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Strange Statesboro streets

Ever wonder about how Martha's Lane and Zetterower Avenue received their names? Well, we've got the answers. Please see story, page 7



BRIEFLY...

Torch may by-pass county with anti-gay resolution

The Associated Press

JESUP, Ga. — Another Georgia county is under the gun because of an anti-gay resolution similar to one that led to a suburban Atlanta county getting bumped from Olympic-related events.

Opponents of Wayne County's resolution warn that the southeast Georgia county, too, could be bypassed on the Olympic torch run because of its politics.

Wayne County's 2-year-old resolution condemns gay lifestyles as illegal and "incompatible" with community standards, much like the resolution that lost Cobb County the torch run and Olympic volleyball.

Olympic officials and a Cobb County psychologist say the same thing could happen in Wayne County if the resolution is not scrapped.

"I think it's anti-gay," said Dr. James Stark, adding that "it flies against the face of Olympic brotherhood" and is an affront to all Georgians.

Stark will ask Wayne County commissioners to rescind the resolution, replace it "or say that it's over, that it died with the old commission."

Commissioners also could decide to keep the resolution. "But if they do," he said, "they'll lose the torch, I'm here to tell you."

A spokesman for the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games, Bill Marks, said that if the resolution stands, it's unlikely Wayne County would be included in the cross-country torch run.

Wayne County Chairman James Thomas, the sole dissenter in the panel's 4-1 vote that approved the resolution, said the addition of two new commissioners offers hope for a reversal.

But Jesup resident Jack Pye, one of several people scheduled to speak on the issue, said those favoring the resolution just want to protect the community.

"You don't compromise your principles over a torch," Pye said.

WORD OF THE DAY

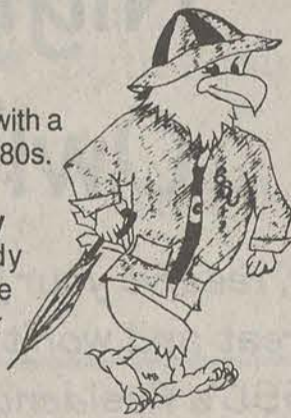
nikhedonia (nikheDONyu) *n.* pleasure derived from anticipating success

Source: Weird Words

'BORO WEATHER

Today
Partly cloudy with a high in the mid 80s.

Wednesday
Partly cloudy with highs in the mid to upper 80s.



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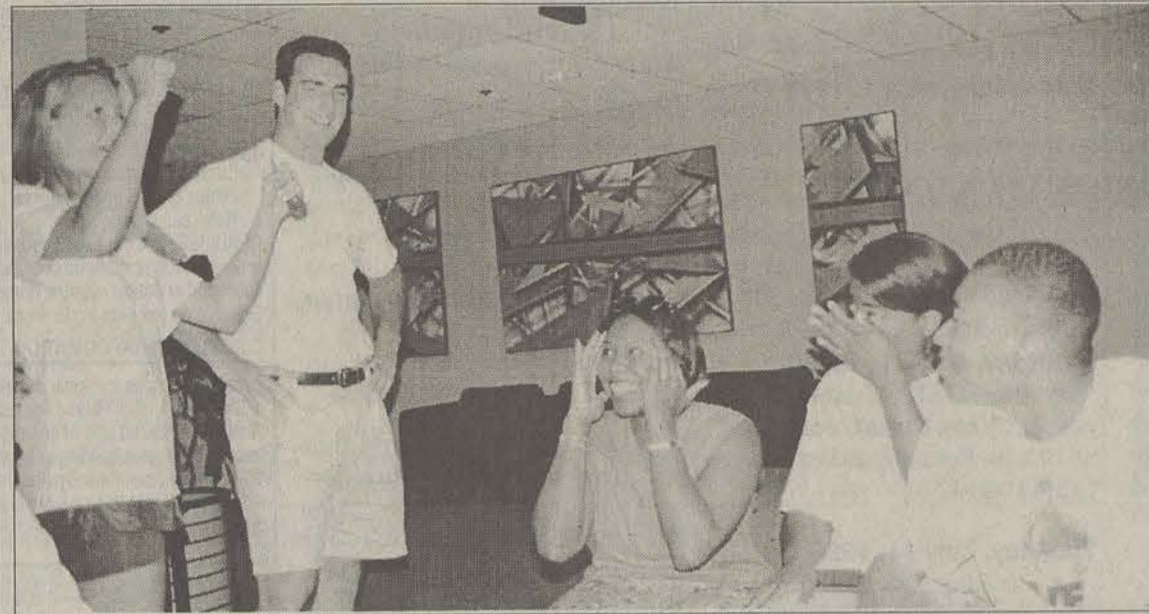
Burns ticket fires up the polls, beats Shook

By Joshua Edmonson
 Senior Staff Writer

Derek Burns is the new SGA president-elect, capturing 54 percent of the votes and beat-

ing Vice President of Academic Affairs Gavin Shook, who received 46 percent. Burns, Hunter and Williams will join two winners from the opposing ticket, Vice President

the people who came out and supported the Burns ticket. Without all the 905 guys who came out and supported us this wouldn't have been possible."



Mike Hill

New VP of Finance Ashlie Holland (left) and VP of Auxiliary Affairs Austin Hardy (standing) congratulate the newly-elected VP of Academic Affairs Dee Dee Williams (seated, left), Executive

VP Lamiesha Hunter (seated, middle) and President Derek Burns (seated, right) following the announcement of the runoff results Thursday night.

ing Vice President of Academic Affairs Gavin Shook, who won 46 percent of the 1,676 votes.

Lameisha Hunter received 53 percent of the votes for executive vice president, defeating Heather Karlson, who had 47 percent.

In the vice president of academic affairs run-off, Dee Dee Williams received 54 percent

of Finance Ashlie Holland and Vice President of Auxiliary Affairs Austin Hardy. The new SGA term begins May 15.

"First of all, I want to give honor to God," Burns said. "Without God Almighty, this would have never happened. I would like to thank our families for giving us the money to run this campaign, and also all

Burns also said the he "had the two greatest candidates running" with him, Williams and Hunter.

"Without them this wouldn't have been possible," Burns said. "We are going to strive to do everything possible for the students. We are going to strive to make this university the

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Level One crowd blocks road

By Meredith Whitt
 Staff Writer

University Police sent about five units to Level One on Chandler Road to help Statesboro police quell the large crowd that had gathered around the club Friday night.

University Police Captain Mike Russell said that he did not know when the crowd swarmed the club and spilled over into the street, but he heard that it did not disperse until well into Saturday morning.

Statesboro Police Chief Richard Malone was unavailable for comment before press time. Russell said there were nu-

merous people in the street and that Chandler Road was cut off

"SATURDAY WE DIDN'T SEE ANY POLICE FROM 9:30 P.M. TO 2 A.M. WE JUST LET ANYONE WHO CAME TO THE PARTY IN."

— **BILL GOULD,**
SIGMA NU PRESIDENT

by city police.

"There was some disruptive

behavior," he said, such as bottles being thrown.

At the same time, parties were being held by Sigma Nu and Alpha Tau Omega at their houses on nearby Greek Row. However, Sigma Nu did not indicate that the crowd on Chandler Road was a hindrance.

"I thought that having the crowd there was great. It kept the police from bothering us," said Bill Gould, president of Sigma Nu. "Saturday we didn't see any police from 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m. We just let anyone who came to the party in."

No arrests were made by campus police.

GSU plans new dorm, revised main entrance, more construction

By Rusty McGuire
 Staff Writer

The Facilities Planning Department of GSU has been busy finding ways to improve the campus.

A look at all the construction taking place reveals only a fraction of all of the planned additions to GSU.

Phillip Hodge, director of facilities planning, said that "in two and a half years, GSU should be a very pretty campus."

Students may have noticed the recent clearing of trees between Knight and Lanier Drives (next to Stratford Hall). This area has been slated to become a new athletic dorm with a completion date set at December of 1997.

The building, covering 152,613 square feet and holding 342 beds, will cost the school nearly \$14 million.

The state-of-the-art design of the hall includes a control desk for late entry, elevators, a game room, and laundry rooms.

The hall is designed to form a rectangle of four units, creating a courtyard in the middle.

"We're trying to save as many trees outside and on the inside as we can because we

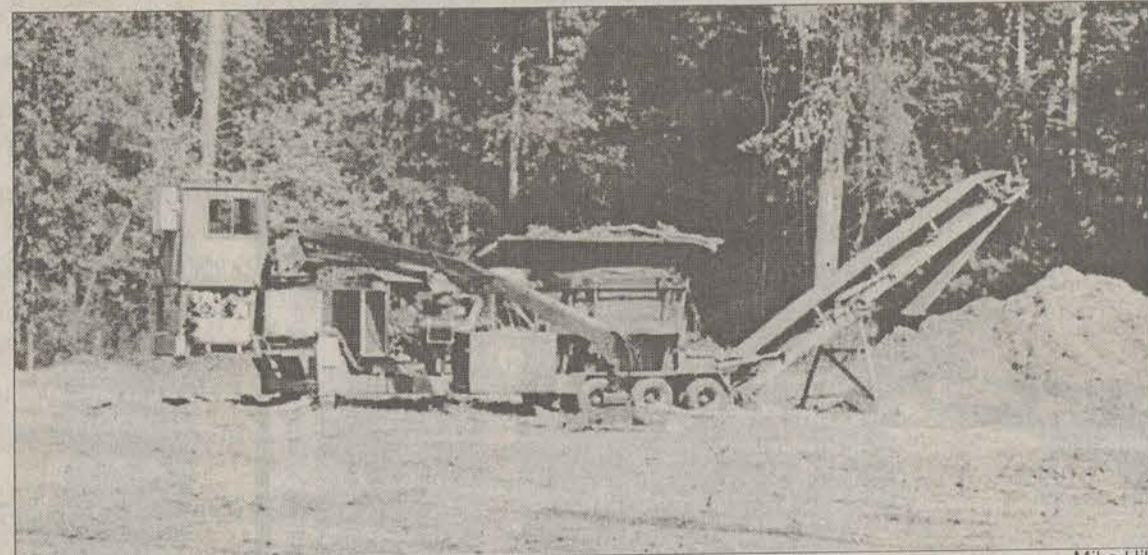
want this to become a natural, pleasant courtyard," Hodge said.

Some units will have two floors, while the others will be

residents will share a bathroom with their next-door neighbors.

The Stratford Hall parking lot will be expanded to make

trance. Workers are currently trying to complete a new boulevard leading to campus from the 301 bypass for use during fall quarter.



Mike Hill

Crews have begun clearing an area for the construction of a new dorm near Stratford Hall.

room for the vehicles of students living in the new hall. There will be an entrance from Lanier Drive, but students will be discouraged from using this as a shortcut.

"We don't want people to cut through because it's unsafe. Sometimes people take a shortcut and they'll go too fast," Hodge said.

Another addition to the campus will be a new main en-

trance. Workers are currently trying to complete a new boulevard leading to campus from the 301 bypass for use during fall quarter.

building will stand near the current intramural fields near the intersection of the bypass and Old Register Road. It is planned to contain various high-tech equipment including a climbing wall and a swimming pool.

The boulevard's terminus will be highlighted by an elliptical reflecting pond with a circular grass area and a bell tower on the other side. Beyond the green will be the new College of Education Building on which construction will begin this summer.

Across a walkway will stand another building.

Hodge said the improvements "should really identify the campus."

Plans are also being made for a new fine arts auditorium. The new building will hold 850 seats.

"It will have excellent acoustics and an excellent fly-loft to drop and raise scenery," Hodge said.

This will be connected to the new College of Education Building.

Also, Forest Drive will be modified to eliminate the section known to many students as D.U.I. Drive. The road will

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Professor of the Year's contract not renewed

By Justin Miller
 Assistant News Editor

This year's recipient of Gamma Beta Phi's Professor of the Year award was told at the end of fall quarter his contract would not be renewed.

Abasi Malik alleges he was fired because he was giving grades the English department believed were too high. He said department chair James Nichols directed him to change his grading habits during an evaluation of the professor's work.

"I was told outright by [Nichols] to lower my grades, or else," Malik said.

Nichols denied the allegation.

"That's untrue. I don't know what [Malik's] doing or why," he said. "What I do know is that he was not fired because of his grading policy. That is patently untrue."

Nichols also said it was departmental policy not to discuss the status of any teacher's employment.

Malik said he was fired because he challenged the evaluation process, because he believed it was discriminatory. He said that in addition to being criticized on his grading, he was told by the department that his lectures and assigned topics for papers were too difficult.

Malik said he wrote a letter to GSU President Nicholas Henry, who in turn sent a copy of it to the Board of Regents. The letter was Malik's formal complaint to the university that he was being scrutinized because of his grades.

The Board of Regents confirmed they received a copy of the letter in December of 1994, but that no action was taken at the time.

Henry declined to comment on the matter.

"I knew my job was on the line when I brought forth those charges. Well, now I'm fired," Malik said.

Nichols said that a teacher's grades, which are considered public information, were not part of the evaluation process.

"I don't know how I could

even begin to look at the students' grades. We evaluate the teacher, not the students," he said.

However, a faculty member in the English and philosophy department who spoke only on condition of anonymity despite having tenure, said the department does consider grades.

"Anyone who says that the department doesn't consider grades in the evaluation of a new faculty member is not being wholly honest," the professor said.

Jeffrey Buller, associate dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, also said that grades can be a factor in renewing a professor's contract.

"If a teacher's grades are high or low over a long period of time, a [department] chair might choose to take that into consideration. But as far as evaluations go, they don't come into play," he said.

Sources within the English and philosophy department, who also wished to remain anonymous for fear of putting their jobs in jeopardy, said there is an unwritten understanding among the faculty that new untenured teachers who give extremely low or high grades over a period of time may have their status questioned.

Furthermore, the same sources said because of this understanding, some faculty may give a student a grade lower or higher than they deserve so that their class average does not deviate from an accurate statistical representation of the "bell curve."

"We aren't supposed to give out any grades that hurt the average. The new teachers are terrified of getting fired, so they stick to it," Malik said.

"It's hurting the students. Grades are based on things that don't pertain to students' knowledge. [Students] are competing against each other, not for an A, but for a C. The result is that teachers come up with rules, like

POLICE BEAT

GSU Division of Public Safety

Tuesday, April 30, 1996

• Nakia Seals, 21, of Brunswick, was charged with public drunkenness.

• James Grindler and Clayton Chandler reported that someone took their guns from a vehicle at the Sigma Chi House parking lot on April 20.

• A resident of Brannen Hall reported graffiti on the entrance to Brannen Hall. Also, someone had damaged a telephone wire box at Brannen Hall.

• A domestic dispute was reported at the Russell Union Building.

Statesboro Police Department

Sunday, May 5, 1996

• Ryan King, of Statesboro, reported an armed robbery.

• Hank Witt, of Towne Club, reported criminal trespass.

Saturday, May 4, 1996

• Derrick Wilcox, of University Pointe, reported a criminal trespass.

• Deann Hardemann, of Park Place Apartments, reported a criminal trespass.

Friday, May 3, 1996

• Gregory Brown, 23, of Statesboro, was charged with kidnapping and possession of a firearm during the commission of a crime.

• John Adamson, of Campus

Courtyard, reported a criminal trespass.

• Ashley Anderton, of Campus Courtyard, reported a battery.

• John Adamson, 20, of Campus Courtyard, was charged with battery.

Thursday, May 2, 1996

• Katrina Johnson, 22, of Statesboro, was charged with theft by shoplifting.

• Kelly Elliot, 20, of Cairo, was charged with underage possession of alcohol.

• Letitia Haynes, of Eagles Nest Apartments, reported lost or stolen property.

Wednesday, May 1, 1996

• A resident of Georgia Villas reported a harassment.

• Mary Neville, 18, of Statesboro, was charged with defective equipment and DUI.

• Mark Madere, 18, of Statesboro, was charged with DUI, driving on a roadway laned for traffic, and misdemeanor possession of marijuana.

• Sidney Ragland, 19, of Willow Bend Apartments, was charged with entering an auto.

Tuesday, April 30, 1996

• Chris Dupree, of Stadium Walk Apartments, reported a criminal trespass.

• David Rolander, of Statesboro, reported a theft of a bicycle.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Things to do at GSU

Tuesday, May 7, 1996

• Margaret Lloyd, professor of psychology, will present "Keeping the Faith" at 4 p.m. in the GSU Museum lecture hall. For more information, call 681-5444.

Wednesday, May 8, 1996

• Dana Gioia will host a poetry reading at 7:30 p.m. in the Southern Center Auditorium. For more information, call 681-0150.

• Dana Gioia will present "What Are Poets For?" at 4 p.m. in the Southern Center Auditorium. For more information, call 681-5471.

• There will be a faculty recital featuring Melissa Livengood, Natalia da Roza and Tom Pearsall in a piano quartet at 8 p.m. in the Foy Fine Arts recital hall. For more information, call 681-5396.

• There will be a Study Abroad Fair from 11 a.m. until

1 p.m. in the Union. For more information, call 681-0382.

• Jennifer Abshire, the executive director for SOSCO, will present "The Summer 1996 Savannah Olympics" at noon. For more information, call 681-0382.

Thursday, May 9, 1996

• There will be a Distinguished International Business Lecture by Daniel McRay, the former president of the Canadian American Chamber of Commerce in Atlanta at 6 p.m. in the Southern Center Auditorium. For more information, call 681-

0382.

Saturday, May 11, 1996

• The GSU Museum will present "Our First Georgians" at 10 a.m. For more information, call 681-0147.

Tuesday, May 14, 1996

• Cinema Arts will present "Eat Drink Man Woman" at 7 p.m. in the Union Theater. For more information, call 681-5471.

Wednesday, May 15, 1996

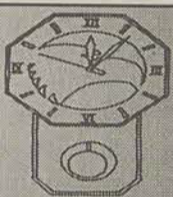
• The Scuba Club will hold a meeting in the Union at 7 p.m. in

room 242. For more information, call 871-4989.

Monday, May 20, 1996

• Theatre and Performance will present "Little Murders" at 8 p.m. in the Communication Arts building in room 101. For more information, call 681-0106. Runs through May 25.

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1 Louisiana

Minister allegedly set wife's bed on fire

The Associated Press

GEISMAR — A minister is free on \$20,000 bond, accused of dousing his estranged wife's bed with gasoline and setting it afire.

Nobody was in the bed and nobody was hurt in the incident, the Ascension Parish Sheriff's Office said.

The Rev. Irvin Briley, 41, pastor at Mount Pilgrim Baptist Church, was booked with aggravated arson, deputies said.

Briley reportedly was upset over divorce proceedings, according to the Sheriff's Office.

Alma Briley told investigators that Briley went to the house, which he also lists as his address, and they started to argue.

She said her husband went outside and got some gasoline.

Then, she said, he poured it on the bed and set it on fire, investigators said.

Two teenage daughters also were home.

Geismar Volunteer Fire Department firefighters put out the fire.

2 New York

Man drives cross-country with corpse

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — A man who fatally stabbed his girlfriend while they were arguing in the car drove from Kansas to New York with the woman's body still in the passenger seat, police said.

Angel Rivera, 33, turned himself in Sunday night and confessed to stabbing Trudy Poley, 30, six times with a knife while they were arguing in a car in Topeka Friday, said Detective Mark Patterson.

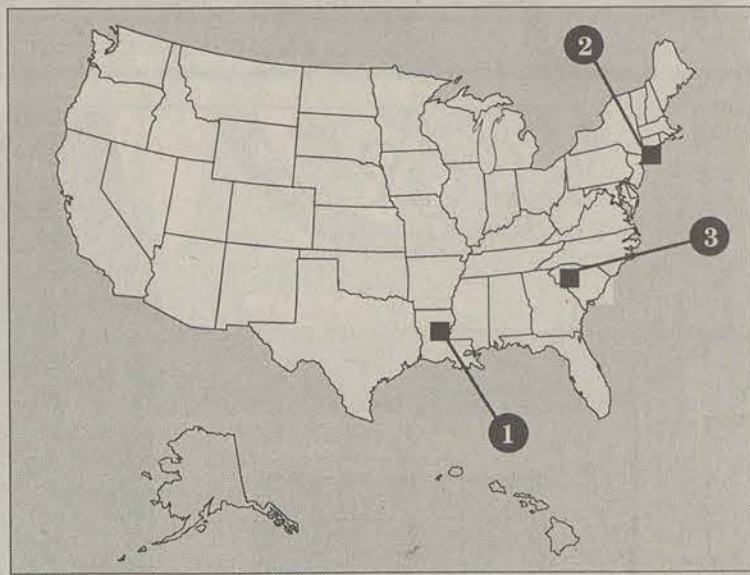
"It had something to do about him losing his job, and her about to lose her job," the detective said.

Without removing the body from the passenger seat, Rivera drove to New York, discarding the weapon along the way, Patterson said.

He arrived in New York City Sunday, met with relatives and decided to turn himself in, he said.

At the time, the body was still in the front seat.

Rivera was in custody early Monday awaiting arraignment on a second-degree murder charge.



3 South Carolina
Teen is too big for his shoes, literally

The Associated Press

GREENVILLE — Bryan Pineda walks into the room, a nice-looking 15-year-old with dark complexion and close-cropped black hair and a smile revealing an easygoing, good-natured manner.

Big for his youthful age, or any age, he stands 6-foot-7, says his mother, Nancy, and weighs in at 285 pounds.

None of this, however, do you notice at first. What you do pick

up on immediately are his feet. They are so big, they enter the room minutes before he does.

"He wears a size 20," says his mother. "That's as big as they go." At least in manufactured-shoe sizes.

This would be no problem except, as his mother explains, "He went to the doctor two weeks ago. He was told he was going to grow until he was 18. That's what's scaring me. The doctor expects him to be a good 7 feet tall."

As style-conscious as the next teenager, Bryan says, "I can't get anything I want. I have to take what I can get."

OFFBEAT

Attorney: male, female breasts are the same

The Associated Press

ROCKLEDGE, Fla. — A defense attorney in an indecent exposure case wants taxpayers to help him prove that all breasts are created equal.

Attorney Burton Green represents Christina Davis, a bathing suit-clad hot dog vendor who went topless and was arrested last year at her roadside stand for violating Brevard County's anti-nudity ordinance.

Green said he wants to pay expert witnesses who will discuss how there are no biological or legal differences between men and women's breasts. It's uncon-

stitutional to have a law that allows men to go topless while women can't, Green said.

But assistant County Attorney Kyle King opposes the testimony.

"It's a matter of common knowledge, just look at TV, or look around you. Male and female breasts are different," King said.

Davis was arrested last November on the misdemeanor charge after she went topless to protest the nudity ordinance, which also outlaws thong bathing suits. She is a member of the Central Florida Naturists, a nud-

ist group protesting the ordinance and fighting to get a stretch of Playalinda Beach in Brevard designated clothing-optional.

Deputies stopped several times to warn Davis about the ordinance after it passed last year, but she wasn't arrested until she bared her breasts.

Green, who is handling the case for free, said the size of the breast is not part of the issue because some men have larger breasts than some women.

The experts would be paid \$150 per hour plus travel expenses to testify at a May 16 hearing, Green said.

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Tue., May 7
Faculty/Staff 8-Ball Tournament

Tue., May 14
Men's and Women's 9-Ball

All events start at 6:00 pm

All events are open to both women and men. The entry deadline is the Monday prior to each event. Sign-up in the Russell Union Gameroom. The entry fee is \$2.00 per person. For more information, call the Russell Union Gameroom at 681-0444.

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We have all done things that we shouldn't -- not doing homework, skipping class, having sex without a condom. They are all mistakes, but not using a condom can put your life in danger. If you're concerned about your HIV status, make an appointment to be tested. GSU Health Services offers free anonymous HIV testing.

Call 681-0012 to schedule your appointment.

Union Productions Wednesday, May 15

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Our Opinion

Election of Burns sets a new course for SGA

The election of Derek Burns as the new president of student government marks the beginning of a year that might both be seen as a positive consensus among students and a time that could be filled with conflicts.

First, we at *The George-Anne* offer our congratulations to our new student body leader and wish him and his administration good luck in the year ahead.

We also thank Gavin Shook for serving this student body during a turbulent year which saw many changes and tackled many issues. Since Mr. Shook will soon be leaving student government, we wish him well.

For all of the negative press suffered by both candidates in this election, we can only conclude that Mr. Burns' win boils down to the fact that his campaign worked the hardest, and the students believed this hard work might mean an equally aggressive SGA.

The election of Mr. Burns represents a sudden shift in the focus and agenda of student government. The proposed ideas will take a lot of work to accomplish.

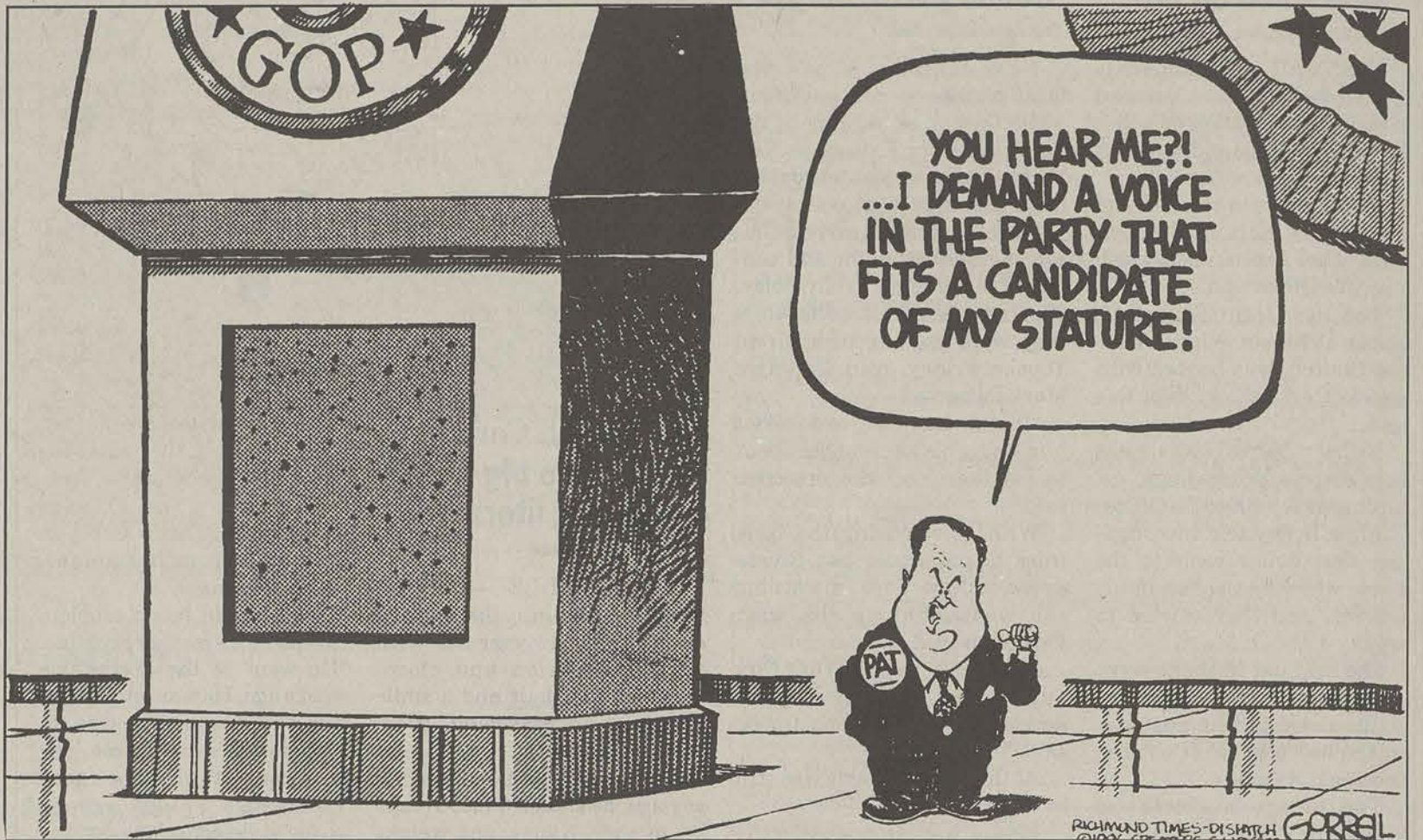
Students should not ignore the fact that two of Burns' vice presidents — Ashlie Holland and Austin Hardy — ran on the Shook ticket and were elected in the first round of voting. This means that a strong, vocal part of the Burns administration will be former opponents.

The most effective SGA presidents have been able to get their best work accomplished when they strived for a consensus among their peers. With former opponents serving as vice presidents, and the possibility of the task Mr. Burns faces will be doubly difficult.

We therefore suggest that next year's SGA develop strong ties with the administration and community leaders so that SGA remains a strong force on campus, and not an ineffective one.

With increased voter participation, it would be a shame for the new administration not to follow through with its mandate and move ahead full force, as Mr. Burns promises to do.

Students, as always, expect quite a bit.



Cutting incentives only hurts our schools

CHRISTOPHER COLE

EDITOR

Those of us who give a rat's rear about the future of public education are alarmed at the seemingly bottomless decline of values that were once an integral part of the process.

Our current education system would be a hard sell to the other countries that are beating us in math, science and the languages. That's because they have modeled their systems based on discipline, incentive and rigorous examination.

But these concepts are constantly under fire from educational "experts" across our country who have bought into the myth of equal outcomes instead of equal opportunity. America's new standard of excellence is based not on performance and hard work, but on equality insurance.

I'll get to the consequences of that later. First I bring to your attention a recent news item that got me thinking about this serious issue.

The principal of a high school in Florida is supporting a measure that would eliminate valedictorian and salutatorian honors from the school's graduation ceremonies. The reasoning behind this proposal is simple: The

quest among some students to win the ultimate graduation honors causes rivalry and infighting among the students, thereby making the school environment too competitive.

Wait a minute. What's wrong with this picture?

I thought the whole purpose of going to school was both to improve your cognitive and analytic skills, and to prepare yourself for the "real" world. Is this principal suggesting that adult life is somehow not competitive, or not intense with rivalry in almost every endeavor?

He is ill-advised to propose that schools should not provide a microcosmic picture of the very real, very competitive world that students are preparing to face. Can this man even call himself an enlightened educator?

The principal elaborated by saying there are many talented and intelligent students at his high school, and that it's not fair to all of them if only a couple of people win the honors. I am sure

there are plenty of great students on his campus, but some have worked harder, studied harder and earned better grades than the others. Denying them a due recognition is tantamount to saying their accomplishments are merely incidental.

In this case, there are three students in contention for the valedictorian honor. All have made the same exact grades — straight A's — since elementary school. These students deserve some respect, but because there are so many great students, the principal doesn't want to leave them out.

By the way, these three aren't viciously competing for the title. They said in the interview that all three were good friends and that was a friendly rivalry. This may or may not be true, but even if they hate each other, it's all for the better. They're learning at a remarkably early age how to deal with the intense competition of the workplace.

The attitude of this principal

reflects a growing sentiment among educators that I find disturbing.

The emphasis on creating a facade of equality in our schools is dragging down the potential of some very dedicated students. At the same time, those whose performance is mediocre are being put on the same pedestal with the ones who try their best.

Not everyone is cut out to be The Honors Student. I have personally sacrificed grades for what I believe to be valuable extracurricular and practical experience in my field of study. It has hurt me in the academic sense, and I was never meant to be valedictorian, but I don't claim to deserve that title either. Nor would I rob anyone else of that honor.

Equality, unlike free speech, does end at the schoolhouse gate — as soon as all the students are allowed into their classrooms. Their destiny from there is self-determined, just like the mythical America we were taught about.

Removing incentives such as the valedictorian and salutatorian honors is both a drastic departure from a school's educational mission and a reckless forfeiture of our nation's values.



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Religious zealots need to learn tolerance

RUSTY MCGUIRE

COLUMNIST

Every day it seems like I hear someone talking about how his religion is better than somebody else's. When I hear this, I wonder to myself what gave him that impression.

Of course he thinks that his religion is the best. Otherwise he would probably believe something else. There's nothing wrong with that, but there is something wrong when he won't acknowledge that everyone else feels the same way.

I'm pretty tired of hearing so many "religious" people talking about how the grass is greener on their side of the fence. I don't mean to jump on the bandwagon of bashing people who are into their faiths. I really respect people who have the discipline to try to live up to the tenets of their religion. I just get sick to my stomach when I see people using religion as a means of making themselves better than everyone else.

There was always a group of people in my high school who used their religion as a way to look down on the people who so often looked down on them. They were understandably upset by being excluded from certain social circles, so they found a way to elevate themselves in their own minds. But just as it was wrong for one group to look down its nose at the other, it is also wrong for the other to do the same.

Certainly, there is nothing wrong with being involved in

one's religion, but now that we're in college, people need to examine their reasons for doing so. If they look into their hearts and can honestly say that their motivation is a true desire to embrace their faiths, then more power to 'em. If on the other hand, they just enjoy being able to live their "holier than thou" lifestyle, they should stop because they make

born into a family who practiced a different one? The fact is that if most people were born into a family of Indian rat-worshippers, they would be preparing a rodent snack right now instead of looking down on those who have different beliefs.

I, personally, am especially saddened because it seems like the most obvious examples of

nizing that diversity can sometimes be beneficial to society, the better off we'll all be. Besides, I highly doubt that the founders of the Baptist faith would be proud of Brother Jim.

I, for one, respect any religion whose followers strive to do things like supporting their families and helping friends who are in need. In fact, I welcome any mechanism that might make people a little kinder toward one another than they are today.

If that means accepting people who worship a religion other than my own, I'm willing to do so because I realize that it's ridiculous to expect anyone to conform to my religion.

If someone were to try to tell most people that they were wrong for holding the beliefs that they hold, they would probably respond by saying something a lot less pleasant than, "take a walk, buddy."

The world would be a better place if people could find a way to be a little more tolerant of diversity. There would be fewer wars, fewer cases of discrimination, and probably more cooperation. This could only lead to progress.

However, until people stop trying to save the world by violently enforcing their religion on others and socially shunning deviants, I see little hope for the situation.

We need to mind our own business and let others live how they want to live, because we expect them to do the same.

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the righteously-motivated people look bad.

I've never understood how love for one's religion could inspire the hate I see in so many people. The same attitudes that caused catastrophes like the Spanish Inquisition, the Crusades, the Holocaust, and every jihad are still prevalent today, just in a milder form.

The question remains: how do people think it happened that they were magically touched and so many others were not? Do these self-righteous fools really think that they would still have their current religion if they were

this negativism are fellow Christians. I still haven't been able to remove the memory of Brother Jim yelling at every student he saw because they were different from him. It really pisses me off because I know that when a lot of non-Christians saw him, they associated him with Christianity.

People like Brother Jim need to respect the fact that a religion's being different from his own does not necessarily mean that it's wrong. The truth is that big Jimbo gets off on his ideas because they are his ideas.

The sooner people start recog-

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FROM THE FAIRWAY

RONNIE SWINFORD

Is this "the" year for Jack?

Is this "the" special season for GSU coach Jack Stallings? The man has done virtually everything in sports. He is in the top 10 in all-time wins with over 1,100. He has been at GSU since 1974. He has guided his teams to 22 winning seasons. This includes a trip to the College World Series in 1990. That team went 50-18 for the year, the best record in the history of the school.

But was that team really "the" special one. It had two all-everything players on it — Todd Greene and Joey Hamilton. Hamilton now leads the National League in wins, and Greene is sitting in Vancouver, British Columbia, waiting to be called up to the California Angeles. Greene has won MVP honors at every level of pro ball that he has played at. In other words, that team had some talent.

But this team has some talent also. They have the nation's second-leading homerun hitter in Tommy Peterman. They also have one of the five best leadoff/base stealers in Antoine Moran. And then there is "Snacks" in the pen. Tod Lee, a freshman All-American last year, is poised to get the real honor this year. He is 7-3 with 10 saves this year.

But there were more holes to fill on this year's team than the 1990 one. We lost the top two starters from last year. But Julio Ayala stepped in to lead the nation in wins with 13.

We have a former catcher playing rightfield. We also have a guy at shortstop who has played five different positions in his four years at GSU. We have a converted shortstop playing third base.

But in all the converted players we have a few constants. Mark Hamlin has started 204 games in four years at GSU, all in the outfield. Tommy Peterman has started every game in his three years at GSU.

And there is one more constant: Jack.

He has done more with less for years, and this year it looks as if he will do more with more.

GSU is ranked the highest it has ever been in the regular season. They have a chance to be a number one seed in a regional this year. They are the class of their conference. GSU has the players and coaching to play baseball well into June this year. And when you ask players what their goal is, they all say the College World Series.

Why are they all so focused on that goal? GSU is a good baseball school, but a Southern Conference school being so vocal about going to the biggest of dances could be considered arrogant.

But when you talk to the players, they are not cocky; they are respectful, even reverent of their goal. They will constantly mention the fans' support, and the coaching staff.

But this may be the year that GSU finally gets noticed by the rest of the nation. Coaches already know who the Eagles are, but this may be the season that throws this program from one that is respected, to one that is feared.

Who knows, around June 15, GSU might just raise another National Championship banner in Statesboro, but this one won't be in football.

Eagles split with Georgia College



Mark Hamlin swings for the fences this weekend.

By Ronnie Swinford
Sports Editor

GSU took their #9 national ranking into the weekend series against Georgia College this weekend. The Eagles came out of the weekend with a split to the Colonials. Georgia College finished last year as the NCAA Division II national runner-up, and they play in.

Saturday's game:

GSU was shocked by the pesky Colonials, and the result was a 10-6 loss, ending GSU's nine-game winning streak.

The loss to Georgia College was GSU's 12th in the series.

The Colonials were led in the first game by catcher Rodney Holder, brother of GSU backup catcher Michael Holder, and GSU first base coach Buddy Holder. Rodney Holder went three of five with an RBI.

GSU's starting pitcher Julio Ayala went five innings in the loss. The loss was Ayala's second of the year.

Ayala came into the game leading the nation in wins with 13.

But the story of the game was

the four errors made by GSU. Ayala had an error, as did Donnie Coe and Tyson Whitley with two. The errors led to five unearned runs for Georgia College.

Sunday's game:

GSU would not be surprised in the second game when they used a grand slam by Steve Walson to lift them above the Colonials, 12-11.

The win moves the GSU record to 42-10.

The Eagles jumped ahead to a two-run lead in the first inning. Antoine Moran led the game off with a bloop single to centerfield. He then stole his 46th base of the year.

Tommy Peterman then singled, after a Donnie Coe flyout, to put runners on first and third. A Steve Walson infield single then loaded the bases with one out.

Mark Hamlin then hit a sacrifice fly to right to score Moran. Peterman would move to third on the sac fly and score when Sy Jones singled up the middle. GSU led 2-0.

But in typical Georgia College style they came back to take the

lead with three runs in the second inning. Their inning started with a walk to Mike Angeli, which was followed by a bunt single by Andy Chambers.

Another infield single followed, this one to Colonial leftfielder Aaron Fera. Georgia College then scored two runs on a double by catcher Mike Ryan. Then on the next pitch, Scott Crabb squeezed home Fera to give Georgia College the 3-2 lead.

The Eagles would answer with five runs in the top of the second inning.

The inning started with Tyson Whitley reaching on a two-base error by the Colonial shortstop. A single by Jason Andrews gave GSU runners on first and third with no outs. Moran then lined a ball into leftfield.

It was caught deep enough to score Whitley from third. Coe then singled, and Peterman walked to load the bases for Steve Walson.

Walson murdered the next pitch over the right centerfield fence for a grand slam. GSU led 7-3, but the game was far from over.

Georgia College would get a run back in the fourth inning when Fera nailed a high fastball over the left field wall. The score was GSU 7-4.

GSU came back again this time courtesy of Tommy Peterman's 21st homerun of the year.

The bottom of the fourth inning started with a fly out by Moran. But Coe singled to bring up Peterman.

Peterman, second in the country in homeruns, didn't miss the second pitch as he hit it into the screen in dead centerfield, GSU

led 9-4.

GSU went on to add another run in the fifth inning.

Whitley singled and was moved around on a single and scored on a Walson single later in the inning.

GSU led 10-4 but the fireworks from Georgia College were about to start.

The sixth inning was a study in how to lose a ball game.

The inning started with a double by Angeli, a single by Chambers and a homerun by Fera, his second of the game.

But those three didn't hurt as much as the next three to come. A walk to Crabb, followed by a single to Taylor Tom, gave the Colonials two on with one out.

Kelvin Davis replaced Clint Sauls and promptly walked the only batter he faced.

But on the last pitch he threw the ball away, and Crabb scored from second on the wild pitch.

Davis was then replaced by Tod Lee. Lee came in and gave up a two-run double and closed the book on Sauls and Davis.

Lee then closed out the inning and the game as he would go the remaining three innings giving up only one more run.

Sauls gave up nine runs, and Davis was charged with only one. Lee's appearance at 3 2/3 innings was his second longest of the year. The Eagles went on to score one more run in the eighth inning.

An error allowed Sy Jones to get on base. He moved to third on a single by Whitley and score on an Andrews single, his fourth of the day.

The Eagles will play again Tuesday at Georgia Tech. After that, the play-in series will be held in Statesboro, May 17-19, against Bethune-Cookman. The times will be announced at a later date.



Tommy Peterman stretches for ball, but fails to get the Georgia College runner at first

PLAYER FEATURE

Toole has no problem with two sports

By Mike Davis
Senior Staff Writer

Toole Time! The Toole Shop! The Power Toole! Call her whatever you will, but the fact is, Danelle Toole deserves more than just fancy nicknames that ironically fit her name.

After leading the GSU Lady Eagle basketball team to a 15-13 record in the Southern Conference this past season, Toole directed her ability to softball, the other sport she loves, to play for Coach Kelly Kirkland.

With the Lady Eagles already in the midst of their regular season, Toole joined the squad after Tara Anderson, also a two-sport star, ventured overseas to play basketball.

Looking to help the young team in any way she could, the junior from Sylvania was promptly put in as a clean-up hitting shortstop.

"It was real hard at first," Toole said. "Not just me getting adjusted to softball, but the team getting adjusted to me. It was hard for them to see how I was going to play, considering that I was coming in during the middle of the season."

This wasn't the first time Toole had played softball for GSU.

She decided her freshman year to take the same route from the basketball court to the softball fields.

But this time there was a different coach with a completely different team.

"She made a tremendous impact right when she got here," Kirkland said. "She's a true athlete. We knew that she was defensively strong, but it was the hitting that worried us. She made a good adjustment and started contributing right away."

"The whole coaching staff was



Danelle Toole

great," Toole said. "During batting practice, they would watch me and tell me what I was doing, right or wrong. They helped me out a lot."

Toole had decided to leave the sport of softball after her freshman year due to the toll it was

taking on her body and also the lack of rest.

It was then when she chose to stick with basketball only.

But after the 1996 basketball season was over, followed by the resignation of head basketball coach Drema Greer, Toole decided to come back if approved by Kirkland.

"Coach Greer's resignation had nothing to do with it," Toole said. "I just missed the sport. I love playing softball, so I thought I would go back and give it a shot."

If just giving it a shot results in a .284 season-ending batting average with 15 RBIs and one homer, Kirkland would hope that more basketball players would try it as well.

But in all reality, there's not too many athletes with the dedication that Toole has.

"She respects the game, her

coaches, and her teammates," Kirkland said. "She's a blessing to have."

If she knows that she needs work on something, she'll be at the field early. She just loves the game and loves the competitiveness."

Despite excelling in both basketball and softball, Toole has maintained a 4.0 GPA throughout her college career and hopes to go to physical therapy school after college.

"It's all on how well you want to do," Toole said. "Academics has always been first in my life. It all depends on how well you balance your time."

"I credit a lot of people for what I have done," Toole said. "My parents raised me well. They gave me that drive for competitiveness. But a lot of people have influenced me and have helped me in school and in sports."

BASEBALL

Maddux gives up a slam, he is human

The Associated Press

ATLANTA — Benito Santiago hit the first grand slam ever allowed by Greg Maddux, connecting in the ninth inning for his second home run of the game off the Atlanta ace and leading the Philadelphia Phillies over the Braves 6-3 Friday night.

Maddux had not allowed a slam in 2,174 2-3 career innings until Santiago's homer with one out broke a 2-2 tie. The Phillies scored five times in the ninth off Maddux (4-2) and won for the eighth time in nine games.

Maddux took a three-hitter and a 2-1 lead into the ninth as he tried to preserve Atlanta's 16-0 mark when leading after eight innings.

Three straight singles tied the score and, after an intentional walk, Santiago then hit the first pitch over the center-field wall for his eighth home run. It was

his fifth homer in 52 career at-bats against the four-time Cy Young winner. Santiago, who hit a solo homer in the fifth, matched a career-high with five RBIs.

Ryan Klesko hit his 11th homer and David Justice also homered for Atlanta.

PITTSBURGH — Mike Piazza homered and pitcher Chan Ho Park had an RBI single for his first major league hit and the Los Angeles Dodgers broke open a close game with an eight-run ninth inning to beat Pittsburgh.

Eric Karros hit a three-run homer and Raul Mondesi followed with a solo shot, highlighting the Dodgers' big inning.

A throwing error by third baseman Charlie Hayes with one out made seven of the eight runs unearned.

Piazza connected in the first inning against Danny Darwin

(2-3) for his sixth homer. Piazza matched the longest hitting streak of his career at 16 games.

Park (3-1) worked the first five innings, leaving the game after throwing 87 pitches.

CHICAGO — Sammy Sosa ended an 0-for-18 slump by hitting a three-run homer with two outs in the ninth inning, lifting the Chicago Cubs over the New York Mets.

Sosa came to the plate after Mets rookie Paul Wilson (1-2), one out from his first complete game, walked Mark Grace intentionally.

With pinch-hitter Scott Bullett on after a bunt single and a stolen base, Sosa drove Wilson's first pitch into the left field stands for his seventh home run of the year.

Wilson struck out 10. Jaime Navarro (2-3) struck out nine.

Major League Baseball Standings

National League		American League	
East		East	
Montreal	19-11	New York	16-11
Philadelphia	16-12	Baltimore	16-13
Atlanta	17-13	Toronto	13-16
New York	13-15	Boston	10-19
Florida	11-20	Detroit	10-21
Central		Central	
Houston	15-15	Cleveland	19-9
Chicago	15-15	Chicago	16-13
Pittsburgh	14-15	Minnesota	14-14
St. Louis	14-16	Milwaukee	12-16
Cincinnati	11-17	Kansas City	10-20
West		West	
San Diego	18-12	Texas	19-11
Colorado	14-14	California	17-12
Los Angeles	15-16	Seattle	17-13
San Francisco	14-15	Oakland	14-15

Are you street-smart?

The names of Statesboro's highways and byways offer a glimpse of the past.

By Christopher Cole
Editor

Ever wondered who that "Martha" is in Martha's Lane?

How about the name "Zetterower," as in Zetterower Avenue — certainly a unique name, if not one that's easily pronounced?

Or, better yet, who are those elusive people named "Mike" and "Ann" who gave Mike-Ann Drive its title?

A little bit of research and a lot of curiosity are all it takes to pursue these bits of local trivia. And what better way to make yourself a true 'Boro believer than to become familiar with the people and places responsible for the words in those often-unnoticed street names?

It's an exercise in cultural enrichment, one that's beyond the scope of most people's daily routine, but some have put forth the effort to gather the tidbits of Statesboro history that make some sense out of the street names most of us take for granted.

Kemp Mabry, a former GSU professor who is now executive director of the Bulloch County Historical Society, is just one of those people.

Mabry, a virtual walking encyclopedia when it comes to Statesboro history, recently shared some of his recollections about the origins of street names in Bulloch County.

Read on ... then surprise your friends with how much you know about Statesboro history.

Maybe they'll even think you're street-smart.

Slash Court

No, this is not the famous site of a Hollywood horror flick. And it isn't even named after anyone we know.

It's most likely named after the pine crop.

Slash is a fast-growing variety of pine that's become a favorite for paper mills in the past 50 years or so.

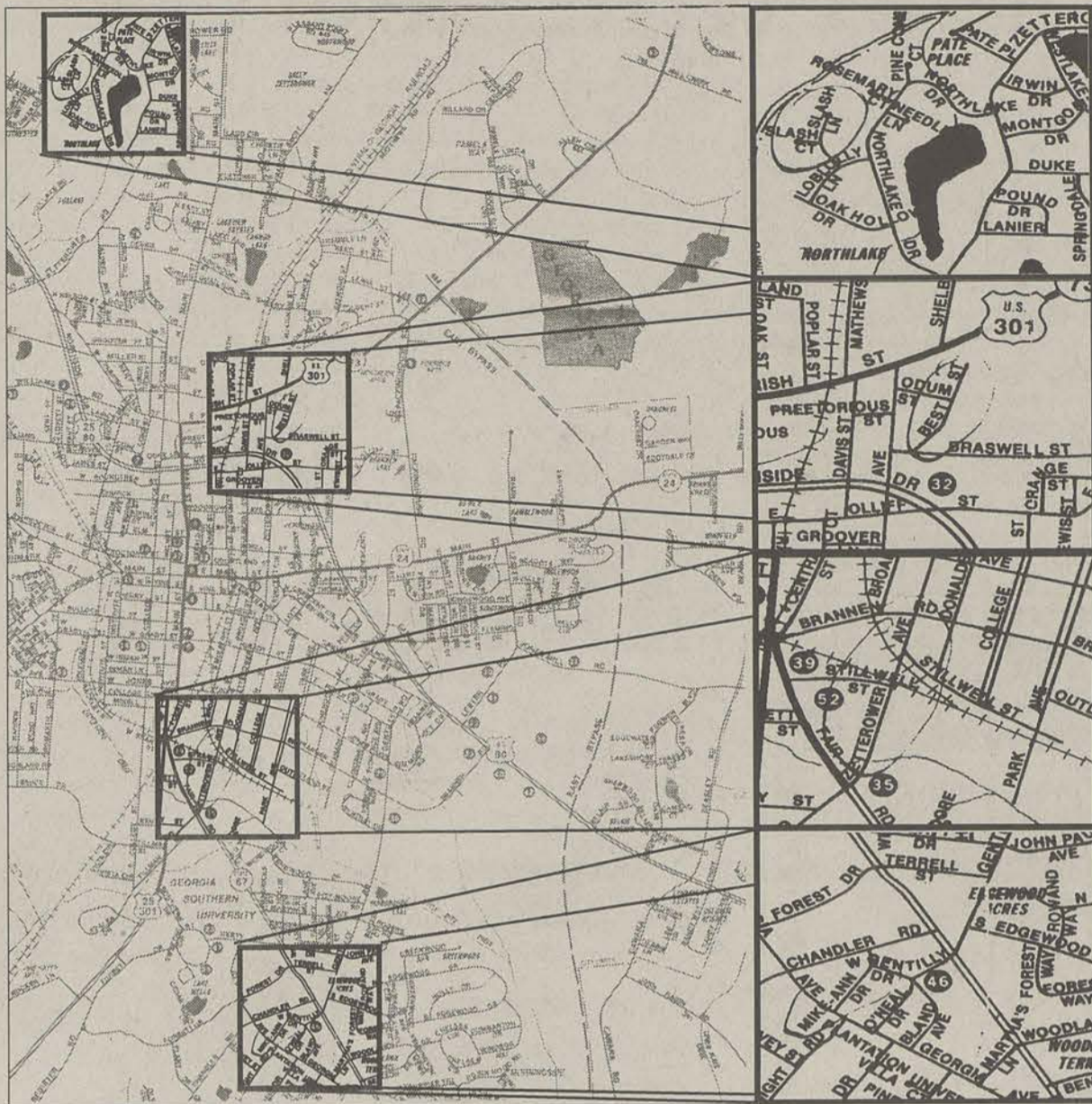
Since much of the land in the Statesboro area was owned by paper mills at the time, Slash Court — and its sister street, Slash Lane — were probably named after the lucrative pine crop.

Naming a street after a person is nice, but naming it after your livelihood is a definite plus.

Zetterower Avenue

Many drivers brave the twists and turns of this corridor running from the north end of campus to Hwy. 301 North, but few understand its name.

"Zetterower," Mabry said, is actually an anglicized version of the Austrian name "Zittrauer." The Zittrauer family was among a group of Lutherans who were expelled from Austria by the archbishop following the Protestant Reformation.



They landed at Georgia in 13 shiploads and the Zittrauers settled primarily in Effingham County, though many were prominent in Bulloch.

The Zittrauers, according to history, grew weary of people from other descents trying to pronounce their name. They made it easy by changing it to Zetterower.

And Statesboro hasn't been the same since.

Martha's Lane

Anyone who lives in the Players Club complex or anywhere along Georgia Avenue is likely to have wondered who Martha's Lane is named after.

We're talking about the convenient little road connecting Georgia Avenue and Hwy. 67 across from Players Club.

It's an easy shortcut for a lot of drivers, but that's because it was made to be a shortcut. The road was cleared after WW2, when Richard and Martha Benson bought a large tract of land in that area.

What is now Players Club used to be a trailer park owned by the Bensons. To get to the highway, people from the trailer park and surrounding communities often climbed a fence owned by the late Dan Bland. Mr. Bland asked that a road be cleared as a shortcut for these pedestrians, and in return for Martha Benson's generosity, he asked that it be named after her.

"It's a matter of pride," said Mrs. Benson, who still lives near the lane named for her. "He was a good neighbor."

Mrs. Benson, who has lived in Statesboro for more than 50 years, said the immense growth of GSU hasn't bothered her.

"Some people object to the traffic, but some company doesn't bother me," she said. "It's just home."

Mike-Ann Drive

No, it wasn't named after someone with a severe identity crisis.

A more likely story is that Dan Bland, another big Statesboro landowner, named the street after two of the younger members of his family.

Mr. Bland willed some of his land to the college, which is why Mike-Ann Drive lies in such close proximity to the campus. It also explains why Bland Avenue is only a block away.

Chandler Road

The Chandler family goes back a long way in Bulloch County. The earliest widely-known member of the family was W.H. Chandler, who owned the Chandler Cracker Company. Bet you didn't know Statesboro ever made crackers. The Chandlers never managed to buy out the Keebler Company, but they're important enough for every GSU student who drives through campus to read their name.

Best Street

You might have figured this road was the first to be paved in Bulloch County — hence its name — but this, too, was named after a family.

The Bests made Statesboro their home some 80 years ago. The family matriarch had seven daughters and one son, so the name survived through generations only by a hair.

Charles Best, who is the only male descendent living on Best

Street, is proud of his family.

"My dad, Charlie Best, became a carpenter here in 1957," Best said. "I was the first black manager at the Holiday Inn and ... I started the first janitorial service in Statesboro."

He said he thought the street name was great, but over time, "I don't think anything about it."

At the very least, his family isn't hard to locate.

These are just a few samples of the street names that people sometimes wonder about in Statesboro. Most — though not all — are named after families, usually the wealthier ones.

For instance, Preetorius Street is named after an entrepreneur who owned "most of downtown Statesboro" at one time, Mabry said. Preetorius was a German nobleman who made so much money in America that he never even returned to Germany to claim his inheritance.

Roads contained in subdivisions are, more often than not, named by the developers. The names could range from a member of their family to anything that sounds off the wall — Robin Hood Trail, for example. That's the road in Sherwood Forest subdivision (and Little John Court, in the same community, gets its name from another famous Robin Hood bandit).

Statesboro and Bulloch

County have a rich history and a deep-rooted culture, and the old families still remaining in Statesboro cherish their heritage as much as Savannah treasures the name Oglethorpe.

And — as Mabry pointed out — the people who have lived here for several generations are usually all related somehow.

"All the old families are kin to each other," he said. "If you say anything about any of them, they'll know."

People who haven't lived here long may not understand just how proud of their history Bulloch County families are.

But until Statesboro becomes more widely known for its historical background, it remains vague, documented only in the words of locals who have passed it down through word of mouth or in a small collection of books detailing the area's history.

As in most old towns, one of the ways Statesboro has kept a definitive record of the people who were prominent in their day is by naming streets after them. But sometimes, the street names just appeared out of nowhere.

And after many years, as Georgia Southern and the city grew exponentially around them, those little street signs still carried traditions.

Traditions begging to be shared.

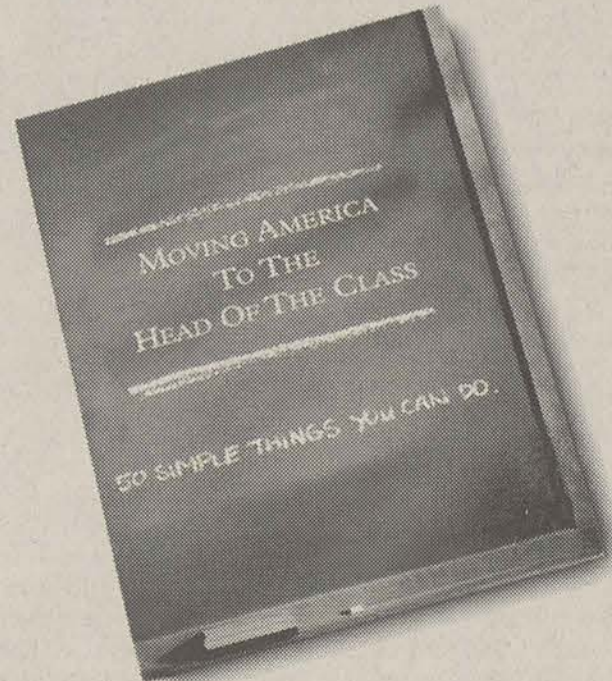
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BURNS

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best. We aren't going to be slackers, we are going to come out and work hard every day in office. We have been coming out here and working hard for this fall quarter, and we will continue. We will have the best year ever in 1996 and 1997. We will get our job done. It will be business as usual."

Burns said he plans to start working on the goals outlined in his platform.

"We will definitely want to start with the issues that were on our platform," Burns said. "That was our main goal from the start and it will be our main goal until the end. We are here to serve the students."

Burns said Sunday that he is going to work with the new SGA vice presidents, the SGA senate and the SGA advisor to discuss their expectations for the upcoming year.

"Initially, when I get in office, and even before I get in office, I want to meet with the SGA advisor and sit down with him and get an idea of what he expects from me and what I expect from him," Burns said. "Also, I want to talk with my executive board

members, Lameisha, Dee Dee, Ashlie, and Austin, and discuss with them what they expect from me and what I expect from them. I want to discuss the issues and make sure we are all on the same page. This is my first thing when I get into office, and even before I get into office."

Burns said he wants to reinstate the Students Against Campus Crime program here at GSU.

"The first thing I want to tackle personally, is I really want to reinstate the SACC program," Burns said. "I want to get some opinions and get some feedback. I also want some assurance for the executive board and the senators on the issue too. It is going to be a great year and I am looking forward to working with everyone on the board."

He said that he has talked to Athletic Director Sam Baker about implementing a track program.

"The way things look now, I will have to sit down and discuss it with him some more," Burns said. "That is our far goal, but it still is a goal for the upcoming year. We will sit down and definitely look at it some more."

Burns said the athletic program is in the student's hands.

"Students don't realize that the athletic program is in their hands," he said. "The more games they attend, the more tickets we sell. We sell more at the concession stands, and the school makes more money. Therefore, more money can be put towards athletics. That is another goal of mine, to get more students more involved in athletics. The students forget how important athletics is to the school. It brings in a lot of income. I think we need to put some back."

Molding some of Shook's ideas on his ticket and his own ideas is one of Burns' goals.

"Gavin and his ticket had an excellent ticket with excellent ideas and I would love to join the two ideas together," Burns said. "Some students liked Gavin, some students liked me. I would like to join everyone together and get everyone liking SGA."

Burns said he thinks it will be a great year.

"I have visions about the upcoming year," he said. "I think everyone is going to have fun. SGA will care about business but we will have fun."

GRADES

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giving you a zero for the day if you're one minute late, just so they can find ways to take off points just to keep the department happy," he said.

New teachers are hired for two years. During that period the teacher is paired with a mentor who works with the new faculty member. The mentor is responsible for helping the new teacher get acquainted with GSU's English and philosophy department, and to evaluate the new teacher's judgment based in part on the new teacher's grading system.

"Students loved what I was doing, I was inspiring them to

learn. My papers were hard, but that is a testament that students are willing to work if you inspire them, and the department disagreed," Malik said.

Malik said he was elated to win the Professor of the Year award, but found winning to be bittersweet since his contract for next year was not renewed.

He said that while he felt extremely honored to win the title, the administration was embarrassed since he had been fired.

Malik, a published poet, said he plans on finishing out the quarter and will continue teaching in the future. He said he is currently putting his time and

effort into completing a novel.

"I bless the students at GSU. They are scholars and good leaders for the 21st Century. I want to encourage them to not turn away from their dreams. To not give up hope, that is the thing," he said.

Malik has been an instructor in the English and philosophy department since 1994. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Temple University in 1974 and his Master of Arts from Goddard College in 1986.

The annual award for Professor of the Year is sponsored by Gamma Beta Phi, and is voted on and picked by students.

PLANS

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extend further parallel to Chandler Road and curve to meet Old Register Road closer to Legends.

Rumors of a new athletic coliseum turned out to be false, but plans are in the works to upgrade Hanner Fieldhouse after acquiring funds for the project.

Math/Physics/Psychology will be among the buildings to be expanded, and renovations will be made to the library, the Carroll Building and Marvin Pittman.

GSU will also add a new center for wildlife education in the future, along with a new ceramics/sculpture building to lessen the burden of the Foy Fine Arts Building to hold all of the scul-


tures.

Also, the building that currently holds Marvin Pittman will be reserved for the art department, leaving Foy for music.

Facilities planning is also working on a builder's monument to "honor all of the people who have worked at GSU, whether they're presidents, or deans, or faculty, or custodians," Hodge said. "It's like a wall with all of their names on it."

They're working with CR/I for future developments, as well.

"Right now we're working with CR/I to try to plan a roller rink for rollerblade hockey and basketball," Hodge said.

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