SGA candidates vie for votes

CAMPAIGNS KICK OFF AT MONDAY'S FORUM

By Doran Smith
Arts and Features Editor
Students Government Association hopefuls met Monday to announce their campaigns. Each said they will take risks, "Parks said.
Two candidates are running for VPOA, Joshua Rusti and Ashley Coelhff. Rush
wants to make a difference between the
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photo as they began their campaign on

Above: The SGA candidates pose for a photo as they began their campaign on
Southern writers explore heritage at writers conference “On The Brink”

By Matt Tyson
Web Editor

On Saturday, February 13, Jacksonville State University hosted the annual On the Brink conference. On the Brink is an event dedicated to promoting Southern writers and their latest works. This year, four different writers were featured. The conference was meant to host 8 writers, but because of weather conditions only four were able to make it.

The writers featured this year were:
- Amanda Gable, who recently published The Confederate General Rides Forth, a story about a young Civil War buff traveling North through different important locations of the war. Thomas Lakeman, whose book was entitled Broken Wing, which is part of a 3 part series about an FBI agent going undercover with the mob as well as reconnecting with his past. Neil White and his work entitled In the Sanctuary of Outcasts, a memoir of his experience in federal prison that was also home to a leper colony. Lastly, Ted Dunagan, who wrote the young adult novel Yellow Watermelon, which is the story of a young white boy and a young black boy who meet and become friends in the segregated South.

The authors were given a chance to speak about their latest work as well as read excerpts from it. Afterwards, they met with those in attendance to sign copies of their books and talk to the readers.

Lakeman, Gable and White spoke positively on his or her experience at On the Brink. “I think this was a wonderful conference” Amanda Gable, author of The Confederate General Rides North, said. “I love the fact that it brings Southern writers together. We’ve had a wonderful time getting to know one another.”

They also gave insight to where the influence for their latest books came from. Gable’s book started out as a series of short stories involving the same character that eventually evolved into a novel. Her influence ranges from established Southern writers, such as William Faulkner and Eudora Wheltey to her memories of living in the South.
Career Services hosts its annual Education Fair on Friday, February 19th from 8:30am CST to 12:30pm CST in the Stephenson Hall Gymnasium. JSU students and alumni who are Education majors are encouraged to attend. To view a list of schools participating in the event, visit http://jsu.edu/careerservices. This list will be regularly updated with current information.

Job seekers are encouraged to bring copies of resumes, dress professionally and be prepared for interviewing onsite! Additional copies of one’s resume may be made in the JSU Print Shop (104 TMB) for $.07/each. Resume editing is available in Career Services, 105 Bibb Graves Hall. Schedule an appointment by emailing to resumes@jsu.edu.

**Campus Crime**

**February 5**
- Duty upon striking unattended vehicle was reported in Stone Center Parking Lot

**February 6**
- Duty upon striking unattended vehicle was reported in Curtiss Hall parking lot

**February 8**
- Harassment was reported at WOW eatery

**February 9**
- Theft of property was reported at Jack Hopper Cafeteria. Stolen was a Nokia cell phone
- Tadarrius Jerome Brown was arrested for possession of Marijuana in Daugette Hall
- Michael Cameron Martin was arrested for possession of Marijuana in Daugette Hall
- Robert Craig Worthy was arrested for possession of Marijuana in Daugette Hall
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**SGA: Candidates share ideas for SGA**

Courtney Mitchell. Dixon wants to reform and transform the senate. “I want to produce more qualified senators who ask the questions the students are asking,” said Dixon.

Mayo is running to clean up the SGA’s constitution. He looks to clarify the codes and make them less vague for students. “I want senators to go out, find a problem and bring me a solution,” Mayo said.

Whaley and current VPOA Timothy Long are both running for the presidency. Whaley is relying on his experience and the trust of the student body to be reelected. “I will hit the ground running with no transition period needed,” said Whaley. “I know the nuts and bolts of the job.”

Long is taking the another platform, saying that he can give the students a more
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February 10

Lawrence Tyrell Roebuck was arrested for possession of Marijuana in Daugette Hall.

February 11

Duty upon striking unattended vehicle was reported in the Bibb Graves parking lot.
Unlawful Break & Enter of a vehicle was reported at Penn House apartments. Stolen was a digital camera and a camera lens.

February 12

Najee Durell Hemphill was arrested for reckless endangerment in the front area of Daugette Hall.

What’s Happening

Does your club or organization have an upcoming event you would like publicized?
Send your events to The Chanticleer!
ChantyEditor@gmail.com

February 18

- Festival for Black History Month/Dinner Theatre, Leone Cole Auditorium

February 19

- Gallivanting Hike (All who wander are not lost!) Talladega National Forest near Heflin, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm, $10/person; $5 JSU Students

February 22

- Roundhouse Recovery, Roundhouse, 8-9 pm

February 23

- SGRho Mixer, Leone Cole Auditorium, 7:22 pm - 11:00 pm, $1

February 24

- Alabama’s Own Nat King Cole, 1103 Houston Cole Library, 3:30-4:30 pm

Writers: Authors discuss books

Thomas Lakeman, who wrote Broken Wing, said he wanted his novel to be a throwback story. “I love those old Dashiell Hammett stories, with snap brimmed hats and fog... lots of fog,” Lakeman said. Lakeman finds his influence in almost everything, from psychology books and history to dramatic writers like Billy Wilder and Alfred Hitchcock.

Neil White’s book was different from the others. Unlike the other authors present, White isn’t a fiction writer. His book, In the Sanctuary of Outcasts, is a memoir about the year he spent in federal prison. The prison was an experimental facility where non-violent convicts where housed with the last 130 Americans in prison because of a disease. The disease was leprosy.

“Living a life where perception was everything,” White said “and I was sent to the one place in America where appearance meant nothing.”

White said he never had a desire to write. “I had the luck of being sent to this secret world that few people see. I felt like I needed to tell the story.”

Lastly, the writers spoke about what being a southern writer meant to them.

“People tend to use ‘Southern writer’ as a lesser than term,” Gable said. “I find it an honor”

Lakeman and White felt differently.

“I don’t buy it. I just want to write great stories” said White.

“I’m an American writer. I’m a writer from the south but America is my country.” said Lakeman.
Extreme Makeover: Reality TV Edition

James isn’t the only Burton that wants to Back Talk

Thad Burton
Special to the Chanticleer

With the most recent season of American Idol kicking off last month, I am reminded of how much reality TV sucks. Looking back, why did we think that this idea was a good one? Better yet, why do we still think reality TV is good? The first exposures we had with reality TV were because, we as TV viewers, had never seen anything like it before. This early popularity gave television executives, for some reason, a belief that they should flood the airwaves with any and every idea they come up with. I, for one, am an American who is sick and tired of reality TV.

The sad thing is that reality TV is the venue that washed up celebrities, douche-bags, and skanks use to get their fifteen minutes of fame. Reality TV is a prime example of the supreme laziness which is our entertainment business. At what point do we, as television viewers, say enough? So, from one annoyed American to the other than Donald Trump has stupid personality, we would rather have our faces cut, stretched, and stapled. What about the weight loss shows like The Biggest Loser and Fat March? I can’t lose the weight unless you offer me $250,000. Try skipping the eighth slice of pizza and putting down the XBOX controller every now and then.

The last form of reality television I want to address is that of makeover shows. Shows like The Swan and Extreme Makeover show us how shallow Americans really are. Instead of developing a personality, we would rather have our faces cut, stretched, and stapled. What about the weight loss shows like The Biggest Loser and Fat March? I can’t lose the weight unless you offer me $250,000. Try skipping the eighth slice of pizza and putting down the XBOX controller every now and then.

Reality TV is the venue that washed up celebrities, douche-bags, and skanks use to get their fifteen minutes of fame. I understand that these programs are cheap to produce since they don’t have to pay big bucks to professional actors, writers, and directors. This is a prime example of the supreme laziness which is our entertainment business. At what point do we, as television viewers, say enough is enough? So, from one annoyed American to the television industry – stop it already.

Letters to the editor:

Teachers should take responsibility
If the teacher’s have expectations of the students, then don’t the students expect the teachers to teach the class strictly for the university, I believe that the overwhelming hit and runs that take place on our campus is ridiculous, not the standard, not succumb to childish ways with lack of responsibility in their actions. I won’t divulge the name, car
Letters to the editor:

Teachers should take responsibility
If the teachers have expectations of the students, then don't the students have a right to have expectations of the teachers? Recently, in class, the teacher showed the grade standing for each student. When I looked at mine there was a zero listed in my grades. When I asked what it was the teacher said it was an assignment I didn't hand in. I proceeded to show him the graded paper and remind him that I had asked questions about it the day he returned it. So again I ask, if the teachers can have expectations of the students to do the work, to be quiet in class, and to turn in the work required, just to name a few then don't the students have a right to expect the teachers to teach the class and not roam out and leave the talkative assistants to help the students, to record the grades they have given and not lose the work with disorganization?

Cassandra Nichols, Jacksonville

Camera system would help stop hit and runs
I'm sure it has been brought up before, but I believe it needs to be brought up again and again until it is done. While I love the idea that our campus is self-protected, some of us have a right to print. It's your right to read, too.

Enahs Namloh

What if page two of The Chanticleer looked like this?

Rutgers basketball team under gag order

While hoping that the furor caused over remarks made by a member of the New Jersey basketball team's coaching staff dies down, The Chanticleer has come under fire again, this time for censorship. Two days after student protesters demanding the resignation of the Rutgers administration for censorship, the Rutgers administration halted the Scarlet Knights' game against the University of Massachusetts. A guard on the team, Damon Santiago, told a reporter that he thought the protesters were right.

"We condemn the attempt to stifle the free speech of the members of the Rutgers men's basketball team," he said. The next day, head coach Bob Wenzel asked team members not to discuss the issue with reporters.

The American Association Of University Professors has criticized the Rutgers administration for censorship, where or when the game would be replayed yet, and we didn't want to jeopardize any possible decision by the AAUP. Since the Feb. 7 basketball game, in which 150 students flooded onto the court, the university has issued a warning to students that they may face punishment if they interfere with the forum.

"The forum has been used to make a point, and no further disruptions will be tolerated," he said. In late January, the AAUP released a report of a meeting made by the Rutgers administration in November in which he said he had since apologized for the remarks.

Remember, the First Amendment is more than our right to print.

It's your right to read, too.

Letters Policy:

The Chanticleer welcomes letters to the editor. Letters for publication must be limited to 300 words and must be typed. Letters may be hand-delivered or sent through campus mail to our offices in Room 180, Self Hall, or to the mailing address on the left. Letters may also be e-mailed to chantleymail@gmail.com.

The Chanticleer will not print letters which are libelous or defamatory. Letters may be edited for style, brevity or clarity. The Chanticleer reserves the right to refuse publication of any submission. Letters must be received by noon on the Monday prior to desired publication date. There will be at least two weeks between publication of letters from the same person. Rebuttals will be published no later than two weeks after publication of the article, editorial or letter in question.
The Vagina Monologues have evolved into a global movement with the ultimate goal of ending violence against women, which is the foundation and inspiration of the V-Day campaigns. The play was written and performed by a variety of women in slavery, kidnapping, and rape. Congolese victims and inspiration of the V-Day movement with the Day is the homodie events of the word more detrimental for the ultimate goal of ending violence against women, at this very moment. The idea of The Vagina Monologues is that, our natural duty as humans is to protect the rights of our fellow human beings regardless of the inequality of society. This sort of support demands accountability of all individuals and by joining the women and men who are already demanding an end to violence in the Congo and world wide, we can help survivors of sexual violence to heal and rebuild their lives and communities and we can demand the safety of the DRC and homes across the nations.

By attending the benefit production of The Vagina Monologues, you are not only gaining the much needed awareness required in fighting such issues locally, nationally and internationally, you are also contributing funding to the V-Day non profit campaign that has raised over $50 million. With the necessary means of such funding and unrelenting determination, V-Day is changing the attitude of sexual violence throughout society.

The collaboration of work within local organizations has allowed V-Day to provide funding that aided in opening the first shelters for women in Egypt and Iraq, sponsored annual workshops and three national campaigns in Afghanistan, convene the “Confronting Violence” conference of South Asian women leaders and donate satellite-phones to Afghan women to keep lines of communication open. The Karana program based out of Cairo, Egypt provides an oasis for women, children and adolescents. V-Day has built networks at great lengths through this program and many others, ending violence against women and girls in Africa and the Middle East. Shelters have been reopened and funded in over 5,000 community housed, antiviolence programs and safe houses in Kenya, South Dakota, Egypt, and Iraq.

V-Day is on the run and has many stops to make. On February 25th, 26th, and 27th The Vagina Monologues will be showing at the JSU McEland Theatre located at 100 Gamecock Drive, Anniston, AL 36205. The show starts at 7:00 PM, and doors open at 6:00 PM. All actresses are JSU students.

The opportunity has emerged to become aware of the issues of sexual violence, and help end violence against women in the DRC, by paying the $10.00 per person entry amount. You will also be supporting the WISE JSU Legacy Scholarship, a $700.00 scholarship awarded to a student in good standing who demonstrates past involvement and future commitment to ending violence against women. The Fall 2010 scholarship will be available in March.
**What's the point in having people living in the moment?**

While analyzing the things I put online, I began to understand that the way we present ourselves is not always an honest reflection of who we truly are. We often edit our lives to present an ideal version of ourselves, one that is more appealing to others. This can be due to a fear of rejection or a desire to impress others. However, this constant curating can lead to a sense of dissatisfaction when we are confronted with the reality of our own experiences.

And delete what we don't want people to see, are we losing control over our lives? Do we truly understand the impact of our actions? We are often so focused on presenting ourselves in a certain light that we forget to live in the moment. Life should be lived truly being ourselves when online we can fix our errors instead of living it through Facebook. However, it is possible to find a balance in this digital age.

**Week's topic of discussion:**

Facebook has become a major part of our lives, from the news we read to the people we interact with. It's hard to imagine a world without Facebook, but what if we took a step back and considered our relationship with it? How much of our daily lives is spent on Facebook? What impact does it have on our personal and professional lives? These are just a few of the questions that will be explored in this week's topic of discussion.

**Next week's topic:**

What are your thoughts on Facebook and its role in our lives? Is it a necessary tool or a distraction? Let us know your thoughts in the comments below.
Murphy becomes 1,000 - point scorer

from jsugamecocksports.com

Junior Nick Murphy became Jacksonville State's 1,000-point scorer on Monday night, but Austin Peay controlled the night by handing the Gamecocks an 83-63 defeat at Dave Aaron Arena.

The Governors (15-12, 9-6 Ohio Valley Conference) shot 60 percent from the floor and led from wire-to-wire to remain perfect at home against the Gamecocks (11-15, 7-9 OVC) in seven all-time meetings. APSU gave Jax State its second-straight loss while putting an end to a two-game skid of its own.

One of the few highlights for the Gamecocks on the night, Murphy joined Walker Russell and Jay Knowlton as the school's only 1,000-point scorers since moving to Division I in 1995-96 and the 20th in the program's history. The Bronx, N.Y., native ran his career total to 1,007 points after scoring 10 points in the JSU loss. He was just 3-for-10 from the line and 4-for-7 from the free throw line to join sophomores Dominique Shellman and John Barnes as the only Gamecocks to score in double figures.

Shellman and Barnes each pitched in 13 points for the Gamecocks in the loss, while fellow sophomore Stephen Hall scored eight to go along with his team-high nine rebounds. Junior Trenton Marshall, the OVC's leading scorer, scored just three points after playing only 15 minutes because of foul trouble. It was just the second time this season the Gamecocks (11-15, 7-9 OVC) were outrebounded.

The first half started slowly but was all Austin Peay. The Govs turned it up a notch and turned what was a 17-12 lead into a 45-27 lead at the half. They shot 74 percent from the floor in the first 20 minutes and held JSU to a 37 percent shooting percentage to take command of the game.

JSU would not be able to get any closer than 13 in the second half and trailed by as many as 23 as the clock ran down.

Highlights of the week

'JSU,' Birthplace of the parking ticket. "We boot, because we care."

92 J, listen... no one cares about your epic and very heroic battle to gain listeners over the air. Everyone has ipods and cd's. Just wanted to clear that up.

HEY JSU! Chill out with all the drug dogs! You still have to find that death threat guy.

The Chanticleer should just make the entire paper chicken scratch!!! COME ON DO IT, DO IT NOW!

do-y-i-n-e: a baseball player

Why aren't the Frats and Sororities leading the way with school spirit? Someone needs to light a fire under their ass!!! GO GAMECOCKS.

Our girl's basketball team needs to go to some summer camps.

The JSU newswire and the Announcement section of your MyJSU is full of useful, need-to-know stuff, like what to do to prepare for the new email system and Banner being unavailable Feb. 12 - Feb. 22. Stop whining and READ.

Really? The GAMECOCK EXPRESS just left my ass. RUDENESS, ugh!

Praying to God that 92J gets new DJs? I'm sure that's high on his priority list, right after he gets you out of your mom's basement and a non-AOL Chatroom girlfriend.

The maintenance guys in Pannell are SO nice :)

I could definitely see JSU being biased and scandalous when it comes to politics. Look at the people who run this place.

Jacksonville State: The General Motors of universities.

With all the cutbacks in the state, someone should look at JSU employees salary and question why in the world an office worker in a suit would make $6,000 or $7,000 a MONTH!!.

I officially declare that the JPD now be referred to as the Hazzard County Sheriff's Department.

Sorry Burton, but I wish I had gone to West Georgia.

Write for the paper! It's the only thing the university hasn't censored yet!

(ED Note: No, but I am currently censoring this!!)

I learned over vacation everyone loves northern zebras!

Let's go Gamecocks!!!!!!!!!!
• Junior Nick Murphy became Jacksonville State's 1,000-point scorer for basketball.

• Junior Nick Murphy was named the Ohio Valley Conference's Player of the Week for the third time this season, while Trenton Marshall earned his seventh Newcomer of the Week honor.

• Senior Chrissy O'Neal and freshman Hilary Phillips earned Ohio Valley Conference weekly honors after their efforts in guiding the Jacksonville State softball team to a pair of wins to open the 2010 season.

• After snow postponed the opening of Jacksonville State's 2010 season a day, the Gamecocks finally got their schedule underway on Sunday with wins over Indiana and Wright State at the Kennesaw State K-Club Classic. The Gamecocks (2-0) used seven unanswered runs to grab a 7-6 win over Indiana in their first game of the day before holding off Wright State for a 5-4 win in JSU's final game.

• The JSU track and field team turned in five top Ohio Valley Conference marks along with three top three finishes and one personal record on Saturday at the MTSU Valentiines Invitational.
  - Amber Wiley won the pole vault with 11-feet, six inches and her height ranks fourth on the OVC top indoor performances list. Christina Tupper placed second in the triple jump with 37-feet, seven inches and is the sixth best distance in the OVC.
  - Laveeta Oliver finished third in the 200-meter dash with an OVC second best 25.06. Elizabeth Bond's 25.37 placed her sixth on the OVC top performance list in the 200-meter dash while finishing fifth in the event.
  - Takisha Parham's 17-feet, 6¾ inches helped her to a sixth place finish and ranks her ninth in the OVC. Donnell Nocero finished fourth in the high jump with a height of five-feet, one inch, which was three inches off her indoor personal best.
  - Natasha Sturkie ran a personal best 8.88 in the preliminaries of the 55-meter hurdles and then bettered the time in the finals with an 8.73 to finish fifth.

• The Jacksonville State basketball took control early and never looked back on Thursday night, when the Gamecocks opened a two-game homestand with an 80-68 win over UT Martin at Pete Mathews Coliseum.

• Karisma Boykin scored 15 points to lead Jacksonville State to a 56-51 Ohio Valley Conference victory over Tennessee-Martin.
THE NEXT STEP

Gamecocks' goal: winning regional tournament
I GET TO KNOW:

By Austin Faulkner
Sport Staff Writer

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This will be Adamson's fourth year playing for the JSU squad and he is expected to start in centerfield. He has continued to improve his game both offensively and defensively and is a tremendous player up the middle because of his ball-tracking ability. He earned OVC Player of the Week and OVC All-Freshman honors as a freshman in 2007 and All-OVC second-team as a junior in 2009. In his collegiate career, Adamson has had 31 doubles, 6 triples and 18 home runs.

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