Students returned to Jacksonville to find a campus still under reconstruction.

Welcome “home” Gamecocks
Students return to campus amidst rebuilding efforts

Daniel Mayes
Editor-in-Chief

Nearly five months to the day after the March 19 tornadoes ripped through the campus of Jacksonville State University, students arrived for the fall semester to find a campus still very much in the recovery process.

Many buildings and parking lots remain closed for the time being, and construction crew and equipment still scattered around campus, but JSU says the University remains “fully operational, providing the same classes and activities students enjoy each fall.”

Fully operational, unfortunately, doesn’t mean free of headaches for students and faculty. Senior Biology Major Ashley Adamson says the construction has already caused disruption in her classes.

“It was really hard getting in to Martin. Getting to the third floor was even harder because there are like a million workers there,” Adamson said. “I couldn’t hear my professor over the sound of saws and hammers from above, the projector screen was shaking like we were in an earthquake, and then our Coop DeVille sustains fire damage, students organize candlelight vigil

Scott Young
Staff Reporter

After the popular Jacksonville wing restaurant erupted into flames Monday morning, students of Jacksonville State gathered in the patio of Coop DeVille to pay their respects late Tuesday night.

Coop DeVille, was a popular wing restaurant in Jacksonville, especially amongst the students of JSU. Students constructed a shrine consisting of lit candles, a framed photo of the burning establishment, and even a student’s leftover takeout from the day before the devastation to pay respects to the fallen restaurant.

Jaylon Cooper, a member of JSU’s Marching Southerners who lives next door to the establishment, organized the event on Facebook, which he says originally began as a joke.

“This is low key a joke, but hey if you wanna show up and leave a wing bone or two, go ahead,” Cooper originally wrote for the description when creating the event. The page was soon updated to read: “Update: not a joke, let’s show up and do this!!”

“Honestly, it meant a good bit, because it was fairly cheap food, and good food at that,” Cooper said. “This is Jacksonville. If there’s anything that describes Jacksonville, it’s food.”

JSU Football faces “crossroads” season

Dave Brown
Staff Reporter

The 2018 season is shaping up to be a crossroads season for the Gamecocks.

“Queen of Soul” Aretha Franklin dies at 76

The City of Jacksonville and Jacksonville State University will present the 13th annual Spirit on Mountain Street festival. The festivities will include a free concert by Morgan Wallen, 8-10 p.m., Admission is free and open to the public. Food tastings and activities cost $1 per ticket.

The SGA is doing a Shirt Swap in the TMB lobby/Stop by from 11:00-2:00 pm to get your Cocky shirt. The first 20 people get one for free! Everyone afterward will receive a voucher to get their Cocky t-shirt for only $5!

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Students gathered Tuesday night to hold a candlelight vigil in honor of Coop DeVille, which tragically caught fire Monday morning.
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The teacher let us out of class early because it was all so annoying.

Wallace Hall, Pete Mathews Coliseum, the Honors House, and the music side of Mason Hall will be closed to begin the fall semester, however the coliseum is expected to be reopened in time for basketball season.

Repair on the Honors House and Mason Hall are anticipated to be completed sometime in the spring semester. Merrill Hall will be torn down over the coming weeks.

According to JSU, students will not have to wait long for campus to start—finally—returning to normal.

"While it might still look like a work site on August 21, most repairs will begin wrapping up a month later—making campus feel like home again just in time for Homecoming on September 29," the University wrote in a message to students.

While the campus is still in disarray though, the University urges students to walk or bike to class if possible to combat the traffic build-up that will likely occur due to construction.

University Mourns Passing of Lou Kennamer

JSU is mourning the passing of one of its greatest friends and supporters, Lou Kennamer, who died Aug. 19 following a long battle with cancer.

Mrs. Kennamer and her husband, Bob, have been deeply involved with JSU since they were students on campus back in the 1950s. Mrs. Kennamer was the retired owner of the former Lou's Dress Shop on the square in Jacksonville, which outfitted JSU students with the latest fashion trends for many years. Mr. Kennamer, who served on the JSU Board of Trustees for 26 years, retired from State Farm Insurance.

Following a generous gift to the university, Bob and Lou Kennamer Hall was named in their honor in 2005. The 6,000-square-foot facility is now home to the Department of Kinesiology, after housing the JSU Athletics Department for several years. The couple also has a scholarship fund and faculty award in their name to support academics. More recently, they served as key contributors to the construction of the new Gamecock baseball stadium, which will be dedicated next month and named in honor of Coach Jim Case at their request.

"Mrs. Kennamer was one of JSU's greatest champions," said President John Beheiler. "Her style, charisma and deep love for the university are unmatched and she will be greatly missed. Please join me in keeping Mr. Kennamer and the rest of the family in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time."

Funeral services will be held on Aug. 23 at KL Brown in Golden Springs, with visitation at 1 p.m. and a memorial service at 2 p.m. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the Lou Kennamer Memorial Fund at the JSU Foundation, 700 Pelham Road N, Jacksonville, AL 36265.

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it’s this place.”

As more and more students arrived, it evolved from a satirical Facebook post to a somber memorial for a place that many Southerners say make them think of home.

Students linked arms and sang a well-known tradition of the Marching Southerners, “I’ll Fly Away” to grieve the empty nest.

Guy Emery, the owner of Coop DeVille, attended the candlelight vigil and told students that he anticipates the rebuilding within “two to three months”. A crowd member exclaims, “We can wait!”

Anticipation of the reopening excites hungry students and gives them something to look forward to in the coming months. Through all the good times that Coop DeVille has given us, it’s safe to say that it has earned its wings, as it leaves behind a soaring legacy.

CAMPUS INFO

Gamecock Express releases new routes

1. GX Bus Station
2. Stone Center
3. ID/TC
4. McKenzie Library
5. Bank of Library
6. College Apts
7. Sparkman/Ayers
8. Pannell/Massar *
9. Curtis Hall
10. Park Place II
11. Dix/Self Hall
12. Gamecock Village
13. Brewer Hall
14. Stone Center
15. GX Bus Station

1. GX Bus Station
2. Colonial Arms Apts
3. Gamecock Union
4. Mennon Hall
5. SBI Complex
6. Selfs Hall
7. Park Place II / Parking Lot
8. Dixon/Self Hall
9. Penn House Apts
10. Trac II Apts
11. Coliseum
12. GX Bus Station
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Meet the Newbies: A message from new Editor-in-Chief Daniel Mayes

Daniel Mayes
Editor-in-Chief
“Daniel Mayes, Editor-in-Chief.”

Wow. That sounds so... official.

When I wrote my first story for The Chanticleer just over two years ago (one which I agonized over every word, hoping that I did a good enough job to even warrant consideration for publishing), I never would have imagined that one day the “staff writer” label under my name would some day be replaced with the shifty, responsibility-laden moniker of “Editor-in-Chief” heading into my senior year.

But, two years and probably hundreds of stories later, here we are. Over those two years, I’ve developed a passion for journalism and, specifically, for The Chanticleer. I’ve been here to see our little college newspaper grow so much under the leadership of my predecessor, Katie Cline. Hopefully, I can keep us going in the right direction.

I want to continue the evolution that Katie started and bring The Chanticleer fully into the 21st century, helping build an environment that competes with multimedia news enterprises of today and gives students, including myself, experience in the type of news organization that is necessary by today’s digital age.

I want to continue to build awareness and trust with the current JSU students as well as alumni and faculty, ensuring them that, in The Chanticleer, they have a reliable source to keep them informed on their “home,” no matter where their home actually is.

I want to help champion good journalism in an age of claims of “Fake News.”

I want to do all that I can to help empower the journalists of tomorrow.

I want to have fun while doing all of that.

Hopefully, you’ll have fun too. Let’s do this.

BROWN: UPD shouldn’t issue parking tickets this semester

Chris Allen Brown
Special to the Chanticleer

Just take a moment and look around Jacksonville State’s campus.

There are more sets of temporary fences than at a high school softball championship tournament. There are more equipment trucks than at a John Deere store. There are more tractor trailers than at truck stops in Iowa.

Parking has always been a topic of discussion at the beginning of each semester. At Houston Cole Library, which is also one of the countless buildings on campus still under remodeling as a result of the EF3 tornado that tripped through the Jacksonville community on March 19, students normally have to wait until the second or third week of classes to become fortunate enough to find a parking space within 500 yards of Martin Hall or McGee Science Center.

At Self Hall, if you aren’t a North resident with a green decal, good luck. Even if you do have the correct color decal, the chances of temporary fences, equipment trucks or tractor trailers taking up spots that lot are higher than the temperature on the Burgess-Snow Field or Jim Bennett Field turfs during the early stages of August.

The solution, as crazy and it sounds, is to let students park wherever they need to in order to successfully make it to class on time. Disregard the color system for at least this semester. Maybe even into the spring as most construction will still be ongoing by then. Let cars be parked along Trustee Circle. What about, while there are still workers and equipment trucks around, building another parking lot that students have been begging for?

Commuting students already have to deal with the city of Jacksonville deciding to repave Highway 21. Throw in on-campus residences, and most of the student housing buildings are still being repaired despite last Saturday marking the day students were allowed to move back in.

Close your eyes for a minute. There already wasn’t enough parking spaces for the fall semester. Hundreds still don’t have a place to live. Academic and housing buildings are being used despite ongoing construction. There already wasn’t enough parking before the tornado.

Let’s do this.
Queen of Soul’ dies at 76

By Mystic Fekade and Hilfire Italee
Associated Press

Aretha Franklin, the undisputed "Queen of Soul" who sang with matchless power and style on classic songs such as "Think,” "I Say a Little Prayer" and her signature song, "Respect," and stood as a cultural icon around the globe, has died from pancreatic cancer. She was 76.

Publicist Gwen- dolyn Quinn told The Associated Press through a family statement that Franklin died Thursday at 9:50 a.m. at her home in Detroit.

A professional singer and pianist by her late teens, a superstar by her mid-20s, Franklin had long ago settled any arguments over who was the greatest popular vocalist of her time. Her gifts, natural and acquired, were a multi- octave mezzo-soprano, gospel passion and training worthy of a preacher's daughter, taste sophisticated and eccentric, and the courage to channel private pain into liberation for all.

She recorded hundreds of tracks and had dozens of hits over the span of a half century, including 20 that reached No. 1 on the pop charts. But her reputation was defined by an extraordinary run of hit albums and singles from the late 1960s, from 1967's "I Say a Little Prayer" to the morning-after hit "Bliss of "(You Make Me Feel Like) A Natural Woman," to the cultural hiplift for "Respect" and "I Say a Little Prayer," to the presidentially bestowed Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian honor, in 2005. Franklin's best known appearance with a president was in January 2009, when she sang "My Country 'tis Of Thee" at Barack Obama's inaugu- ration. She wore a gray satin hat with a huge, Swarovski encrusted "M" that became an instant sensation and even had its own website.

Franklin endured the exhausting grind of celebrity and personal troubles dating back to childhood. She was married to a pastor, and her battles are widely believed to have inspired her performances on sev- eral songs, including "Sweet Sweet Baby, Since You've Been Gone," "Think" and her heartbreakingly beautiful ballad of despair, "Ain’t No Way." The mother of two sons by age 16 (she later adopted another two), she was often in turmoil as she struggled with her weight, family problems and finan- cial predicaments. Her best known professional partner was producer Jerry Wexler, nicknamed "Our Lady of Mysterious Sorrows." But the years at Atlantic, Wexler said: "When she..." But the years at Atlantic, Wexler said: "When she..."

Franklin was in her early teens when she began touring with her father, and she released a gospel album in 1956 through J-V-B Records. Four years later, she signed with Columbia Records producer John Ham- mond, who called Franklin the most ex- citing singer he had heard since a vocalist he promoted decades earlier, Billie Holiday. Franklin knew Motown founder Berry Gordy Jr. and considered joining his label, but decided...
Now that I have seen the chise, most recent addition to my collection of rare boxers. I have an as well as toy collection, I must admit. I, Eric Breihan Dryden, am mas sively obsessed with the Kaiju genre. I have Godzilla toys, DVDs, Blu-rays, VHS tapes (ask your par ents to new shores of political satire and fif tastic of the government as agents of containment. If you’re ev of the Japanese epitude of the Japanese government as agents of containment? If you are answered yes to any of these questions, then this film is really, really filled with lovable characters deliver their lines like something is actually happening during the destruction and death. Surely, not all players will have a hard time dealing with enemies matter your level, you won’t have a hard time dealing with enemies even if you level cap of 120, it almost feels like you are thrown into a more un tastic world. This isn’t necessarily a bad thing, it just makes questing at max level more difficult and tiring unless you gear up your character. Overall, I feel like the developers have given us some thing new in the best way possible with this expansion. I do not want to wait to see what is to come with the new content they add in the future. Having more emphasis on the story and interactions makes the gameplay more in teresting and gives the game a breath of fresh air for new players and returning players alike.}

**Battle for Azeroth takes players to new shores**

Shin Godzilla brings the king back

Breihan Dryden

In the spirit of honesty, I must admit something: I, Eric Breihan Dryden, am mas sively obsessed with the Kaiju genre of film. I have Godzilla toys, DVDs, Blu-rays, VHS tapes (ask your par ents to new shores), and even Godzilla boxes. I have an as sorted collection of rare Godzilla and Gamera posters along with hav ing a Kaiju themed merch. Collectively, I have spent well over $1000 on Kaiju merch alone. I absolutely adore this genre. Yet, despite my adoration of these films, it has taken me longer than one to admit to finally sit down and watch the second most recent addition to the Toho Godzilla fran chise, Shin Godzilla. Now that I have seen the film (in a double feature with the 2014 film so, I am happy to re port that it is quite the stellar piece of entertainment. Shin Godzilla takes place in current day Tokyo and acts as a reboot of the character Godzilla from all previous films. While fans of the series are no stranger to reboots of the God-like lizard, this is hands down the most de monstrating in carnation yet, complete with toxic waste seeping from the crevices along his body and radioactive blood. Oh and do I men tion that this Godzilla is absolutely terrifying? That’s right kids, we’re back to goode old’50’s era monster movies. This is an undulating menace that looks like the kaiju version of a googly eyed Frill Shark (Google it, you won’t be disappoint ed). It ungracefully falls around Tokyo for a bit, wreaking havoc before it decides to up and evolve into a bipedal version of itself. Current Godzilla then gets ensnared and escapes back into the ocean. Hey man, don’t act like you aren’t a little concerned. In my opinion, Godzilla and to me personally, this is this film (and I hope it isn’t a disappointment). The visuals and music are beautiful and gives an accurate representation of where the story and quests that I have never previ ously seen, or felt that strongly about at least. The atmo spheric nature of the game is breathtaking. The visuals and music is truly, truly outrageous. Trust me, the destruction and death. Surely, not all players will have a hard time dealing with enemies even if you level cap of 120, it almost feels like you are thrown into a more un tastic world. This isn’t necessarily a bad thing, it just makes questing at max level more difficult and tiring unless you gear up your character. Overall, I feel like the developers have given us some thing new in the best way possible with this expansion. I do not want to wait to see what is to come with the new content they add in the future. Having more emphasis on the story and interactions makes the gameplay more in teresting and gives the game a breath of fresh air for new players and returning players alike.
Word Scramble! Fall Edition:

SVLEAE  TECTHUNS
ULQIT   TNMUAU
SVRHATE OLOTFBLA

Did you know?

Did you know each time you see a full moon you always see the same side?

Did you know the only continent with no active volcanoes is Australia?

Did you know elephants are the only mammal that can't jump?

Did you know on your birthday you share it with 9 million others?

Did you know hummingbirds are the only bird that can fly backwards?

A few sick puns...

If you do a presentation on something that already happened, shouldn't it be called a "pastation"?

I don't like change. Cash is okay though.

If a car has a carburetor, why doesn't a truck have a truckberetor?

I was wondering who stole the cooked and pickled flower bud of a bramble-like southern European shrub off of my plate and where they put it, but then I found the caper.

Can you solve these riddles?

I am rarely touched but often held, and if you are smart you'll use me well. What am I?

What has four fingers, a thumb, but is not living?

I speak without a mouth and hear without ears. I have no body, but I come alive with wind. What am I?
2018 JSU Football Schedule
Aug. 25 North Carolina A&T
Montgomery, Ala. 6 p.m.
Sept. 8 Mississippi Valley State
6 p.m.
Sept. 22 Tennessee Tech 6 p.m.
Sept. 29 Austin Peay (Homecoming) 3 p.m.
Oct. 6 *at Eastern Kentucky 3 p.m.
Oct. 13 *Eastern Illinois 3 p.m.
Oct. 20 *at Southeast Missouri State 1 p.m.
Oct. 27 *at Murray State 2 p.m.
Nov. 3 *UT Martin 1 p.m.
Nov. 10 *at Tennessee State 2 p.m.
Nov. 17 at Kennesaw State (SunTrust Park) TBA
*OVC Game All times Central

STATS FCS Top 10
1 North Dakota State
2 James Madison
3 South Dakota State
4 Sam Houston State
5 Kennesaw State
6 Jacksonville State
7 New Hampshire
8 Weber State
9 Eastern Washington
10 Wofford

2018 season preview the first game of the 2018 season
Opening Comments:
When you know its game week when you have our first press confer-
ence. We are excited and I know the guys are excited to be out of
camp and get in to game week and to play somebody else. We had a
good camp and a good offseason.

Opening Comments:
We are very proud of the streak the guys in
...
Todd Garvey Era set to begin for the Gamecocks

Petersen, Doherty Lead Gamecocks Past Jackson State

JSU VOLLEYBALL

**JSU SPORTSWIRE**

**JACKSONVILLE** - After a long summer of shuffling schedules and facilities, first-year head coach Todd Garvey finally had his Jacksonville State volleyball team in the gym on Wednesday August 8 for the first day of fall practice. Garvey inherits a young Jax State squad that has just five of its 16 players at junior or senior status, including senior Katie Will who rejoins the indoor team after playing just the beach season last year. Fellow seniors Mackenzie Rom-bach and Ashley Clingan will lead a contingent of seven players who have yet to make their Gamecock debuts.

Along with true freshmen Claire Behan, Anna Bryant, RachelSadler and Lena Kindermann, Garvey added two sophomore trans-fers over the summer with defen-sive specialist Jade Humphrey and setter Lexie Libs. Redshirt fresh-men Addie Halvorson and redshirt sophomore Sadie Anderson will provide a bonus as the Gamecocks regain the talents of two players that missed 2017.

Along with Rombach, JSU sees most of its veterans at the net with junior Kaylee Frear and Shayla Schmidt. Sophomores Kennedy Powell, Kaylie Milton and Dani Steele also return from a Game-cock squad that finished 23-13 last season.

Jax State will continue two-a-day practices until its first game week. JSU opens the year with the Jax State Invitational on August 24 and 25 at Kennerman Hall.

**JSU SPORTSWIRE**

**Petersen, Doherty Lead Gamecocks Past Jackson State**

**JSU SOCCER**

JACKSON, Miss. – The Jackson State soccer team capped off the opening weekend of the 2018 season with a 7-0 blanking of Jackson State on Sunday in the Magnolia State on Friday and Saturday. The seven goals is the most produced by the Gamecocks since they tallied seven against Alabama State during the 2015 season. Coupled with Friday’s 2-1 win over Louisiana-Monroe at the JSU Soccer Field, the pro-gram is off to its first 2-0 start.

Jax State had five dif-ferent players contribute goals, including a pair by sophomore Chloe Doherty and senior Claire Petersen. After junior Emma Meadews was credited with the first goal of the contest in the 25th minute, Doherty added both of her goals within a two-minute span. Her first career goal in the 38th minute and quickly added her second goal a minute later. Junior Cheyenne Carden added in one of Doherty’s scoring plays.

With a 3-0 lead at the halftime break, the Game-cocks quickly added to their advantage with a penalty kick by Petersen three minutes deep in to the second half. The Her-mion, Maine native posted the club’s fifth goal of the day in the 53rd minute. It was a senior-to-senior scoring play as senior Madison Carruthers col-lected the assist. Junior Nadia Plawski, who had one of the two goals on Friday, registered her second goal of the weekend in the 60th min-ute. Carden dashed out her second assist of the day on the play. Sophomore Alicia Pal-lister was the second Gamecock on the day to register her first career goal on the collegiate level. Pallister had a breakaway goal to cap off the scoring in the 74th minute.

As a team, the Game-cocks accumulated 26 to-tal shots, while limiting the Tigers to three shots the entire contest. Thom-as led all Jax State players with four shots, includ-ing three on goal. On the opening weekend, JSU out-shot its opponents 44-9.

Redshirt freshman Morgan Lerch, who was making her second career start, turned in a clean worksheet and notched her second win and first shutout. All three of the Tiger’s shots came in the second half. The Gamecocks return to the pitch next week-end, touring the state of Georgia. The weekend will begin in Statesboro, Georgia on Friday against Georgia Southern. Match time is set for 6 p.m. CST. JSU will move north to Atlanta on Sunday versus Georgia State.