

Homecoming king, queen crowned

Katelyn Schneider
Staff Reporter

Last Thursday, a pep rally was held at Burgess-Snow Stadium to crown the 2015 Homecoming king Ranger Rumrill and queen Shelby King. Rumrill is a sophomore and is currently majoring in finance. His hometown is Rainbow City, Ala. King is a junior; she is majoring in nursing, and her hometown is Birmingham, Ala. Mrs. Beehler placed the crowns on the heads of the two winners. Before the king and queen were announced, every member of the homecoming court was announced

and described. President Beehler and SGA President Tyler Brown announced the potential candidates. There were five men and five women in the running for the 2015 Homecoming crowns. When each participant's name was announced, a little background information was given about them. This information included who they were accompanied by, sponsored by, who their parents are, what their major is, and what organizations they are involved in. Each one of the students is involved in more than one campus organization. The king and queen of homecoming was decided by the student body. Every

student had the ability to go online and vote for who they wish to be crowned. The pep rally was also intended to excite the student body for the game on Saturday. Coach John Grass was there and encouraged people to attend the game. The Marching Southerners started the pep rally off by playing through the traditional pregame tunes and the JSU Fight Song. Following the band, the cheerleaders and Cocky performed a routine to help get the crowd hyped for the events of homecoming, including the parade and the game. In the spirit of Halloween and the homecoming theme "Curse the Colonels," the

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Steve Latham/JSU

Ranger Rumill and Shelby King are crowned as king and queen at the JSU Pep Rally at Burgess-Snow Stadium on Thursday.

Parade brings community together

Nathan Cavitt
Staff Reporter

The Jacksonville State University Homecoming Parade took place Saturday morning at 10:30. The parade started at the Jack's restaurant and made its way around the square, eventually ending at the campus. Hundreds of students, alumni and residents lined up on the sides of Pelham Road North. Whether the children dressed up for Halloween or not didn't really matter—what mattered was the excited gleam in their eyes as the police sirens went off, signaling the start of the parade. The parade was led by a truck full of students

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Residents of Jacksonville and students of JSU line the streets to watch floats — made by JSU students — roll down Pelham Road on Saturday morning at the Homecoming Parade.

New thrift store to donate to no-kill animal shelter

Lauren Jackson
Staff Reporter

Calhoun County EMA receptionist and JSU student Karen Way is opening a thrift store called White Rabbit in Jacksonville on Saturday, November 7, at noon. The thrift store is located just off the square on 114 Clinton Street SE — next to Accent Floral Designs and will be offering a variety of new options.

According to Way, White Rabbit will “stay away from the normal thrift store, and go more with the college crowd.” The thrift store will consist of clothing, shoes, jewelry, and even some art from local artists. “The store is made up of some things that we have found, but not the normal stained T-shirts you see in a thrift store,” Way said. White Rabbit

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International students present parts of different cultures

Brittany Robertson
Staff Reporter

The International House threw its annual United Nations Day Tea on Sunday. The event is a tradition that dates back to 1947. Founded in 1946 by Dr. James H. Jones and his wife, Myra Jones, the International House is a place that promotes “intercultural understanding” between students. A total of 25 countries are represented at the house. Although the day was dark

and rainy, the students still put on their dancing shoes and celebrated their cultures. Shanuki De Mel, a business management student, opened the show with a folk dance from her home of Sri Lanka, an island off the coast of India. “We had a month to practice our dances for the event, and we had to bring our own outfits from home to use. When we were first talking about our performances, we had to pitch our ideas and run them by the

Resident Assistant and the Coordinator,” De Mel said. “The opening dance, in my culture, is danced by girls. It is meant to show grace, and dancing in a way that shows how graceful we are,” she said. Other students showed off their cultures and talents as well. Original poems were read, musical duets were sung and traditional dances were performed by the housemates. Marignima Souane,

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Despite challenging weather, International students perform various events as part of the UN Day Tea on Sunday at the International House.

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SGA hosts Family Day with various activities

John Sterling
Staff Reporter

It was time to come home this past weekend. The annual Homecoming weekend saw the return of students’ families and various alumni to Jacksonville State University, for the game, for the annual parade, and to revisit old memories. “[It’s] very surreal. Makes you think back on some very fond memories. You don’t think too much on that after you graduate,” said Brigadier General Timothy Daugherty, ROTC Alumni of the Year. Events kicked off at 9 a.m. with the annual Family Day event, a gathering of attractions and entertainment on the lawn of the Theron Montgomery



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Students participate in a game of laser tag on the TMB lawn on Saturday at the SGA Family Day.

Building. The Homecoming Parade, tailgating and the JSU home game were also held later that morning. “It’s awesome, a really great thing for the kids,” said Carol Stokesberry. Stokesberry was accom-

panied by her daughter, Reece, who was holding a freshly minted teddy bear. Nearby, children and parents dashed in between cover as they tried to take each other out in laser tag. Other booths included sand art, caricature artists, wax hand molds, and a small assembly line churning out ready-made teddy bears. Lines twisted in odd angles as everyone tried to fetch themselves a bear, a caricature or some other bit of art to remember the occasion. “This is a very exciting time. It’s great to see alumni come home and old friends. It’s a time to renew,” said Student Government Advisor Debbie Taylor. JSU’s fraternities and sororities banded together to create their own interpretations for this year’s float theme, Halloween inspired settings built around “Curse the Colonels.” “I like to see something that is absent the rest of the year, alumni engaging

with students. That’s what stands out to me,” said SGA Chief Justice Andrew York. “It’s great. Good for the school, to see how it affects not just students but their families,” said Braden Couch of the Freshman Forum. The Marching Southerners brought up the rear of the parade before heading to the stadium for the home game against the East Kentucky Colonels, while others headed to Dillon Field for tailgating and pregame celebrations. Family Day ended at one with kickoff, but the keepsakes, experiences, and memories endure. Homecoming is something like there and back again, and it will be again next year.

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cheerleader’s performance included an exciting feature of the “Thriller” dance. They even had on “spooky” makeup and lined the end zone. Cocky kept the crowd entertained. He even had a performance of his own. He won a dance off with a mock Eastern Kentucky Colonel mascot. After Cocky won, “All I Do is Win” played through the speakers. The pep rally had a good turn out and encouraged an even better one for the game, where the Homecoming Court was announced again during halftime.

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Noella Mupungila and Oluwatofunmi Olayinka — all students from Africa — performed a dance called “Represent Africa.” “I was very excited and also very nervous about today. I was afraid I would mess up, but everything turned out great and I had so much fun dancing. I’m glad I got to do it,” Olayinka said. President Beehler, the first lady and past International House Alumni were present for the event. The United Nations Tea Day was a big success because was a cross-culture event full of companionship and laughs.

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bit will also be doing consignments, and will be offering unique items for shoppers. “I have always been a thrift store shopper,” she said. “I like to be an individual and to get things that you can not just go to Walmart or anywhere else in town to get.” The thrift store has been a long-fought process for Way. “My mother got me started on thrift stores and yard sales, and it has been a dream of mine, it has been scary, but fun,” she said. The store will be run by Way, and her husband will also help with repairs. Way intends to reach the community as a whole. White Rabbit is affiliated with the League for Animal Welfare. It is one of the only no kill animal shelters in the area, and is operating right at full capacity. With every purchase, 10% will go to the shelter, and White Rabbit will also be accepting donations of food, blankets, and other necessities for the shelter animals. “I have always been an animal person and this will offer me a chance to help out,” Way said. The definitive hours have not yet been set, but Way plans to have the store open 10-6 Wednesday through Saturday. In addition to running the store, Way is working and taking emergency management courses at Jacksonville State. “It will take a couple of months for me to start seeing a profit from the store because of the price of opening, but the goal is for the store to be self-sufficient eventually,” she said. After several weeks of planning and looking around, Way found the location on Clinton St. “We had looked several other places, but they never did work out due to the price, or someone buying the space before us. When we found this, it was perfect. The location was great, the rent was great, and we were



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Jewelry is on display in a new thrift store called White Rabbit. The store opens this Saturday at 114 Clinton Street in Jacksonville.

ready to make it happen.” grand opening on Saturday. “We are hoping to do something different, and to embrace the old saying that one man’s trash is another man’s treasure,” she said. The store came with a jewelry case and some places for storage, and Way spent some time cleaning the location, and repainting it to get it ready for the

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throwing out candy to the excited people below. The American flag and the Alabama state flag followed close behind. JSU President John Beehler and the Mayor of Jacksonville, Johnny Smith, took part in the festivities, throwing out candy to children whose parents dove into the street to retrieve the goodies. Various old-fashioned cars drove through the parade, all of which carried high-profile former students and faculty members. The newly-crowned Homecoming King Ranger Rumrill and Queen and Shelby King were also in attendance. Pleasant Valley, Jacksonville, and Cherokee high school bands participated in the parade. The Marching Southerners and the Jacksonville State cheerleaders also marched and performed, much to the delight of the people in attendance. “Cheerleaders,” said Katelyn, a 6-year-old girl huddled up close to her mom, when asked what her favorite part of the parade was. The parade was more than just free candy to the kids; it was a chance to see some of the talent the JSU students displayed. JSU’s organizations



John Sterling/The Chanticleer

and clubs showcased their creativity through the decorated floats that passed by. One float depicted Cocky cooking something which could only be the Eastern Kentucky Colonels; another, owned by the Writer’s Club, was grizzly and looked like something straight out of a horror movie. As the procession came to a close, and children followed their parents back to their cars, it was safe to say by the smiles on the faces of the children that the JSU homecoming parade was a success.

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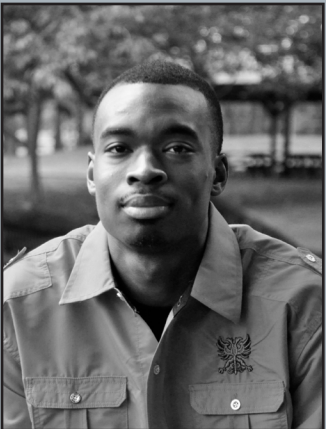
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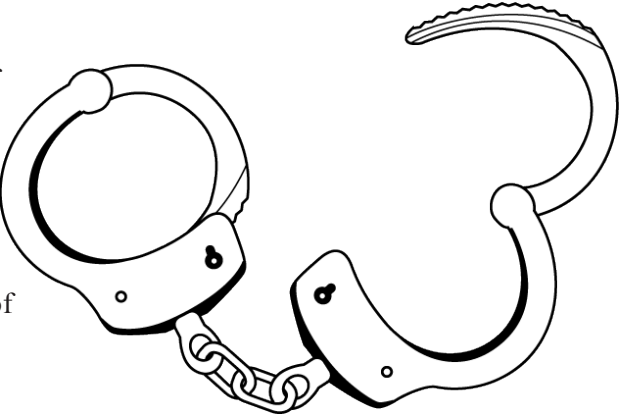
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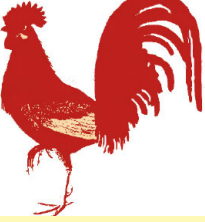
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Dear Chanty,

I am doing an internship this summer and I can't decide where to do it. On one hand, I can do it at a local business, but there doesn't seem to be many job opportunities for me in this area. I really don't want to get stuck in an entry-level position with little chance of advancement. I have already found plenty of great internship opportunities with large organizations in nearby states. But If I choose to intern out-of-state, I will have to quit my retail job as an Assistant Manager, which pays well. And I will need money after the summer because I will have one semester left before I graduate. I know that the out-of-state internships are paid, but I won't be able to survive the fall semester making minimum wage. I don't know what to do.




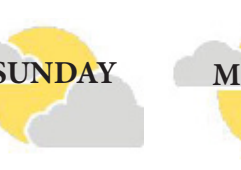
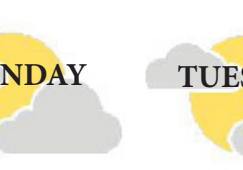


Sincerely,
Tough Decisions

Dear Tough Decisions,

If you can somehow save up some extra money to help you make it through next fall, then I would take advantage of the out-of-state internship opportunities. However, if you have too many expenses to save money, then you are probably better off settling for a local internship. It is not necessarily a bad opportunity, depending on the organization. If you happen to get hired after the internship, then that entry-level job could be a stepping-stone to future opportunities. Concerning larger organizations, it will obviously be much more difficult to get hired by them; although it is not impossible. In the end, you will know what is the best decision to make. Just be realistic with your choices. Best of luck!

Yours truly,
Chanty

7-day weather outlook

TODAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
						
Rain High: 77° Low: 66°	Rain High: 78° Low: 64°	Rain High: 68° Low: 46°	Partly Cloudy High: 62° Low: 43°	Partly Cloudy High: 60° Low: 46°	Partly Cloudy High: 67° Low: 53°	Partly Cloudy High: 69° Low: 58°

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Cosplay culture is enjoyed by students

Katie Cline
Special to the Chanticleer

It’s a bird! It’s a plane! It’s...Elsa from “Frozen”? And to the left is Harry Potter on his trusty Firebolt broomstick. To the right are the Pokémon trainer Ash and his Pikachu. All around are characters from television, books, movies and anime, ranging from Disney princesses to Transformers. In what crazy alternate universe are all of these characters in the same place? Just your typical cosplay convention, of course.

Originating in the 1990s, the word “cosplay” means, “the practice of dressing up as a character from a movie, book or video game, especially one from the Japanese genres of manga and anime” according to the Oxford dictionary. The phenomenon has given dedicated fans a way to experience their favorite fictional universes year-round, not



JSU News

At a recent convention, JSU students Megan Wise and Alex McFry dressed up as character from Disney’s “Frozen.”

just on Halloween.

Even in small town Jacksonville, the co-

splaying community has a few dedicated members. Megan Wise, a junior majoring in broadcast communication at JSU, has been going to conventions and cosplaying since her freshman year at White Plains High School.

“I was a huge fan of so many series, and seeing people in costumes honoring those series peaked my interest,” Wise said.

And from that initial interest, Wise has introduced others to the world of cosplaying, including Alex McFry, another JSU junior majoring in broadcast communication.

“One year, Megan convinced me to go to Anime Weekend Atlanta as Prince Eric from Disney’s ‘The Little Mermaid,’” McFry recalls of his first convention. “All day long, I felt like a rock star. Kids wanted to take pictures with us, adults wanted pictures

of us – it was like instant fame.”

Even some of JSU’s professors have gotten in on the trend. Freddy Clements, a professor of drama and the faculty costume designer at JSU for the past 28 years, has been judging cosplay costumes at conventions for nearly a decade.

“We look at a lot of things,” Clements said of judging costumes. “If it is a reproduction costume, we judge on research and accuracy. If it is an original design, we judge on the research, documentation and quality of the construction, including finishing of seams and construction techniques used. Level of difficulty plays a big part in the judging, and the contest is divided into Novice, Journeyman and Professional. A beginner is not going to be judged beside a professional. The expectations are quite different.”

How does one get started in the world of cosplay? First you pick a character and create the costume, which involves a lot of Internet browsing, thrift store shopping and general creativity. Then it’s time to pick a convention. There’s Comic-Con, MomoCon, DragonCon LeakyCon and hundreds of other conventions across the country every year.

“Back when I first started, my resources were very limited, but nowadays there are apps, websites and Facebook groups for cosplay,” said Wise.

“I always recommend finding a convention in your area and attending to see if you like the atmosphere,” Wise stated.

Once you have a convention in mind, you book a hotel, save some money for food and souvenirs, tweak your costume, and then you’re ready finally to cosplay! All of that

isn’t always cheap, though.

“The money and effort is always quite impressive,” Clements said. “One Star Wars outfit will set you back over a thousand dollars easily.”

McFry said he spent around \$800 on MomoCon this year.

“Granted, there were cheaper places to stay and a lot of that money was spent on costumes, but still – it’s hard to do on a student’s budget sometimes,” he said.

But, at the end of the day, cosplaying is a fun and creative way for fans to celebrate their favorite characters and make friends in the process.

“There’s a stigma that these events...I had the same thoughts. You don’t have to read, watch or even enjoy anime and manga to enjoy the conventions. You’re allowed to be yourself without anybody else judging you,” said McFry.



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Megan Wise and Alex McFry enjoy cosplay with a special focus on Disney characters.

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Netflix, the online video streaming app, has become the go-to form of television for students.

New on Netflix: November 2015

Collins Maroa
Staff Reporter

It’s already November, the weather is changing, the holiday season is kicking in and most of all Netflix has some new content for its viewers.

With the days getting shorter and darkness coming in early, Netflix can be a best friend to many.

SpongeBob fanatics will be glad to note that, the SpongeBob SquarePants Movie (2004) will be making an appearance on the streaming platform.

The animation is based on the Nickelodeon TV series, SpongeBob SquarePants.

There are no character changes in the movie, aside from a few guest stars like Scarlett Johansson and David Hasselhoff. The film is directed and produced by Stephen Hillenburg.

Netflix has proved to have some of the best original series out there from the likes of ‘House of Cards’ to ‘Orange is the New Black.’ On November 20, Netflix, in conjunction with Marvel, is

releasing a new action filled drama, ‘Jessica Jones’ starring Krysten Ritter, whom you may remember from Breaking Bad. The show is based on a super hero turned private investigator. Netflix has been advertising the show for a while now and the critics that were able to view the first episode at the New York Comic Con, say that it will be worth the watch.

Aziz Ansari will be trying on a new kind of comic character in the new Netflix original ‘Master of None.’

As a co-creator and

co-writer of the show, Ansari set out to create a new character as he tries to change the way comedy is viewed today.

In an interview with the *Los Angeles Times*, Ansari said, “There’s this idea now that you have to have a joke every line or people will get bored, but it’s like no, you can still be funny in a conversation that feels natural. The last thing I want is for it to feel like all these characters want to be comedy writers.” The show airs on Friday, November 9.

A Cappella Choir winter concert is set for November 8

Christina MacDonald
Arts & Entertainment Editor

Halloween has come and gone, which means that shopping centers and grammies’ houses will soon be preparing for the holidays.

However, the JSU A Cappella Choir started preparing months ago; planning, that is, for their winter concert, which they hope will help kick off the holiday season.

And as we all know it’s not beginning to look a lot like Christmas until we are told so in song! Music is what the holidays are all about, right?

The winter concert will take place November 8 at 3 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Oxford.

The group will perform a concert focused on Latin American sounds.

According the JSU Newswire, “The A Cappella Choir will perform arrangements from ‘Navidad Nuestra,’ a Spanish folk drama about the Nativity created by Argentinian composer Ariel Ramirez based on the rhythms and traditions of Hispanic America.”

The group, which is led by Dr. Patricia Corbin, director of choral activities, will be performing in Spanish, making the music as extra challenge for the group to take on.

Corbin said, “I knew when I programmed this work that I would need some help teaching the Spanish to the choir...Lo and behold, on the first day of class after we read through a little of the work, two new choir students – Phoebe Hauser and Christian Tenorio – approached me after class and told me they were native Spanish speak-

ers and offered their assistance.”

Phoebe Hauser and Christian Tenorio are fluent in the Latin America dialect rather than the Castilian Spanish taught in most public schools and were a great help to the other singers when working with the generally unfamiliar music.

Phoebe Hauser’s mother is originally from Honduras. She is majoring in French and plans to be a foreign language interpreter.

Christian Tenorio is a native to Colombia and is majoring in biology.

Corbin spoke very highly of the students when she said.

“They have been fantastic language coaches throughout the semester and we were lucky to have them involved,” she said.

The winter concert is seems to be the perfect thing for anyone that enjoys live music and especially Spanish music.

The choir has put in hard work and is excited for their upcoming concert.

As a special guest of the choir, will be the Oxford High School Choral Ensemble.

The guest choir is directed by a Jacksonville State University alumna, Holly Luke.

The concert is open to the public and free of admission charge.

For more information, contact the JSU Office of Choral Activities at 256-782-5544.

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Girlfriends' Guide to Divorce (Season 1)
Seven Deadly Sins (Season 1)
Worst Year of My Life, Again (Season 1)
- November 2**
Last Tango in Halifax (Season 3)
- November 6**
Master of None (Season 1)
- November 13**
W/ Bob and David (Season 1)
Young & Hungry (Season 2)
- November 15**
Continuum (Season 4)
Jessie (Season 4)
- November 20**
LEGO Ninjago: Masters of Spinjitzu (Season 3)
Marvel's Jessica Jones (Season 1)
- November 23**
The Red Road (Season 2)
Ultimate Spider-Man (Season 3)
- November 25**
Gringolandia (Season 3)
Switched at Birth (Season 4)

MOVIES:

- November 1**
Idris Elba: Mandela, My Dad and Me (2015)
Last Days in Vietnam (2014)
Smithsonian Channel: The Day Kennedy Died (2013)
The Last Time You Had Fun (2014)
The SpongeBob SquarePants Movie (2004)
- November 14**
Dior and I (2014)
- November 15**
People, Places, Things (2015)
Soaked in Bleach (2015)
- November 25**
Home (2014)
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Paul Ryan secures Speaker position

Kevin Spann
Political Columnist

After weeks of the media building up the looming struggle for the position of Speaker of the House, Congressman Paul Ryan secured the job by a very safe margin. The narrative had genuine twists and turns, particularly House Majority Leader Kevin McCarthy stepping aside, and the surprising period of time it took Paul Ryan to seek the position. In the final analysis however, much of the drama seems to have been a bust. Many expected no uniting figure in the Republican Party to step up. Had Ryan not put himself forward, the story may have played out much more dramatically. Possibilities such as moderate to conservative Democrats crossing the aisle to support a mainstream Republican was on the table, along with open warfare between the Republican Party’s factions. After a few days of skepticism though, it seems that Ryan won over all but the most diehard members of the Republican Party’s far right. Once the votes were

tallied, only nine Republicans voted against Ryan. As for Democrats, all but three supported former Speaker Nancy Pelosi. Rather than vote for Pelosi, these conservative, or Blue Dog, Democrats cast symbolic ballots for figures such as Civil Rights hero John Lewis, and former Secretary of State Colin Powell. This outcome is a far different one than John Boehner experienced; earlier this year, 25 Republicans split their votes on other possibilities, and some did not vote, giving Boehner the lowest support of any Speaker in over a hundred years. As such, all the talk of the historic difficulties facing Republicans in picking a new speaker were largely exaggerated. Of course, the outcome is still an important one. While many Republicans view Congressman Ryan as something of an establishment figure, given that he was the party’s most recent vice presidential nominee, he is still seen by most as being more conservative than former Speaker John Boehner. Republicans may be happy to see a more tea party-friendly direction in the House.

The outcome also represents what is in all likelihood the end of John Boehner’s political career, and the pinnacle of Ryan’s. For the only two living former Republican Speakers of the House, Newt Gingrich and Dennis Hastert, the end of their time as speaker was also an end to their careers in politics. While Gingrich made a respectable run for his party’s nomination for the presidency in 2012, since leaving congress he has spent most of his time writing and doing political analysis on television. As for Hastert, he enjoyed a high-paying lobbying job after leaving politics, but has spent much of the past few years in court due to fraud and yet to be proven allegations of sexual abuse. While Boehner is still healthy enough for another run at public office, or a presidential appointment, he seems inclined to leave politics behind for good. As for Ryan, Republicans have not been kind to their Speakers who preside over losing elections to Democrats. If Democrats gain any sort of Congressional momentum in 2016, his tenure may well be a short one.

Selecting a gaming system to fit your needs

Myron Jones
Tech Columnist

Gaming is a hobby enjoyed by many. Sometimes it can be frustrating deciding the perfect system to play on. There are major consoles such as the Playstation 4, Xbox One, and Wii U, but there are also personal computers. It can be difficult to decide which system is the best fit because there are many factors influencing each decision. In many cases, games are often one of the deciding factors since not all platforms have the same games. With the holiday season starting up, and a few gaming deals already in effect, it is an excellent time to know the distinctions for the gamer in your life. On November 2, Sony’s Playstation 4 was available through Amazon Prime for \$325. This version of the Playstation 4 is the lowest price to date and includes The Uncharted Collection. Uncharted is an action adventure series that once represented some of the highest quality that the Playstation 3 had to offer. Since then, Uncharted has been a staple Playstation exclusive series. Amazon also offered a couple special bundles for the Xbox One. One notable bundle is the 1 TB Holiday bundle which costs \$399 and includes 3 games in addition to Mad Max. The included games are Gears of War: Ultimate Edition, Rare Replay, and Ori and the Blind Forest. Halo 5, the latest entry to the Halo series, was released last week, so the console is likely to be in higher demand. Halo is one of the most popular exclusive Xbox franchises, and has been associated with the Xbox brand since its beginning. Nintendo’s Wii U is another home console option that has a strong following. While there are not any notable sales happening right now, the main console bundle is only \$299, which is the lowest of the 3 major home consoles. Nintendo is home to many popular exclusive franchises such as Mario and Zelda. For gamers that love those series, a Nintendo console is essential. While there are clear exclusive titles for the common home consoles, an area that can often be confusing is PC gaming. Unlike traditional consoles, PC gaming has a significant number of variables. Not every PC will be able to run every game, even on the lowest graphics settings. However, unlike the consoles, a PC can be upgraded to remain compatible with newer titles and improve performance. There are several “PC Exclusive” games because it is the easiest

platform to develop for and publish. Overall, there are far more PC games than there are console games, but there are some restrictions in playing them. A console requires less thought and fewer decisions. Although each system has some exclusive games, there will be many major third party games, such as Fallout 4 and Call of Duty Black Ops 3, that will be available on more than one console. These games will appear on PC, Xbox One, and Playstation 4. Gamers who own only the Wii U miss out on many third party exclusives for one reason or another. Another thing to consider when deciding an ideal gaming platform is the social aspect. One of the most enjoyable parts of gaming is playing with friends. Because such a small number of games have cross platform play, it helps to be on the same system as those you would like to play with. Although there will be plenty of opportunities to make new gaming friends, it is easier to find out what existing friends have and go with that option. Unless there are specific platform exclusive games that you’re just dying to play, the more common system often offers the best experience. It also never hurts to have more than one platform available.

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From the Pittsburgh steel mills to stone mounds

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It’s 1966 and you’re a teenager about to graduate from high school. You’ve been slaving away in a Pittsburgh mill for six months, hooking chains onto a crane and painting yellow warning stripes on the cement floor for eight hours a day until 7 a.m. You’re older classmates are coming home from Vietnam with “crazy stories of smokin’ dope, getting drunk, and not knowing who you’re shooting”. The only way for you to be deferred from being drafted is to go to college. So what do you do? Dr. Harry Holstein knew what he didn’t want to do. So he eventually enrolled at California University of Pennsylvania as a history major. He also left the mill for a part-time job as a shoe salesman at Sears, Roebuck & Co. Sears offered to send Holstein to their training school so that he could become a departmental manager. He might have accepted the offer right then if it had not been for that one instructor—Mr. Bill Wormsley. That energetic professor, who taught his intro to an-

thropology course, and prompted him to sign up for a summer archaeological field school. Holstein spent that summer on a mountain ridge—overlooking the Monongahela River hundreds of feet below with the Alleghany Mountains off in the distance—digging up Native American houses. The man, who jokes that he once thought anthropology was the study of ants, changed his major from history to anthropology. While he was working on his master’s degree at the University of Pittsburgh, he met an archaeology professor named Dr. Jim Richardson III. After every single class, Holstein would talk with him and ask questions. But something wasn’t there. Maybe it was devotion, or perhaps it was the money. “By the end of that term, I swear on my mother’s grave, I was gonna drop out of graduate school and go to the management training school (with Sears). But fate changed it,” he says. As he handed in his final to Richardson, he told him he planned to drop out. Richardson listened. Holstein will never forget that December day when he opened his

mailbox and saw a letter from the school. He read the letter twice, then ran upstairs and made his wife read it too. He had been granted a full scholarship. “Richardson had a lot to do with financial aid....all of a sudden I’m thinking he gave me that. And he did,” says Holstein. By 1983, he was a professor at Jacksonville State University (JSU). In 2009, the city of Oxford, Alabama began talk about demolishing a stone mound that Holstein believed was constructed by Native Americans. Native Americans from Talladega—who had previously told the Oxford City Council not to disturb the mound—contacted Holstein. “The whole state of Alabama; the Alabama Historical Commission, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, anyone who knew anything, agreed with me,” says Holstein. But the city owned the property and ordered the destruction of the mound. The hill on the Davis farm property, where the mound once was, now sits with nothing except a few fallen trees and scattered stones. It’s a symbol of a turning point for Holstein.

“Ever since that Oxford mess, I’ve been really dedicated to spending the rest of my career documenting these sites and making the public aware of them,” he says. Since then he has published hundreds of reports aimed at preservation. Once, when he was on the way to Joe Wheeler State Park, he saw tools in a rock shelter not far from the road. He believed Native Americans had been there many years ago. He found a shovel and a screen used to sift dirt; signs that people had been looting the site. He took the shovel and tore the screen into pieces. It’s a story that Dr. Philip Koerper—one of Holstein’s colleagues and Professor of History at JSU—loves to tell. They have jokes about Ranger Bean throwing an atlatl, a rod with a hook that is used to throw a spear, at plastic foam rabbits on the third floor of Brewer Hall at JSU; and they have memories of “mixing two drinks a piece” to keep warm while walking around DeSoto Falls watching their breath. But Holstein doesn’t have much spare time. Monday through Friday,

he’s secluded in room 142 of Martin Hall at JSU. You can usually find him in his office, surrounded by Pittsburgh Steelers memorabilia. He has pictures of artifacts that he has found along with plaques and awards hanging on the wall. And there will be Holstein, wearing a long sleeve button-up shirt and blue jeans with Timberland shoes. Outside his office is his sanctuary: the classroom. It’s a room with a peninsula of shelves that hold over 100 boxes of materials from archaeological sites. There are skull and bone replicas, fragments of pottery, different rocks, and arrowheads surrounding the tables in the middle of the room. Holstein calls his students hominids—modern and extinct Great Apes (which includes humans, chimpanzees, gorillas and orangutans). “I’m going to give you a week off, I’ll call it spring break,” he says jokingly. But he has not become so well-known because of his humor. In 1990, Holstein and his associates recognized that an area at Terrapin Creek fit a description of the 1560 Tristan De Luna town of Coosa. One

of the Catholic priests, who was with De Luna, wrote a letter describing an Indian town on three sides of two rivers with a mountain range to the north that ran east to west across the horizon. When Holstein saw Lookout Mountain to the north of Terrapin Creek, he realized that the area fit the description. He had discovered the second lost city of Coosa. So how does he do it? Become the first person in his family to graduate college with no plan for his career or future. Go from a steel mill to stone mounds. And to think, it almost never happened. He would have given up anthropology for a management position at Sears. But he couldn’t. It’s like he didn’t have a choice. Like fate forced Richardson to intervene on his behalf; forced Holstein to become what he is. Maybe it did. And maybe it’s forcing all of us towards our destiny, but we just can’t see it happening.

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SPORTS

Gamecocks Side Bar

JSU Upcoming Action

- 11/6
-Volleyball vs Belmont
7:00 p.m.
- 10/30
-Volleyball vs Murray State
- 11/7
-Rifle at Morehead State
- Football at Eastern Illinois
12:00 p.m.
- Volleyball vs Tennessee State
2:00 p.m.
- 11/8
-Women's Basketball vs Miles (Exhibition)
4:00 p.m.
- 11/9
-Men's Basketball vs West Georgia (exhibition)
7:00 p.m.
- 11/10
-Volleyball vs Tennessee Tech
7:00 p.m.

2015 Football Schedule

- 9/5 @ Chattanooga W 23-20
- 9/12 @ Auburn L 27-20 OT
- 9/19 vs TSU W 48-13
- 9/26 @ UT Martin W 48-41
- 10/3 vs Mississippi Valley State W 49-7
- 10/10 Open
- 10/17 @ TTU* W 42-13
- 10/24 @ Austin Peay* W 27-7
- 10/31 vs ECU** W 34-0
- 11/7 @ Eastern Illinois* 1 p.m.
- 11/14 vs Southeast Missouri* 1 p.m.
- 11/21 vs Murray State* 1 p.m.
- *OVC game/ ** Homecoming

STATS FCS Top 25

1. Jacksonville State
2. Illinois State
3. Chattanooga
4. Eastern Washington
5. Richmond
6. North Dakota State
7. Sam Houston State
8. Coastal Carolina
9. McNeese State
10. Portland State
11. South Dakota State
12. William & Mary
13. Harvard
14. James Madison
15. Charleston Southern
16. Fordham
17. UNI
18. Eastern Kentucky
19. North Carolina A&T
20. Southern Utah
21. Youngstown State
22. Montana
23. Indiana State
24. Dartmouth
25. Citadel

Bajo Geijo named OVC Female Golfer of the Week

Eli Jenkins and Dawson Wells named OVC Offensive and Defensive Players of the Week



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JSU Cross Country finishes 11th in team standings in the Ohio Valley Conference Championship.

JSU wraps up OVC Championship

MURRAY, Ky. – The Jacksonville State men's and women's cross country teams concluded the 2015 Ohio Valley Conference Cross Country Championships on Saturday morning at Miller Memorial Golf Course in Murray, Kentucky. Both squads finished 11th in the team standings and were led by juniors Stephen Payne on the men's side and Ju-ells McLeod for the women. The duo has paced Jax State throughout the season as they have been the top finisher in every meet for the Gamecocks. Payne covered the 8K layout in 26:51.9 and crossed the finish line in the 45th position. McLeod clocked a time of 19:35.1 in the women's 5K and listed 56th in the individual standings. In the men's competition, freshman Kole Pettit followed Payne with a time of 27:52.7, followed by Daniel Burton's mark of 28:44.2. Ben Pryor and Alexander Beverly rounded out the scores for JSU with times of 29:21.4 and 29:35.5 respectively. On the women's side, sophomore Dayja Simon was JSU's second finisher with a time of 20:36.5. Gina Carnovale posted a mark of 21:24.4, followed by Briana Jackson's time of 21:53.0. Nine-time defending champion Eastern Kentucky added another link to its championship rope with its 10th OVC title on the men's side. Eastern Illinois and SIU Edwardsville rounded out the top-three in the men's standings. The ECU women won their fourth OVC crown in a row with a solid finish. EIU and Southeast Missouri claimed second and third respectively. The Gamecocks will compete in the NCAA South Regional held in Tuscaloosa, Alabama on November 13.

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The JSU Volleyball team celebrate as they finish the weekend with a victory over Austin Peay.

JSU Volleyball gets a split

Rebekah Hawkins
Staff Reporter

The Gamecocks returned home after a forfeit on Tuesday from Alcorn State to start their home stretch with both a loss and a win to OVC opponents. The JSU volleyball team started their five-game home stretch against OVC leader Murray State who currently is at 20-2. The Racers were able to hold onto their wins and pull out a victory against the Gamecocks in four sets. The first set started off in the Gamecocks' favor and was tied at three early. The Gamecocks then went on a four-point run to go ahead 7-3. The score took a leap back and forth with each team taking turns on double-point runs. The Gamecocks went

up 22-20 and the defense managed to hold the Racers there and took the match 25-20. The second set was harder for JSU. MSU took the lead early, and after a quick tie at two, managed to secure a lead that they never lost. They took three runs of four points or more on the way to a 25-16 victory in the second set. The third set was again dependent on a tie, this time at five. The Racers then separated themselves from their competition and took a lead that they continued to capitalize on before winning it 25-17. The final set was the Gamecocks' last chance to compensate. It was a close run up until the very end. MSU was able to take their lead and win 25-20.

The Gamecocks managed a .141 overall attack percentage. Charis Ludtke led with kills for the Gamecocks with 12, while Mackenzie Rombach had eight. Hannah Kirk led on defense with 12 digs and Jennifer Hart returned true to her form with 29 of JSU's 31 assists. After that loss, the Gamecocks finally were able to gain a victory against Austin Peay in five sets. The first and second sets were both tight. Each one was a battle for the respective victors as Austin Peay took set one and JSU took set two. The third set was harder for the Gamecocks as the Governors repeatedly took runs for their win. The fourth set took a turn for the Gamecocks as they managed a victory after

several runs of their own. With the match tied, the two teams entered the fifth set. It was a close shave for JSU, but they eventually stole the win and took home their victory. The finals for the match were 23-25, 26-24, 18-25, 25-16 and 15-13. The win was helped along by the Gamecocks' .205 overall attack percentage and a high of 23 kills by leader Allyson Zuhlke. Emily Rutherford and Rombach also both had 11. Three Gamecocks had digs in the doubles. Kirk led with 27, while Rutherford added 17 and Hart had 15. She also tied for the game high in assists with 55. With the win, the Gamecocks move to 13-18 overall and 3-9 in the OVC. They continue their home stretch with a match against Belmont on Nov. 6.

No. 1 Gamecocks shutout ECU 34-0

Timothy Cash
Staff Reporter

The topped-ranked Jacksonville State Gamecocks (7-1, 5-0 OVC) handed the Eastern Kentucky Colonels (5-3, 4-1 OVC) their third loss with a 34-0 shutout on Saturday. It was a dreary day inside the JSU Stadium. More than 21,000 fans came to watch Jacksonville State's homecoming game against the 13th ranked Colonels. Many expected to see a matchup that would remind them of the season opener against Chattanooga or the 'Scare in Jordan-Hare.' What happened on the field, however, was the result of a well-oiled Gamecock team. Eli Jenkins had 23 completions for 324 yards, two touchdowns and 18 rushing yards.

Miles Jones had 18 rushes for 110 yards with a long of 38 yards. Troymaine Pope had 14 rushes for 37 yards including a touchdown. Josh Barge had nine receptions for 158 yards including two touchdowns. Markis Merrill had five receptions for 101 yards and a long of 42 yards. Spencer Goffigan had two receptions for 28 yards. Connor Rouleau made two field goals on three attempts, and had a long of 41 yards. On the defensive side of the ball, Joel McCandless had 10 tackles and 1.5 tackles for loss. Brandon Bender had seven tackles, two that were for a loss and one half a sack. Dawson Wells had six tackles and an interception that led to a touchdown. JSU would not allow the Colonels to do anything.



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The referee signals another touchdown as the Gamecocks beat ECU 34-0.

After seven plays on their opening drive, Eastern Kentucky was forced to punt the ball to the Gamecocks. On the next series, Jenkins was able to connect with Barge three times for a total of 57 yards, including a 14-yard touchdown reception. Early in the second quarter, Eastern Kentucky's Jeffery Canady forced Jenkins to fumble on a one-yard run that was recovered by the Colonels. On the very next play, however, Wells intercepted Colonel quarterback Bennie Coney, and was able to run it back 48 yards for a touchdown. After another short East-

ern Kentucky possession, the ball was back in the hands of Jacksonville State's offense. In just two plays, Merrill was able to go 50 yards to get the ball down to the Colonels 20 yard line. A few plays later, Pope was then able to reach the end zone on a one-yard rush. With only 13 seconds left in the half, a 41-yard field goal by Rouleau gave the Gamecocks their third score of the quarter. Late in the third quarter, Jenkins and Barge were able to connect again for 56 yards in only two plays that included a 26-yard reception that brought on Jacksonville State's fourth and final

touchdown of the contest. In the fourth, Christian LeMay, Dalton Etheridge and Jones all worked together to set up Rouleau for his second good field goal of the afternoon. The Gamecocks are now No. 1 in the FCS STATS Poll as well as the FCS Coaches' Poll. This is the first time in school history where the Gamecocks are No. 1 in both polls. They will now hit the road for the final time this regular season when they travel to Charleston, Ill. to take on the Eastern Illinois Panthers. The Panthers have an overall record of 5-3, but are perfect in conference play.



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Eli Jenkins passes for a career high 324 yards.

Men's Basketball blows past Miles in exhibition

JACKSONVILLE — It wasn't just the final score inside Pete Mathews Coliseum that caught people's attention Tuesday night, it was also Jacksonville State's ability to score the ball during the first half. Last season, the JSU scored 60 or less points in 16 games. However, in their first exhibition game prior to the start of the 2015-16 season, they found a way to score 60 points in the first half alone. That start laid the foundation for JSU's 110-61 win over Miles College. Most of the first half damage was done by junior Erik Durham, who scored 15 of his game-high 21

points during the game's first 20 minutes. The Springfield, Mo., native and transfer from Lamar State shot 5-of-7 from behind the arc during that span. He finished the game 6-of-9 from 3-point land. Senior guard JaQuail Townser finished with 16 points, 7-of-7 from the free throw line, and five assists in 24 minutes. Freshman DelFinco Bogan finished with 15 points and five rebounds in 17 minutes off the bench for head coach James Green. Malcom Drumwright added 14 points while Jared Hamilton chipped in 12 points to round out a group of five Gamecocks in double figures. As a team, JSU brought down 50 rebounds with

sophomore Deitrich Cole having a game-high 10. JSU also went 38-of-47 from the free throw line and shot 46.9 percent from the field for the game. Kyle Doyle led the Golden Bears in scoring with 14 points off the bench. Gerrald Maddox and Shaquille Cook, both off the bench, finished with 13 and 11 points, respectively. JSU will return to action Monday, when it hosts West Georgia in its second and final exhibition game before the start of the 2015-2016 regular season. The game is scheduled to tip off 7 p.m.

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Bajo Geijo leads JSU Women at UAB Tournament

GULF SHORES – Senior Melania Bajo Geijo matched her career best low round of 68 on Tuesday in the final round of the UAB Fall Beach Bash, played at The Peninsula Golf & Racquet Club's Cypress-March Course. Geijo paced the Gamecocks to a seventh-place finish in the 36-hole tournament as JSU opened the two-day event with a round of 304. JSU shaved off six shots on Tuesday to post a round of 298. Geijo's 4-under par round of the day was the low-round of the day and propelled the Neuquen, Argentina native from a tie for 23rd after her opening round score of 76 to a tie for second on the individual leaderboard. Her round ties for the fourth lowest round in school history. It is the third time in her career that she has tallied a round of 68. She had rounds of 68 last season at

the Kiawah Island Intercollegiate. She shared second place with Belmont's Emma Kaye Liu and Kaitlin Fox of McNeese State. The trio carded an even par 144 for the two-round event. UAB's Kayla Wilbourn signed for rounds of 69 and 72 to claim medalist honors with a 3-under par total. Maria Jose Lathrop finished in the top-10 after scoring rounds of 70 and 76. Her 2-under par round of 70 established a new career-best for the sophomore from Santiago, Chile. Freshman Karina Kukkonen tallied a solid second round score with a 1-over par round on Tuesday. The Golden Eagles of Southern Miss won the team title with a final score of 593.

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Bajo Geijo's performance earns her OVC Golfer of the Week.



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