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By Matt Reynolds

No room in the inn/dorm

Lack of housing an issue on campus

By Eric Taunton
 Staff Writer

Jacksonville State University has experienced a shortage in on-campus housing due to the increase of freshmen for the 2016-2017 academic school year.

According to Rochelle Smith, Director of Residence Life, JSU hasn't experienced this amount of influx in freshmen in several years.

Smith, says that the increase of freshmen can be seen as both a positive and negative thing for the university: "This is a good thing because we have more students coming in, but this is a little problematic because we have to figure out where to put the students that are on the waiting

lists."

Smith went on to say that because resident hall waiting lists were so long, calls were made to students with room assignments to confirm that they were still living there, a measure that didn't have to be taken last year.

If the student missed three phone calls made by the university to confirm their residency and failed to return these calls, the University Housing office would make a notation, seeing the room as a potential spot for someone on a waiting list.

If a person with a room assignment hadn't moved into their assigned residence hall by August 21, the day after move-in day, the student would forfeit their assignment, be fined, and the

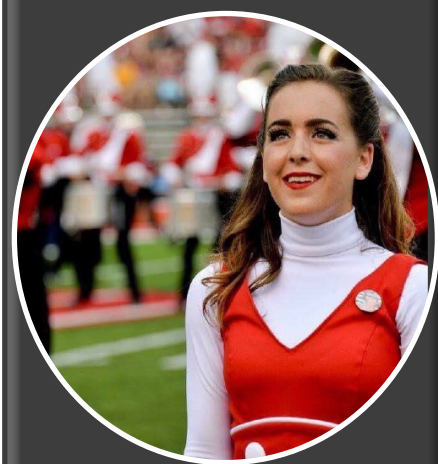
University Housing office would offer that room assignment to the next person on that waiting list.

The influx of freshman students caused the University Housing office to make alterations to plans for certain Residence Halls. For instance, it was originally decided that Patterson and Logan Hall were going to be upperclassman dorms for this academic school year.

However, due to the influx of freshmen, the final decision for the residence halls were to designate only the third floors as floors for upperclassmen, while the first and second floors were designated as floors for freshmen.

The second floor of Sparkman

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Once a Southerner
 ...
Always a Southerner

Remembering Katie Beth Carter

Katie Beth Carter died tragically Monday night on the way back to the campus of JSU in a car accident.

Carter was a freshman ballerina from Ringgold, Georgia. Her first performance was last Thursday.

JSU, the Marching Southerners and Ballerinas and the entire community of Jacksonville and beyond are saddened by her death.

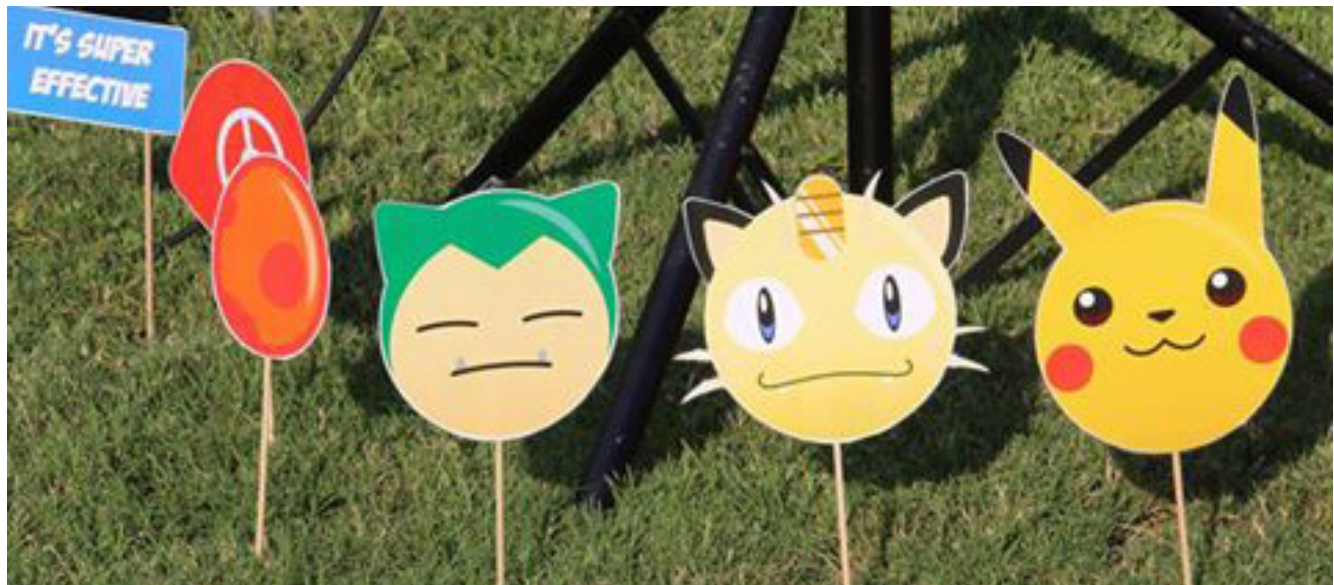
Wednesday night at 9 p.m. there was a special candlelight vigil hosted by the Marching Southerners to honor the memory of Carter at the Pete Matthews Colliseum.

Visitation and a service for Carter will be held at City Church of Chattanooga, Tenn on Sep 8.

Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m., with a service to celebrate Carter's life and impact at 7.

In lieu of flowers a scholarship fund has been set up in Katie's honor at North Georgia Federal Credit Union in Ringgold.

A GoFundMe account has been also been set up to help pay for funeral costs.



JSU Kinesiology

Pictured are various pokemon from the popular Pokemon-GO.

Pokébash a success

By Taylor Mitchell
 Staff Writer

On Aug. 31, 2016, JSU's Kinesiology Department and Technology Center teamed up with the FAN Club to host its first Pokébash event. The event was the brainchild of Aubrey Crosson of the Kinesiology Depart-

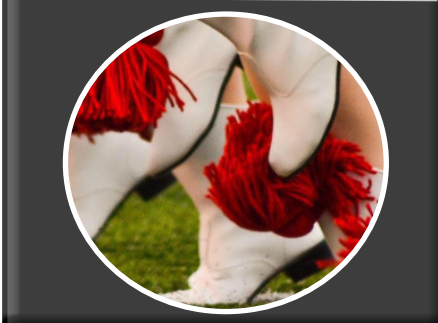
ment and Candace Finley of the Technology Center.

According to Crosson, they saw the interest students were taking in the mobile phone game Pokémon Go and thought it would be a way to get people outside and moving around campus.

The event had participants take

a punch card to each Pokéstop on campus. Pokéstops are landmarks shown on the in-game map that correspond with a building or geographical feature in real life. Participants would then get their card punched by a volunteer that was waiting at

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Hall was renovated as well in order to accommodate for the influx of freshmen girls at JSU.

“At first, we renovated just one room to see if it would work,” Smith said. “Once we did that, we then decided to renovate the entire second floor and open it to freshmen girls on waiting lists,”

Steps were also made to create living space for female upperclassmen students. The University Housing Office decided to open 4 living suites in Patterson Hall, a male dormitory, to female upperclassmen on waiting lists.

Aubrene Thompkins, a senior majoring in Criminal Justice, is one of the two female upperclassmen that occupy two of these suites. Thompkins had no need for school housing after her freshman year, having taken online classes at JSU since 2012. However, certain classes have caused for her to return to the physical university and be in need of on-campus housing.

“I was on the waiting list for Pannell Hall and Campus Inn when I found out about one of the suites being open,” Thompkins said. “Even though it was a little expensive, I’m happy with it so far.”

These living suites have been used by the university to house guest speakers like former President of the United States Jimmy Carter. Each suite has their own traditional full-sized kitchen, bedroom, bathroom, and living room.

Housing options for incoming freshmen next year have yet to be determined. However, Smith does admit a financial possibility for incoming freshmen next year.

According to Smith, there is a possibility that the costs for freshmen housing will decrease, pending Board of Trustees’ approval, no matter how large the incoming class of freshmen will be. It is also unclear whether or not Sparkman will remain open for the next academic school year.

“We’re doing everything possible to make sure that housing for freshman is not an issue for next year,” Smith said.

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each location.

Pokéstops are located across campus and include the Houston Cole Library, Bibb Graves Hall, Ayers Hall, the President’s House and several locations on the quad. This event covered as much of JSU’s campus as possible, ensuring a lot of physical movement.

Players who visited each location once were entered into one of three prize drawings, one each for Teams Valor, Instinct or Mystic. If they managed a second trip, players were entered into the drawing for one of the grand prizes as well.

Madison Hadley won one grand prize, a \$150 book scholarships provided by the campus bookstore, and Jacob Adams won and a \$500 Dean’s scholarship from the School of Health Professions and Wellness.

Other prizes included restaurant gift cards, drink cozies and prints themed after the teams Valor, Instinct and Mystic. The fan club had several members in attendance, with some even cosplaying as Pokémon characters.

FAN Club President Tiffany Strickland, a senior, was very happy with the event.

“I think it’s a very inclusive event that gets people outside [and] getting to know each other, especially on welcome week,” Strickland said.

The event had one hundred and twenty pre-registered participants and many walk-ins. Some participants even dressed as Pokémon. Tee shirts were sold with artwork by JSU art major Megan Wise.

Food and water for the event was provided by Hope Women’s Services, who ran their own raffle after the event on Instagram. Other sponsors included local businesses such as Momma Goldberg’s and Effinas.

Pokébash is quite possibly only the start of Pokémon Go related events on campus. “Pokémon Go is a very popular game that is getting more people out, interacting with one another and possibly making new friends,” Strickland said.

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SGA forum addresses financial increase

By Alexander Cooper
Staff Writer

The SGA held an open forum in the TMB auditorium on Tuesday in order to discuss the increase in tuition and fees that the University will be implementing in the Spring semester.

The purpose of the forum was to have an event that students could attend to learn more about the reasoning behind the administration’s decision to raise the price of tuition and implement new fees, as well as to have an opportunity to provide feedback and ask questions about exactly what these extra dollars will be going towards.

According to Jacksonville State University’s Chief Financial Officer, Dr. Ashok Roy, the tuition will be increasing by 3 percent starting in the Spring of 2016. This will give the University a net increase in tuition of 56,000 dollars.

This raise in tuition will be accompanied the rising prices of some existing university fees, such as the “General University fee” going up from \$150 to \$200, in addition to the introduction of new ones, like a \$25 a semester “Student Activities fee,” and a \$50 dollar a semester “Athletic fee”. Overall, according to the administration, the increase in tuition and fees together will come out to an extra \$333 a semester for a student taking 12 credit hours.

Dr. Roy opened the forum by stating that, “The administration does not take lightly increasing the cost of education for

its students.” He also took the time to say that they are “fully aware of the public policy issues of student access, affordability and student debt.”

He cited one of the reasons for the tuition increase was that competing Universities in the state have already been raising theirs anywhere from 3-6 percent. The increase in fees, he argued, was to “raise needed revenues for keeping JSU competitive with other universities in Alabama.”

The Deans of many of the colleges contained within Jacksonville State’s campus also spoke to discuss the changes to fees within their individual programs.

For example, Dr. John Hammett, the Dean of the College of Education and Professional Studies, spoke about the introduction of a fee ranging from \$110 to \$200 depending, depending on the program, to the department of education in order to cover the cost of exams for students.

Many other departments, including the Fine Arts, Sciences, Nursing, and Business, will also be adding fees.

These cover the cost of things like acquiring and replacing equipment, maintaining accreditations, and paying for labs. These fees will also vary by department and students will only be acquired to pay the ones that apply to the program that they are part of.

Even with reasons covered by the administration, however, for the majority of students paying

more in tuition and fees is still a hard thing to justify, and SGA Parliamentarian Malin Barber is no stranger to the concern and frustration that comes with being a student while the cost of attending JSU rises.

Like many of those who attend Jacksonville State, the \$333 extra dollars that she will be giving to the University in the Spring doesn’t belong to her parents; they belong to her.

“Being the oldest of four children my parents let us know quickly that we would be paying for college on our own,” Barber said. “With each additional add-on it just seems to be more and more.”

She does believe that the open forum was a good thing, however, and that it was a necessary event to help students understand what part of their money is going where.

“I’m grateful that the SGA put on the forum, so that I could come and hear where my money was going,” Barber said. “I feel like without this forum no one would know what this money was going for.”

She argues that as a result of attending the forum she and the other students who were there will have a better understanding of why they will be paying more in the Spring.

“I feel like frustration [for those who attended the forum] is still going to be there, however it will be more of a suppressed frustration because I came to the forum and participated,” Barber said.

The SGA will be holding more forums in the future to discuss the raise in tuition

SSA: a place for people with secular beliefs

By Eric Taunton
Staff Writer

The Secular Student Alliance hosted a “Stone-a-Heathen” exhibit on the quad last week. The event gave bystanders the opportunity to throw water balloons at members of the organization for \$1.

Ben G. Williams, founder and president of the SSA and a senior majoring in Music Education at JSU, wanted to raise money for the organization and prompt students to question some violent scriptures in religious texts.

“We wanted to draw attention to something that some believers don’t know are in their own religious text,” Williams said.

An example of this is Deuteronomy 13:10: “You shall stone him to death with stones, because

he sought to draw you away from the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.”

“You can make points in a polite and objective way, still showing people respect. We were accurate with our information and not attacking people,” said Williams. “It doesn’t matter whether or not there is a God. What matters more is how we treat each other.”

Williams said that “Stone-a-Heathen” was not an attack on Christianity or any other religion and that the SSA is not an “anti-religion” organization.

“We’re a humanist organization,” Williams said. “Basically, humanism is the idea of decreasing harm and increasing joy for the human being. So if someone is doing good things because

of their religion, we support that. What we don’t support is people causing harm in the name of their religion.”

Williams created the SSA because he couldn’t find an organization with similar beliefs.

“I identify as atheist/agnostic. The atheistic belief does not entail, necessarily, that there is no way God exists. It is simply the lack of belief, being that there is no scientific evidence to support that there is a God.”

The purpose of the SSA is to allow students with secular beliefs to come together to create a positive space for the secular movement, including providing a safe haven for non-theistic students.

“We have some members of the group whose families will disown them if they admit to either not believing

or being skeptical about whether or not there is a God,” said Williams. “We’re giving them a place where they can feel comfortable and talk about either how their families will treat them or how they do treat them for admitting to being either a nonbeliever or skeptical.”

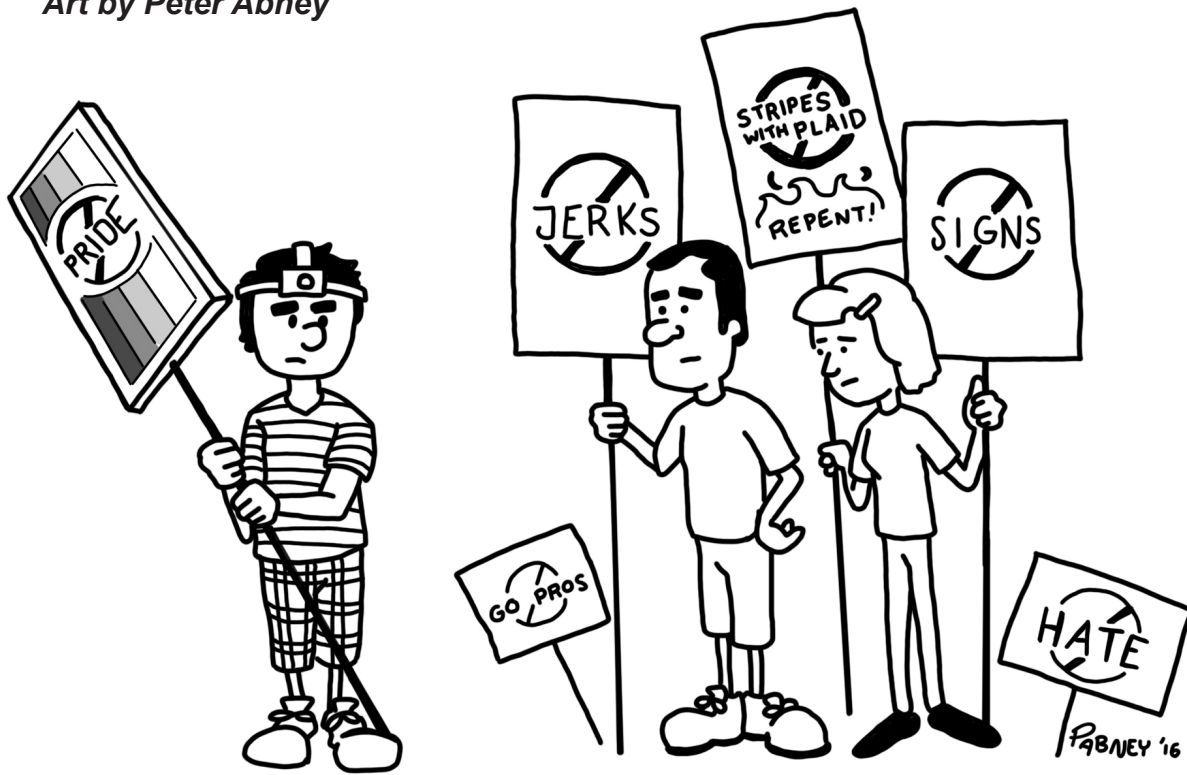
The SSA will use the proceeds from the “Stone-a-Heathen” even to fund its toy and canned food drives later this school year.

Williams welcomes anyone, regardless of religious beliefs, to join the SSA on Mondays at 8pm at Martin Hall for weekly discussions and Tuesdays at the White Rabbit from 9-11 p.m. for discussion and entertainment.

The “Skepticock Experience” radio show also airs on 91.1 WLJS from 9pm-11pm on Tuesdays.

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09/02/2016

Duty upon striking an unattended vehicle
Stone Center

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Criminal Mischief
Pete Mathews Coliseum

09/03/2016

Criminal Mischief
Curtiss Hall

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Medical Emergency
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Criminal Mischief
Curtiss Hall

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Criminal Mischief
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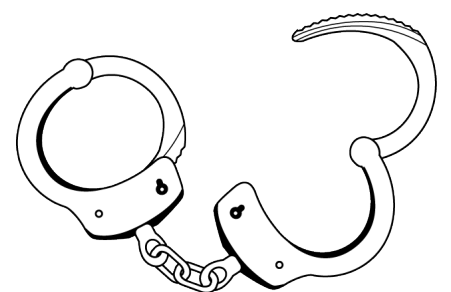
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Information report
Salls Hall

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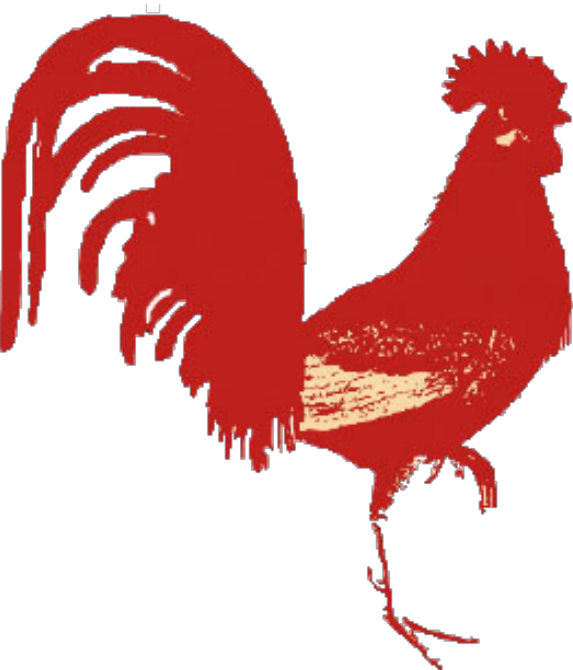
I need some plumbing advice. I have a problem...

Katie Beth will forever be a part of the JSU Squad. She has left an eternal impact on all that love her. Please pray for her friends who had just celebrated their first game as Southerners and Ballerinas. Fly high Katie Beth.

“Tired” isn’t even a temporary state for me anymore. It’s just an inherent part of my personality at this point.

Things happen for a reason. Except for clowns. There’s no reason for clowns.

First post-refund purchase. #ChickFilBae #Priorities



7-day weather outlook

TODAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Mostly Sunny High: 94° Low: 67°	Mostly Sunny High: 93° Low: 67°	Sunny High: 92° Low: 70°	Scattered Storms High: 89° Low: 65°	Scattered Storms High: 91° Low: 66°	Scattered Storms High: 91° Low: 66°	Mostly Sunny High: 91° Low: 66°

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Argentinian pianist visits JSU Jazz Band

Hannah Ashford
Special to The Chanticleer

From Aug. 29 until Sept. 2 Julio Cesar Barreto lead master classes with the university's Jazz ensembles. On that Friday evening, he and the Jazz 1 ensemble held a free concert for the public. It was held in the Mason Hall Performance Center.

In his classes, Barreto taught the students different jazzy styles and forms. The students and Barreto played together. He taught how to improvise and other unique things that can be done with jazz as well. He believes in learning to love the instrument, then discovering more and more about it.

"It was really cool to have a class with him. His Latin influences provided fun while playing. I certainly learned a lot," said one jazz student after having Barreto teach in his class.

Much of his works are influenced by his Argentinian roots. However, he studied classical works throughout his career and got a degree in classical music as well. He and our university's own Dr. McCutcheon became acquainted last year when they were both in the same ensemble at a concert in Argentina. Today, Barreto teaches at his alma mater, the Institution of Music in Santa Fe, Argentina.

Barreto attended several Southerners practices. This was his first experience watching a marching band,

and the Southerners did not disappoint. Although several students recalled hearing him say "More noise!" and "I want to hear you guys play louder!"

He also attended the football game on Thursday against UNA. He was very lively and was very excited about the whole experience. Throughout the week students, also reported him saying "Go cocks," and "Fear the beak!" As well.

On the morning of the concert, the university's concerts and recitals class had a class with him also. He played many excerpts of different styles including Chacarera and Chico. He showed the students the differences of each styles. "There is more to my culture than just Tango," said Barreto.

He often let the students listen to recordings of different styles. While the recordings would play, he would describe what they meant and he would even dance a little, similar to how they would.

"I had fun. He was very descriptive, and he seemed to enjoy his work very much," one student said after the class was over.

Friday evening the jazz concert began and more than fifty people arrived. He and the Jazz 1 ensemble played several works, including several originals by Barreto himself. Most of the pieces were Latin Jazz.

The jazz band consisted of saxophones, trumpets, trombones, and a rhythm section and was directed by Dr. Andy Nevala. At one point, Barreto began playing part of Quilting party, a piece meaningful to the Southerners. Overall, the concert had energy and many enjoyed it.

"It was fun to have him teach us this whole week than to have this concert. It was worth the work," said one student who participated in the concert.

Barreto as well as those involved with him enjoyed the experience and certainly learned a lot from his visit.

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Barreto performed on two separate occasions on Friday, Sept. 2 at Mason Hall for and alongside the JSU Jazz Ensemble class. The concert was open and free to the public.



September brings new movies and music

Alissa Camplin
Staff Writer

September brings great things with new releases in the music and film industries.

A Day to Remember dropped its sixth studio album this week with "Bad Vibrations."

The band's last album, "Common Courtesy," was released in 2013 in the midst of a legal battle with its record label, Victory Records. The band has been on a break

since.

It is the band's first album since 2007 to have full contributions from all bandmates.

"Bad Vibrations" was released September 2.

The wait for new music from Lady Gaga is coming to an end. After almost three years, Lady Gaga confirmed on Twitter that her new single "Perfect Illusion" will be released on Friday, September 9.

According to

TIME Magazine, "Perfect Illusion" is a collaborative effort between Mark Ronson and the producer BloodPop, alt is believed that "Perfect Illusion" is the first single from Lady Gaga's untitled fifth album.

September brings the release of the new "Bridget Jones" movie: "Bridget Jones's Baby."

The romantic comedy brings returning stars Renée Zellweger as Bridget Jones and Colin

Firth as Mark Darcy. Patrick Dempsey plays a new character named Jack Qwant.

The film is directed by Sharon Maguire and distributed by Universal Pictures. This is the third film in the series, the last one being released in 2004.

Film critic David Edwards of Mirror calls it a "laughathon" to "watch at all costs."

"Bridget Jones's Baby" will be released September

16.

Another anticipated release this month is "Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children."

The film is based on the 2011 best-selling novel by Ransom Riggs and directed by Tim Burton.

Some inspiration for the novel and film came from vintage photographs that Riggs found at flea markets and rummage sales.

"They're compelling," Burton

said in an interview. "They remind me of old horror movies and dreams."

Tim Burton is a highly respected and admired director, producer, artist and writer.

He is the director responsible for films such as "The Nightmare Before Christmas" and "Beetlejuice,"

"Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children" opens September 30.

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CMA award show nominations released

Avery Leece
Special to The Chanticleer

The Country Music Association, CMA, awards are hosted annually to reward country genre musicians for the entertainment they provided to their fans. Carrie Underwood and Brad Paisley will return as hosts.

"The CMA Awards is one of the few award shows I look forward to watching because of the amazing chemistry Brad Paisley and Carrie Underwood have," said one of the hosts of 'Cocky Country,' Renee Lyons.

This year the 50th annual CMA awards show will be held on Nov. 2, 2016. It will be aired live on Wednesday on ABC-TV.

There are many different categories as well as many different nominees for these awards. Some seemed to surprise fans. Lyons said, "There were quite a few shockers in the nominee list that had social media and myself in a frenzy. Because

of this, I look forward to seeing who walks away with awards this year."

The surprise comes from the lack of nominees who almost always appear such as Blake Shelton and Jason Aldean. Also, some nominations are for things that have not been released yet which causes controversy with the fans. However, it is not up to the fans.

"Unlike other country music award shows, the winners are chosen by industry professionals which ultimately leads to industry favorites winning over the fan favorites," said Lyons.

The first of these categories is Entertainer of the Year. Nominees include Garth Brooks, Luke Bryan, Chris Stapleton, Carrie Underwood, and Keith Urban.

The nominated songs for Single of the Year are "Die a Happy Man" by Thomas Rhett, "Humble and Kind" by Tim McGraw, "My Church" by Maren Morris, "Nobody to Blame" by

Chris Stapleton, and "Record Year" by Eric Church.

The next category is Album of the Year and includes the nominated albums "Black" by Dierks Bentley, "Hero" by Maren Morris, "Mr. Misunderstood" by Eric Church, "Ripcord" by Keith Urban, and "Storyteller" by Carrie Underwood.

Song of the Year nominations include "Burning House" by Camaron Ochs, Tyler Johnson, and Jeff Bhasker, "Die a Happy Man" by Sean Douglass, Thomas Rhett, and Joe Spargur, "Humble and Kind" by Tim McGraw, and Lori McKenna, "Record Year" by Eric Church, and Jeff High, and "My Church" by Busbee, and Maren Morris.

The nominees for Female Vocalist of the Year are Kelsea Ballerini, Miranda Lambert, Maren Morris, Kacey Musgraves, and Carrie Underwood. The nominees for Male Vocalist of the Year include Dierks Bentley, Eric Church, Tim McGraw, Chris

Stapleton, and Keith Urban.

Solo artists are not the only ones who will be recognized for their hard work. Vocal Group of the Year nominations include Lady Antebellum, Little Big Town, Old Dominion, Rascal Flatts, and the Zac Brown band.

Nominated for the Vocal Duo of the Year are Brother Osborne, Dan + Shay, Florida Georgia Line, Joey + Rory, and Maddie and Tae.

The next category is Musical Event of the Year including nominations for "Different for Girls," "Home Alone Tonight," "The Fighter," "Think of You," and "You Are My Sunshine."

Another category includes Music Video of the Year. The videos that were nominated are "Burning House," "Fire Away," "Humble and Kind," "Record Year," and "Somewhere on a Beach."

Osborne, Maren Morris, Old Dominion, and Cole Swindell.

The final category is rather prestigious for the CMA awards. Nominated for Musician of the Year Jerry Douglas, Paul Franklin, Dann Huff, Brent Mason, and Derek Wells.

Renee Lyons has high hopes for one of her favorites. She said, "I'm rooting for Dierks Bentley to walk away with a few awards this year. Bentley has always been snubbed at awards shows, but I hope this year, with his new album "Black," he'll be able to finally get the recognition he deserves."

Nomination information and awards details can be found on cmaworld.com.

Thousands of people attend the CMA awards each year, and those numbers are constantly growing. With so many popular artists and so many fans, the CMA awards earns its place as an event people do not want to miss.

Beloved actor, Wilder bids farewell in peace

Matt Hill
Staff Reporter

Hollywood has already faced death in 2016 with the passing of legends, such as David Bowie and Prince. On Aug. 29, they faced another. Actor and director, Gene Wilder, died in his home at age eighty-three.

Born on June 11, 1933, in Wisconsin, Wilder was originally named Jerome Silberman—it was not until the age of twenty-six that Wilder adopted the professional name of Gene Wilder.

The influence from seeing his older sister, who was an actress, perform onstage helped to interest Wilder in theatre and the performing arts. Wilder would study under his sister's acting teacher for two years before being sent to Black-Foxe, a military institute in Hollywood.

Wilder's first performance for a paying audience was as the character Balthazar in a production of Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet.

In 1951, Wilder graduated from Washington High

School. Wilder would later attend the University of Iowa where he studied Communication and Theatre Arts. He was also a member of the Alpha Epsilon Pi fraternity.

One year after graduating from the University of Iowa in 1955, he was drafted into the Army, eventually being assigned to the medical corps and serving as a paramedic.

After being cast in a lead role for Mother Courage and Her Children, Wilder was introduced to Mel Brooks. Brooks would later become a major catalyst for the success of Wilder's career.

The relationship between Wilder and Brooks would produce films, such as "The Producers," "Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory," and "Young Frankenstein."

In 1975, Wilder would debut as a director with a romantic musical comedy, The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes' Smarter Brother.

The movie Silver Streak teamed Wilder and actor, Richard Pryor, together



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making them the first interracial movie comedy duo to achieve success. The pair would star in other films like Stir Crazy and Hanky Panky.

Wilder's last appearance in a feature film happened in 1991 after the movie, Another You, was released.

After a few failed marriages, Wilder met Gilda Radner, his future wife. She died from ovarian cancer in 1989. The pair had no children. Wilder remarried in 1991 to Karen Webb.

The death of Radner

prompted Wilder to promote cancer awareness and treatment, ultimately resulting into the development of the Gilda Radner Ovarian Cancer Detection Center.

Wilder was also an accomplished author, including a memoir, Kiss Me Like a Stranger: My Search for Love and Art; a collection of short stories, What Is This Thing Called Love?; and novels My French Whore, The Woman Who Wouldn't, and Something to Remember You By.

Wilder passed away listening to his favorite music and in the company of his family.

Tanner Hill, a JSU senior, said, "I thought Wilder was one of the funniest actors I had the privilege of watching throughout numerous films."

The legacy and kindness of Wilder will live on through his timeless movies that captivate children and adults alike. "Come with me and you'll be in a world of pure imagination..."

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OPINION & EDITORIAL

JSU too cool for school

Nathan Cavitt
Associate Editor

Last Thursday at 11 a.m. Jacksonville State students were ousted from dorm and commuter parking lots to make way for game day parking. Which leads me to the question: has athletics become more important than academics?

Classes did not end Thursday at 11 a.m., even though students were expected to relocate and either walk or ride the Gamecock shuttle. For some students, this isn't a possibility—we have rigorous schedules with classes sometimes 10-15 minutes apart.

I was taught that a University's purpose was to create an atmosphere of higher learning, rather than showcase its athletics.

But I get it. Athletics equals interest, and interest equals more money for the university. But how much of that money goes to academics?

There are barely enough teachers and adjuncts on campus because we are on a hiring freeze, but meanwhile we



Nathan Cavitt

have the money for a new baseball field and to consistently alter the football field.

The dorms Sparkman and Daugeette are closed because they are no longer up to code or habitable. Mason Hall is falling to ruin, and the student media has no funds, and that's just the tip of the iceberg.

It seems the only resources available are for athletics, but tuition continues to increase.

In 2012 the New York Times published an article called "How Big-Time Sports Ate College Life," detailing the American focus on athletics over academics. The article discusses how people are attending colleges not based off of academics, but rather on how successful the

institution is in sports, specifically football.

Football has become a focus point for Universities, and gradually that is becoming apparent at JSU—Gamecock football was a focal point in pitches to incoming freshmen:

We were on ESPN; we made it to the FBS Championship; come to JSU, because we have to get enrollment up.

Meanwhile, the enrollment has increased in affirmation. The campus has filled to the brim with students so much so that navigating the college has become a chore. The roads are a hazard, and automobile accidents have become almost a daily ritual.

At the University of Tennessee the classes were canceled yesterday to make way for football. JSU didn't go as far as to cancel classes yesterday, but made its statement: athletics bring the money, and we want the money.

Never mind the parking pass you paid \$25 for, go park somewhere else or we'll tow your vehicle at your expense.

The real problem with the Brock Turner case

Katie Cline
Editor-in-Chief

I thought it would be another three months before I had to see Brock Turner's name in my Facebook feed. I thought that, surely, if he only received a six-month prison sentence, that he would have to serve it out.

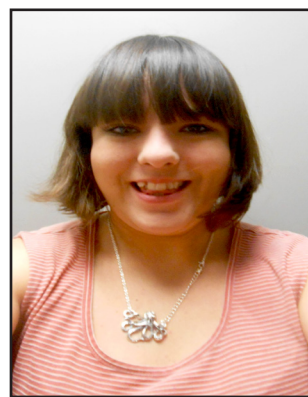
Thank you, American justice system, for failing me again.

If the name doesn't ring a bell for you, let me describe Turner in the vein of media outlets at the time of his trial back in March of this year: Stanford All-American swimmer Brock Turner. Better? I thought so. You may recall the smiling yearbook picture of the golden boy with California curls that circulated the internet until someone got ahold of his actual mugshot. You may also recall that he was convicted on three counts of felony sexual assault for raping an unconscious young woman and sentenced to six months in prison.

You may or may not know that he was released from the Santa Clara County Jail on September 2 after serving just three of those months.

But, don't worry. He was released on good behavior. That means he's on the straight and narrow now, right? Personally, I doubt it.

The sad thing is that Turner's case has raised more awareness for white male privilege and the gaping hole in the justice system than anything else could have. Because when people serve longer prison sentences for the possession of marijuana than for sexual assault, I think



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we can all agree that there's a problem.

And the problem isn't just at Stanford University. San Jose, Cal. isn't wrought with rapists and ne'er-dowells any more than any other city. The issue of sexual assault—and, specifically, sexual assault on college campuses—is a national problem. Victims, both male and female, are usually silent. Because it's easier to say, "Oh, she was drunk," or "Oh, he acted like he wanted it," than it is to say, "Oh, we have a problem."

This summer, JSU's freshman class read *Missoula: Rape and the Justice System in a College Town*. But is reading a book enough to make rape stop? I don't think so.

So what do we, as college students—as women, as men, as friends, as family, as members of the human race—have to do? We start by talking about it. We stop judging those who come forward. We walk the drunk kid home even if we don't have a clue who they are. We tell the person at the bar that someone slipped something in their drink.

We stop letting the Brock Turners of this world off with a slap on the wrist.

We speak up.

We stop being passive.

Only then will things maybe—maybe—get better.

Stories of the International House



Photo by Jacksonville State University

The International House Program began in 1946 with five students from France. Today, the program boasts 40 members: 20 American and 20 international.

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Upon arriving at the International House cookout, I was greeted by friendly faces and the sound of one of the students singing "Wagon Wheel" by Darius Rucker. The aroma of chicken and hot dogs sizzling on the grill floated through the air. A gathering of around forty students filled the outside patio.

I had the privilege of meeting the coordinator of the International House, Ellen McNeeley, who informed me that the International House will host its United Nations Day Tea, which includes a talent show and a reception, on October 30.

The international students will be performing traditional dances or songs from their home countries during the talent show.

I also had the honor of meeting the director of the

International House, Chandi Khadka, who informed me that this year is the seventieth anniversary of the International House at JSU. She also informed me that last year an astounding twenty different countries were represented at the International House.

I had the advantage of meeting two brothers from Kenya, Collins and Alex Maroa. Collins is a communications major, and Alex is majoring in business. Both Collins and Alex heard about JSU through a friend.

I also had the benefit of meeting Kerven, from Turkmenistan, which is located in Central Asia. He is majoring in finance and heard about JSU because he attended Gadsden State Community College and pursued the Presidential Scholarship offered by JSU.

I also met two American students that live at the International House: Kara

Medforth and Tori Dunaway. Kara is from Clay County and is majoring in finance with a minor in Spanish. She also plays the flute for the Marching Southerners. Her cousin attended JSU, and upon attending a football game Kara knew she wanted to attend JSU and become a Southerner. Tori lives in Huntsville and decided to attend JSU because it is close to home; her father also attended JSU.

The International House gives American students the chance to room with an international student in order for both students to share their cultures with one another.

If you would like to learn about other events the International House is hosting or how to apply for the International House, please visit <http://www.jsu.edu/ihop/index.html>.

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SPORTS

Gamecock Side Bar

Upcoming Gamecock Action

9/9
- **Volleyball**
vs. Jackson State
"The Pete" 11:30 a.m.

- **Volleyball**
vs. New Orleans
"The Pete" 7 p.m.

- **Soccer**
vs. Jackson State
Jacksonville 7 p.m.

9/10
- **Men and Women Cross County at the Allstate Sugar Bowl XC Festival - New Orleans, La.**

- **Volleyball**
vs. Mississippi Valley State
"The Pete" 11:30 a.m.

- **Volleyball**
vs. UAB
"The Pete" 4:30 p.m.

- **Football**
at LSU
Baton Rouge, La. 6:30 p.m.

9/11
- **Soccer**
at Alabama State
Montgomery, Ala. 1 p.m.

- **Men's Golf vs. the GolfWeek Program Challenge - Pawleys Island, S. C.**

OVC Soccer Standings

School	OVC	O/R
SEMO	0-0	4-0-1
Austin Peay	0-0	3-2-0
Eastern Kentucky	0-0	3-2-0
Tennessee Tech	0-0	3-2-0
Morehead State	0-0	2-2-1
SIUE	0-0	2-3-1
Murray State	0-0	1-2-1
Belmont	0-0	0-2-3
Jacksonville State	0-0	1-4-1
Eastern Illinois	0-0	0-3-0
UT Martin	0-0	0-3-0

OVC Volleyball Standings

School	OVC	O/R
Belmont	0-0	6-0
Tennessee State	0-0	4-3
Tennessee Tech	0-0	4-3
Murray State	0-0	3-3
Austin Peay	0-0	3-4
SIUE	0-0	2-3
Morehead State	0-0	2-4
UT Martin	0-0	3-6
Jacksonville State	0-0	2-5
Eastern Kentucky	0-0	1-5
Eastern Illinois	0-0	1-6
SEMO	0-0	1-6

STATS FCS Top 5

1. North Dakota St. (152)
2. Richmond (21)
3. U. of Northern Iowa (5)
4. Sam Houston St.
5. **Jacksonville St. (1)**

JSU grabs first wins in 'Bash in the Boro'

Rebekah Hawkins
Staff Reporter

The JSU volleyball team earned their first two wins against The Citadel on Thursday, then Savannah State on Friday.

The Gamecocks started the tournament on Thursday against Georgia Southern.

The Eagles proved to be a tough opponent as they routed JSU in three sets.

GSU used their .275 overall hit percentage to win 25-10, 25-16 and 27-25.

The Gamecocks only had a .82 overall hit percentage on the day, but the match proved effective for several Gamecocks.

Allyson Zuhlke had seven kills, while Hannah Kirk had six assists and seven digs. Jennifer Hart also had six assists on the day.

JSU returned to the floor that night against The Citadel, and found their first win in a sweep.

The first set was a close one that ended up going back and forth close to the end.

The Gamecocks pushed ahead by three, and won the set 25-22.

The second set started off fast for the Gamecocks.

They were ahead by four fast, and gained momentum until they stuck at fifteen.

The Citadel managed to gain a few more points before the Gamecocks ran away with the set 25-18.

The final set belonged to The Citadel for the first little while.



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Alyson Zuhlke (LEFT) led the Gamecocks with 30 kills, while Jennifer Hart (RIGHT) led with 30 assists and 14 digs during the 'Bash in the Boro' Tournament.

The Gamecocks took off on a nine-point run to go in front 14-8.

Although the Bulldogs managed to score 19, it was the Gamecocks that won the match. Jacksonville State swept the series with their 25-19 victory.

The Gamecocks posted a .245 hit percentage on the day.

Hart posted 24 assists and 14 digs which gave her a double-double for the match.

Zuhlke led the day for kills with 11, while Mackenzie Rombach led in blocks with six.

The following day the Gamecocks split their day with a win and a loss to cap the tournament.

The first match was against the Charleston Southern Buccaneers.

The match went into extra sets after the Gamecocks won the first set.

The Bucs came back strong, and won the second and third sets.

The fourth was all Gamecocks as they dominated.

However, it was the

Bucs who took the match with their quick win in the fifth set.

The Gamecocks wrapped their tournament with a match against winless Savannah State.

They started out strong in the first set with a quick burst of scores.

They jumped out to a 10-5 lead, and scored another 15 to take the first set 25-15.

The Gamecocks dominated the second set, and held the Tigers to .071 hit percentage.

JSU won the set 25-13.

The final set was the Gamecocks' best as they hit .450 in the set, sweeping Savannah State with their 25-12 victory.

Zuhlke led in kills again with 12, while newcomer Rachel Perucki led in both assists with 15 and digs with 11.

The Gamecocks will come home to Pete Mathews on Sept. 9, with a match against Jackson State at 11:30 a.m.

That evening, they will also face the University of New Orleans Privateers at 7 p.m.

Cross Country finish 4th, 8th in Strut's Season Opener

OXFORD - The first meet of the 2016 season is complete for the JSU men and women cross country teams after competing in their own meet at Oxford Lake on Friday evening.

The men placed fourth in the Red division in the 5k run.

The Red division included all competing division I schools, while all other teams entered as part of the white division.

JSU's total time was 1:24.10, finishing just ahead of Mercer in fifth.

Auburn won the men's Red division with a total time of 1:16.45 for a 15.21 average.

Troy came in second, followed by Samford in third.

For the men's White division, UAH's time of 1:10.04 was the top mark followed by North Alabama and



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Birmingham-Southern.

JSU's Stephen Payne led the Gamecocks with an individual mark of 16:24, followed closely by teammates Kole Pettit (16:37) and Corey Champion (16:40).

JSU's women finished their 4k run with a total time of 1:23.15 to place just behind Troy.

Auburn swept the Strut's Season Opener as the women took the team

title just as the men did.

JSU's Autumn Rich had the fastest mark for the Gamecocks with a time of 15.23.

Emily Sorrell's 15.39 time was the second best individual.

The JSU cross country programs return to action next Saturday morning in New Orleans, La., for the Allstate Sugar Bowl Cross Country Festival.

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JENKINS, THOMAS EARN OVC HONORS

JACKSONVILLE - Quarterback Eli Jenkins and running back Roc Thomas earned Ohio Valley Conference weekly honors Sunday afternoon.

Jenkins was named the Adidas OVC Offensive Player of the Week.

Thomas was deemed the Adidas OVC Newcomer of the week for their Sept. 1 performances against North Alabama.

Jenkins and Thomas combined for 455 yards of offense in the Gamecocks' 31-12 victory over UNA at Burgess-Snow Field.

The two accounted for 172 rushing yards, while Jenkins connected with Thomas on four passes for 53 yards.

Jenkins amassed 331 yards of total offense Thursday, passing for 230 yards and rushing for 101 net yards.

The redshirt senior's 47-yard touchdown run in the first quarter placed him atop the list for most career touchdowns responsible for (66) in a Jacksonville State career, surpassing former JSU quarterback Ed Lett's record.

He also moved to fifth on the OVC career total offense list (8,688 yards), and is now less than 100 yards from claiming fourth place.

Thomas collected three rushing touchdowns and averaged 3.6 yards per carry in his first game as a Gamecock.

The 5-foot-11 transfer rumbled for 71 net yards on 20 carries, tying a school record for third-most rushing touchdowns in a single game.

His three touchdowns were the second-most among FCS players during the week, and his one-yard touchdown run in the first quarter was his first career touchdown.

The Jacksonville State football team continues its season Saturday, Sept. 10 in Baton Rouge, La., when the Gamecocks take on LSU at 6:30 p.m.

For more on all Gamecocks sports teams, follow the official social media accounts of JSU Athletics on Twitter (@JSUGamecocks), Facebook (Facebook.com/JSUGamecocks), Instagram (@JSUGamecocks) and Snapchat (@JSUGamecocks).

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Soccer falls 0-1 to Louisiana Tech

Daniel Mayes
Staff Reporter

Jacksonville State took the pitch against Louisiana Tech Friday, at the JSU Soccer Complex, but home-field advantage was not enough, as JSU fell to Louisiana Tech 1-0, bring their record to 1-4-1 on the season.

Louisiana Tech scored the only goal of the match almost 7 minutes in.

Lady Techsters' Madison Doll converted on the goal, launching a shot that caromed off the crossbar before bouncing off of the ground and into the goal.

Doll's goal was assisted by Louisiana Tech's Jaelyn Peeples.

The Gamecocks out-shot the Lady Techsters 9-7 overall, and JSU had five shots on goal to LTU's two, but the Gamecocks were unable to capitalize on any of these scoring chances thanks to goalkeeper Kylee Seto.

JSU had a chance to score just 47 seconds into the contest, but midfielder Nicola Dominkovich narrowly missed.

Kayla Thompson, a junior forward, had a shot on an empty net 74 minutes in, but missed just to the left of the goal.

Emma Meadows let a desperate attempt fly just before time expired to end the match, but Seto made the save for Louisiana Tech, putting an end to the Gamecocks' hopes of victory and preserving the 1-0 win.

Senior midfielder/forward Carsen Taylor led the Gamecocks with two shots on goal.

Kayla Thompson, Emma Meadows and Cheyenne Carden also contributed with one shot on goal each.

Gamecock goalkeeper Caroline Robinson allowed 1 goal, but made a save the only other shot on goal from Louisiana Tech.

The Gamecocks will have a week to rest and recover before they face Jackson State in a battle of 'JSU vs. JSU' on Sept. 9, at 7 p.m. at the Soccer Complex.



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Football is back Gamecocks get their first 'W'

Timothy Cash
Sports Editor

The Gamecocks started their 2016 title campaign with a 31-21 victory over the in-state rival Lions of North Alabama.

Jacksonville State wasted no time getting on the board on their first drive.

Auburn transfer Roc Thomas capped off a 17-play, 83-yard drive with his first of three touchdowns of the evening.

Thomas would net a total of 73 yards of rushing during the game.

One three-and-out later, the ball was once again in the hands of Eli Jenkins and Co.

The Gamecock offense only needed four plays to once again reach the 'Promise Land'.

On third-and-five from North Alabama's 47-yard line, the offensive line opened a lane that allowed Jenkins to get his first touchdown of the new season.

Jenkins was the team's leading rusher, netting 101 yards on thirteen attempts.

Midway through the second quarter, JSU extended their lead to 21-0 over the Lions.

Steady rushes by Jenkins, Thomas and senior running back Josh Clemons, along with passes to freshman Evan Crossing and redshirt-sophomore Krenwic Sanders, moved Jax State down the field.

The drive was capped by Thomas' second touchdown of the contest.

After getting off to a slow start, UNA finally put some points on the board in the second quarter.

Wide receiver Julius Jones found the end zone on a nine-yard reception from quarterback Jacob Tucker.

Although the point-after attempt was missed, the Lions cut Jacksonville State's lead down to 15.

The start of the second half saw North Alabama once again cut the Game-

cocks' lead.

This time it was by a 47-yard field goal by kicker Kevin Henke, bring the score to 21-9.

Midway through the quarter, Thomas scored his final touchdown of the night on a five-yard run, extending Jacksonville State's lead to 28-9.

Early in the fourth, Henke hit his second field goal for the Lions, this time from 24-yards.

That would be the last score from North Alabama.

The next drive witnessed Jax State's final score of the game.

With 6:25 left in regulation, redshirt-sophomore Cade Stinnett hit his only field goal attempt of the night from 23-yards out.

Stinnett's field goal brought the final score to 31-12.

Passing, Jenkins went 20-34 for a total of 230 yards with no interceptions.

Thomas was the leading receiver for the Gamecocks,

having 53 yards on four receptions.

After missing his senior season at Auburn High School because of a knee injury, Tyus Flakes rushed for 72 yards on 12 carries in his first game of his freshman season.

Jenkin's was the only Gamecock to out rush Flakes.

Stinnett was perfect in three point-after attempts.

On the defensive side of the ball, Joel McCandless had four unassisted tackles.

McCandless also recorded three assisted tackles, and one sack with two tackles for loss.

Marlon Bridges had five unassisted tackles, with two assisted.

Delwyn Torbert had four unassisted and three assisted tackles.

The Gamecocks travel to Baton Rouge, La. to face the Louisiana State University Tigers at 6:30 p.m.

Television coverage will be provided by ESPNU.

Despite opening day win, Gamecocks get jumped in both polls

JACKSONVILLE – Despite taking care of business in the first week of the season, Jacksonville State was jumped by two teams in both polls.

After one game of the 2016 campaign, the Gamecocks fell from third to fifth in both major FCS polls.

Both the STATS FCS Top 25 and FCS Coaches Poll were released on Monday, rewarding a couple of FCS wins over Power 5 teams.

While five-time defending national champion North Dakota State held its spot atop the polls, Richmond climbed two spots to No. 2 after a win over Virginia, while Northern Iowa used its win

over Iowa State to also jump two spots into third.

Sam Houston State remained a spot ahead of JSU in fourth, while

The Gamecocks rounded out the top five in both polls. JSU earned one first-place vote in the STATS poll.

The Gamecocks will get their chance against a Power 5 team on Saturday, when they face LSU in Baton Rouge at 6:30 p.m. on ESPNU.

JSU enjoyed the publicity and recognition competing against the SEC could provide last year, when an overtime loss at No. 6 Auburn catapulted the Gamecocks into the No. 1 spot in the STATS

poll.

Jax State topped North Alabama to open the season last week, breaking in several new faces.

JSU played 65 players in the game, 28 of which saw action for the first time.

Chattanooga is sixth in both polls, while Charleston Southern and Eastern Washington occupy seventh and eighth, respectively.

Illinois State is ninth in the Coaches' Poll, tenth in the STATS.

McNeese State hold tenth in the Coaches', while South Dakota State hold the ninth spot in the STATS.

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