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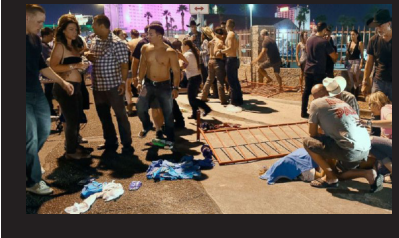
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Zeta Tau Alpha has Jacksonville thinking pink

Family Day

Saturday, October 14 is Family Day. Preview Day will run from 8:30 a.m. to noon. Breakfast will be served in Jack Hopper Dining Hall from 8-10 a.m., and there will be a special planetarium show from 9-10 a.m. in Martin Hall. The following offices a department will be hosting open houses from 5-7 p.m. on **Friday the 13th**:

- Dean of Students Office-4th floor of TMB
- School of Business and Industry-Merrill Hall
- Finance Lab
- Department of Biology-Martin Hall
- Department of Chemistry and Geosciences-Martin Hall
- ROTC-Rowe Hall
- Drama Department-Stone Center
- Math and Computer Information Systems-Ayers Hall

Board of Trustees Meeting

The fall Board of Trustees meeting will be Tuesday, October 17 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on the 11th floor of the Houston Cole Library.

All Majors Career, Internship and Co-Op Fair

There will be a career fair for JSU students of all majors and classifications from 1-4 p.m. on Wednesday, October 18 in Meehan Hall

Grace Cockrell
Staff Writer

When someone thinks about the month of October, typically Halloween comes to mind. But for families of those who have lost their lives to the battle of breast cancer, it's usually something a lot scarier than ghosts and ghouls. On average, a woman is diagnosed with breast cancer every two minutes, and one woman will die of breast cancer every thirteen minutes.

The sisters of Zeta Tau Alpha sorority believe in the importance of breast cancer education, awareness and aiding in the fight. Not only have they taken this issue on as their national philanthropy,

but the sisters of the Zeta Psi chapter work to make a lasting impact on campus and all over Jacksonville by raising funds for a cure.

"My great-grandmother passed away from breast cancer when I was younger so the philanthropy was always very important to me," said Ashlee Jones, a ZTA and JSU alumna who currently works as the Foundation Marketing manager for Regional Medical Center in Aniston, "and not just because it was so personal, but because this was something that has affected so many other families, too. It's a very harrowing connection to share with someone,

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ZetaTau Alpha

From left, Madi Schwartz, Morgan Majors and Cassidy Bishop take a break from hanging bows in 2016.

ZTA THINK PINK

Webinar discusses Islamophobia on college campuses

Cassidy Smith
Staff Writer

JSU's International House and Programs hosted a "Support Muslim Students" webinar on Tuesday, October 10 in the Houston Cole Library. This presentation focused mostly on how to keep college campuses safe and inclusive of our Muslim students. The two distinguished speakers were Dr. Amer F. Ahmed, an Intercultural Diversity Consultant, and Farzana Nayani, an Intercultural Diversity Consultant and Inclusion Specialist.

The webinar opened with a few statistics; one in particular was from a Harvard study which asserted that more

than 50% of Muslim students have been bullied due to their religious backgrounds. To combat this, Ahmed and Nayani suggested, campuses need to seek to understand Islamophobia, what contributes to its persistence, and the current and evolving needs for Muslim students on any campus.

Islamophobia is defined as an exaggerated fear, hatred and hostility toward Islam and Muslims perpetuated by negative stereotypes, resulting in bias and prejudice. This is especially crucial on a college campus, where all students should feel comfortable and equal.

Because the world population of Muslims is 25%, or about 1.7 bil-

lion people, this is a problem that needs to be addressed. According to the webinar, there are five current exacerbating factors on the Islamophobia problem: world terrorism being equated with the entire Muslim community; presidential and world politics; media representation; the "us versus them" rhetoric; and suspicion.

The consequences, unfortunately, are hate crimes, violence, profiling, mosque vandalism, marginalization, surveillance, anti-Muslim hate rallies and micro-aggressions.

The webinar gave a chance for the people in attendance

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Winter is (not) coming Warm weather to persist in the South

Alex Sosnowski
AccuWeather Senior Meteorologist

While some brief episodes of cool air are forecast, most days through the end of October will be much warmer than average over much of the eastern half of the nation.

"We foresee no sustained cooling over the eastern half of the nation for the next two weeks [from Monday, Oct. 9, 2017]," according to AccuWeather Lead Long-Range Meteorologist Paul Pastelok.

Temperatures from the South Central states to the Eastern part of the nation will average 10-15 degrees above average.

Shorts and short sleeves may be needed to stay comfortable during the day, but a jacket may be needed at night for some people.

The pattern will allow warm-weather projects, such as paving and painting operations, that were delayed this summer to continue.

Recent rainfall from Nate and non-tropical systems have put moisture back into the ground in many areas. This will reduce the spike in temperature during the afternoon hours, as some of the sun's energy will be used to evaporate that moisture, rather than heat the ground and air in the lowest part of the atmosphere.

"Another factor against multiple days of extreme warmth will be cloud cover," Pastelok said.

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to speak their minds about whose responsibility it is to stand up to Islamophobic rhetoric on our campus. Basically, who should be responsible?

JSU Director of Community Standards Lauren Lowell says it comes down to all of us.

“I think it is everybody’s responsibility,” Lowell said, “but when you think about official process, naturally it’s going to go through either Title 9 or Student Conduct because it’s considered harassment or maybe threatening, hostile behavior—anything that’s going to affect the student’s ability to be successful. But when you think about what happens in the moment, I’d like to think that any faculty or staff member would step in and at least try to de-escalate the situ-

ation.”

Many college campuses have Muslim Student Associations to support their Muslim students, and JSU has the International Student Association, which supports students from all cultural backgrounds. The availability of support systems like this are vital to Muslim students who may be dealing with Islamophobia.

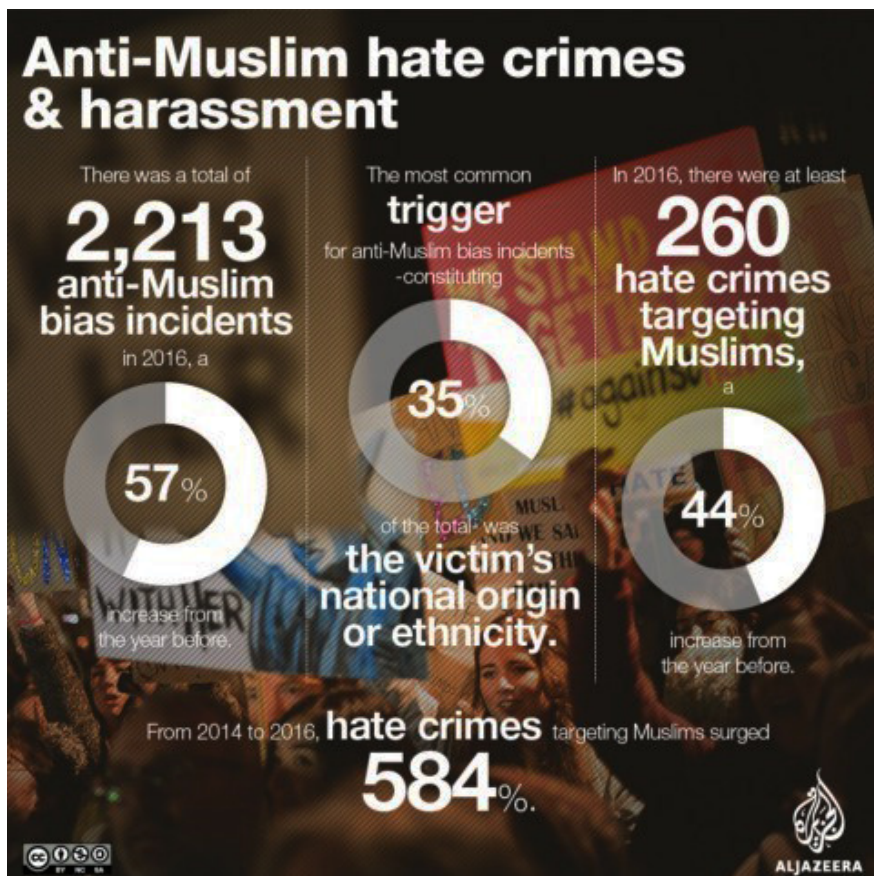
According to Ahmed, there are six major things for campuses and students to do to ensure the safety of their Muslim population: develop educational programs, draw from faculty, student affairs as resources of experience, utilize campus resources, bring in outside speakers and specialists, create spaces for dialogue, and protect the safety of Muslim students.

Many different strategies for action were offered up during the webinar; these include recognizing Islamophobia as a form of racism and treating it that way, offering training for faculty and staff on recognition and combat, holding campus gatherings addressing racism, ensuring Islam bias-free curriculum (students should not feel the need to defend their religion) and developing appropriate responses to support faculty to oppose anti-Muslim rhetoric.

For more information about JSU’s International Student Organization, can visit their page on JSU’s website.

To contact the speakers for the webinar:

Dr. Amer F. Ahmed Intercultural Diversity Consultant: amer@amerfahmed.com



Al-Jazeera

An infographic from Al-Jazeera news media shows that Islamophobic hate crimes have drastically increased since 2014.

Farzana Nayani Intercultural Diversity Consultant: farzana@farzananayani.com *For more information on the studies discussed in this article and for additional links regarding dealing with Islamophobia on campus, see the extended article by Cassidy Smith online at www.jsu.edu/chanticleer.

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Susan Stack Hurst/Facebook

From left, Ashlee Jones, Susan Stack Hurst, Suzanne Hawkins Stephens and Missy Almaroad Wagoner of the ZTA Northeast Alabama Alumnae Chapter at the 5th annual Venecia’s Foundation CRAP 5k in Piedmont, Ala. on October 7. The foundation was started by Venecia Butler, a four-time breast cancer survivor, to provide care packages to cancer patients and their families. Butler was diagnosed with liver, bone and brain cancer in August 2015 and died on April 23, 2015. The non-profit foundation remains and continues to provide support to local families.

but it’s important to bring light to this disease and for people to know that they have a support system to rely on, because positivity and hope during treatment is one of the most important things you can have.”

Each year, Zeta Tau Alpha at JSU hosts a few events that will literally have people “thinking pink.”

The chapter hosts the “Think Pink” football game here at JSU and asks all JSU students, faculty, and community to wear pink to the as a part of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The Zeta sisters will also be selling pink shakers, handing out pink ribbons and will walk out onto the field with breast cancer survivors during pre-game.

This year’s Think Pink game will take place Saturday, October 14 at 3 p.m. as the Gamecocks take on Eastern Kentucky.

Another big fundraiser that is taking place around campus right now is “Paint the Town Pink”.

Each October, the Zetas hang pink bows all over Jacksonville. The chapter sells bows to friends and families to be hung in homes and offices which raises money for Breast Cancer Education and Awareness beyond Jacksonville.

“Breast Cancer Awareness is something that I find extremely important,” said DeLena Harris, a senior broadcast communications major and the secretary of the Zeta Psi chapter. “Three years ago, I didn’t know nearly as much as I do know about the effects of breast cancer, how to self-check and how to educate others. I also didn’t realize how many people breast cancer affected and that men can be diagnosed with breast cancer as well.”

Students can help by sponsoring a bow for ten dollars that will be on display in Jacksonville or by making a donation of any amount to the

cause. The bows are on sale through October 14 and separate donations can be made during the entire month of October.

“I think the heart of Greek life is serving others,” Jones said, “just as a line of the ZTA Creed says, ‘to learn the nobility of serving, thereby earning the right to be served.’ The best leaders have servant’s hearts, and working together to help those around you is the building block of a strong leader. No matter what your philanthropy or organization is, it’s important to give back and to help better your community and those around you. That’s what being a true leader is.”

For more information on purchasing a bow and donating visit Zeta Tau Alpha’s website at jsu.zetataualpha.org.

Don’t miss the chance to give back and aid in the fight against breast cancer and in helping Zetas put their crown on a cure!

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“Since the days are much shorter now, when compared to August or early September, a few hours of clouds or fog can really hold temperatures back.”

While temperatures may not be as extreme and persist as long as the peak of the heat in September, expect highs in the 70s to be common from Chicago to New York City. Highs are likely to be in the 80s on multiple days from Oklahoma City to Atlanta. There may be a day here and there where temperatures peak in the 80s and near 90 respectively.

At night, most people should be able to sleep without

the air conditioner on. The lengthening nights during October will allow temperatures to slip back to 10 to 20 degrees lower than the previous day’s high.

A northward bulge in the jet stream is forecast to persist over the southeastern half of the nation most of the time through much of the balance of the month.

The jet stream is a high-speed river of air at the level where jets cruise at. South of the jet stream, temperatures are often warm. Up until nearly the end of the month, the jet stream will extend from the central Rockies to southeastern Canada.

While the jet stream will occasionally dip southward for a couple of days here and there, it is forecast to spend much more time in that northerly position rather than dip deep into the south.

The warm weather may delay or prolong the viewing opportunity for the fall foliage in some areas, at least where prior drought or gusty winds and rain from Nate have caused the leaves to fall off in the first place.

The same pattern responsible for the persistent warmth will keep the door open for tropical activity in the coming weeks

ECE REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

The English Competency Exam (ECE) is a graduation requirement for all students and must be passed by the semester prior to the student’s intended graduation.

The dates for the Fall 2017 ECE are October 30 at 6 p.m. and October 31 at 3 p.m.

Registration is open online through MyJSU from October 4 to 18.

Workshops will be offered on October 23 from 6-7 p.m. and October 24 from 3-4 p.m., both in Stone Center 125. These workshops are not required

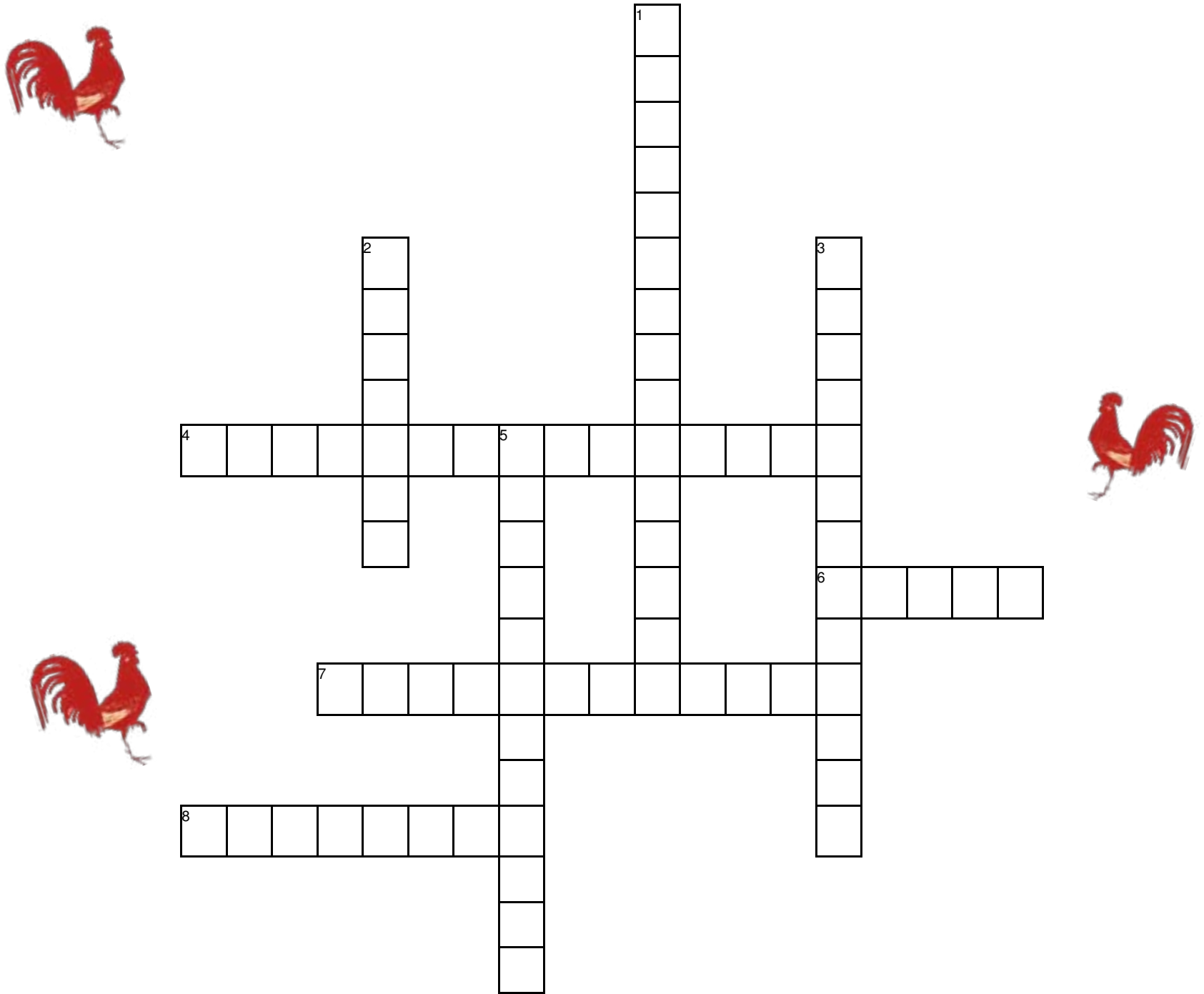
REQUIREMENTS:

- Students must have completed EH 101 & 102
- Students must have completed a total of 48 hours

STUDY BREAK

Campus Crossword Week 6

Greek Life



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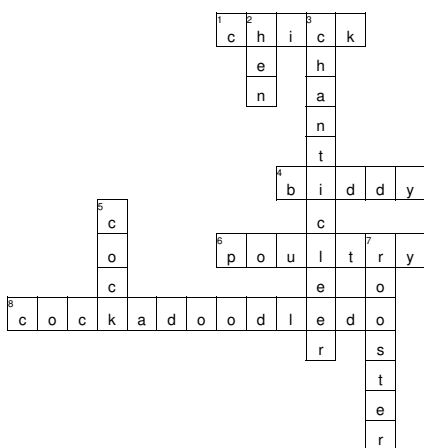
- 4. Symbol is Ivy Leaf, National Pan-Hellenic Council
- 6. Philanthropy is Children's Miracle Network, Panhellenic Council
- 7. Philanthropy is Breast Cancer Awareness, Panhellenic Council
- 8. Philanthropy is Jimmy V, Interfraternity Council

Down

- 1. Flower is African Violet, National Pan-Hellenic Council
- 2. Philanthropy is Helping Hand, Interfraternity Council
- 3. Symbol is a diamond, National Pan-Hellenic Council
- 5. Motto is "Culture for Service and service for humanity", National Pan-Hellenic Council

Editor's Hint: This is a sampling of Greek Life at JSU, look on the website for hints!

Synonyms for Gamecock



Last Week's Solution!

Across

- 1. A young chicken
- 4. Sometimes people can be called old this
- 6. The supermarket name for chicken
- 8. The sound typically associated with a rooster crowing

Down

- 2. The female equivalent of a Gamecock
- 3. Also the name of the student newspaper
- 5. Is also a derogatory name for male genitalia
- 7. Typically a barnyard animal that wakes people up with it's crow

THIS MAYES IS CORNY!

Corny Puns from the collection of:
Staff Writer Daniel Mayes #shootpunsnotguns

When the actress that plays the Ice Queen in Narnia was going over her lines, she couldn't see them very well, so she was Tilda Squintin'.

When I went to the store, the employees kept telling me about the clear ants sale, but I could only find normal opaque ants.

My friends Quint and Lee: "How ofen does the news come on TV? How much does it cost to watch?" Me: Free Quint Lee

People are fighting with each other so much these days, we should call it the feud-al age.

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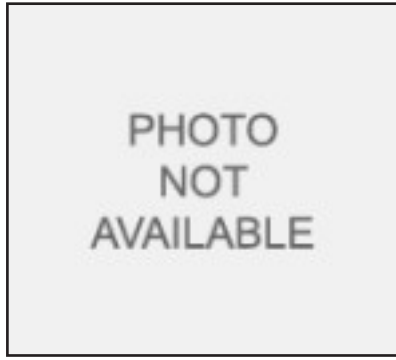
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Carrie Barnette



Sandy Casey



Andrea Castilla



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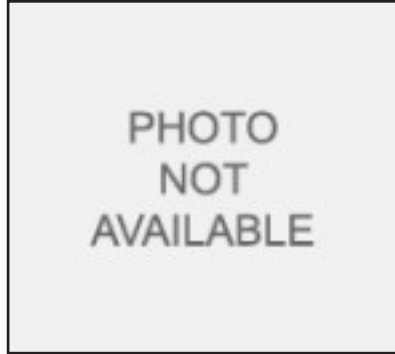
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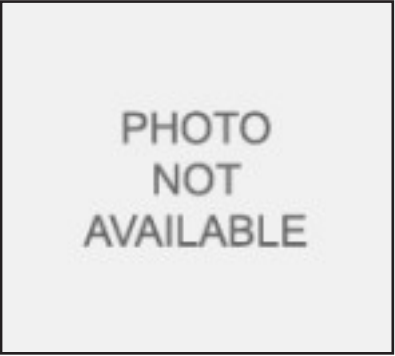
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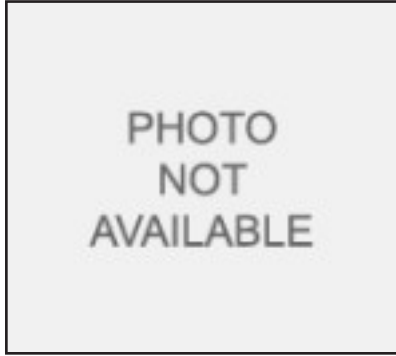
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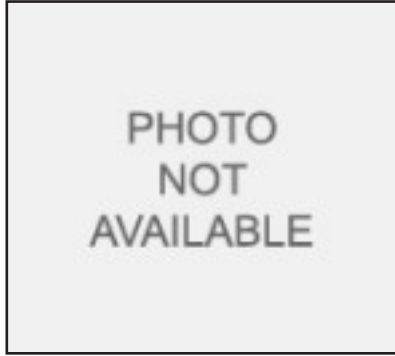
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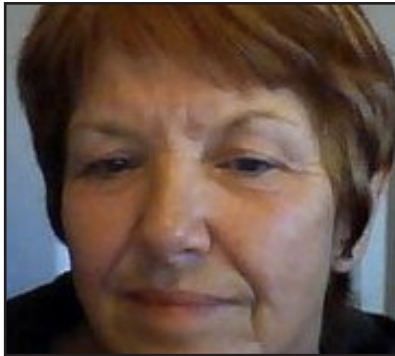
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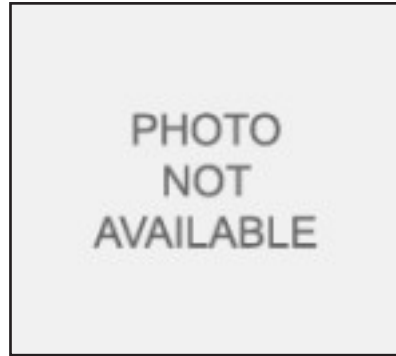
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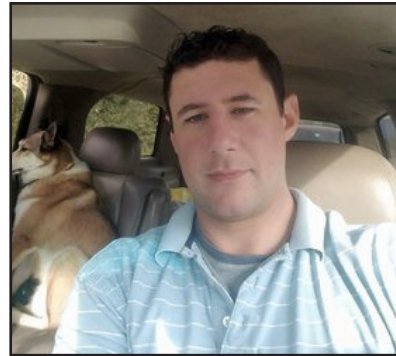
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Austin Meyer



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Rachael Parker



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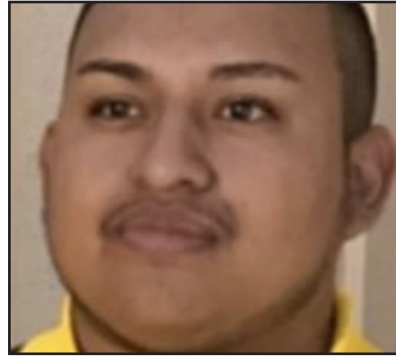
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Laura Shipp



Erick Silva



Susan Smith



Kurt Von Tillow



Bill Wolfe Jr.



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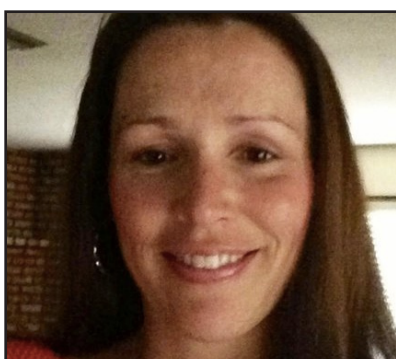
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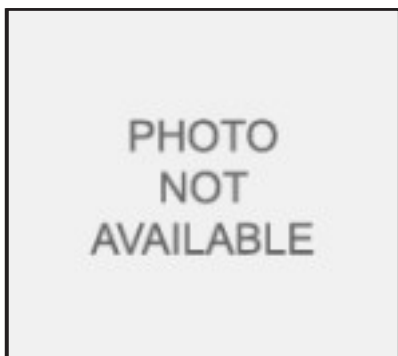
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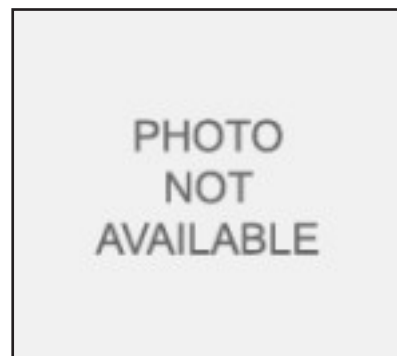
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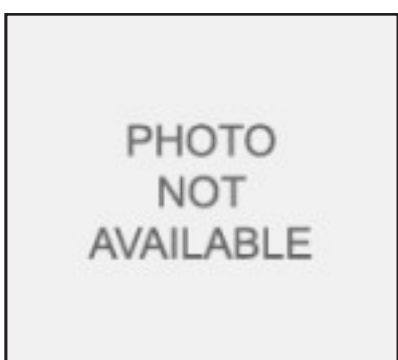
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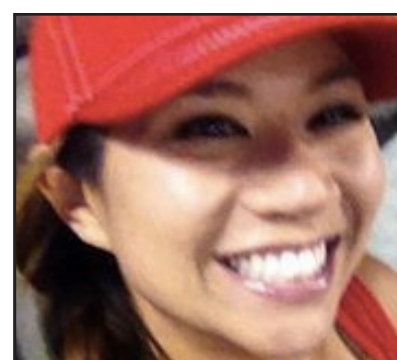
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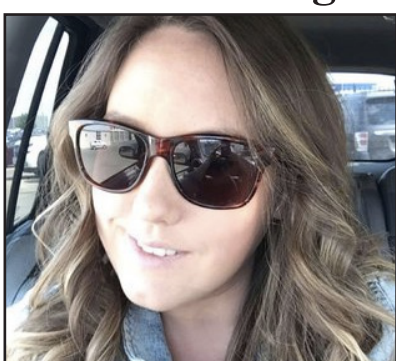
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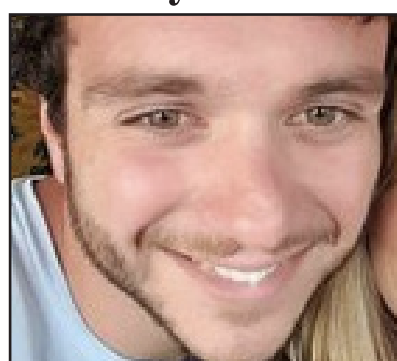
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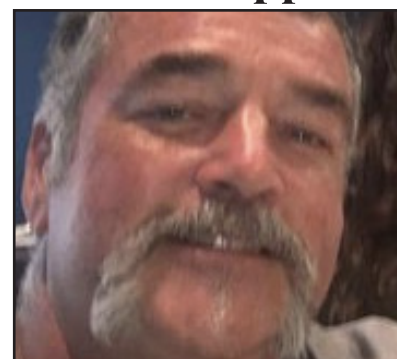
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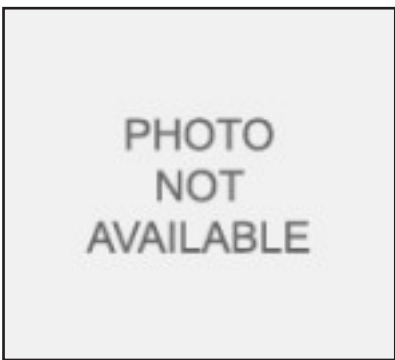
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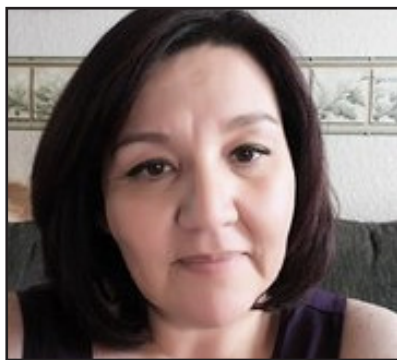
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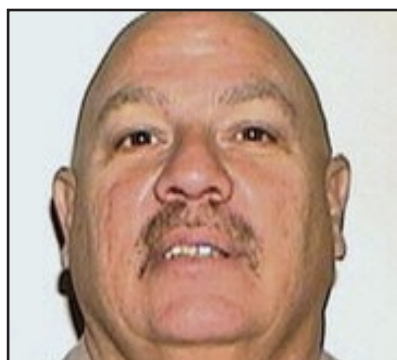
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Brennan Stewart



Derrick Taylor



Neysa Tonks



Michelle Vo



Editor's note:

The Chanticleer extends our hearts and condolences to those who are affected by the loss of the 58 incredible victims due to the senseless act of violence in Las Vegas on October 1, 2017.

We will always remember and honor the legacy they leave behind.

OPINION & EDITORIAL

In the Black Open Sun:

Reflecting on the lives of Tom Petty, Chris Cornell and Chester Bennington

Editor's Note: The title is a mashup of famous songs from Chris Cornell, Tom Petty and Chester Bennington. The songs are "In the End", "Black Hole Sun" and "Into the Great Wide Open"

Rebekah Hawkins
Associate Editor

One of the things I remember about my childhood and early teenage years was the surprising lack of good music. My parents were religious and tried their hardest to keep music that they didn't deem appropriate out of our house. As such most of the music I listened to was from the Seventies, which wasn't really a bad thing because I greatly liked most of it and still do, but trying to stay up to date on music wasn't something that I had much control over.

I remember going to a friend's house and hearing Brittany Spears and the Backstreet Boys and N'Sync but that was pretty much the extent of my musical taste. Bad pop music, oldies and praise and worship music.

That is until I made a new friend. With this friend came a whole new world of music, including Linkin Park.

I loved the sound of the music, although at 13, I didn't really understand the depth of the lyrics like I do now. I memorized the lyrics to "In the End", "Numb", "Faint",



Chester Bennington

Photo courtesy of Billboard.com

"Crawling" and so many others and grappled for more of it. I still remember when we left the music blaring in my bedroom and my parents overheard it and said not to listen to it anymore because the lyrics were obviously about suicide. So I stopped listening to it in their house, and instead listened to the forbidden Linkin Park in my friend's house and car.

Many, many years later I was introduced to Chris Cornell by way of Soundgarden. I had

started branching out more in my musical taste. For so long I avoided hard rock and the grunge music of the Nineties because again religion kept me from enjoying things that I felt like were "bad" or "not appropriate". But once I reached a certain age, I no longer cared. I bathed in music that I had ignored or pretended not to know, fell in love with rock from every decade, with other styles and bands. Listened for hours and hours to music that I had never even heard of, but



Tom Petty

Photo courtesy of Bandstintown



Chris Cornell

Photo courtesy of Imgur.com

loved all the same. I couldn't get enough of it.

With Soundgarden came Tom Petty. Just by chance. He happened upon my radio station and before I knew it, he was a regular on my playlists. All this music that I had never listened to, all the beautiful lyrics that I had never heard. All the music that I missed.

It wasn't just Chris Cornell or Tom Petty or Chester Bennington that gave me beautiful music, there were obviously several other artists, but those three were a big part of me re-discovering myself, in a way. I had never known music like

what they played. I had never heard voices like theirs. Unique, each in their own way, and powerful, again in their own ways.

It was a punch in the stomach when Chris Cornell died, a slap in the face when Chester Bennington followed and a total loss for words when Tom Petty was taken.

In some ways, I don't expect people to understand getting worked up over celebrity deaths, and to an extent I know a lot of this sounds insane. But their music marked turning points in my life. Moments of self-discovery and change, moments of happiness and joy,

moments of sadness. Music has effects on people in many ways, and artists live on in the words they write and the music they leave behind.

The voices of these artists will forever have an effect on my life, and I hope to continue to pass them on as the years go by. So this is my farewell to them.

"When my time comes, forget the wrong that I've done, help me leave behind some reasons to be missed. Don't resent me and when you're feeling empty, keep me in your memory. Leave out all the rest, leave out all the rest." – Rest in peace Chester Bennington

"Stuttering, cold and damp, steal the warm wind tired friend. Times are gone for honest men, and sometimes far too long for snakes. In my shoes, a walking sleep, and my youth I pray to keep. Heaven sent hell away, no one sings like you anymore." - Rest in peace Chris Cornell

"I wanna glide down over Mulholland. I wanna write her name in the sky. I'm gonna free fall out into nothin'. Gonna leave this world for awhile. And I'm free, free fallin'." – Rest in peace Tom Petty

SOMEBODY THAT I USED TO KNOW

"Somebody that I Used to Know" is a weekly series featuring advice to your 17-year old self from JSU students, faculty and community. It aims to bring us all together through the trials and tribulations of growing up. If you're interested in submitting your story, send us an email at chantynewstips@gmail.com with the subject line "Somebody that I Used to Know".

Katie Cline
Editor in Chief

Hey, 17-year-old-Katie,

Your life is on the cusp of change—as you're all too aware. You're afraid of the unknown: where you'll go to college, if you'll make friends, if your new friends will replace your current ones, if you'll ever find anyone who makes you as happy as your best friends do right now, if you'll even still be friends with them

in a year. And those are all valid fears. Spoiler alert: you'll be worrying about all those things in four years when you get ready to graduate college, too.

I'm not going to tell you not to worry, because that would be pointless and you won't listen. But I am going to tell you to embrace the change that comes. You're going to do swimmingly. Don't be afraid to waltz into college and be yourself: be loud; laugh

too much; write all the heartfelt letters and make all the sentimental PowerPoints that you want to; be the "mom friend"; get teary-eyed when you talk about "Harry Potter"; raise your hand and make a comment about the play you had to read. People WILL love you for all of your quirks. You are not too much for people, and, if someone thinks so, then they're not enough for you.

Change is going

to grab you by the ankles and drag you kicking and screaming into the next chapter of your life whether you like it or not. I know you think nothing can be better than right now: you have amazing friends, great teachers, a finely polished routine—but, if it's possible, it gets even better...or at least equally good in a different way. You make new friends (and you keep in touch with the old ones who matter); you excel in your fields; you get

jobs and work experience that you actually love; you get so many new and exciting opportunities (I don't want to spoil it all for you, but it's pretty great!). Just go into this new experience the way you always do: head first and faking it 'til you make it!

And here's the thing: right now, you're a high school senior who hates change and goodbyes. Four years from now you'll be a college senior

who hates change and goodbyes (some things don't change). But you'll be a little more relaxed about it, because, to quote Harry Potter, "I knew I could do it all this time, because I'd already done it."

What you're dealing with now WILL help you deal with things in the future. I promise. I've been there.

Much love, and don't kill Eric. He's useful sometimes.

SPORTS

Gamecock Side Bar

Upcoming Gamecock Action

10/13
-Cross Country at Alabama Crimson Classic
Tuscaloosa, Ala. 9 a.m.

-**Soccer vs. Eastern Kentucky***
JSU Soccer Field 7 p.m.
Streaming: OVC Digital Network

-**Volleyball vs. Murray State***
'The Pete' 7 p.m.

10/14
-**Rifle vs. UT Martin***
Gamecock Rifle Range

-**Football vs. Eastern Kentucky***
Burgess-Snow Field 3 p.m.
Streaming: ESPN3/Watch ESPN
Radio: WLJS

10/15
-**Soccer vs. Morehead State***
JSU Soccer Field 1 p.m.
Streaming: OVC Digital Network

-**Volleyball vs. Austin Peay***
'The Pete' 2 p.m.

10/19
-Men's Tennis vs. ITA Regionals - Baton Rouge, La.

-**Softball vs. Gulf Coast C. C. University Field TBA**

BOLD = Home Event * = OVC Event

OVC Football Standings

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

OVC Soccer Standings

School	OVC	O/R
Eastern Kentucky	4-0-3	7-3-4
Belmont	5-2-0	9-4-1
Murray State	4-0-2	9-1-2
SIUE	4-2-1	6-6-2
Tennessee Tech	3-1-3	6-4-3
Austin Peay	2-3-3	7-5-3
Morehead State	2-3-1	3-9-1
UT Martin	2-4-1	4-9-3
SEMO	1-3-3	4-7-3
Jacksonville State	2-5-0	5-8-2
Eastern Illinois	0-6-1	5-9-2

OVC Volleyball Standings

School	OVC	O/R
Austin Peay	5-1	17-3
Eastern Kentucky	5-1	7-13
SIUE	4-2	14-4
Murray State	4-2	12-6
Belmont	4-2	9-8
Jacksonville State	3-3	16-8
Eastern Illinois	3-3	9-9
UT Martin	3-3	9-10
Tennessee State	2-4	6-13
Morehead State	1-5	10-9
SEMO	1-5	6-14
Tennessee Tech	1-5	3-15

Standings and Polls do not reflect changes made on or after Wednesday

Jacksonville State falls to SIUE, splits trip to Illinois

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Chanty Sports Reporter

Gamecock soccer was blanked offensively Sunday, falling 2-0 to OVC opponent Southern Illinois Edwardsville.

The match was the second of two on the Gamecocks' (5-8-2, 2-5-0) road trip to Illinois, in which JSU bested Eastern Illinois 1-0 on Friday.

The Cougars' (6-6-2, 4-2-1) defense was more than stingy against the Gamecocks on Sunday in Edwardsville, limiting JSU to just 3 total shots, 2 of which were on goal.

Of the 3 shots for the Gamecocks, Rachel Blanding contributed 2 (1 on goal) and Kayla Thompson added 1 shot on goal.

SIUE took 12 shots in the match, including 4 on goal.

The Cougars also topped the Gamecocks in fouls and



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corner kicks, committing 11 fouls to JSU's 16, and kicking 5 corners compared to just 1 from the Gamecocks.

The Cougars opened scoring in the 14th minute on a goal from Caroline Hoefert assisted by Emily Grahl.

SIUE's stalwart defense protected that lead, and the Cougars added on some extra insurance in the 81st minute.

Becca Jostes dribbled inside the box to beat Game-

cock goalkeeper Caroline Robinson, making the score 2-0.

That score would hold, dropping JSU to 2-5-0 in conference play.

The Gamecocks have six points in the OVC, so their upcoming 2-game homestand against Eastern Kentucky and Morehead State will be critical to the playoff picture for JSU.

The Gamecocks' upcoming homestand will begin on Friday.

Champion tabbed runner of the week

BRENTWOOD, Tenn. – Jacksonville State sophomore Corey Champion was selected as the Male Co-Runner of the Week for the Ohio Valley Conference, announced by the league office Tuesday afternoon.

The Woodstock, Ga., native posted a career-best 8K time of 26:56.9

last weekend at the Florida State Invitational in Tallahassee, Fla. It marked the second consecutive week in which Champion bested his previous fastest time.

Champion placed 23rd overall in a field laden with top talent from across the Sunshine State.

His efforts guid-

ed JSU to a fifth-place finish among Division I competition behind Florida State, Florida and South Florida.

For JSU, Champion's honor is the first Male Runner of the Week selection since Mickey Sanders in 2011.

Champion shared the weekly distinction with SIU-Edward-

ville's Landon Skelly.

The Cougars' Jess Clarke was the league's female recipient.

The Gamecocks will treat their regular season finale at Alabama's Crimson Classic this weekend as a tune-up for the conference champion in just a few weeks.

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JSU hangs on for another five-set victory

HUNTSVILLE – For the third consecutive match, the Jacksonville State volleyball team needed five sets to pull out the victory, this time beating Alabama A&M on the road.

The Gamecocks (17-8, 3-3 Ohio Valley) have now gone to five sets in four of their last five matches, and seven times overall on the season.

JSU took the opening two sets (25-18, 25-19), before AAMU responded out of the intermission to even the

match at two sets apiece with back-to-back tight victories in 25-20 and 25-23.

Since JSU last defeated AAMU at home on Sept. 19, the Lady Bulldogs had posted an 8-2 mark and gained momentum along the way.

In the fifth, JSU started fast with a tip from Mackenzie Rombach to open the scoring.

Charis Ludtke later put away a hard hit ball for a 5-1 advantage to take a little steam out of the energized

crowd at TM Elmore Gym.

Jax State led 8-3 at the changeover and maintained a steady margin on its way to the 15-6 match-winning victory.

JSU returns home this weekend with matches against Murray State on Friday night.

Friday marks JSU's annual pink match where the Gamecocks will be sporting pink as they raise funds to help in the fight against breast cancer.

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Giraldo caps record-setting performance to win at Pinehurst

PINEHURST, N.C. – Junior Valentina Giraldo capped the best 54-hole score in Jacksonville State history on Tuesday to win medalist honors at the Pinehurst Challenge.

Giraldo shot an even-par 72 in Tuesday's final round to pass second-round leader Malene Krolboll Hansen and claim her second career individual win and her second this fall.

She put the finishing touches on a 54-hole score of 208, breaking the previous 54-hole record of 209 set by Melani Sisto in 2013.

The Ibague, Colombia, native's 8-under score on the par-72, 5,974-yard layout at the No. 1 Course at Pinehurst was just the ninth 54-hole score under par in school history. She defeated Krolboll Hansen by one shot to win medal-

ist honors in the 100-player field. Giraldo rallied to claim the win on Tuesday.

After opening with a pair of bogeys in her first six holes, she didn't bogey again and grabbed two birdies in a three-hole span to climb into the lead for good. It is her second win in four events this fall after winning the Gamecocks' home tournament, the Chris Ban-

ister Golf Classic in late September.

East Carolina ran away with the team title, while the Gamecocks finished 14th.

JSU did tie the fifth-best 54-hole team score in school history over the two-day event, but it couldn't keep up with the top of the field.

Junior Paula Vega tied for 38th after a final-round 76 capped her 54-hole

STATS FCS Poll

1. James Madison
2. North Dakota State
3. Jacksonville State
4. South Dakota
5. Wofford
6. Central Arkansas
7. South Dakota State
8. Youngstown State
9. Sam Houston
10. Eastern Washington
11. Villanova
12. New Hampshire
13. Richmond
14. Western Illinois
15. N. Carolina A&T
16. Elon
17. Illinois State
18. Weber State
19. Samford
20. Grambling State
21. Western Carolina
22. McNeese State
23. Citadel
24. Montana
25. N. Carolina Central

FCS Coaches Poll

1. James Madison
2. North Dakota State
3. Jacksonville State
4. South Dakota
5. Wofford
6. Central Arkansas
7. South Dakota State
8. Youngstown State
- T-9. Sam Houston State
- T-9. Eastern Washington
11. N. Carolina A&T
12. New Hampshire
13. Richmond
14. Villanova
15. Illinois State
16. Weber State
17. Western Illinois
18. Samford
19. Grambling State
20. Elon
21. McNeese State
22. Citadel
23. Nicholls
24. Stony Brook
25. Western Carolina

NCAA Rifle Poll

1. West Virginia
2. Texas Christian
3. Kentucky
4. Murray State
5. Alaska
6. Air Force
7. Ohio State
8. Nevada
9. Ole Miss
10. Jacksonville State
- T-11. Army
- T-11. N. Carolina State
13. Navy
14. Akron
15. Nebraska
16. Morehead State
17. North Georgia
18. Memphis
19. UT Martin
20. UTEP

score of 220.

Sophomore Javier Espinosa tied for 72nd with a 229, while fellow sophomores Chloe Boarders (tie for 87th) and Layne Dyar (91st) rounded out the JSU lineup.

The Gamecocks will wrap up their fall schedule on Oct. 30-31, when they compete in the UALR Women's Golf Classic in Hot Springs, Ark.

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Vallejo leads men's tennis to championship share Sunday

MACON, Ga. – The Jacksonville State men's tennis team enjoyed a successful weekend in Macon, Ga., at the Mercer Gridiron Classic. Joaquin Vallejo earned a share of the B Draw championship, and the doubles team of Guillermo Agost and Jordi Blanchar finished runners-up in the B Draw.

"We played very well in the tournament," head coach Andres Amroes said.

"I was happy with the way we competed.

We're a very young team that is playing at a high level. We are showing the results of our practice."

Vallejo, the freshman from Paraguay, received a share of the B Draw championship following four victo-

ries throughout the bracket.

He earned a win over the one-seeded Eddie Landin of Georgia Southern in the second round and topped the fourth-seeded Kevin Huynh to advance to the finals.

He was set to compete against USC Upstate's Ignacio Garrido for the championship, outright, but the finals were canceled due to rain.

Agost and Blanchar also earned four victories, including a win over one-seeded Murphy McCullough and Carlos Garcia of Georgia Southern in the semifinals to reach the finals matchup.

The freshman/sophomore team came up just short of the title, falling to Kennesaw State's Corey Smith and Harrison Wood in the finals of

the B Draw bracket.

Among the Gamecocks' singles competitors, freshman Aljaz Kaplja picked up a first-round win over Troy's Jiaqi Duan (6-3, 6-1) in the A Draw, and junior Andres Gomez advanced to the quarterfinals of the C Draw.

In doubles action, sophomore Pablo Caffarena and Vallejo earned a win over Troy's Jiagi Duan and Antonio Selma (7-5) in the first round of the A Draw.

Next on the fall schedule for the Gamecocks is the ITA Regional Tournament in Baton Rouge, La.

The men visit the Louisiana capital Oct. 19-22 for the prestigious meet.

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Flowers, Thomas named OVC Players of the Week

Jacksonville State running back Roc Thomas and kick returner DeMarcus Flowers were deemed Ohio Valley Conference Players of the Week, the league office announced Sunday.

Thomas garnered his third OVC Offensive Player of the Week award of 2017, while Flowers was named OVC Co-Specialist of the Week for the first time in his career.

Thomas and Flowers led the Gamecocks to a 34-14 win over Austin Peay on Saturday, extending the Gamecocks' OVC winning streak to 26-consecutive games.

Following Saturday's conference matchups, JSU remains one of just two teams undefeated at the top of the league standings.

Thomas recorded his second-straight 100-yard game on the ground, totaling 135 yards against a Gobs defense that hadn't allowed more than 165 yards rushing to any team this season.

The Oxford, Ala., native ran for two touchdowns on 18 carries to lead a JSU rushing attack that rolled up 296 yards on the ground against the best rushing defense in the OVC before the game.

Thomas notched his seventh 100-yard rushing game, tying him for seventh-most in school history.

Flowers earned his first weekly honor with an exceptional performance on special teams against the Gobs stout return defense.

The Daleville, Ala., product had three returns for 120 yards, including an 87-yard touchdown return.

Following an Austin Peay touchdown early in the fourth quarter, which brought the JSU lead down to 13,

Flowers returned a kickoff to the house to put the final score on the board in a 34-14 win.

It was the Gamecocks' first Kickoff return for a score since 2011.

The team returns home to Burgess-Snow Field Saturday, Oct. 14 to host Eastern Kentucky.

Kickoff is set for 3 p.m. as JSU attempts to set a new OVC consecutive-wins streak.

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JSU downs Gobs to tie OVC record

Daniel Mayes
Chanty Sports Reporter

Jacksonville State took down Austin Peay 34-14 Saturday in Clarksville, Tenn. to tie the record for consecutive Ohio Valley Conference wins at 26.

JSU tied the record previously held by Eastern Kentucky, whose streak ended in 1995, by shutting down a much

improved Austin Peay Governors squad, who came into the game on a three game win streak of their own after losing their previous 29.

The Gamecocks began the contest strong, shutting down the Governor offense on their first possession before a 17 play, 91-yard drive from the offense took 7:54 off the clock and left JSU with a

7-0 lead.

Quarterback Bryant Horn finished off the drive with a 6-yard touchdown completion to a leaping Trae Barry.

Horn, who started the game but split time with Kendrick Doss once again, finished 5-9 for 52 yards and one touchdown through the air and picked up 74 yards and a touchdown on 11 rushing

attempts.

The ground attack proved to be the most effective offense for Jacksonville State on the night, as the Gamecocks piled up 296 yards and three touchdowns against a stout Austin Peay defense...

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Women's tennis gains experience at Mercer invite

MACON, Ga. – The Jacksonville State women's tennis team competed in the Mercer Gridiron Classic over the weekend, and was led by a runner-up performance by Elana Tendero.

The junior reached the B Draw finals by way of four singles victories.

Despite a hard-fought contest, Tendero dropped two sets to Kennesaw State's Breanna Reilley (6-2, 6-4) in the finals.

Diana Monsalvo also competed in the B Draws, picking up two wins to reach the quarterfinals.

Afterwards, she claimed a singles win over Florida Southern's Lola Asis.

Malin Buechner and Genevie Ulanday each earned singles victories in the A Draw.

Buechner topped Haleigh Porter from FAMU in the first round, and Ulanday's first-round victory came against North Georgia's Holley Bennett.

Both then went on to earn two singles wins each in extra matches.

Freshman Katrina Kreslina took one match in the C Draw, topping Middle Georgia's Daniela Nino,

and won against Mercer's Justyna Zabinski.

Alba Conejero began with a bye and acquired two singles wins to reach the semifinals of the C Draw.

She topped FAMU's Adrienne Clayton in the second round and Georgia Southern's Paige Christian in the third, but fell in three sets to Troy's Maria Casas Bias in the semis.

The Gamecocks wrap up their fall schedule in New Orleans at the Big Easy Classic. The three-day tournament begins Oct. 28.

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Gamecock men grab top five finish at FSU Invitational

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – Four season-best performances on the men's side highlighted Jacksonville State's cross-country efforts at the Florida State Invitational Friday morning at Apalachee Regional Park.

For the second time in as many weeks, sophomore Corey Champion turned in a career-best time of 26:56.9 to place 23rd in the 8K race loaded with top talent.

Not far behind were newcomers Riley Sloan and Seth Emmenegger,

who each recorded season-best times of 28:35 and 28:37, respectively.

Sophomore Luke Thomas finished 32nd, just two seconds off his season's fastest 8K pace set at Kennesaw State in early September.

The final Gamecock to score was Tierman Whytock's 29:53.9 time securing JSU's fifth-place finish.

For the Gamecock ladies, sophomore Emily Sorrell led the Gamecocks for the fourth time in five meets this season.

Aubree Cole, Davia Simon and Jazmine Ortega all scored consecutive finishes in the 21-minute range as JSU set an average race pace of 21:05.88.

Florida State took the team title in both the men's 8K and the women's 5K event.

Florida A&M claimed runner-up status in the men's race, while Jacksonville University was second on the women's side.

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Men's basketball announce CBS Sports Network game

Jacksonville State's Jan. 18, match-up at Morehead State is scheduled to broadcast on CBS Sports Network, as announced by the Ohio Valley Conference Thursday.

The game is scheduled for 6 p.m., and becomes the Gamecocks' third OVC contest to be broadcast nationally this season.

Today's announcement comes less than two weeks after the conference's ESPN broadcast package was released, which stated that JSU's game vs. Tennessee Tech and Belmont will be broadcast on ESPNU.

The Gamecocks' three nationally broadcast regular-season conference contests are the most in program history.

The Gamecocks' contest at Mississippi State on Nov. 26, will be available online with SEC Network+, and the Dec. 12, Oregon State game will broadcast on the Pac 12 Networks.

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