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One Act Student Showcase

From 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. on Nov. 30 and Dec. 1 in the Stone Center theater, come out and enjoy the multitude of talents from the JSU Drama Department. Each night, 3 one-act plays will be performed. Each play stars and was directed by JSU students. Admission is \$10 per evening.

Art Senior Exhibition

From 5:00-7:00 p.m., come out to the Hammond Hall Gallery for the Art BFA Senior Exhibition, featuring the work of graduating JSU art majors. Admission is free.

"Yuleslide" Outdoor Trombone Concert

From 3:00-4:00 p.m. on the Jacksonville City Square, enjoy a free concert by Dr. David Lambert and the JSU Trombone Ensemble

Accepted Students Day

Accepted Students Day is Friday, Dec. 2. High school students from the area who have already been accepted to JSU will be on campus.



Circle K celebrates giving with Christmas spirit

Alexander Cooper
Staff Writer

The Jacksonville State branch of the Circle K International Student organization held a Christmas Ball at the Jacksonville Community Center on Tuesday night. November 29 was also dubbed "Giving Tuesday," and the service organization took advan-

tage of this day by donating all admissions proceeds to the charity Reading is Fundamental (RIF). The dance is one of a few events that Circle K has held this semester to raise funds for the charity.

Circle K is a university organization that falls under the Kawanis banner with similar organizations like the Key Club. It serves the same purpose as an in-

ternational non-profit puts a focus on values like service and leadership.

"[The dance] is just a fun little thing. It's like a Christmas party too" said Katelyn Gentry, the vice president of Circle K at JSU. "It's just something where we can all be together, and RIF is our philanthropy of choice at the moment, so that's really what it's about."

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Benjamin Pryor/Circle K

Members and guests at Circle K's Christmas Ball pose for a picture at the Jacksonville Community Center on Tuesday night. The group raised \$176 for the charity Reading is Fundamental.

JSU improves cybersecurity in light of February breach

Marie McBurnett
Special to
The Chanticleer

Jacksonville State University is instituting changes in the way it handles data on its server due to a security breach in February – but it could have been worse.

Vinson Houston, JSU's chief information officer in the information technology department said in an interview that it is one of his department's responsibilities to ensure data – including everything from fraternity affiliation to credit card accounts – stays out of the hands of potential threats.

"We do the programming and maintenance for the centralized software the university uses to run its day-to-day operations that students utilize to pay their bills, manage their accounts and those type things," Houston said.

The university currently has two firewalls: a primary firewall that

faces outward and an internal firewall that faces in to protect enterprise data.

"[Firewalls] stop attacks from coming in from the outside, and they aren't bullet-proof," Thomas Madden, a retired federal Chief Information Security Officer for the Centers of Disease Control.

In February 2016, JSU student and faculty information was published on a website which stated it was untraceable. The website included pictures, classification, birthdays, organizational affiliations, student numbers and addresses of current students, graduates and faculty.

The breach did not include much more than directory information, but the university began implementing a few strategies listed by the Ponemon institute, including security consultants and employee training.

"We are currently working with a secu-

rity consultation firm to help us improve our security posture," said Houston.

According to him, the university and the firm began a relationship a few months ago. Houston said this was the first year JSU has consulted for security evaluation and it looked like it was something they would take part in on an annual basis.

These companies, according to Madden, employ white hat hackers – or hackers who hack into networks in an effort to reveal weaknesses – in an effort to penetrate a system remotely, after which they are known as a "trusted insider." When these hackers get inside, Madden said, they try to increase their privileges in order to create their own account. If they achieve that, they have free range of the system.

In addition to testing penetration, JSU's consultants also "reviewed different policies and procedures and looked at adding additional train-

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Going places: new renovations coming to JSU campus

Katelyn Schneider

Arts and Entertainment Editor

Jacksonville State University is where students are going—but they're not staying over the weekends. This sleepy college has plans to make its campus more exciting.

The plan to increase the desire to be at JSU includes improving housing and adding facilities that the students will benefit from, according to JSU president Dr. John M. Beehler.

One major development the university is working on is a new student recreational center.

The new student rec center is absolutely necessary to making JSU more than a suitcase college, according to Beehler.

"It'll make students want to stay here on the weekends," Beehler said after pointing out that students tend to dislike what Stephenson gym has to offer.

The students, faculty and staff of JSU will decide what the new rec center will offer, according to Jim Brigham, director of internal audit/risk management for the university. Surveys were sent to everyone in September so students and others could "indicate what their issues are and what their interests are," Brigham said.

However, some students are not interested in the rec center at all. JSU junior Katie Cline thinks JSU should make improvements in other areas.

"I'm not opposed to a rec center—if we didn't have more important things that needed done. But right now, our priorities are skewed," Cline said by email. "You don't send video games to third world countries where they don't have access to clean water."

Other students are excited about the development. They consider the gym in Stephenson to be a turn off, according to Beehler.

A second major project renovating the residence halls.

Sparkman Hall is currently the first residence hall that is being looked at for renovations, but it will not be the only dorm to get improvements, according to Beehler.

Sparkman was closed for the 2015-2016 school year because of plans to renovate the inside of the building. However, the renovations were not complete by the beginning of the 2016-2017 year, but due to enrollment increasing, the second floor was renovated and currently houses students, according to Beehler. Sparkman and other residence buildings are to be renovated into more suite-like apartments.

"Students these days don't like the kind of dorms that I went to when I was an undergraduate," Beehler said with a laugh. "We're looking at doing renovations to some of the existing facilities with the idea that down the road a little ways, we'll build new apartment-condo type stu-

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dent housing.”

Director of Residence Life Rochelle Smith is excited about the upcoming developments.

“We want to put our students first and the needs our students first,” Smith said.

Smith believes doing so will decrease the amount of students going home on the weekends.

Another project is devoted to one of the largest organization on campus: the Marching Southerners. The well-known band is getting a new practice field.

“When most people think of the university, they think of the Southerners before they think of anything else,” Beehler said smiling. “I like to reward excellence like that.”

The Marching Southerners have used the parking lot of Pete Mathews Coliseum since the early 1970s, according to Kenneth Bodiford, director of bands. Countless hours of practice have been spent of the asphalt that radiates heat in the first few months of the season. Members have suffered from shin splints and heat exhaustion as a result of the hard blacktop, according to Beehler. Bodiford said three Ballerinas are unable to finish the marching season because of knee injuries caused by practicing on the asphalt. He said a new turf field will reduce these occurrences.

Bodiford is excited about the development for more than just the Southerners. He believes this development will keep students on campus and give them a place to have fun over the weekend.

“It’s really going to benefit not only the Southerners in the fall, but in the spring, it’ll benefit all the rest of the students here who participate in intramural sports,” Bodiford said.

The practice field should also benefit Beehler’s plan

for increased enrollment, according to Bodiford.

“I think it’ll be great for recruiting,” Bodiford said in reference to the Southerners and students interested in intramural sports.

The field will be located in the open space between the Park Place II apartments and fraternity houses, according to Bodiford.

President John Beehler of JSU spent his first 15 months at the university observing where the university was and where its potential could take it.

“We’re looking at everything with a fresh eye asking what do we have, what don’t we have, etcetera,” Beehler said.

What Beehler noticed upon his arrival is that interest in the university was declining. However, that changed with the current semester. Enrollment rose 5.6 percent, which is the first increase the university has seen in six years, according to Beehler. He has started the process of strategic planning to increase enrollment even more.

“We’ve done a lot in particular focused on the student and focused on making the student want to come here, making the student want to stay here and graduate, and make student life better for the students,” Beehler said.

For over 100 years, JSU served as a welcoming home for students and still does. The university transforms kids into adults. It puts the dreams of students within their reach.

Now JSU is increasing these opportunities through upcoming developments. It is becoming more of what students want while still giving them what they need.

Students are going to JSU, and JSU is going places.

Welcome home, Gamecocks.

For the complete story, see www.jsu.edu/chanticleer.

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RIF itself is a worldwide organization whose goal is to ensure the literacy of every child across the nation.

“They make sure that children have the chance to receive free, brand new books that they wouldn’t otherwise receive” said Gentry.

The Christmas ball is the third event that Circle K has held to help raise donations for RIF. This event alone raised \$176 for the charity. The other two fundraisers were a volleyball tournament and a lip-sync battle that were held earlier in the semester.

“This year we’ve really only been focusing on Reading is Fundamental,” said Circle K President Benjamin Pryor, “but usually we have [fundraisers for] March of Dimes and UNICEF as well. We actually finally reached our goal for UNICEF that we had been working on for years over the summer at our international convention.”

The dance itself included food, music and even swing lessons at the beginning of the

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Alexander Cooper/The Chanticleer

The Christmas ball, hosted at the Jacksonville Community center attracted a large crowd of JSU students and community members.

The song list for the night included everything from classic Christmas songs like “Let it Snow” to more recent hits like “Uptown Funk.” Each table seat was set up with a chart that had a list of every track and even included a recommended style of dance for each of them.

According to Pryor, Circle K is also already planning more events for the spring semester.

“We are currently planning our annual volleyball tournament,

whose proceeds will also go towards RIF, and we are also planning an event for February, so those are our two main events for the spring semester,” Pryor said.



Circle K International



Audrey Zimmerman Maxwell/Facebook

The Cheaha Dance Club was in attendance at the beginning of the ball to teach guests various ballroom dances. Guests were later encouraged to show their new moves on the dance floor with a variety of music genres.

FINALS WEEK IS COMING!

HERE ARE SOME TIPS FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

AT BERKLEY FOR OPTIMIZING YOUR STUDY TIME:

- *Plan two hours of study time for every hour spent in class.
- *Study difficult (or boring) subjects first.
- *Avoid scheduling marathon study sessions
- *Be aware of your best time of day (day vs. night)
- *Use a regular study area.
- *Don’t get too comfortable.
- *Use the library.

- *Set up study groups.
- *Agree with roommates/family members about study time.
- *Avoid noise distractions.
- *Get off your phone and unplug from social media and other distractions.
- *Learn to say no.
- *Divide large tasks into smaller goals.
- *Don’t beat yourself up.
- *Ask yourself, “Can I do just one more thing?”

GOOD LUCK, GAMECOCKS!

STUDY BREAK

DR 351 Playwrighting Workshop

Four student screenplays will be workshopped on Friday, December 2 and Saturday, December 3 starting at 7:00 p.m. in the Stone Center Blackbox Theater with a Q&A to follow. These are projects from Professor Mike Boynton's DR 351 Playwrighting class that were written by students and selected to be workshopped. Admission is free! Come out and see the hard work and talent of JSU students.

December 2- "Babushka" by Megan Wise & "Heisty Love" by John Mackey

December 3- "Milo" by Savannah Jones & "John Goes to the Mayor" by Cody Harrell

The Chanticleer is seeking 2 new editors for Spring 2017!

If you are interested in the Arts & Entertainment Editor or Associate Editor position and have taken COM 315 and COM 325, contact Katie Cline (Editor-in-Chief) or Mr. Mike Stedham (Media Adviser). Pay is \$7.25/hr for 15hrs/wk.

Campus crime report: 11/17 to 11/30

11/17/2016
Information report--booted vehicle
Central Station

11/18/2016
Duty upon striking an unattended vehicle
Penn House Apartments parking lot

Violation of the Student Code of Conduct
Salls Hall

11/19/2016
Medical emergency
JSU Stadium

Arrest--consumption of alcohol by a minor
JSU Stadium

Theft of property
JSU Stadium

Theft of property
College Apartments

11/21/2016
Criminal mischief & criminal trespassing
JSU softball field

11/24/2016
Theft of property
Paul Carpenter Village

11/29/2016
Violation of the Student Code of Conduct
Fitzpatrick Hall

Vehicle Fire
Patterson Hall

Chicken Scratch



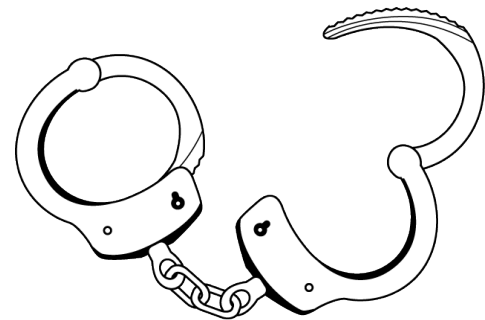
It's never a good idea to bring up Judas/Jesus references when you're involved in a political scandal. Nobody believes you're Jesus. Do you really want them pondering who's Judas?

I really love tacky Christmas shirts more than a person should.

I went to work, outlined 60 pages, wrote and typed another paper, typed another paper, and completed three other assignments. I also went to the movies. Not half bad for a Monday.

What is this liquid pouring down from the sky?

I can say "hellish" in a formal recommendation letter, right?



Witness a crime?

For emergencies, dial 6000 from any campus phone.

7-day weather outlook

TODAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Sunny High: 57° Low: 32°	Sunny High: 60° Low: 36°	Scattered Showers High: 55° Low: 40°	Rain High: 54° Low: 41°	Showers High: 57° Low: 45°	Showers High: 66° Low: 46°	Showers High: 66° Low: 43°

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Southerners is a dream, reality, memory

Katelyn Schneider
Arts & Entertainment Editor

I wanted it so bad, I actually got it, and it was a dream come true.

When I was in high school, I was in the marching band. Color guard was a fun activity, and I fell in love with it. I loved that it kept me busy and taught me how to constantly push myself. However, it was just something I started in order to make my college applications look better. I had no intentions of marching on a collegiate level. Then, the Marching Southerners took the field.

I watched them perform their 2009 show while at a competition, and I remember crying because their show was honoring American soldiers, and my dad was deployed at the time. I remember feeling something as they moved on that field together. I remember they were huge, way bigger than any band I had ever seen. I remember they were loud, like the kind of loud my high school only dreamed to be. And I remember their color guard. I remember them being beautiful and flawless, being everything I now wanted to be.

I left that band competition knowing exactly what I wanted: to go to JSU and be a Marching Southerners Color Guard member. I was just scared that what I wanted was too much.

Despite what I think may have been my worst audition ever, I was accepted onto the guard in 2012. I marched

four seasons with the SCG, and each one was as challenging and as rewarding as I hoped it would be. It was time I wouldn't change for the world.

My first year was the biggest transition, and I learned the two most important lessons the SCG has. The first being that we are family. No matter when, no matter what, we are family. The second lesson is the Southerners mess up, but we never give up.

I kept those two lessons present on my mind at every single rehearsal and performance. I think those lessons are what make this organization as amazing as it is. I think those lessons and the time I spent on that field are why the Marching Southerners changed my life.

That may seem silly to say. To say that a marching band changed my life, but it is an undeniable fact. And it's important to note that Southerners is not just a band. Color guard is not just



Anthony Alfieri/Alfieri Media/Special to The Chanticleer

The Southerners Color Guard line up before entering Finley Stadium at UTC before the first football game in 2015.



Anthony Alfieri/Alfieri Media/Special to The Chanticleer

The entire 2015 Southern Color Guard pose for a picture before performing an exhibiton.

a collection of flags, rifles, and sabres.

It's music. It's a sound that people feel vibrate against their chest. It is a sound that sparks emotion from the people playing it and the people hearing it.

It's hours of rehearsal and fifty plus flags spinning in unison while all feeling the same emotion.

It's putting everything our bodies can handle into a twelve minute performance because it matters to us. More importantly, it matters to the people in the stands.

It always mattered to me because the Southerners allowed me to be a part of something bigger than myself, and it gave me memories that I'll never forget.

I have marched in stadiums in Texas, Michigan, and so many other places. I have participated in and witnessed several engagements. I have been able to teach color guard to high school

students and show them how much this activity can matter.

For four years, the Southerners Color Guard gave me an outlet where everything was okay. When my step mom passed away and school no longer seemed important, every member of the color guard showed me that I was allowed to be happy doing what I love. When my classes and jobs stressed me out, I could count on showing up to practice and forgetting about that worry for a few hours. Color guard gave me a reason to constantly push myself and strive to be better.

The activity of spinning helped me get through a lot of difficult things.

But as I prepare to graduate and reflect on my time here at JSU, I know the most important thing was not at all spinning. It was the people spinning beside me who mattered the most. The peo-

ple who became my family. Who made JSU feel like my home year after year.

I remember the first time I saw the Southerners. They were big and perfect, and there was no way I'd ever be that good.

I remember joining the Southerners. It was overwhelming at times but the most fun I have ever had. It was never about perfection but always about improvement.

And now, I watch the Southerners from the stands again. I miss being on that field, but when I watch them, I have a whole new appreciation for them because I've seen the other side of it. I know how much hard work is necessary to get to where they are. And every performance, I am blown away.

And when I watch every performance, I no longer see the faces of strangers to idolize. I see family, and that is a dream come true.



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Katelyn Schneider practices a toss that was in the 2015 show.

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Southerners alumni celebrate 60 years

Alissa Camplin
Staff Reporter

Nov. 18 and 19, all generations of Marching Southerners were invited to return home to Burgess-Snow and perform during the 60th Anniversary Marching Southerners Alumni Reunion weekend. Jacksonville comes alive during alumni weekend and all bets are off as Southerners of all ages dust off their horn, shine their shoes, and memorize their music.

For many, the weekend started early as travelers began to arrive from all around the globe; even as far as Japan in the case of trumpet alum, Chiharu Ueki. It took Ueki two planes and twenty-four hours of travel to make it back to the foothills of the Appalachians, a place she fondly refers to as a, "second hometown." She was a member of the Southerners for four years: a trumpeter in 2006 and 2007 and a uniform committee member in 2008 and 2009.

When asked why she made such a trek, Ueki simply responded with, "The Marching Southerners changed my life." She admits before the

Southerners, she couldn't communicate in English well and had never seen a marching band.

"It's the Southerners' 60th anniversary and ten years since I marched for the first time. I didn't want to miss it, whatever it took," she said in an interview. She also shared how she had purchased her first trumpet two years ago and that she was, "...Very excited to travel with my trumpet and take it back to my home, Burgess-Snow Field."

The alumni were offered a meal on Friday night, and after they finished, the current Southerners presented an exclusive performance of their 2016 production, "Heroes: Lost and Fallen" for those who had made it possible for them to be there. Those in the stands rose to their feet for a standing ovation after the performance.

"It's a touching show. It does an incredible job at telling a story and more importantly: it tells the story of America," said 20J veteran, Chris Knight, who marched from 2007-2013. "I'm really proud to have been a part of this program," he continued, "and alumni weekend

always reminds me how much I miss it."

The performance was on Saturday, Nov. 19 at half-time of the JSU vs. UT Martin game. Almost 1,500 alumni came back to "Pick a Note" for "Stars Fell on Alabama," a Southerners tradition. This piece was directed by Happy Tinsley, the oldest living former drum major, who first took that position in 1958.

The program continued as Glenn Finley, son of Southerners Founder Dr. John Finley, conducted, "Southerners Special." This is a deeply treasured piece that was written for the band by John Finley.

The eldest son of David L. Walters, Joe Walters, conducted Quilting Party. This piece was especially arranged by David L. Walters for the Southerners while he was the director.

Former drum majors also returned to their podium, including Homer Smith, who conducted "Salvation is Created," and Damien Gaiters, who conducted the Jacksonville State fight song.

The production ended as current drum major, Daniel O'Donnell, conducted



Submitted Art

Director of Bands, Dr. Kenneth Bodiford (Right) and Chiharu Ueki, a trumpet alum who travelled to the reunion from Japan, pose for a photo after Friday night's exclusive performance.

"Uncle Dave's Ballerina Swing," which featured the Ballerinas and, "Yesterday, Today, and Forever," which featured the color guard.

The Southerners have a longstanding tradition of ex-

cellence, and it is no secret that the incredible and dedicated alumni of the program have helped to pave the way for their success of today.

Here's to another 60 years, Southerners!

"Gilmore Girls" miniseries airs to Netflix

Collins Maroa
Staff Reporter

Netflix is at it again. The streaming giant has been on a roll producing shows in house and acquiring shows that have not been on the air for a while.

The latest show to be revived is mother-daughter drama series, "Gilmore Girls" and Netflix went all out to get the show's enthusiasts to remember their long lost love.

The original series ran for seven seasons between September, 2000 to May 2007. On January 29, 2016 Netflix announced that it would be returning Gilmore Girls and on November 25, Netflix released the show as a

four-episode mini-series. The miniseries is titled "Gilmore Girls: A Year in the Life."

Each episode on the series lasts 90 minutes, and all episodes are named in accordance with the seasons of the year.

Netflix kept executive producer and creator of the show, Amy Sherman-Palladino and husband Daniel Palladino as executive producers of the show. Most of the production crew was also maintained, but there were obvious changes to the use of cinematography as there were more close up movement actions during the 'new' "Gilmore Girls" as compared to the old one.

Marketing has never



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been a problem for Netflix, and this time they out did themselves, turning several restaurants across the United States into Luke's Diner to promote the reboot of the show. Luke's diner is a popular coffee shop in the series. Several "Gilmore Girls" fans

crowded the make shift cafés to capture a few pictures and also live in the fantasy of their favorite show at least for a moment.

The show's cast was busy promoting the return of "Gilmore Girls" and showed excitement for the remake. Nearly

all of the old cast members returned at some point in the miniseries. Melissa McCarthy who played the role of Sookie returned. A cast member who passed before the series was honored in several episodes.

Sean Gunn, who plays Kirk on the show, was on "The Tonight Show" with Jimmy Fallon along with other cast members and said, "It feels like the show is more popular now than it ever was."

"To hear fans are so excited for a show we started 15 years ago, it's crazy," Gunn told Fallon.

Netflix was sure not to treat this as a season eight of "Gilmore Girls" but decided

to be a season one of "Gilmore Girls: A Year in the Life."

The last episode of 'the return' ended with a cliff hanger that has a lot of fans buzzing about a possible second season. Netflix has however not given a formal statement on the matter.

The cliff hanger had fans excited for the possibility of a second season but also was a bummer for those fans who were expecting this season to be kind of a closure considering the original show was cancelled before it really ended.

It has only been a few days since Netflix premiered "A Year in the Life", so the success of the series has yet to be determined.

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ing,” said Houston. Another responsibility of the consultants was to hold different social engineering projects.

Houston said the consultants who visited the campus would plant storage devices with malware on them. The hackers could then “sit at the back of your computer and watch you” if someone plugged it into a computer.

Houston said they could attempt to phish users by sending emails from jsu.com or from a JSU-linked email account.

“A lot of it falls back on employees and how they manage data they have access to,” said Houston.

“A lot of people use the same network every day,” Madden said. “Universities are a waypoint for stolen documents and it gives the adversary deniability. With the data flow, it acts like camouflage.”

“We’ve been more fortunate than all our peer institutions,” Houston said in reference to the number of JSU’s breaches. “Part of that could be we aren’t really a research institution.”

He said that targets for hackers are institutions that research diseases and have other trade secrets that may be desirable to someone

else.

“If you look at the number of instances we’ve had compared to the number of instances they’ve had, theirs have been far more disruptive, being the type of information exposed,” said Houston, also pointing out JSU has not had a full-time staff dedicated to cybersecurity like other institutions.

Houston said the incident in February was not as bad as it could have been.

“You don’t want people’s photos out there and their home addresses and their classification, but that goes back to a matter of an internal compromise,” he said. “We had

some student workers that had their credentials exposed. And as a result, that allowed this person to gain access to the system, to allow them to extract some information that otherwise he would not have had access to.”

hindering prosecution of the case.

“As far as I knew, they were just friends. I saw them hanging out a lot,” the source said. “It was generally accepted that Kurt gave his password over, whether he

dential assistant in Dixon Hall at the time of the breach.

“Our IT team put together pieces of a story and the pieces started to fit,” Houston said regarding the investigation to find the person behind the website. “We gathered non-technical information and saw what made sense.”

In addition to the security firm, Houston cited FERPA training as an effort to educate employees of the university about the information they have access to and what information they can legally give out.

“You could have the best security system in the world, and at the end of the day you can get hacked,” said Houston. “You just have to do such things to show diligence, to show that you’re making a best case effort to protect your clients, which in our case is our students.”

For the complete story, see www.jsu.edu/chanticleer.

Rank	Sector	# of incidents	Percentage of incidents
1	Healthcare	116	37 percent
2	Retail	34	11 percent
3	Education	31	10 percent
4	Government	26	8 percent
5	Financial	19	6 percent
6	Computer software	13	4 percent
7	Hospitality	12	4 percent
8	Insurance	11	4 percent
9	Transportation	9	3 percent
10	Arts and media	6	2 percent

A 2015 Symantec study shows that education is the third most-targeted sector for cybersecurity breaches. This is due in part to the high number of personal records that universities deal with every day and the sensitive information that these records include are coveted by hackers.

Someone familiar with the incident said they knew both students arrested in connection to the security breach. One of the people arrested was a juvenile, and due to Alabama law, is subject to anonymity. Another student, Kurt Nilsson, 21, was arrested for

he was coerced or that the information was taken.”

When asked how they knew that Nilsson gave up his credentials to the juvenile, the source said “he was fired, and then it was in the paper that he was arrested.”

Nilsson, according to the source, was a resi-



FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE FALL 2016

DATE	CLASS TIME	EXAM TIME	DATE	CLASS TIME	EXAM TIME	
DEC. 5	8:45 a.m. MWF	8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	DEC. 7	7:30 a.m. MWF	7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.	
	10:00 a.m. MWF	10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.		3:00 p.m. MWF	1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	
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Looking ahead to Youngstown State

Tim Cash
Sports Editor

Youngstown State will make an appearance at JSU Stadium next Saturday, Dec. 2, as they face the Gamecocks in the second round of the FCS Playoff.

Unlike Jacksonville State, who had a by week last weekend, the Penguins (9-3) topped Samford 38-24 for a chance to play the 2015 FCS National Runner-Up.

This will mark the first meeting between Youngstown State and JSU in football.

The Penguins' Shane Kuhn put YSU on the board first with a one-yard run into the end zone about 10 minutes into the first quarter.

Samford tied the game at seven late in the first.

The game was deadlocked until three sec-

onds until halftime when Zak Kennedy hit a 25-yard field goal to put the Penguins back on top going into halftime.

One-yard runs by Tevin McCaster and Martin Ruiz extended Youngstown State's lead to 24-7 in the third.

Jody Webb scored two touchdowns in the fourth to ensure a victory for the Penguins.

He extended their lead by scoring on a six-yard and 62-yard run.

The Bulldogs woke up in the fourth, scoring 17 points to attempting a comeback.

Everett Reece hit a 20-yard field goal before Kelvin McKnight caught both a 34-yard, and four-yard pass from Delvin Hodges to close the Penguins' lead.

YSU finished the season with an overall record of 8-3 before the

playoffs began, and 6-2 in the Missouri Valley Conference.

Their only conference win over a .500 team was Illinois State (6-6, 4-4 MVC).

Their other wins were over Northern Iowa (5-6, 4-4 MVC), South Dakota (4-7, 3-5 MVC), Indiana State, Southern Illinois and Missouri State who all finished the season 4-7, 2-6 in the Missouri Valley.

Their non-conference wins were Duquesne (8-3, 5-1 Northeast Conference) and Robert Morris (2-9, 1-5 Northeast Conference).

Duquesne tied for first in the NEC with their only conference loss coming to St. Francis, who would become the NEC's lone playoff representative.

Their two conference losses came against FCS playoff number eight-

seed South Dakota State and one-seed North Dakota State.

Their first loss of the season was to the FBS' Big 12's West Virginia.

Jacksonville State's follow-up of their 2015 trip to Frisco is one with a renewed hunger, and their sights still on a national championship.

For the third straight year, the Gamecocks were perfect in their Ohio Valley Conference games, which lead to them hoisting the OVC Championship trophy for the third straight year.

Jacksonville State also topped their non-FBS non-conference opponents Liberty University and North Alabama of Division-II. The Gamecocks lone loss of their 2016 campaign came to the SEC's Louisiana State University Tigers.

Gamecocks sweep OVC football awards

BRENTWOOD, Tenn. – Jacksonville State became the first team to sweep all four of the OVC's major football awards on Tuesday, when the Gamecocks also placed 17 players on the All-OVC Teams.

With an unprecedented third-straight unbeaten conference season now in their pockets, the No. 2 Gamecocks (10-1, 7-0 OVC) dominated the all-conference squads for the third-straight year. It marks the second-straight year JSU has had 17 All-OVC players after placing a record 18 on the squads in 2014.

John Grass earned his third-straight Roy Kidd OVC Coach of the Year Award, while senior quarterback Eli Jenkins was named the OVC Offensive Player of the Year for the second-straight season. Junior defensive end Darius Jackson was named the OVC Defensive Player of the Year, and safety Marlon Bridges was named the OVC Freshman of the Year. It is the first time all four awards have gone to the same program since the inception of the Freshman of the Year Award in 2004.

Jenkins, Jackson and Bridges were all named to the All-OVC First Team, where they joined running back Roc Thomas, center Casey Dunn, offensive guard Justin Lea and offensive tackle Nick Johnson on offense. The first team defense also included defensive lineman Randy Robinson, nickel back Siran Neal, linebacker Joel McCandless and cornerback Jaylen Hill.

The All-OVC Second Team offense featured running back Josh Clemons, wide receiver Josh Barge, offensive guard Kyron Samuels and offensive tackle Dylan Cline. Defensive lineman Desmond Owino and cornerback Reggie Hall were named



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to the second team defense. Bridges and Thomas were also named to the OVC's All-Newcomer Team.

In just his third season at the helm of the Gamecocks, Grass continues to add to what has already been an historic head coaching tenure at JSU. He is the first coach in NCAA history to go unbeaten in league play through his first three seasons and becomes the first coach in OVC history to win three-straight outright coach of the Year honors. The reigning AFCA National Coach of the Year is now 33-5 as the Gamecocks' head coach, the second-best start to a career in FCS history.

Jenkins becomes the first back-to-back winner of the OVC Offensive Player of the Year Award since Tony Romo in 2002. He is also the OVC's first three-time first-team quarterback since Romo did it from 2000-02.

In 11 games this season he accounted for 2,762 yards and 22 touchdowns, throwing for 1,967 yards and 10 scores while running for 12 touchdowns and 795 yards. He was an All-American in 2015 after leading JSU to the FCS National Championship Game. He finishes his four-year career as JSU's starting quarterback without ever losing a regular-season game to a non-

FBS foe. He is already JSU's career leader in total offense with 11,119, second-most in OVC history and 3,431 more than any other player in JSU history. His 3,607 career rushing yards are second in school history and the 10th-most by a quarterback in FCS history. He has accounted for 87 career touchdowns, also a school record, and became the first Gamecock to be named the OVC's Male Athlete of the Year last year.

Through just three seasons, Jackson is the school's career sacks leader with 20.5 and recently tied Chris Landrum for the school's career record for tackles for a loss with 39.5. He was an all-conference pick last year and was picked by the league's coaches to win his respective award in the pre-season.

The cog in the Gamecocks' pass rushing wheel, Jackson racked up 44 tackles, 15.0 for a loss and 10.0 sacks, while also netting an interception, recovering two fumbles, forcing one fumble and tallying 11 quarterback hurries. He ranks ninth nationally in sacks and 31st in tackles for a loss. He leads a JSU defense that is ranked second nationally in total defense, allowing just 252.6 yards per game.

Bridges stormed onto the scene in his first year in a Gamecock uniform, becoming the second Gamecock to win the OVC Freshman of the Year Award in the last three years (Lea in 2014). Bridges is not only the leading tackler on the No. 2 defense in FCS, but he is also one of the nation's best at creating turnovers.

He is tied for first in the nation with five forced fumbles and has intercepted four passes, the third-most by a freshman in all of the FCS. He has 79 tackles in 11 games in his first collegiate season, tops among all OVC freshmen. Bridges is a key component in a defensive secondary that ranks fifth in FCS in interceptions, 13th nationally in passing yards allowed and 13th in turnovers gained.

That defense dominated the 2016 All-OVC defensive units, placing six on the first team and two on the second team. Sophomore Randy Robinson, a 6-foot-2 lineman from Lovejoy, Ga., joined Jackson on the first team defensive line, Robinson's first career all-conference mention. He notched 30 tackles in the middle of JSU's defensive front, including 7.5 for a loss and 4.5 sacks.

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Gamecock Side Bar

Upcoming Gamecock Action

- 12/3**
- Football
vs. Youngstown St. (Second Round)
Burgess-Snow 1 p.m.
- Women's Basketball
at Savannah State
Savannah, Ga. 3 p.m.
- 12/4**
- Men's Basketball
at Samford
Birmingham, Ala. 3 p.m.
- 12/9 OR 12/10**
- Football
TBA - Quarterfinals
- 12/10**
- Men's Basketball
at UL Monroe
Monroe, La. 7 p.m.
- 12/12**
- Men's Basketball
vs. University of Maryland
College Park, Md. 6 p.m.
- 12/13**
- Women's Basketball
at Alcorn State
Alcorn, Miss. 5:30 p.m.
- 12/14**
- Men's Basketball
at Howard University
Washington, D.C. 6 p.m.
- 12/16 OR 12/17**
- Football
TBA - Semifinals
- 12/18**
- Women's Basketball
vs. Nicholls State
"The Pete" 1:30 p.m.
- Men's Basketball
at U of South Carolina - Upstate
Spartanburg, S.C. 2 p.m.
- 12/21**
- Men's Basketball
at Chattanooga
Chattanooga, Tenn. 1 p.m.
- Women's Basketball
vs. Clemson
"The Pete" 6 p.m.
- 12/29**
- Women's Basketball
at UT Martin*
Martin, Tenn. 5:30 p.m.
- Men's Basketball
at UT Martin*
Martin, Tenn. 7:30 p.m.
- 12/31**
- Women's Basketball
at Eastern Illinois*
Charleston, Ill. 1 p.m.
- Men's Basketball
at Eastern Illinois*
Charleston, Ill. 3:15 p.m.
- 1/5/2017**
- Women's Basketball
vs. Murray State*
"The Pete" 5:30 p.m.
- Men's Basketball
vs. Murray State*
"The Pete" 7:30 p.m.
- 1/7**
- Football
TBA - National Championship
Frisco, Texas
- Women's Basketball
vs. Austin Peay*
"The Pete" 4:30 p.m.
- Men's Basketball
vs. Austin Peay*
"The Pete" 7 p.m.
- 1/10**
- Men's Basketball
vs. Fort Valley State
"The Pete" 7 p.m.

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Harper's squad riding a 4-game win streak

Daniel Mayes
Staff Reporter

While most JSU students were enjoying food, family and freedom from classes over the Thanksgiving break, the Jacksonville State Men's basketball team was busy putting together a 4-game win streak.

During the four game stretch, the Gamecocks took down Dalton State, Cal State Fullerton, Northern Arizona and Alabama State, bringing their record up to 5-3 in the first season of the Ray Harper era after a rocky, 1-3 start to begin the year.

Jacksonville State began their winning streak with an 81-50 victory in their home-opener over the Dalton State Roadrunners on Nov. 22.

The game was tied 15-15 in the first half, but a layup by freshman Mohammad Abuarisha gave the Gamecocks a

lead that they would never relinquish, and Jacksonville State outscored Dalton State 48-29 in the second half as they cruised to a win.

In the Victory over Dalton State, Junior Norbertas Giga tallied his first double-double as a Jacksonville State Gamecock, as he put up 12 points and 11 rebounds to lead Jax State over the Roadrunners.

The Jacksonville State team then traveled to Las Vegas to participate in the Global Sports Classic, where they defeated Cal State Fullerton 61-38 on Friday and Northern Arizona 76-63 on Saturday.

A dominant defensive effort spurred the Gamecocks to victory over Cal State Fullerton, as Jacksonville State held the Titans to only 38 points on 25.6% shooting.

Senior guard Erik Durham led the way for Jax State offensively, shoot-

ing 6-9 from behind the three-point arc en route to a season high 20 points.

Christian Cunningham scored a career-high 19 points and added 9 boards to lead the Gamecocks to a victory over the Lumberjacks of Northern Arizona in the final game of the Global Sports Classic.

The Lumberjacks cut what was once a 17-point Gamecock lead down to 6 with about 5 minutes remaining, but JSU used a quick 7-0 run to put the game away.

Durham was named to the Global Sports Classic All-Tournament team after he knocked down 10 of 15 three-pointers in JSU's two wins in Las Vegas.

Jacksonville State then returned to Alabama to make the trip to Montgomery to take on in-state opponent Alabama State on Tuesday night, and the Gamecocks left the state capital

with a narrow, 72-69 victory over the Hornets.

The Gamecocks overcame an 8-point first-half deficit to take a 31-30 lead at halftime over Alabama State.

Jacksonville State opened up a 10-point lead in the opening minutes of the second period, but the Hornets cut the lead down to just 3 in the final seconds of the game.

ASU's Torloft Thomas had a chance to send the game into overtime with a three-point attempt at the buzzer, but his shot was off, and the Gamecocks came out on top.

Norbertas Giga and Freshman Tyrik Edwards each set career-highs in scoring against the Hornets with 18 and 10 points respectively.

Jacksonville State will look to build on its winning streak in a road game against Samford on Sunday, Dec. 4.



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Gamecocks thankful for a win over Thanksgiving break

Rebekah Hawkins
Staff Reporter

The Gamecocks spent the days after Thanksgiving with an early loss against Florida Atlantic followed by a win the next day against Florida A&M.

The Gamecocks traveled to Boca Raton, Fla. for an after Thanksgiving tournament last Friday and Saturday.

They started Friday morning with a tough loss against the hosting Florida Atlantic Owls 55-63.

The tournament wound down on Saturday morning with a Gamecock win against Florida A&M 66-54.

They were 8-of-12 on free throws against FAMU for the day, including Briana

Benson's five of the six free throws she attempted.

JSU played consistently better on three-point shots as they made 8-of-21 attempts.

Ki-Ki Patterson made three on her own, while Kelly Naughton made another two-of-four attempts.

The Gamecocks came out slow in the first quarter.

They made it ahead with help from a Patterson three-pointer.

The game tied at 16 with 29 seconds left in the first and the Rattlers went ahead by two before the end 18-16.

The Gamecocks continued to have trouble throughout the second quarter as they fell behind until less than three minutes remained in the half.

Benson assisted in pushing the Gamecocks up to a tie with FAMU.

She then hit a three-pointer to push the Gamecocks out ahead by three 33-30 as they headed to the locker room at the half.

The momentum shifted in the second half.

The Gamecocks led the entire duration of the third quarter being ahead by as much as nine before the end.

The lead continued to climb for the Gamecocks in the final quarter of play.

The Rattlers closed to within five but by the end of the game JSU led by 12 to end the game with the 66-54 final.

Their game against Florida Atlantic was a different story on Saturday when the

Gamecocks played the Rattlers of Florida A&M.

Despite the loss to FAU, the Gamecocks still played hard.

Throughout the first quarter, the Gamecocks stayed ahead of the Owls.

It was tied once early at two but the Gamecocks stayed ahead of FAU throughout the remainder of the first if only by one.

A jumper from Buchanon pushed the Gamecocks ahead by three to end the first quarter 11-8.

The Gamecocks started to fall behind with the start of the second quarter.

A one point lead from the Owls turned into a seven-point lead after a succession of free throws and single three-point shot.

With five minutes left in the half FAU led by 11 at 24-13.

The Gamecocks cut the lead to nine before they headed to the locker room.

At the half the score was still in favor of the Owls 28-19.

The Gamecocks struggled throughout the third.

They stayed down by as much as eight during the quarter.

As the Gamecocks entered into the final quarter of play they were down by seven, 36-43.

JSU narrowed the Owls' lead to two early in the final quarter but weren't able to take the win.

The Gamecocks play Savannah State in Savannah, Ga. on Dec. 3.



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