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Veterans Day Ceremony

JSU will honor America's veterans on Thursday, November 10 from 10-11 a.m. with a ceremony in Pete Mathews Coliseum. Other activities this day will include a patriotic lunch in the Jack Hopper Dining Hall. Meals will be \$5 a person for this day only. At 1:30 p.m., there will be a ribbon cutting and open house for the Center of Excellence of Veteran Student Success on the JSU Quad in front of Doughty Hall.

Kickin' Katie 5K Glow Walk/Run

Pre-race ceremony begins at 6:00 p.m. on Dillon Field. Race starts at 6:30 p.m. There will be vendors and a band playing at after part to be held on Dillon Field following the race. Day-of registration is \$15 and goes to benefit the Katie Beth Carter Scholarship Fund.

Mental Health Awareness Fair

Counseling Services is sponsoring a mental health awareness fair on Thursday, Nov. 10, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the TMB Auditorium.



Donald Trump bests Hillary Clinton to become 45th president of the United States

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International Education Week set for Nov. 14-18

Allie Cantrell
Staff Writer

From Nov. 14 to 18, the Jacksonville State University International House is hosting International Education Week.

International Education week is a joint initiative between the U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education that encourages the celebration of international education and exchanges worldwide. The International House and its programs here at JSU have had 70 years of history promoting international education and the celebration of diversity both on campus and in the community.

"Dr. James Harding Jones laid the strong foundation of International education at JSU in 1946, and he worked really hard to ensure that our students and individuals in the

community are exposed to different cultures, languages, ideas and perception," said Chandni Khadka, the Director of the International House.

The International House Program began in 1946 with five students from France. Since then, the program has grown to 40 members—20 American students and 20 International students. Each international student lives in the International House with an American roommate.

"Know one another and you will love one another" has long been the motto of the International House Program, and that tradition continues to this day. Khadka and the International House staff keep this mantra in mind when planning events such as International Education Week.

"The objective of International Education Week is to bring the entire campus and community together to celebrate our rich tradition

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Jacksonville native headlines Coca-Cola's Back 40 Bash

Lauren Jackson
Staff Writer

Through the haze of dust and cigarette smoke, country music cut through the air at the Back 40 Bash on Nov. 5. Local Jacksonville resident and rising country star, Riley Green, hosted over 2,500 people for a concert on family property in Pleasant Valley on Saturday.

According to Green, the concert was a way to re-

lax and for fans to enjoy some country music from Alabama musicians. Green is deeply tied to Jacksonville having gone to Jacksonville High School and played as quarterback for the JSU football team during his time at the university.

"Jacksonville will always be my home," Green said.

In addition to touring around Jacksonville and the Southeast, Green was flown to Frisco, Texas for the FCS championship game following

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Jacksonville native and former JSU student Riley Green performs at the Back 40 Bash on Saturday, Nov. 5.

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the success of the JSU football team last year.

When asked if he ever misses his time on the field before the start of his music career, Green says "I miss playing ball, but it must have been the right decision."

Green's music was largely impacted by his childhood days with his grandfather when he learned to play guitar.

Although his grandfather never got to see the crowds at a Back 40 Bash, Green says, "He would be eating this up."

Originally, Green found his joy in music through spending time with his grandfather.

"For a couple of years it got like work, but I feel like I find my joy from people relating to my music," Green said.

Green earned exposure by starring in CMT's "Red-neck Island" and winning his

season. Initially, he was hesitant since the show can make people appear in false light, but decided to take the risk in order to make his dreams for his music come true.

"It was a pretty good paycheck and great for exposure, but I hope they do not call again," Green said when asked about the possibility of returning to the show.

Other Alabama artists that played at the Back 40 Bash included Tyler Reeve and Muscadine Bloodline. Reeve is originally from Mobile and currently lives in Nashville where he writes songs for rising artists. Muscadine Bloodline is also composed of two Mobile natives, Charlie Muncaster and Gary Stanton.

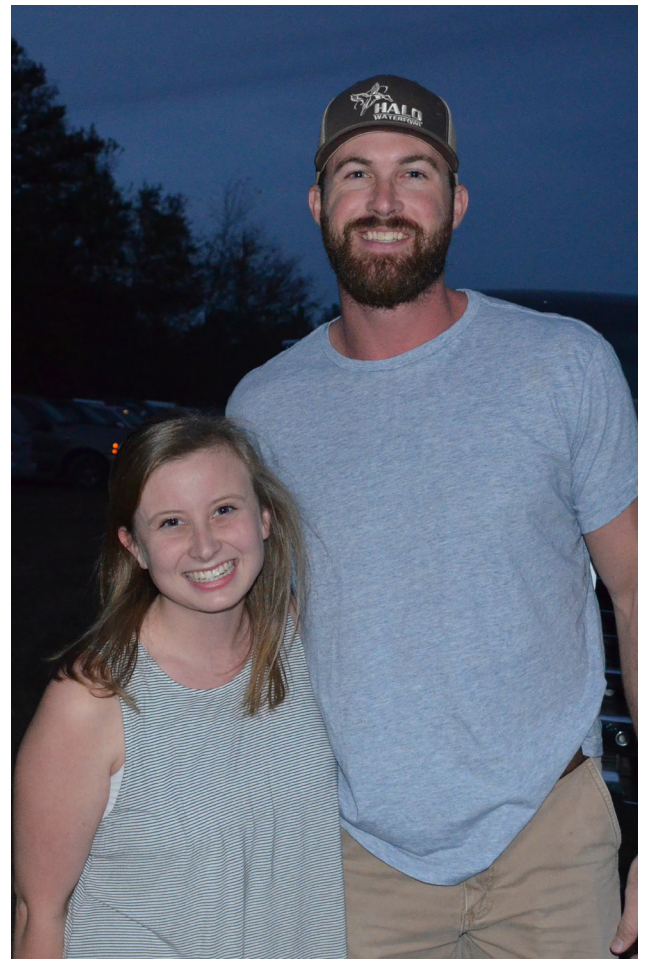
"Anytime you can come out to a field and party with 2,000 people, it is a good time," said Muncaster.

The Back 40 Bash is in partnership with 65 South

brand that promotes a country music scene in Alabama. The group name comes from Interstate 65 being the quickest route to Nashville. According to Bradley Jordan, a spokesman from the organization, the group "promotes country music in Alabama, since there has not been a big star since the band Alabama."

The concert drew in both local fans and fans from bordering states and consisted of lawn chairs, blankets, yeti coolers and RVs. Concessions were offered at the event, and outside beverages and foods could be brought in.

"When we came up with the idea we had a big field and built a stage expecting a couple hundred people to show up. The first one we had right at 1,400, and have been having them since," said Green.



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Chanticleer writer Lauren Jackson (above left) met with Riley Green (above right) at the Back 40 Bash on Saturday, Nov. 5.

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and take this as an opportunity to learn the different aspects of International Education and how they can benefit each one of us towards becoming a global citizen," said Khadka.

Activities for the week include an open house, a study abroad presentation, a Thanksgiving dinner, and international music social and a Coffee Break social.

International Education Week 2016 Schedule

Monday 11/14: International Open House
3:00-5:00 p.m. at the International House

Tuesday 11/15: Study Abroad Presentation
Student session: 10:00 a.m.
Faculty session: 2:00 p.m.
both at the International House

Wednesday 11/16: Faculty & Advisor Session
3:00-5:00 p.m. at the International House

Thursday 11/17: Thanksgiving Dinner
4:00-6:00 p.m. on the 11th floor of the library
International Music Social
8:00-11:00 p.m. at the International House

Friday 11/18: Coffee Hours
2:00-4:00 p.m. at the International House

The Good Fight

Meet Coach Todd Bates

Teddy Couch
Special to The Chanticleer

Life hit Todd Bates harder than any football player could on March 24, 2003. He lost two things he cherished. One was gone for just a year, but he would never see the other again.

It all started in 2002 when Bates began taking an over-the-counter supplement called Ripped Fuel. He didn't know it contained ephedra, a drug the NCAA banned in 1997. Bates failed a random drug test in early 2003, and was suspended. Although his coaches at the University of Alabama supported him, Bates lost his appeal 3-2. His year of eligibility was gone. Fifteen minutes later, Bates forgot about football for a moment; he learned his grandfather died. His dream year had suddenly become a nightmare.

Football players refer to their junior year as the "money year." It's the year to get on the radar of National Football League teams. The 6-foot-4 defensive end was poised for a big year. But after an "honest" mistake, his money year was gone. He was temporarily banned from his favorite childhood sport, but he lost another part of his childhood forever.

As a child, Bates visited his grandfather's car shop after school. King Bates always gave him a dollar for a Butterfinger. He watched him work on cars, and they talked for hours. Bates didn't know anything about cars; he just wanted to be around his grandfather. Now, all he had left were those memories. His grandfather was gone. Life knocked Bates down, and he literally couldn't stand up to it.

During everything, he was confined to a wheelchair after undergoing foot surgery a week earlier. When life knocks you down, you're

supposed to get up. Right? But it's hard to get back on your feet mentally when you can't physically.

"You have a time in every game we call gut-check time," Bates said. "The game can be tied up or you can just be in need of making a play. You either make it or not. On that day, losing my grandfather during that clutch situation, it pushed me over the edge as far as my capacity for dealing with adversity."

Then came the public backlash. His wife La'Tesa Bates, who was his girlfriend at the time, remembered seeing the news break on TV.

"For me, it was hard because I went to school for broadcast news," she said. "This is what I'm studying; I get it. But I'm on the other end of it. Somebody I know is having to be on the news. It is not fun."

Bates' hometown, Heflin, Ala., was excited to see him as a starter for the Crimson Tide. After the news broke, people immediately started talking. Bates recalled walking behind two older men in the Quintard Mall in Oxford, Alabama — about a 30-minute drive from Heflin. Guess who they were talking about?

"That Bates kid is on steroids," Bates remembered them saying. He immediately pulled his hat down to cover his face. Situations like that made him want to wear a hat and sunglasses in public. Some people weren't giving Bates a chance, but one coach was willing to.

The Crimson Tide hired Mike Shula as their new head coach in May 2003. It's common for coaches to clean house once they are hired, and there was Bates sitting on the sidelines ineligible to play.

"Am I going to be in your dog house the whole time?" Bates asked him. "Because if I am, you don't have to tell this old dog to leave." Shula informed him that as long as he

did what he was supposed to, he had nothing to worry about.

"I took his word for that," Bates said. "I put my nose to the ground, went to work and never looked back."

His work payed off. Bates practiced with the scout team; he took the role as serious as he would've if he was a starter. He earned scout team player of the week eight out of 12 times. He went on to earn a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration. On the field, he had 42 tackles, five-and-a-half sacks and eight tackles for a loss his senior year. To top it off, his teammates voted him, along with Wesley Britt, as a 2004 permanent team captain for the Crimson Tide.

"That was neat to see, especially for Todd," Shula said to Alabama. He added that Bates and Britt were leaders before, during and after games and at practice because of "their whole personalities."

Bates' play during his senior season was enough to earn him a chance in the NFL. He watched every pick of the 2005 NFL draft. All 255 of them. Every team passed on him, but 20 minutes after the draft ended, the Tennessee Titans called. They picked him up as a free agent, and Bates felt like a kid the night before Christmas.

He showed up two hours early for his first meeting as a professional football player. The Titans granted him an opportunity, and he was out to make the most of it.

During preseason camp, his opportunity grew. Antwan Odom, a

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2016 ELECTION



Donald Trump clinches presidency after key battleground wins

Reid J. Epstein, Janet Hook and Colleen McCain Nelson

The Wall Street Journal

Republican Donald Trump, a political novice who ran a nationalist campaign calling for restricting immigration and international trade, scored a stunning come-from-behind win to become the 45th president of the United States, defeating Democrat Hillary Clinton.

The Associated Press put Wisconsin in Mr. Trump's column at 2:30 a.m. Wednesday, putting the Republican over the 270 electoral votes required to take the White House. Mrs. Clinton called Mr. Trump to concede soon thereafter.

After running a bitterly divisive and partisan campaign, Mr. Trump struck a conciliatory tone in his speech to supporters in a New York ballroom. He praised Mrs. Clinton's public service, saying that the country owes her a debt of gratitude.

"Now it is time for all Americans to bind the wounds of division," he said. "It is time for us to come together as one united people."

In her concession speech in New York around noon Wednesday, Mrs. Clinton congratulated Mr. Trump and offered to work with him. She thanked her supporters and asked them to have an open mind about his presidency, saying, "we must accept this re-

sult" and look to the future. She added, "This is painful, and it will be for a long time."

Mr. Trump also pledged to lift up those who have been left behind, saying, "the forgotten men and women of our country will be forgotten no longer."

House Speaker Paul Ryan (R., Wis.), whose support for Mr. Trump's campaign was tepid at best, praised the president-elect for hearing a message from the American people that no one else was hearing, during a news conference in Janesville, Wis., Wednesday morning. "Donald Trump will lead a unified Republican government," he said, speaking to the fact Republicans retained control of Congress Tuesday.

The polls and political pundits gave Mr. Trump little chance of winning going into the final day of voting, but Mr. Trump scored a series of close wins in a number of crucial states that Republican nominees haven't won since 2004, including Florida and Ohio.

The win threatens to rattle U.S. equity markets and drove the Mexican peso down sharply in overnight trading, foreshadowing what could be a shaky few days on Wall Street and elsewhere as the international financial world digests the reality of a Trump presidency.

Mr. Trump will bring to Washington a highly unpredict-



Chip Somodevilla/Getty Images

Republican president-elect Donald Trump gives a thumbs up to the crowd during his acceptance speech at his election-night event at the New York Hilton Midtown Manhattan in the early hours of Wednesday morning.

able governing style and a raft of policy prescriptions—from threatening to deport illegal immigrants to upending existing trade deals—that are anathema even to many within his own party.

The businessman and reality-television persona will become the first person to enter the White House without any prior political experience or military service. He rode a wave of anger, largely from white Americans, and defeated Mrs. Clinton in a campaign that featured the nastiest and most personal attacks in modern American politics.

In Florida and elsewhere, Mr. Trump won by driving turnout in rural Republican-heavy counties. He beat the GOP high-water mark in the last four presidential elections in 41 of the state's 67 counties, according to Steve Schale,

a Florida Democratic operative who was a senior official in both of President Barack Obama's campaigns. In Wisconsin, Mr. Trump held a 22-percentage-point lead in Brown County, a 89% white county that includes Green Bay. Mr. Obama won Brown County in 2008 and in 2012 Mitt Romney carried it by less than 2 percentage points.

Mr. Trump's victory in Ohio comes after Mrs. Clinton brought a parade of celebrities to the state in an effort to boost her turnout in its urban centers. But Mr. Trump's popularity among the state's white voters, combined with Mrs. Clinton's weak turnout from African Americans, meant a win for the Republican in a state President Barack Obama won twice. Mrs. Clinton so far hasn't carried a single state in which a Republican Senate candidate has won. She lost to Mr. Trump in Wisconsin, where GOP Sen. Ron Johnson defeated Democratic challenger Russ Feingold in a rematch of their 2010 contest.

One certain election outcome is that Mr. Trump will face a deeply divided nation that may take a long time to heal.

State and municipal authorities reported high voter turnout in cities and small towns across

much of the country, with lines of up to an hour or more to vote in many places.

Early polls of voters found deep unease toward both candidates. A majority of voters said they found neither candidate to be honest or trustworthy. Neither won approval from more than half of the country.

Mrs. Clinton carried Virginia, a state she was long expected to carry but a place where the results were narrower than expected. Neither candidate visited Virginia in the campaign's closing days, and Mrs. Clinton pulled her advertising from the state's airwaves for months before putting them back on in the final weeks.

At the same time, voters cast a more skeptical eye toward Mr. Trump, with a large majority of those polled saying they didn't think he had the temperament to be president. Mr. Trump won big among voters—around a third or so of those polled—who wanted the new president to bring change, but then lost by large margins among those who said they were looking for empathy, experience or judgment.

About 130 million Americans were expected to cast ballots this year in one of the most unpredictable campaigns in modern history,

with the future of the presidency, Supreme Court and control of the U.S. Senate hanging in the balance.

Some voters expressed disillusion about the low tone of the campaign.

"Neither party deserves to be president," said Shawntell Simmons, a 28-year-old waitress, after reluctantly casting her vote for Mrs. Clinton in Houston on Tuesday.

"I don't want to be set back 50 years if I vote for Trump," she said. "I don't want to have to go back to war if I vote for Hillary."

Still, Mr. Trump appealed to voters unhappy with the current state of the country, who saw in him a Washington outsider who could shake things up.

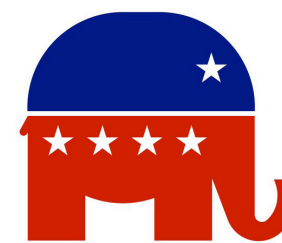
"I hate close elections like this," said Tom Kluczynski, a Trump supporter who watched election returns in a San Diego auditorium where voters had gathered.

But Mr. Kluczynski, a 56-year-old from San Diego who lost his job as an aerospace technician in July, said he was "feeling more confident" as election results rolled in. Mr. Trump "is the come-from-behind kid."



Robert Willett/Raleigh News & Observer/Zuma Press

Distraught over Donald Trump's lead in the vote count, Clinton supporter Anna Louise Flanagan is embraced by Matthew Traeger as they watch the election returns at the Raleigh Marriott City Center in Raleigh, N.C.



ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Pearl Harbor veteran speaks to Southerners

Katelyn Schneider

Arts & Entertainment Editor

Retired Tech. Sgt. Durward Swanson remembers the Dec. 7 attack at Pearl Harbor, the lives that were lost, and watching it all unfold right in front of him.

Ninety-five-year-old Swanson, a native of Troup County, Ga., was stationed at the Hickam Air Force Base in Hawaii during the 1941 bombing attacks at Pearl Harbor. He shared his story with Jacksonville State University's Marching Southerners on Monday evening because the band will soon be traveling to Oahu, Hawaii, to participate in a remembrance ceremony for the 75th anniversary of Pearl Harbor.

Dr. Kenneth Bodiford, director of bands at JSU, introduced Swanson to the band members who crowded into the theater of Stone Center. Every seat was full, and many stood along the walls to hear his words. Membership in the Southerners, including alternates, numbers approximately 500.

Bodiford asked Swanson to speak with the members because he wanted them to understand that the show



Mark Du Pont/ Special to The Chanticleer

Swanson waves to the Southerners after they sing "I'll Fly Away" after his speech.

they are performing has an effect on the people who see it.

"I just thought it was real important that we make that connection with the students with a survivor before they actually get to Pearl Harbor," Bodiford said.

Swanson first said the Pledge of Allegiance, and then began his story starting from when he first signed up to be in the military at 17 years of age to the present day.

Swanson focused heavily on the Pearl Harbor attack and gave vivid descriptions of the terrors he saw.

"I missed death by ten minutes that day," he said during his speech.

He watched friends die and a giant mushroom cloud form on top of the USS Arizona after it was hit by a bomb.

The Southerners listened to the speech quietly, and at the end, sang "I'll Fly Away," which is a group tradition.

Swanson's reflection on that infamous day made members of the band feel honored.

Diondre Crowder, first-year euphonium player for

the Southerners who plans to make the trip to Hawaii, said Swanson's desire to talk to the band showed him that this year's show is important.

"I think it's really an honor for him to share his own experiences," Crowder said. "It's just something that you can't put a value on, and we should really appreciate it."

The Southerners received the invitation almost two years ago, according to Bodiford.

"We've been very honored by it," Bodiford said.

The Southerners will leave for Oahu, Hawaii, on Dec. 9 and will stay for four or five days, Bodiford said. He said attending members of the band will open the ceremony on Dec. 11 with "The Star Spangled Banner," and they will play some segments of their 2016 show, "Heroes: Lost and Fallen." They will perform at the USS Missouri.

According to Bodiford, any band member who marched this season was eligible to go. He said each of those attending was required to pay the \$2,350 fee which covers all costs of the trip.

Bodiford said six different flights will carry 280 South-

erners and 160 parents, fans, and alumni who plan to attend from Atlanta, Ga., to Oahu.

Bodiford said the upcoming trip determined the choice of music the band would play this season. He said he thinks the show has so far reminded people of the unity of patriotism despite all of the controversy that is going on and hopes it is received well at Pearl Harbor. He said it has affected people, including the students who march.

"It opened their eyes to how important our veterans really are," Bodiford said.

Swanson, now of Maryville, Tenn., said he really liked the 2016 show and said it brought back memories for him.

Swanson's speech allowed the members to appreciate this year's show even more, according to several who heard him.

Cody Hooks, a freshman tenor saxophone player, said Swanson's speech reminded him that each performance could have an effect on someone.

"It's only once in a lifetime that you get an opportunity to touch someone else's heart with a show like that," Hooks said.

Ensembles play back to back

Hannah Ashford

Staff Reporter

On Nov. 3 in the Mason Hall Performance Center, JSU's Chamber Winds and Symphonic Band performed their fall concert. The conductor for Chamber Winds was Dr. Kenneth G. Bodiford with guest graduate conductor Mark Knauss. Mr. Jeremy Stovall was the conductor for the Symphonic Band.

In the fall semester, there are two different ensembles that students can participate in. Each student performs an assigned piece to their primary director. The audition pieces were assigned during the summer. Students are then possibly put into either ensembles based on how many of

each part the conductor needs.

Chamber winds is the most advanced group while Symphonic Band is slightly less difficult, but still plays advanced music. While a good majority of students in the ensembles are music majors, there are some non-music majors participating as well.

"I love being in an ensemble, even if I'm not a music major. It's a nice way to still play my instrument even after high school," one student said.

Both ensembles have been working on the music for the concert since the beginning of the semester. Symphonic band met three times a week in the performance center while Chamber Winds

met in the band room.

The Symphonic Band performed first, opening with "Semper Fidelis," a popular John Philip Sousa march. The march was said to be Sousa's favorite march he wrote. It was light, quick and upbeat.

Another piece the Symphonic Band played was called "With Heart and Voice" by David R. Gillingham. Mason Hall's Jazz Professor Dr. Andy Nevala played the piano for this piece. The piano was featured in parts of the piece. It had some unique parts with many rhythm changes as well as several mood changes.

The ensemble ended with Albanian Dance by Shelley Hanson. It was a very light and

quick piece and a very entertaining one to end with.

Chamber Winds was last to perform. They started out with "Symphonic Dance No. 3 (Fiesta)" by Clifton Williams. "Fiesta" musically depicts the pageantry of traditional Latin American celebrations including street bands, bull fights, and bright costumes.

Their next piece was "Red Rock Mountain" by Rossano Galante. Mark Knauss conducted this piece as a guest graduate conductor.

Chamber Winds ended with "JOYRIDE" by Michael Markowski. It was a mix of two songs, including "Short Ride in a Fast Machine" and "Ode to Joy."

William Shakespeare taught at workshop

Collins Maroa

Staff Reporter

William Shakespeare! The name instills fear and shivers in a lot of people. It is a very common belief that Shakespeare's work is very difficult, and it is left to those with literature doctorates to understand and enjoy.

It is this belief that Michael Boynton, Assistant Professor at the Department of Drama at JSU, was out to discredit. Boynton decided to hold a two night workshop on the Nov. 3 and Nov. 4 that would hopefully convince a few people that Shakespeare's work was there to be enjoyed and not to be feared.

The workshop

dubbed "Backstage with Willy Shakespeare" was held at the Stone Performing Arts center here at JSU. It was free to the public to attend and those in attendance included, community members, high school students, Drama majors, English majors and other JSU students and faculty.

"Shakespeare's work was always about language," Boynton said as he started to dive into the reasons why Shakespeare seems so hard to understand.

Boynton explained that the English vocabulary has changed over several centuries. A big part of language change is slang, which Shakespeare used extensively in his literary

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Fallout 3 is older but not forgotten

Taylor Mitchell
Staff Reporter

War never changes, or does it? Despite saying it never changes, *Fallout 3* actually shows it can change more than most would expect.

Set 200 years after a nuclear war between the United States and China, *Fallout 3* allows players to explore the "Capital Wasteland" otherwise known as The District of Columbia after it is destroyed by nuclear impacts.

The story begins with the beginning of the player character's life and then precedes to go through different stages in his or her character's life in an underground vault that people retreated into before the bombs fell.

Eventually the player reaches adulthood and finds the character's father has left the vault without the Overseer's permission. It's up to the player to escape and find his or her father somewhere in the wasteland.

This is where the game opens up to the players. They can go anywhere, perform side quests for different character, find followers to help them on their journey, or just aimlessly explore.

The main objective for the players is to find their father and find out why he left the vault. Along the way, they encounter different factions of the wasteland, from the technology hoarding Brotherhood of Steel, to the mysterious vestiges of the U.S.

government known as the Enclave.

It should be noted that the setting and story of *Fallout 3* is almost completely separate from the previous games, so it is very accessible even if people have never played the others. This actually is also present with the gameplay.

Fallout 3 is a first person role playing game with a third person option. This means everything the players are able to do is based on their character's statistics and perks which are decided by the players at the beginning of the game and when they level up.

Equipment is also very important to the game and players may find themselves hoarding a ton of it. This is

because both weapons and equipment degrade over time with repeated use, and repairs must be made using copies of the same items. This makes the game a constant exercise in scavenging for anything that can be found, including food, weapons, armor, and even books that increase skill values. The scavenging aspect really helps give the post apocalyptic feel of the game world and serves as a fun part of gameplay and an enhancement to the setting.

Combat offers several options for players with both melee and ranged weapons being available. Highlights include: golf clubs, plasma weapons, and even just plain old guns. Players can ei-

ther aim and execute attacks manually or make use of a system known as Vault-Tec Assisted Targeting System (or V.A.T.S.) which allows players to target specific enemies and even where they hit them.

The benefit of this is to destroy their armor or disable them in some way that will affect their stats. Enemies can do the same to the player so they should be careful.

The final main gameplay feature is that players can recruit a number of different companions to join them on their journey. Each of these companions is very distinct, and they each add a certain amount of personality to the game.

This game is very easy to recommend. There is just so much in the game with incredible depth and places to explore. The main issue with the game at this point is its age; it's eight-years-old and looks that way.

In IGN's review of the game, they gave it a positive critique.

"It's a fantastic game with incredible atmosphere that offers fun in so many different ways that you're almost sure to get hooked," IGN said.

Fallout 3 is rated M and was released on Oct. 28, 2008. It was developed by Bethesda Game Studios and published by Bethesda Softworks.

It is available for Xbox 360, Playstation 3, and PC.

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works and that too has changed a lot.

"Think about slang in the 80s and 90s in comparison to today. Different, right? That's just decades. Now imagine centuries," Boynton said.

The common ear is also not accustomed to poetry, which Boynton explained was well embedded in Shakespeare's art. Therefore, a major key to understanding Shakespeare literature is to understand poetry and learn to love it.

"It is believed that Shakespeare wrote his plays leaving cues for actors who were to perform them," Boynton said as he explained the unusual nature of writing that one might sense in Shakespeare's works.

He said have, over the years, tried to clean up Shakespeare and advised those interested in understanding Shakespeare's literature to research dif-

ferent editions of his works so as to have a clear translation.

"Shakespeare was just a common man who wrote at a time when many people had a passion for the English language and he really was not doing anything out of the usual," Boynton said on the belief that Shakespeare was a writer who was out to make his work very difficult for many to understand. He also added that those studying Shakespeare's work should read it several times and refer to the notes.

"Do not give up, it may take time, but it is something you can definitely understand and end up enjoying," Boynton said.

The event was a success because students were able to get something out of it.

"I was only here to get credit for a literature class but I have to say I have learned a lot from this," Orkun Ozeekin, a JSU student said the theater emptied.

CMA winners are humbled

Alissa Camplin
Staff Reporter

The 50th annual Country Music Association Awards were presented on Wednesday, Nov. 2 by ABC Network.

Stars flooded to the Bridgestone Arena in Nashville to celebrate "Country's biggest night" of the year. It was co-hosted by Brad Paisley and Carrie Underwood, who have hosted the CMAs together for the past nine years.

The night's opening number was a star-studded act that relived the greatest moments of the past fifty years. "Kiss an Angel Good Morning" by Charley Pride gently turned into Reba McEntire's "Fancy." The end of the opening number was most memorable as an entire cast of incredible artists celebrated Randy Travis and performed, "Forever and Ever, Amen."

Other artists graced the stage before the night was over, like Dolly Parton, Carrie Underwood, Lori McKenna, Keith Urban, and Garth Brooks. Even pop queen, Beyoncé, joined the stage to perform with Dixie Chicks. Combined, the performers sang Beyoncé's "Daddy Lessons" with an accompanying full band.

Categories of the night included, "Entertainer of the Year," "Single of the Year," "New Artist of the Year," and the best male and female "Vocalist of the Year."

The nominees and winners were decided by a board of 6,300 industry professional members of CMA, according to their official website. This committee was established in 1958 and was the first trade organization to celebrate a specific genre of music.

The most prestigious category of the night, "Entertainer of the Year," was awarded by Taylor Swift to Garth Brooks. Others nominated for the same award were Luke Bryan, Chris Stapleton, Carrie Underwood, and Keith Urban.

Brooks accepted the award and thanked God, the CMAs, and the people who came to see his tour. He ended his speech, in triumph, saying, "We are so...lucky to be a part of this thing called country music."

Thomas Rhett took home the award for "Single of the Year" for his hit, "Die a Happy Man." He spoke about how honored he was to be on the stage of those he and his father idolized and listened to for years.

"It's such a special night. I've

always wanted to win a CMA award, and to win with a song that meant so much to me is a dream come true," Rhett said in an interview backstage.

Newcomer Maren Morris was presented the award for the "New Artist of the Year," and says that she was genuinely shocked when she heard her name.

"The first thing I thought about were my parents in the audience, and everyone at home... it hit me: this is real," Morris said. She who won against others like Kelsea Ballerini, Brothers Osborne, Old Dominion, and Cole Swindell.

The night honored the legacy country music created over the past 50 years through the CMAs.



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	- Volleyball at UT Martin* Martin, Tenn.	7:30 p.m.
11/12	- Football at Murray State* Murray, Ky.	1 p.m.
11/13	- Men's Basketball at Missouri State Springfield, Mo.	1:05 p.m.
11/14	- Women's Basketball at Kennesaw State Kennesaw, Ga.	3:30 p.m.
11/16	- Men's Basketball at Western Kentucky Bowling Green, Ky.	8: p.m.
11/17	- Ohio Valley Conference Volleyball Tournament	
	- Women's Basketball at Ole Miss Oxford, Miss.	6 p.m.

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FCS Playoff Committee Poll

1. Jacksonville State
2. Sam Houston State
3. Eastern Washington
4. North Dakota State
5. James Madison
6. The Citadel
7. Richmond
8. Chattanooga
9. Charleston Southern
10. Central Arkansas

OVC Football Standings

School	OVC	O/R
JSU	5-0	8-1
UT Martin	5-1	6-4
Murray State	4-2	4-5
Tenn. State	3-2	6-3
SEMO	3-3	3-6
Tenn. Tech	3-3	3-6
E. Illinois	3-4	5-5
E. Kentucky	1-5	2-7
Austin Peay	0-7	0-9

OVC Volleyball Standings

School	OVC	O/R
Murray State	13-1	18-8
SIUE	12-2	19-6
Austin Peay	11-3	22-9
Belmont	8-6	14-11
Eastern Kentucky	8-6	13-13
Tennessee State	7-7	16-14
Morehead State	7-7	11-17
Jacksonville State	6-9	18-17
SEMO	5-10	6-23
UT Martin	4-11	8-22
Tennessee Tech	3-12	7-21
Eastern Illinois	2-12	5-24

Jenkins set new record in JSU's win over SEMO

Daniel Mayes
Staff Reporter

A dominant defensive performance and a record-breaking day by quarterback Eli Jenkins helped the Jacksonville State football team clinch their 22 consecutive OVC victory by a score of 17-10 over the Southeast Missouri Redhawks.

After racking up 144 passing yards in the win, Jenkins became Jacksonville State's career passing yardage leader with 7,147, surpassing Ed Lett's record of 7,145 set during his days as a Gamecock from 1979-1982.

The Jacksonville State defense held SEMO to 0 rushing yards on 28 attempts in a game that saw JSU get out to a 17-0 first half lead and hold on to win 17-10.

In holding the Redhawks without any yards on the ground, JSU set a new school record for fewest rushing yards allowed in

a game in the Gamecocks' Division 1 history, breaking the previous low of 11 yards in 2001 by Murray State.

Jacksonville State scored the first points of the game with 1:44 remaining in the first quarter as Josh Barge hauled in a Jenkins pass with one hand in the back of the end zone for a 20-yard touchdown grab that gave the Gamecocks a 7-0 lead.

Barge ended the day with 145 yards and a touchdown on 8 receptions and extended his FCS record streak of consecutive games with a reception to 47.

Jacksonville State increased its lead to 10-0 with 5:02 left in the second quarter with a 45-yard Cade Stinnett field goal.

Backup quarterback Bryant Horn led the Gamecocks to another score on their next offensive drive, as the possession ended with Horn throwing an 11-yard strike that resulted in

Josh Clemons's first career touchdown catch.

Horn split time at the quarterback position with Jenkins throughout the game, throwing for 55 yards and a touchdown and rushing for a game-high 55 yards on just 5 attempts.

The Gamecock offensive attack was unable to score any more points against the stout Redhawk defense throughout the rest of the game, but Jacksonville State's defensive squad stepped up as the offense sputtered.

Despite allowing SEMO a 49-yard Jesse Hosket touchdown pass to Kristian Wilkerson, the FCS' no. 1 defense strengthened its hold on that title, holding SEMO to only 206 total yards in the contest.

Hosket was also intercepted by the Gamecocks twice in the game, as Jaylen Hill and Siran Neal each picked off a pass from the Redhawk quarterback.

Southeast Missouri made the game interesting in the waning seconds of the fourth quarter.

The Redhawks kicked a field goal with 24 seconds remaining to pull within a touchdown at 17-10, then lined up for an onside kick.

SEMO's onside attempt was recovered by JSU's Dalton Campbell, who appeared to fumble the ball away to the Redhawks.

However, the officials ruled that Campbell was down prior to the fumble, and JSU received possession, ensuring the 17-10 victory.

Jacksonville State now stands at 8-1, including 5-0 in OVC play, with just 2 regular season games remaining on the schedule.

The Gamecocks face off against the Murray State Racers on the road Saturday, Nov. 12 before returning to Jacksonville to take on Tennessee Martin in the regular season finale on Nov. 19.

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former teammate of his at Alabama who played the same position as him, went down with a knee injury. Bates ran over to him to make sure he was OK.

"He said, 'What are you doing? I'm going to be good. This is your opportunity,'" Bates recalled Odom saying. 15 minutes later, Bates went down with a hand injury. He ended up sharing a hospital room with Odom.

Bates had a good shot at the starting position, but it was once again taken from him; he was right there at his ultimate opportunity.

He was placed on injured reserve and remained with the Titans until he was released in Nov. 2005. Football was taken away from Bates again. But this time, it wasn't for a year. His playing career was over.

Bates had to figure out how to get back up, because life knocked him down again. He landed in a slump and didn't want to be around anyone. All he did was play Halo on PlayStation, watch TV and work out at a local gym — where he found his first job after the NFL.

Bates met Parvin Neloms at World Gym as an employee in April 2006. He connected Bates with Metro Parks and Recreation in Nashville, and he landed a job there in May. Neloms felt he would make a good leader working with the youth.

Working with children helped Bates realize that he wanted to coach, and he was able to get a job in June 2007 as a defensive line coach at Talladega High School in Alabama. After finishing the season with a rough 1-9 record, Bates received a phone call before spring training in 2008; it was then-Oxford High School head coach John

Grass.

"Here I am just cutting my teeth on what it is to be a coach, and one of the best coaches in the state gives me an opportunity," Bates said.

Bates became the defensive line coach at Oxford and spent the next three years there. He relished coaching at the high school level, and watching his players grow from boys to young men.

Bates started thinking about becoming a college coach when he saw recruiters at Oxford. It was just a seed that he had planted in his head, though. That was until Grass decided to water that seed and help it grow in late 2010.

"I think you would be a great coach and an excellent recruiter at the next level. I think you can do it. Have you thought about it?" Grass said to Bates. He told Grass that he gave it thought, but he wasn't actively seeking anything.

About a month after his conversation with Grass, Bates received a phone call from Rudy Griffin, an ex-teammate from Alabama.

Griffin was the first hire by Mike Kramer at a FCS school. Kramer asked Griffin if he knew any young defensive line coaches. Bates was his first thought and he told Kramer to offer him the job.

Before Bates received the phone call, he was praying about it earlier in the day at work. He wanted the Lord to show him that if it was his will, "open the door no man can close." Well, he opened it. And it was 1,938 miles away at Idaho State University.

"IDAHO?!" said his shocked eight-and-a-half-month pregnant wife in response to the news. "I went on the computer. I had to go look at a map to make sure, because I was thinking somewhere else."

And it wasn't even close to where La'Tesa thought it was. In fact, it was further away. But it was an opportunity Bates couldn't turn down.

"I looked at it as a blessing," he said. "I prayed specifically for an opportunity. It wasn't a specific place, but I believe that's how the Lord knew I was sincere about wanting to do it. I didn't care where it was."

After two years coaching in Pocatello, the Bengals had a combined 3-19 record, and a 1-10 record his last season in 2012. Bates had a taste of the bad side of collegiate coaching; he got fired. Life hit him again.

Bates and his family had been attending a local church during their time in Idaho. One service after Bates was fired, a guest pastor preached at the church in April 2013. Without knowing the Bates family, the pastor stopped in the middle of his sermon and told them to stand up.

"God told me to tell you that I hear from God," the guest pastor told them, repeating it two more times. "Don't question him. He is working in his calling." Bates and his wife knew he was right.

"It made everything just clear," Bates said as his eyes turned red and filled with tears with goosebumps covering his arms. "A lot of people say they want it. But then it gets hard and they quit. That was a key moment."

Within the next month, Bates got a job in Mississippi at East Central Community College for the 2013 season. After the season was over, he received a phone call from a familiar voice. Grass accepted the head coach position at Jacksonville State University, about 40 minutes from Heflin. He wanted Bates to be his first hire, and he quickly accepted the offer. Bates

went from hardly winning ball games to hardly losing them.

The Gamecocks finished 23-4 in his first two seasons in Jacksonville. JSU won its conference championship both years, placed runner-up nationally in 2015 and finished No. 12 in total defense with 300.3 yards allowed per game last season. Through it all, Bates did everything the same way he always had.

Bates prides himself on teaching his players about life, as well as football, like his position coach Paul Randolph did at Alabama. He said Randolph could give tough love, but he never did it in a way that would put his players down. That's the type of coach Bates wants to be. According to former JSU defensive lineman Allan Carson, he is just that.

"Coach Bates knows us as players and can tell what we need as a person," said Carson, who played under Bates at Oxford and JSU. "He never belittles anyone. He will motivate you the right way. He doesn't swear. He is just a great guy and a great coach."

Bates said that in life you can be in one of four places: rock bottom, on the inside looking out, outside looking in or on top of the world. All that matters through any one of those situations is your eye discipline.

"Do you put your head down and sulk, or do you thank the good Lord anyway that you have breath in your lungs?" Bates said. "That's what I mean by eye discipline. Keep your eyes fixed on him and everything works out: good or bad."

Life kept hitting Todd Bates blow-after-blow. Sometimes it took a while to get up, but he always did. And each time, he came back stronger. He fought the good fight.

OPINION & EDITORIAL

Netherlands: "The Americans are taking their country back."
--Geert Wilders, leader of the Party for Freedom

--from an article by Benoit Morene and Martin de Bourmont

Russia: Vladimir Putin congratulated Mr. Trump, expressing hope for "a constructive dialogue."

--from an article by Neil MacFarquhar



A letter from a concerned JSU student

To Devastated Persons of the United States:

If you are Muslim, I am sorry.

If you are Latinx, I am sorry.

If you are black, I am sorry.

If you are part of the LGBT+ community, I am sorry.

If you are a woman, I am sorry.

If you are disabled, I am sorry.

I am sorry that this country failed you so extraordinarily. I am sorry that 48% of people in the United States think that you are worth less than them because you are not straight, white, male, or Christian.

I am sorry if this sounds harsh, but it is the reality you must face now.

The people that voted for Donald Trump did not vote for your rights. They did not vote with your safety in mind. They are your family, your friends, your nearest and dearest - but they do not love you.

They do not love you, because if they did, they would not have voted for a bigot, racist, misogynist, and bully.

They do not love you, because if they did, they would not have voted for a man that has apparently forgotten the very basic values that parents try to instill in their children: "Do not bully. Do not boast. Do not be cruel."

They do not love you, because if they did, they would not have voted for the Ku Klux Klan, for All Lives Matter, for Mexicans are Rapists, and for Grabbing Women by the Pussy.

They do not love you, so do not be fooled when they tell you they do. Do not be fooled when they call themselves Christians.

Do not be fooled, but do not grow weary. Do not lose hope. Do not hang your head. Do not hide in fear. We will endure.

To America:

I am sorry these were our choices.

Foreign leaders react to Trump presidency

All quotes appeared in the New York Times article "Across the world, shock and uncertainty at Trump's victory"

Japan: "Hand in hand with Trump, we will try to work together," --Prime Minister Shinzo Abe

"Mr. Trump is a loose cannon and nobody really knows what to expect from him." --Jeffrey Kingston, director of Asian Studies at Temple University in Tokyo.

--from an article by Motoko Rich and Hisako Ueno

Syria: "I am scared, scared for Syria. Here is a man who is openly saying that he is going to defer to the Russians on Syria. This is a clear victory for the Assad regime."
--Murhaf Jouejati, chairman of the Day After

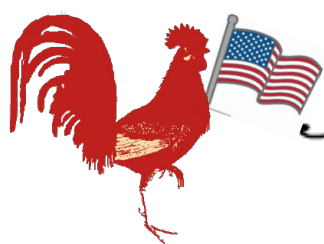
--from an article by Ben Hubbard and Anne Barnard

Netherlands: "The Americans are taking their country back."
--Geert Wilders, leader of the Party for Freedom

--from an article by Sewell Chan, James Kanter and Alison Smale

Germany: "If Donald Trump really wants to be president of all Americans, then I think his first duty is to fill in the deep rifts which arose during the campaign." --Foreign Minister Frank-Walter Steinmeier

--from an article by Aurelian Breeden, James Kanter and Alison Smale



Chicken Scratch

I will not tell you who to vote for, I will not tell you who I am voting for, but I will tell you to vote. People have died for my right to vote and I will not disregard their sacrifices, no matter how much I disagree with the candidates in this election.

It ain't over till he is sworn in. That pesky rape of a minor charge comes up in December. Over and out.

"There will never be complete equality until women themselves help to make laws and elect lawmakers." --Susan B. Anthony

-cracks knuckles- time to go deep in the memes as a coping mechanism

Less than 40% of eligible voters in my age demographic voted. In my age demographic, 52% voted Hillary and 43% for Donald. If you are my age and complaining about the results, don't point the finger at the people who voted; point the finger at the 60% of your peers who thought their vote didn't count.



"If Trump doesn't win Florida, we're never going there again!"
--Mother

United States of Anxiety, am I right?



Gamecocks roll in exhibition match

Rebekah Hawkins
Staff Reporter

The JSU women's basketball team showed off their skills in the exhibition match against Miles College with a win of 89-46.

Briana Benson opened up her season with a game-high 19 points.

She shot seven three-point shots and made four of them.

Tyler Phelion came behind her with 17 points of her own as well as being 3-for-3 on her free throws attempted and made.

The Gamecocks nearly doubled the points that Miles College scored in each quarter.

The Gamecocks made over 73 percent of their free throws throughout the duration of the game with 85 percent made in the first half alone.

The Gamecocks breezed out to an early lead as the game opened.

Benson hit her first 3-point shot of the game to give JSU a five-point lead.

They maintained a wide lead of at least six points until the Golden Bears came within five at 13-8.

Phelion hit a layup in the paint that pushed the Game-



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cocks back out to their seven point lead and they continued to climb from there.

They stayed ahead by at least six for the remainder of the quarter.

They led 22-11 with 38 seconds left. It was their biggest lead so far of the night.

The second quarter stretched the Gamecocks' lead out by more.

They went ahead by 15 quick off of jumpers by both Ki-Ki Patterson and Lacey Buchanan.

The Golden Bears cut the lead back down to 11 with a

score of 26-15.

The Gamecocks pulled back out to a fifteen point lead and continued to climb from there.

The biggest lead of the night came with 1:34 left in the half.

Two good free throws from Phelion pushed the Gamecocks out to a 23-point lead of 40-17.

The half closed with the Gamecocks ahead 44-22.

Benson came out of the half on fire and hit a three-pointer early on.

The Gamecocks kept the

Golden Bears frozen at 22 and 23.

JSU climbed up to 60-23 lead after a three-pointer by Kelly Naughton.

The Gamecocks continued to score on the Golden Bears throughout the third quarter.

They led by 45 points, their highest of the third quarter, with 2:39 left in the third.

Miles College managed to get 30 points before the start of the final quarter, but the Gamecocks still led 74-33.

The Golden Bears' best quarter was the final one.

In the beginning of the fourth, they managed to keep the Gamecocks between a 42 to 45 point lead.

After a Miles College foul with 1:14 left in the game, Rayven Pearson hit two free throws to give the Gamecocks their biggest lead of the night 88-42.

Miles College pushed to get another four.

The Gamecocks' Gretchen Morrison hit a free throw with 12 seconds left to give the Gamecocks' their final 89-46 victory.

JSU starts off with promise ahead of a new season.

They start of the regular season against Florida State in Tallahassee, Fla. on Nov. 11.



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Pablo Caffarena helped the JSU excel at the UTSA \$10K Futures Tournament.

Gamecocks excel at USTA \$10K Futures Tournament

NICEVILLE, Fla. – The Jacksonville State men's tennis team completed its play in the USTA \$10K Futures tournament in Niceville, Fla., wrapping up its fall schedule.

Six Gamecocks participated in the tournament, and five advanced past the first round.

Pablo Caffarena defeated Michael Malcek (6-2, 6-1) and downed Kotaro Isobe (6-1, 6-3) to advance to the third round.

Matheus Chaim, Shao Chun Liu, Felix Morck and Paolo Cucalon each advanced to the second round.

"This is a very high-level tournament, and our players were very competitive," head coach Andres Amores said.

"I was very happy to see how they competed. It looks like we are doing things right."

The men's team returns to action Jan. 28 to take on West Alabama in its first home match of the year at the JSU Tennis Courts.

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Carden named to OVC All Newcomer Team

MURRAY, Ky. – For the fifth consecutive year, the Jacksonville State soccer program has been represented on the OVC's All Newcomer Team with freshman Cheyenne Carden receiving the honor in 2016.

The OVC announced its postseason honors on Thursday evening, prior to the start of the semifinal stage of the 2016 OVC Soccer Championship.

Carden becomes the ninth JSU player to be voted on the first-year player post-season team.

She registered three goals with all of them coming against OVC competition.

Her first of three consecutive OVC weekends in which she registered a goal began on at Tennessee Tech with JSU's

goal in a 2-1 setback.

She posted the game-winning goal the following weekend against Eastern Illinois as she netted the game winner in the 74th minute.

The third goal put JSU on the scoreboard against Southeast Missouri. Carden turned a season-best three shots against UT Martin and was credited with an assist versus the Skyhawks.

Carden finished her first season at JSU having played in 20 matches and starting in 17 of those matches.

She made her first start of the season against The Citadel on Sept. 18.

She ranked in the top 10 of the OVC in league matches only in points and goals.

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Volleyball tops Tennessee Tech, heads to OVC

JACKSONVILLE – The Jacksonville State volleyball team started fast and hardly let up en route to a 3-0 (25-14, 25-14, 25-10) sweep over visiting Tennessee Tech in the final home match of the season.

The dominating win moved the Gamecocks (18-17) to 6-9 in Ohio Valley Conference play, securing a spot in next week's conference tournament.

It will mark JSU's 11th trip to the OVC Tournament since joining the league in 2003.

The Gamecocks last brought home the title and advanced to the NCAA Tournament in 2009.

Sophomore Mackenzie Rombach had a terrific night leading the offense with 10 kills on 18 swings for a .500 attack clip, while recording seven blocks on the opposite

side of the net.

Jax State tallied nine blocks overall as a team to set a new Division I school record with 358.5 blocks in a single season.

Junior Allyson Zuhlke and freshman Sadie Anderson provided plenty of power as well with nine kills apiece, while freshman Kaylee Frear added seven and two blocks.

The offense guided evenly by freshman tandem Rachel Perucki and Shayla Schmidt. Perucki dished 18 assists, while Schmidt had 16 for an offense that hit .337 overall.

Junior Hannah Kirk upped a match-best 13 balls in the win as she nears 500 digs for the season.

The Katy, Texas, native will join classmates Zuhlke, Charis Ludtke and Jennifer Hart, currently sidelined with injury, as the only four



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Gamecocks making the second conference postseason appearance.

A 10-8 game in the opening set slowly turned as JSU used a 10-4 run to build a 20-12 advantage.

JSU would take the set, 25-14, with the final five kills coming from different Gamecocks, including Schmidt's dump-over from the setter position.

The second was much the

same as Jax State took a 2-0 match lead with a second-straight 25-14 decision.

More than just similar scores, JSU posted identical .355 hitting marks for each of the first two sets.

The third set was tied 7-7, before a TTU service error kick-started an 18-3 surge for the Gamecocks down the stretch.

Head coach Terry Gamble was proud of his team's

performance in a game that meant so much late in the season.

"I'm really happy to get the win, obviously," said Gamble.

"I thought we played one of our better matches of the season tonight.

And it was against another good team.

I'm glad we've locked ourselves into the tournament before the final game of the season, and not having to go on the road needing that last win."

JSU will end its regular season on the road this Friday at UT Martin.

The Skyhawks were in position to make that match determine the final tournament spot, but a loss tonight places UTM two games behind JSU in the standings with just one match left to play.

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