are required. Browse sessions will be from 9 - 11:30 a.m. CST at Stephenson Hall. The complimentary football tickets will be available for students at the Admissions table during the 9 a.m. browse session only.

For more information or directions to campus, please call (800) 231-JAX1 (5291) Option 6, or (256) 782-5260, or visit the JSU website: www.jsu.edu.

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Movember: fuzzy faces

Through Cöck Fuzz, Johnson is encouraging men to grow mustaches and beards all through November.

"I think I will get enough response and I think I can actually raise some good money for the cause.

"If I do, I will throw a charity event where I will DJ and have someone doing a live act the first week of December," he said.

All proceeds from Movember month will benefit charities supported by the Movember movement such as the Prostate Cancer foundation and Lance

Armstrong's Foundation. LIVESTRONG and related research.


According to the Movember foundation, to this date, Movember has helped raise more awareness to men's health issues and has also raised \$47 million globally making it the world's largest charity event for men.


To join Cöck Fuzz visit <http://us.movember.com/register/28913> and for more information on the Movember Movement and the Foundation, visit <http://us.movember.com>

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Fort Hood Massacre Sends Wake-Up Call to the Nation

By Michael Bell
Special to The Chanticleer

The recent Fort Hood Massacre is the latest "black-eye" to the Obama presidency. This is the first time in history that American soldiers were attacked and killed at a United States military base. The most shocking piece of the puzzle is that the killer was an American soldier.

Major Nidal Malik Hasan took the lives of 12 soldiers and wounded 31 men and women. Reports have indicated that Hasan was against the war in Iraq and Afghanistan. Hasan, a Muslim, reportedly shouted "God is great," in Arabic and then proceeded to open fire on his fellow soldiers. How could this horrific tragedy, executed by an American soldier, happen on American soil?

With the increased amount of intelligence and surveillance tactics, implemented under the Bush administration, one would believe that this episode could have been

signs of a man on the brink of total insanity.

This leads to the question of why. Why would Major Hasan fear deployment to the Middle East? His ethnicity and faith would have made him a target of retaliation from the rebels in Iraq and Afghanistan. The Islamic militants would have viewed Hasan as a traitor to Allah. Likewise, Hasan's faith would have played a factor in his ability to carrying out his duties to the American military. Many soldiers may have found it difficult to trust him in the line of fire.

The Fort Hood Massacre opens of the door to discussion, debate, and deliberation as to the mental stability of our American troops. Our troops are constantly fighting for their lives in foreign lands. They should not have to fight for survival at a "secure" base in Texas. This tragedy is a slap in the face to the American military and a blemish on the Obama report card. What a way to mark the one year anniversary of the President's election.

Sam Cook, Editorial Cartoonist



Why did the students love the test with true or false questions?

and surveillance tactics, implemented under the Bush administration, one would believe that this episode could have been avoided. Surely someone knew of and reported Hasan's discontent and unwillingness to be deployed to the Middle East. Surely someone noticed the warning

military and a blemish on the Obama report card. What a way to mark the one year anniversary of the President's election. However, the question remains - "What are we fighting for?"

Michael Bell is currently a senior at JSU.



Why did the students love the test with true or false questions?

Politics of Fear, not what it used to be

By Doran Smith
Arts & Features Editor

On Saturday night, October 7, the House of Representatives passed an overhaul and reformation of the current healthcare system. Depending on your political views and where you get your news, this could either be a large victory for the American people and all that is just or a detrimental bill affecting patient rights and our economy. Truth be told, it will probably be a little of both.

However, the question for me isn't about how good or bad the bill is (even though I'm certain it should be), the question is "how did the landscape change so fast?" By what means was this bill victoriously achieved or violent shoved down our throats?

Have the ideals of our country been so vastly and so dramatically changed in the past four years that a public option is now a necessity? Probably not. Until the Democrats regained a majority in both houses of Congress, hardly anyone heard about the need for a healthcare reformation. Why, then, has it been put on the grand stand and taken the fast track to the legislative branch? Being the analyst that I am, I sought answers to this question and have been searching up until

last night.

While slipping back and forth between news networks, I found a correlation between the ways some politicians pushed the stimulus package and how the former White House excused two wars. Both talking points placed massive emphasis on the unclear possibilities that the future may hold. Whether it's financial catastrophe or homebound terrorism, people are willing to give the government more authority or leeway if they are threatened with unrest in the future. This rule for selling policies or pushing campaigns came from a campaign that fathered all modern campaigns; the campaign of Adolph Hitler in the 1930's.

It was Hitler who taught modern politicians how to wage an effective campaign: build up a group, appeal to emotions, target an enemy. This formula has been used in every policy, in every presidency in recent history. Reagan attacked taxes. Bush 41 fought against the idea of terrorism just as much as he did actual terrorism. Democrats on Capitol Hill tried to salvage a recessing economy. Now, Obama and those siding with him have taken aim against big business, namely pharmaceutical companies. Every policy has to have an enemy and by practicing for too much profit, the drug

companies wound up with the short straw. Step one: build up a group. Every person in the county deals with the cost of healthcare and many are hurt by its cost. The poor, the laid-off, the unemployed are all struggling to keep up with their health and its cost.

Step two: appeal to emotions. It is not the fault of these people that they are running out of options for health insurance. They are just average Americans who were brought down by the fall of the economy. They need help from the government to assure their safety and, of course, their health.

Step three, target an enemy. Just like no work of film or literature is complete without conflict and resolution, every story needs a villain.

Has the nation seen the absolute need for an overhaul on healthcare? No.

Is there a general need for healthcare reformation? Yes.

We just hear more about it now because of those who control the agenda. The face of US political ideals has not changed, we are just seeing it with a different pair of glasses. If one sees using the correct pair of analytical glasses, it is unfortunately obvious that all politics is based off of fear.

Fear of an enemy.

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Arts & Entertainment

Dear Julie

By Julie Skinner
Columnist

Dear Julie,

My boyfriend and I have been in a relationship for about 4 months now. He comes over to my house often to watch movies or just hang out. He is a really sweet guy, and I like him a lot. The only problem is that he never says "sir" or "ma'am" when addressing my parents. I think this is disrespectful, because I was raised to always say "sir" or "ma'am" when addressing my parents and elders. I want my parents to like him, but I'm scared that I will make my boyfriend uncomfortable if I ask him to start saying it. What should I do?

-Miss Polite.

Miss Polite,

I understand where you're coming from. Your mom and dad liking the guy you bring home is always a plus. You pointed out that your boyfriend is a sweet guy, and if so, I think he would understand how you feel if you talked to him about this. Being raised the way that you were, it's understandable that you view saying "sir" or "ma'am" as second nature. Many people, especially in the south, do. Just keep in mind that this minor difference doesn't have to put a strain on your relationship. He may not realize that he's being disrespectful towards your parents, and maybe he just needs you to make this situation aware to him. Just be careful to not make your boyfriend feel that he has to change in order for your parents to approve of him. Instead, just explain to him how you feel. I think with an honest talk and some good communication, this problem will be easily solved. And if not, then you'll have to decide if this is a big enough issue to

Meehan: Be patient with transit

least once a week. I have ridden all of the routes except for the Thursday, Friday and Saturday late security route. I have ridden to Wal-Mart on the black line and the blue line. The last time I rode was last week. I got on the bus and asked a woman how she liked the transit system. She lives at the Grove, so she answered "thank Jesus for the buses." I wasn't prepared for that response, but she loves it because she can park her car at her apartment and travel to all of her classes.

I have noticed that students are using them in the bad weather. I think that they are very grateful for them on rainy days. I have asked their honest opinions about it and some of them don't like it because it takes longer and you have to plan to get to class. But if we are honest with ourselves, you're not going to find a parking spot right in front of the building anyway. Students just have to leave twenty to thirty minutes ahead of class like you would to park your car.

Smith: What would you say to those students who are not in support of the transit system because they say it takes too long?

Meehan: I would ask them to be patient. Just try the system, try the different lines. Make sure that the route that they are taking is the fastest way. The system is changing, also. We need feedback from students; we need to hear what they think the problems are. Mr. Whitmore does his best to change things for the better. In fact, we changed three routes within the very first day that the system was offered. So it has continued to change.

Smith: So it is a work in progress?

Meehan: It is a work in progress. We have intentional flexibility with the pick-up spots. We haven't put up the shelters yet so that we can see which routes will work best for the majority of students. And we have made changes. For example, the black line did not even exist when we first started. But we found out that a lot of students wanted to go straight to Wal-Mart and back instead of taking the route by the hospital and by the apartments. We thought that a lot of students would need to be picked-up from the apartments by Wal-Mart, but not many students have. Of course, we have decided to change the route.

Ask Aunt Edna Talk to me

By Matt Tyson
Web Editor

If you have questions, I've got answers. That's why I'm here in the first place. See, I'm not looking to post an article every week of my own choice of topic. I'm looking to see what you, the students (and perhaps some faculty?) are curious about when it comes to sex. Remember, Aunt Edna will answer any question no matter how silly you make think it is.

When you get down to it, this is the honest truth: It doesn't matter how old we are. There are still a lot of people in college who are uneducated in this certain area and that's scary. I myself have met people older than I am who are clueless and misinformed on the subject of sex. It is so important that people know the truth about sex. I want this column to be a place where you can get every bit of information you need without feeling embarrassed. Aunt Edna is completely anonymous. I keep it

that way in hopes that you will feel comfortable asking my advice.

Now, I want to keep you safe. I want to keep you aware of the dangers and risks involved. I want to be sure you understand how to protect yourself from disease and unwanted pregnancy. However, please don't forget that this goes beyond a sex health column. I want to help people have a healthy and happy sex life. I'm here to help keep things interesting, fun and pleasurable in the bedroom and to also help you get over any "road bumps" you may hit in your sex life.

You can email your questions to me at AuntEdna25@gmail.com. Also, in an effort to stay as involved as possible, Aunt Edna is now on Facebook. You can find me by typing in the email address in the search box.

Please don't hesitate. I can't wait to hear from you and answer your questions.

Don't feel nervous or embarrassed. Just relax, Aunt Edna is here to help.

Dr. Lauderbaugh: *More than just studying abroad*

By Fran Popovic
Staff Writer

This Friday, Jacksonville State University's Dr. George Lauderbaugh will have the honor to attend the bicentennial program to commemorate the sovereign "Junta de Quito" in Quito, Ecuador. Lauderbaugh will also have the opportunity to present his paper to all the other attendants.

The program itself is organized by

school days. He spent a summer in Quito, Ecuador as an exchange student in 1962. He served 25 years in the US Air Force as a historian and ROTC assistant. Additionally, he served 4 years in Panama.

Following his service in the Air Force, Dr. Lauderbaugh went to the University of Alabama to get his Ph.D. His dissertation was on the presence of the United States in Ecuador from 1830 to 1946.

In 2000, shortly after attaining his Ph.D.,

whenever possible, collects stamps as well as antique cars. The 1928 Model of a Ford Roadster and a 1963 Ford Falcon Convertible are his most prized possessions; he says he still drives them from time to time.

By the time this article is published Dr. Lauderbaugh will be in Quito, Ecuador attending the commemoration where he will represent both the United States and Jacksonville State University. It will surely

him how you feel. I think with an honest talk and some good communication, this problem will be easily solved. And if not, then you'll have to decide if this is a big enough issue to end the relationship completely. Even though it's important to respect the person you're with, it's also essential that you don't give up something that's of big importance to you.

Dear Julie,

How much is too much when it comes to arguing in a relationship? I feel like all my girlfriend and I do is fight.

-Fed Up

Fed Up,

How much do you think is too much? The fact that you're asking might show that you already feel like the arguing in your relationship is too much. Sometimes, arguing fluctuates based on what is going on in both of your lives. I've found that I get agitated much easier toward the end of a semester, because my stress levels are higher. My fiancé also gets more easily agitated when his school and work loads are really high... and when his fantasy football team is doing awful. So put together, this leads us to get more heated about things that we normally wouldn't really care about. Perhaps you and your girlfriend are going through a period where the arguing is intense due to being more stressed than usual, or another factor that's causing tension between you. Or, maybe it's just time to call it quits. Arguing is never fun, but it's usually a normal process in a relationship. However, when you're arguing constantly, it tends to make you forget how the relationship was ever fun in the first place. Ask yourself how much of the time you are happy in your relationship versus how sad or angry you are. If the bad outweighs the good, it might be time to move on. I would definitely talk to your girlfriend about how you're feeling and try your best to not let it turn into a fight. If you think you would both be happier and less stressed by ending the relationship, then that may just be your best choice. In my opinion, open and honest communication is the first step in figuring out the problems in a relationship.

Hope you all have a safe and happy weekend!

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The program itself is organized by "FLASCO," which stands for The Latin American School for Social Sciences. Its purpose is to commemorate one of the first Latin American independence movements that occurred on August 10, 1809.

From November 11 to November 14, professors and scholars from all around the world will gather in Quito to attend the ceremony. To attend, one must receive an invitation that is sent out only to those that have had a positive influence and are recognized by the Latin American society.

"It is a great honor for me to be invited. It is quite rare that a professor from the United States is invited to something like that," said Lauderbaugh. The letter of invitation is sent "in appreciation of the enormous contribution (he has) made to the study of the history of the relationship between Ecuador and the United States," according to the invitation letter delivered to Dr. Lauderbaugh.

Dr. Lauderbaugh has had a big connection to Ecuador and Latin America since his high

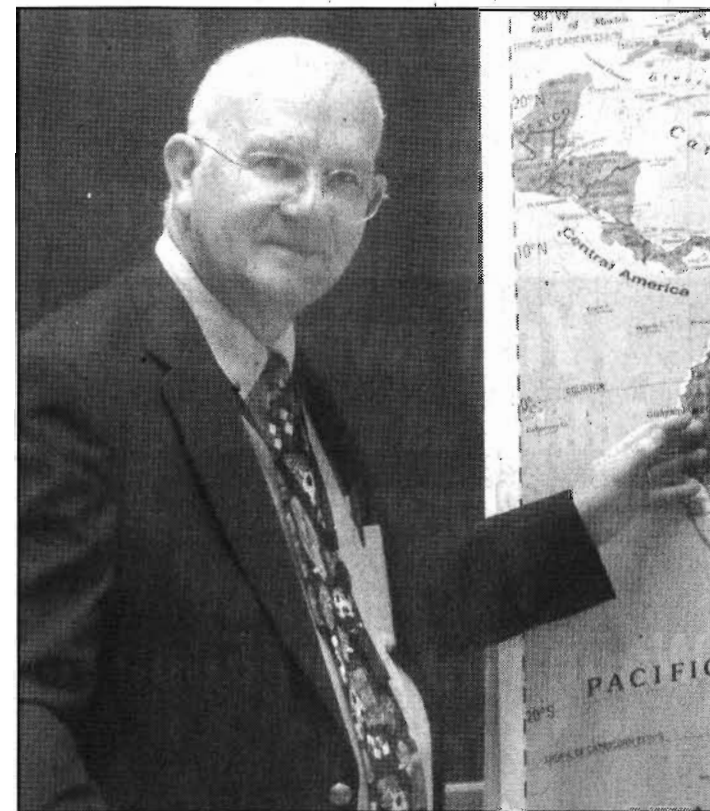
Dr. Lauderbaugh went to the University of Alabama to get his Ph.D. His dissertation was on the presence of the United States in Ecuador from 1830 to 1946.

In 2000, shortly after attaining his Ph.D., he was hired at JSU as a history professor. He is currently teaching courses involving survey of American History, Colonial Latin America, Modern Latin America, and The United States and Latin America.

Dr. Lauderbaugh is also involved in the "Guatemala Children Shoe Box Program." It is a drive sponsored by JSU History Club and Phi Alpha with the intention to collect boxes filled with items such as small toys, school supplies, hygiene products etc. The products collected will go to needy children in Guatemala. Boxes will be collected until December 15.

Apart from his focus on the Latin American culture, Dr. Lauderbaugh has a few other hobbies. He plays soccer

By the time this article is published Dr. Lauderbaugh will be in Quito, Ecuador attending the commemoration where he will represent both the United States and Jacksonville State University. It will surely



Chicken Scratch

Good Idea: check ratemyprofessor.com before you sign up for a class.

Why does the communication department have so many weirdoes in it?

#11 Ryan Perri-looooo!

It's a me, Mario! Whoo-hoo!

Aunt Edna...I love you girl!

I feel like I know "Sam" from "Dear Julie"

Do you like fish sticks?

Kevin Brant. What a legend!

Why, with technology the way it is, don't more classrooms have the type

of desks you can plug up your laptop? I try to be eco-friendly but I'm tired of my battery dying in the middle of trying to take notes.

PEACE, LOVE, Freakin' VELOCIRAPTOR!!!

Julies still with Sam..? SHOCKER!

Why is it that you "earn" an A, but profs "give" you an F?

BLOW SOUTHERNERS!!!

There is nothing wrong with being homosexual. And unless you are being bothered by a gay person, don't hate on us. Please and Thank you!

The DJs at 92J are as

annoyed by the background chatter as the listeners are, trust me.

That Edna was quite a swinger back in her day.

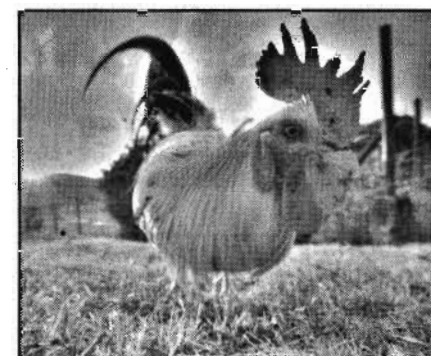
Seriously?? You people are ridiculous.

Dr. Lemmons is AWESOME!!!!

Watching Rachel Maddow... Segment 1, praises a person threatening to vote against healthcare because of abortion. Segment 2, down talks Lieberman for threatening to vote no because of public option. It's the same *thing.

Q: How do you wake Lady Gaga up? A: Poke her face!

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You know those things the cops put on our tires? I don't think they should be called boots...Peg legs make much more sense.

Football preview: Gamecocks vs. Golden Eagles

by Austin Faulkner
Sports Staff Writer

Coach Crowe opened the press conference with a critique to his squad's performance this past weekend against the SEMO Redhawks.

"We were very glad to win, but there wasn't a whole lot of satisfaction in the win by the end of the game to be honest with you," said Crowe. "We didn't finish the game very well."

JSU follows up its less than satisfactory performance at home against the Tennessee Tech Golden Eagles. Crowe says they're in the center of every statistical category with no certain strengths or weaknesses. The Tech offense has not given the ball up many times this season and will be led by the three-year starting quarterback, Lee Sweeney [senior]. He is a big, "strapping" game manager who has arguably the league's most productive receiver in Tim Benford [sophomore]. Running backs Henry Sailes [junior] and Dontey Gay [sophomore] have made numerous open-field plays for the Golden Eagles. Coach believes

that the defense must put a stick in the spokes of Tech's offense early on to have any success.

Defensively, the Golden Eagles have been very successful in stopping the run all season. They run a multiple 3-4 scheme, which allows their personnel to make plays off a variety of zone/blitz combinations. According to Crowe, it is much like the offense in the sense that, "the players are where they are supposed to be, when they are supposed to be there."

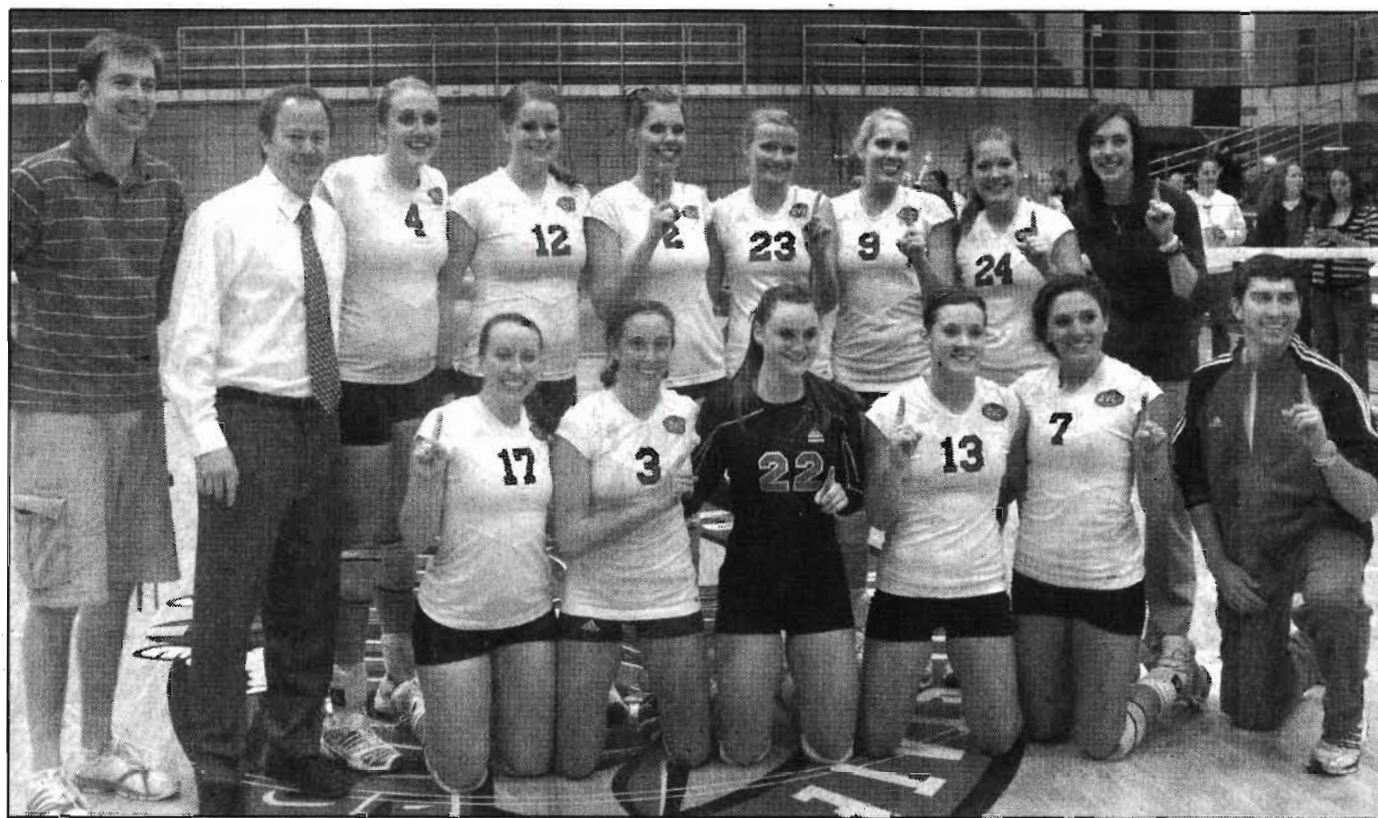
Crowe believes that the close win this past Saturday will motivate the team to play at the same level of dominance that the fans saw at mid-season. Look for the Gamecocks to come out swinging. Perrilloux is the league leader in passing efficiency so look for him to air it out early and often. On defense, the home squad needs to play smash mouth football and stay in position to keep this talented team out of the end zone. Look for several players who have been injured to return to full-time or limited duties this weekend. It's going to be a good one folks.

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11/17 - JSU Men's basketball vs. UAB - 7:45pm

11/17 - JSU Women's basketball vs. Troy - 5:15pm



Jacksonville State volleyball team rallied to win the final three and claim a 3-2 (21-25, 11-25, 28-26, 25-16, 15-13) win over Austin Peay and clinch the 2009 Ohio Valley Conference regular season title.. Photo by Kevin Brant / The Chanticleer

Highlights of the week

- Jacksonville State volleyball team rallied to win the final three and claim a 3-2 (21-25, 11-25, 28-26, 25-16, 15-13) win over Austin Peay and clinch the 2009 Ohio Valley Conference regular season title.

-Sophomore Lauren Harkins used a 26-dig performance to break the school record for digs in a season and guide the Jacksonville State volleyball team to a 3-1 (25-18, 25-15, 32-34, 25-18) win over Tennessee State on Senior Day Saturday.

- Jacksonville State's Alexander Henderson was named the Ohio Valley Conference co-Defensive Player of the Week for football.

- Senior Amber DeLaney and junior Alyshia Madison were named to the 2009 All-Ohio Valley Conference Second-Team announced at the OVC Soccer Pre Tournament banquet

- Senior Ryan Perrilloux threw for 206 yards and a pair of touchdowns to lead Jacksonville State to a 24-3 win over Southeast Missouri State.

- Jacksonville State had three players score in double figures on its way to an 81-41 win over Oglethorpe University in an exhibition game.

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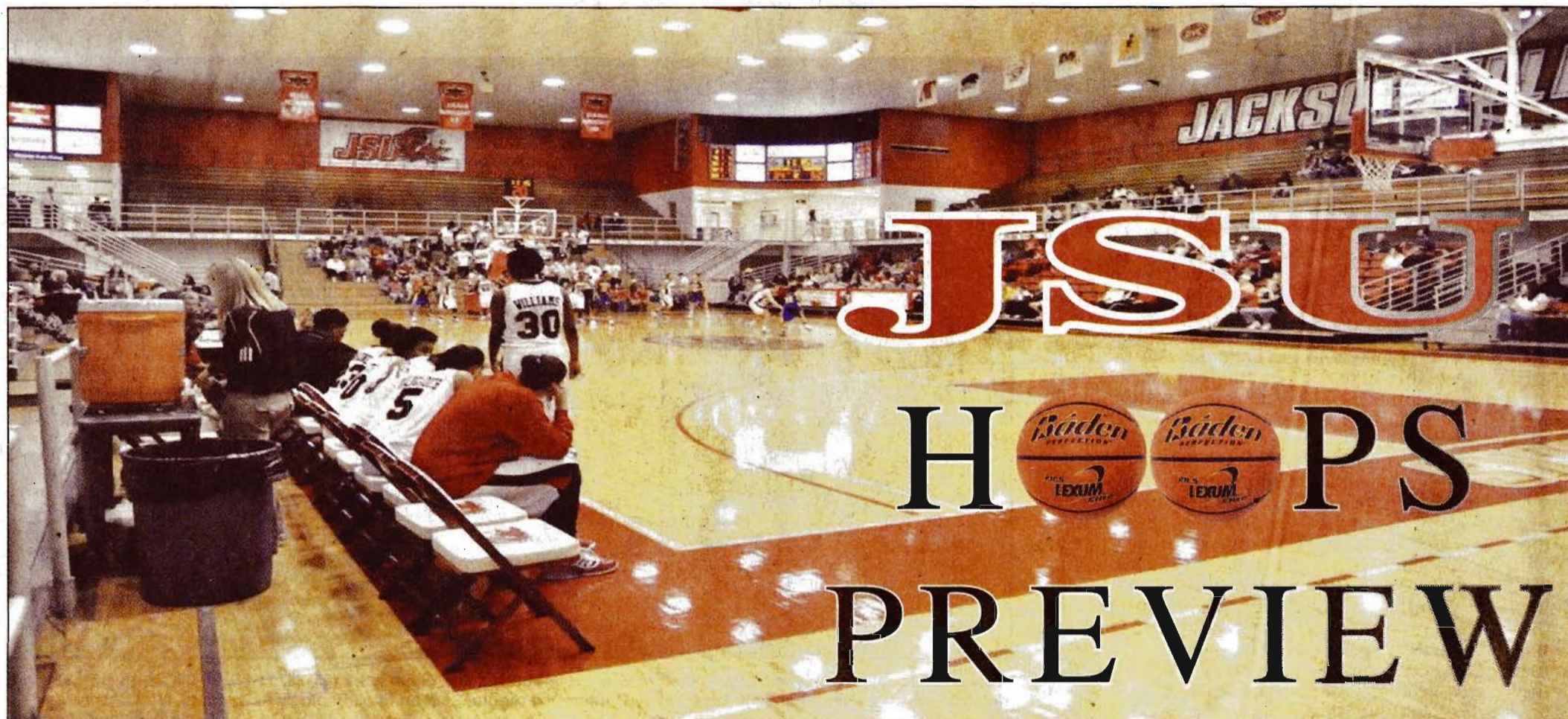
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JSU men's team ranked sixth in the OVC

by Austin Faulkner
Staff Sports Writer

Upon entering Pete Mathews Coliseum, one hears the distinct squeal of tennis shoes on hardwood and the sound of coaches' voices, hoarse from calling for this play to be run and that shot to be taken. The rhythm of the ball hitting the floor, the clang of it bouncing off the rim and the sweet "SWISH" that follows someone's jump shot are all heard as the JSU men's basketball team prepares for the opening of the season.

The men enter the season picked sixth in the OVC this year and are led by second-year head coach, James Green.

"I think it says something about our guys that are coming back and says something about the groups that we brought in. I think it says that people have some respect for what we were able to do last year and that we are going to be a competitive team," said Green. "Those early rankings don't mean a whole lot to me other than the fact that somebody is giving us a little bit more respect in terms of being able

nior, was second in the NCAA in scoring at Jones Junior College in Mississippi.

When asked about key players, Coach Green listed several. "A guy like Nick Murphy that's very solid. Jay-R Strowbridge is a guy that's coming in that has had some experience playing in the Big 12 and bringing Trent Marshall in as a guy that can do a lot of things out on your court. [Jeremy] Bynum is a guy that played significant minutes, that really shot the ball well for us last year and we expect him to do the same. Amadou is a guy that understands more about how to play and be effective...having those guys that can score from the perimeter will make him better."

Green then mentioned the importance of senior leadership and how

basketball. The lack of height and depth could be a factor for the Gamecocks, but Coach Green hopes to use the speed that comes from the lack of height as an advantage to stretch the court. The lack of height should be less of an issue if the team plays with sound fundamentals like boxing out in the paint and not making unnecessary mistakes.

"I would say our strength is that everybody can score," says junior guard Nick Murphy. "Our strength can be shooting, but no one shoots one hundred percent. As a weakness, we need to work on everything. We're good in a lot of aspects, but we aren't perfect at anything. We need to work on rebounding, running the floor, boxing out and stuff like that."

Murphy's leadership on and off the court is much appreciated and acknowl-

"We want to defend our home court. We want to be the toughest place in the league for teams to come and play," says Green. "In order to do that, we have to establish that in our non-conference [games] against some pretty good teams."

With seventeen home games this year, our schedule has drastically improved over last year's with seventeen away games. The road contests will be especially important in non-conference play against the likes of Ole Miss and Georgia to help the team prepare for the tough latter part of the season when the team will be pitted against conference opponents.

Goals run high for the team with both the players and the coaches. To go undefeated is always a goal, but is very difficult to achieve. Coach Green commented on wanting to finish higher than they were ranked in the preseason; Nick Murphy looks to finish first in the OVC, Jay-R Strowbridge is looking for some revenge against Ole Miss, and I am under the impression that the team hopes to make a run at the NCAA tournament during March Madness.



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The individual players such as junior point guard Jay-R Strowbridge believe that the rankings are good for morale but can change at the drop of a hat.

"Murray State and Morehead had an excellent season last year so let them get all the credit and we'll just be a sleeper team," said Strowbridge.

Strowbridge, a transfer student from the University of Nebraska, and fellow transfer Trenton Marshall are two newcomers that Green hopes will help strengthen the team and add depth to a thin roster. Marshall, who is now a ju-

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Green then mentioned the importance of senior leadership and how Amadou had especially stepped up and made improvements as a player over his career. The team's overall leadership is better than a year ago because it was a transition for the first-year Coach Green.

No matter how invulnerable teams may appear with their strengths, the better teams are the teams that can exploit weaknesses. Jacksonville hopes to turn some of its weaknesses into strengths early on in the year and create mismatches that can manipulate opposing teams into playing their style of



Jeremy Bynum.
Photo by jsufan.com

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Murphy's leadership on and off the court is much appreciated and acknowledged by the coaches. He looks like a coach in a jersey at practices, giving encouragement, spotting mistakes and mentoring his teammates to help them play at their peak efficiency.

Murphy's and Amadou's leadership will be needed in the coming season as the Gamecocks face-off with Conference USA contender UAB, along with two big names in the SEC, Georgia and Ole Miss. These games, however, will not take away from any of the hype or excitement that conference play brings.

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The team's goals are lofty, their work ethic great, the team chemistry is strong and getting stronger every day. The team is becoming more than just a group of individuals trying to win a basketball game; it is becoming a band of brothers that will play, sweat and bleed together to do whatever it takes to come out on top of the competition. The hopes and dreams run high on the court of Pete Mathews Coliseum. One can sense the will to win upon entering the doors to view the polished hardwood. I am looking forward to a great season of Gamecock basketball. Hopefully, you be there to cheer them on..

Check out the JSU basketball schedule on www.jsugamecocksports.com

Lady Gamecocks looking to come back after a losing season last year

by Haley Gregg
Sports Editor

After a losing record (7-23) last year, Jacksonville State University women's basketball team is looking to redeem themselves this upcoming season. With four starters returning and a new freshman point guard, Karisma Boykin from Carrollton, Ga., JSU seems to be on the right track to coming out on top. Ranked 5th in the Ohio Valley Conference and winning both exhibition games against Miles College and Oglethorpe proves that the Lady Gamecocks are out for revenge.

"We are deeper than we've ever been," said Head Coach Becky Geyer. "We have 11 athletes that really have the ability to help us. In most positions we are two deep and in one we are three deep, and that is probably going to be our biggest strength."

November 3, JSU won their first exhibition game (76-61) against Miles College. They hit 33 out of 40 free throws (82.5%) and scored 27 points off the bench. According to Geyer, the team expects to shoot 80 percent or better on the free throw line every game. Brittany Wiley (So.) led the team with 19 points on six-of-nine shooting from the floor, while freshman Danielle Vaughn

made a lasting impression on her debut scoring 15 points, and pulling down 10 rebounds. Jolie Efezokhae (Sr.) added 11 points.

November 7, the Lady Gamecocks soared past Oglethorpe with an 81-41 victory at their second exhibition game. They shot 45 percent from the floor and pulled down 48 rebounds. Efezokhae scored 17 points while Boykin recorded 11 points and five steals. Paris Hollingsworth ended with 10 points and eight rebounds.

"Our post game has improved tremendously and we have worked hard on our help side defense," said Efezokhae.

The Lady Gamecocks will face some challenging opponents this season including: Baylor (ranked 5th in the nation, with the incoming freshman, Brittney Griner who can dunk the ball with ease), Georgetown, Troy, Samford, and Kennesaw State. They will travel to San

Antonio, Tx., at the end of November to play in the UTSA Thanksgiving Classic. They have a total of 13 home games this year the first being against Troy on November 17, at 5:15 p.m.

"I'm looking forward to playing against Baylor," said Kelsey Johnkin, senior guard. "A lot of times big teams like that tend to underestimate teams like us."

JSU has been focusing on their player's individual game during preseason. Working on getting the little things right first, because only then will the big things fall into place. They have focused on their inside game as well as their free throw shooting.

"I am pleased with the teams work ethic this season," said Geyer. "We have come in with a whole new attitude and we know we have a lot to prove and that it's up to us."

JSU has added new faces to their ros-

ter and is still in the process of adjusting to playing with each other. Though the team's chemistry is great, they are still not at the point where Geyer would like them to be, but that will come with more game time and practice.

"We have more experience compared to last year, and the incoming freshmen are contributing," said Johnkin. "You can never have too much experience."

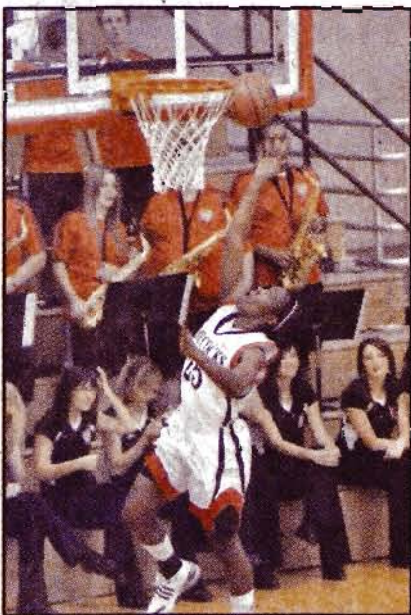
Last year the Gamecocks only had one senior and a brand new assistant coaching staff that caused a transitional period.

Coach Geyer expects a lot out of her team in practice and that will surely show on the court this season.

"If I had to describe her in one word, I would use perfectionist," said Johnkin.

Hopefully, that perfection will give our Lady Gamecocks the season they are hoping for and a trip to the OVC Tournament in Nashville, Tn., in March.

"We want students to come out and support us during our home games, and I tend to support people that I know more so than strangers, so if you see us come talk to us. Jolie (Efezokhae) is not mean all the time, she just looks that way, so come talk to her," said Johnkin with a grin.



Brittany Wiley. Photo by jsufan.com