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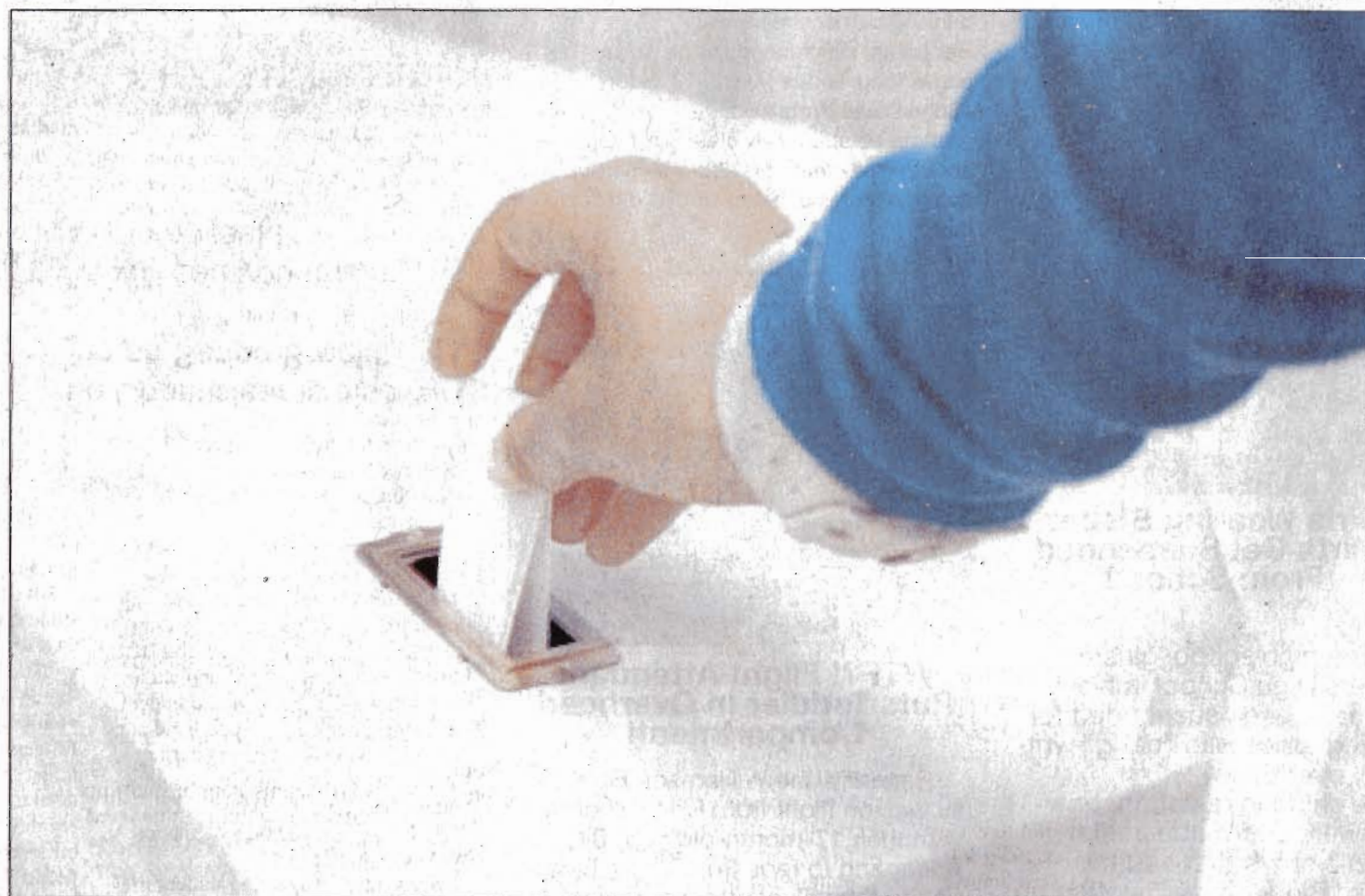
inTHE NEWS

London Trip Open to JSU Community

By now you have heard the fantastic news that the JSU Marching Southerners will be leading the New Year's Day Parade in London next year.

Don't you want to be a part of this event?

The trip has been opened up to everyone who wants to bring in the New Year in the United Kingdom. The trip dates are December 28-January 4 and the cost is \$3,000 per person including air transportation from Atlanta, six night accommodations in London, break-



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SGA ELECTIONS

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By ED MOORE
STAFF WRITER

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and the cost is \$3,000 per person including air transportation from Atlanta, six night accommodations in London, breakfast and dinners each night, two half day tours in London and one full day English countryside tour and more.

The first deposit of \$500 per person is due by March 21 (deadline extended due to spring break) and final payment is due October 31. Reservations are being taken through the JSU Alumni Relations office. Call them today at 256-782-5405 or via email at kogle@jsu.edu to reserve your seat!

Softball To Host Samford for Tuesday Twinbill

JACKSONVILLE – The Jacksonville State softball team will host in-state rival Samford on Tuesday at 2 p.m. in a doubleheader at University Field. Admission is free for all fans.

The Gamecocks and Bulldogs both lost at least two games over the weekend due to weather and scheduled the twinbill against each other to make those games up. It will give JSU its home opener two days earlier than originally scheduled, as it will host Kennesaw State on Thursday at 5 p.m.

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By **ED MOORE**
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Hopeful SGA candidates spoke Monday night at the Leone Cole Auditorium hoping to be the next elected representatives of the Jacksonville State University Student Body. A series of positions are up for campaigning such as Vice President of Organizational Affairs, Vice President of Student Activities, Vice President of Student Senate, and the highest-ranking position, the office of SGA President. "The campaign speeches were great," said John Stubbs, who is running for Vice President of Student Activities. "I wish everybody the best of luck..." Hosted by Tyrone Smiley, former Vice president of Student Senate during the 2008-2009 academic year, the program gave the student body a chance to meet the candidates and hear them publicly announce their plans for office. This particular election period strolls in just three weeks shy of the resignation of former SGA President Mr. Timothy K. Long.

All hopefuls shared their hopes and some promises they expect to fulfill to The Chanticleer,

"I feel like I have a strong campaign going throughout the campus," expressed Tory Green, who is running for Vice President of

Student Senate. "I want to get as many votes as I possibly can."

Benjamin Puckett, who is running for SGA President said, "I plan to accomplish that everybody knows what I stand for, the President of SGA has more power to influence things for change."

"Now is the time to make things happen," said Ariah Jackson, who is running for Vice President of Organizational Affairs.

Jason A. Sumner, who is the standing Vice President of Student Senate and is now campaigning for the office of Vice President of Organizational Affairs promised to effectively dedicate himself.

Nathan C. Andreasen, who is running for Vice President of Student Activities, touched on the importance of student involvement and how it can change the atmosphere of a campus. "Where I come from, there's student involvement in everything," he stated. "It's long past time to have that at JSU."

"I will create events that students want to attend," said Rodrequia Finley, who is running for Vice President of Student Activities. During her speech, Finley also brought attention to the need of improved advertisement in regards to campus events. "I will go out to the students and make sure they know about what's going on here on JSU campus."

New Printing System

By **JOSHUA FRENCH**
STAFF WRITER

The JSU printing system will receive some updates in the coming weeks. The school is re-doing the payment method by allowing students to add funds to their student ID's via the Internet. The university says,

"The main change will involve how funds are added to student ID's to pay for printing." Student will now be able to add funds to their cards by visiting a website and using a credit or debit card. This will replace the old

"Cash to Card" machines previously spread throughout the campus.

"The old printing cards will not work in labs where the new system is installed," JSU says. Some students were having trouble with using their ID's with the machines. JSU said it was probably due to students having more than one ID or the card wasn't readable.

"New cards can be obtained in the card office located on the main floor of the Theron Montgomery Building (TMB). There is no charge for replacement of a card that will not scan correctly. If you get the error "Bad Issue Number" the system is unable to verify that

"We have to turn from a suitcase college, to a college where people actually want to do things at," declared Bryant Whaley, who is also running for SGA President.

Drew Hall, who is running for the office of Vice President of Student Activities, took a stand on increasing the school spirit throughout the JSU campus. "It's time to take a little pride in this place," he affirmed. "I have become a friend to a lot of people here. No, we're never going to be Alabama or Auburn, and I'm okay with that. [But I still] want to see more school spirit."

"Strong minded, total package, business as usual," began Stubbs. "I hold the tools necessary to carry out the duties that this position requires. A vote for me is a vote for refreshing change."

"God has not given me the spirit of fear," declared Jade Scott, who is running for Vice President of Student Activities. "I'm not a politician, but I have a good heart. I pray you will put your faith in me..."

All candidates will have their first debate on March 21 with elections following on March 24.

your ID card is the most recently issued card. Please go to the ID card office in TMB to request a replacement card." Using the new system may be easier in some ways, but it is not flawless. One downside is that the new system only takes debit or credit cards. JSU said,

"Currently there is no method of using cash to fund your card. An option is to go to a local retailer and purchase a pre-paid debit card for use with the system." Students will be required to register with the

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The Chanticleer is also going on Spring Break.

We will see you again in a week!



Photo by Steve Latham

Men's Golf Finishes 11th at USF

Jacksonville State posted a three-round total of 880 to tie for 11th place after Sunday's final round of the USF Invitational, played at the par-72, Lake Jovita Golf & Country Club.

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COMMUNITY, CAMPUS AND SOCIAL NEWS YOU CAN USE

Wacky, Tacky, but True!



Girls Wearing Bieber Shirts Get Suspended From School!

LOLz!

Three high school girls from Yonkers High School in New York have been suspended for wearing shirts with "gang" writing all over them.

The shirts in question, however, were self-made Justin Bieber t-shirts that had the words "Bieber Krew" written on them.

So tuff!

Their high school principal allegedly called them in and suspended them from school for wearing t-shirts that were "inappropriate for school because they were gang-related."

One of the girl's parents responded, saying, "It's ridiculous. They're good kids who love Justin Bieber."

The school is denying the claims though, saying "Students at Yonkers High School

drinking can destroy lives.

Her paper, which needs to be at least six pages long, is due May 2012. Superior Court Judge David Kurtz said:

"Let me be absolutely clear: This case is not about smelly feet. It is about binge drinking and (the) criminal behavior that did flow from that."



WTF?! Flight Attendant Puts Toddler In Overhead Compartment!

Recently, the Williamson Family was on flight from Fiji to Sydney with their 17-month-old son, Riley. According to reps from Virgin Blue, one of their flight attendants noticed the young boy playing a game of peek-a-boo with his father and decided to join in on the fun. In an act we assume was without the parent's permission, the flight attendant hoisted the boy into one of the overhead compartments and closed the latch. Outraged, mother Natalie Williamson started yelling at the steward to release her son, which he did under a matter of seconds.

Now, the steward has been fired and Natalie is telling sources that their whole family is traumatized

One For All

"All for one, one for all, that is our device."

-Alexandre Dumas

By Logan Huggins
Staff Columnist

I went to a very small high school. My graduating class had 20 students. No, you read that right, 20 students. I graduated fifth in my class, which amusingly put me as the cut off for the top 25 percent. We were one of the bigger classes too. The class below us, the juniors, had ten in their class, eight guys and two girls. And you thought! you had a hard time finding a prom date.

We had small classes, small sport teams, and more significantly, small social circles. After six long years in such an limited atmosphere, I had developed a longing urge to get out. I was a "big fish in a little pond," or so I thought.

Graduation came and went, and I was on my way to JSU. I remember even before classes started, I was signing up for as much as I could get my hands on. By the time classes did start, I had already filled out my application for Freshman Forum, joined a student bible study, helped the BCM hand out Popsicles to the Southerners during band camp, and was in a local production of "The Sound of Music." Oh yeah, I also took 18 hours of classes my first semester too.

My venture into active student life didn't stop there. Once school started, all of the aforementioned activities slowly intensified. I had transformed from "big fish in a small pond" to "fish swimming up waterfall."

I had finally made it out of the narrow life of private school, and into the "real world." To me, I had just traded-in my swimming pool blue, 1973 AMC Gremlin for a new red-hot Corvette. I was pushing myself to the limits to see what I could do.

This lifestyle continued for several semesters. My self-developed sense of purpose emerged from how many endeavors I got into, and how much I accomplished.

semesters at JSU, I learned some very valuable lessons about getting involved and how to avoid burn out. These lessons are useful to anyone, whether you're a incoming freshmen, active upperclassman, or even a recent graduate.

In fact, the only people I think might not benefit from these points are those individuals whose idea of activity is waking up around noon, going upstairs to see what momma left them for breakfast, then returning downstairs to their lair of Dungeons and Dragons and Magic Cards. But anyway, I digress...

Here are a four pointers for those of you who would like to enjoy the exciting life of college without the wear and tear of burn-out.

Number 1) Know your priorities. Whether you're a genius or if ACE tutoring is your home away from home, always keep in mind the time you as a student will need for your classes, as well as, homework and study hours.

Number 2) Be realistic. When signing up for groups and activities, give yourselves plenty of breathing room. Fifteen minutes may be plenty of time to get from Ayers to Mason; but you'll need more than that for your lunch every day. You may be highly motivated, but everyone needs times for food, friends, and most definitely, yourself.

Number 3) Sleep is not a dirty word. It's hard to be an energized, super-student when you're so tired that you use your 500 page "Algebra for College Students" book as a Tempur-Pedic pillow. The "I'll sleep when I'm dead" approach got buried a long time ago. Make sure to get several, seven to eight, hours of sleep every night. If not that, remember the old fake iPhone tag-line, "Tired? There's a nap for that!"

Number 4) Don't be afraid to ask for help. Selfish pride and self-absorption can easily crop up when we're on our campaign of self-issued activities. Understand that others may help you

"inappropriate for school because they were gang-related."

One of the girl's parents responded, saying, "It's ridiculous. They're good kids who love Justin Bieber."

The school is denying the claims though, saying "Students at Roosevelt High School were not banned from wearing shirts displaying the image of Justin Bieber, nor were they accused of being in a gang."

Hmm, that's weird. Who is telling the truth??

Teenager Jailed After Stabbing Someone For Making Fun Of Her Smelly Feet

A Washington State teenager has been sentenced to a year in prison after reportedly stabbing another teen who made fun of her "stinky feet."

Dallas Smith was apparently in a drunken rage when she stabbed 19-year-old Willy Simpson in his back with a knife. Dallas pleaded guilty to second-degree assault and was sentenced last week to a year and three months in prison. Though in an unusual twist, the judge has ordered that Dallas work on a research paper exploring how binge

overhead compartments and closed the latch. Outraged, mother Natalie Williamson started yelling at the steward to release her son, which he did under a matter of seconds.

Now, the steward has been fired and Natalie is telling sources that their whole family is traumatized by the ordeal. She insists that her son was locked in the compartment for up to 10 seconds in complete darkness and now is suffering from anxiety and withdrawal because of it. The airlines released an official apology to the family, as well as offered three free flights for the family to use. However, Natalie said she was too "shaken" to accept.

Now, we're not arguing that this guy didn't cross a line. He had no business handling a child that young without the parent's permission. With that said, the dude sounds like he was just trying to be friendly. Kids get fussy on planes. He was probably just trying to get the kid to laugh. Besides, if the parents were in view of this happening, then they were well within reach to stop him at any time before he put Riley in the overhead.

Honestly, they might be overreacting just a tad.

What do U think?

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Eventually, as you may have expected, my Corvette of a lifestyle eventually ran into trouble. The busyness and stress of my laundry list of obligations had me up against the wall, slowly grinding away at my enthusiasm for life.

Obligations that I once wished and prayed to be a part of had now been reduced to daily chores and errands. I did things because I had to, not because I wanted to. I had officially become "burnt out."

Throughout my manic first few

to eight, hours of sleep every night. If not that, remember the old fake iPhone tag-line, "Tired? There's a nap for that!"

Number 4) Don't be afraid to ask for help. Selfish pride and self-absorption can easily crop up when we're on our campaign of self-issued activities. Understand that others may help you stay grounded and level-headed. Don't let your ego isolate you from your biggest support group, your family and friends.

I hope these pointers help you in your journey throughout college life. If you have any other ideas or suggestions for avoiding "burn-out," please share them with me through E-mail.

Until next time,
Logan

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Compiled by Kevin Brant courtesy Perez Hilton.com

Corrections From Last Week

In last week's article on the Arbor Day Celebration, it was incorrectly stated that the writer's club president, Myke Jackson introduced the poem contest winner. It was in fact the club's faculty advisor, Dr. Doug O'Keefe.

Last week, the article titled "Career Fair" it was stated that it was written by Caitlin Harris. The article was actually written by Tori Pope.

The Chanticleer is glad to set these records straight.

Calendar

March 11

Residence Halls will close for spring break at 6pm. They will reopen March 20th at 2pm.

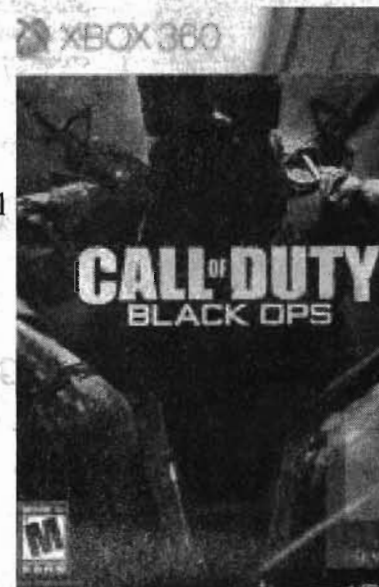


March 24

Call Of Duty Video game Tournament Will Take place in Self Hall Across from Dixon Hall Sponsored By Public Relations Organization

Entry Fee is \$8; \$3 to watch it. Food will be provided for Tournament Players

For more information email jgodwin@jsu.edu



March 22

JSU Baseball Vs. Auburn at home. Gametime is 6:30 p.m. at Rudy Abbot Field



OPINION

JACKSONVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY AND SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES, WE ASK YOU, WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?



Gingers DO have souls :)
This one time at bandcamp....
What does AEA mean?
Wrong, Wrong, Wrong. It means Always Eat Applesauce :)
Did anyone see that squirrel get attacked and devoured in the quad the other day? RIP Scottie Hooper
What do you need WD-40 for? You don't want to know.
Dude, I'm freakin out!!
Don't feed the monkeys!!
Come to the KKPsi MC Recital on March 10th at 7:30 in Mason Hall's Performance Center!!!!
Can I read your t-shirt in brail?
What has 142 teeth and holds back the incredible Hulk? My zipper.

cause your face is F'ed up!
I need more material
I have a snake. Can he enter your garden?
What did you do to me! My back is killing me!
So, am I the only one that wants to know why Kate let go of Jack in Titanic?!!!! She said she would never let go!
It isn't for real unless its on facebook
Boogers are Yummy!
Can I take your picture? Why, so I can show Santa what I want for Christmas!
I hope you know CPR cause you take my breath away?
Congrats To The Mu Iota Chapter of Kappa Kappa Psi for their 2 year anniversary that happened on March 1, 2009.

Todd from the TMB for SGA President!
Jason Wright for President
Dr. Meehan, You are truly a great man.
Rumors are speculating that Lady GaGa is actually a Monkey. When asked to comment, she shimmied up a tree and flung poo at the Press.
Vote for Logan Huggins for Mr. Jax State! Hoo!
BCM+Wesley= Beastly :)
I'm Ollldddd Greeeeegggggg!!
Oww my gene chizziks!!
Mo No Burgers for you. If you are caught with one MJ will come and get you.
it will cost you five dollars to get in. Don't look at me like that. PAY UP!!!

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JSU receives first doctoral program

By: ANDEW HOLDERFIELD
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In June 2010 JSU moved up in SACS accreditation from level 4 to level 5, allowing it to begin offering its first doctoral program in the fall semester of 2011.

After almost three years of submitting proposals, budgets, lesson plans and faculty lists to the Alabama Commission on Higher Education, the bureau that oversees post-secondary education within the state of Alabama, JSU has officially been approved by The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) for advancement in accreditation and a test-run of its very first doctoral program.

"It takes a lot to get a program like that going," said Dr. Louise Clark, associate dean of JSU. "They had to make sure the we would have all the we needed to make the program work, the library resources, the faculty, the coursework, all of those kinds of things." But all of the hard work has finally paid off, as Emergency Management will begin offering its first doctoral program online starting in August 2011,

program we currently have has students enrolled from all over the country, as well as internationally. We are very proud to begin offering the next step to them."

At the time of this article, there are no current plans in place to move other departments into doctoral programs just yet, due to intrastate competition between larger universities for funding of their doctoral programs making it harder for smaller universities to establish their own. But, undaunted by budgetary restrictions, the new accreditation is a huge step forward and will set the stage for future doctoral degree programs at JSU, when then time comes. Dr. Clark is optimistic for the future.

"There is a possibility that, with the addition of more programs like this, that we could move up to SACS accreditation level 6 and grow as not only an educational institution, but as a research facility, but that'll be quite some time from now." noting that it usually takes larger universities decades to achieve such accreditation.

in Mason Hall's Performance Center!!!!

Can I read your t-shirt in brail?

What has 142 teeth and holds back the incredible Hulk? My zipper.

In respond to March 3rd's Good News: the test results were negative.) Bad news: You took the wrong test. Sorry. Please come back to the clinic for a follow up.

When you yawn you look like ELVIS.

Did you fall from heaven.....

I hope you know CPR cause you take my breath away?

Congrats To The Mu Iota Chapter of Kappa Kappa Psi for their 2 year anniversary that happened on March 1, 2009.

Note to the Editor: Brush up on your English grammar; it will make for a more appealing cover story!

Chuck Norris read this paper. You should to OR ELSE!!!!!!

Chris Conde for Mr. Friendly!

Curtis Holman for Mr. Friendly!

Mo No Burgers for you. If you are caught with one MJ will come and get you.

it will cost you five dollars to get in. Don't look at me like that. PAY UP!!!

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all of those kinds of things." But all of the hard work has finally paid off, as Emergency Management will begin offering its first doctoral program online starting in August 2011, and pending review by SACS the following semester, will continue to permanently.

Extreme growth in the fields of Emergency Management, due in large part to events such as Hurricane Katrina and the BP Gulf Oil Spill, aided JSU in gaining support for its accreditation. It is now one of only ten schools in the nation that offer a doctorate in the field and one of only three that offer both the masters and doctorate paths online.

"It's a big deal," explains Dr. Clark "the online Emergency Medical masters

only an educational institution, but as a research facility, but that'll be quite some time from now." noting that it usually takes larger universities decades to achieve such accreditation.

Dr. Jane Kushma has been announced as Doctoral Program Director and will be heading up the program throughout the flagship stage, the review process and beyond. Any students wanting to take part in the new program must have all application materials submitted to the admissions committee by April 14th 2011, with final approvals being notified the following June 1st.

(For more information simply log on to <http://www.jsu.edu/iep>.)



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Entertainment/Health

NEWS ABOUT ART, MOVIES AND MORE

Alpha Omicron Pi: Hitting home runs for awareness

BY: ANGEL PARO
STAFF WRITER

Forty million people are affected by this illness; strike one. Over 294,000 are children, strike two. No-one really knows much about it; perhaps we've struck out. Alpha Omicron Pi is making an attempt to hit a home-run by spreading the word about: Arthritis.

On March 3 Alpha Omicron Pi held their annual Strike out Arthritis softball tournament at Henry Farm Park to raise money for arthritis awareness. Tickets were \$2 for patrons and \$10 for teams.

Taylor Nicole, an AOP sister, stated the reason for choosing arthritis as their cause is: "The facts about arthritis are not well known and there are over 300,000 children diagnosed with juvenile arthritis. Also, mostly women and young girls are affected by this illness." The event had a surprisingly impressive turn out, with hundreds of students and fans coming to show their support for the cause. The event had ten teams of students, supporters and faculty anxiously waiting to be crowned this year's champion - knowing that all proceeds, including winnings would be donated back to the fundraiser.

The goal was have fun and spread information on Arthritis. It is safe to say that the goal is be-

ing accomplished; even with the writing of this article they wanted to insure the focus was not on them or the game but information.

The term "arthritis" encompasses more than 100 diseases and conditions that affect joints, the surrounding tissues and other connective tissues. Arthritis can cause mild to severe pain in the joints, as well as joint tenderness and swelling. Approximately 46 million Americans have some type of arthritis or related condition.

The various forms of arthritis and related conditions can affect anyone, no matter what your race, gender or age. However, it is especially important for women to be educated about these diseases since they affect women at a much higher rate than men. Sixty percent of all people who have arthritis are female, and several of the more common forms are more prevalent in women.

Osteoarthritis, also known as degenerative joint disease or OA, is the most common form of arthritis. Of the nearly 27 million Americans who have osteoarthritis approximately 16 million are women. Women usually develop OA after age 40. It causes damage to cartilage and

bones, causing joint pain, swelling, stiffness and loss of function.

Fibromyalgia is a syndrome characterized by widespread musculoskeletal pain. It is associated with generalized muscular pain and fatigue, loss of sleep, stiffness and sometimes depression and/or anxiety. Fibromyalgia is a form of soft tissue or muscular rheumatism, which means no joint deformity occurs. An estimated 3.7 million Americans have fibromyalgia; the figure may actually be higher since some of its symptoms may be found in other conditions such as chronic fatigue syndrome (which is also more common in women).

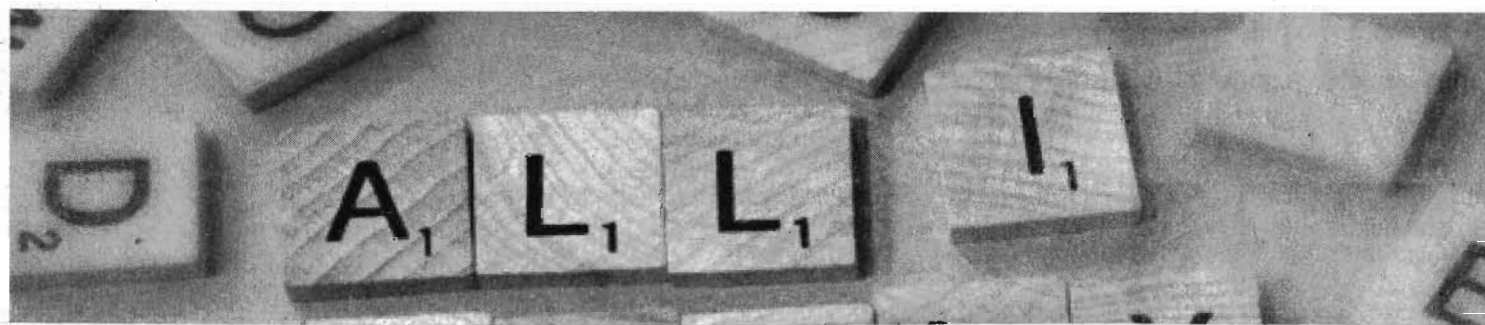
Rheumatoid arthritis (RA) usually strikes women between the ages of 25 to 50, but can occur in children. RA is a systemic disease that can affect the entire body. An abnormality in the body's immune system causes it to work improperly, leading to inflammation in the lining of the joints and other internal organs. Chronic inflammation can lead to deterioration, pain and limited movement. Approximately 1.3 million American adults have RA, with women outnumbering men 2.5-to-1.

Lupus (systemic lupus erythematosus) is an inflammatory dis-

ease that may affect the joints, skin, kidneys and other parts of the body. Almost 240,000 Americans -- 90 percent of whom are women -- have this arthritis-related condition. It usually affects women of childbearing age and is more common among African American women than Caucasian women. Some studies indicate that it may also be more common among Asian and Latino populations.

Osteoporosis is a disease whose name literally means "bone that is porous." It causes bones to lose mass and become brittle, which can lead to rounded shoulders, loss of height and painful fractures. It affects approximately 28 million Americans; four of every five people affected are women. Postmenopausal women and those with small or thin frame, a family history of osteoporosis and habits such as smoking and drinking are at higher risk for osteoporosis. People who have inflammatory arthritis (such as RA) and who take glucocorticoid medications also have an increased risk of developing the disease.

To learn more about arthritis and arthritis related diseases please visit: www.arthritis.org





We see a lot of people wanting to join The Chanticleer and we want YOU to come join our team as well. We meet every Monday night at 6:30 p.m. in room 180 of Self Hall.

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Gas prices rise as spring break nears

UWIRE

Road-tripping for spring break may not be so cost-effective for University of Iowa students this year.

Gas prices have risen to more than \$3.50 per gallon at some Iowa gas stations as political turmoil continues in countries such as Libya and Tunisia.

UI sophomore Jimmy Novak will travel to Daytona Beach, Fla. with 11 other friends in three cars after forgoing plane tickets because of last-minute plans. Novak estimates the group will spend roughly \$400 per car on gas.

"It kind of sucks, but I want to go on this trip badly," the 20-year-old said. "I'll have to be careful with my money, and most of that is going toward gas, so I can just be there."

On Monday, Iowa State Gas Prices reported an 11.8-cent increase per gallon in retail gasoline prices over the past week — which keeps it below the national average of 12.6 cents per gallon.

But experts said it's still unusual for Iowa, which generally doesn't see sharp spikes and tends to have lower gas prices this time of year.

Whether the increases will stop is diffi-

cult to say. Experts said it's unlikely consumers will see any dramatic drops in the foreseeable future, and \$3 per gallon will be the "new norm" for 2011.

"It's virtually impossible to determine if it's going to go up," said Gail Weinholzer, a director of public affairs at AAA Minnesota/Iowa.

Black and White Cab company owner and driver Siham Elneil, 50, who sometimes stops at the pump more than twice a day, said the prices have taken their toll. The cost of gas cuts into drivers' income, she said, but some customers have begun tipping a little more in sympathy.

Elneil said she also hesitates taking customers on longer routes because of the cost.

"This is really affecting what we bring home every day," she said.

Weinholzer said Iowa gas prices currently average a \$3.48 per gallon for regular. The state typically hovers around the national average, now at \$3.51, she said.

Though political unrest in the Middle East over the past few months is a factor in increased gas prices, numerous UI professors said the direct effects aren't

apparent — at least not yet.

"You usually think price is affected by current supply, but supply from the Middle East hasn't changed," said UI political-science Professor Vicki Hesli. "But people expect the supply to change in the future, and that's pushing up the price."

Whether the increase will continue depends on whether unrest spreads to other countries in the region, especially large oil-producing countries.

Hesli said some fear if states such as Egypt, which has less oil than many of its neighbors, can be affected by the political unrest, the movement could spread to larger dictatorships such as Saudi Arabia, which is the world's largest oil producer.

The present effects seen at local Iowa City gas stations are the result of a ripple effect, said UI urban and regional planning Professor John Fuller.

"The special thing about oil is we all buy gasoline — well, most of us do," said Fuller, who is also on the economics faculty. "Oil prices are embedded in just about everything."

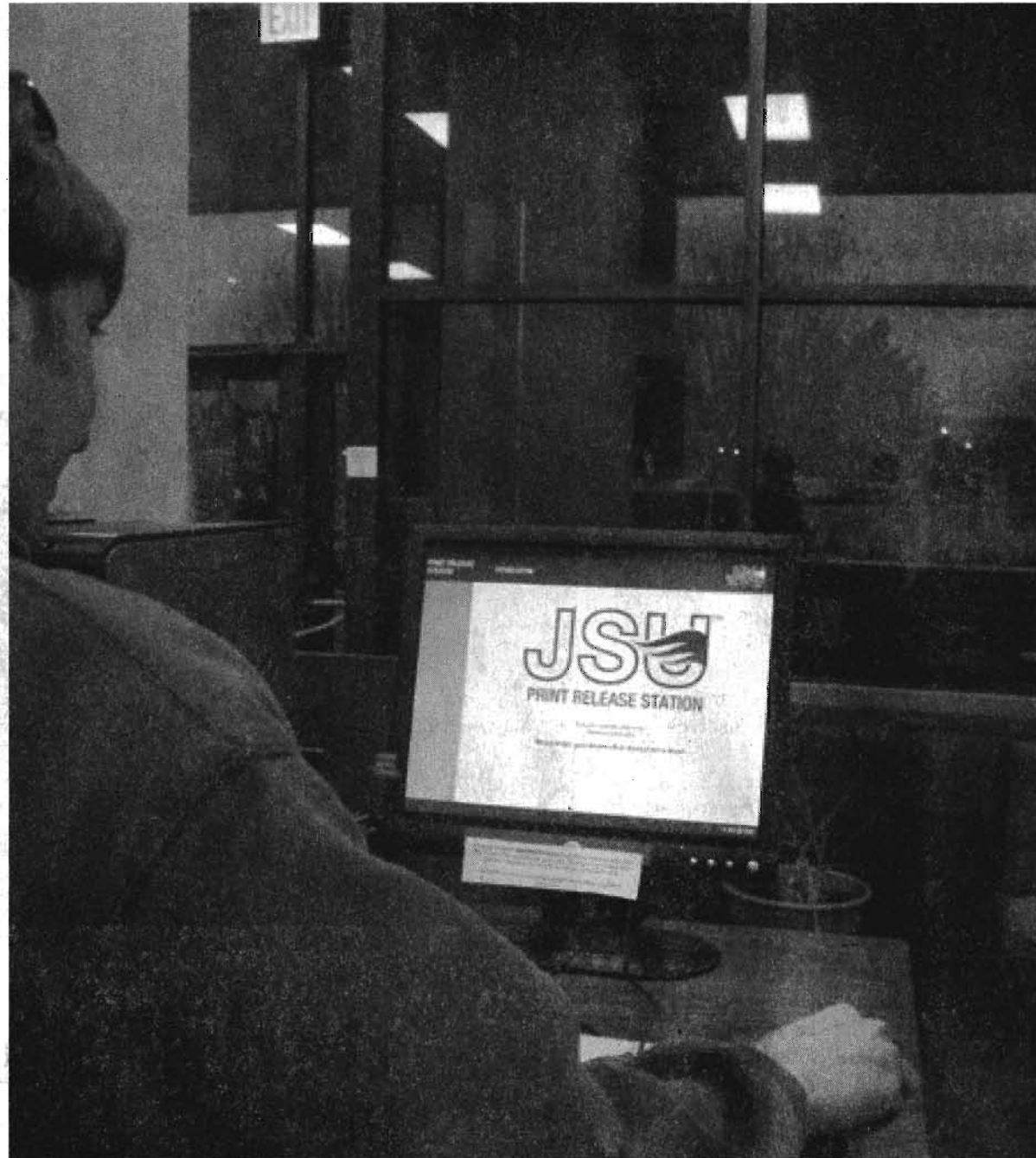
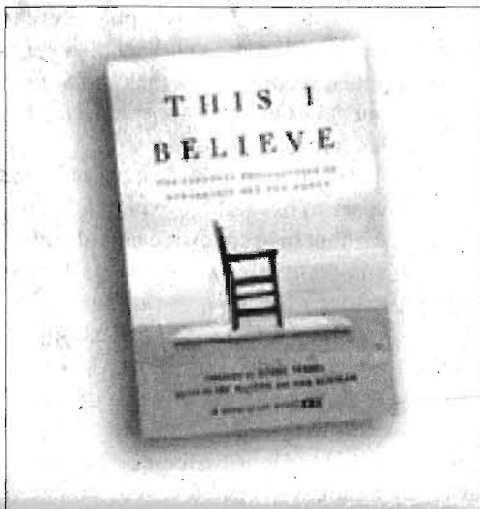
Summer Reading Program

FROM NEWSWIRE

In Summer 2010, Jacksonville State University began a summer reading program in which all first-year students read a common book before classes began in the fall. Students discussed the assigned text and completed assignments based on the text through both their English 100 and 101 classes and their Freshman Orientation (LS 100 and LS 104) courses during the fall semester. Additionally, students participated in the C.O.C.K.Y. experience through the Department of University Housing, and Freshman Forum had the opportunity for book-related group discussions outside of the classroom.

Because of its initial success, JSU's Summer Reading Program will enter its second year with the 2011 reading selection, *This I Believe*, a collection of personal essays. Originally begun in the 1950s as a radio program by Edward R. Murrow, the *This I Believe* series is now a regular fixture on National Public Radio and has produced three books of essays. Each brief essay explains core beliefs written by people from all walks of life.

This fall, JSU students and faculty will lend their voices and beliefs to this enduring program. The *This I Believe* collection of essays will be read by all first year students and will be addressed in various facets of college life, from their English classes to their residence halls. In addition, faculty and students will write their own *This I Believe* essays to document share and discuss our own beliefs here at JSU.



Mark Simon, a Sophomore, using the new print system at Houston Cole Library. Photo by Kevin Brant

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ManageMyID service. There is a link to this site at the JSU website. They said,

"Visit this (<http://www.jsu.edu/print>) link for more information on how to register. This new system will take some getting used to, as with all new changes. The school also said that there is a small charge for each transfer you make on to your ID for printing.

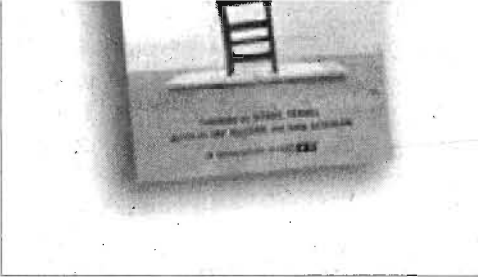
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credit cards from these companies: Visa, MasterCard, Discover, and American Express. Credit card security is a big deal these days, so will students have to keep a credit card on file? JSU says,

"You do not have to keep a credit card on file with MMID," Not having a credit card on file can be good. What if the system is charging more than it should or charging when it shouldn't?

"Click the 'Help' button on your ManageMyID account portal and this will generate an e-mail to the JSU support account. Please provide

a call back number in your message and a representative will get back with you in a timely manner," JSU said. The new website looks simple and easy to use. The university suggests that students go to <http://www.jsu.edu/print> to find out exactly how to use the new system. For those using the system as a guest, there are five-dollar guest cards available at the Houston Cole Library circulation desk.



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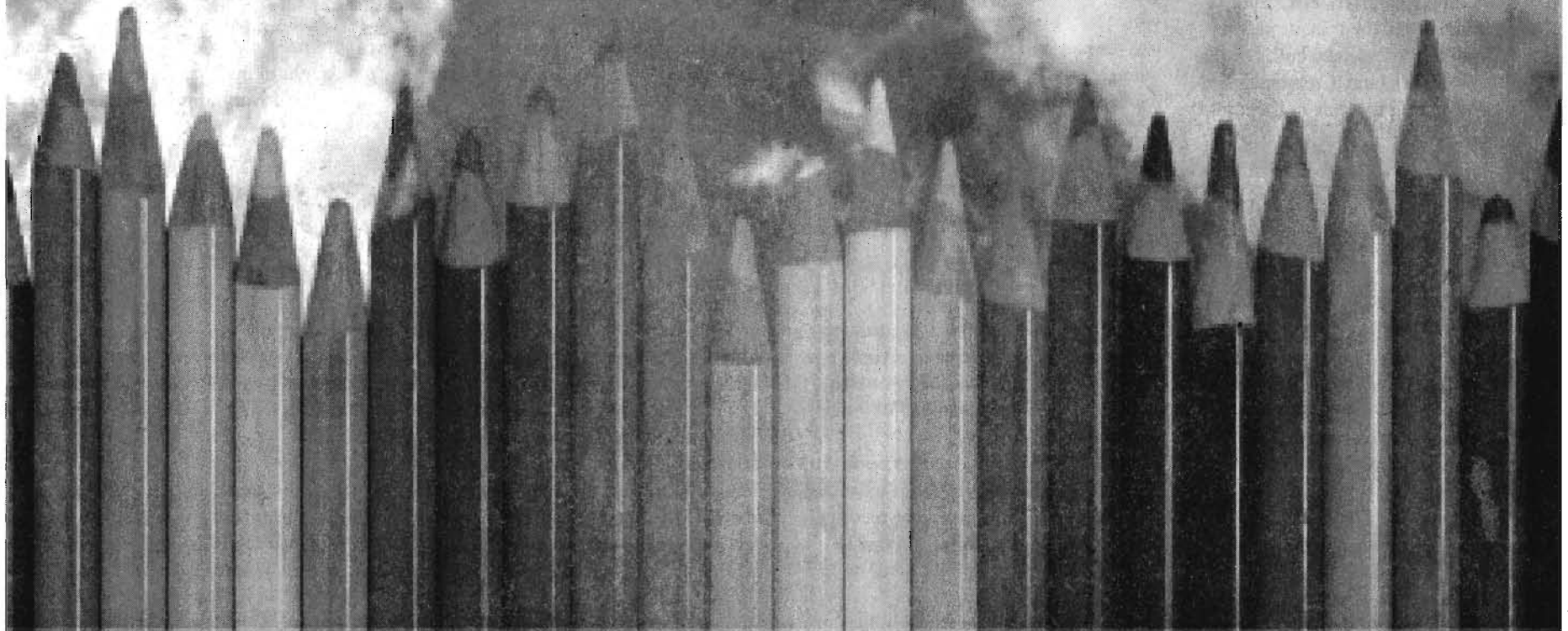
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Gone after one

By **JARED SIMPSON**
 SPORTS WRITER

After a one-year absence, Jacksonville State returned to postseason play in the 2011 Ohio Valley Conference Tournament as the No. 6-seed on Wednesday, March 2 against no. 7-seed Tennessee State Tigers at the Nashville Municipal Auditorium in Nashville, Tenn.

The Lady Gamecocks tried to shake off the poor performance from February. A month that saw them lose six of their last seven games.

JSU had all they could handle from the Lady Tigers as they found themselves down 31-15 at the half.

JSU would mount an explosive, offensive attack going on a 21-4 run to start the second half and took their first lead of the game with 11 minutes remaining.

Coach Annette Watts preached defense and the Lady Gamecocks responded by turning up the pressure and forcing mistakes from the Lady Tigers.

Brittany Wiley ended the night scoring 12 of her 14 points in the second half.

Brittany Manning led JSU with 17 points off the bench. Danielle Vaughn added 10 point and a career high five blocks and senior Danielle Beneby added nine points and six assists in all 40 minutes of action.

This was JSU first win in the OVC tournament since 2005.

JSU would then advanced to the quarterfinals and face Morehead State. In a game that mirrored much of the Tennessee State game, the Lady Gamecocks found themselves in reversal roles.

The Lady Gamecocks came out strong shooting 52 percent from the field and opening up to a 20-point lead in the first half to a score of 43-23 over the Eagles.

Destiny Lane's double double in the first half with 13 points and 10 rebounds led the way for JSU.

However, it would be Morehead State who would put the defensive pressure on JSU in the second half forcing the Lady Gamecocks to 16 turnovers.

The Eagles would capitalize on JSU's mistakes scoring 27 points off the turnovers Danielle Beneby and Destiny Lane



Athletic Director Oval Jaynes who is retiring after three years poses in his office. Photo by KEVIN BRANT/ THE CHANTICLEER.

“It’s like a dream”

After 53 years, Oval Jaynes is “looking forward to the next phase of his life”

By **CAITLIN HARRIS**
 STAFF WRITER

JSU's Athletic Director, Oval Jaynes, announced his retirement after three years.

Jaynes has been involved in college athletics as a player, coach and athletic director for 53 years now.

Back in 2008, Jaynes was working with a consulting company and during that time got to know President Meehan.

When the previous athletic director retired in the summer of 2008, Jaynes was approached to be a candidate for the newly available AD position.

He had retired in 2003, but accepted the JSU position because it

stadium as his most important accomplishment while at JSU, as well as the reorganization and improvement of the athletic department itself.

Some favorite memories of his time here include the baseball team winning the OVC last year, his partnership with the Marching Southerners, the student athletes and coaches and the win at Ole Miss, which he said is “certainly one of the highlights of all time.”

Jaynes thinks the athletic department will continue to be successful in the coming years.

“Right now we’re trying to position ourselves to be the best we can be,” he said. “I hope that whoever comes in to my position as director will pick up where we left off and

student athletes and the university. If you have that as your guide, most of the time you’re going to do the right thing.”

Jaynes has had the opportunity to work with some good people over the years, including coaches and athletes, but says his biggest inspiration was his father.

He spoke on the first twenty-nine years of his athletic experience saying that his supportive parents only missed four games and were there no matter where he was playing.

“Very few people have an opportunity to live their dream,” he said. “I think some days I wake up and can’t believe I was able to do what I’ve done in my lifetime. It’s like a dream.”

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Danielle Beneby and Destiny Lane shared the team's high with 17 points each. Brittany Wiley scored her 13 points in the first half while Brittany Manning scored 12 points.

Morehead State outscored JSU 54-22 in the second half to bring the Gamecocks' season to a halt.

When the previous athletic director retired in the summer of 2008, Jaynes was approached to be a candidate for the newly available AD position.

He had retired in 2003, but accepted the JSU position because it offered him a new challenge.

"I knew that the stadium was on the horizon," he said. "And having the opportunity to build another facility was a little bit of a challenge. I think that had as much to do with it as anything."

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ment will continue to be successful in the coming years.

"Right now we're trying to position ourselves to be the best we can be," he said. "I hope that whoever comes in to my position as director will pick up where we left off and move to even greater heights."

Jaynes offers advice to the next athletic director, "Take a little time to assess where we are and have the same passion for JSU as I do," he said. "The best advice would be to be yourself and make sure that everything you do is the best interest of the

matter where he was playing.

"Very few people have an opportunity to live their dream," he said. "I think some days I wake up and can't believe I was able to do what I've done in my lifetime. It's like a dream."

After his retirement, Mr. Jayne and his wife plan to spend more time with their grandchildren back in their home state of North Carolina.

He says he thinks he'll always be involved with athletics but he's "looking forward to the next phase of his life."

Former Gamecock gets a taste of the pros

By **MAURICE WINSELL**
SPORTS EDITOR

Former Gamecock Todd Cunningham got the start last Friday in the Atlanta Braves split-squad games versus the Washington Nationals and Toronto Blue Jays.

"It all happened pretty fast," said Cunningham about the transition from college ball to professional ball. Drafted by the Braves last June, Cunningham has been spending his time in the minor

leagues and is noted as one of the Braves top young prospects.

Major leagues usually call on minor league players to fill vacated spots and play late in the game. "Going into it, that's kind of what I was expecting," said Cunningham.

However, one of the coaches mentioned to Cunningham to look at the roster before the game. The line up which was printed out showed Atlanta Braves baseball player Eric Hinske named scratched out and Cunningham's name penciled in.

"So I was thinking someone's trying

to mess with me, it's a joke," said Cunningham. "Surely, I wouldn't step in there and play."

Cunningham was then informed he would indeed start left field because of Hinske's calf strain. "It was awesome just being thrown in there," said Cunningham.

While it was only a spring training game and most players envision themselves playing in October, Cunningham made the most of the experience. "You'll definitely take the opportunity when it gets thrown at you like that," he said.

Cunningham went 0-for-3, playing five innings but doesn't blame his nerves for low-key performance. "It's one game, I hadn't seen a live pitch since October," he said. "To go thinking I'm going to put out crazy numbers would be pretty full of it. It was part of the experience."

Cunningham has been bothered lately by tendonitis in his elbow and was encouraged by coaches to absorb the experience. "My goal for me was to not get caught in the excitement, play under control and within myself."

TRACK STARS GET READY FOR OUTDOOR SEASON

By **DERRICK ROBINSON**
SPORTS WRITER

The Jacksonville State University women's track and field team wrapped up their indoor season recently finishing fourth in the OVC Indoor Championships.

Leading the way for the Gamecocks was sophomore Laveeta Oliver. Oliver dominated her competition in the 200-meter and the 60-meter races, taking the first place crown in both.

Oliver and the 4x400 relay team continued the success they've had all season long as they won the 1600-meter event. With the relay team capturing first place, Oliver finished the conference championships with three first place finishes.

"I owe it all to God" said Oliver on her performance. "I come out to practice focused everyday. I just put my trust in

my coaches and in God."

Currently Oliver holds five school records and one conference record. She holds the record in the 55-meter, 60-meter, 200-meter and the 300-meter events.

Oliver is also in the record book with the 4x400 relay team in the 1600-meter event. She has the conference record in the 60-meters. "I don't run just to win, I run for times" said Oliver on her records.

With much success in the indoor season, Oliver looks to carry it over into the outdoor season. "I like the outdoor season better. We are an outdoor based team" Oliver stated.

Assistant coach Asha Gibson also feels the same way about the upcoming outdoor season.

"We can have a top second or third place finish in outdoors" said Gibson. Gibson coaches the sprinters, jumpers

and relay team for the track program.

With limited facilities, the team found it hard to get adequate practice for the indoor season.

Up and coming freshman Shamira Barrett was named the Ohio Valley Conference Indoor Track and Field Female Athlete of the Year. She is the first JSU freshman to receive this award.

"I was really excited and couldn't believe it," said Barrett. Barrett has been a bright spot in the Gamecock program all year long.

She had her breakout performance at the Gladstein Invitational in Indiana early in the season.

Barrett claimed the title in the 200-meter and the 400-meter events, while setting a personal best in the 400 meter with a time of 57.92.

The Gladstein Invitational also saw the 4x400 relay team, which Barrett is also a part of break the old JSU record

of 3:53.47 and set their own record of 3:47.70 in the 1600-meter event.

After her performance at the Gladstein Invite, Barrett was named the Adidas OVC Female Track Athlete of the Week.

Both Oliver and Barrett give a lot of credit to Coach Gibson for their accomplishments this season. "Coach Gibson is a really good coach. She has made me different in many aspects of my game," said Barrett.

Gibson says that she is just happy to see the girls get the recognition they deserve. "The girls (Barrett and Oliver) work so hard. They all worked hard. I just want them to get their recognition for it"

The Gamecock track and field team will be hosting their only home meet of the outdoor season The Gem of the Hills on April 2nd.