I'm with CoCo

Columnist James Burton talks Conan O'Brien (right).

Page



Book of Eli

See what happens when you spill "Mad Max" on your Bible.

Page 4



Perri-who?

JSU recruits former Tide quarterback Thomas Darrah.

Page 6

The Chanticleer

Volume 58, Issue 15

The student newspaper of Jacksonville State University since 1934

January 21, 2010

OMG! City council bans texting while driving

By David Jennings Jacksonville News

In a unanimous vote by the City Council on January 11, Jacksonville became the first city in Alabama to ban electronic messaging while driving. The ban will go into effect March 1.

The ordinance prohibits electronic messaging while driving. It defines "electronic message" as "a self-contained piece of digital communication that is designed or intended to be transmitted between physical devices."

The ordinance includes texting, accessing Internet sites and other data that uses a commonly recognized electronic communications protocol. While the ordinance includes cellular, analog, wireless or digital devices, computers or telephones, it does not include voice radios, mobile radios, land mobile radios or two-way radios

with "push to talk" functions. Also excluded from the ordinance would be other voice radios used by groups such as police, emergency service providers, first responders, school bus operators and mobile commercial enterprises.

When the floor was open for citizen's comments, Suzanne Hobbs was the only one to voice her opinion.

"I am very much in favor of prohibiting electronic messaging while driving," said Hobbs. "It's definitely a safety issue."

Councilmember Mark Jones said he hoped to see other cities and the state follow in Jacksonville's footsteps.

"I like to think we are setting a precedent in the state," said Jones. "And I hope it begins to snowball after this."

While councilmember Sandra Sudduth would like to see a larger ban on cell phone use while driving,



As of March 1, textng while driving will be banned in Jacksonville. File photo

she said she was glad to see this important safety issue gets passed.

"I think it should show something to the state of Alabama," said Sudduth. "That here in Jacksonville, we are looking out for the safety of our citizens."

Councilmember George Areno was on the fence with his vote until recently. Areno said that he made his mind up after receiving letters supporting the ban.

Jacksonville Police Chief Tommy Thompson says that the ban is

See "Texting ban," page 2

Moon selected Miss JSU

Senior wins pageant for a second time

By Matt Tyson

On Friday January 25, Jacksonville State University hosted the Miss JSU Scholarship Pageant.

Five women competed in hopes of becoming Miss

JSU 2010.

The contest consisted choreographed routines performed by the contestants, on stage interviews, swimsuit competition, evening wear competition and a talent portion, as well as a final walk and final words by Miss JSU 2009 Kristie Osborne and the crowning of the new Miss JSU.



This year, Lauren Moon took the title for her second

THE CHECK IS IN THE MAIL



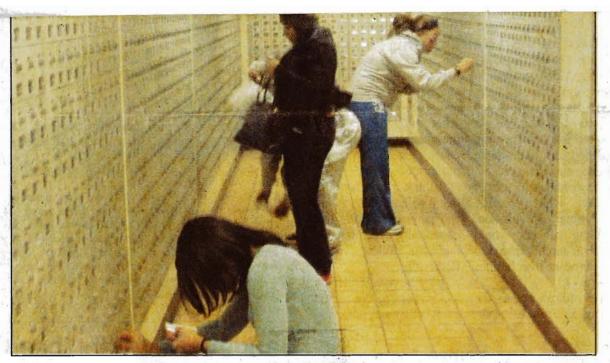


Photo by Kevin Brant / The Chanticleer

Students swarmed the Jacksonville State University mail center in the Theron Montgomery Building checking mailboxes for financial aid refund checks on Tuesday.

Dr. Jordan Barkley tagged to lead department of Secondary Education



From newswire

The College of Education and Professional Studies announces the appointment of Dr. Jordan Barkley as the department head in Secondary Education as of January 1, 2010.

Dr. Barkley, a native of Limestone County, joined the faculty at Jacksonville State University in fall of 2005 as an assistant professor of secondary

education. Dr. Barkley received his undergraduate

degree in English and history education in 2000. He earned his master's degree as a reading specialist with a public school administration credential in 2001. In 2005, he graduated from Auburn University with his Ph.D. in Reading Education with an emphasis in middle and secondary literacy instruction.

Since joining the faculty at JSU, Dr. Barkley has taught courses in secondary and middle grades literacy, methodology for secondary teachers, research in education, intervention strategies for reading specialists, and he has also supervised

See "Barkley," page 2

as well as a final walk and final words by Miss JSU 2009 Kristie Osborne and the crowning of the new Miss JSU.



This year, Lauren Moon took the title for her second time. Lauren was also Miss JSU in 2008.

Lauren is no stranger to beauty pageants. She's been following and competing in Miss Alabama for years.

"This is actually my last year," Moon said. "After this year I'll age out. So I'm lucky to be Miss JSU for one more year. The first time I won I was thrilled to death. This time I was extremely grateful."

Like all pageant contestants, Moon has a platform that she dedicates herself to and is very passionate about. Moon's platform is raising awareness about mental health issues.

"It's about breaking down stigmas and barriers surrounding mental illness," Moon said.

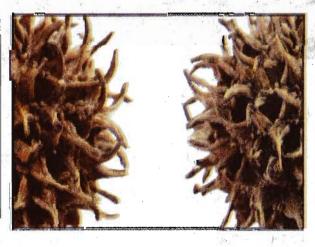
Lauren's efforts include raising money in her native Shelby County, as well as joining the JSU mental

See "Moon," page 2

Life is in the details

Associate professor Doug Clark opens a new exhibit at Hammond hall featuring photographs that explore the beauty in the details of nature around the area.

age 2



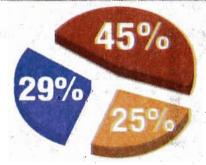
QUESTION of the WEEK

How are you keeping warm?

I'm blowing my power bill through the roof- 45%

Begging JSU to turn the heat on - 29%

Cuddling with a significant other - 25%



ONLINE @

thechanticleeronline.com

Next week's question:

Will you see the drama dept. production of Beauty and the Beast?

This poll is not scientific and reflects the opinions of only those Internet users who have chosen to participate. The results cannot be assumed to represent the opinions of Internet users in general, nor the public as a whole.

INDEX	
On Campus	2
Gampus Grime	2
Opinions	3
Entertainment	4
Sports	5,6

UN Campus

Briefs

Counseling Services to Offer New Domestic Violence Support Group

Beginning January 28, JSU Counseling Services will offer a new domestic violence support group for individuals who have experienced or are experiencing physical or emotional

The group, which will meet the fourth Thursday of each month from 1-2 p.m. in 1102 Houston Cole Library, is offered in partnership with Second Chance, the local domestic violence organization. Security will be provided during the meeting.

There is no cost for participation.

For more information, call Counseling Services at ext. 5475.

Houston Cole Library Conducting Survey

The Houston Cole Library is in the process of measuring the effectiveness of its services to the University community. This week, the Library will be sending out email invitations to take a web-based survey developed to measure library service quality. If you receive an email invitation, please help the Library improve its services to you by taking a moment to fill out the survey. As a way of saying thank you, the Library will be giving away three iPods to randomly selected survey participants. The Library looks forward to receiving your response, and greatly appreciates your help with this important project.

Trustees to Meet Monday

The Jacksonville State University Board of Trustees will hold their quarterly meeting on Monday, January 25, 2010 at 10 a.m. on the eleventh floor of the Houston Cole Library.

Campus Crime

January, 3 2010

Burglary was reported at the Delta Chi House.

January 5, 2010

Unlawful break/enter of a vehicle was reported at the Jerry Cole Parking lot. Stolen was a Gold JSU decal.

January 8, 2010

Burglary was reported in Sparkman Hall. Stolen was a black floor rug, a floor lamp, a DVD player and a radio/stereo.

Nature in focus at new photo exhibit

By Haley Gregg Sports Editor

When one becomes immune to things they tend not notice the beauty of what's around them.

If vou're like most Jacksonville State University students and have called Alabama your home since day one then you take the natural beauty of this place for granted on a daily basis.

Doug Clark, the Assistant Professor of Photography and Digital Imaging at Jacksonville State University, set out to tackle that immunity with his new exhibit that he describes as "portraits of nature."

The exhibit opened to the public at JSU's Hammond Hall on Jan. 12 and will run through Jan. 27.

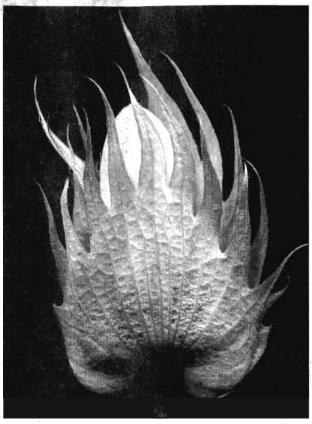
Clark gained his inspiration for his 1:1 Series in 1993 when he hiked the entire Appalachian Trail from Georgia to Maine. During the six month trip he walked over two thousand miles and found himself becoming unaware of his surroundings.

"Sometimes days would go by without me being aware of the landscape that I had walked through," said Clark. When he reached Maine the one thing he wanted to see was a moose. After several days of looking Clark ran into two hikers and commented to them about how surprised he was about not seeing the animal that heavily populated the region. The two hikers looked at him and without saying a word lifted up their arms and pointed to the right; about 25 feet away was a

"This taught me that viewing is a conditioned experience," said Clark.

The images on display are of the little things in nature but they are presented on a larger scale. Most of the objects were gathered from around Clark's house in Jacksonville. His photographs features things like cotton and small plants, the things that we tend to overlook because of their sizes. but the Series1:1 explores their surfaces and shapes. He felt like he could pick up the grand topography of the west this way, with the hopes that viewers will look at the photos as an object within itself and that his experience with nature will be portrayed so that audience can see it through his perspec-

"You cannot photograph the landscape the same way you can out west. This exercise was about trying to take all the things I liked about the west like its grandeur, topography, and texture and I found myself looking at the small things here,"



One of the photos on display in Clark's exhibit in Hammond ha Photo provided by Doug Clark

said Clark.

Clark moved here from Washington State and had to "reinterpret" his connection with the landscape.

"These mountains are beautiful but you have to work for a little bit. It's seeing the tree through the forest," Clark said.

Texting ban: "needed"

needed in Jacksonville and the state as well.

"People will be more leery when it comes to texting while driving," said Thompson. "I think people are already starting to wait to text just because of all the talk going on about it."

One major issue that some feel comes with passing the ordinance is how enforceable it is.

"We will be enforcing this," Thompson said. "Officers can tell when someone is distracted by texting; Video systems in their patrol cars will help. But whether we catch and given its first reading.

punishable by a fine of no more that \$50 or imprisonment for no more than 10 days. A second violation within a year would raise fines to no more that \$100 or imprisonment for no more than 30 days. A third violation raises the fine limit to \$500 and imprisonment time to three months.

The ordinance come a long way. After weeks of being discussed after Councilman Derek Raulerson introduced the proposed ordinance, it was finally put on the agenda Nov. 23, 2009

Moon: Miss Alabama, June 12th

awareness group the National Alliance on Mental Illness.

Moon said being a part of NAMI gives her the chance to see how mental illness affects college age people and what she can do to aid in treatment and prevention.

Moon said she isn't nervous about the responsibilities her title holds. Moon said she knows what is ahead of her and hopes to exceed what she did her last time as Miss JSU.

Moon will be competing for Miss Alabama on June 12th. If she wins she will be able to compete for the Miss America crown.

Kristie Osborne, Miss JSU 2009, had an emotional night as she took her final walk and gave her last speech as Miss Miss Alabama. If not, she says she will continue to study and work on her degree.

Although Osborne was sad to give up her crown, she has high hopes for the new Miss

"Lauren was the one who crowned me, she's had the experience," Osbourne said. "She will do a good job representing JSU. She has one year under her belt and knows what she's doing and hopefully whatever she wasn't able to accomplish her first year, she will be able to do this year."

Osborne also has words of advice for any girl who aspires to be Miss JSU. "Take criticism lightly," Osborne said. "No matter where you go in life, people are going to

January 8, 2010

Burglary was reported in Sparkman Hall. Stolen was a black floor rug, a floor lamp, a DVD player and a

January 11, 2010

Domestic violence and criminal mischief was reported at the Curtiss Hall parking lot.

January 14, 2010

Harassment was reported at The Quad.

January 19, 2010

- Harassing communications were reported in Dixon
- Theft of property was reported at the Theron Montgomery Building. Stolen was a Gateway laptop.

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

Saturday January 23, 2010

- Canyon Hike, Canyon Center near Fort Payne, 9:00-3:00, Admission: \$25/person; \$15/student.
- Wilderness Survival, Canyon Center near Fort Payne, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
- River Rhythms: Kids into Nature, Little River Canyon Center, 1:30-2:30 pm

Wednesday January 27, 2010

SGA on Ice, Leone Cole Auditorium, 7:00-10:00 pm

Thompson said. "Officers can tell when someone is distracted by texting; Video systems in their patrol cars will help. But, whether we catch anybody or not, people will see our cop cars and will stop. Just like when a speeder sees a cop car."

The ordinance makes texting while driving primary violation, meaning officers would not need another reason to pull someone over besides texting.

The ordinance lists the offense as a misdemeanor, everybody the results.

after Councilman Derek Raulerson introduced the proposed ordinance, it was finally put on the agenda Nov. 23, 2009 and given its first reading. After allowing time for the public to respond, the council finally brought the ordinance to a vote.

"I think it is a measure that will bring safety and awareness to this community, and I hope the state follows," Raulerson.

After the vote, Raulerson took his phone out to text

It she wins she will be able to compete for the Miss America crown.

Kristie Osborne, Miss JSU 2009, had an emotional night as she took her final walk and gave her last speech as Miss JSU. Through tears, she spoke of her time with the title and how much she truly enjoyed representing the university.

"I've cried all week, It's something very near to my heart," Osborne said. "You hear of people passing down the crown and describing it as bittersweet. For me it's just sad. I would love to have it for another year."

She says her next step will be hopefully competing in will be able to do this year.

Osborne also has words of advice for any girl who aspires to be Miss JSU. "Take criticism lightly," Osborne said. "No matter where you go in life, people are going to criticize you. Don't take it too hard. If you agree with it, take it and change it. If not then let it go.'

Whitney Curtis received 1st runner up.

"It's the same place I got last year," Curtis joked. "But I'm glad Lauren got it. She's going to do a great job."

Cierra Odom was next in the winnings, clenching the swimsuit competition.



Barkley: New dept. head

both the undergraduate has also been a part of a and graduate levels. His primary teaching interests lie in the areas of literacy instruction and the teaching of English language arts in the secondary setting. He has also presented literacy workshops to multiple schools in the surrounding

Dr. Barkley's publications while employed at JSU include seven scholarly articles and the publication of his doctoral dissertation a trade book in 2009. He has presented at the local, state, regional, and national levels, focusing on topics that range from literacy in the classroom co-teaching and collaboration. In addition to his publications and presentations, Dr. Barkley

state improvement grant concerningthecollaboration between special education and secondary education faculty.

In addition to teaching and scholarship, Barkley has served JSU as a Gamecock Orientation advisor, program chair for undergraduate secondary education programs, a member of the Jacksonville State University Writing Project, both a sponsor and co-sponsor of Kappa Delta Pi honor society, a member and chair of various college and university committees, and most recently as the interim department head for secondary education and the NCATE coordinator for the College of Education & Professional Studies.

www.thechanticleeronline.com

Opinion

Johnny Carson must be rolling in his grave

When it comes to the late night wars, history is repeating itself

By James Burton Special to The Chanticleer

For as long as I can remember, I would stay up late just so I could watch The Late Show with David Letterman and then switch over to NBC to watch Conan. It was my tradition long before my mother even approved (She didn't much like Letterman's humor and Conan was on too late for a ten year old.) Always being an open-minded television audience, I'd tune into the other late night shows just to see what was going on (mainly if the guest was boring on Letterman or Conan.) I watched Leno plenty of times, along with Arsenio Hall, Craig Kilborn, Craig Fèrguson and even Tom Schneider (I was always fascinated at the fact that it was the only late night talk show without a live studio audience.) But it always came back down Letterman or Conan. Interesting how my two favorite late-night hosts have one major thing in common: getting screwed by NBC.

In case you've been

living under a rock, NBC is Late Show was enough to essentially doing the exact same thing to Conan that they did to Letterman 17 years ago. Why? Because God forbid NBC sway the middle-aged "I switched to Colonial Penn because Alex Trebek said I am going to die in five years" viewers over to CBS or ABC. It was obvious they

tell the world who's side he was on.) This whole fiasco has torn the network apart, with everyone taking pot-shots at Leno (Jimmy Kimmel's verbal raping on Leno's 10 for 10 being the most noted) when in reality its Jeff Zucker who should be to blame. With a changing audience comes

their-ass" generation who must have boring, dry clean-ish humor. They're afraid to offend people. Well, I'm not afraid to offend people. This is what I think.

Move Conan to CBS and give him the Late Late Show. Most young people watched Letterman and switched to Conan anyway.

> There will be a powerhouse network that should even the playing field the ratings When war Letterman retires. give Late Show Conan (Letterman would keep his word too considering theybothhave

> > common

enemy.) Replace Jimmy Fallon with someone who is actually funny (the fact SNL ever thought Jimmy Fallon was a comedic legend shows that Lorne Michaels must

getting senile.) And here's kicker. the Craig Put Ferguson on the Tonight Show. Why? Because he's got that goofy stupid humor that everyone loves and laughs despite the that they know its dumb. Heck, even knows

note to Rick and Bubba.)

But will most likely happen is this: Leno goes back to Tonight Show,



dumb. generations that up. And what about Leno? Well, he hasn't been funny in years. Same played out, tired jokes over and over again. Same snappy responses... Same everything. Someone just needs to send him a note that says, "Hey. You're not funny anymore. Give up." (While they're at it, they should forward the same

Conan goes to Fox and the ratings on NBC plummet because despite the fact that it's Zucker's fault, Leno becomes the patsy in the ratings war, but will continue to hold on to the sinking ship until it completely disappears into the ocean... The Tonight Show will never die, but Leno's return might as well be the sign to harvest its organs to research. I'm just glad Carson isn't around to have to see history repeat itself.



Conan O'Brian and Jay Leno before the late night wars began.

changing tastes. Letterman

and Conan both appeal to a

younger crowd. A changing

crowd. This generation.

NBC insists on clinging

to the previous "stick-up-

didn't give a damn about what people wanted when they went against Johnny Carson on his decision to replace him (but his appearance on Letterman's





JSU: All the parking a faculty member could want

The Chanticleer

Student newspaper of JSU since 1934

Editor-in-Chief	Zach Childree	782-5701
Sports Editor	Haley Gregg	782-5703
	Doran Smith	
News Editor	MJ Ortiz	782-8191
Advertising		782-5701
	erKatie Daniels	

The Chanticleer

Room 180 Self Hall Jacksonville State University Jacksonville, AL 36265

http://www.thechanticleeronline.com
Editor in Chief: 782-5701, News: 782-8192,
News Desk / Web site: 782-8521,
Sports Desk: 782-5703, Advertising: 782-8191,
Newsroom Fax: 782-5932

The Chanticleer is the newspaper of the Jacksonville State University community. Copies of The Chanticleer are distributed across the JSU campus weekly on Thursdays during the fall and spring semesters.

Single copies are free from newsstands. Unauthorized removal of multiple copies will be considered theft and prosecuted as such.

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 to the left. Letters may also be e-mailed to chantyeditor@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.

Arts & Entertainment

Dear Julie

By Julie Skinner Columnist

Dear Julie.

I made a New Year's Resolution to be a better listener in my current relationship. I've found that in the past I didn't listen to my girlfriend the way that I needed to, and it caused a lot of problems within our relationship. Now, I feel like she doesn't acknowledge how much of an effort I'm putting forth to really change, and I'm feeling like I shouldn't even try anymore. How can I get my girlfriend to notice the changes I'm trying to make?

Fresh Man.

Fresh Man,

I think it's great that you realized a problem within your relationship, owned up to it and even made a New Year's resolution to help solve it. Sadly, sometimes when there's been a problem for a while within a relationship, it takes longer than a few weeks to really show that a change has taken place. My advice would be to keep on keepin' on, and remember why you made the resolution in the first place. It may take some time before your girlfriend notices that you've changed. If you're serious about wanting to better your relationship, though, it will all be worth it. I can see where you might get discouraged and feel like it's all for nothing when you're not instantly praised for your new behavior. If this feeling is too much to take, I would simply talk to your girlfriend and remind her that you're trying to change, and more support from her would be helpful and beneficial.

Dear Julie,

I read last week about your break up with your fiancé and I'm really sorry. I recently went

Mad Max meets the Bible in "The Book of Eli"

By Don Rima

Special to The Chanticleer

There seems to be a growing Hollywood trend of wanting to bring us some form of apocalyptic or post-apocalyptic story but not many of them are believable.

"The Book of Eli" is no exception. Eli (Washington) is on a mission to carry a book across the continental United States to an unknown point in the west. This is a holy quest for him.

It appears that 30 years prior to the time of the story, the earth suffered a major mass destruction war, leaving charred remains of buildings, cities, cars and people strewn like confetti during a tickertape parade. Most of the books, especially the one Eli is carrying, have all been burned. Unruly cannibalistic gangs rule the roads, killing, maiming and raping whomever they wish.

Food and water are the basics of survival and, in this wasteland, law is dealt with by he who is best armed. If you have ever watched any of the "Mad Max" series with Mel Gibson, you know exactly the condition the world is in, the types of vehicles people drive and just how stupid this movie really is.

It's impossible to fathom how, in 30 years time, mankind is still living in a dustbowl and hasn't yet started cleanup and rebuilding. Clearly, that has not been a priority. In all this mass destruction and confusion is a lone villain named Carnegie (Oldman), who is looking for one book - the book that Eli is taking west.

Carnegie believes that with the book Eli is carrying, he can build and run a whole society beholden to him and his messages. He so very much believes the book has ultimate power that he orders his gangs of illiterate thugs to roam the countryside and kill travelers for any belongings they have, especially books. again.

Eli. Realizing he is a person of considerable intelligence fighting talents, Carnegie attempts to coerce Eli into joining his group, to the point of offering him an enticing evening in the company of Solara (Kunis).

Solara's offers are rejected but, in the process, she learns of the

book Eli carries. Carnegie's quest to capture both Eli and the book accelerates to a higher and more preposterous level. Eli and Solara escape the town and continue the pilgrimage westward, dogged by Carnegie and his thugs in the silliest displays of gun battles since "Mad Max."

Eli believes he has the last remaining copy of the New King James version of the Bible and that he has been told to carry the book westward to a place where it will be printed

Grade:

Into his town happens the traveling. Carnegie understands the historical

power of how theology can rule and run political systems and plans to use it for his own corrupt purposes. Many people believe The Bible has special divine protection, ensuring its existence through time. This author agrees with that concept but, clearly, the writers and directors of this film have

taken absurd liberties with that concept. The plotline of Eli is about as bizarre as it is improbable. It's hardly even entertaining. If a movie about a guy carrying a book across a wasteland, fighting marauding gangs, meeting beautiful women and a third-rate plotline interests you, by all means, this movie is for you. But, when the credits roll, don't be surprised if you find yourself asking why the heck you spent good money and sat through the whole thing.



Aunt Edna: Where the rubber meets the road

you're trying to change, and more support from her would be helpful and beneficial.

Dear Julie.

I read last week about your break up with your fiancé and I'm really sorry. I recently went through a break up, and I'm not sure that I'm handling it the right way. I've lost my appetite, and all I feel like doing is lying around. Even though I didn't expect the relationship I was in to last a lifetime, it still hurts so bad to not have him in my life anymore. What can I do to speed up the healing process? I just want to feel like my old self again!

Out of Love.

Out of Love,

I appreciate your kind words. I wish I could tell you some magical remedy that would make you feel better, but unfortunately, I don't know of one. I do want to let you know that if you're ever feeling too overwhelmed with the break up, JSU has an awesome set of counselors in Counseling and Career Services that could really help you out if you just need someone to listen and be there for you. I'll include their number at the bottom. For me, I found it helpful to submerge myself in music, literature, movies and friends. Try out a new hobby, or make time for an old hobby that you've neglected. I know that right now it seems like the feelings you feel will never go away...but in time they will. Sometimes in life, we have to reach down inside of ourselves and pull up strength we' didn't know we had. It sucks, there's no doubt about that. Even though life throws some unfair curve balls, it gives us an excuse to show off our strength, grit and courage. Most importantly, just know you're not alone. Broken hearts and break ups occur every single day. Just as you begin to feel like vourself again, someone else out there will be going through the same thing. Stay strong, and keep your chin up. I believe the downs in life are preparing us for the ups. I'm so sorry you're going through this, but remember that things will work out the way they're meant to, and I'm rooting for you!

Counseling and Career Services: 256-782-5475.

beholden to him and his messages. He so very much believes the book has ultimate power that he orders his gangs of illiterate thugs to roam the countryside and kill travelers for



Aunt Edna: Where the rubber meets the road

College is a wonderful time in a young adult's life. At college, students are offered a wide variety of new possibilities and experiences that go far beyond scholastic.

You're on your own, free to try anything you desire. There are parties, new people, new places, events.....and sex. It's right there in front

Now, I'm not saying that every college student is spending all their free time in the bedroom, however it's out there and many students choose to participate.

If you are going to be having sex, especially at this age you must protect vourself.

According to the U.S. Center for Disease Control nearly 2/3 of new STD's occur in people younger than 25 and about 1/2 of all new HIV infections occur in the same demographic. You come to college to start a life, not end it.

I don't mean dying, but you get an STD or have an unexpected pregnancy then those things are going to weigh on the decisions you have to make for yourself after college. So protect yourself.

The number one method of protection is condoms and quite frankly there is no excuse not to use one. For this week's article and in hopes to help more of you to practice safe sex. I've decided to list out the many excuses I've personally heard people use for their reason to not wear a condom.

Then I'm going to show you why their excuses hold no water.

Let's begin with one of my favorites. "The condom won't fit."

The average size of a males erect penis is 6-7 inches. The average size condom will safely fit most males. However, if you are more endowed than other men, Trojan condoms have the Trojan Magnum and Trojan XL. •

The Magnum is 15% larger than the average condom and the XL is 30% larger. It will fit.

"Stopping to put on the condom kills the mood.

I can understand that it can be somewhat of a hassle to stop mid-foreplay to put on a condom. However, look at the big picture. What is more of a mood killer? Having to stop and put on a condom or having to tell your partner you contracted an STD? Or that you might be pregnant? Is it really that worth it in the long run?

Besides, if you and your partner are trulydedicated to one another, you won't have to worry about the mood dying. In fact, it should show that you care for your partner. "They don't feel good. They are uncomfortable."

Ok. If you don't find the regular lubricated condoms comfortable, there are many different types of condoms that are created to even increase pleasure. Try looking over the different products that Trojan offers. You'll find there are quite a few. They come ribbed and extra lubricated. There are some with

warming lubricant and some made extra thin for sensitivity.

"Condoms are expensive."

Medication and children are far more expensive than a \$12 economy size box of condoms. If you are still struggling with cash but want to have sex, the health department gives them away by the bag full...for free.

"I'm allergic to latex."

You can buy polyurethane condoms. They are a different material, and are actually thinner; therefore add to the sensitivity. Finally, my all time favorite:

'It feels better without one"

I understand this as well. I do. And quite frankly there is no denying the fact that sex does feel better without a condom. Once again though, lets look at the big picture.

As stated earlier, there are many different kinds of condoms that help pleasure. Trojan makes two condoms, Trojan Ultra Thin and Trojan Exctasy. Both condoms are made to fight closer and are made thinner. They are just as safe and give you the added pleasure of wearing nothing, while being protected. Now, if that still doesn't suit you then think ahead. Is it really worth risk for a little bit of added pleasure?

I don't think so.

Protect yourself. You have no reason not to. It's so important these days. If you want to know any added information you can find out everything you need to know at www.trojancondoms.com.

Be safe!

Scratch

Chicken



Hey jerk-face,

down and keep your freaking eyes on the road. Stop endangering my life.

put the phone

I did it all for the Nookie. So

Hey...hey you...no, not Jacksonville banned you! You! texting while driving. So,

you can take that Cookie and stick it up your

My bologna has a first name....it's O-S-C-A-R...

It's pretty ridiculous that the University expects me to walk through a cemetery to get to Self Hall, when the Faculty parking lot next to the building is never more. than 20% full.

Caden Mccurdy is a JSU batboy

I think Dear Julie is awesome!!!

Whatever!!! I got my check cashed, fools!

I used to love the Gamecock Express, but since they started playing. 92J all the time I can't stand to ride it any more. Seriously I'd rather listen to fingernails on a chalkboard.

Lady Gaga is amazing.... That is all:)

ATTENTION!!!! Stop at crosswalks when people are walking across it

Sports



Danielle Vaughn and Brittany Wiley. Photo by jsugamecocksports.com

Wiley, Vaughn lead JSU to overtime win

from jsugamecocksports.com

Brittany Wiley and Danielle Vaughn each recorded double doubles to lead Jackson-ville State to an 82-75 win over Tennessee State (6-11, 3-5 OVC) on Tuesday at Pete Mathews Coliseum.

Wiley led JSU with 22 points and tied a career-high with 11 rebounds while set early this season against South Carolina State. The double-double was Wiley's second of the season and her career.

Vaughn scored 16 points and collected 13 rebounds, both career highs, recording her first career double double. Vaughn old career high was 14 points against Morehead State and eight rebounds against Texas San Antonio.

Destiny Lane followed Vaughn and Wiley with 12 points and seven rebounds while Zenobia Pitts tossed in 10 points.

Karisma Boykin had a career-high nine assists to go along with nine points. Boykin surpassed her old career high of seven assists set against Talladega College earlier this season.

The Gamecocks captured their second straight win and have won three of the last four games to improve to 6-12 overall and 3-5 in the Ohio Valley Conference. JSU also ended a three-game losing streak, improving to 9-7 all-time against the Tigers. Jacksonville State scored the first six points of overtime and then outscored the

Tigers 17-10 to hold on for the win. JSU went 12-of-17 from the free throw line in the extra period to score a season-high 82 points.

The Gamecocks made a season-high 22-of-35 free throws and pulled down a season-best 53 boards while outrebounding TSU by three boards.

JSU jumped out to a quick 4-0 lead in the first half on baskets by Vaughn and Lane and later grew the lead to 21-6 on a Lane 3-pointer with 9:32 left in the first half.

Tennessee State closed the gap to 23-19 on an Ashley Tate jumper with 5:15 left in the half only to see JSU push the lead to 30-22 on a Zenobia Pitts three with 1:32 remaining in the first half.

The Gamecocks shot 40 percent from the floor and 42.9 percent from beyond the arc in the half to take a 32-25 lead at halftime.

Tennessee State used a 10-0 run to take its first lead of the night on a Simone Hopes jumper with 6:44 left in the contest and a Meredith Stafford basket later pushed the TSU lead 61-57 with 5:20 to play.

A Vaughn layup tied the game, 65-65 with 1:08 left. JSU would have one last chance to end the game in regulation after the Tigers missed a 3-point attempt with 44 seconds left, Wiley missed a jumper at the buzzer on a set inbounds play to send the game to overtime.

Gamecocks win over UT Martin

from jsugamecocksports.com

Big nights from Nick Murphy and Stephen Hall were able to help the Jacksonville State basketball team overcome its miscues and escape Skyhawk Arena with a 73-63 win on Saturday night.

Murphy led all scorers with 22 points and Hall notched his second double-double of the year with 10 points and 13 rebounds to help the Gamecocks (7-10, 3-4 Ohio Valley Conference) snap a 10-game road losing streak and pull to within a game of .500 before returning home for a fourgame homestand. It was their first win over the defending OVC champion Skyhawks (2-14, 0-7) in the last four meetings.

Murphy was 9-for-12 on the night from the floor en route to his second-best scoring output of the year. The Bronx, N.Y., native had 12 in the first half and also finished the night with five boards and an assist. Hall, a Birmingham, Ala., native mustered 10 points but led all players with his 13 rebounds. He also dished a career-best six assists and blocked a shot.

Junior Trenton Marshall added 16 points, 12 of which came in the second half, as the only other Gamecock in double figures and grabbed five boards. Jeremy Bynum scored eight points, all in the final five minutes, and John Barnes added eight for the Gamecock offense. Senior Amadou Mbodji came off of the bench to grab seven boards and block four shots in 19 minutes on the floor.

JSU committed a season-high 20 turnovers and shot just 61 percent from the free throw line but a big defensive stand late in the game allowed the Gamecocks to pull off the win. UTM got a career-best 10 points and eight assists from Cataurius Taylor, while M.J. Brown and Marquis Weddle each added 11. The league's second-leading scorer, Benzor Simmons, managed just six points for the Skyhawks.

Murphy and the Gamecocks stormed out

of the gates to start the game, as Murphy scored JSU's first eight points to help build an early 14-2 lead. JSU made seven of its first eight shots before going cold the rest of the half. A 5-for-19 drought the rest of the way allowed the Skyhawks to pull into a 29-29 tie at the half.

Murphy ended up taking 12 points into the locker room, thanks to a 6-for-6 effort from the floor. Hall hauled in seven boards and topped his career best with five assists before the break, but he also turned it over five times. UT Martin got seven points from Zach Jones and forced 13 first-half turnovers to even the game before the intermission.

The Skyhawks' Catauris Taylor scored the first four points of the second half to give his team its first lead of the night, but the Gamecocks scored the next four to even it again. UTM would grab another four-point advantage at 35-31 and held the upper hand for the next four minutes before a Marshall 3-pointer with 12:42 on the clock gave the Gamecocks a 42-39 lead that the Skyhawks wouldn't be able to overcome. JSU didn't get the lead higher than four

points until the final minutes, when a 3pointer from junior Jeremy Bynum, his
first bucket of the night, with 4:19 remaining gave the Gamecocks a six-point advantage. After struggling for much of the
night from the free throw line, the OVC's
top free throw shooting team was able to
sink its final five to escape the Elam Center
with its first road win of the year.

The Gamecocks now return home for a four-game homestand that will begin on Thursday with a game against Tennessee State that will be nationally televised on ESPNU. Tipoff is set for 6 p.m. CT, and all general admission tickets will be just \$1, while the first 1,000 students through the gates will receive free pizza. Also, Club Level Season Tickets for 2010 Gamecock football will go on sale to the public and can be purchased at the game.

Support the Gamecocks

The Gamecocks captured their second straight win and have won three of the last four games to improve to 6-12 overall and 3-5 in the Ohio Valley Conference. JSU also ended a three-game losing streak, improving to 9-7 all-time against the Tigers. Jacksonville State scored the first six points of overtime and then outscored the

A Vaughn layup tied the game, 65-65 with 1:08 left. JSU would have one last chance to end the game in regulation after the Tigers missed a 3-point attempt with 44 seconds left, Wiley missed a jumper at the buzzer on a set inbounds play to send the game to overtime.

Chicken Scratch

Needles and a dance

Happy fourteen months and one day baby

It's cold, it's warm, it's raining, come on!!!

Why are there so many political signs everywhere?

To the guy that sits in front of me, please pull up your pants.

Hey John

I've seen Avatar twelve times!!!

I can't believe they are screwing up health care reform

AAAHHHHH!!! They banned texting while driving in Jville! What shall I do - how will I keep in touch with people.

A certain redhead needs to find her own man and leave her married boss alone.

Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity League Racquetball Champions!

The Ride = The Jay Leno Show.

All those people talking crap about 92J obviously don't listen to the Descent. That show is awesome! Wed. night 7 p.m to 1 am.

El Caminos are Awesome!!!!!

Shout out to Tammy Mize, the best secretary ever!

Avada Kadavra!

I'm cookoo for coco O'brian

I kent speel goodd

Word to all the ladies with the shady babies

Don't buy that new cellphone, give the money to haiti

Gamecocks at home

- 1/21 JSU Men Basketball vs. Tennessee State 6p.m. ESPNU
- 1/23 JSU Women's Basketball vs. Austin Peay 2p.m.
- 1/23 JSU Men's Basketball vs. Austin Peay 4:30p.m.

Check www.jsugamecocksports.com for scores, stats, and schedules

Interested in writing for the Chanticleer?

com or come to the staff meetings at room 180 Self Hall every Monday at 6:00p.m.

Sports

Hopefuls vie for empty quarterback position

by Austin Faulkner Staff Sports Writer

Who is Thomas Darrah? He is one of JSU's newest

and brightest football recruits. a strong arm and great size is (6.5 ft, 212 lbs) he was Perrilloux... signed out of high school by SEC pow-

erhouse Alabama. After not seeing the field during his first two seasons with the Tide, he decided a change was necessary and transferred to Jacksonville State University.

Crowe believes that having Darrah will help to give "maturity" to the quarterback position. "He will help give us talent because there is no question that he is a talented player, and he [will] give us competition," said Crowe.

Crowe also stated that he on how big of an effect he believes the position race will be competitive as Darrah learns the system along with returning quar-

No matter what the outcome

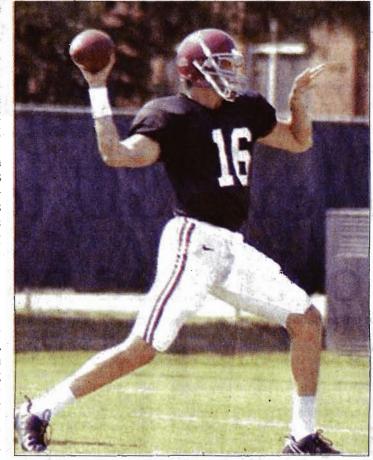
can generate.

In reports he has gathered from other coaches, Crowe said that Dar-

rah was in the mix to be the quarterback Blessed with a strong arm of the competition, there this past spring Alabama. This gives him "an enormous amount of credibility" with his new teammates and. coaching

staff. However, Crowe can only speculate on how dominant a force Darrah will be or how big of an impact he will have.

No matter what the outcome of the competition, there is a void left by Ryan Perrilloux, and this spring looks to be a revealing one in which we will find out who our team's new leader will be. Look for next year to be exciting and for the quarterback position to be as strong as last year.



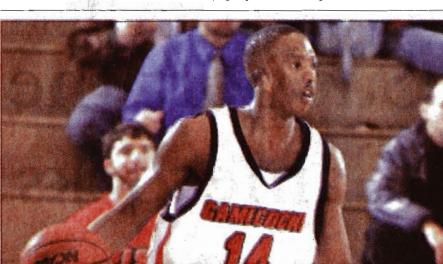
Thomas Darrah practicing with the Alabama Crimson Tide this past season. Photo by BamaMag.com

terbacks Marques Ivory and Brooks Robinson, as they vies for the starting

a void left by Ryan

"Anyone who has played us knows we count on our quarterback to make plays with his legs as well as his arm," said Crowe.

According to Crowe, Darrah can make all the throws, they just need to see if he can prolong or produce plays on the ground. Depending on whether Darrah can make these plays will depend



Highlights of the week

· Brittany Wiley and Danielle Vaughn each recorded double doubles to lead Jacksonville State women's basketball team to an 82-75 win over Tennessee State (6-11, 3-5 OVC) on Tuesday at Pete Mathews Coliseum.



Jeremy Bynum in action this season. Photo by jsugamecocksports.com

Get to know Jeremy Bynum

by Haley Gregg Sports Editor

Jeremy Bynum is a junior on the Jacksonville State University basketball team. He is a native to Alabama. He went to Wellborn High School until his sophomore year when the school was annexed by Oxford High School. Bynum starting playing basketball

Bynum starting playing basketball at the age of five when his father introduced him to the sport. He grew up watching his older brother play basketball, which left a desire in him to follow in his footsteps.

"Not many people have what I had," said Bynum. "I had my dad and my brother to push me to work at this sport."

The work ethic they instilled in him stuck because he spends countless hours in the gym working on improving his game. This paid off earlier this season when Bynum drained a school-record of nine 3-pointers in the win against Norfolk State. During the 2008-09 season he ranked 13th in the Ohio Valley Conference in scoring averaging 12.9 points a game, and eighth in the league in 3-pointers made during a game with an average 2.4. His

individual goals for this season are to improve his numbers and be named All-Conference player.

He chose JSÚ because they were the first school to begin recruiting him and it was important to Bynum that his parents could make it to his games with ease.

Bynum is majoring in sociology and working on a minor in coaching. After college he plans on continuing to play ball, whether it be overseas or in the states. When he is done with his basketball career he hopes to become a basketball coach.

He models his game after Ray Allen of the Boston Celtics, because he feels that he and Allen play alike, and of course after his favorite player, Michael Jordan.

Bynum's only superstition before a game is to say a prayer. His favorite musical artist is T.l. and his favorite movies are "Friday" and "Blue Chips." He loves to shop and according to him, he has an impressive shoe collection.

Bynum is looking forward to the Thursday's game at home against Tennessee State, which will be aired on ESPNU starting at 6p m.

Jacksonville State wrapped up its second day of competition on Saturday at the SASF Invitational hosted by Southern Illinois at Carbondale, Ill.

 Brittany Wiley and Danielle Vaughn each recorded double doubles to lead Jacksonville State women's basketball team to an 82-75 win over Tennessee State (6-11, 3-5 OVC) on Tuesday at Pete Mathews Coliseum.

- Laveeta Oliver was one of the Gamecocks' highlights, clocking a 7.77 to place seventh in the 60-meter dash.

- Kailey Jensen ran a 2:27.13 to finish 15th while Melissa Stephenson was 16th with a 2:27.95 in the 800-meter run.

- Andrea Hoke recorded a throw of 11.25 meters for 15th in the shot put.

- India Boyd turned in a 26.38 and Boyd ran a 26.54 to finish 22nd and 24th in the 200-meter dash.

- Elizabeth Bond timed a 1:00.75 and Tashielra Jones had a 1:01.08 in the 400-meter dash.

- Christina Tupper ran a 9.80 and Natasha Sturkie clocked a 9.82 in the 60-meter hurdles while Shira Butler turned in a 10.84 and Latasha Sturkie timed an 11.48.

- Bond, Natasha Sturkie, Jones, and Cle'Asha Burks teamed up to run a 4:10.15 to finish 13th in the 4x400-meter relay.

•The Jacksonville State women's track and field team returned to action at the SASF Invitational hosted by Southern Illinois at Carbondale on Friday.

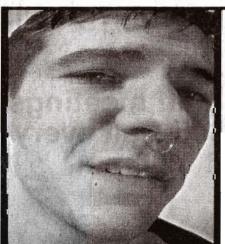
- Chelsea Denson and Amber Wiley tied for 10th in the pole vault with a vault of 10-feet, eight-inches. The vault was a personal pole vault record for Denson, bettering her old mark of 10-feet, six inches.

 Ericka Markiewicz vaulted 10-feet, two inches to place 17th in the pole vault.

- Page Harris jumped 17-feet, eight inches to finish 13th in the long jump while Christina Tupper recoded a jump of 16-feet, 8 ½ inches.

 Big nights from Nick Murphy and Stephen Hall were able to help the Jacksonville State basketball team overcome its miscues and escape Skyhawk Arena with a 73-63 win on Saturday night.

 Sophomore Brittany Wiley scored 19 points to lead Jacksonville State women's basketball team to a 63-55 win over Tennessee Martin on Saturday at the Elam Center.



We've Got A Nose For News.

The Chanticleer