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Reality strikes back with new shows, new people
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Students and faculty assist with storm clean up
ROTC, JSU Senators, JSU Ambassadors, Delta Zeta Sorority and staff from the Admissions office at JSU teamed up to visit the hard-hit areas of Odenville, South Birmingham, Center Point, Clay and Trussville in order to assist with relief efforts.

KARA COLEMAN
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

In the wake of Monday's, January 23, many Alabama businesses had to shut down early due to extreme cold and heavy snowfall. As some of those storm victims were left trying to make ends meet, a group of students and faculty from JSU visited the hardest-hit areas of Odenville, South Birmingham, Center Point, Clay and Trussville to assist college-bound students in obtaining Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) forms and help them go through the process of applying for financial aid.

"The free program is designed for students and parents seeking undergraduate admission to a college or technical school in 2013 with the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)," the FAFSA is required for students to be considered for federal and state grants, loans and scholarships at most colleges, universities and vocational/technical schools.

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"Students and parents need to apply for their federal aid immediately to be able to use the aid for the 2012-2013 school year. They must complete the FAFSA by October 1, 2012, to qualify for federal aid for the 2012-2013 school year," students and parents are urged to complete the FAFSA during the "College Goal Sunday," which occurs in 1,600 communities around the U.S. to assist college-bound students with filling out the FAFSA and other forms.

"Students attending College Goal Sunday will have a chance to quality for a scholarship to the University of Alabama. As of the storm, the university has been able to donate College Goal Sunday event sites in the state of Alabama," students and parents can apply to the University of Alabama for a scholarship to the University of Alabama.

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Contact: Calvin Nelms, jsu9105n@jsu.edu

Admission: $3

When: 7:00-10:00 p.m.
Where: Jones Coliseum Parking Lot
Information Report, Patterson Hall
Wednesday, February 1.
- Assist Other Law Enforcement Agency, Goodlet Avenue
- Duty Upon Stopping an Unattended Vehicle, Student Tower Parking Lot
- Fraudulent Use of a Debit Card, Texas via Internet
- Access for Carrying a Pistol without a Permit, Stephenson Hall Parking Lot
- Suspicious Persons at Houston Cole Library
Thursday, February 2.
- Violation of Student Code of Conduct, Crew Hall Parking Lot
Friday, February 3.
- Sansuch Fire, Criminal Trespass, Criminal Mischief, Forney Hall
- Theft of Property, Stephenson Hall
- Duty Upon Stopping an Unattended Vehicle, Ayers Hall
- Information Report, Colonial Arms
Saturday, February 4.
- Medical Emergency, Houston Cole Library
Sunday, February 5.
- Medical Emergency, Rending False Alarm & Consumption of Alcohol by a Minor, Carter Hall

CALENDAR

Friday, Feb. 10
Single, Sated, and Satisfied
Where: TMB Auditorium
When: 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Contact: Shay Vaughn, shawnfeldinghtr@gmail.com
Sponsored by: L.E.A.D.

Tuesday, Feb. 14
Valentine's Day Pageant
Where: Leonce Coliseum Auditorium
When: 7:00-10:00 p.m.
Admission: $3
Sponsored by: Alpha Phi Alpha
Contact: Calvin Nelms, jsu9105n@jsu.edu

Wednesday, Feb. 15
Step-Show
Where: TMB Auditorium
When: 7:00-11:00 p.m.
Contact: Calvin Nelms, jsu9105@jsu.edu

Sponsored by: SGA

BRIEFS

The Jacksonville State University College of Arts and Sciences will present its annual Symposium on February 15-16 in the Houston Cole Library. The Symposium will take place on Wednesday Feb 15 from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Thursday Feb 16 from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. with Awards Ceremony at 5 p.m. Awards will be given in Biology, MICS, Physical and Earth Sciences, English and Art.

The Houston Cole Library has recently subscribed to more than 45 new electronic databases from ProQuest, EBSCOhost, Gale Cengage, and REPEQ. These new resources, along with the 100+ databases to which the Library already subscribes, offers access to over 28,000 electronic books and almost 12,000 electronic journals — from any computer. All you need is your JSU student ID number and last name.

The National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE) will soon hit campus and 760 other colleges and universities in the US and Canada. Questions will include, "How much reading and writing is required?" "How often do students interact with other students from different backgrounds and cultures?" "How good is academic advising?" Look for more information displayed around campus.

In his soon-to-be-released book, The Rise and Decline of the Redneck Riviera, Dr. Harvey Jackson II, Eminent Scholar in History at Jacksonville State University, writes fondly of the Florida-Alabama Gulf Coast. Dr. Jackson will share some of the results of his more-than-sixteen-years' worth of research into the area at Academic on Tuesday, February 14, 2012, at 3:15 p.m. in 1103 A and B of Houston Cole Library.

PHOTO OF THE WEEK

Hannah Lauren Cooper is a senior majoring in art with concentration in photography. "Grandmother" was taken on Thanksgiving Day in Albany, Miss.
Give bacon this Valentine's Day

SARA PETTIT
STAFF WRITER

Valentine’s Day is days away and the scent of roses is in the air. People around the world cash in on creating a special something for their significant others.

This year’s celebration is supposed to be brought in a record-breaking amount for retailers. The National Retail Federation is expecting consumers to spend approximately $17.6 billion on merchandise, with the average person expected to spend about $258.09.

Of course, life is different for a college student, and one must search for thrifty gift ideas for that special someone. Pinterest, the jackpot for all things entry, offers a large variety of ideas for those looking to do something special but cost-efficient. Ideas range from making a bouquet of bacon roses (a different twist on breakfast in bed) to novelty ideas, beloved goods, drinks and cards. Possibilities are endless on this do-it-helpful site.

But Valentine’s Day wouldn’t be complete without a romantic dinner. Believe it or not, there are several options in the Jacksonville area. If you’re looking for a place with good atmosphere, think about Classic on Noble or perhaps lunch at Chase State Park, where you can walk up some scenery. If you’re looking for a less expensive option, consider a picnic on the quad.

Valentine’s Day has also been called “Single’s Awareness Day” for obvious reasons. Singles across the world either spend those dreaded 24 hours avoiding all things romantic or celebrate their freedom. Sophomore Taylor Tally has a different idea. “I’m taking Valentines applications,” she says, “All I want is to see ‘The View’ and the All-Star at Waffle House.”

No matter how you decide to spend your day, be sure to keep in mind the true meaning of the holiday. Valentine’s Day is meant to show those that are important to you how much you care.

Tips:
- Bake a meal, hanging over how much we can go without how great we are. So make someone’s day. Give a gift, share a hug or say those quintessential three little words.

Better than a caveman

MATTHEW TYSON
STAFF COLUMNIST

I was recently having an after-work beer with a friend and he told me this story.

“I’ve been kind of down lately, but this morning I woke up and thought about how great I actually have it. I wake up in a nice warm bed. I have a roof over my head. I can go in my kitchen and eat a hot meal. Imagine how much better we have it than a caveman did thousands years ago.”

With the political, social, and economical issues of today, it’s easy for us to forget how fortunate we really are. Regardless of our internal struggles, many of us as Americans have access to rights, freedoms and lifestyles that aren’t available in many other parts of the world. However, I feel that any front’s realization about the caveman reaches past government institutions and politics and into something much deeper. His article made me ask myself, “When was the last time I was thankful for getting to sleep in a warm, clean bed instead of a cold pile of dirt?”

Politics isn’t just something I write about. I’m involved with it every day. I truly enjoy watching the news, researching issues and discussing the current happenings in today’s government. But the world is a tough place nowadays. There is enough pessimism and selfishness to make someone lose their will to live. I believe that every once in a while we have to just take a break from it and be thankful that we have something as simple as a soft couch to sit on.

Today, for a moment, forget about politics and just be happy that you aren’t a caveman.

God Ol’ Scratch

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CASUAL CONVERSATION. TRENDY TOPICS

Note to the Reader: Letters to the Editor will not be published if they are not typed, legible, and submitted within the proper deadlines. All letters will be reviewed by the Chanticleer editor for content and length before publication.
Reality strikes back with new shows, people

SILVIA MILLER STAFF WRITER

If you would have told me one year ago that I would be front and center in front of the TV ready to watch shows like *The History Channel’s “Big Shrimp,”* *Swamp People,* or *Doc Woolsey Channel’s “Cajun,”* I would not have believed you in a million years. However, last year's Cajun sensations have been taking over America's televisions. Reality television finally has something to offer everyone.

Whether you are looking for drama, fights or people overcoming struggles, you will get it all here. Down in the swamp lives a particularly interesting group of people called the Cajuns. They are their own type of people—hard-working, persistent and strong. With tunes in the way they are, it's no surprise people coming up in the world and servoving. But what is it with the phenomenon of men at sea that is so attractive? They are always ready to get dirty, and risk their lives just to put dinner on the table for the family.

Louisiana has a rich culture that makes for great entertainment. Also, reality shows filled in Louisiana take advantage of the state's TV and film tax credit program. Yes, tax credits! More and more this trend is popping up—states like North Carolina, Georgia, New York and Alaska also partake in this. This too comes rises in jobs, money and advertisement to local areas. The state of Louisiana alone has generated almost $3 billion since the program was introduced in 2002, and there are currently a dozen Louisiana-based reality shows.

The sincerity in the story-telling is a key factor in these shows, and one of the main reasons for the success of “Swamp People.” There is no glitz or glamour with these people. It is real living. In a time where America as a whole is struggling, it is nice to see some of the ninety-nine percent come out on top. People like Bump, from the show “Ragin’ Cajun,” who was once broke in equipment but still follows his heart to get to all the “white gold” oilfields. On the other hand, there are also the young ’uns that put all their money into their boats and still come from a trip with little to no money.

Whatever your reason for being hooked to these people, you will never know what you will always be entertained.

Baja serves cultural experience

LAKESHA BROWN STAFF WRITER

Jorge Sanchez is like all business men. He loves a good deal. “This California Baja Grill is a variety of people come in everyday and this is a deal that is in week, keep the young running efficiently, and keep the workers up on their game,” said Sanchez.

Sanchez is the assistant manager of Baja, which has been in operation in the Baptistown area since Spring 2010. Immediately the restaurant became a hit with the public for its delicious Mexican selections and drink specials. However, Baja is known to maintain its customers by being Karnaske night and having live mariachis. The atmosphere is spacious, which allows customers to flow freely within the restaurant. They embrace the rich culture that fills the restaurant, thanks in part to the ocean-themed painted walls and the paintings that hang on them. While the restaurant displays a great environment, the staff members enhance the dining experience with their courteous do-

manner and attentive runners. Sanchez appointed his team.

“The last few times I have seen with the other staff members,” said Sanchez, “... and not to the exactly hustle and bustle of working in a place with so much life.”

It’s the kind of attitude a restaurateur needs, especially when dealing with the dinner rush, which presents challenges to all restaurateurs alike.

“Dinner rushes are a little hard because our meals are large,” said Sanchez. But we still get them out in a timely manner and fast. We work hard to keep our customers happy and our customers satisfied.

There are indeed merits and for Sanchez it is that sense of accomplishment that makes him fortunate to help in the restaurant’s success. ‘Every customer is a fan and whenever the young un’s go down to California Baja Grill and experience the best time of your lives."

Grammy Awards promise a royal battle

COURTNEY RAY SENIOR STAFF WRITER

It’s that time of year again! The 54th Annual Grammy Awards are only a few days away, and this year’s ceremony promises to be a battle royale of today’s music supersenses. A total of 78 awards will be presented at this year’s Grammys. And, for the first time in its seven years, the Awards will have an official host, LL Cool J.

Heavy hitters this year include Kanye West, Foo Fighters, Adele, Bruni Mars, Lil Wayne, Natalie and Rauchord, who were each nominated five or more times. A few of these hot contenders will take it for the coveted Album of the Year award. The albums nominated are “21” by Adele, “Waving Light” by Foo Fighters, “Fear This Way” by Lady GaGa, “Show How and Heal” by Bruni Mars, and “Loud” by Rihanna. The nominees for Best New Artist, another popular category, include Nicki Minaj, Ben E zeal, the Band Perry, J Cole and Skillet. There are numerous artists up for various, obvi-

ous categories. Some of them include Mambanged and Sons, Katy Perry, Wiz Khalifa, The Decemberists, Coldplay, Chris Tomlin, Kings of Leon, Taylor Swift, Lee Lo Lann, Red Hot Chili Peppers, Jason Vladimir, Wili, R. Kelly, My Morning Jacket and Death Cab for Celeste. For a full list of nominees and categories, visit www.grammy.com.

Notably describe competition is fierce, but the performances do, as well. Set to take the stage are musical powerhouse such as Paul McCartney, Rihanna, Coldplay, Adele, Katy Perry, Bruno Mars, and The Black Eyed Peas. Jason Alexander and Kelly Clarkson, Nicki Minaj, Foo Fighters and Bruno Mars. Stars like Garth Brook, Blake, Brandi Finger and Jack Black will present the nominees and awards.

So, who will you be pulling for? Be sure to tune in to CBS on Sunday, February 12 at 7:00 p.m. to see if your favorites take the cake. You won’t want to miss it.
**SPORTS**

**Gamecock Rifle wins sixth OVC Title**

**Mugge Wins Individual Crown with a 585 posting**

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**MARTIN, Tenn. — Sopho­more Morgan Midge, who was the league’s Freshman of the Year in 2011, claimed the individual smallbore title after posting a 585. It marks the second straight year in which a Jacksonville State shooter has won the smallbore event as Andrea Russell took the title two years ago.**

**The JSU individual won by 50 points as Russ­ell’s total was 1409.**

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**Daniel Porter/Staff Writer**

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**MARTIN, Tenn. — Jackson­ville State University in sixth overall in the OVC Rifle Championships held Feb. 18-19 in Martin, Tenn.**

**JSU, who held the top spot on the point total in 2012-13, clinched the title with a 2582 in the air rifle com­petition. With its 2393 mark in smallbore, JSU finished second in overall smallbore, compiling a 100% season.**

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Softball fan day makes history

JORDAN SMITH / eatsports

Hammond had a long bus ride home Monday after losing to Missouri State in the regional semifinals. The Bears opened a big lead in the first inning and hung on for a 5-3 win.

The Cowgirls finished the season 46-23 overall, 11-9 in the Southeastern Conference.

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The Mississippi State softball team hosted its annual Fan Day on Sunday.

The event included a fan appreciation ceremony, player introductions and the unveiling of the team's new uniforms.

Fan Day featured a reveal of the new uniforms, which were designed by the Mississippi State softball team in conjunction with Adidas.

The new uniforms feature a new team logo, a new color scheme and a new design on the jersey.

The team also unveiled a new set of batting gloves, which were also designed by Adidas.

The team also introduced its new coaching staff, which includes head coach Amanda Peck and assistant coaches Amanda Randle and Katie Atkinson.

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