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ABOUT THE PHOTO

Foster says, "I took this picture with my iPhone while my husband, Joey, and I were meandering through the back 40 of our farm in Leesburg last fall. While he was looking for rubs and scrapes, sure signs of 'buck deer with headgear,' I was playing with my new toy and kicking over humungous mushrooms. I recall wondering if these were the kind that would get you high or kill you.

"Personally, I wouldn't title this because I wouldn't call it art. I would call it ammusement. But, are those two mutually exclusive? Alternative titles include, 'Underbelly of Fungi and 'If I were a fairy, this would be the canopy on my bed.'"

CAMPUS & LOCAL

COMMUNITY, CAMPUS AND SOCIAL NEWS YOU CAN USE

PHOTO OF THE WEEK

“Convergence of New Apple and Shroom”

Jennifer Ferril Foster is an instructor of English at JSU.

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CAMPUS CRIME

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27
• Lost Property, Crow Hall

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28
• Information Report, Dixon Hall
• Information Report, Stadium Tower Parking Lot

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 29
• Theft of Property, Stevenson Hall
• Medical Emergency, Pannell Hall
• Unlawful Breaking & Entering a Vehicle, Stone Center Parking Lot
• Information Report, Ayes Hall
• Theft of Property, Curtis Hall

THURSDAY, MARCH 1
• Information Report, JSU Campus
• Information Report, Highway 204

SATURDAY, MARCH 3
• Vehicle Damage, Stadium Tower Parking Lot

CALENDAR

SATURDAY, MARCH 10
Second Saturday Space Safari: Snakes in the Sky
Where: JSU Planetarium/3rd floor Martin Hall on JSU Campus
When: 7 p.m.
Fee: $5/adult; $2/child
Pre-registration is encouraged, especially for groups.
Contact Renee Morrison at morrison@jsu.edu or (256)782-5679

WATERFALL TOUR AT DEES POOL STATE PARK
When: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Fee: Free to the public; registration is encouraged by not required
Sponsored by JSU Field Schools
Contact: (256) 997-5053 or see www.alapark.com/destorsort

MONDAY, MARCH 12
Faculty Senate Meeting
Where: 1103 Houston Cole Library
When: 3:35 p.m.
Contact Teresa Gardner at tgarnder@jsu.edu

TUESDAY, MARCH 13
Support Your Troops Mixer
Where: Leorne Cole Auditorium
When: 8 - 11 p.m.
Sponsored by Omega Psi Phi
Contact: 256 326-0902 or see www.alapark.com/destorsort

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14
Women Empowerment - Men in Black on the Right Track
Where: JMB Auditorium
When: 7 - 11 p.m.
Sponsored by the African American Assoc.
Contact Chad Rhodes at crhodes@jsu.edu or (678) 326-0902

THURSDAY, MARCH 15
Sue Walker - AL Poet Laureate
Where: 11030 Houlton Cole Library
When: 7 - 8:30 p.m.
Sponsored by Friends of Houston Cole Library
http://www.jsu.edu/library/friends/programs.html
Contact Lynn Varaz at lvaraz@jsu.edu or (256) 782-5255

SGA APPLICATIONS DUE
Where: Office of Student Life
Contact: Alex Rainsmor at srgawajyj@jsu.edu
* See Briefs for more details
The other day, a friend told me that we are looking at the end of the Conserva
tive party in America. From his perspective, the outra
geous accusations and the attacks on his conservative "club" are the result of the G.O.P.'s lack of ef
cort to stay alive in the political world.

It's an interesting theo
ry, and a bit of an exciting idea of the party's opponents, but is that really the case? In the past couple years, many people outside of the party seem to be scratching their heads at some of the outra
geous ideas and accusations coming from the right.

For one, it's safe to say that the Conservatives are more concerned with the "City Hall" office, than with the needs of the common people. But is his really the end of something, or the begin
ning?

Over the course of the campaign trail, Rick Santio
n has very out
spokenly argued his opposition to the "liberals and the "mod
erate" Republicans. In fact, G.M. has said more than one occasion in his thesis that the "true" Conservative is running for president.

If you watch the news, you'll notice that when put
ning the Republican Party, he puts it into categories like "Moderates" and "Tea Party." Oh, and don't forget the Tea Party. These are just a few examples that lead me to believe that we aren't seeing the demise of a political party, but the rise of a personality.

My wife — being the pragmatic woman that she is — has to hear this kind of idea almost every time I bring up pol
itics in the house (which is often), but I truly believe that there is a Republican and a Conservative Party.

I think the "true" Republican better de
scribes the Libertarians and moderates that Santorum is savagely opposing.

You can say that one should be able to claim allegiance to the Republican cause, without aligning his or her self with the agenda of right-wing extremists, i.e., the Conservatives.

Since the end of the Bush era, these Conserva
tives have been spilling away from the rest of the party. It seems to be a matter of time before extremists are going to help anything. It's easy to see these people off and call them ridiculous and igno
rant, but they shouldn't be underestimated.

These people incorpo
rate words like "terrorist" or "Muslim" or "socialist" into their speeches, and it scares people. This Neo-Coo party doesn't need logic to suc
cceed. They just need fear.

I urge everyone to go online and watch these men speak. Listen to them. You'll see it, too.

By DOUG WAP
The Daily Athenaeum, West Virgin
nia U. via UWIRE

Rush Limbaugh is a living, breathing, cancer in our society. He is a living, breathing personification of the living, breathing, destructive political party as it is known today. He is a complete and total political disaster.

For those fortunate enough to not know about Limbaugh, he's a diabolically evil personality, as are the people in his political party's leadership structure.

If you were going to classify Limbaugh as a half-emp
ty or half-full kind of guy, you'd have to just call him a half-bottle in the glass kind of guy, because the man can absolutely find the nega
live in everything.

Although sometimes he has faced some repercussions in the past for his nefarious controversy, he's been able to sustain his propaga
dation of the most dark political views.

For example, Limbaugh was forced to resign from ESPN in 2003 for racist comments about quarter
back Donovan McNabb.

Less than a week later, he ad
mitted to being a prescription drug
addict; this came after he con
stantly said that he was away from drug use ... Too much to handle, getting in the way of drug sales ... The answer is to go out and find the ones who are getting away with it, convict them, and make an example of them.

Limbaugh, unapologetically, has said that he is in favor of the drug-related trials.

Since his admitted drug problem near 10 years ago, some peo
ple have written that Limbaugh has become more level-headed since then, more open to reasoning.

Let me assure you, Limbaugh is still the same old delusional extremism Specialist.

He is just a few of Lim
baugh's greatest quotes:

- "They ought to change Black History Month to Black Progres
s Month and start calling it that.
- "The ocean will take care of this on its own if [oil from BP spill] is left alone and left out there. It's natural. It's as natural as the ocean water is.
- "He is exaggerating the effects of the disease. He's moving all around and shaking and it's p-ly an act. ... This is really shockingly bad," Michael V. Fox. Either he didn't take his medication, or he's acting.
- "I told her to come to me when she wants to be fed. And after I fed her -

It's time for America to drop Limbaugh.

By MATTHEW TYSON
The Daily Athenaeum, West Virgin
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Jillybean's sweetens community

SERRA TILLMAN
STAFF WRITER

Jillybean’s Cupcakes is latest shop to make its home on Jacksonville’s square. The new business recently opened and seems to be a hit among the community. Originally planned as an ice cream shop, Waters decided to include cupcakes into the menu after research and meeting with a business planner at JSU.

A former JSU student who studied sociology and psychology, Waters does not actually have any formal training for baking. “It’s just a natural love of baking,” said Waters. “I have five children and it bakes a fix. What I have always done to destress is bake.”

When customers walk into Jillybeans, they are greeted with an extensive line of flavors including margarita, mocha caramel, sea salt, confectioner’s dusted, and peanut butter. The store also has classic staples such as vanilla, wedding cake, and chocolate cheesecake.

Waters admits that she gets ideas from blogging, and seeing what people out there are wanting. Sometimes it’s as simple as multiple requests, such as her champagne cupcake.

Waters is a strong believer in local businesses sticking together and supporting one another. “This is such a small town that it’s important that we all support each other,” said Waters on the loyalty among the square.

The atmosphere at Jillybeans is sweet. Waters said that she wants customers to feel like they are at their grandmother’s house—having that security of knowing that it’s here and always will be.

From the home style decor to the plush chairs and antique style silverware, it looks as if Waters has accomplished that goal.

Jillybean’s Cupcakes has a lot of great products on the way. Homemade ice cream, milk shakes, and even banana splits are among the great new treats that will be available soon. Waters is definitely excited seeing her family’s homemade ice cream.

With March introducing the spring season, Jillybean’s Cupcakes is introducing new flavors. A Guacamole cupcake and Irish cream cupcake are just two of the goodies available.

As for the future, Waters wants her shop to grow and flourish and become a household name within Calhoun County. As long as she keeps on the pace she is on now, Jillybean’s Cupcakes will be here to stay.

Sample of the cupcakes at Jillybean's

Lights, camera, action!

MAC HUGHES
STAFF WRITER

Could raising the $10 million per year spending cap allow Alabama to entice more film makers to shoot footage in Alabama bring jobs, tax revenue, and acclaim to the state? Representative Terri Collins seems to think so. Alabama state representatives passed a film incentives bill sponsored by Representative Collins. The bill will increase the number of movie and television productions filmed in Alabama if it is passed by the Senate on Tuesday, March 6.

Under Alabama’s current law, the state can spend up to $10 million a year on incentives.

The pending bill will considerably raise that cap to $25 million a year by 2014.

The unanimous show of support for the bill indicates that some in Montgomery understand that it is no minor matter.

However, now the bill’s fate rests with the state Senate, which is not necessarily a comforting thought.

With a result of a failed production incentives bill in 2006, Alabama had a few states in 2009 that did not offer the incentives to production companies to encourage them to film in the state.

Since Louisiana passed a film incentives bill in 2002, they claim to have received more than $1 billion in economic growth.

What could Alabama do with $1 billion? The possibilities are endless.

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Sophomore Savan na Hen·

the Gamecock’s men cruise past Alabama State

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Sarah Conover scored to tie the Gamecocks on the first two runs over seven innings of work. Lie stuck the Ga m ecocks have a busy wee k JSU will open the season at No. 4 and moved to 7-0 at the on the campus office

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JSU women tough match to UT-Martin

the Gamecocks return to the court after going 7-4 this season in Birmingham, Ala. against UAB. Match time is set for 9.

The Gamecocks got disin clined after a strong effort by senior Daniel West in the Gamecocks (2-7) past the Volunteers 1-0 on Monday.

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