Students on our campus have made “yaking” part of their daily routines. Yik Yak, an app that launched in 2013, has become a part of the college experience for students on campuses across the nation since last summer. To date, students on over 1,600 campuses use Yik Yak to share opinions, vent frustrations and elicit the occasional helping hand. Furman University students BrooksBuffington and Tyler Distelblute created Yik Yak in November of 2013.

“They thought, ‘Why doesn’t everyone have this power to reach out their community and say what’s on their mind?’” said Ben Popkin in an exclusive interview with The Chanticleer last week. Popkin is the lead community manager for Yik Yak, and his department manages aspects such as customer support, press releases and overview and monitoring of the Yaks.

“(They wanted) a way to give everyone an equal playing field and an equal voice,” said Popkin. For students with the app, an “equal playing field” is not necessarily the first thought that comes to mind. While there are gems to be found, there’s a likelihood for misuse by certain small groups, but “we see it mostly used the way we intended it to,” Popkin said. “Occasionally, like all social media apps, we don’t have 100% perfect use on college campuses. They’re mostly mature. The good stuff gets upvoted and the bad stuff gets downvoted, so usually the bad things get rid of themselves.”

In regards to the threats of violence that have been a common concern on campuses across the nation, Yik Yak’s response was geofencing, a software feature that blocks the app from being accessed within 1.5 miles of a high school. “We recognize that with any social media there’s a likelihood for misuse by certain small groups, but [we] see it mostly used the way we intended it to,” Popkin said. “Occasionally, like all social media apps, we don’t have 100% perfect use on college campuses. They’re mostly mature. The good stuff gets upvoted and the bad stuff gets downvoted, so usually the bad things get rid of themselves.”

When students select majors, one of the most overlooked and underappreciated is History. The History and Foreign Language Department offers a Bachelor’s degree in Foreign Language in a concentration or either Spanish or French. They also offer an undergraduate and Master’s degree in History.

“We get a lot of people who did not want to be a history major coming in,” Dr. Harvey said, “but you got into a history class, you took it, you had fun and now you want to do this for your major.”

The department as a whole has a commitment to their students. They can always be found in the hallway interacting with students or organizing events for their extracurricular activities to put a more hands on approach to learning into the material. In terms of extracurricular activities, the department offers the History Club. This club has a $10 annual fee and anyone can be a member. They take field trips every semester and this year they are going to Montgomery to see a play at the Shakespeare Museum and also see some other historical sites in Montgomery.
They also have the History Honors Society, Phi Alpha Theta, which is a little more exclusive. Students have to have a certain amount of hours in history as well as maintain a certain GPA. This is a huge honor being that there is only one history honorary society in America.

One of the most frequent questions that the department seems to get is “What can I actually do with a degree in history?” Dr. Langford answered

“you come out of the liberal arts majors (History, Foreign language, English) with a skill set that employers can’t teach. You know how to read, you know how to write and you know how to critically think and that is what most employers are looking for today,” said Harvey.

Some of the biggest names in today’s world is to bring the individuals and institutions that commit to fraternities together. Kenneth Smith is the president of the Sigma Nu chapter here at Jacksonville State University. He discovered the Southeastern Interfraternity Conference because of Kristen Smith, the advisor from the University of Central Florida. In

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takes a leadership conference in Atlanta that

Smith takes national title

Katelyn Schneider

Staff Writer

Jacksonville State University has the immense pleasure of recognizing student, Kenneth Smith, who has been elected as the 41st President of the Southeastern Interfraternity Conference (SEIFC). The SEIFC is one of three of these associations. This particular voluntary association

handles fraternities in the southeast United States. It includes institutions in New Mexico all the way to Virginia. Sometimes conferences can have up to 600 fraternity leaders from various institutions. The mission of this organization is to bring the individuals and institutions that commit to fraternities together.

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come to events is because they don’t know about us,” said Tolson. “So, my one main goal, if elected, is I would want to work very closely with the Director of Publicity and publicize all the events. Don’t just stop at the Greek organizations; go to the really small ones.”

President of Organizational Affairs is between Dylan Jones, Austin Thigpen and Hunter Wallace. Jones is a senior in JSU double majoring in political science and public relations.

“One of my goals is to have at least seventy-five percent of attendance at every [Organizational Council] meeting,” Jones said. “Another thing I’m really looking forward to is the community service that I’m looking to drive in through the organizations. This gives a way for the people who make up the organizations to bond.”

Thigpen emphasized the necessity of organizations to the university’s continuity.

“I really want to represent all the organizations on campus to my peers in SGA and to the administration. Without organizations at JSU, we’re just a boring place where you go to take tests, and I would dare to say that we wouldn’t be the Friendliest Campus in the South, because our students wouldn’t be so happy.”

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Amanda WILKINS

Check out this week’s edition online at www.jsu.edu/chanticleer! Check back each week for announcements from the JSU Faculty Commons
**Campus crime report: 02/19 to 03/05**

- **02/19/2015**
  - Criminal Mischief
  - Jax Apartments

- **02/23/2015**
  - Information Report- Parking
  - Salls Hall

- **02/26/2015**
  - Theft of Property
  - Brewer Hall
  - Theft of Property
  - Ladiga Street
  - Violation of Student Code of Conduct

- **02/27/2015**
  - Medical Emergency
  - Crow Hall

- **03/01/2015**
  - Violation of Student Code of Conduct
  - Pannell Hall

- **03/02/2015**
  - Damaged Property
  - Stadium Tower
  - Crow Hall

- **03/03/2015**
  - Parking Lot
  - Trespass Order

- **03/02/2015**
  - Medical Emergency
  - Ayers Hall
  - Information Report- Lost Property

- **03/03/2015**
  - Stone Center

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**Dear Chanty,**

I am getting ready to move out of my parents’ house. This is my second year in college and I am ready to spread my wings. My parents are completely fine with me moving out. They say that they’ll help me out financially if I really need it too. They told me that living on my own is part of the learning process.

If I have to live out-of-state when I graduate and get a job on my own, the experience I gain while living alone now will carry on to that time, where my parents may not have the opportunity to take me back in.

Because they told me that they would help me out, I’m tempted to just live on my own in a one-bedroom apartment. I planned well, and financially, I would be able to survive each month—barely. I don’t want my parents to think that I’m using them, but I really don’t want a roommate because I’ve heard horror stories.

Sincerely,

Moving Out,

Moving out is a big deal—and a huge commitment. If you had been living with a roommate for a while and then decided that it wasn’t for you, I would say try to live on your own. Since this is the first time you’ll live on your own, however, I think you should find a roommate.

There is a lot of risk involved if you plan to barely survive. There are a lot of unexpected expenses that go along with living alone. While your parents offered financial help, the point of living on your own is to learn to live without them. You’ll make financial mistakes sometimes, but you need to learn the ability to bounce back on your own. To cut down the financial burden, a roommate will help.

You won’t spend your entire paycheck each month, and you’ll be able to save up a buffer for those unexpected expenses.

Yours truly,

Chanty

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**7-day weather outlook**

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This year, the Jacksonville State University Jazz Program will hold the fourth annual Jazz Festival on March 6th. High school and college groups from the area will gather to attend the Festival. The Jazz Festival is a non-competitive educational and musical experience that is designed to grow the love of jazz by gathering students, directors, and guest clinicians in one place. According to Dr. Andy Nevala, a jazz professor here at JSU, “every major Jazz Program in the country has a festival of some sort.” JSU’s festival is to help recruit new students, spread awareness of Jazz Education, and provide the city of Jacksonville and JSU an opportunity to hear students perform at a high level.

In accordance with this, most of the day students will spend in classrooms, clinics and masterclasses. About 20 bands will be participating in the festival this year, ten of which are JSU groups and combos. In all, four JSU Jazz ensembles, six combos and the JSU Latin Ensemble, as well as bands from Gadsden State Community College, Northeast Alabama Community College, Jacksonville High School, White Plains High School, Southside High School, and Escambia County High School will be participating.

The performances will be split between the Leonie Cole Auditorium and the Theron Montgomery Building Auditorium.

According to Dr. Andy Nevala, a jazz professor here at JSU, “every major Jazz Program, to help with recruitment and the Leonie Cole Auditorium, will be a brown bag concert and all are invited to spend their lunch hour hearing and enjoying music.” The performances will be split between the Leonie Cole Auditorium and the Theron Montgomery Building Auditorium.

JSU Creatives bring home Addys

The American Advertising Federation of Birmingham recently recognized artistic contributions by and on behalf of JSU during the annual Birmingham Addy Awards held on February 20 at Old Car Heaven in Birmingham. The American Advertising Awards, or the Addys, is the nationally-acclaimed awarding competition for advertising creators. Winners are recognized in EDMA competitions and CAA competitions.

JSU staff and faculty who brought home silver Addys include Mary Smith ('93), coordinator of publications, and Morgan Christopher ('10), graphic designer, for their JSU Welcome Packet “You Are In” letterhead and envelope (brochures category); Shanon Coffield, lead interactive designer, JSU Drama Season, for their “We Are JSU” soccer posters (campaign category);Among Wiles’ designs, was named Creative Director of the Year. Among Wiles’ achievements during the past year were the “Go Build Alabama” consumer regional/national campaign for the Alabama Construction Recruitment Institute, an integrated campaign for the musical group St. Paul and the Broken Bones, and the Vulcan Park and Museum campaign, “110 Years, Standing for Birmingham.”

The CD includes 3 Radiohead songs and 2 Jim McNeely arrangements that the Jazz Ensemble performs. The jazz faculty recorded original compositions by Dr. Dave Lam- bert, and the JSU’s Collaborative Regional Education (CORE) partners (Audio/Video Sales Presentation category).

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A Cappella Choir makes final fundraising push for trip to Carnegie Hall

JSU’s A Cappella Choir will soon depart for NYC’s Carnegie Hall for the performance of a lifetime. Before they hit the road, they are conducting one more fundraising activity to help fund their trip.

On Thursday, March 19, 14 members of JSU’s A Cappella Choir and JSU Director of Choral Activities, Patricia Corbin, will be traveling to New York City to join other choirs perform at Carnegie Hall. The concert is Sunday, March 22nd at 2:00 p.m. They will perform Morten Lauridsen’s Lux Aeternaunder the direction of Douglas Meurs.

The choir members will be staying at a hotel in downtown Manhattan for five days and will have an opportunity to explore New York City when they are not in rehearsals. Students have been fundraising since August for this trip, with yard sales, book sales, and most recently, singing Valentines. Their final fundraising activity will be bake sales in Mason Hall during Music Department Scholarship auditions, Friday and Saturday, February 20-21, and 27-28. “Many of these students have never traveled out of the southeast, “ says Dr. Corbin. “As stressful as it is to fundraise for an expensive trip like this, I am so excited that these students will have this experience! I am confident it will be something they will never forget.”

Discounted tickets for the Carnegie Hall concert are available until March 4 through PipTix, (info@piptix.com). After March 4, full price tickets may be ordered through CarnegieCharge at (212) 247-7800, or purchased at the Carnegie Hall box office, located at 57th Street and Seventh Avenue in New York, or purchased online at www.carnegiehall.org.

For a preview of the New York concert the entire A Cappella Choir will be performing the Lauridsen’s Lux Aeterna at spring concert, Sunday, March 15, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Anniston, accompanied by guest organist and former A Cappella choir member, Joshua Bullock. Miss. Jean Corlett is the choir’s regular accompanist. This concert is free and open to the public. Donations to assist these students with their travel expenses are gratefully accepted and may be made through the JSU Foundation. Please make checks payable to “JSU Friends of Music/Choirs.” Checks may be mailed or dropped off at the David L. Walters Department of Music, or the JSU Foundation.

~JSU Newswire
It’s time we change course, said Alabama Governor Robert Bentley, his 2015 State of the State address. “It’s time for an old and new approach.”

Lawmakers in the room were hoping Bentley just wants us to show off bold moves on the dance floor, not moving cash from our pocket books to the state. To the governor, no lawmakers and to all Alabamians I have to say: it’s time to grit your teeth, the course is going to be rough and the boldness of the Alabama legislature is yet to be tested and leaves us all wondering what changes lie ahead.

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Actor Will Smith is certainly not an amateur when it comes to the big screen. Smith’s recent movie released this past February, “Focus,” has the tricks of the trade, but could not escape the claws of Nicky Spurgeon.

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SPORTS

Despite Hunter’s record-breaking performance, JSU loses final game

Jacksonville State's Jamal Hunter blocked nine shots for a school record in his last game as a Chanticleer.

Chris Hubbard

The Jacksonville State Gamecocks fell for the second game in a row at Morehead State Wednesday with an 87-55 loss to the Eagles. The loss dropped the Gamecocks to 12-19 overall and 5-11 in conference play. It was the regular season finale for the Jacksonville State men.

Jamal Hunter set a school-record with nine blocked shots in the game. He broke his previous record which was seven.

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Moore started the day off with a three for the Gamecocks as they took an early 3-0 lead at the 19:45 mark of the first half. Morehead State got on the board with a layup by Rackley with 18:48 left. Both teams continued to swap baskets until the Eagles took the lead for good with 11:25 left to play in the first half 15-14. The lead went as high as 13 points for Morehead State. The half ended with a three point basket from Felder for the Gamecocks to make it a 41-15 lead for the Eagles heading in the locker room.

Moore started the second half just like he did the first half for the Gamecocks. With 18:49 remaining, he cut the lead down to 7 with a three making it 41-34. Both teams traded baskets back and forth during a five minute stretch. The Eagles went on a 15 point run increasing their lead to 58-36 with 14:36 left in the game. Jacksonville State finally got back on the board after a scoring drought with a layup by Rackley at the 13:22 mark making it 58-38. Both teams would continue to go back and forth with baskets.

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Gamecocks win in overtime to earn their 19th win for a program record

Rebekah Hawkins
Staff Writer

The JSU Women secured their 19th win of the regular season, breaking the previous record of 18, with a hand-fought win against Morehead State in overtime 83-78.

The Gamecocks had already won 18 games this season. It matched the regular season wins from the 2003-2004 squad. Their 19th win secured them a No. 5 seed in the Ohio Valley Conference Tournament that begins next week and moved them to 10-6 in OVC play. Destiny McInnis led the Gamecocks in scoring with 19 total points. Veteran Candace Morton was behind her with 15. JSU was 13-of-19 for free throws on the night with Morton making all four of the ones she took. It didn’t seem like the game would end in overtime as both teams never seemed willing to surrender their lead once they had it. The game would bounce back and forth between the two. With 24 lead changes and nine tie scores, it was a battle for both JSU and Morehead State.

The first half saw the Gamecocks jump out to first, but quickly caught up to MSU to tie for the first time in the game at two. They would hold on to a lead until a three-pointer by Kelly Naughton at 13:52 put JSU ahead by one at 9-8. The game was tied again at 19 with 7:52 left in the half. Although the Gamecocks went up by three, only one tied one shot from MSU’s Almesha Jones to tie the score again, this time at 22. For the remainder of the half, the score would swing back and forth between the two teams with neither team being ahead by more than three points. McInnis would send the Gamecocks into the locker room ahead by two on a good three-pointer. The second half opened with the score being tied again at 34 after a quick shot from MSU. The game would suddenly turn to the Eagles’ favor as they took control of the game and kept it in their favor being ahead by as many as six twice. JSU would drive and come back into possession of the lead after Morton hit a layup and put the Gamecocks up by one. At 10:48 the score was again tied, this time at 48. Again the score bounced back and forth between the two until the 23rd second mark saw a Gretchen Morris free throw tie the score for the final regulation time in 68. The Eagles scored the first points of overtime and went ahead of the Gamecocks by two. However, it would be the last time that the lead favored MSU. JSU went on a scoring spree and led by as many as seven, their highest lead of the night. The Eagles would manage to come within five, but the game would end with the Gamecocks in the lead 83-78.

The Gamecocks open tournament play against Belmont March 5.

Sewell & Moss shines at OVC Indoor Championships

CHARLESTON, Ill. – The 2015 Ohio Valley Conference Indoor Track and Field Championships came to a close Saturday at the Lantz Fieldhouse on the campus of Eastern Illinois University. The Gamecocks had a solid day with top performance coming from both seniors and freshmen alike.

Senior Whitney Townes had strong finish to her final competition. The Boaz, Ala., native shaved two seconds off her Friday trial time to finish fourth in Saturday's finals of the 800 meter run setting a personal best time of 2:12.994 in the event edging Southeast Missouri’s Ken Good of a mere 0.068 seconds, as a trio of freshmen all brought home top-seven finishes. With a top height of 3.06 meters, at 10:47, freshman Laura Sewell won en finishes. With a top height of 3.06 meters, at 10:47, freshman Laura Sewell won in second place.

Towson joined sophomores Ashley Williams and Victoria Dumasalong with a freshman Kayla Thompson for the 1600 meter relay where the Gamecocks came home seventh with a time of 3:58.12. JSU shined in the finals of the pole vault event as a trio of freshmen all brought home top-seven finishes. With a top height of 3.06 meters, at 10:47, freshman Laura Sewell won in second place. The team finished a 54-hole event under par.

Senior Maya Parsons tied for 39th in the event after a three-over 216. Senior Danielle Moss made her mark becoming the first JSU athlete to medal in the shot put finals with a third overall finish. In the triple jump, freshman Blake Perry set a lifetime best jump at 38' 2 ¾". JSU will open the outdoor portion of the season March 14-15 host the Gamecock Quad Meetouts at the re-surfaced Gamecock Track and Field Complex. ~ JSU Sportswire

KAIAWAI, S.C. – Junior Melania Bajo Geij won her second 69 in three days on Tuesday to finish second at the Kawai Island Spring Classic and lead JSU to an 12th place finish.

A native of Neuenq, Argentina, Bajo Geijo belted seven holes on the par-72, 5,694-yard Osprey Point Golf Course on Tuesday, wrapping up a 54- hole score of 215. She finished second in a field of 210 golfers and tied the Gamecock in 12th place in the 40-team event.

She started the tournament on Tuesday with a career-best 69 before passing her in the lead before a 79 on Monday dropped her to 11th on the individual leaderboard. Bajo Geij won back on Tuesday, jumping nine spots to finish just two shots behind medalist Jessica Welch of Jacksonville Universi

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 Destiny McInnis of the Jacksonville State Women's basketball team drives the ball down court as she led the Gamecocks with 23 points in their win.

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A 69 from Melania Bajo Geijo puts her in second place.

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