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FEATURED EVENTS

UPCOMING EVENTS



February was filled with exciting events!

We kicked off the month with our Softball Reunion, and you can find photos from the [reunion dinner here](#).

The **8th Annual Red Tie Dinner** and Auction raised an impressive \$133,581, bringing Jacksonville State University's total funds raised through the event to over \$1 million since its inception.

We also had the pleasure of welcoming our Gamecocks back to Jacksonville for a **Women's Basketball Reunion**, where they cheered on our current team as they defeated the Louisiana Tech Bulldogs 68-55.



Looking ahead, we have a fantastic lineup of events that you won't want to miss. Mark your calendars and join us for these exciting opportunities to stay connected with Jax State!

- **Save the Date for the CUSA Basketball Championship:** March 11-15 at Propst Arena in Huntsville, Alabama. We're excited to host a **Gamecock Gathering at Rhythm on Monroe prior to this exciting event!** More information to follow once game times have been released.
- **Jax State Retirees Networking Opportunity:** Join fellow retirees for a reception at Cane Creek Grill, followed by CAST's performance of *Radium Girls* on Sunday, March 16. [Click here for Matinee & Mingle details and registration.](#)
- **Alumni Spirit Night in Marshall County:** If you're in Marshall County, Alabama, join us for an Alumni Spirit Night on April 1! Registration information will be posted soon so you can save your spot, and bring a friend!
- **Jax State Football Spring Game & Alumni Shrimp Boil:** Mark your calendars for April 17! You won't want to miss this exciting event. Details and registration for the **Shrimp Boil can be found here.**

[Click here](#) to learn more and register for future events as they become available.

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

COCKY BUSINESS



Lacey Buchanon ('17) has consistently defied expectations in basketball, from earning a State Championship MVP in high school to being named Newcomer of the Year in the Ohio Valley Conference at Jacksonville State University. **Read about her journey** from player to coach, her dedication to the sport, and her ability to inspire and lead male athletes, defying gender expectations along the way.



Cold and flu season is in full swing, and chances are you or someone you know has visited an emergency care clinic. If that clinic happens to be **Southern Immediate Care**, you've also supported a Cocky Business! **Learn how Jason Junkins ('91) has built a successful medical practice with eleven locations**, all while passionately supporting and giving back to his alma mater.

ALUMNI CONNECTION



DID YOU KNOW...?

You can search Jax State Alumni Connection by the **activities and organizations** you were involved with on campus. **Simply click the Alumni Connection bar at the top of this page** to get started and connect with your fellow Jax State alumni in one convenient location. You're just a few clicks away from reconnecting and reminiscing about your days on the Friendliest Campus in the South!

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION



The Alumni Association is bringing you a March Madness deal!

If you haven't joined yet, now is the perfect time. There are a variety of member benefits, and you can save 10% on your membership this month! **Click here** to explore all the benefits and learn how to join today.

GROWING GAMECOCKS

WHAT WE'VE BEEN UP TO



**GROWING
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JACKSONVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY

Let Cockey send your Growing Gamecock a gift each year on their birthday. Alumni, family, and friends can enroll their child in the program to receive annual gifts or birthday cards on or around the child's birthday each year. [Click here](#) to get the details and enroll the Growing Gamecocks in your life. All Growing Gamecocks are encouraged to enroll, from ages 0 to 18!



February was filled with many deserving **alumni spotlights** on our social media, along with **softball and basketball reunions** and a successful **Red Tie Dinner & Auction**. One of the month's highlights came on Valentine's Day as our alumni shared their **love stories and photos** with us! Be sure to visit our **Facebook page** and **Instagram** to catch up on anything you missed, and don't forget to follow us while you're there!

COMING TO THE ROC



A New Stage for the Arts at JSU

Every new endeavor requires a firm foundation, and we are so lucky with the traditions and legacies we have at Jax State!

Each of the 1,003 seats has the opportunity for an engraved plaque in memory or honor of those who have left an impact on you. For more information about naming a seat, visit jsu.edu/roc.

GAMECOCKS GIVE BACK



It's a JAX STATE of Mind, the university's \$100 million comprehensive campaign, is now publicly underway! This five-year campaign marks the beginning of a transformational investment in students, faculty, and facilities, impacting the university for generations to come – and we need **YOUR** help because **EVERY GIFT MATTERS! LEARN MORE**

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