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in **THE NEWS**

A Battle Between the Sexes

FROM NEWS WIRE

If you've ever been in a romantic relationship - or ever wanted to be in or get out of one - you will find something to love about CAST's upcoming production, **I LOVE YOU YOU'RE PERFECT, NOW CHANGE!**

The musical by Joe DiPietro and Jimmy Roberts just finished its decade-plus original run in New York. When it closed on July 27, the musical revue had played a total of 20 previews and 5,003 regular performances, making it the second longest-running musical in Off-Broadway history following **THE FANTASTICKS**. Producers had also tallied a total of 61 marriage proposals by audience members to their prospective mates at the show's productions.

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BUSTED!



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By **KARA COLEMAN**
STAFF WRITER

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CAST's production of the show marks the first time the musical comedy has played in the greater Calhoun County, Alabama area, and its premiere will sure to be a memorable one.

The show is co-directed by CAST Artistic Director Kimberley Dobbs and Assistant Drama Professor Eric Traynor of Jacksonville State University.

I LOVE YOU, YOU'RE PERFECT, NOW CHANGE runs September 15, 16, 17; 22, 23 and 24th at 8:00 p.m. and September 18, 24 and 25th at 2:30 p.m. The show contains some adult language and situations, so parental guidance is suggested.

Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for students over the age of four. Group rates are available for parties of 12 or more. Thursday nights are "PAY-What-You-Want-To" Nights at CAST.

inSIDE



International students of JSU tell us about where they come from in this new section of The Chanticleer.

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Croatia

By KARA COLEMAN STAFF WRITER

Be safe. Be prepared. Be there. All JSU housing residents heard these phrases as they checked into their fall assignments. As students went on with their lives they did not think twice about what BUSTED! meant. That is, until they returned to their rooms one day to find yellow caution tape across their door. This raised many questions and allowed their resident assistants at each hall to explain the upcoming JSU Housing program, BUSTED!

BUSTED! is a program designed to teach new residents at JSU about personal/campus safety and situational awareness.

The program opened with a few words from the Director of University Housing, Kevin Hoult, as he welcomed everyone to the first program of the year. Resident assistants then informed students of the purpose of housing programs, such as to stimulate personal development and enhance each person's experience.

The BUSTED! program started

to get rolling when the residents began to recognize some of their belongings on the projector screen. Weeks before, the resident assistants at each area walked the halls to check for unlocked rooms. When an unlocked room was found, they entered the room and took pictures of any valuables that could have been potentially stolen. After the pictures were taken, yellow caution tape was placed on the outside of their door. Once the residents

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-Sharree Tuck

realized the danger their belongings were in, they began to want to know how they could keep themselves and their prop-

erty safe.

This is when Deputy Sheriff John Garlick took the show. Deputy Garlick began his presentation by stressing to students how important it is to lock their door not only when they leave their room, but also while they are in it. Theft is one of the most common crimes on campus. Garlick encouraged residents to write down the serial

numbers of their valuable items and register them with the Jacksonville State University police department. Garlick also informed the students about situational awareness. He stressed the importance of not traveling alone at night, parking in well lit areas, and being aware of the people around you. If you see a group of people hanging around a parking lot or entrance to a building be aware and try to wait until you feel safe. One tip Garlick shared with the students was carrying their keys in between their fingers to use as a weapon if attacked on the way to or from their car.

The BUSTED program concluded with a few words from Sharree Tuck, the Resident Life Coordinator for Fitzpatrick and Curtis. As the coordinator in charge of this program she explained, "I wanted residents to take a way better understanding of personal safety, awareness, as well as campus safety." Once the program ended residents had time to enjoy refreshments and get to know other residents around campus. Tuck stated that "Overall the program was a great success, and I encourage everyone to come out to housing's next program October 12th at 7:00 pm in Leone Cole."

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- Information Report at JSU Campus

Friday, September 2

- Violation of Student Code of Conduct on Alexandria Road
- Medical Emergency at TMB Parking Lot

Saturday, September 3

- Violation of Student Code of Conduct at Sparkman Hall
- Property Damage at Jax Apartments

Monday, September 5

- Domestic Violence and Violation of Student Code of Conduct at Sparkman Hall

Tuesday, September 6

Homecoming at Curtis Hall

Homecoming packets are now available in the Student Life Office, Room 402, Theron Montgomery Building. The return due date is September 22.

For more information, contact the Office of Student Life, 256-782-5490.

The JSU Drama Department respectfully dedicates this season to a dear friend and colleague, Jan Rhodes. She passed away on June 4, 2011.

She was the epitome of a public relations person, and no department ever had better.

There will be a campus American Red Cross Blood Drive on Tuesday, September 27, 2011 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. in front of Merrill Building.

To give blood, please bring photo ID or American Red Cross Donor Card.

The SGA is sponsoring a night with Invisible Children Monday, September 26th at 7 p.m. in Leone Cole Auditorium. Admission is free.

For more information contact Lauren Herring at 256-295-2867 or Aria Jackson, ext. 5905.

BRIEFS

Luther Strange to speak at JSU Constitution Day

FROM NEWS WIRE

Alabama Attorney General Luther Strange will speak on campus on Monday, September 19 at 10 a.m. on the eleventh floor of the Houston Cole Library.

Dr. Lori Owens, campus coordinator for the American Democracy Project, plans the event each year, and tries to change up the format each time. She explains that Constitution Day has been a part of the American Democracy Project since JSU became a part of the American Democracy Project a few years ago. By federal law, Constitution Day must be celebrated each September by universities which receive public funding. Each institution can design how they celebrate Constitution Day. Last year, President and Founder of Impact Alabama, Stephen Black, was the guest speaker for the event. This year, she felt

Attorney General, Strange was an attorney and founder of the law firm Strange, LLC in Birmingham, Ala. He has been recognized as "Best of the Bar" by the Birmingham Business Journal and recognized as one of the "Best Lawyers" in Alabama by Birmingham Magazine, according to his web site, www.ago.state.al.us.

Owens explains that the event is open to not only JSU faculty and students, but the Jacksonville community, as well.

Owens says that President Meehan will provide welcoming remarks, the ROTC will do the presentation of the Colors, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Rebecca Turner will present a brief overview of the American Democracy Project, and then Attorney General Strange will speak. The program will be

Stephenson Hall Expansion



JSU

By ANGEL PARO
STAFF WRITER

Stephenson Hall is one of the oldest buildings at Jacksonville State University. The historic building has been present on campus since 1938 and was utilized for athletics and P.E. until the colosseum was built in 1974. The building was used for the school's gymnastics team until 1987 when it became what it is today. Throughout the years Stephenson has seen many changes but this year it began undergoing some of its biggest changes yet. Starting in May, contractors began renovations expanding Stephenson to include a wellness

tion of Student Code of Conduct
at Sparkman Hall

Tuesday, September 6

- Harassment at Curtiss Hall
- Medical Emergency at Ramona Wood
- Violation of Student Code of Conduct on Highway 78

Wednesday, September 7

- Violation of Student Code of Conduct and Reckless Endangerment at Pannell Hall
- Information Report at Paul Carpenter Village
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- Information Report at Cedar Trace Apartments
- Information Report at JSU Housing
- Arrest- Consumption of Alcohol by a Minor on Highway 21

by universities which receive public funding. Each institution can design how they celebrate Constitution Day. Last year, President and Founder of Impact Alabama, Stephen Black, was the guest speaker for the event. This year, she felt that having Attorney General Strange as the guest speaker would be both educational and interesting.

"We've not had the Attorney General come and speak here before," Owens says. "We try to get people from diverse backgrounds to address the students and faculty on Constitution Day. With his knowledge of the law and his public service, it seemed only fitting that we invite him."

Strange is the 49th Attorney General for the state of Alabama. Before becoming

the presentation of the Colors, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Rebecca Turner will present a brief overview of the American Democracy Project, and then Attorney General Strange will speak. The program will be kept short so that students will have time to make it to their 11:15 a.m. classes.

For more information on Constitution Day, please contact Dr. Lori Owens at ljowens@jsu.edu.



what it is today. Throughout the years Stephenson has seen many changes but this year it began undergoing some of its biggest changes yet. Starting in May, contractors began renovations expanding Stephenson to include a wellness center. Mark Jones, the director for Stephenson, estimates that about 3,000 students a week use Stephenson during the fall and spring semester. It is important to the university that the facility expand with the growing student body. The expansion is expected to be completed in November of this year but a date has not been set when it will be open to the public. The renovations, totaling \$1 million dollars, will include all new free weights and state of the art exercise equipment. The facility, as always will be free to all JSU faculty, staff, and students with a student I.D.

campusEVENTS

Friday, September 16



Reflections & Readings:
Rick Bragg
Stone Center Theater
5:00-6:30 pm
\$35/person

Tuesday, September 20

SOAR/Survivors
Overcoming
Abusive Relationships,
1102 Houston Cole
Library, 5:30-6:30 pm



Wed, September 21

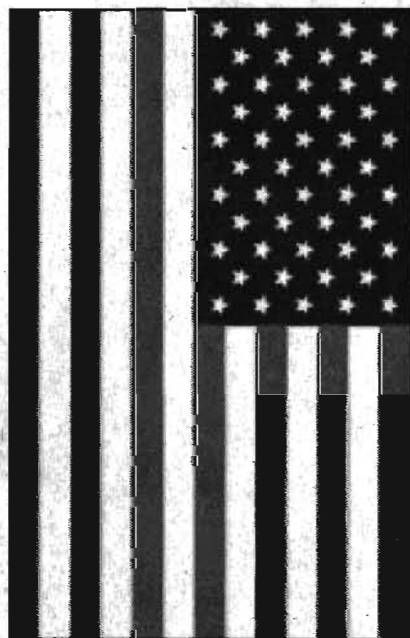
US Marine Corps
Recruiting,
TMB 2nd floor lobby
10:00 am - 2:00 pm



OPINION

Reflections of a day of reckoning

By CURTIS HOLMAN
SPECIAL TO THE CHANTICLEER



Ten years ago, I was a normal ten year old boy. I couldn't tell you the difference between terrorism and tourism, I didn't know what the Twin towers were, and I thought The Pentagon was something I just learned about in math class. Within one day, that all changed. Every American's life was affected, even if they weren't in New York, Washington DC, or the flight that went down

in a Pennsylvania field.

The day started out just like any other, a crisp clear Tuesday Morning. Everyone had just started their work days when a commercial flight struck the North Tower of the World Trade Center. Most of us couldn't believe it, there was speculation on if it was an accident or if it was a military plane of some kind. Before we could digest what happened, another plane hit the South Tower on live television. Shocked! Scared! Sorrow! These are just a few of the emotions that people were feeling at this point. Massive rescue operations were already underway in The North Tower. In the face of death, fire fighter after fire fighter would go into these 110 story flaming buildings.

My fifth grade teacher was letting us watch this, and my jaw was on the floor. A report came in, a third plane had hit The Pentagon. My classmates and I had no idea what was happening, all we knew was that two giant planes hit two giant towers. We

asked our teacher many questions and she explained things that I'm sure a normal fifth grader at that time wouldn't have known. We didn't learn about adverbs or fractions that day, but we did learn about The Pentagon, The World Trade Center, and what a hijacking was.

Then something happened that took our breath away. Right there, with the whole world watching, the South Tower fell. About a half an hour later, the North Tower collapsed. The Twin Towers were now a huge pile of rubble, and the New York City skyline was nothing but a huge cloud of dust.

In the coming days, we learned more about the tragic day of September 11, 2001. We learned about a fourth flight that was hijacked, but through the heroism of the passengers, who rushed the cockpit and made sure another building wasn't hit, it crash in a Pennsylvania field. We would cheer when a survivor was pulled from the rubble of the World Trade Center, and cry more

when we heard of someone who didn't make it. On that fateful day, 2,749 people lost their lives.

It didn't matter our race, gender, political affiliation, or religion: we were united. We waged a new war, one that is still going on today. Have we changed at all in ten years? We are more careful now than we used to be. The thought of a terrorist attack scares us now, when back then, it would seem absurd. Lately, it seems that we are forgetting what happened. Maybe some of us try to, but we need to stop and reflect on how this day changed our lives personally, and as a country. The old adage goes: "Those who don't learn from history, are doomed to repeat it." Lets not repeat that horrible day. Lets remember the lives of the people lost that day, and the soldiers that have lost their lives since. Let's remember where we were when our lives changed forever.

Where in the world...? Croatia edition

By FRAN POPOVIC
SPECIAL TO THE CHANTICLEER



Croatia edition

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SPECIAL TO THE CHANTICLEER

As a relatively new country, Croatia is still rather unknown to the world outside of Europe. During the five years that I've spent in the United States I was forced to refer to my home country as "that place next to Italy." I'm not undermining the local education, well maybe a little, but nonetheless I'd like to take share a paragraph or two with maanyone willing to expand their horizons. I know it's scary, but there are places further away than Atlanta, Georgia.

Let's get the dull administrative information out of the way first. The capital city is Zagreb, situated in the northern part of the country, and it's also the only city to have a population close to a million. Croatia declared independence in 1991, when it seceded from Yugoslavia. What some of you guys might have heard of is the war that followed the said succession, I'm

sure it was all over CNN. It was a gruesome war like any other that had no real winners in my humble opinion, even though Croatia kept its independence. Our "founding father" of sorts was Dr. Franjo Tudman, a highly authoritarian president with visions of greatness in the future of our nation. Too bad he was a crook, but hey, aren't all politicians at least a bit corrupt? Currently, Croatia is set up as a democratic parliamentary republic, meaning that the parliament calls most of the shots, and even though we have a president his powers lie mostly in persuasion and suggestions. Dr. Ivo Josipović is the current president, and my mother hates him because he broke her calculator in college. I'm not making this up.

Geographically, Croatia is situated on the coast of the Adriatic Sea, bordering Slovenia, Hungary, Bosnia

and Herzegovina, Serbia and Montenegro. Croatians take great pride at their coastline and claim it to be one of the most beautiful ones in the world. In fact we love our coast so much that roughly 60% of Croatian GDP comes from tourism. It's also a great way for lazy people to rake up money without doing any heavy lifting.

It's very often that people ask me what we eat in Croatia, or to name a specific Croatian dish. Honestly, I have no idea what to tell them since Croatia was a melting pot of sorts all through history thus making it difficult to pinpoint exactly what is typical for Croatia alone. Not to mention the fact that each region has a vastly different cuisine depending on who ruled over that particular area in the past. I'll spare you the history lessons and say that we eat meat and fish, a lot of it. Beef, lamb and pork are used the most,

but we're not strangers to chicken either. Various pasta dishes and similar products come from the strong Italian influence that Croatia has seen over the years. One thing is certain however, if you go to Croatia you won't be hungry.

All jokes aside, Croatia is a truly beautiful place with largely intact nature and a culture that's over 2000 years old. The people are interesting and friendly, especially when you're spending money. The coastline is breathtaking, the Adriatic Sea has a gorgeous color and is very pure, if you're not close to northern Italy that is. No, nobody will rob you or take your kidney, that happens in sad countries like Ukraine and such. It's definitely a spot worth visiting if you ever decide to take a tour around Europe. Just don't forget to bring a lot of money. Yes it's Eastern Europe but it's not cheap. Sadly.



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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.

ENTERTAINMENT

Author Rick Bragg to speak at Stone Center

By KARA COLEMAN
STAFF WRITER

"Don't worry about what people think, because once it's all over the people who love you will make you what they want you to be, and the people who don't love you will, too." Such is the wisdom in Rick Bragg's book, *The Prince of Frogtown*. Bragg will be sharing more of his wit and wisdom during Reflections and Reading, an evening with Rick Bragg. The event is a benefit for the JSU Honors Program and will be held at the Stone Center Auditorium on Friday, September 16th, at 5:00 in the evening.

Bragg, a native of northeast Alabama and former editor of *The Chanticleer*, is known for his stories about growing up in the rural South. His titles include *Ava's Man*, *The Most They Ever Had*, *All Over But The Shoutin'* and *The Prince of Frogtown*. He credits his writing to hearing his family tell stories while he was growing up.

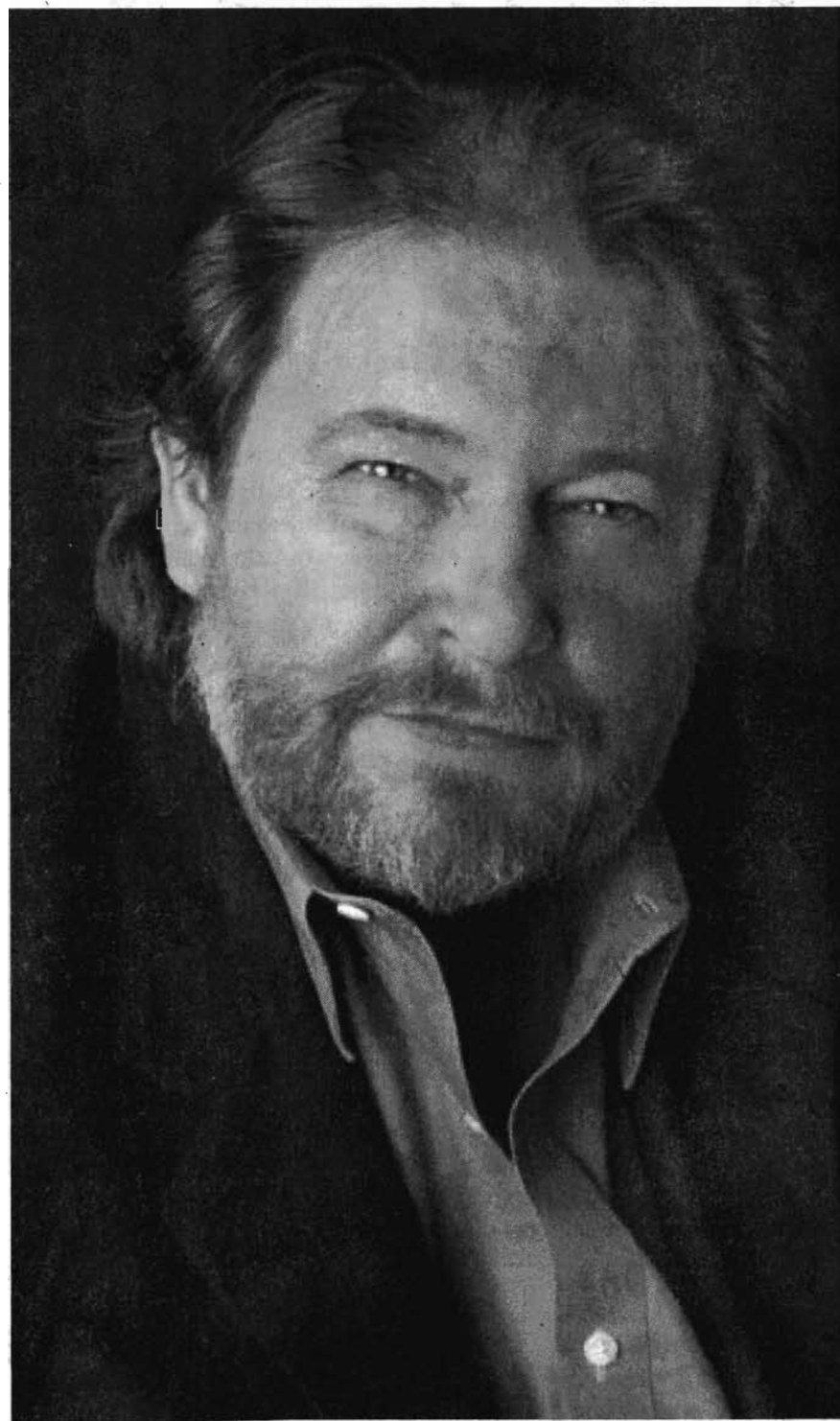
Bragg has worked for newspapers ranging from *The Jacksonville News* to *The New York Times* and he is currently a contributor to *Southern Living* magazine. A collection of his newspaper stories have been published in a critically-acclaimed volume titled *Somebody Told Me*. He has received the honor of a Nieman Fellowship at Harvard University, as well as over fifty writing awards. His awards include the Harper Lee Award for Alabama's Distinguished Writer of the Year, the Clarence Cason Award, named after the founder of the University of Alabama's jour-

nalism school, and the coveted Pulitzer Prize. He has won the American Society of Newspaper Editors Distinguished Writing Award on two different occasions. He now serves as Professor of Writing in the College of Communications and Information Science at the University of Alabama.

He is also the star of a new documentary called "Alabama's Rick Bragg: Out of the Dirt". The documentary is set to premiere at the Doubletree Hotel in Birmingham on September 26th.

Attendees to Reflections and Reading will receive an autographed copy of *The Prince of Frogtown*, a book about the author's father, Charles Bragg. Charles was an absent-father alcoholic who was personified as a villain in Rick's autobiographical *All Over but the Shoutin'*. The author said that *The Prince of Frogtown* was a book he had not intended to write, but after he became a stepfather himself, he decided to dig deeper into his father's life.

Tickets to the event are \$35.00. VIP packages are also available for \$250.00. VIPs will get four books, two reserved seats, two JSU Honors Program coffee mugs, and a photo with the author. There will also be a reception for all attendees. For more information or to purchase tickets, contact Janet Whitmore at 256-782-5696, or email her at jwhitmore@jsu.edu.



JSU alumnus Rick Bragg returns out to help raise funds for the Honors Program.
Steve Leimberg / unseenimages.com

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First Right Theft live at Cafe Firenze on August 20th. From left: Bassist Andy Pruitt, rhythm guitarist Cody Doss, vocalist Phillip Johns, drummer Lane Dewberry and lead guitarist Kyle Pritchett. **Courtesy First Right Theft on Facebook**

Interview with First Right Theft

By WLJS STAFF

JSU's own WLJS is constantly interviewing local artists and also well-known artists to help promote each band's current endeavors as well as boost listenership. In early August, the local band First Right Theft, composed of vocalist Phillip Johns, lead guitarist Kyle "KP" Pritchett, rhythm guitarist Cody Doss, bassist Andy Pruitt and drummer Lane Dewberry meandered into the studio and sat down with us.

WLJS: Where did the name First Right Theft come from?

FRT: We started out with another name about a year ago and had another band tell us that they already had it. So when we were looking for another name, one came to mind. A lot of times in today's world the First Amendment right to free speech is taken from you. You can say what

you want a lot of times, but the consequences sometimes can cost you your job. We thought that just isn't right, and it has a pretty good meaning.

WLJS: What bands/artists influence your sound the most?

FRT: We all have our individual influences, but we all like 3 Doors Down and Godsmack. It does go deeper than that with bands like AC/DC, Disturbed, Breaking Benjamin, Shinedown, Guns N Roses and some old 311 stuff, but really any of the hard rock bands of today.

WLJS: When you guys play ya'll do covers as well as originals. Do you guys have any plans to get into a studio?

FRT: Yeah, we have been to some

studios, and looked around. We are planning to get things started with a six song EP. We are, however, trying to fast track a song so that we can start getting some spins on WLJS.

WLJS: We look forward to spinning whatever songs you get to us as soon as they come in. Now the current line up is different than the original, can you talk a little but about that?

LANE DEWBERRY: Phillip and Andy started it all and called me and asked me if I wanted to play drums, and us three have been there since day one. We've had five guitarists in the year, some leaving for personal reasons and some we had to let go. Some were VERY talented guitarists but we had to let them go because they didn't fit our style of music. KP was actually trying out for a back up position originally and just blew us

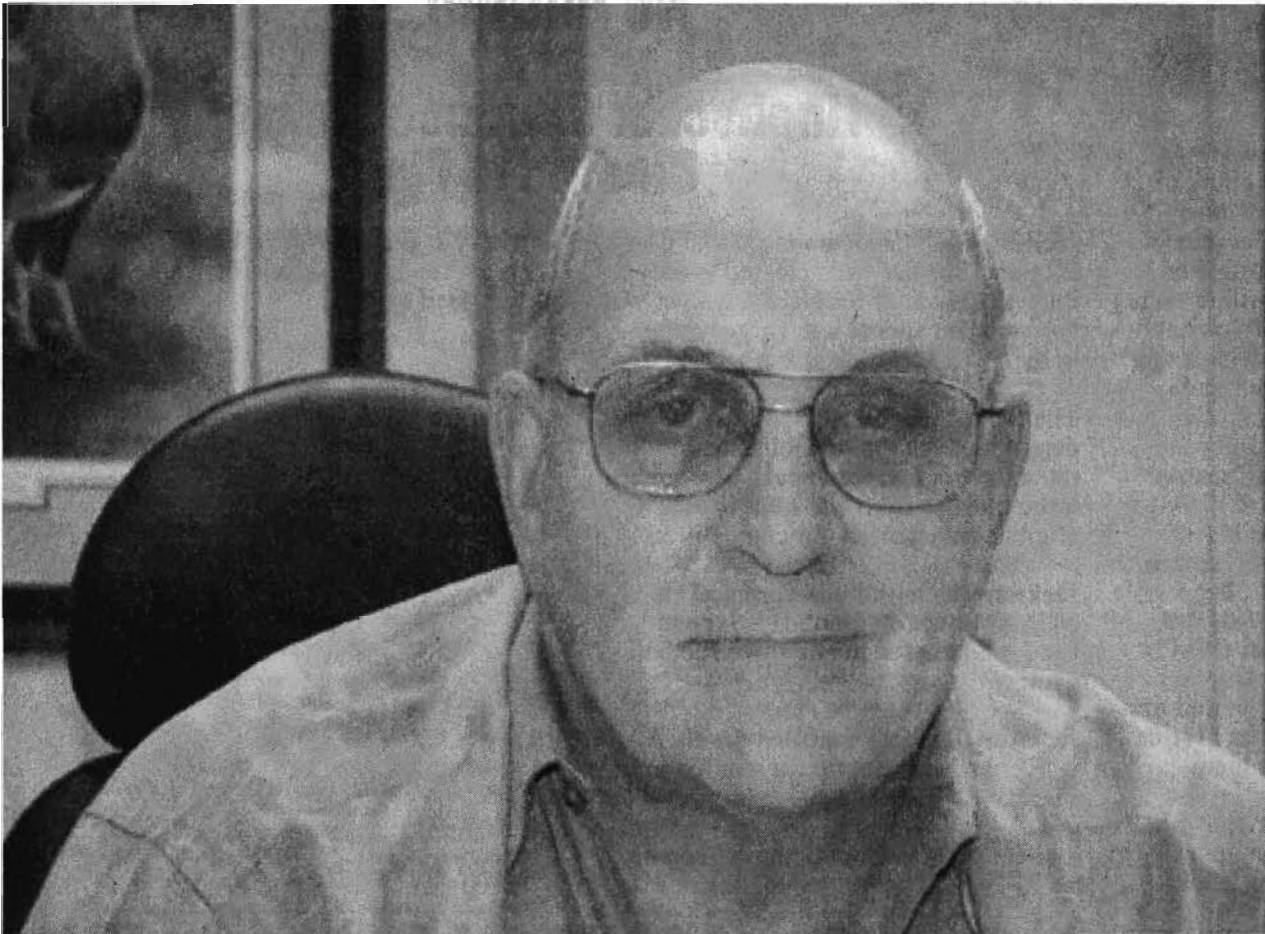
away. When doors opened up we knew we wanted KP and Cody came in with him at the same time.

WLJS: If you ask a musician or a band how they got their start, most will say "playing in local bars". What are plans do you guys have in that department?

FRT: It's no different for us. We've played at Brother's Bar and Heroes Jacksonville, The Smoking Moose in Anniston, Café Firenze II in Clanton and The Nick Rocks in Birmingham. We are booked every Friday night at Brothers but we will play for anybody as long as they want to hear us.

If you are looking for more information on First Right Theft check out their Facebook page - facebook.com/FirstRightTheft.

SPORTS



Warren "Moose" Koegel poses for a picture in his office. Koegel is the new Athletic Director for Jacksonville State.
Photo by Emily Hayes

New Athletic Director Calls Himself A Team Player

By EMILY HAYES
SPORTS WRITER

You might hear students around campus calling him "Coach K," but to most family and friends, he's known simply as 'Moose.' It goes back to little league baseball, when Warren Koegel sported the same jersey number and position as Yankees' first baseman 'Moose' Skower. The nickname stuck.

"I just can't get rid of it. Too many people know me by that name," laughs Koegel. "My brothers, even my nieces and nephews. I've tried to figure out ways but it's more of a natural thing now."

Koegel grew up with one older and one younger brother, all three sharing a passion for football,

Carolina in 2001 where he helped create one of the top athletic programs in the Big South Conference. "I was the athletic director there and started football and helped that program to grow to what it's become today. Built a lot of facilities, raised a lot of money, hired great people. It was a good experience," says Koegel. "Then Jacksonville State opened up."

Koegel liked what he saw- a beautiful campus, a great program, and a student body and community that support its university's growth. "What I'm most excited about is knowing there's a group of people out there who want to do things to help Jacksonville State University. Help enhance the learning experience and the overall college experience for not just our student athletes but for all of our students"

JSU Soccer Falls To Chattanooga, 1-0

BOILING SPRINGS, N.C. – A Second half penalty kick proved to be the golden goal as Chattanooga downed Jacksonville State on Sunday in the final match of the Under Armour Border Classic, presented by Gardner-Webb University.

The Gamecocks fall to 0-8-0 on the season, while the Mocs of UTC notch their fourth win of the season and second of the weekend. UTC topped Stetson on Friday, while JSU fell to host-GWU, 3-1.

After a 45 minute, first half standstill, the Mocs took advantage of a Jax State penalty inside the box in the 52nd minute of the contest. UTC's Donna-Kay Henry was fouled by the Gamecocks to set up the penalty kick by Becca Smith. Smith knocked it in for the eventual game winner.

Jax State had its best offensive output with 25 total shots, including 18 on goal scoring opportunities. The 25 total shots are the most by JSU since a 35-shot performance last season in a 7-0 win over Southern University. JSU had ten more scoring chances than the Mocs as they were credited with 15 shots.

"I thought our team came out hard and did well executing their attacking threats. We missed a lot of really good chances and by not putting them away, it keeps the opponent in the game," head coach Julie Davis Carlson said.

Freshman Jackie Rush and junior Nathalee Lariviere combined for 12 shots in the contest, while Freshman Courtney Hurt added four chances. After UTC took the 1-0 lead, JSU had eight looks at goal, including freshman Kelsey Robertson's shot in the 88th minute that was saved by UTC's keeper, Taylor Mangrum. Mangrum posted a stellar 18 saves against the Red and White.

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Koegel grew up with one older and one younger brother, all three sharing a passion for football, baseball and basketball. His older brother Pete spent several years in the major leagues, drafted by the Kansas City (now Oakland) A's. Koegel himself was a highly touted college football prospect, and in 1967 joined Joe Paterno at Penn State. The team went undefeated in both 1968 and 1969 and won two Orange Bowl championships. Following his senior year he was drafted by the Oakland Raiders and played five years in the NFL.

Then came his coaching years at the University of Wyoming, Rutgers University, and the University of Connecticut. "All those years I was always the administration guy, liaison to what went on with everything on campus, basically," says Koegel. "My experience to become an athletic director, it really started by being a football coach and being the guy that wasn't afraid to tackle anything new, so to speak." He went on to become the associate athletic director at UT-Chattanooga in 1998, then to Coastal

says Koegel. "Then Jacksonville State opened up. Koegel liked what he saw - a beautiful campus, a great program, and a student body and community that support its university's growth. "What I'm most excited about is knowing there's a group of people out there who want to do things to help Jacksonville State University. Help enhance the learning experience and the overall college experience for not just our student athletes, but for all of our students."

This includes improving facilities for some of the smaller programs. At the moment Koegel is assessing the overall athletic campus to enhance not only the student athletes' experience, but the student body's and the fans, as well. "There's a lot of passion here so we have some things we need to fix," Koegel says. "We are right now creating a plan, to make the place look better but also become a better experience for everybody." He stresses that it's not just about athletics, either. "I'm all for helping the school do what needs to be done. This helps us in terms of our future and what our decisions will be."

To Koegel, his future at Jacksonville State University looks bright. "Without sounding too corny, I'm a team player," he says. "The people here that I've met are excited about where we are going. And by 'we,' I mean the entire Jacksonville State University."

shots in the contest, while Freshman Courtney Hurt added four chances. After UTC took the 1-0 lead, JSU had eight looks at goal, including freshman Kelsey Robertson's shot in the 88th minute that was saved by UTC's keeper, Taylor Mangrum. Mangrum posted a stellar 18 saves against the Red and White.

"I felt the one big positive out of this match was that the team was able to possess and generate more of an offensive threat than we have in our other matches," added Carlson."

Lariviere and Hurt were named to the Border Classic All-Tournament Team. Jax State was issued three yellow cards in the final 45 minutes, while UTC was carded once in the opening half.

The Gamecocks close out the non-conference portion of the schedule next weekend, hosting Jackson State on Friday, Sept. 16 at 5 p.m. and traveling to Troy, Ala. on Sunday, Sept. 18 to face in-state rival Troy.

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Mocs Drop the Gamecocks to 17th in the FCS Poll

By AUSTIN FAULKNER
STAFF WRITER

Chattanooga is a beautiful city full of history. Part of that history involves a storied rivalry between Jacksonville State and the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga (UTC). A regional rivalry that dates back to 1904, the Mocs and Gamecocks have played each other 35 times. Coming into last Saturday's game, UTC had held a 25-10 record when playing JSU but had lost the last four contests. In last week's contest JSU was ranked 10th in the nation while UTC was ranked 23rd.

The angst between the two teams as the game started ensured it was going to be a battle. Both defenses came out swinging early. JSU stopped the Mocs' on their opening drive but then killed their first drive on offense by negating several first downs with penalties. The next Mocs' possession ended in a touchdown.

Coty Blanchard, getting his first start because of the injury to Marques Ivory, led the team back onto the field. He then led the charge to the end zone allowing Washaun Ealey to finish off the drive with a four-yard touchdown run.

The defense got a quick stop and put Blanchard and Co. back on the field, this time capped off by an eight-yard touchdown run by Calvin Middleton. Unfortunately, this would be the last touchdown of the night for the Gamecocks. Jax State would score a field goal before to tie the game

before going down a touchdown at the half.

UTC came out of the locker room to win the game. Their defense did not allow a JSU point in the second half and harassed Blanchard, Ealey and Middleton in the backfield the rest of the night. Their cause was aided by a controversial JSU fumble and several missed calls by the officiating crew. The Mocs' offense, led by quarterback B.J. Coleman, wore down a JSU defense that just couldn't get off the field. Coleman dissected the Gamecock defense with the skill of a surgeon and helped to put the game away. When the game ended the scoreboard read 38-17 in favor of UTC ending JSU's four-year reign.

This game opened the eyes of coaches and players alike and both realize that something has to change. It's still early in the season and the Gamecocks can get right back on track with a win over Georgia State this coming Saturday.

Georgia State is loaded with seniors. Several SEC and ACC transfers are within their ranks. The Panthers have had several players with

"off-the-field" issues who were suspended for a set amount of games, including starting quarterback Drew Little who has to sit out the first four. Then in the preseason, new starting quarterback Kelton Hill goes down with an injury. Now Bo Schlechter, the former third-string quarterback, is at the helm and is 1-1 as a starter.

This game will be exciting and decisive. This game will show us the maturity of this year's JSU squad in how they react to a loss. Do the Gamecocks have what it takes to rise to the challenge and take fate into their own hands? Come see for yourself on Saturday.



Washaun Ealey (7) ran a 4-yd touchdown score in last weekend's loss vs UTC.

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Gamecock Sports



Cock Rugby: "Chum Up And Trade Teeth"

By **DERRICK ROBINSON**
SPORTS WRITER

As a student here at Jacksonville State University you know that the school offers a wide variety of student organizations and special interest groups for students to join. We've all heard of the African American Association (AAA), Freshman Forum, History Club and even Complex Royalty Dance Crew. Lesser known clubs are the JSU Fishing Club, Ultimate Frisbee Club and the JSU Rugby Club. Yes, JSU has a rugby team, though not widely known across campus.

JSU's rugby club is a student run and operated organization on campus. Despite being a collegiate sport, the NCAA does not have any authority over college rugby. Collegiate rugby operates under various unions which make up the larger governing body of USA Rugby.

The rugby club has eight office positions that are held by team members. From president, match secretary and even a position called Sergeant-at-Arms. The club has its own discipline committee as well.

"Your behavior is very important, your image is very important," stated rugby Coach Mike Trowse. "If you get in trouble such as a police blotter, we have a three man disciplinary committee and if you're on the blotter we'll temporarily suspend you from the club."

Trowse has been the rugby coach here for the rugby club at JSU since 2002. The Derby, England native has been playing rugby since the early age of 10, and has played on

and team comradery. He explained that the culture of rugby is not like any other sport, and that can be seen in the infamous 3rd half. "For two halves you're killing each other...the third half you better go out there party and sing a song. Chum up and trade teeth."

Trowse and the rugby club kicked their fall season off on September 3rd with their annual red and black scrimmage game at Gadsden State Community College. Gadsden State and JSU has joined together in an effort to increase membership in the rugby club. Compared to other schools, such as Florida State with 100 plus members, JSU has a lot of room to grow. JSU rugby club will host their first home match September 24 against Chattanooga Rugby Football Club. All home games are played on the intramural field around noon or 1pm.

In October the rugby club will host their Breast Cancer Charity Tournament. "We try to generate some donations for a breast cancer research foundation in Birmingham, Alabama," said Trowse. The club also does other community service endeavors around the area from car washes and fund raisers, to lot clean ups in the neighborhood. "We're not doing it for recognition, we're doing it for community involvement."

Though he did state that school recognition and support would be nice.

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No Huddle...

Linebacker Clarence Jackson Cleared to Play

Jacksonville State announced that Clarence Jackson has been cleared to play immediately after his NCAA waiver was approved on appeal late Tuesday afternoon.

The NCAA cited lack of advisement on departure from the previous institution as rationale to grant his appeal. The sophomore transfer from Ole Miss is now eligible immediately for competition.

Jackson was initially not granted his NCAA waiver on Thursday, September 1, and missed the first two football games.

Jacksonville State appealed the NCAA waiver and was notified at 4 p.m. on Tuesday of its decision.

The Gamecocks host Georgia State on

Saturday at Burgess-Snow Field. Kick-off is set for 2:30 p.m. and the game will be televised by CSS.

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Leite's Double-Double Leads JSU Volleyball to Sweep of TTU

JACKSONVILLE – Junior Hivya Leite notched her first career double-double and the Jacksonville State volleyball team rolled to a 3-0 (25-17, 25-18, 25-21) sweep of Tennessee Tech in the Ohio Valley Conference opener for both teams on Tuesday night.

Leite, a native of Cabedelo, Brazil, led all players with 13 kills and picked up 11 digs to pace the Gamecocks (3-8, 1-0 OVC) to their second-straight win and an impressive sweep of the Golden Eagles (1-10, 0-1 OVC) in JSU's home opener.

Leite used a .385 attack percentage on 16 swings to account for her 13 kills, while her 11 digs tied senior Lauren Harkins for the team lead. The JSU defense held TTU to a .155 attack percentage and just 30 kills over the three

attack percentage, while sophomore Abbey Heredia and freshman Alina Agamy set up the JSU offensive attack with 20 and 17 assists, respectively.

Sophomore Kelly Cole pitched in nine digs on the back row, while Heredia's eight digs were fourth on the team.

The Golden Eagles got nine kills, apiece from Natalie Penrod and Ellen Conti, while Allison May led the TTU back row with 13 digs.

The Gamecocks will be at home on Saturday, when they host UT Martin at 6 p.m. Admission is free.

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Trowse has been the rugby coach here for the rugby club at JSU since 2002. The Derby, England native has been playing rugby since the early age of 10, and has played on clubs with the U.S. Army in Holland, Germany and in Birmingham, Alabama. While Trowse understands rugby is not as popular here in the states as in other countries, he still enjoys the game just as much as he did during his playing days across the pond; and he wants his players to enjoy it all the same. "What I tell my guys is if your not having fun-and its gonna be hard knocks and all that-but if your not having fun either I'm teaching you wrong or you're playing wrong."

Trowse also talked about how rugby is not just about a game or competition, but about a fellowship of schools

school recognition and support would be nice. Other schools which have larger rugby teams and facilities, such as Vanderbilt, Tennessee and Middle Tennessee State have that support. "The state of Tennessee supports, and the school supports rugby. They promote the development of rugby in their schools and fund them."

Trowse knows the road to having an elite rugby program here at JSU is going to be long and hard, but he believes he is laying the right foundation and hopes to get school and local support someday.

Anyone interested in joining the rugby club can contact coach Mike Trowse at (256)655-2700, or email him at steamertrowse@cableone.net. All practices are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 4pm behind Fraternity Row, and are open to all JSU and Gadsden State students. All participants are welcomed and greatly appreciated.

Did You Know???

*Washaun Ealey's 4-yd TD run last Saturday vs UT-Chattanooga was his first rushing TD as a JSU Gamecock??

Congrats Washaun!

Eagles (1-10, 0-1 OVC) in JSU's home opener.

Leite used a .385 attack percentage on 16 swings to account for her 13 kills, while her 11 digs tied senior Lauren Harkins for the team lead. The JSU defense held TTU to a .155 attack percentage and just 30 kills over the three sets. The Gamecocks hit .276 with 46 kills, while blocking four shots and finding the floor on five service aces.

Senior Liza Senenkova was the only other player with double figures in the kills column with 11. The Tashkent, Uzbekistan, native needed just 18 attacks and boasted a .444 attack percentage in the win. Senior Stephanie Koontz added eight kills on a .333

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Gamecock Sporting Events

9/16: WSoccer vs Jackson State	5:00 pm
9/17: Football vs Georgia State	2:30 pm
9/17: VBall vs UT-Martin	6:00 pm
9/18: WSoccer at Troy	1:00 pm

Sports for the Common Man

By STEFFON MIDDLETON
STAFF WRITER

Among the varying social groups that make up the jovial social structure that is Jacksonville State University, it is easy for a student to find him or herself complacent. Between hamburgers from the cafeteria, an ice coffee from Jasmine's, and a few thousand trips to the block buster of restaurants that are in the TMB, things can get slow in a hurry. After awhile, such recreational activities as hanging out in front of the cafeteria and walks around the quad began to blur together. However, Intramural Athletics (IA) provide students with a means of participating in physical activities and as an outlet for social interaction between students of varying backgrounds, ethnic groups, religion, and cultures. The great news is that the season has just begun.

"It's sports for the common man," says Intramural Sports Coordinator, Amado Ortiz. "We have seven on seven flag football, intertubing water polo, and volleyball. It's a way for students without athletic scholarships to compete on a competitive level."

While signing up for Intramural Athletics, it is important to remember that the rules are the same as they are in any other athletic setting, though the duration of the games, such as in the case of intramural basketball, may not exactly run the same amount of time as their NCAA counterparts. Also, each team may be represented by a mascot of their choosing as long as it is

not derogatory, or offensive. There are no limits to the amount of teams that may be formed. The more the merrier! There are, however, various division in which to compete in.

"In all, we have three different leagues," says Amado Ortiz. "There is the independent league--that's the boys against boys and the girls against girls--the co-ed division, and the Greek league. The Greeks are usually the elite team because they regularly associate with one another."

If the compulsion to sign up for IA sports ever becomes too much to resist (you know you want to), all you have to do is boot up your computer and/or lap top, go to www.imleagues.com, and click on the Jacksonville State University link. At last, the Intramural Athletics Sports season is upon us. The flag football portion has already begun, but it's never too late to get in on the action. After all, there are other sports that are available to you. It may not be as exciting as playing for the Jacksonville State Gamecocks, but it can come close when the game is on the line and you score as the clock strikes zero.

If you are having trouble signing up online or have further questions, please contact Intramural Athletics Coordinator, Amado Ortiz at 256-782:50-73. Remember, you don't have to sit and watch on the sidelines. Intramural Athletics is where champions are crowned, friendships are made, and the torch of the competitive spirit burns brightly towards a future of honor, responsibility, and teamwork. Put down the hamburger and join in!