Dairy Queen has electronic accessories for students

Dustin Fox
Staff Reporter

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“We have plenty of space for people to come and hang out in here. And we have a patio area with even more seating outside,” said general manager William Dingle.

The patio has two fire heaters to keep customers warm when it is cold outside.

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She discussed the political as- pects of Oman and the uniqueness of their Sultan, who is the longest reigning ruler in the Middle East, having overthrown the previous ruler in 1970. Sultan Qaboos, the current ruler, wished for economic growth and stability for his country. His policy pertaining to diplo- macy is, “friend to all, enemy to none.” Oman has been an ally to Americans, stayed there from Dec. 29, 2015, to Jan. 8, 2016. The Fellowship’s goal was to act as an educational and cul- tural exchange to educate people on the Middle East/Arab world, and the relationship between the United States and the Arab world, according to a press release she wrote. “It was a cultural education. We did have some meetings with gov- ernment officials, but it was more of a cultural educational exchange that you cannot obtain by reading a book or looking online. You have to immerse yourself in it,” Owens said.

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“I was particularly impressed by how special Oman seems to be. It really is a gem in the region. It is a place I would go back to. It is a place I would take students to without be- ing worried about taking them. And I cannot say that about every place I have been. In fact, several of us from the group are talking about trying to get one or two students from each of our institutions to do a trip over the holidays, hope- fully within a year or two. That is a testimony to the professors and what a positive view they have of Oman,” she said.

Owens is available throughout her year of fellowship to speak with various groups on the following topics: Oman culture, Oman’s role in the region and the world, United States-Omani relations, economics and missionary history of the United States in the nation. She can tailor her discussion for groups interested in business, education, civic affairs, poli- tics, church, or other interested groups, including secondary edu- cation students. Owens may be contacted at ljowens@jsu.edu.
I propped my feet up on my table and now I have a cat on my legs and a cat on my lap. These two cats hate each other but are sleeping peacefully... I am the chosen cat throne.

What if this is like “Now You See Me” and the hackers go in and erase all our student debt.

Our generation’s logic: Prove a point by hurting the student body and putting everyone’s information out in the public, all the while wanting to stay anonymous.

During orientation: “It’s always sunny here on the friendliest campus in the South!” I would like to speak to you about the last two weeks, GO! Leader.

Remember playing Mario Kart and thinking you’re winning, only to realize you’ve been looking at the wrong screen and crashing into walls? That’s what going to college is like.

I sure wish my English professor would grade papers as fast as she makes us write them.

You always make an impact on others. Even if you don’t realize it.

I feel like I’m having a crisis. I know that I can’t afford a car payment at the moment, but I really need a vehicle. I’m a junior and I only have a part time retail job. I have enough to pay for rent for my cheap apartment, but my parents still have to help me with my power bill every once in a while. I’m here on a partial scholarship, but luckily have scraped by without a student loan. With that being said, I have a friend of a friend that’s selling a car for a couple thousand dollars. I trust these people, and I’ve been told the family just upgraded. I want this car. I need this car. But I don’t know how to get this car.

Sincerely,
Desperate

Dear Desperate,

Lucky for you, a car isn’t completely necessary in college. You didn’t mention that you got a ride to your part time retail job, but it can be assumed that is one of the main reasons you want the car. Now, you really need to research for yourself here, but hopefully this will push you in the right direction.

With a car comes great responsibility. Cars require gas money, oil changes, transmission fluid changes, various filters need replacing and tires need timely maintenance. If you are serious about this, and really need the cash, you may want to check out bank loans. There is a lot of red tape and it can be very risky. If you don’t have credit, you may need a cosigner. The interest rates on bank loans are generally lower, and it will help you establish a credit. This cannot be stressed enough though: MAKE ALL YOUR PAYMENTS ON TIME.

Yours truly,
Chanty
JSU drama brings history to life

Collins Maroa
Staff Reporter

On February 23, 2016, the SGA Cultural Canvas Painting from 6-9 in the auditorium of the TMB. It was an incredibly successful event.

Every seat was full. Some students even stopped by to participate, but were asked to come back to a later portion because the class was at full capacity.

Jacksonville State University’s SGA invited Andromeda using the pre-drawn scene that would paint on it. She explained that the class would be painting a scene from the pre-test in Memphis, Tenn. It depicted a group of black protesters holding signs that said “I am man!” The reason the image were not only for the cultural aspects of it but also to sit in and paint and learn a little bit about history, civil rights and the African American culture.

As someone who loves art, I enjoyed how creative I was able to be with this project. Overall, I am really glad that JSU offers events like this so students can learn more about different cultures,” said Blangin.

“I really think I like my picture. I think I really understood the objective and gained a new understanding. When I walked away, it was one of those eye opening moments where I was thinking ‘oh that’s really happened!’ This event changed my perspective on civil rights,” said another student in attendance, Taylor Whitmore.

At the end of the day, everyone in attendance took their works of art and a bit of the knowledge home with them.
‘Cocky Country’ interviews upcoming artists

Renee Lyons
Special to the Chanticleer

On Friday February 19, the hosts of WLJS 91.9’s country music show, “Cocky Country,” headed South to Auburn to see two guys on their way to country music stardom hit the stage at Bourbon Street Bar. Just who are these two new artists? Their names are Jacob Davis and Cole Taylor.

Earlier in the week, both artists agreed to sit down with the “Cocky Country” girls, Katelyn Schneider and myself, along with The Chanticleer’s editor, Marie McBurnett, to answer a few questions about their rise in the music industry, what the future holds for them and what they would like potential new fans to know about them.

Up first was Jacob Davis. This interview took place in Jacob’s hotel lobby after the band had participated in a band bonding game of racquetball. Tagging along to the interview was Jacob’s bass player, Teddy Christenberry.

We started the guys out with a series of ‘this or that’ questions that ranged from Skittles or M&M’s to Carrie Underwood or Miranda Lambert.

After that, we moved on to music questions. During the interview, he shared with us what song he recently wrote that has him fired up and after several back-and-forths with debating on if he was allowed to disclose, he said the name of it is “Love Got Me Like.”

The best piece of advice he ever received came to him from his dad and his coach through the quote, “It’s not the size of the dog in the fight; it’s the size of the fight in the dog.”

The final question he answered for us was what he would want someone who knew nothing about him to walk away from this interview knowing. To answer that question he replied with, “I want people to think that I’m a good guy.”

Next up, we went to Cole Taylor’s hotel and interviewed him a strange place, the fitness center. His interview took place after him and his band sound checked for the night.

We started out the interview the same way as our previous interview with ‘this or that’ questions ranging from truth or dare to beer or liquor. After those icebreakers, we moved on to music questions like which song he would pick out for a potential new fan to listen to. To that question he replied with picking “Lights Go Down” from his upcoming EP, Step 2.

He also mentioned in a later question that “Lights Go Down” has the potential to be his next single. The name of his next single will be revealed on the same day his EP is released, Friday, February 26. The best piece of advice he’s ever received got handed down to him from Cole Swindell, which got handed down to him from Luke Bryan, which is simply “make your own story and live it out.” He wants people to know that he is a “normal dude that is getting to live his dream out.”

Highlight songs on Cole’s upcoming EP, Step 2, include the heartwarming song with a moving melody, “Lights Go Down.”

The song will take a listener back to remembering growing up in a small town. Other songs include “Part of This Town,” and the fun, upbeat rhythm song, “Side to Side.”

Later that night at the Bourbon St. Bar, both guys captivated the crowd with the perfect blend of cover and original songs that they have written or released themselves. Country music fans can catch these two talented guys out on their individual tours that are paving their way to the road of success.
The last time the Dallas Cowboys took a quarterback in the first round was in 1989. They drafted a young talented quarterback out of UCLA—
that man was Troy Aikman. For those unfamiliar with Aikman... you probably don’t watch football. Aikman, now a sports commentator for Fox, is considered to be one of the best to ever play for the Dallas Cowboys franchise. With the number 18 picks in the draft, Aikman was well worth the Cowboys’ no. 1 pick in the NFL draft. He became a Hall of Famer and is now a recognizable face of the Cowboys brand. It’s been 27 years since the Cowboys have taken a chance on a top-tier quarterback, and now is the time to take the leap. The Cowboys hold the fourth pick, and with no guarantee of a top-tier quarterback in their reach when it’s their turn, it’s the right time. Goff is considered to be many by second to Wentz with similar abilities. Aikman’s weakness is his accuracy from time to time. Dallas has a chance to draft a successor to Romo, who has shown over the past three sea

dons that he is no longer the same player. Some analytics like Carson Wentz out of Duke State; others are high on Jared Jackson. With Romo at the helm in the Cowboys offense, the team is 3-1 without him. He needs to see that a quarterback should be... or should have experience in... 

The problem is assuming that being a skin

ny girl means you have never felt insecure. It's ridiculous to shame... It makes me feel really bad... I'm not usually like this... 

In light of recent events, the 2016 NFL draft is bound to be... The Dallas Cowboys are...

misconceptions about the “skinny” figure and womanhood... that thinner women don’t count as “real women”; that... 

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By Rachel Davis

Staff Reporter

A few weeks ago I went out to eat at Panera Bread with my sister Amanda, my boyfriend, and a few friends, and while in line to order food, these two young women were talking... 

As for the Democrats, the race has... 

Bernie Sanders, Clinton, and Ben Carson are...
NASHVILLE – The JSU women’s basketball team’s bid for a third consecutive trip to the OVC Tournament was settled Saturday night in Music City. After JSU was eliminated they moved on to the post-season with a 50-40 loss to Tennessee State at the Gentry Center.

The Gamecocks have now lost three of the last four games and dropped to 10-17 overall and 5-10 in OVC play. JSU’s inability to score has plagued the team in 2015-16. It continued for all JSU students

Franklin had 21 points and nine boards, but

In the last four games, JSU averaged just 45.2 percent from the field. The Gamecocks struggled to make shots throughout the season.

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Jacksonville State’s baseball team boasts back-to-back season opener wins. The Gamecocks toppled the Valparaiso Crusaders 9-3 on Friday Feb. 21.

**Women’s Golf places 11th at Amelia Island Collegiate**

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niversity and won-

ed by Jacksonville State. The Gamecocks (2-1) topped Northeastern State and Youngstown State last season. JSU extended its lead in the series with the Crusaders (1-2) to 5-1 all time and tied 3-1 under head coach Jim Case. The Gamecocks went on to win 11-10 on Saturday, but Valparaiso held off the sweep with a 14-4 decision on Sunday.

On a gorgeous day to start the 2016 campaign, the Gamecocks fell behind 3-0 in the third inning as Valpo plated three runs off of JSU senior Graham Officer. Valparaiso’s Daniel Delaney drove in two runs with a two-out single up the middle to give his club a 3-0 lead. That two-RBI single, which was the fifth of the inning, would be the final one by Valpo as the JSU pitching staff limited the Crusaders’ to just three hits in the final six innings.

JSU took advantage of five Crusader miscues throughout the game and connected on timely hits against Valpo’s pitching unit. After being handed a 3-0 lead, Valpo’s Dalton Londer (0-1) could not hold the lead. After back-to-back walks given to Clayton Daniel and Paschal Petrongolo, Jax State scored its first run of the season on a Tyler Gamble single up the middle, scoring Clayton. The Crusaders mishandled the throw from the outfield, allowing Petrongolo and Gamble to move to in scoring position. Lundeen balked during Paul Angel’s at bat to score Petrongolo. Senior El- liot McCummings drove in another run with a hit to right field. The Gamecocks erased the lead with redshirt freshman Austin Green’s sin-

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