



WEATHER: High 91, Low 70, Partly cloudy

Thursday, September 11, 2014

## First Student Senate meeting sets goals for campus

**Vallean Jackson**  
Staff Writer

On Monday, September 8th, the SGA Senate held their first weekly meeting in the TMB auditorium.

The presented agenda listed topics for the current meeting, minutes from the previous meeting and attached forms on the bills to be discussed.

Officer reports to student senators made every point in respect to the student body. From the topics of homecoming to parking, these senate members are strategizing plans and ideas to improve traditions, meet the request of what students are asking for

and start new traditions here on campus.

JSU is known for being the friendliest campus in the south and the SGA is making sure it holds its name.

Homecoming is not until November, but the homecoming committee already has ideas orchestrated.

The complaint of parking has been heard and is in affect to some resolutions. Academics are being recognized from those of the Dean's or President's Lists. Academic assistance is being offered through the ACE learning center on campus, which is housed on the third floor of the TMB. Food drives and blood drives are going on to help reach out to others in need.

The events, drives, and donations are not just spur of the moment. They all represent the SGA Senate's voice taking action to show students that they are listening and working—working to help other students and people who might not be a part of the JSU family.

More of the campus updates that the senate is working on include social media, publicity, bringing back the yellow bus and planning upcoming festivities.

Social media help keep the JSU name circulating outside of fellow Gamecocks. Social media also helps to spread the word of events or important information.

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Katie Cline/The Chanticleer

Guests at enjoy a nature photography workshop with Mr. Doug Clark of JSU on the Chief Ladiga Trail in Jacksonville.



Katie Cline/The Chanticleer

JSU photography professor, Doug Clark, shows guests the different exposure levels a camera can offer.

## Autumn Earth Day in Jacksonville

**Katie Cline**  
Staff Writer

JSU's Earth Club partnered with the Choccolocco Creek Watershed Alliance to offer a film screening at the Jacksonville Community Center last Saturday, September 6.

The short Southern Exposure film "Forever Wild," which documented the story of Alabama's Forever Wild Land Trust organization, and the featured documentary "America's Amazon," which focused on the Mobile-Tensaw Delta, one of the most ecologically rich—and threatened—places in the world. David Rickless, a geography major at JSU and president of Earth Club, has been involved with the organization since his freshman year. "The main thing coming into college was I wanted to be part of some sort of environmental or sustainability stuff—whatever was going on—and

help make more things out of it. And it was something I was really in to in high school, so that was one of the first things I did when I got here." The Earth Club tries to host one to two events each semester. It encourages students to get involved with their meetings in Martin Hall on the last Thursday of each month at 6PM. Its goal is to promote environmental action and awareness and a cleaner, greener college campus. After the movie screenings, guests were invited to attend a nature photography workshop on the Chief Ladiga Trail, which was led by JSU associate professor of photography and award-winning photographer, Doug Clark. "When you get to teach an intro to photography class like I do, you're really teaching people how to see," said Clark, "Through this, I think you can help all of their other studies be-

cause through learning how to see through the camera, you have to slow down to think about what it is you want to capture, and when you slow down you can really look at something, maybe that you see all the time, but you're looking at it with a deeper gaze." JSU's Intro to Photography class (ART 368) is open to all students with no required prerequisite. Clark says he has students in a variety of non-art majors, including students interested in areas like communications or marketing. "I think it really helps people develop their own creativity and it gives them the time to focus on something maybe they never have before," said Clark. Both Rickless and Clark hope that events like this will help students get involved in on-campus clubs and organizations and even bring existing clubs together. "What you're involved in is probably

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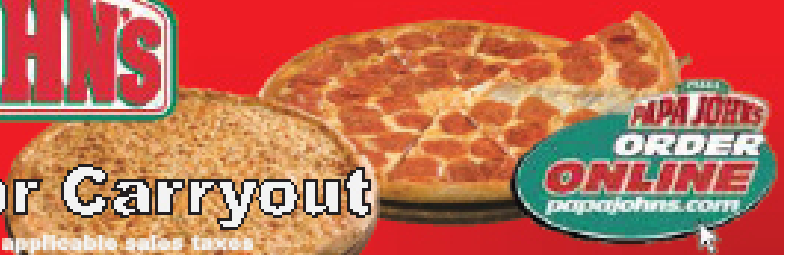
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One of the senators also mentioned how students need to start riding the yellow route of the Gamecock Express more often to continue its accommodations for late night transportation. The SGA Senate is open to hearing the student body. In fact, the term, "student body report" is listed within their agenda. From SGA President Brett Johnson to each senator and officer sitting on that board, they are eager to hear the thoughts of each student here at JSU.

To keep the JSU slogan alive and highly displayed, teamwork must also be effective. JSU students must work together to voice their opinions as a student body so the senate has something to stand up for.

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the biggest factor in whether you have a good college experience or not," said Rickless, "We [the Earth Club] also have connections with the SGA, the Outdoor Adventure Club and the academic departments, so it's also not isolated." Students interested in joining the Earth Club can find it on Facebook under Jacksonville State University Earth Club or can contact David Rickless for more information.



Katie Cline/The Chanticleer

Associate professor of photography Doug Clark shows off equipment at Saturday's event.

# Take a #FutureSelfie for Scholarship

Bankrate, Inc. announces its first-ever scholarship offering. Focusing on the ubiquity of selfies and the imagination of students, the #FutureSelfie Scholarship will award scholars who most successfully use the selfie as a medium to illustrate their future aspirations. Bankrate is now accepting applications through October 31, 2014.

The 2014 Bankrate #FutureSelfie Scholarship will award a total of \$5,000 in scholarship funds to three undergraduate or graduate students. Two scholars will each receive awards of \$1,000, and one scholar will receive the grand

prize award of \$3,000. Awards will go directly to the winners' schools to help defray the rising costs of education and reduce borrowing amounts. According to the Institute for College Access and Success, the average graduate in 2012 who took out student loans accrued nearly \$30,000 in debt.

"We're thrilled to award a few creative folks with some funds that can chip away the tuition bill," says Brandon Duncombe, Promotion Manager for Bankrate. "Selfies are an exciting way to earn money for school. Right now, they're a snapshot of the present. We're excited to see the response and

how students will use them to illustrate their dreams."

To learn more about the #FutureSelfie scholarship and apply, go to: <http://www.Bankrate.com/scholarships/future-selfie-scholarship>.

Bankrate #FutureSelfie winners will be selected based on the creativity and uniqueness of their entry, which includes a photo and a caption. To be eligible, students must be at least 16 years of age and college-bound or currently enrolled at an accredited two- or four-year college, university or vocational/ technical school.

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## Say hello to the new JSU faculty



New faculty members pose at the start of the 2014 Fall semester at Jacksonville State University. 1) Ms. Lenn Rainwater, 2) Ms Julie Staples, 3) Dr. Jennifer Bruzek, 4) Dr. Kelly Paynter, 5) Ms. Tammy Killen, 6) Ms. Carolyn Price, 7) Ms. Allison Pearce, 8) Ms. Katelyn Williams, 9) Ms. Katerri Krebs, 10) Dr. Jacqueline Williams, 11) Mr. Joseph Morgan, 12) Mr. Walter Haney, 13) Mr. William Anderson, 14) Ms. Rebecca Hicklen, 15) Dr. Jihye Lee, 16) Ms. Sarah Donley, 17) LTC David Ward, 18) Dr. Carlette Lockett, 19) SFC Charles Dunaway, 20) Dr. William Young, 21) Mr. Joe Walsh, 22) Mr. Seth Johnson. (Steve Latham/JSU photo)

## Student Activity Council looking at eventful year

**Savannah Rice**  
Staff Writer

Did you know that the entertaining events you can attend on campus are actually put together by students like you? The Student Activity Council (SAC) creates, organizes, and sets up events here at JSU.

Led by the vice president of student activities, Kalyn Cabral, SAC is a group of students that work to bring this campus entertaining activities.

According to SGA's vice president of student senate, Tyler Brown, SAC is easy to get involved in and contains all different kinds of people.

He said, "It's a great way for freshman and others to get involved and see what SGA does."

SAC's responsibilities are broken up into four committees.

The first committee, Multi-cultural and Diversity, works to make sure events cater to everyone on campus.

The second committee is Publicity and Marketing. They get the word out about the events that SAC is planning.

StageCrew and Design is the third committee, and they help set up and decorate for the events.

Finally, there is Campus Traditions. This committee works to plan events that follow the traditions of JSU.

They separate into these groups to fully carry out their plans in an organized way.

While other parts of the SGA are run by students as well, the SAC gives any student the opportunity to join without having to run for a seat on the council or go through an interview process. The only requirements are to fill out an application and attend a certain amount

of meetings to be considered a member.

Meetings are held the second and fourth Tuesday of every month at 6 p.m. in the TMB auditorium.

They are led by Cabral along with Vice President Dylan Jones, Secretary Hailey Scott, and Chaplain Shelby King.

So far, they have had two meetings in which they discussed upcoming events, such as a salsa dancing party for Hispanic Heritage Month on September 17, and the responsibilities of the council that will make the events happen.

Though the meetings have started, it is not too late to join. SAC is open to students all year long which sets it apart from other groups and organizations.

Anyone can go to the meetings or visit the Student Life office on the fourth floor of the TMB for more information and applications.

### Meet The Chanticleer's 2014-2015 Staff



**Marie McBurnett**  
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Associate Editor



**Christiana Tyler**  
A&E Editor



**Marvel Robinson**  
Sports Editor

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# JSU asks: ready for Ready JSU Week?

**Megan Wise**  
Staff Writer

With the dawning of September, JSU has been alive with more than just the new term. Taking place from September 8th through the 12th, Ready JSU Week has and will be providing training opportunities as well as speakers in order to bring more attention to the many benefits of volunteerism in collaborations with National Preparedness Month.

National Preparedness Month encourages to educate citizens to take steps to prepare for emergencies in their homes, businesses, schools and communities as well as prevention, protection, response and recovery efforts to prepare the United States for all hazards, whether terrorist attack or natural disaster.

The goal of Ready JSU Week is to increase campus awareness about the importance of preparing for any type of disaster or emergency as well as demonstrating our campus response capabilities for when they are needed most.

Earlier this week, Ready JSU Week sponsored CERT training on campus. The CERT Program helps educate people about disaster preparedness and what they can do in case of such situations. They provide volunteers with basic disaster response skills such as fire safety, light search and rescue, and disas-



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ter medical procedures.

With certified CERT training, team members can be more aware as to how to protect their families, neighbors, coworkers, or classmates if a disaster was ever to occur.

This Thursday, September 11, from 9 a.m. to noon on the 11th floor of the Houston Cole Library is where this week's efforts will go to shine for "A Celebration of Volunteerism."

Speakers for the seminar will include Jennifer Maddox of the Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama, Justin Fuller of the AmeriCorps National Civilian Corps, Sheneka Love of the Calhoun County AmeriCorps Initiative, and Rebecca E. Turner of JSU's Career Services.

Here, students can learn how they can include

volunteerism among their skills on their résumés as well as how to get involved in programs such as AmeriCorps and how it can serve as a pathway to learning valuable skills and gaining experience that can help jumpstart careers.

Afterward, from 1 - 3 p.m., AmeriCorps volunteers will conduct an AmeriCorps Application Preparation Clinic in Room 1101C.

From 1 - 4 p.m., there will be Volunteer Reception Center training in Room 1101A. This training will familiarize attendees with VRCs, which are activated in times of disaster. There, participants will also be introduced to how to help organize disaster response volunteers with the help of "go boxes."

In the spirit of Ready

JSU Week, students, faculty and staff are encouraged to become more aware of what they might do in disastrous circumstances.

With the rise in technology on campus, they encourage to take advantage of Jacksonville State University's Emergency Alert System.

Even small steps such as setting up an emergency supply kit and making emergency plans go a long way. By being informed about the different emergencies that may affect them and taking the necessary steps to get trained and become engaged in community preparedness and response effort, students can help make a difference.

JSU is certainly putting the NPM's slogan "Be Disaster Aware, Take Action to Prepare" to good use.



Interested in becoming a Gamecock Orientation Leader? Applications are available now in the Office of Student Life, TMB room 402. Students applying must have at least 12 hours in the fall and spring semesters and must have attended one complete academic year at JSU. Turn in your applications to the Office of Student Life along with two letters of recommendation from JSU full-time faculty or staff. Applications and recommendations are due by October 10, 2014.

## Campus crime report

- 09/03/2014  
Theft of Property  
Theron Montgomery Building
- 09/03/2014  
Threat Assessment  
Stone Center
- 09/04/2014  
Harassing Communication  
Fitzpatrick Hall
- 09/04/2014  
Violation Student Code of Conduct  
Bibb Graves
- 09/04/2014  
Arrest- Fleeing Law Enforcement & Possession of Alcohol by a Minor  
Paul Carpenter Village
- 09/05/2014  
Arrest- Open Container & Consumption of Alcohol by a Minor  
Paul Carpenter Village
- 09/05/2014  
Automobile Accident  
Nelson Avenue
- 09/06/2014  
Duty Upon Striking an Unattended Vehicle  
Pannell Hall
- 09/06/2014  
Theft of Property  
Curtiss Hall
- 09/09/2014  
Arrest- Domestic Violence  
Crowe Hall Parking Lot

## Chicken Scratch



Finding a parking spot in the Mason parking lot is like the holy grail.

Five people are sitting in a tree in the quad and one of them just made monkey noises at me. You can't make this stuff up.

Having a 5 hour break between classes.

The janitor of my dorm just told me her life story while I was doing my laundry. It was really dramatic. I cried.

I've got 66 problems and one of them is being upside down.

Of course my teacher makes examples with donuts when I'm starving...








The walk from Stone to Ayers... #legslikejello

I have two major tests tomorrow so I'm just lying in the floor of the library hoping to absorb all of this information by osmosis.

**P.S. The Chanticleer has taken to Yik Yak to find Scratchworthy contributions to this section of the paper**

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## 7-day weather outlook

						
<b>TODAY</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>
Partly Cloudy	Chance of Thunderstorm	Chance of Thunderstorm	Chance of Thunderstorm	Chance of Thunderstorm	Partly Cloudy	Rain
High: 91° Low: 70°	High: 90° Low: 69°	High: 82° Low: 65°	High: 85° Low: 66°	High: 84° Low: 67°	High: 85° Low: 60°	High: 82° Low: 60°



# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## 'Tiny Deaths' opened in Hammond Hall

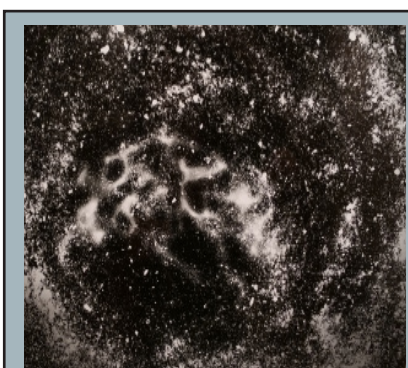
**Jacobie Rhodes**  
Staff Writer

September 5, 2014 saw the Hammond Hall art gallery full of art enthusiasts and students alike for the opening of Jacksonville State University alumni and art instructor at Gadsden State Community College Mario Gallardo's show, "Tiny Deaths."

Gallardo was able to share his creative process as well as insights into his pieces. He creates sculptures, installations, and photographic art by using extreme messages, imagery, and metaphors.

The majority of his pieces are created with found objects, or objects that already exist and that he has found in the world around him, such as fossils.

Gallardo spends a lot of time exploring and searching for new found objects and ideas from what he finds to create new artistic pieces.



Christiana Tyler/The Chanticleer

Seen here is the piece 'How quickly the hush will come' created using human ashes on silver gelatin paper and photographed.

Of fossils, Gallardo mentioned that he is "fascinated by them" and that he likes to inspire people around him through his works of art.

He elaborated on fossils by saying, "If I wasn't an artist, I'd probably be a scientist," because of how much he enjoyed using them to

create or support his work.

Before he begins creating a piece, Gallardo spends time brain storming about what he wants to do, then projecting his works to make them more presentable, understandable, and insightful.

He spends many hours creating each piece and that he must recognize the beauty in something in order for it to capture his thoughts completely.

Gallardo also explained that his work comes from a personal perspective and shared that "poetry really influences and helps me with my work."

One of his favorite poems by Felicia Hemans speaks about the relationship and close bond of a mother and child. He felt connected to the poem and said that it reminded him of his mother and the bond between them.

Gallardo shared his experience about his mother, who had lost her legs and died shortly after. After she passed away, he had her cremated and some of her ashes were implemented in a few of his works.

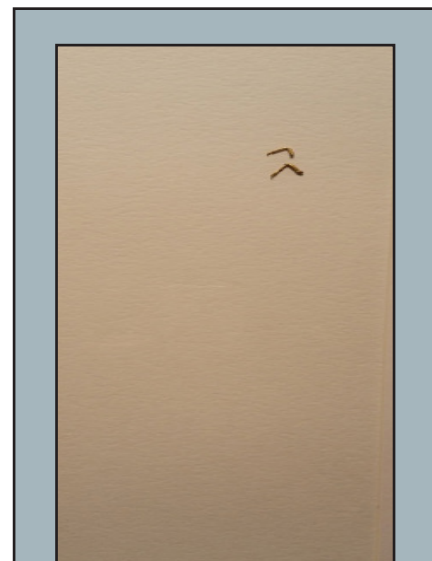
He claimed that the way he used the ashes in the piece represented that they are stars in the universe, and that it symbolized to "live your life no matter what."

He explains that he spends a great bit of time on what he does, and that it's definitely something worth doing in his lifetime.

Art Department senior Ashlee Jones had this to say about the opening, "His subject matter was

certainly unique, but his sculpture on the wall was amazing. He said that it was supposed to emulate a hurricane, despite it having a calm intensity."

Bryce Lafferty, a professor in the



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Shown is the piece that commemorates Gallardo's mother's loss of her legs created using cicada legs and gold leaf.



Christiana Tyler/The Chanticleer

Art Department who teaches drawing and painting, said of the gallery, "It's nice to have Mario's work here. He's provided a lot of opportunities for students to show in the Walnut Gallery at Gadsden State and so there's a nice connection. It's nice to have the connection between the two schools."

"Tiny Deaths' will be in the Hammond Hall art gallery until the end of the month of September.

## Review: Q Ensemble accompanies 'Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde'

**Patrice Green**  
Staff Writer

Last Friday night, a very unique performance took place in Mason Hall Performance Center. Led by Dr. James Woodward of the David L. Walters Department of Music, Jacksonville State University's very own Q Ensemble was the accompaniment to the classic 1920s silent film, Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde.

The Q Ensemble is a group of students that specializes in contemporary music performance.

"There's always been a contemporary music ensemble at JSU," says Woodward, and their purpose is just that – to promote unique, contemporary music.

When approached about his vision of the performance, Dr. Woodward explained one of the many connections between film and music. "I chose the medium and the film in general because it is easiest to improvise jazz (that's what jazz musicians do) and horror movie sounds."

"Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde provided lots of scenes in bars and clubs for jazz and lots of terror for horror movie sounds," says Woodard.

Dr. Woodward was very pleased with the outcome of the performance. "My favorite part was the really creepy parts of the film because it made the instrumentalists think about the sound that was coming from their instruments," says Woodward. "Instead of just playing pitches and rhythms, they were playing screeches and scratches and other things that can't even be written out on staff paper."

When asked about their favorite parts of the performance, the students were just as enthusiastic about the performance as their instructor. "Just getting to uncontrollably hit instruments and do things I don't re-

ally practice doing on a daily basis was pretty entertaining," says percussionist AJ Chandler.

The Q Ensemble made their entire performance – the improvisation, the horror movie sounds, the scratches and screeches – look incredibly easy. However, every performance has its own challenges.

"The most challenging part was getting the instrumentalists to abandon playing a melody and instead getting them to play a horrible, wretched sound to depict Mr. Hyde terrorizing people," explained Woodward.

"It's pretty difficult to play your instrument poorly after you've learned to perform so well," agrees bassist Nick Staff.

The Q Ensemble presented a truly unique and inspiring performance; the most impressive part being that they improvised in their minds what they felt was happening musically in each scene and manifested it in a way that made the film much more comprehensible to their audience.

Music helps us to understand a little bit more about ourselves and the world around us and the Q Ensemble has certainly brought a new taste of understanding to the city of Jacksonville.



James Woodard/JSU

The ensemble helped the audience better understand the movie.



Little River Canyon Center/JSU

## Little River Canyon Center presents 'Farm and Garden Fest: Celebrate the Harvest'

The JSU Little River Canyon Center presents Farm and Garden Fest: Celebrate the Harvest, a day celebrating agriculture, gardening, farm life and livestock, on Saturday, September 20 from 10:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

### Presentations for the day include:

- 11 a.m.
- Farm Trivia Game  
Dr. Jim Rayburn, JSU
- 12 p.m.
- Old Style Appalachian Fiddlin  
Dr. Jimmy Triplett, JSU
- 1 p.m.
- Alabama Farms: A Story in Pictures  
Patty Tucker, Lookout Mountain Artist
- 1:30 p.m.
- Butterfly Talk and Walk  
Dr. Vitaly Charny, author of Alabama Butterflies

### Ongoing Activities and Exhibits:

Ag in Action Agricultural Lab on Wheels: Interactive Farm Fun for Kids of All Ages

### Alabama Cooperative Extension 4H Exhibits

Alabama Cotton: From Seed to Field to Cloth, hands-on exhibit  
Shepherd's Hill "From Scratch" Soap, Candles, Candy, Forging, Wood Works and Quilts  
Alabama Land Trust: Farm Samples and Stories  
Bethany Village at Camp McDowell: Agricultural Education and Retreat Center

Livestock: Chickens, Mule, Cattle and More

### Garden Exhibits and Information

Prichard Leather Company: Leather Crafts and Goods  
Alabama Kettle Corn: Roasted Corn and Lemonade  
Spicy Kudzu: Luxury Bath and Body Products Hand-crafted in Alabama

For more information, call the Little River Canyon Center, Fort Payne, Alabama (256) 845-3548 or visit the Canyon Center website.

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# Houston Cole Library to host 2013 Georgia Author of the Year

Christiana Tyler

Arts & Entertainment Editor

Most people shy away from blood and bones, but on September 19th, 2014, Jacksonville State University's Friends of the Houston Cole Library will be featuring Joseph Scott Morgan in a book talk and signing beginning at 7 p.m. on the 11th floor of the Houston Cole Library.

Morgan is the 2013 Georgia Author of the Year and JSU Distinguished Scholar of Applied Forensics and works as a forensic analyst who regularly appears on major network television broadcasts.

The book, "Blood Beneath my Feet: The Journey of a Southern Death Investigator," is a memoir of his time as a death investigator that Scott says "is not CSI fluff or singularly focused crime stories."

Morgan has worked as close in hand with death for over twenty years in various capacities. These capacities include senior investigator for the Fulton County Medical Examiner's Office (FCMEO) in Atlanta, forensic investigator with the Jefferson Parish Coroner's Office in New Orleans.

At FCMEO, where he worked for 14 years, he managed 11 medicolegal death investigators



Courtesy of Joseph Scott Morgan

Joseph Scott Morgan is the author of the memoir 'Blood beneath my Feet: The Journey of a Southern Death Investigator.'

along with a personal case load that carried between 200 and 300 deaths per year.

When Morgan began working in New Orleans, he was the youngest medicolegal death investigator in the United States and served as an autopsy assistant along with his duties as death investigator.

Over the course of his career, Morgan has conducted over 7,000 autopsies between New Orleans and Atlanta.

"These experiences are expressed in a uniquely southern manner and this is brought to light through the quirky charac-

ters that I encountered throughout my career as well as the heart breaking consequences of loss suffered by the inhabitants of two great southern cities," Morgan asserts.

The reader will be able to follow Morgan through his time as a death investigator and see what changed over the course of time while having such an occupation.

This will be in high contrast to Hollywood's version of death investigation, because the real idea behind being a death investigator will be addressed instead of a glossing over of the emotional results of being a forensic analyst.

Because Morgan spent the majority of his days dealing with death, his work addresses the many psychological effects that come from that.

The event will have Morgan reading excerpts from his memoir, and discussing more of what lay behind the pages that most readers don't see.

Many who are interested in forensic science or in popular crime dramas would benefit by attending this event, in order to see what working in the field is actually like.

For more information, please contact the Houston Cole Library at 256-782-5758.

## Upcoming events on and around campus

September 13, 2014

The Jacksonville Opera Theatre will be presenting 'Christmas for King Midas' in the Mason Hall Performance Center beginning at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$5 at the door.

September 17, 2014

SGA will host the SGA Salsa Party in the TMB auditorium beginning at 7 p.m.

September 18, 2014

The film 'A More Perfect Union: America Becomes a Nation' will be screened in Leone Cole Auditorium beginning at 4:30 p.m. to celebrate Constitution Day.

September 19, 2014

The author Joseph Scott Morgan will be hosting a book signing beginning at 7 p.m. on the 11th floor of the Houston Cole Library

September 23, 2014

The Rome, Italy Study Abroad interest meeting for the May 2015 semester will be held in room 326 of Stone Center beginning at 4 p.m.

September 26, 2014

Student Performance Hour will be held in Mason Hall Performance Center beginning at 1:45

# Take a hike with JSU Field Schools

The days are getting shorter and cooler, the back-to-school rush is over, and the yard work that was such a beast in July has become a little more manageable. What is there to do, then, on a football free September Saturday in Calhoun County?

How about a walk on the wild side?

On Saturday, September 13, Jacksonville State University Field Schools along with the Anniston Outdoor Association and the Choccolocco Creek Watershed Alliance will host two hikes designed to get participants out of the house and into the great outdoors.

These include an 8.3-mile hike on the Pinhoti Trail and a creek trek that will teach hikers about medicinal and edible plants of the Choccolocco Creek watershed.

The Pinhoti Trail hike will begin at the Cheaha State Park trailhead and will end at the Turnipseed trailhead on Alabama Highway 281 (the Scenic Byway).

The trek will log 5.3 miles to Little Caney Head on the Pinhoti Trail and then take the Chinnabee Silent Trail to the finish.

The Pinhoti portion of the hike will involve several climbs and rocky terrain, while the portion of the hike on the Chinnabee Silent Trail will feature a steep descent down rocky terrain for about a mile before leveling out for the final mile.

For hikers who aren't quite ready for such a physical trek, there's

Creek Walk: Medicinal and Edible Plants, the perfect opportunity to enjoy a day outdoors and gather some knowledge about beneficial plants.

Francine Hutchinson, botanist and assistant curator of JSU's Herbarium will lead the walk centered on the fascinating habitat of the Choccolocco Creek watershed.

Hutchinson has spent 20 years in the classroom as a National Board Certified Biology teacher and regularly conducts hikes and field trips for the JSU Field Schools.

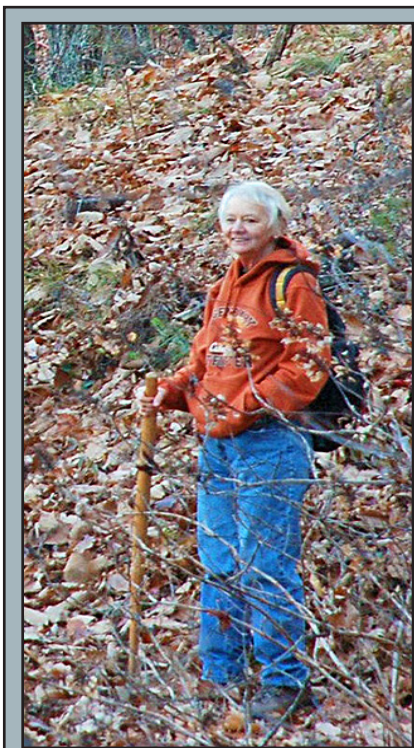
Hutchinson says that of the estimated 2,000-3,000 native plants in the Choccolocco Creek watershed area, she has identified about 750 different species.

A good rule of thumb is that about half of those identified species are medicinal or edible. The trick, she says, is in knowing which half is which.

Of the helpful native plants Hutchinson expects to see and share on the trail on September 13, jewelweed is among her favorites.

"It's a little annual but it's really good at propagating itself. It has a beautiful little flower and it's blooming and seeding this time of year," she says. "It's edible and it's highly medicinal, especially for things you'll encounter this time of year—chiggers, poison oak, infections. You can eat it, and you can steam it. There are a lot of different ways to work with it."

Also fruiting at this time of the year is elderberry, which received its



Courtesy of Francine Hutchinson

Botanist and environmental educator Francine Hutchinson will lead the September 13 Medicinal and Edible Plants Walk.

common name due to its medicinal properties believed to increase longevity.

Elderberries are commonly made into wine, juice, and even jam.

Joe-pye weed, which grows along sunny roadsides, is good for gout, influenza and an assortment of ills, according to Hutchinson.

It's not necessarily edible; rather, its flowers and leaves are often boiled into syrups and tea.

While she enjoys sharing her

knowledge with others, Hutchinson says she always begins her plant hikes with a disclaimer.

"While it's great to explore and get to know the native plants, if you're going to incorporate herbs into your diet for medicinal purposes, it's best to start at an herb store where dosages are regulated, research any herbs you plan to take, and always consult with your physician before starting any herbal regimen," she says.

"I encourage everyone to do their homework and start out with small dosages of any herbals, especially if they're going to be eating plants. You have to be very careful because there are plants that look very much alike. Some will be good medicine; some will kill you."

For this hike, Hutchinson suggests that participants bring along their cameras or mobile devices, which can be very useful in documenting the plants.

There are a number of free apps that help with plant identification, as well.

She also suggests that participants bring their favorite bug spray, a hat, and lots of water.

For more information about these or other JSU Field Schools programs please contact Renee Morrison, assistant director of JSU Field Schools, by phone at 256-782-5697 or email [rmorrison@jsu.edu](mailto:rmorrison@jsu.edu) or visit the JSU Field Schools website.

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## Registration Information

### Creek Walk: Medicinal & Edible Plants

Best suited for ages 14 to adult.

Come prepared with your camera and questions!

Date: Saturday September 13

Meet up: Dugger Mountain Wilderness Area (Meet at Pink E. Burns Trail-head on Rabbittown Road)

Time: 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

What to Bring: Day pack with lunch/supplies

Fee: \$5 per person

Registration: Must pre-register; please call (256) 782-8010 or email

Renee Morrison, [rmorrison@jsu.edu](mailto:rmorrison@jsu.edu)

### Pinhoti Trail Hike

(Anniston Outdoor Association and JSU Field Schools)

Date: Saturday September 13

Meet up: Publix parking lot located at the Oxford Exchange adjacent to Exit 188 on I-20 and US Hwy 78

Time: Meet up at 8:30 a.m.; Actual hike time is 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

What to Bring: Day pack with lunch/supplies

Fee: \$5 per person; free for AOA members

Registration: Contact Keith Hudson by Thursday, September 11. Call (256) 231-7675 or (256) 239-8746, or email [ataoa@anniston.org](mailto:ataoa@anniston.org).



# OPINION & EDITORIAL

## Losing the lottery

**Brett Johnson**  
Staff Writer

The year was 1999; Governor Don Siegleman (D) had just been elected on the platform of bringing the lottery to Alabama. A year-long campaign ensued with Gov. Siegleman and his supporters blanketing the state with pro-lottery propaganda

leading to the vote of the people to approve legalizing the lottery.

Opposition came from religious groups who said a lottery would exploit the poor and was immoral. Ultimately, the initiative failed in a vote of 54 to 46 percent.

Fast-forward to 2014; almost an entire generation later. Just last week, the largest media group in the state Alabama Media Group conducted a statewide poll asking readers if they would support or oppose a lottery vote if it were held today.

83 percent of readers said that they would vote 'yes' on a lottery vote if it were held today. Only 13 percent said they would vote 'no,' and a mere 2 percent of the total 7,200 voters said they were 'undecided.'

What else happened last week? Alabama Governor Robert Bentley (R) stated publicly that he is opposed to a lottery, but "would not block a vote" if it were proposed by the legislature.

His challenger, former Congressman Parker Griffith (D), has taken a page from Siegleman's campaign playbook by openly advocating for a lottery and he is picking up new ground for his position.

With such wide support for a lottery, why is it that the legis-

lature and the governor have not budged on the issue? Are they out of touch? Do they simply not care?

My answer: welcome to election season. Politics in Alabama can be very wishy-washy. What you would think is common sense becomes a controversial issue instead.

We have state budgets that are in dire straits. Tuition

is going up statewide because the legislature doesn't have (or can't find) enough revenue to fund schools adequately—including public universities like JSU.

Yet, an education lottery, which has shown would bring in at least \$250 million in new revenue each year is an issue that the Republican Supermajority in the Alabama legislature is ignoring.

However, the tide is slowly changing. With new media coverage of statewide support for the issue, some Republicans in the legislature are "reconsidering" their stance on the issue. Meanwhile, the Democrats have proposed a bill each session to put the issue to a new statewide vote.

To me, this issue should not be a Republican versus Democrat issue at all. It's a common sense versus perceived principles issue.

As policy makers, our state leaders need to learn a little more about solving problems rather than pandering to their political base. There is a huge problem: failing state budgets. There is a proven solution: an education lottery.

With all of the facts on our side, 15 years after the last statewide discussion, I find myself wondering: why does it seem that we are still losing the lottery?



## Confessions of an Apple addict

**Alex McFry**  
Associate Editor

This week, I fell victim to another surge of pop culture roulette—that game where you pick up your phone to check an email and end up taking fifteen quizzes on BuzzFeed, opening at least three articles about cute cats and doing everything but

checking that one email that you needed to check in the first place.

The garbage I fell victim to this time? "Ten Things Every White Girl Does in Fall." I can proudly say that not one of these crazes applied to my own life...except number eight. When I saw "wait in line for the new iPhone," I realized I might be more "white girl" than I originally thought.

If you're anything like me, you bit your nails with anticipation of the new iPhone announcement this Tuesday. If you aren't, you were probably doing something a little more productive with your Tuesday. The Apple Live event had Apple fanatics around the world on the edge of their seats. After almost a year of Apple anxiety caused by rumors of the design of the new iPhone 6, it was finally revealed to the public.

There's a mental checklist I go through each time I leave my dorm: keys, wallet, iPhone. With the newest model, I fear that I might not be able to be conveniently drop my phone in my pocket and be on my way.

Having only ever had one iPhone (the 5), I can't get very critical about the new design. There have been people long before me who are much more dedicated to this brand who

have that right. This being said, I can't see the reasoning behind

an iPhone whose size encroaches that of the iPad Mini.

The announcement for the new iPhone made me realize what a "smartphone nation" we have become. I'm sure most have heard it from a professor in some form or another—we are all ad-

dicted to our smartphones.

Earlier this week, one of my classes got in a discussion about generational characteristics. This stemmed a realization—the next generation won't know what it's like to live in a world without smartphones. Even today's generation finds it hard to recall a time when people were essentially "disconnected" from the world. It is virtually impossible to not be virtual.

For so many people, smartphones have become much more than just phones—cameras, calculators, flashlights, and countless other utilities allow people to do just about anything with just a small piece of metal and wiring.

On the other side of this never-ending argument, people say we are willingly tying our hands behind our backs with each shiny new phone upgrade is released. Is it really worth all of the hype? Is it really worth missing all the real world experiences happening everyday, all around us, for the tiny pixelated screen in front of our faces?

So now, we wait. We wait, sipping our pumpkin spice lattes and sporting our new infinity scarves, waiting in line at the Apple Store for the iPhone 6. Happy fall, all you Apple crusaders out there!



## Apple unveils new iPhone 6 and iPhone 6 plus

**Taylor Brown**  
Staff Writer

Apple lovers alike are rejoicing over the new iPhone 6 and 6 Plus release on Tuesday, September 9.

Apple unveiled two new models, the new versions of the iPhone at their special event at the Flint Center for the Performing Arts in Cupertino, California.

Apple CEO Tim Cook described the new phones as "without a doubt the best iPhones we've ever done." Apple's Senior Vice President of World Marketing Phil Schiller was present to talk about the new models.

One of the biggest changes to the phones is in the external design. The glass panel now wraps around the frame to meet the bezel, which according to Schiller "meets seamlessly."

The back is made of anodized aluminum, with a stainless steel Apple logo embossed.



LEFT TO RIGHT: iPhone 4, iPhone 5, iPhone 6

The new phones feature new displays called "Retina HD". According to Apple, the screen uses better technology like ion-strengthened glass and an ultra thin backlight to give up to a 1080 pixel resolution.

Screen sizes have gotten an increase as well, with the iPhone 6 screen measuring 4.7 inches and the iPhone 6 Plus measuring at 5.5 inches, compared to the previous iPhone 5s screen of 4 inches.

Despite the increase in screen sizes, the thickness of the newer models is reported to be thinner than previous models.

Inside the new phones is a brand new A8 processor, which according to Apple is 25% faster than the previous processor used in the iPhone 5s.

The fingerprint scanner from the iPhone 5 and 5s remains.

With the new hardware comes improved battery life of 11 hours for the iPhone 6 and 14 hours for the iPhone 6 Plus.

The camera of the new phones is 8 megapixels, the same as the earlier models, but is said to feature an improved sensor.

Also new is 802.11ac wifi support advertises a nearly three times faster Internet speed. The latest versions of the iPhone will be available in the United States and eight other countries beginning on September 19. The iPhone 6 will start at \$199 for the 16GB version, \$299 for the 64GB and \$399 for the 128GB. The iPhone 6 Plus starts at \$299.

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# SPORTS

## Gamecocks Side Bar

### FCS 2014 Top 25

1. North Dakota State
2. Eastern Washington
3. Southeastern Louisiana
4. Montana
5. Coastal Carolina
6. McNeese State
7. Villanova
8. Jacksonville State
9. New Hampshire
10. South Dakota State
11. UNI
12. Furman
13. Chattanooga
14. Bethune-Cookman
15. Sam Houston State
16. Youngstown State
17. Chattanooga
18. Montana State
19. William & Mary
20. Maine
21. Richmond
22. Tennessee State
23. Fordham
24. Eastern Illinois
25. Eastern Kentucky

### 2014 Football Schedule

- 8/29 @ Michigan State L 7-45
  - 9/6 @ Chattanooga W 26-23
  - 9/13 Open
  - 9/20 vs West Alabama
  - 9/27 @ Murray State \*
  - 10/4 vs UT Martin \*
  - 10/11 @ Tennessee State \*
  - 10/18 Open
  - 10/25 vs Tennessee Tech \*
  - 11/1 vs Austin Peay \*\*
  - 11/8 @ Eastern Kentucky \*
  - 11/15 vs Eastern Illinois \*
  - 11/22 @ Southeast Missouri \*
- \*OVC game/ \*\* Homecoming

### Upcoming Action

- 9/12
  - Volleyball vs UAB
  - Soccer @ Troy
  - Volleyball @ Ole Miss
- 9/13
  - Volleyball vs Mercer
- 9/14
  - Soccer @ Alabama State
- 9/16
  - Volleyball @ Alabama State

### Football

- Eli Jenkins named OVC Offensive Player of the Week
- Devaunte Sigler named OVC Newcomer of the Week

### Soccer

- Courtney Hurt named OVC Co-Offensive Player of the Week



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Eli Jenkins gets ready to pass the ball. Jenkins scored the game-winning touchdown run in overtime to give the Gamecocks

## Overtime thriller gives Grass first win

**Marvel Robinson**  
*Sports Editor*

John Grass earned his first win as head coach of the Jacksonville State Gamecocks as they defeated the Chattanooga Mocs 26-23 in an overtime thriller.

Jacksonville State approached the game ranked No. 9 and Chattanooga was ranked No. 13.

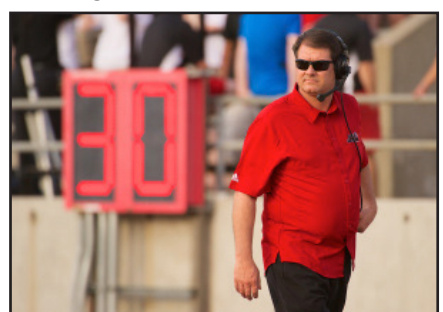
All of the Gamecocks touchdowns came from running the ball. Miles Jones, DaMarcus James and Eli Jenkins all scored on a rushing touchdown.

Chattanooga didn't score at all on offense.

The scoring started when Miles Jones ran 12-yards for a Jacksonville State touchdown. Chattanooga would then score on defense as Eli Jenkins was intercepted by Dee Virgin for a 55-yard return. The Gamecocks had their longest drive of the game in the second quarter. DaMarcus James ended the 11 plays, 88-yard drive with a 4-yard touchdown run to make the score 14-7. The kicker, Connor Rouleau, added three points with a field goal. The

42-yard field goal was Rouleau's first career attempt and first career make. Chattanooga would then score again on another interception return. Lucas Webb intercepted Max Shortell to make it 17-14 at halftime.

The second half was more of a defensive game as nothing but field goals were kicked. Rou-



Steve Lathan/JSU

John Grass gets first win as head coach

leau kicked a 21-yard field goal in the third quarter to make it 20-14. Chattanooga would then kick two field goals of their own to tie the game and send it to overtime.

Chattanooga would score first in the overtime. The Mocs kicked a 29-yard field goal to put them up three. All the Gamecocks needed

was a touchdown to win the game and Eli Jenkins made sure they got it. Jenkins scored the game winning touchdown on a 13-yard run. The touchdown gave Coach Grass his first win as head coach.

The Gamecocks defense was strong as they only allowed 111 total yards. This was the fewest total yards allowed against a JSU team since the Gamecocks moved to Division I in 1995. Chattanooga only had 38 passing yards with 73 rushing yards. Jacksonville State on the other hand, had 409 yards of total offense. The Gamecocks had 124 passing yards and 285 rushing yards.

DaMarcus James led the rushing with 112 yards and a touchdown. The touchdown gave James 36-career rushing touchdowns which is third in JSU history.

Eli Jenkins was named OVC Offensive Player of the Week and Devaunte Sigler was named OVC Newcomer of the Week.

The Gamecocks have an open week this week and will get ready for their home opener against West Alabama on Sept. 20.

## JSU Soccer falls to Alabama 0-2

**Wesley Schultz**  
*Staff Writer*

After the JSU Soccer team defeated Jackson State 7-1 on last Friday, they traveled to Tuscaloosa to play Alabama on Sunday.

In the last two games, the gamecocks scored 22 goals. However, the team came out flat in the 2-0 loss against the Crimson Tide. The offense just was not there for the Gamecocks this game as they only got three shots. The Crimson Tide, on the other hand, had a total of 30 shots.

The Gamecocks offense was not the only part of the team that struggled in this game. The defense also had an obvious struggle and could've used some tighten up as well. The thirty shots that the Gamecocks allowed was a season high for the team.

The bright spot in the game for the Gamecocks was the seven saves by the goalkeeper Caroline Robinson. The seven saves are a season high for the freshman.

In the first half, the Crimson Tide had 13 shots and were only able to convert on one of those chance.



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Head Coach Neil Macdonald watches his soccer team fall to Alabama 0-2.

Lacey Clarida scored the first half goal with the aid of a pass from Jordan Meier. The two shots that were taken by JSU in the first half were from senior Jackie Rush. The Tide went on to score another goal in the second half off the foot of Theresa Diederich. Diederich recorded a game high seven shots in the win for the University of Alabama. The win improves Alabama's record to 3-2-1.

The loss pushes JSU's record to

an even 3-3. Sunday's loss was the first of a string of away games for the Gamecocks as they will be visiting Troy and Alabama State this weekend. The Gamecocks will be looking to bounce back after this loss in their game at Troy on Friday at 3:00 pm. They will then travel to Alabama State on Sunday. To watch the live stats of the game, go to [jsugamecocksports.com](http://jsugamecocksports.com).



# Anderson breaks JSU Golf records



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Tomasz Anderson (on the left) with Lance Ringler (on the right) of Golfweek Program Challenge after his record-breaking round of 60 on Tuesday.

**PAWLEY'S ISLAND, S.C.**—Senior Tomasz Anderson used a record-breaking final round on Tuesday to cap a record-breaking win at the Golfweek Program Challenge.

The Hertfordshire, England native fired a 12-under 60 on the 6,926-yard True Blue Golf Course to cap a 19-under 197 that won medalist honors in the 60-player field. It was his fifth career win, the most by any player in school history, and his second at the Golfweek Program Challenge, which he won in his first event as a Gamecock freshman in 2011. It was good enough to propel JSU into a third-place finish in the 12-team event.

Anderson's 60 broke JSU records for low round and low round vs. par, two shots better than a 62 by Matthew Wallace in 2010. It shattered a new True Blue course record from any tee and shattered the previous record from the black tees of 63. His 197 total makes him the first Gamecock to break 200 in a 54-hole event, breaking his school record of 201 set

in his 2011 win in the same event.

After starting the day tied for fifth on the individual leaderboard, Anderson got his final round going with consecutive pars before the birdies started piling up. He birdied four-straight holes to start a run of nine birdies over his next 10 holes, a run that helped him take the lead in the event. After back-to-back pars on 13 and 14, he recorded birdie on three of his final four holes, including 17 and 18, to run away with medalist honors.

He won the event by five shots over Jacksonville's Colin Monagle, who started the day ahead of Anderson and shot a 66, only to have to settle for runner-up honors. The win is the fifth in his JSU career, passing Nick Mackay for first on that list.

Anderson wasn't the only Gamecock putting up red numbers on a day that saw his team shoot a 271, the lowest round of any team in the field during the three-day tournament. It was the second-lowest 18-hole score by a Gamecock team in school history and helped JSU

leap into third in the tournament.

Sophomore Pablo Torres made a big move up the leaderboard with his final-round 66. His best round as a Gamecock and one that tied for the 12th-best in school history helped the Bogota, Columbia, native jump 16 spots on the final day to finish in a tie for 12th.

Torres was 1-under on the front nine before starting the back side with four-straight birdies. A birdie on the par-3, 205-yard 16th hole was his final one of the day and gave him a 54-hole score of 210.

Sophomore Jamie Mist turned in a final-round 71 to finish a three-day score of 212 and tie for 20th. Sophomore Thomas Lawton's 74 finished him in a tie for 40th, while junior David Weeks tied for 51st after a final-round 75 on Tuesday.

Anderson, led the field in par-4 scoring by shooting 9-under over the three-day event and was third in the field by playing True Blue's par 5's at eight under par. Old Dominion won the team event with a 31-un-

der 833, three shots ahead of Jacksonville and four better than JSU.

The JSU women, who were playing simultaneously on the Caledonia Golf and Fish Club, shot their best round of the week to climb one spot and finish tied for ninth in the Golfweek Program Challenge.

A final-round 299 was keyed by senior Maya Parsons' 5-under 67, tying her career low and the second lowest round in JSU women's history. The Whitby, Ontario, native started the day with three birdies on the first four holes and used an eagle on the par-5 15th to cap a 223 that saw her climb 20 spots into a tie for 18th.

Junior Erin Gunnels turned in a 74 in Tuesday's final round to finish tied for 36th, two shots behind junior Melania Bajo Geijo in a tie for 31st. Freshman Natalia Azcue finished tied for 51st, while sophomore Angie Varona tied for 54th.

Furman won the women's event, while Old Dominion's Rachel Walker claimed medalist honors.

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Volleyball Coach Terry Gamble earns his 800th career win.

## 800 career wins and counting

**Rebekah Hawkins**  
Sports Writer

It was a historic day for first-year head coach Terry Gamble last Thursday. His Gamecocks swept the series against opponent Alabama A&M and brought him his 800th career win.

The win came during the Troy Invitational held at Trojan Arena. The Gamecocks were set to play Alabama A&M, Mercer and finally the host Troy Trojans.

Alabama A&M attack percentage was minimal at best. The Gamecocks held them to .080 while they boasted a .319 percentage on their way to the victories. Emily Rutherford led the Gamecocks with 15 kills, while Jennifer Hart had 31 assists and Samantha Bohne had 17 digs.

The final scores for the sweep were 25-

19, 25-15 and 25-9.

After the sweet victory for Coach Gamble and his team, the Gamecocks rode their high straight into another sweep of the Mercer Bears. Despite the win, each set was closely matched for the Gamecocks with final scores of 25-23, 25-22 and 25-20.

The Bears were held to .069 attack percentage, while the Gamecocks were at .191. Nicole Merget led the team with 13 kills and Allyson Zuhlke was right behind her in double digits with 10 kills. Jennifer Hart led the team with 32 assists, while Emily Rutherford, Samantha Bohne and Charis Ludtke all had seven digs apiece on defense.

The Gamecocks winning streak would end on the final day of the tournament when host Troy defeated them. JSU played four sets against the Tro-

jans and won only once.

The finals for the match were 25-13, 25-17, 19-25 and 25-15 with set three being the lone win for JSU.

This time it was Troy who held the Gamecocks to a low attack percentage of .138 while the Trojans cruised to a .347 percentage. They had three players with kills in the double digits, 18 of which came from Blair Winston. The Gamecocks had their share of kills though. Zuhlke and Merget were back at the top of the kills list with 15 and 12 respectively. Hart added another 31 assists to her record and Hannah Kirk took care of defense with 14 digs.

The Gamecocks head to Oxford, Miss., next for the Magnolia Invitational. Friday will bring matches against UAB and Ole Miss followed up on Saturday with a match against Mercer.



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