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Sports



Intramural softball

The CRI post-season of softball and ultimate frisbee tournaments will kick-off next week.

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Entertainment



Special effects and familiar faces add to Luc Besson's movie "The Fifth Element."

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Weather



Today: Partly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms with a high in the mid-80s.

Friday: Partly cloudy with a high in the mid-80s.

Today's Word

skein (skan) n.
circumstances or undertakings easily twisted or mixed up.

Source: Weird Words

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Board of Regents' travel expenses increase 21 percent

The Associated Press

ATLANTA— Travel expenses charged to Georgia taxpayers by the Board of Regents jumped 21 percent in the last fiscal year, the *Morris News Service* reported.

Individual board members' spending habits varied considerably. Some filed no expenses while others saw fit to bill taxpayers for stays at posh hotels.

Spending for the fiscal year that ended June 30 was \$29,000, compared to \$24,000 the previous year, the report said, citing a review of public records. Most of the money was used to pay for food and lodging.

The report comes after the regents, who set policy for Georgia's 34 public colleges and universities, approved a 6 percent tuition hike last month.

The night before that increase was approved, board Chairman Thomas Allgood Jr., an Augusta attorney, stayed at Atlanta's J.W. Marriott for about \$150 a night, the news service reported.

Regent S. William Clark, a Waycross eye doctor who normally is reimbursed \$169 to \$179 per night for stays at the Marriott, stayed at a \$99 room at the downtown Ritz-Carlton.

Four regents didn't ask for any reimbursements. They were Charles Jones of Macon, William Turner of Columbus,

taxpayers' money," Kennedy said. He had no comment on his colleagues' spending habits.

"The thing that is really striking is the disparity in spending while they are talking about financial austerity," said Melissa Metcalfe of Common Cause, a government watchdog group.

"THERE SHOULD BE SOME KIND OF REGULATION THAT MAKES IT CLEAR YOU DO NOT STAY IN A LUXURY HOTEL."

MELISSA METCALFE,
OF COMMON CAUSE, A
GOVERNMENT WATCHDOG GROUP

Bill Dahlberg of Atlanta and Don Leebern of Columbus, who has a home in Atlanta.

Others stayed at less pricey hotels. While Clark spent the night at the Ritz, newly appointed board member Joe Kennedy of Claxton stayed at a Hampton Inn for \$71.

"I don't think we ought to be wasting

"There should be some kind of regulation that makes it clear you do not stay in a luxury hotel."

Less than two years ago, the regents' counterparts at the state Board of Education were criticized for billing taxpayers to stay at some of Atlanta's nicest hotels and for meals at pricey restaurants.

State Auditor Claude Vickers also raised questions about a slush fund used to pay the bar tabs of school board members.

Department of Education records show board reimbursements dropped dramatically after the spending was reported.

Allgood, who brings his wife when he comes to Atlanta for Regents meetings, defended his choice of hotels, saying he regularly offers the board free legal advice.

"There is no way they can ever compensate me for the work I do. Ask anyone on the board," said Allgood, a former state senator who was reimbursed \$3,692. "Where would you suggest I stay?"

Clark was reimbursed \$6,465 for expenses. He didn't answer requests for an interview, the news service said.

Regent Edgar Rhodes of Bremen said he quit staying at the Marriott Lenox because it was too expensive.

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GSU's theft rate high compared to colleges of similar size

By Farrah Senn
Assistant News Editor

Although GSU has recently been ranked one of the nation's safest four-year institutions, the college has a high rate of theft compared to other colleges of similar size.

There were 271 reported incidents of larceny last year at GSU, which has an enrollment more than 14,000.

Valdosta State University, which has an enrollment of about 9,000, reported only 202 incidents, and Georgia Southwestern University, which has an enrollment of approximately 6,000, reported only 32.

Captain Michael Russell, of the GSU Division of Public Safety, said that there are two main reasons for the high number of incidents of theft.

"First, larceny includes misdemeanors, entering auto, theft of bicycles, book bags, calculators, etc., and that encompasses a lot," he said.

He also said that most thefts are due to students' carelessness.

"Don't leave your book bags unattended and your bicycles unlocked. Take precautions," he said.

Recovery of stolen items is difficult, especially if the victim doesn't have the serial number of the property stolen, Russell said.

If the serial numbers of items are recorded, the department can enter the numbers into the National Crime Information Center.

The NCI keeps records of the stolen property, and when items are recovered, they can be returned to the rightful owners, he said.

Another problem is that people do not always report the crime immediately after it occurred.

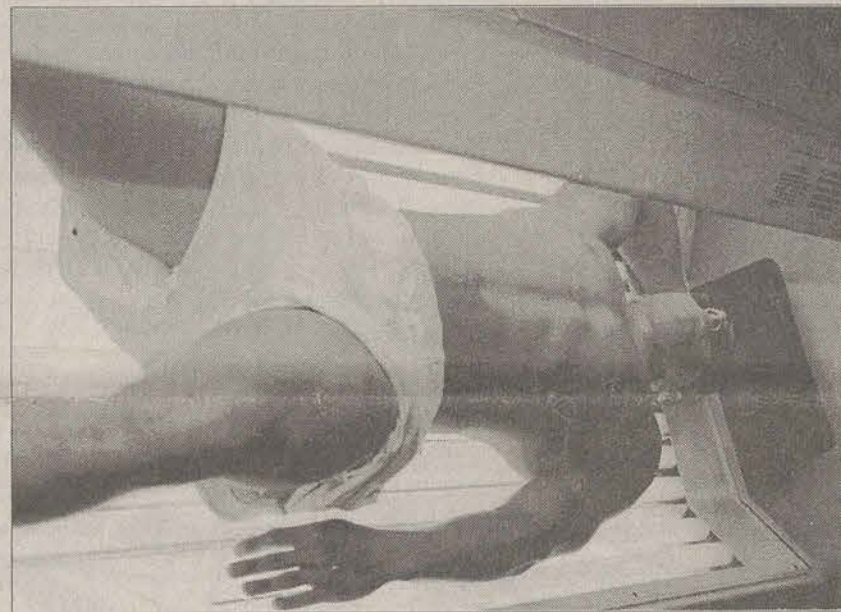
"The longer the victim waits

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Soaking up some rays



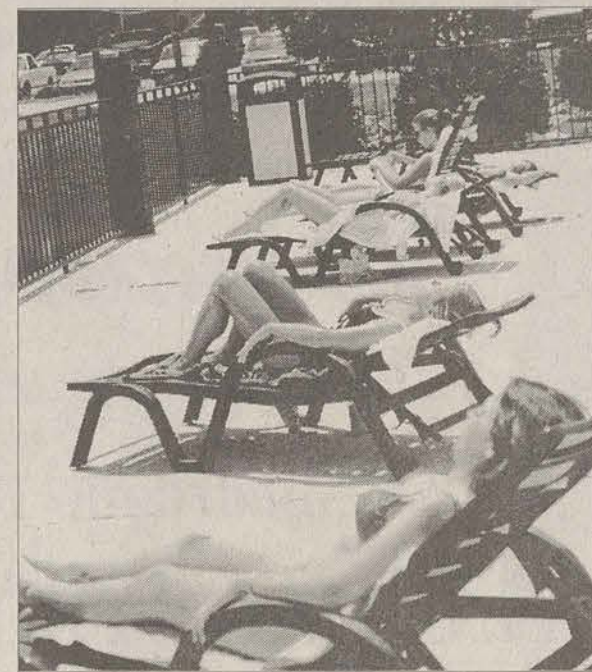
Ivy Gay, a resident of Campus Courtyard, relaxes in the warm sun to get a head start on her summer tan.



Rob Shelor takes advantage of South Georgia Fitness' "Fake-on-Bake." Tanning machines offer students an alternative on those rainy days.



K-Mart and other local stores offer tanners "sunless tanning lotions," which is yet another alternative to achieving a tan without the use of electronic tanning beds or lying out in the sun.



Alyssa Alderson and friends take to the pool deck to catch those warm spring rays.

GSU students go to great lengths to achieve the ultimate tan. Some take a trip to one of the many tanning salons here in town, while others choose to lay out in the sun at pools in apartment complexes.

But students who are in search of a deep, dark tan use "sunless tanning" lotions. These special lotions do not have

any of the harmful side effects that UV rays do (i.e., wrinkles, skin cancer, premature aging), but may give you an orange cast if not carefully applied.

Whether you choose to bare it all (by braving it at the pool) or tanning in the privacy of a tanning bed, do so in moderation and protect yourself with the necessary amount of sunscreen.

Photos by Heather Hoffman

Two officers cited in arrest of Atlanta man during Freaknik

By Steve Visser
The Associated Press

ATLANTA — Two Atlanta police officers whose involvement in the beating arrest of a man during Freaknik was caught on videotape will be disciplined, Chief Beverly Harvard said.

But she said an internal investigation disputes Timmie Sinclair's account of the arrest, in which he denied provoking police and claimed he was denied medical attention for injuries he suffered during the arrest April 20.

Atlanta police, the FBI and the city's

Civilian Review Board are investigating Sinclair's complaint that he was beaten with nightsticks and pepper-sprayed

students.

Sinclair said he was going to get medicine for a sick baby and one officer al-

THE BEATING WAS VIDEOTAPED BY A FREAKNIK PARTICIPANT AND SOLD TO WSB-TV. IT SHOWS OFFICERS STRIKING SINCLAIR WITH NIGHTSTICKS AND DOUSING HIM WITH PEPPER SPRAY IN A SUPERMARKET PARKING LOT.

when officers arrested him after he drove through a roadblock during the Freaknik street party for black college

lowed him to pass.

Police contend Sinclair was told he could not drive through the road block

and did so anyway, nearly running over an officer.

Police say he then attacked an officer when police tried to arrest him.

The beating was videotaped by a Freaknik participant and sold to WSB-TV. It shows officers striking Sinclair with nightsticks and dousing him with pepper spray in a supermarket parking lot.

Sgt. W.R. Myers will be cited for excessive force in clubbing Sinclair after he had stopped resisting, according to Ms.

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POLICE BEAT

GSU Division of Public Safety

May 12, 1997

•William Fields reported someone scratched the left door of his vehicle in the Marvin Pittman parking lot.

•Christina Nowak reported someone took the center caps off her vehicle in the Union Commuter parking lot.

•Christy Peace reported her bicycle was missing from Johnson Hall.

•A resident of In The Pines reported receiving harassing phone calls.

May 11, 1997

•Michael Hamburger re-

ported someone had damaged the Phi Kappa Alpha sign on Olympic Boulevard.

•Phillip Thompson reported a bicycle was missing from the bike rack near Hendricks Hall.

May 10, 1997

•James Phoenix reported her bicycle was missing from the bike rack near Hendricks Hall.

May 9, 1997

•Lashana Hood reported a Texas Instrument calculator was missing from her vehicle in the Stratford Hall parking lot.

•Jerrod Gillard reported someone had damaged a snack vending machine in the Hanner Gym.

Statesboro Police Department

May 13, 1997

•Cornelius Johnson, 22, of Groover Lane, was charged with battery.

•Jon Talamas of Lanier Drive, reported that two people fell on his car while fighting and damaged his hood.

May 12, 1997

•J.P. Romeo, of Lanier Drive, reported that someone walked out of Belks without paying for a pair of sunglasses.

May 9, 1997

•Quentin Young, 20, of Statesboro, was charged with

having an article with altered identification and possession of marijuana.

•Robert Johnson, 20, of Robinhood Trail, was charged with possession of marijuana.

•Anthony Newton, of University Point, reported that a CD player was stolen from his vehicle.

May 8, 1997

•Jennifer Pye, of Campus Courtyard, reported that her mobile phone was stolen from her vehicle.

Editor's Note: Police Beat appears in every issue of The George-Anne in an effort to inform the GSU community of the amount, nature and location of crimes. All reports are public record and as such are obtained from the Statesboro Police Department.

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Things To Do AT GSU

On Going

•The GSU Museum's exhibit "Chinese Cultural-Tales of the Dragon," opens in Rosenwald. The exhibit runs through June 6. The museum is open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Today

•Laura Howell, supervisor of compensation and benefits for Grinnell, will present a lecture on **transition from college to the workplace** at 5 p.m. in room 1104 of the College of Business Administration Building. The lecture will be a part of the Society of Human Resources Management meeting.

•Faculty and staff who have announced their retirements this year will be honored at a reception from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Builders of the University Terrace behind the Administration Building. In case of rain, the

reception will move to the Russell Union.

•Eagle Cinema presents "Heat" at 7 p.m. in the Russell Union Theater. Tickets are \$1.

•A Senior Recital begins at 8 p.m. in the Foy Recital Hall. The event features mezzo-soprano Jacquelyn Jackson and pianist Linda Li Beuel.

Friday, May 16, 1997

•The second annual "Sock Hop" will begin at 8 p.m. and last until midnight at the Grady Street Gym and is sponsored by the Statesboro-Bulloch County Chamber of Commerce and Convention and Visitors Bureau. For more information, call 489-1869 or 764-6111.

Saturday, May 17, 1997

•The GSU Botanical Gardens hosts "Basket Making: Vine Key Baskets," from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Gardens. For more information, call 871-1114.

Sunday, May 18, 1997

•The music department presents a **Jazz Ensemble** at 3 p.m. at Sweetheart Circle.

Monday, May 19, 1997

•The music department presents a **General Recital** at 1 p.m. in the Foy Recital Hall.

•ReVision and CLEC present "Racial and Gender Traitors: (Male) Feminist Strategies in the Classroom" beginning at 7 p.m. in room 2080 of the Russell Union.

•Eagle Cinema presents "Sabrina", starring Audrey Hepburn and Humphrey Bogart, at 7 p.m. in the Russell Union Theater. Admission is \$1.

•The music department presents a **Faculty Recital** featuring John Bleuel and Linda Li Bleuel at 8 p.m. in the Foy Recital Hall.

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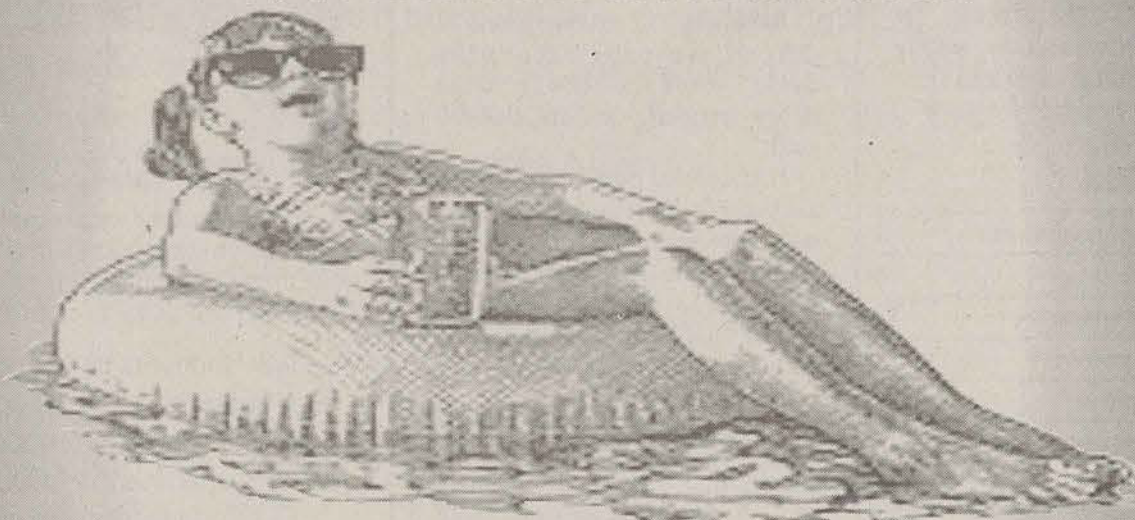


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STATE NEWS

Anti-crime group at UGA fights to keep going

The Associated Press

ATHENS, Ga.—Its funding vetoed by the governor, an anti-crime group at the University of Georgia is seeking funds to stay in operation.

Founded in 1988 by stabbing victim Dana Getzinger, Safe Campuses Now seeks to warn students about crime on the university campus and in the surrounding community.

The group will have to close its doors at the end of next month unless it can find alternate sources of funding to offset Gov. Zell Miller's recent veto of the \$40,000 used to operate the organization.

The group's media relations director, Sandi Turner, said the April 24 veto came as a shock to members of the organization and left them in a precarious position.

"By vetoing our money when he did, he didn't leave us a lot of time to pursue private funding," she said.

"Private organizations are very specific what they look for when funding a group and because we were hit with this so late, we're facing an uphill battle."

The group has initiated a letter-writing campaign and enlisted state Sen. Paul Broun and state Reps. Louise McBee and Keith Heard, all Democrats from Athens, to help their cause, said the group's director, Nancy

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SCN MEDIA RELATIONS
DIRECTOR**

Zechella.

She said the group has secured 600 petition signatures in its bid to restore the slashed funding.

Broun has vowed to try to get some money from the governor's emergency fund for the group that the governor described as "valuable" in a 1992 letter to its founder.

Heard said the three Athens lawmakers will submit a proposal to support the group with money from the governor's discretionary fund.

Ms. Zechella said the group's strength is that it can bring together an army of volunteers to alert the public about crime.

"I've had over 300 volunteers in this office this year working on different programs," she said. "How can they replace that?"

Newcomers to the campus community would suffer the most if the group folds, she said.

"More than 5,000 freshmen and transfers come to UGA each year and they don't know where the unsafe areas are or the safety techniques," she said. "Our organization is set up to help raise that awareness and we might not be here."

Sgt. Joe Walter, head of the Athens-Clarke police's crime prevention unit, said the organization has been in the forefront of informing the public about crimes and crime prevention. While the group focuses on the university, it has provided a valuable service to the community and the police department, he said.

NATIONAL NEWS

Coverdell accuses administration of playing politics with Air Force bases

By David Pace
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON—In a move that would help protect a major Air Force base in his home state, Georgia Sen. Paul Coverdell is accusing the Clinton administration of playing politics with the base closing decisions made in 1995.

In a letter to Air Force Lt. Gen. George Babbitt, director of the Defense Logistics Agency, Coverdell criticized the administration for not closing Air Force maintenance depots in Texas and California. The closings were recommended by a 1995 base closure commission.

"My fundamental concern is that we stop playing political games and carry out the (base closure) recommendations by closing Kelly and McClellan and moving their core work to the remaining depots," wrote Coverdell.

The commission recommended closing Kelly Air Force Base in Texas and McClellan Air Force Base in California and either transferring their work to other depots, including Robins

ins, Ga., or contracting it out to private firms.

During the 1996 election campaign, the administration adopted a "privatize in place" plan to keep the 8,000 jobs at McClellan and the 12,500 jobs at Kelly.

The administration's handling of the depot issue heated up this week with the Pentagon's announcement that Defense Secretary William S. Cohen plans to ask Congress to authorize two new rounds of base closures.

Robins and the Air Force maintenance depots in Ogden, Utah, and Oklahoma City could be at risk in a new round of base closings.

All three are now operating at about 50 percent capacity.

But if those three bases instead got the McClellan and Kelly workload that the administration wants to turn over to private firms in California and Texas, they would have a far better case to make to a new base closure commission.

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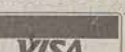
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STATE NEWS

South Georgia legislator switches to Republican Party

The Associated Press

ATLANTA—Rep. Kermit Bates Jr., D-Bainbridge, said he has joined the Republican Party, raising the GOP membership in the state House to 75.

Bates represents District 179 in southwest Georgia, including Decatur, Grady and Thomas counties.

He was first elected to the General Assembly in a special election in 1989.

Bates said he decided to switch because he believes the Democratic Party ignores rural south Georgia and focuses only on metropolitan areas. He said he has always voted on a bipartisan

basis.

"The Republican Party is reaching out more to north and south Georgia," he said.

"He believes in smaller government, lower taxes and con-

servative principles, and he will feel right at home with the Republican caucus," state GOP Chairman Rusty Paul said in welcoming Bates to the party's ranks.

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HEAT

Georgia Southern University Religious Awareness Week 1997

Monday, May 19

May 19-23 - Zach Henderson Library, Second Floor

"Images and Symbols of the Divine Around the World"

This six-page, one-week exhibit is located near the stairwell of the

Library and features works of diverse religions.

Noon - Russell Union, Room 2047

"An Invitation to Faith: How religions bring in new members"

Panelists: Rev. Don Warren, Jane Hall, Rabbi Arnold Belzer, Mickve Israel, Arnold Barbour, and Dr. Michael Nielsen. Ever wondered how other religions differ from your own? A panel will look at the ways in which different religious groups invite new members to join. We will explore what is required to join each group and briefly look at their initiation rites.

4:00 p.m. - Russell Union, Room 2047

"When Religious Belief Kills: Losing Control of Your Life"

Presenter: Jane Hall, GSU Catholic Campus Minister. How do so many people like us end up in groups that totally control their lives? Research has shown common techniques that are used by groups to gain and maintain control over their members. Come and learn what red flags to watch out for when joining a new group.

7:00 p.m. - Russell Union, Room 2047

"Issues in Sexual Morality: Clergy Speak Out"

Presenters: The Rev. Mike White and Dr. Fred Richter. Members, including clergy from several different denominations, will discuss their church's perspectives on issues in sexual morality, including marital and non-marital relations, same-sex relationships, sexually-transmitted diseases - AIDS, and birth control issues. Join in this dialogue either from the liberal or conservative perspective.

Tuesday, May 20

Noon - Russell Union, Room 2047 "Religious Stigma"

Presenter: Dr. Michael Nielsen, Assistant Professor, Psychology Department

What do you think about people whose religious views are different from your own? Join us in group activities and discussion, and find out what you have (or not have) in common with others.

2:00 p.m. - Russell Union, Room 2047

"What Happens When You Die?"

Presenters: Dr. Janice Steirn, Dr. George Shriver, Dr. Ahmed Barbour, Pastor Mike White, Dr. Jerry Johnson, and moderator, Jane Hall. Panel discussion from the Mormon, Jewish, Christian, and Muslim perspectives. Where do we go when we die? How do conceptions of the after life affect contemporary behavior? Be a part of this debate.

4:00 p.m. - Russell Union, Room 2047

"Zen Walking Meditation"

Presenter: Dr. Bill McIntosh, Assistant Professor of Psychology. This workshop will discuss Zen Buddhism and the significance of Walking Meditation. Following the presentation, participants will practice Zen Walking Meditation through a scenic part of campus.

7:00 p.m. - BSU Center

"Missions USA Live"

Presented by the Baptist Student Union at 401 Chandler Road. Missions USA is a national touring group that represents the Christian, faith through drama and music.

8:00 p.m. - Russell Union, Room 2047

"One God, Different Faiths: The Many Worlds of Southern Religion"

Presenter: Dr. Hal Fulmer, Acting Chair of Communication Arts Department. From its earliest days as an identifiable region, the Southern religious experience has shaped the attitudes and actions of the people who have lived here. At times, a powerful defender of slavery and secession while at other times, a champion for civil rights, Southern religion has been, and is today, an important part of the region's history, culture, politics, and memory.

Wednesday, May 21

2:00 p.m. - Russell Union, Room 2047

"A God Who Looks Like Me: Female Images of God in Christianity"

Presenter: Jane Hall, Catholic Campus Minister at GSU. Did you know that God's Wisdom is a woman? Are images of a woman gaining birth or a mother watching her children part of your image of God? Are you interested in the hidden faces of God? Join us to explore these and other feminine images for God in the Bible.

4:00 p.m. - Russell Union, Room 2047

"Religious Harmony: Is It Possible? The Gandhian Perspective"

Presenter: Dr. Merigala Gabriel, visiting Professor of English & Philosophy at GSU and Chair of the Department of Philosophy at Madras Christian College, India. This presentation looks at religion from the Gandhian perspective. What is religion and what is in the way of religion? What should be our attitude towards living religions, and how shall we live together as people of God?

7:00 p.m. - Russell Union, Room 2047

"Life Long Health Three Asian Traditions: Buddhist, Taoist, and Hindu"

Presenter: Carl Brown, Faculty member of Health and Human Ecology at Emory University. This presentation explores time tested practices inherent in these traditions for thousands of years. These practices are aimed at achieving physical, emotional, and psychological well-being of individuals and communities. Come, learn and practice some new skills!

Thursday, May 22

Noon - Russell Union, Room 2047

"Chi and Well Being"

Presenters: Brenda Talley, Allison Rushing and Rose Mary Gee, Department of Nursing; and Carl Brown, Faculty member of Health and Human Ecology at Emory University. The Eastern concept of Chi (vital energy) is a fundamental element in Oriental belief systems regarding health modalities. Traditional skills, such as Tai Chi, assist individuals in achieving harmony and balance in their spiritual, physical, and mental aspects. Selected modalities will be presented with group participation invited. Specific attention will be given to issues such as communication, and the belief systems that can effect the integration of these skills into practice.

2:00 p.m. - Russell Union, Room 2047

"The Sacred Text"

Presenters: Rabbi Yosef Edelstein, Mike White, David Wilson, Ryan Johnson and Dan Rea. This is a discussion on Sacred Texts with the following questions being explored: What are the Sacred Texts for Mormons, Jews, Christians, and Bah'is? What is the authority of these texts? How are they transmitted? What is the influence and position of Sacred Texts within different religions? These questions and more will be addressed during this panel discussion.

4:00 p.m. - Russell Union, Room 2047

"Religious Quarantine Perspective and America's Constitutional Accommodation of Islamic/Muslim Life"

Presenter: Imam Mujaid Ali. Emphasis will be placed on verses from The Quran, which specifically address the theme of the tolerance of religious plurality. Special attention will be drawn to the Jewish, Christian, and Islamic religious communities. A parallel will be drawn between what The Quran states concerning religious plurality and the First Amendment to the United States Constitution.

7:00 p.m. - Russell Union, Room 2047

"Celebration of Life"

Presenters: Various student organizations. Join us for a celebration of Christian singing, drama, scripture, and testimony. The various Christian student organizations on campus will lead and share in this affirmation of our common hope and heritage of faith in Christ. The African American Gospel Choir, the BSU, Wesley, Newman, and others will be joining together to lead this service. Join us, will you? **Rain location: The BSU Center, 401 Chandler Drive.

Friday, May 23

Noon - Russell Union, Room 2047

"African-American Warrior Queen"

Presenter: Georgene Bess, Instructor of English. This presentation focuses on Ifa, the African religion of the Yoruba people. A mention will be made of Orisa and Ori, as well as ancestral worship, rituals and how they are manifested in the novel, *Baby of the Family*, by Tina McElroy Anfa, the Georgia Author of the Year for 1990 and 1997.

1:00 p.m. - Russell Union, Room 2047

"Hinduism and Marriages"

Presenter: Asha Anumolu, Department of Nursing. Marriages differ from culture to culture. This presentation looks at the different ways marriages are conducted, particularly "arranged marriages" and the Hindu religion.

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Our Opinion

Regents abuse privileges

The Board of Regents charged Georgia taxpayers \$29,000 in travel expenses in the last fiscal year, a 21 percent increase from the year before, according to a report from Morris News Service. Most of the money used by the board members was for food and lodging.

Granted, board members serve without pay, but the amount of money some of them are spending for hotel rooms is excessive. Although board members' spending varied, some of the free spending members felt the need to bill the state for stays at posh hotels.

The biggest spender was Regent S. William Clark, who spent \$6,465 for expenses. Clark spends an average of \$169 to \$179 per night on hotels.

It seems a little ironic that the board which approved a six percent tuition hike for Georgia college students last month is the same board abusing their spending privileges as members of the Board of Regents. The night before the board approved the tuition hike, Chairman Thomas Allgood Jr., an Augusta attorney, stayed at Atlanta's J.W. Marriott, which runs about \$150 per night.

Allgood, who spent \$3,692 last fiscal year, defended his decision by saying, "There is no way they can ever compensate me for the work I do."

Nobody forced Allgood to become a member of the Board of Regents. If he feels he is not appreciated for his work, then maybe he shouldn't have taken the job.

Allgood asked reporters, "Where would you suggest I stay?"

Here's one suggestion, how about staying at the same hotel that board member Joe Kennedy stayed at which only cost taxpayers \$71 per night. But if Allgood and others insist on staying at the finest hotels, then they should do what former Regent Elsie Hand did and split the cost of the hotel stay.

There is nothing wrong with board members charging hotel stays to the state. In fact, they are allowed to charge the state for lodging, mileage and a \$119 stipend for attending meetings. However, board members should be a little more responsible when spending money that comes out of taxpayers' pockets.

Now you have a chance to "talk back" to *The George-Anne* about whatever floats your boat. It's a quick, easy way to write a mini-letter to the editor. Fill out this form and send it to P.O. Box 8001, or drop it by *The George-Anne* office at Williams Center room 223.

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Statesboro apartments should offer flexible leasing



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impossible."

I understand that flexible leasing is a huge burden for realtors, especially those who manage large apartment complexes. I understand that flexible leasing will leave some apartments vacant during the school year. I also understand that this is a loss of profits to the realty companies, but I still feel that this idea could be an asset to certain people in the real estate business.

In Augusta, a large military town, almost every apartment has a flexible lease option. Roommates are allowed to sign individual leases for specific amounts of time, and in order to find a new tenant, the roommate and the realty company work together to fill the vacancy. Statesboro has quite a few students who are looking for temporary housing, especially upperclassmen who are near graduation.

To their credit, Stadium Walk does offer flexible leasing, but their apartments have four bedrooms. Speaking from my own personal experience, by the time students have reached their senior year, they want to live with as few people as possible.

When my roommate and I began our search for a flexible realtor, we started off with the smaller and individually-owned realtors. We believed that we would have more luck finding compassion for our situation. Frankly we were wrong. People just smiled and smirked and responded with "no." Their reaction led me to believe that they had been asked that question a million times. So obviously, there is a bigger need than other people realize.

In Statesboro, students graduate and leave every quarter. But there are also a number of new students who enroll here all

through the year. Flexible leasing would also benefit students who are dissatisfied with their dorm experience. With flexible leasing, they would have the option of moving into an efficiency for a quarter or two. Summer quarter is another time of year when flexible leasing would come in handy for students and realty companies. I realize that there are tremendous amounts of students who are desperately in need of someone to take over their lease. However, the majority of these students have roommates that are planning to stay over the summer. But who wants to move in with a person they don't even know?

I hope that one day, a smart entrepreneur will build an apartment building to accommodate the student's needs instead of accommodating their own bank accounts.

But frankly, in Statesboro I don't see this happening anytime in the near future. Well, although my apartment hunt continues, the horizon is turning a bleaker shade of gray. By fall quarter, I may have to resort to living on the couch in *The George-Anne* office.

Spend your time wisely, hit the road and experience America



CHANCE FULK

COLUMNIST

soap operas or basketball reruns. Well, some of us do have to take up jobs, but you can always schedule a little break in there somewhere. Or one can take a road trip and pick up a job somewhere along the way.

ences are. Looking for a job along the way? Then hit the tourist trap areas or even the national park areas. They are always looking for people to do some work.

The road trip is where it's at, though. You can always pack

the snowflakes up in the Rockies. Swing into an olde school bar and have a beer with a rancher or swap stories with a Woodstock survivor at a diner somewhere in the middle of nowhere. Road trips are magical in their own way.

I suggest hitting the National Parks and National Forest because that is where America shows its natural wonder. You'll always find fellow road trippers there too yearning for a good conversation. You just might find out that Big Bend National Park appeals to you like a blooming rose. If so, ask for some work. I am sure there are some dishes needing washing or a few trails needing some repair. Whatever it is, it's cash for gas. A rancher is always looking for someone who knows how to build fence.

Of course, there is always danger to be found out on the road. Use that common sense you have got. If you don't have that, then don't go. Common sense is the only prerequisite I suggest. If you hit the wilderness, for sure pick up some campjacker's tips.

Wherever you go and whatever you do it'll be time and cash well spent. I have known some folks who haven't made it back. More power to them. Maybe they knew how much time was left. Put your time and young adult energy to some good use while you still have it.

When you get back, we'll swap some stories.

THE ROAD WILL SHOW YOU AMERICA FROM THE CASINOS IN LAS VEGAS TO OLYMPIC NATIONAL PARK IN WASHINGTON. JUST BE SURE TO KEEP THE RIDE IN BETWEEN THE LANES AND YOU'LL BE ALL RIGHT.

Road trips are a great way to spend some time. Save some bucks up for an economical trip, or find a job along the route, or some of you can max your dad's Visa out. Whatever your options are, for sure hit the pavement.

That pavement will take you to some amazing places. It can take you to big cities or to places where it ends in trail-only travel. Go wherever; do a Southern U.S. road trip or go coast to coast.

The past three summers I scored summer jobs up in Wyoming and Montana from waiting tables to guiding. The cash might not be too fat, but the experi-

oatmeal for breakfast, PBJ's for lunch and pasta for dinner. Hit the campgrounds for lodging, and your budget will be doing well. What about that aunt and uncle up in Oregon? Sounds like they need a visit!

The road will show you America from the casinos in Las Vegas to Olympic National Park in Washington. Just be sure to keep the ride in between the lanes and you'll be all right. And yes, just remember to treat the locals with respect, or you might not get back onto the road.

One can check out the cacti in the blazing Arizona heat or hit

Well, we are halfway through spring quarter and spring fever is kicking hard. Visions of summer and its freedom are hard to control, kind of like a child at Christmas. These breaks are far better than any gift Santa could ever bring. Even if you're going to summer school, there's a couple of breaks in there for you, too.

These breaks are some of our last breaks till retirement. What can you do then? Well of course, you can go to Florida in a golf cart or get an RV and stuff up the interstate like a moving billboard. But these are the days. These are the days when the body can go through some tough stuff.

You know what I mean, physically, mentally and emotionally.

Oh well, what I am getting to is that you should not waste these precious breaks of time. Oh my, here we go... time. Time is worth more than gold. You never know how much of it you have got. You must spend it wisely because there is a limited supply.

I can remember 10 years ago when I was 12. It doesn't really seem like that long ago. Well, add those same 10 years to my future, and I am 32. Get the picture. Time doesn't play around; it keeps trucking closer to death.

So, spend your break wisely is my advice. Don't sit around on your mama's couch watching

NATIONAL NEWS

Poll suggests support for proclamation honoring Confederate history

The Associated Press

RICHMOND, Va.—Gov. George Allen's decision to declare April "Confederate History and Heritage Month" has strong support from Virginia voters, a new poll has indicated.

Even most blacks polled were in favor of the designation, according to the poll released Thursday by Mason-Dixon Political/Media Research.

Of those polled, 72 percent

approved of honoring the state's Confederate history. Twenty-three percent disapproved, and the rest were not sure. Black voters approved of the idea 54 percent to 44 percent.

"It's not surprising," said Allen spokesman Ken Stroupe. "People support the governor on this everywhere he goes."

The survey of 812 registered voters taken May 1-3 has a margin of error of plus or minus 3.5

percentage points.

The state chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People condemned Allen's declaration as promoting racism and hatred.

State NAACP President Paul Gillis said the organization plans to oppose any political candidate who won't condemn Allen's proclamation, which calls the Confederate era "a source of pride, honor and respect."

Gillis said he doubts most people want to honor "the cause" of the Confederacy, meaning slavery.

"I don't disagree with the idea of supporting Confederate history," he said. "But there is a problem saying the cause was honorable, slavery is not honorable."

The poll also asked Virginians about the Confederate flag. Overall, 67 percent of those

polled said they considered the flag a symbol of Southern pride and heritage, while 23 percent said they considered it a symbol of racism and slavery.

Another 5 percent said they thought the flag represented both views, and 5 percent weren't sure on the issue.

Mason-Dixon conducted the poll for The Virginian-Pilot of Norfolk, the Daily Press of Newport News, the Danville Register

& Bee, the Martinsville Bulletin, the Journal Newspapers Network of Fairfax, the Northern Virginia Daily of Strasburg, the Daily Progress of Charlottesville, The News & Advance of Lynchburg and the Potomac News in Woodbridge. Broadcast subscribers were WTVR of Richmond, WJLA of Washington, WDBJ of Roanoke, WTKR of Norfolk and WHSV of Harrisonburg.

NATIONAL NEWS

Drugs, education, teen pregnancy top Gingrich's list

By Jim Abrams
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON—House Speaker Newt Gingrich announced new political objectives Thursday, saying the focus on drugs, education and teen pregnancy will be even more important than balancing the budget.

Gingrich, R-Ga., said his goal was to achieve a drug-free America by Jan. 1, 2001, following a "national crusade fully as intensive as the effort to balance the budget."

Gingrich was addressing the National Religious Broadcasters about where he and the Republican Party are going after reaching agreement with the White House on the GOP's longtime goal of balancing the budget by 2002.

On the budget side, he said the \$5.5 trillion national debt could be eliminated by 2024 if spending were held at 1 percent below revenues every year after 2002.

But he outlined his main goals as eliminating drugs, improving education and reducing teen pregnancy by the start of the new millennium in 2001.

On drugs, he said those caught crossing borders or producing commercial quantities of drugs should get mandatory life sentences on first conviction, and the death sentence for second convictions.

"If you sell it we're going to kill you," he said.

He suggested using the Air Force to help track traffickers and recommended religion-based drug rehabilitation programs.

He said schools today are "often no more than holding pens for our children," and said he would push for a system in which children who attend poor schools should be given vouchers to "go to a school that actually cares."

He said he would promote private efforts to prevent single teen-age girls from having children.

He said half of girls under 18 who have children out of wedlock will be long-term welfare recipients, and 70 percent of juveniles in state reform institutions were raised in fatherless homes.

As an example of efforts to reduce teen pregnancy, Gingrich mentioned a Washington, D.C.-based program that asks young girls to take an oath of abstinence.

"He's putting out the mile markers for where we head from here," said his spokeswoman, Christina Martin. "This is for the next millennium. The details and tactics will be developed over time."

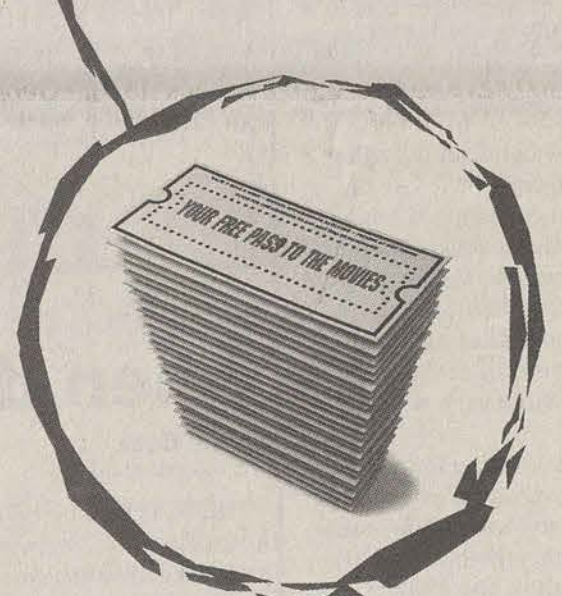
Gingrich told the religious broadcasters that it was "vital that we reassert the centrality of faith in the definition of America."

Gingrich later joined a news conference by the House education committee to release a letter to President Clinton questioning whether federal education dollars were being spent wisely.

The letter said an investigation by the subcommittee on oversight and investigations found 760 education programs run by 39 agencies, boards and commissions at a cost of nearly \$100 billion annually.

Final Exam Question #2 The Collect Call

What's the only number to use for all your collect calls that could instantly win you cool stuff (like hip Planet Hollywood® jackets and packs of 24 free movie passes) every hour, every day?



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AIRING IT OUT

STACY CLEMONS



Who's got next? The WNBA does starting June 21

We Got Next!

Well, beginning June 21, the ladies of the Women's National Basketball Association won't need next because they will have the court all to themselves.

Just as the guys of the NBA are finishing up their season, the ladies will excite the world with the tip-off of their inaugural season.

The league's team sites have been decided, the draft has been held and the players have been selected. Now, it's time to play!

The league will consist of eight teams: the Charlotte Sting, Cleveland Rockers, Houston Comets and New York Liberty to round out the Eastern Conference.

In the Western Conference are the Los Angeles Sparks, Phoenix Mercury, Sacramento Monarchs and the Utah Starzz.

I will be in Los Angeles on opening day to check out the marquee match-up between superstar centers Lisa Leslie and Rebecca Lobo.

Leslie, a 6-5 center/forward for Los Angeles, will most likely use her experience to outplay her younger counterpart.

The 6-4 Lobo, on the other hand, will try to use her perimeter play to out-do Leslie. No one will be able to dispute that this will be the best matchup on opening day.

I just hope that after the game, I can still get both the winner's and loser's autographs.

Well, let's recap for a moment. For those of you who don't already know, the Houston Comets, who had the first pick overall in the 1997 WNBA, selected Tina Thompson as their first pick.

Thompson, a 6-3 forward from the University of Southern California, averaged 22.4 points, 10.6 rebounds and 2 assists per game this past season.

How will she fare?

Well, if she keeps up the dominant play she did for Southern Cal, then she shouldn't have any problem taking her game to the professional level.

I know those of you who don't follow or actually like women's basketball are wondering why is he writing this?

Two reasons: One, because I feel like it and two, because this is a new and interesting sport.

The women's game will hopefully bring some excitement back to a sport that has lost its "dazzle" as of late.

For example, Lisa Leslie, who dunked in every warm-up during the '96 Olympic Games, will bring this aspect to the women's game.

Now, for those who don't think you have a reason to watch, just imagine seeing a few women high-risers.

There are a few changes within the women's game which will include two 20-minute halves, a 19-9 three point line, 12-foot lanes and a 30-second shot clock.

So, if you love the game and want to see it taken to yet another level, check out the WNBA starting June 21 to see the ladies "who have next."

CRI post-season tournaments gearing up

Ultimate frisbee tourney to start Monday and softball on Tuesday

By Mike Davis
Sports Editor

It's crunch time, as far as Campus Recreation and Intramurals are concerned.

Monday begins the Ultimate Frisbee tournament, with the ever-competitive softball tournament starting the following day.

The ultimate frisbee tournament, which will feature seven teams from the fraternity ranks and three Open division teams.

The winners of the two brackets will face off for the title of overall winner Wednesday, April 21 at 6:45 p.m.

In the frat bracket, Pi Kappa Phi will take the first-round bye for being the number-one seed, while Pike will enter the tournament the number-two ranked team.

Slaw, the top team, will try to fight off the two other Open division contenders,

The Frisbee People and Flying Saucers.

The biggest tournament of the year, the CRI softball post-season tournament, will begin play on Tuesday, where every softball team in every division will enter the single-elimination tournament.

The winners of each division will then engage in another tournament following the regular season playoffs.

Brackets for the softball tournament will be posted outside the CRI offices in the Russell Student Union and will also be published in Tuesday's edition of *The George-Anne*.

On the topic of softball, five campus teams will be involved in this weekend's state softball tournament in Gainesville, Ga.

The five include, in the men's division, Tailor Made and Mailor Tade, in the women's division, Slow and Easy and in the Co-Rec division, Ladies and the Tramps and Wreckin' Crew.

Campus Recreation and Intramural Ultimate Frisbee tournament

April 20 - 22, Multiplex and Sports Complex

Fraternity

#3 Sigma Nu vs. #6 SAE
Monday, 5:45 p.m.

#4 Sigma Chi vs. #5 ATO
Monday, 5 p.m.

#7 Kappa Sigma vs. #2 Pike
Monday, 6:30 p.m.

vs. #1 Pi Kappa Phi
Tuesday, 5 p.m.

Tuesday, 5:45 p.m.

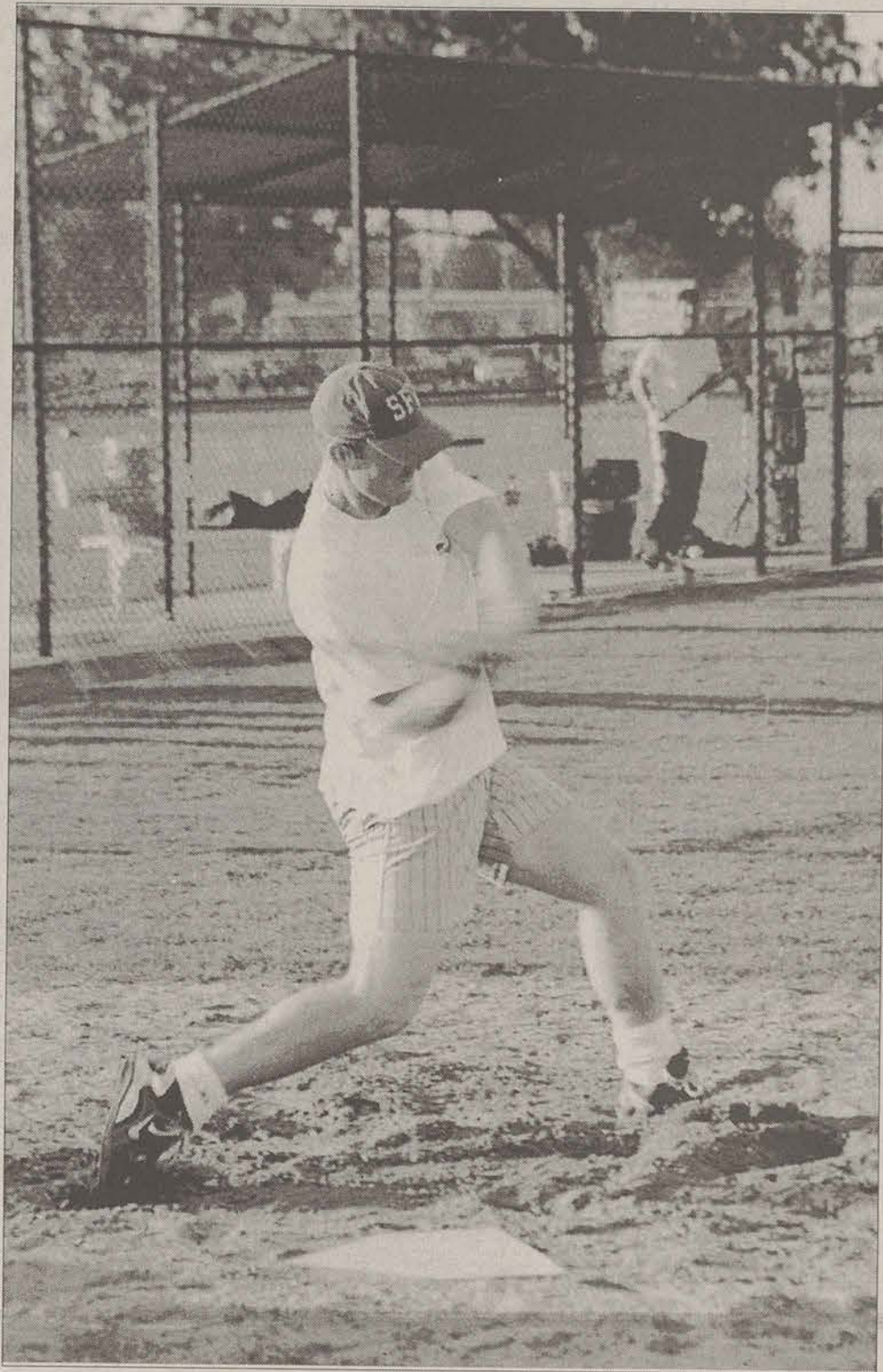
Championship game
Wednesday, 5 p.m.

Frat. 1st vs. Open 1st
Wednesday, 6:45 p.m.

Open

The Frisbee People vs. Flying
Saucers, Monday, 7:15 p.m.

vs. Slaw
Wednesday, 5:45 p.m.



IT'S ALL COME DOWN TO THIS: All divisions of CRI softball teams will participate in a post-season single-elimination tournament starting Tuesday. The divisional winners of each division will continue the season in a winner's tournament.

Hans Knoepfel

AROUND THE COUNTRY

When does 'clubhouse' humor become not so funny?

By Hal Bock
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — So the rabbi and priest are teeing off for a round of golf and the priest says... Stop right there.

Humor is one thing. Ethnic humor is quite another.

Injured pitcher Jason Isringhausen used a clubhouse slur when he called New York Mets public relations director

Jay Horwitz "Jew boy." Horwitz, accustomed to playing foil for the players, shrugged it off. Others might not be so charitable.

"Ethnic humor is a well-developed genre in this country," said Jim Fisher, an anthropology professor at Carleton College in Northfield, Minn., who has taught a course called Anthropology of Humor. "Slurs aren't jokes. They're derogatory.

"What counts as a joke depends who is telling it and who the audience is. The same joke might be funny in one context and a slur in another."

The Isringhausen episode followed the Fuzzy Zoeller-Tiger Woods affair in which Zoeller made a remark about fried chicken and collard greens after Woods became the first black to win the Masters. That attempt

at humor in a public setting created an outcry and wound up costing Zoeller a lucrative sponsorship by Kmart stores.

That incident followed New Jersey Nets coach John Calipari lashing out at a reporter by calling him a "Mexican idiot," an outburst that resulted in a \$25,000 fine by the NBA.

"And that followed Marge Schott, and that followed Jimmy the Greek, and that followed Al Campanis," said Ken Jacobson, assistant national director of the B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League, listing some of the more embarrassing attacks of loose lips in sports.

"We believe there is no place for prejudice, whether it's on the playing field, the locker room or the corporate board room. We see it at all of those levels. Words have impact. We think these are serious matters that should not be taken lightly."

Isringhausen used the slur following a conference call with reporters to discuss his recovery from a broken wrist and a suspected case of tuberculosis. He was stunned that his interplay with Horwitz might be interpreted negatively.

"We all talk to Jay like that,"

he said. "Jay's almost like my brother. He is to everybody. That's stupid to think anybody would think anything bad about Jay."

Horwitz was in a forgiving mood.

"I know it was said in terms of affection," he said. "Stuff is said in the locker room; people kid each other. That's the way I take it."

That was good enough for Fisher, but not for Jacobson.

"If the guy to whom it was addressed didn't take objection, why get so upset about it?" the professor wondered.

"Because they are public figures and anyone involved in the public arena has to be sensitive," Jacobson said. "There is a public impact. They are not private people. Like it or not, they must take responsibility for what they say."

Later, Isringhausen seemed embarrassed.

"I need to apologize for my comment, if it offended anyone," he said.

"It was insensitive. Anyone who knows me knows I'm not like that. I didn't intend to hurt anyone. I won't say anything like that again."

Reds' problems now off the field

The Associated Press

CINCINNATI — Cincinnati Reds manager Ray Knight expects no lasting problems from a clubhouse argument between center fielder Deion Sanders and second baseman Bret Boone.

Sanders and Boone were restrained by teammates in the visitors' clubhouse in San Diego following a 9-6 loss on Saturday night.

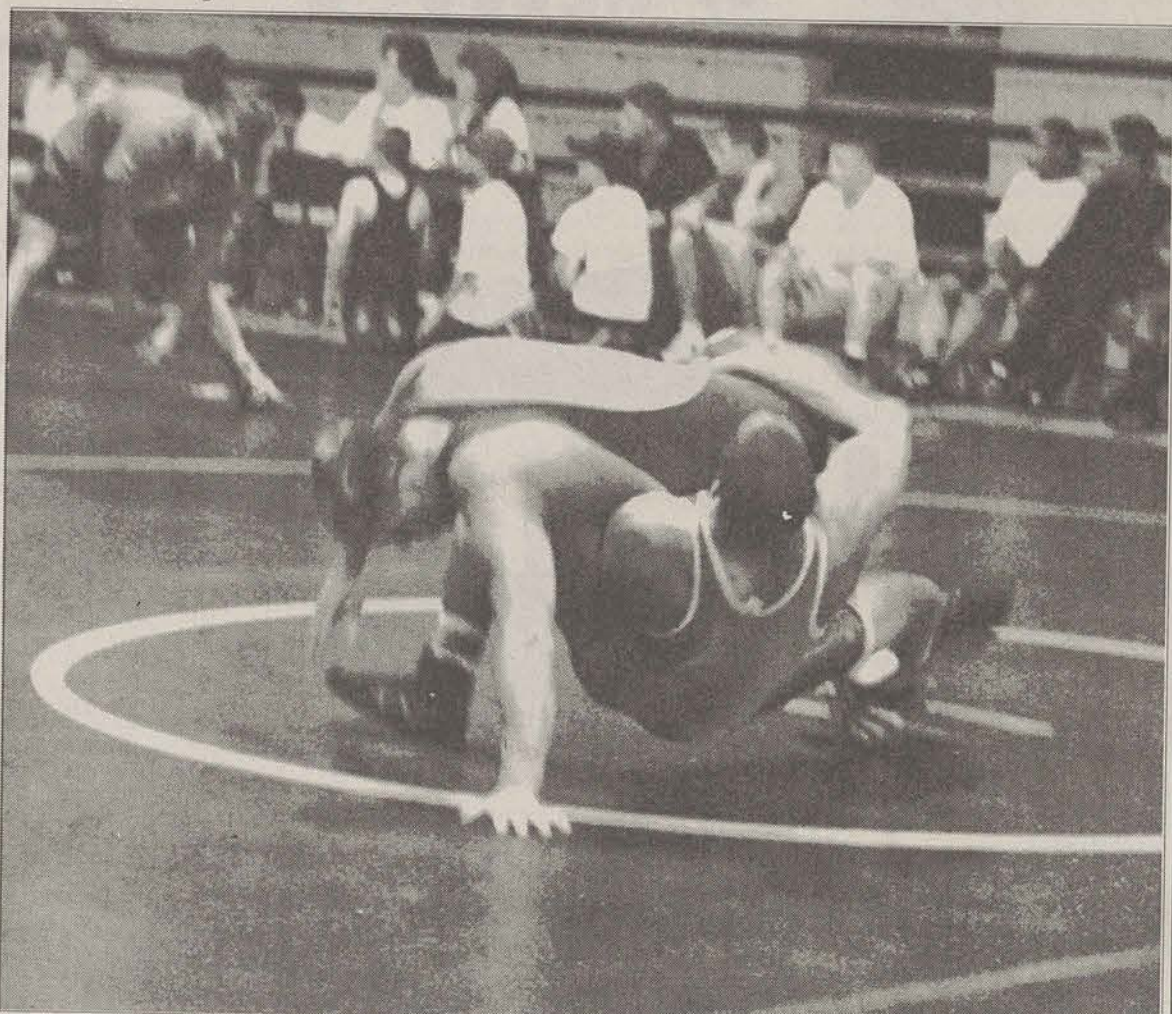
The clubhouse door remained closed for more than the custom-

ary 10 minutes.

"They didn't fight," Knight said. "There was just exchange of verbiage in the heat of the loss. There is frustration, probably, in struggles we're having individually, things heat up and you have to release them."

"Sometimes somebody says something to you and you snap. As always with macho men, there is a rush at each other, but there are 20 people in there and they never got to each other."

Sequoyah bound



David Mathews

Two members of the GSU wrestling club, David Mathews and Jermaine Brantly, will participate in the Sequoyah Open this weekend in Sequoyah, Ga. The meet begins at 9 a.m. Saturday.

AROUND THE COUNTRY

Pirates show their true sportsmanship fans

By Alan Robinson
The Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — Don't tell their fans these overachieving Pittsburgh Pirates are no great shakes.

The Pirates willingly stood in line inside stadium gates to shake hands, pose for pictures and even exchange hugs in a seldom-seen goodwill gesture before their 9-0 victory Friday night over the Atlanta Braves.

Major league teams have been urged to be more fan-friendly since the polarizing players' strike of 1994-95, but few teams have gone to such an extreme to win over their fans.

"Hey, maybe we should do it every night if it gives us a win," said left fielder Al Martin, who pitched the Meet the Fans night to the Pirates' front office last winter.

Second baseman Tony Womack said it was no publicity stunt, but a sincere effort to win back support in the majors' second-smallest market.

The crowd of 18,006 was not especially large, but the weather was anything but baseball-like — rainy, with gusty winds and temperatures in the 40s.

"We're not begging people to watch us, we're just trying to win them over by playing hard and giving them an honest effort every day," Womack said.

"All we can promise is we'll play hard every day. If we do that, then we are doing are part in letting them know we sincerely appreciate their support and enthusiasm."

The promotion, which was hinted at but not formally announced in advance, followed a 5-2 road trip against Atlanta, Florida and Colorado.

"That's a tough trip for any team. 4-3 would have been OK, but 5-2? I don't know if even we expected that," manager Gene Lamont said.

Some fans were pleasantly surprised to see the players, dressed in their game uniforms and warmup jackets, make a genuine effort to greet every one of them

before returning to the clubhouse.

Shortstop Kevin Elster jumped out of line to greet fans in wheelchairs or on crutches.

The players did not sign autographs so as not to slow up the lines, but the fans — many of whom did not know of the promotion in advance — still queued up eagerly.

Some fans raced from gate to gate to talk to all of their favorite players — even if they didn't know them by name.

"I don't know many of the players yet," said Megan Steck, 8, of Pittsburgh. "But I think they're all great."

The Pirates normally would have taken batting practice as they talked to fans, but a rain shower conveniently washed it out.

"This is great. This is the best Pirates team I've seen," said Keith Zabela, a 16-year-old from Moon Township who wore a Pirates shirt, jacket and clutched a handmade Pirates sabre.

"They're underdogs, and the fans are really taking to them. Everybody loves

the underdogs."

Dominic Garreffa, who is visiting relatives in Pittsburgh, can't wait to tell his friends back in Adelaide, Australia, that he met several U.S. professional athletes.

Garreffa hadn't watched much baseball before visiting the U.S., but got hooked on the Pirates while attending their season opener.

"I'm a die-hard fan now," he said. "I watched the road trip on TV and I'll watch some games when I go home. This is really great."

They were supposed to be bad, but they've just kept improving and improving and improving. I'm really into it now and support them 100 percent."

If a team with a \$9 million payroll should somehow hang around .500 all season, fan Pete Kolics, 32, of Pittsburgh, predicted it might change the very landscape of the game.

"If the Pirates make the playoffs, it would break free agency's back," he said.

Carlesimo's old job still on the table

The Associated Press

PORTLAND, Ore. — Portland Trail Blazers President Bob Whitsitt says he has not offered former coach P.J. Carlesimo's job to anybody, despite reports of an \$11 million, five-year deal for Mike Dunleavy.

"I haven't signed anyone," Whitsitt said Friday when asked about a New York Post story saying Dunleavy was the Blazers' choice to replace Carlesimo.

Dunleavy, however, confirmed that Whitsitt has contacted him since Carlesimo was fired on Thursday.

"There's been nothing other than they want me to come and talk," said Dunleavy, who got a message from Whitsitt on his answering machine Thursday night. "We're trying to set up a time for an interview. It's a very attractive situation."

The Oregonian quoted sources around the league as saying the Blazers have been talking for some time with Dunleavy, who resigned April 26 as the Milwaukee Bucks' general manager and vice president of basketball operations.

Dunleavy told the Portland newspaper that he spoke with the Golden State Warriors early this week and was trying to schedule a meeting with them.

Golden State general manager Dave Twardzik said he did speak with Dunleavy. But Twardzik would not say if the Warriors are pursuing Dunleavy, and Twardzik declined to comment on Dunleavy's situation with Portland.

Whitsitt said he wouldn't discuss his list of coaching prospects, "because there are a lot of coaching vacancies out there right now, one of them in our division, and I certainly don't want to let other teams know who I might be looking at."

Whitsitt said he wants to name a coach "as quickly as possible, but we want to make sure we do it right and do it thorough."

Whitsitt said Carlesimo's assistant coaches would not be considered for promotion and that he would pick someone with experience as an NBA head coach.

That rules out top assistants in the league, such as Larry Drew of the Los Angeles Lakers and Bill Hanzlik of the Atlanta Hawks.

"Coaching in the NBA is a totally different experience than coaching in any other league," Whitsitt said. "And there is no question it is totally different than being an assistant coach."

"With the younger players we have on our team, we need a teacher and a leader, someone who has been through it and who knows the pitfalls."

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THE WEEKLY LOWDOWN

By KELLEY MCGONNELL

Hope this finds you in good humor and good health.

There never seems to be anything to do in Statesboro until I start putting this column together, then I find out I'm wrong.

Tonight there is a Senior Recital by Jacquelyn Jackson and Linda Li-Bleuel. This will be at 8 p.m. in Foy Recital Hall. Eagle Cinema will be showing "Heat" for the last time this quarter. If you haven't checked out Pacino, DeNiro and Kilmer yet, you might just want to do it tonight.

Friday, May 16 will have Mishap playing at Blind Willie's. While this isn't my kind of music, it may be yours. So rather than complaining about nothing to do, go check out a this band and then tell me all about them.

Saturday night doesn't really seem to have a lot happening but you could always make up your own party. Spend the evening playing Twister or checking out the new releases at Cinema 9. My roommate will be there watching her man Bruce Willis in the new sci-fi thriller "The Fifth Element."

Sunday will play host to a Jazz Ensemble concert on Sweetheart Circle at 3 p.m. Grab a blanket and a date and enjoy a free afternoon of romance. I also recommend staying home Sunday night to catch CBS's "Touched By an Angel." It's a great show with an even greater message.

Audrey Hepburn will hit the big screen once again Monday night. Eagle Cinemas will show Audrey in "Sabrina." If you have seen the 1996 version with Julia Ormond and Harrison Ford, then check out the original. Hepburn is my absolute favorite actress and she will be sure to charm audiences of the 90s like she charmed the ones of the 60s.

If you like "Sabrina" then be sure to catch the second movie of the Audrey Hepburn Film Festival, "Breakfast at Tiffany's" on the 22nd. I own this movie and just cannot wait to see it on the big screen. Thanks Eagle Cinemas.

If you refuse to give Audrey a try, then Blind Willie's has free pool and \$1 cover every Monday night. Not as cultural but just as fun.

So don't sit around and complain. I did my part, go do yours.

MOVIE REVIEW

'The Fifth Element,' a roller-coaster ride with familiar faces and dazzling effects

By Eric Bray

Staff Writer

"The Fifth Element" was the movie I had been most looking forward to all year. I know how expectations can run rampant given enough time, so I desperately tried to keep mine under control for this one until it was released so as not to be disappointed.

But it's difficult to regulate any preconceptions I might have had with so little to go on. French director Luc Besson has taken such extreme precautions to keep a lid on pre-release hype in order to make an explosive opening (second only to George Lucas' efforts to keep the next "Star Wars" trilogy under wraps) that it was nearly impossible to have any clear expectations about this film whatsoever.

But considering the incredible cast, Besson's impressive credentials ("La Femme Nikita," "The Professional"), and promises of extraordinary special effects, I could barely contain my excitement.

Then there was the first apprehension: the PG-13 rating. Don't get me wrong, I don't thrive on gratuitous sex and violence (oh, to be able to say that with conviction), but if I wanted to see a kid's movie, I'd check out "Warriors of Virtue."

Then I found out that Besson created the premise for "The Fifth Element" when he was a teenager. The closer it came to release date, the more this film began to look like an adolescent fantasy flick.

And that's exactly what it is. But to be perfectly honest, it's this fact that gives the film its charm.

"The Fifth Element" seems rooted in some Jean Girard Moebius story from *Heavy Metal*. It revives a genre lost in today's world that has been timidly approached in the recent past in response to breakthroughs in special effects.

This film dives head-first into science fiction subculture in a way that is rare to the

contemporary movie industry (barring recent trends in comic adaptations). Thus, the labels, dubbing it "the next 'Star Wars'" and "Blade Runner" for the nineties."

Well, "The Fifth Element" is groundbreaking, but it's significantly less cerebral and melodramatic than "Star Wars," and it's too up-beat and packed with eye-candy to be saddled next to the brooding "Blade Runner." "The Fifth Element" is too outlandish and unique to be compared to anything.

Bruce Willis stars as a New York cab driver in the distant future who becomes entangled in a battle to preserve the fifth element-the life force in connection with the four basic elements (earth, wind, water, and fire) embodied by Milla Jovovich ("Dazed

character to his entourage of villains, which resembles a sinister, southern-talking Looney Toons character.

Willis starts out with witty quips unseen since his "Moonlighting" days, but as soon as the guns start firing, he reverts to his role as the quintessential action hero. Jovovich delivers a fine performance, but as a genetically cloned being, you have to wonder why she has fake-dyed hair and shaved armpits.

Cameo appearances are made by Luke Perry, John Neville, and Tiny "Zeus" Lister as (get this) the President, the most grossly miscast role in the history of film-making.

So, how do you afford such big names and cutting-edge special effects? Simple just fill out the rest of the cast with non-actor celebrities. "The Fifth Element" is jam-packed with familiar faces, ranging from super-models to music artists (including the likes of Tricky).

The plot is as sordid as the casting. However, don't expect the intensity to consume you.

This is a light, whimsical movie. There is never any doubt that the good guys will win or that the bad guys will lose. It seldom comes even close to the contrary.

This isn't necessarily a drawback, though. "The Fifth Element" is designed to be a fun roller-coaster ride, and that's exactly what it is.

This is made possible by the breath taking special effects (including incredible city-scape sequences and unnervingly life-like aliens). This film is the most visually stimulating movie in a long while, in part due to French fashion king Jean-Paul Gaultier (the creator of Madonna's infamous cone-breasts).

Some of Gaultier's creations seem to emphasize the theory of "less is more" (as in Jovovich's outfits, which at times are nothing more than strategically placed gauze strips), but Besson adheres to a different credo.

"The Fifth Element" is a no-holds-barred visual masterpiece.

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and Confused," "Chaplin").

His nemesis is played by Gary Oldman ("Brahm Stoker's Dracula," "The Scarlet Letter"), a psychopathic crime boss intent on delivering Jovovich to some enigmatic force of evil (although doing so would lead to the destruction of the universe and consequently himself as well).

Ian Holm ("The Madness of King George," "Mary Shelley's Frankenstein") costars as a priest allied with Willis, and the hilarious Chris Tucker ("Friday," "Dead Presidents") plays a futuristic radio DJ. I never thought I would see Tucker and the accomplished Holm in the same movie ever.

These two stars are not used to their potential (Holm is a bumbling wimp, and a little of Tucker goes a long way), but they perform well. Oldman, on the other hand, adds yet another outrageously singular

Country Top Ten

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1. (1) "One Night At a Time," George Strait (MCA)
2. (3) "Sad Lookin' Moon," Alabama (RCA)
3. (4) "Better Man, Better Off," Tracy Lawrence (Atlantic)
4. (2) "On the Verge," Collin Raye (Epic)
5. (6) "Good As I Was to You," Lorrie Morgan (BNA)
6. (7) "I Miss You A Little," John Michael Montgomery (Atlantic)
7. (8) "Sittin' On Go," Bryan White (Asylum)
8. (9) "She's Sure Taking It Well," Kevin Sharp (143-Asylum)
9. (10) "A Girl's Gotta Do (What A Girl's Gotta Do)," Mindy McCready (BNA)
10. (13) "A Little More Love," Vince Gill (MCA)

Turn to page 10 for a review of LongHorn Steakhouse. Next week, the CD review will be back with a new twist, so check it out.

Weekly Top Tens

The Associated Press

TOP 40 SINGLES

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1. (1) "Hypnotize," The Notorious B.I.G. (Bad Boy)
2. (6) "MMMBop," Hanson (Mercury)
3. (7) "Return of the Mack," Mark Morrison (Atlantic) (Gold)
4. (2) "You Were Meant For Me," Jewel (Atlantic) (Gold)
5. (5) "For You I Will," Monica (Rowdy-Warner Sunset) (Gold)
6. (4) "I Want You," Savage Garden (Columbia) (Gold)
7. (3) "Can't Nobody Hold Me Down," Puff Daddy featuring Mase (Bad Boy) (Platinum)
8. (8) "Where Have All the Cowboys Gone?" Paula Cole (Imago-Warner Bros.)
9. (9) "Hard to Say I'm Sorry," Az Yet featuring Peter Cetera (LaFace) (Gold)
10. (12) "I Belong to You," Rome (RCA)

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1. "G.H.E.T.T.O.U.T.," Changing Faces (Big Beat-Atlantic)
2. "Hypnotize," The Notorious B.I.G. (Bad Boy)
3. "I Belong to You," Rome (RCA)
4. "Cupid," 112 (Bad Boy-Arista) (Gold)
5. "Return of the Mack," Mark Morrison (Atlantic) (Gold)
6. "For You," Kenny Lattimore (Columbia)
7. "Don't Wanna Be a Playa," Joe (Jive)
8. "My Baby Daddy," B-Rock & The Bizz (Tony Mercer)
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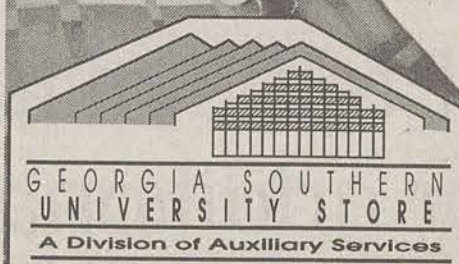
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LongHorn Steakhouse wins rave reviews for good food and good service

By Jennifer Stokes
Staff Writer

Howdy, fellow diners! For today's review I rounded up a few of my favorite buckaroos and moseyed over to the new LongHorn. Here's what we say.

When we got there, we put our name on the list to wait for a table. The nice little man said it would be about 45 to 50 minutes for a table. Now, I'm not the kind of person who likes to wait for dinner, but I have never been to a LongHorn before, and I'll try just about anything once, so we waited.

The guy gave us a plastic coaster, and said that when our table was ready, the coaster would light up. Obviously this is ideal if you go sit in the bar and drink beer until your table is ready, but we sat on one of the benches outside and wondered how far away you could go and still have it work. Could we run over to WalMart and have it light up? During the discussion, the coaster lit up, so we didn't have a chance to test any theories.

Inside, the place was packed. There were people everywhere. There was also cowboy/Americana stuff everywhere. There is so much stuff hanging off the walls and ceiling that you can't even look at it all.

There are giant stuffed fish with longhorns hanging over the hostess stand. There are "chandeliers" made of deer horns all hooked together. There are various signs hanging on the walls, cowboy boots (yes, on the wall), saddles and various stuffed animals and their parts. Near the booth where we sat there was a stuffed deer butt. It was amus-

ing, although I'm sure the people who were seated beneath it were not so tickled.

The waitress came out and introduced herself. She asked us if we had ever been to LongHorn before, and we said no. She went into her spiel about the food, and described the appetizer of the evening. She seemed really knowledgeable. We ordered the Texas chili fries for an appetizer and tea.

She came back a little later and took our dinner order. However, she was not so knowledgeable this time. She had to look on the menu to know what choices of sides came with my friend's pork chops, and she gave me a choice of two vegetables with my dinner, then had to come back and say I got one veggie and a salad.

When the appetizer arrived, it looked delicious. It was a big ol' plate of fries, covered with chili and cheese and jalapenos. We split it four ways and it was gone.

Salads came out shortly after we finished the appetizer. I had a garden salad with bleu cheese dressing, and my friend ordered a caesar salad.

Both were very good. The bowls were chilled; the croutons were crunchy, but not hard; the lettuce and veggies were all good and crunchy and not brown or bruised.

The server who brought us our salad was not the same person as our waitress, and she too asked us if we'd been to a LongHorn. If one more person had asked me that question, I would have been annoyed.

I could hear the waitresses asking guests the same question

all over the restaurant, and they all said no. I wonder what happened to people if they said yes? Did they throw them out?

Anyway, dinner arrived. I have noticed this lately in more

ounce steak and a baked potato. When I pay \$14.00 for steak, I think it should be pretty as well as tasty. So maybe it wasn't pretty, but it sure was tasty. I can personally assure you of this;

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than one "better" restaurant, and I don't know if it is a trend or what, but the food looked lonely. You know what I mean? It looked good, lying there on the plate, but there was no garnish. I had before me a 7-ounce piece of salmon and a pile of rice, and that was it.

My companion had a 10-

I snitched a little of everything off everyone's plate.

The salmon was marinated in some kind of fancy sauce, and it was great. The rice was good; it had slivers of almond or something equally delicious in it. My friend's steak was superb, I would have to say it is probably the best you can get in Statesboro. He

ordered it medium, though, and it came medium rare, but I don't think he noticed. If he did, it didn't keep him from eating it!

My other friend ordered the pork chops and brandied apples. Oh my, these were delicious! The pork chops were big thick loin cuts, nice and tender.

The apples were really good - you must go try some. Next time I am there, I will definitely get an order for myself, it's not a very big dish, but it's worth it.

The last dinner was chicken fingers, which I heard LongHorn batters in their own kitchen. This was the only downer of the evening. They were too salty. Not just a little too salty, but way too salty. I don't know if that's the batter or added on later, but either way they'd better fix it or chicken finger sales will go through the floor.

Overall, this is the kind of

place Statesboro needs. You don't have to get dressed up, but you can if you want to. They have a bar, and have applied for a liquor license, so it can only get better.

The prices are expensive, by college student standards, but it's worth it. The food is very good, and I think they will straighten out the problem with the chicken fingers eventually.

As for the service, their pace is very good. The appetizer came promptly; it wasn't run over by the salads or main courses, and I never sat there wondering when my food was going to get there.

I am willing to cut the waitress a break for not knowing what choices come with what dinner, as the place had only been open a few days when we were there, but rest assured, I will follow up in a few months and see if they are still going as strong. Until next week, happy repast!

COUNTRY MUSIC NEWS

Big House gives a shot of soul to country music

The Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Every once in awhile, basking in the afterglow of another triumphant club show, David Neuhauser would say it to Monty Byrom.

"Monty, we gotta go to Nashville," he would urge.

For most of the six members of Big House, leaving Bakersfield, Calif., seemed like a far-fetched idea.

The rhythm section — Tanner Byrom on drums and Ron Mitchell on bass — specialize in greasy grooves worthy of Stax Records. Lead singer Monty Byrom, Tanner's older brother, phrases like a guy who has soaked in a lot of Al Green and Otis Redding records.

Monty Byrom spent a year and a half in Nashville trying to get record companies to return his calls, and he didn't think the group's rock and soul would work in the capital of country music.

"Don't get me wrong, we knew every Hank Williams tune by the time we were 10. We grew up on all the Buck Owens songs," Byrom said. Owens is also from Bakersfield. "But we had this whole other edge going on."

Eventually, Neuhauser, a ringer for Harrison Ford in a cowboy hat, persuaded the group to play a couple of club shows in Nashville.

"Every record company in town bid on us," Byrom said. "Believe me, no one was more surprised than I was."

The group, partly named for the large house in which they lived and rehearsed, released its first major label CD, "Big House," this spring.

Neuhauser and Byrom co-produced the recording and wrote much of the material.

Along with guitarist Chuck Seaton and Sonny California on percussion and harmonica, all members of Big House are seasoned players from the California club scene, giving them that old Eagles' sound that's popular with thirtysomething country fans.

"Cold Outside," the first single, made the Top 30 on the country single charts and is pushing the CD up the album charts. That initial success should prop the door open for the new, catchy single "You Ain't Lonely Yet."

And there are ballads like "Amarillo" and "Sunday in Memphis," which feature Byrom sounding like a Don Henley double.

Country Music magazine said the band was "perhaps one of the few California bands to add something to the Eagles' legacy rather than simply copping licks and harmony shards."

The group's soul influence is in country vogue, too. Lee Roy Parnell and The Tractors have both scored hits in recent years, and Wynonna Judd's solo records lean decidedly to rhythm and blues. Bekka Bramlett of the duo Bekka & Billy is a soul shouter of the first order.

"Rhythm, Country & Blues," a 1994 album on MCA Records, was what convinced Byrom to finally showcase the band in Nashville.

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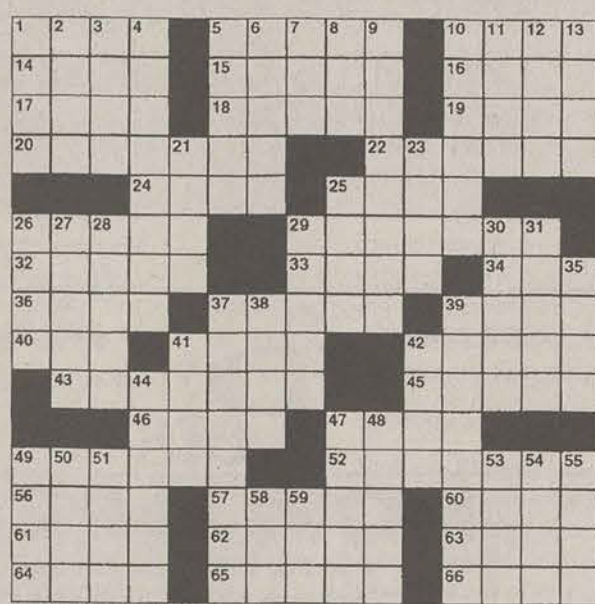
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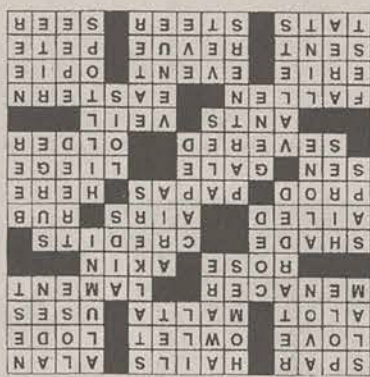
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SWF needed to share 2BR/1BA in nice apartment downtown starting Fall 97. \$237/mo. Junior or Senior only. Please call 764-5956 for interviews.

To the SGA president (present and future): please take down your banners and remember to cut the string off the trees completely. Thank you.

03•Autos for Sale

1989 Mazda 929. Great condition, power locks and windows. Sun roof and am/fm cassette stereo. \$4800/OBO. Call Roxanne at 871-7974.

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For sale - 1994 Ford Explorer XLT. Loaded. 48,300 miles. Very clean, great condition, non-smoker's vehicle. \$16,500 (below book value) call 839-3711 or on campus call 5680.

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Auto detailing all cars and small trucks. \$35. Call Jason at 681-7008.

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Are you taking quality control PM434 fall qtr? You will need the required text book. Brand new one for sale only \$25 - it's \$40 at the bookstore. Call 489-4209.

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For sale - Packard Bell 75 mhz Computer. Windows 95, netscape, and monitor included. \$1200/OBO. Please contact Lance Deen at 871-7529.

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For sale: a 486 dx4/75 laptop computer. 12MB RAM, 325 MB Hard drive and active Matrix Display. Asking \$800/OBO. Call Ed at 852-5709 (lm).

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14•Motorcycles

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16•Personal

Happy 21st birthday Rodney Cox. Have a great one. Love, Renee.

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17•Pets & Supplies

AKC chocolate labs. 6 weeks old, wormed and first shots. Call 839-3586.

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19•Rentals & Real Estate

2 br/2 bath in Campus Courtyard. Fully furnished, w/d, need sublease ASAP. Rent is neg, no deposit. Call 871-6509.

3 people needed to sublease fully furnished apt in Campus Courtyard for summer qtr. \$215/month. June rent is already paid. Call 681-7013 or 871-1547.

Apartment available now and Sept. Utilities furnished. 764-6076.

Apt available for summer 2 br/1 bath located in Southern Villa. \$425/month. Partially furnished, close to campus. Call Layeta at 681-7738.

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Looking for roommates to sublease apt at Campus Courtyard for summer. Fully furnished, close to campus, rent is neg. Call Lindsay or Amy at 681-3394.

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Need someone to sublease house in June. Rent is \$225/person. Very spacious. Call Diana at 489-6442 ASAP.

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Sublease for summer. 4 br house with cable and water included. \$150 for each room. Call Kevin or Patty at 681-6185.

Sublease for summer. 1 br at Greenbriar apts for \$150/month. Call Kevin or Patty at 681-6185.

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Sublease summer qtr Willow Bend. Only \$230/mo free water/Gold's Gym membership. Can keep \$200 deposit at end of August. Call Wil Rogers at 681-7002.

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Tired of roommates? Have own 1 bed apt in Eagle Villas for summer. Rent is \$200 for June and July thru Aug is \$265. Deposit is \$150. Call 681-9940.

Two br mobile home, 1 bath. Excellent location off Fair Road, 2 miles from campus. Fully furnished, central heat and air. Cable ready. \$4,500. Call Dorothy at 233-7488.

Willow Bend townhouses. 4 br/3 ba. Available summer and 97-98 school year. W/D, Gold's Gym membership, and all the amenities. Reasonable rent. Security gates. Call 681-7375.

20•Roommates

2 roommates needed for summer qtr at Eagle's Nest. June's electricity, water, and rent free! Free furniture, near campus. Call Kelsie or Corissa at 681-6336.

Apt for rent at Willow Bend for next few months and/or summer. First month rent free. Pool, tennis, b-ball, w/d, dishwasher. Call Peter at 681-7486.

Are you looking for a roommate for next year? If so, call Anika at 681-6691. There is a 2br/1 bath.

Female roommate needed ASAP for 97-98 year. Fully furnished, \$300/month plus 1/2 of utilities. 2 br/2bath, W/D included. Deposit required. Call Erica at 681-3127.

Looking for a WF to share Park Place 3 br/3 bath townhouse. \$233/month. Spacious living room, call Amber ASAP. 764-4783 (lm).

Looking for a WF to sublease summer at Towne Club. Own bedroom/bath June rent free! \$175/mo + util. Call Karen at 681-7817.

Roommate needed for 97-98 school year. WF to share 2 br townhouse in Greenbriar. Rent is less than you think. Call 688-2467 and ask for Kara (lm).

Roommate needed to take sublease for summer. Campus Courtyard. 4 br townhouse. June rent free. July and Aug are neg. Call 681-1277 or 681-SLAP.

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Roommates needed for summer at Campus Courtyard. Furnished 4 br. Rent is neg. Call Lindsay or Amy at 681-3394.

Seeking female for 2 br/2 bath apt at Bermuda Run for 97-98 school year, \$235/month. Please call 688-2101 for more info.

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23•Stereo & Sound

24 R&B cd's for sale. \$5 each. Call 688-3604 and ask for Tajuana.

25•Television & Radio

TV with remote for sale. Only 5 months old. Also, Optimus CD discman. 3 weeks old, asking \$150 for TV and \$175 for discman. Call 688-3604 (lm).

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NATIONAL NEWS

Outsiders financed 42 percent of Georgia's House, Senate campaigns

By David Pace
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON— More than 40 percent of the money given to top contenders in Georgia's House and Senate races last year came from outsiders who couldn't vote for the candidates they helped, a new study shows.

The U.S. Public Interest Research Group found that \$10.3 million of the \$24 million raised by the 23 general election candidates for federal office in Georgia came from individuals or political action committees outside their congressional districts or outside the state.

Rep. John Lewis of Atlanta, who was unopposed, got 78.9 percent of the \$275,998 he raised in 1995 and 1996 from individuals and political action committees outside his 5th District. That was the highest percentage of any House or Senate candidate in Georgia's general election.

House Speaker Newt Gingrich of Marietta raised \$2.5 million from outside his north Atlanta

district, the second largest total of any congressional candidate in the country.

But the outside money represented just 40.5 percent of Gingrich's total contributions.

"We should allow dollars into the system by the same rules

mont, Arkansas, Alabama and Tennessee had a smaller percentage of their total contributions to general election candidates coming from outsiders than did Georgia.

Nationally, the study found that 51.5 percent of all the non-

PIRG recommended that Congress enact campaign reform legislation to require that candidates raise at least 75 percent of their campaign money from the people they represent.

"This limits the distorting power of money to only those who can at least vote for a candidate and, in that sense, are appropriately entitled to seek to influence the election outcome," the group said.

A bipartisan campaign finance reform bill pending in the Senate would require most Senate candidates to raise 60 percent of their campaign funds from within their states in order to qualify for free and reduced television and postage rates.

In last year's Senate race in Georgia, both candidates would have met that threshold easily. Sen. Max Cleland, a Democrat, raised 72.8 percent of his individual and PAC donations from inside Georgia.

His GOP opponent, businessman Guy Millner, got 75.8 percent from within the state.

"WE SHOULD ALLOW DOLLARS INTO THE SYSTEM BY THE SAME RULES THAT WE ALLOW VOTES."

**DEREK CRESSMAN,
SPOKESMAN FOR PIRG, A
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that we allow votes," said Derek Cressman, a spokesman for PIRG, the nonprofit watchdog group that did the study.

"You can live in only one district; you can vote in only one district; you should be able to contribute money in only one district," he said.

Reliance on outsiders to finance federal campaigns was even more pronounced in most other states.

Only North Carolina, Ver-

personal, non-political party campaign contributions to House and Senate candidates in the last election cycle came from outsiders.

Congressional investigations of fundraising scandals from last year's campaign have focused on foreign contributions, but the study said most lawmakers' overwhelming reliance on out-of-district or out-of-state money "is no less of an affront to democracy."

FREAKNIK

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Harvard.

Officer B.K. Rainey will be cited for the "inappropriate action" of telling the civilian videotaping the arrest to turn off his camera, said police spokeswoman Jan Northstar.

A departmental panel will recommend the officers' punishment, Chief Harvard said. Four other officers involved in the arrest were not cited by the department.

An attorney for Myers, Kim Harris, said any disciplinary action against her client would be appealed.

The internal investigation showed inconsistencies between witnesses' statements and claims by Sinclair, Ms. Harvard said.

Witnesses differ over who attacked whom, but police radio logs show that the officers who arrested Sinclair were responding to a report he had tried to run over a police officer, Ms. Harvard said.

"We have witnesses who say Mr. Sinclair struck first and two witnesses saying the officer struck first," she said.

But Sinclair's claims to have a prescription for his daughter's medicine and that he was denied medical attention for his injuries are not true, said Ms. Harvard.

Witnesses said Sinclair's eyes were washed with a saline solution, and only injuries he could show three days after his arrest were scrapped shoulders, Ms. Harvard said.

Sinclair's attorney, Albert Mitchell, said the actions outlined by Ms. Harvard were a first step and added that other

officers should also be disciplined.

"With all due respect, I'm glad that she found the violations because that means there is one thing you can not deny that there was an excessive use of force," Mitchell said.

Sinclair was released on bond after charges of aggravated assault and obstruction of police were bound over to a grand jury. He was then arrested on unrelated traffic charges in Lamar County and freed last week after making bond.

THEFTS

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to report the crime, the harder it is to recover the stolen property," he said.

Russell said that there are several things students can do to prevent theft.

First, he said to record the

serial number of your property and register it with the police department.

If there is no serial number, engrave a number that can be identified such as a driver's license number or social security

number.

He also said that students should write their names in books, notebooks, bookbags, etc. This way, if someone is caught with suspicious property, the owner can be quickly identified.

There are also some ways to promote a better chance of recovery.

"Provide as much information as possible about the stolen items and report the incident as soon as possible," he said.

REGENTS

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Rhodes said he stayed there because he carpooled with other board members who spent the night at the hotel.

Former regent Elsie Hand of Pelham used to stay at the Ritz-Carlton Buckhead, where rooms top \$150 a night.

Ms. Hand, who left the board in December, said she didn't feel safe staying at any other hotel.

Because it was an expensive choice, she charged the state for only one night of her usual two-night stay.

"I tried not to cost the public a

lot of money while I was trying to perform a service to my fellow man," she said. "I could have stayed at a cheaper hotel, so I chose to absorb the cost."

The regents, like all members of state boards, serve without pay.

But may charge the state for lodging, mileage and a \$119 stipend for attending meetings. Those who live within 20 miles of Atlanta cannot ask for lodging money under state rules.

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