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Sports



Championship slips away

The Eagles beat FAMU in the first round of the playoffs but then lost to Delaware, 16-7, to end the championship run.

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page 6*

Entertainment



'Titanic' tops at box office

The James Cameron epic has grossed \$157.7 million to date.

*Please see story,
page 8*

Weather



Today: Scattered thunderstorms with a high in the lower 70s and a low in the mid-60s.

Friday: Scattered thunderstorms with a high in the mid-60s and a low in the mid-50s.

Today's Word

trochal (TROK'l) adj.
pertaining to wheels

Source: Weird Words

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Just winning the Southern Conference wasn't enough ...

Johnson captures coach-of-the-year honors

By Lee Guarnella
Sports Editor

When coach Johnson came to GSU, the football team and all of its supporters were hoping for a rewarding season. One that would help dispel all thoughts of the lackluster performance last year.

Not only were the team and fans rewarded with a 10-3 record, Southern Conference championship, and a ranking of eighth in the nation, but Coach Paul Johnson was rewarded with several Coach-of-the-Year honors.

Johnson was given Coach-of-the-Year honors by the Southern Conference in both Sports Media Association and Coaches polls.

Johnson also received the Schutt Sports/American Football Quarterly NCAA Division 1-AA Coach-of-the-Year as well as the AFCA Division 1-AA Region II Coach-of-the-Year award.

Johnson deflected the praise for his accomplishments to his staff and players.

"I just give a lot of credit to the players and the staff for having such a great year," Johnson said.

GSU Athletic Director Sam Baker was quick to point out his enthusiasm on Coach Johnson's success.

"I think Coach Johnson and his staff did a great job, I think they have started the process of rebuilding the program, building back the support of not only the general public but also the student body."

"He has done just a phenomenal job and his staff has worked very hard to put the program in the right direction," Baker



Paul Johnson

said.

The football team has indeed been put in the right direction. The coaching staff and players together have turned out an incredible turn-around season setting all kinds of GSU and National records.

Ten wins in a season is the most the Eagles have seen since 1993, a 9-2 regular season is the Eagles best since 1989, and the 1997 team was only the fifth in the 16-year history to win nine games in a season.



File Photo

The crowd and the players went wild after Paul Johnson led the Eagles to their Homecoming victory over Furman which clinched the Southern Conference Championship.

GSU gained only its second Conference Championship and made a +5.0 turnaround from a 4-7 season in 1996, the NCAA's 20th most-improved 1-AA team in history.

Johnson also set the GSU regular-season record for wins by a first-year head coach at nine wins and became only the second Southern Conference coach since 1984 to win the league title in his first

year.

Baker thinks this is just the beginning of a new winning tradition at GSU.

"I think so," Baker said. "He's (Johnson) working hard right now on the recruiting trail and they are all getting ready for a new season."

"They've got some goals left to meet and one of those is to start winning national championships," Baker said.

GSU student arrested in connection with series of armed robberies

By Michael Abbott
Staff Writer

A GSU student, Jeremy Ray of University Pointe, was arrested in connection with the recent chain of armed robberies of several local businesses.

After a month-long investigation, Ray, 21, was taken into custody and charged with five counts of armed robbery along with a number of other charges.

The several local businesses were terrorized by masked gunmen. In a couple of cases, there were still guests in the restaurant. Although the robbers fired their guns in at least one instance, no injuries were reported.

Ray, a senior due to graduate from GSU this year, was charged with the following crimes:

The Dec. 17 armed robbery of the Mellow Mushroom. Hill Johnson, the owner, reported there were shots fired while there were still guests in the restaurant.

On Dec. 21, the criminal attempt to commit armed robbery

at Arby's on Fair Road. The suspect attempted to rob a drive-through employee.

The Dec. 22 armed robbery of a pizza delivery man on Knight Drive.

The armed robbery of a clerk at the Peking Restaurant on Dec. 23. There were also guests in the restaurant at the time.

On Dec. 31, the armed robbery of the Fast 'n Easy convenience store on Lanier Drive.

Ray was also charged with burglarizing a Knight Drive apartment between Dec. 6 and Jan. 2, misdemeanor possession of marijuana, and various other charges.

"The police did a great job," Johnson said. "And I'm just glad it's over."

Chief Richard Malone applauded all the uniformed officers and detectives involved for their long month of hard work.

The incidents are still under investigation and details are being withheld because additional arrests are forthcoming.

Bookstore bustle



File Photo

Students know that nothing marks the beginning of a new quarter better than the stampede for books.

Survey: Electronic harassment on the rise

The Associated Press

WORCESTER, Mass. — More and more college and university students are using their newly required dormitories to send harassing e-mail and hate speech, hack into private files and commit other electronic crimes.

Two-thirds of 400 colleges surveyed by Worcester Polytechnic Institute reported incidents of sexual harassment by computer, 60 percent said student computer accounts had been used without permission, half reported damage or menacing acts by hackers and 37 percent said students had been the victims of electronic hate messages.

The survey also found that, in half the schools polled, students had downloaded pornographic words or pictures into the computers in their dormitory rooms.

"Some students feel invulnerable once they get behind the keyboard," Janet Begin Richardson, WPI's dean of students and assistant vice president for student affairs, told the *Telegram & Gazette* of

Worcester.

"They seem to think they can be anybody they want to be — that they can do things or try out behaviors they never would otherwise," said Richardson, the survey's author.

"Some WPI students have found ways to disguise themselves by going outside the college network and coming back in on another network," Richardson said. "But as bright as they are, we are almost always able to identify them."

According to Richardson, one of the more serious cases exposed occurred at WPI itself. A male student there was harassing a former girlfriend at another college, she said.

"It went on and on, and got worse and worse," Richardson said. "He found a way to send a very suggestive message to a faculty member at her campus and make it look like she had sent it."

After several months, WPI's computer center systems administrator tracked down the offending student.

Internet courses allow students to study at home

The Associated Press

TWIN FALLS, Idaho — Electronic courses offered through the College of Southern Idaho are allowing students who cannot get to the campus the chance to pursue their educations.

The college is currently offering English 101 over the Internet and has 11 broadcast courses.

Instructor Ken Bingham teaches his English class once a week via a computer program that allows him to lead students in an online discussion. His computer screen splits into as many sections as there are students. From his computer in Twin Falls, Bingham can see what a student in Burley is typing.

"Whatever you type is right there, just as if you were opening your mouth and sticking your

foot in it," Bingham said.

Lauren Wright, 16, recently finished Bingham's class.

The Wendell High School junior took the class for college credit. Taking English 101 on the campus would not have been possible, Wright said, because she did not have time to spend three hours a week in class.

Colleen Conner, 41, of Dietrich, also recently finished Bingham's class. The course allowed her to go to school and still be home with her children. Conner said she liked the direct line she had to Bingham through e-mail and said it gave her more individual attention.

Students enrolled in broadcast courses watch them on television and mail assignments, but have to come to campus for tests.

POLICE BEAT

Statesboro Police Department

January 6, 1998

•April Abbey, 20, of Hinesville, was charged with DUI and weaving.

•Michael James, 21, of Clairborne Avenue, was charged with DUI and defective equipment.

January 5, 1998

•Christina Ward, 19, of Park Place, was charged with DUI and speeding.

•Malika Rashid, of Eagles Nest, reported that someone broke into her apartment and stole a CD player.

•A resident of Robin Hood Trail reported a case of simple battery.

•A resident of Campus Courtyard reported a case of harassment.

•Wesley Hall, of Players Club, reported that someone stole \$30 in change, GNC products and a neon beer sign from his apartment.

•Natascha Collins, of Eagles Court, reported that her car had been keyed.

January 4, 1998

•Edwin Thomas, of Eagle Walk, reported that someone removed the screen and broke the lock on his apartment window.

•Lutricia Lockhart, of Stadium Walk, reported that her apartment had been burglarized.

•Josh Hancock, of Campus Courtyard, reported that his apartment had been burglarized.

January 3, 1998

•Jeremy Ray, 21, of University Pointe, was charged with burglary, criminal attempt armed robbery, armed robbery, misdemeanor possession of marijuana and possession of a firearm during the commission of a felony.

•Tyrone Maze, 22, of Lanier Drive, was charged with carry-

ing a concealed weapon, no insurance and no tag light.

•Susan Nugent, of Players Club, reported that someone broke into her apartment and stole a formal dress.

•Corey Oldknow, of Players Club, reported that someone broke into his apartment and stole a computer, VCR, CD's and a phone.

January 2, 1998

•Leon Mack, of Lodge Apartments, reported that someone entered his apartment and stole a microwave and stereo.

•Scott Bryant, of Campus Courtyard, reported that a VCR and answering machine had been stolen from his apartment.

January 1, 1998

•Brian Sexton, 19, of Brooklet, was charged with DUI and improper start.

December 31, 1997

•Jason Jones, 18, of Orlando, FL, was charged with posses-

sion of marijuana.

December 28, 1997

•Shellman Burton, of Campus Courtyard, reported that his apartment had been burglarized.

December 25, 1997

•David Coradini, of Stadium Walk, reported that his apartment had been burglarized and two VCRs, a CD player, CD's, TV, answering machine, two rings, baseball bats and clothing were stolen.

December 24, 1997

•Jennifer Chapman, of Terrell Street, reported a burglary.

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 and the GSU Division of Public Safety.

Two GSU students killed in unrelated car accidents

By Kelley McGonnell
News Editor

Two GSU students were killed in unrelated automobile accidents over the Christmas holidays.

Matthew Gerard Tollett and John William Wages both lost their lives when they were thrown from their cars and then pinned under the vehicles.

Tollett, a 21-year-old pre-business major and Flowery Branch, Ga. native, was killed in an automobile accident in Hall County on Dec. 11.

Tollett lost control of his vehicle and the car went down an embankment. Tollett was thrown from his car and the car rolled on top of him and killed him, according to *The Times*.

A passenger, who was wearing his seatbelt, sustained only minor injuries.

Survivors include his parents, Douglas J. and Brenda Howell Tollett; brothers and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Justin Tollett, Jr.; Mark Patrick Tollett, Johnathan Wayne Tollett; niece, Julianna Tollett and grandmother, Kathryn Howell of Texas.

Instead of flowers, the family asked that contributions be made to the Matthew Gerard Tollett Scholarship Fund, Pinecrest Academy, 2482 Jett Ferry Road, No. 680 A-7, Dunwoody, Ga. 3338.

John William Wages, a 19-

year-old general business/finance and Economics major, was killed in Barrow County on Dec. 5 in an accident that occurred while he was involved in a chase with a Barrow County Sheriff's Deputy, according to *The Winder News*.

Wages, a Bethlehem, Ga. native, was pronounced dead at Columbia Vawar Medical Center where he was transported after the accident.

Wages' car was spotted by the deputy parked on the side of the road. When the deputy approached the car, Wages' drove off.

The officer returned to his car and pulled Wages over. Wages then drove away again and the deputy gave chase but did not find Wages until he spotted the car overturned on the side of the road. Wages had been thrown from the car and was pinned underneath it.

Barrow County police do not know why Wages fled.

"We're just looking for anything that will explain why this young man tried to flee from the deputy," Lt. Kenny Kilgore of the Barrow County Sheriff's Department said. "From what I understand, he was a good kid."

He is survived by his parents, Don and Susan Wages; his sister, Meridith Wages; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Odum and great-grandmother, Mary Kee Smith, all of Bethlehem.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Things to do at GSU

Ongoing

•The Division of Continuing Education and Public Service is offering a one-day interactive **workshop** identifying the components of **successful special event planning** from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Jan. 27. Cost of the course is \$55, and will be held in the Southern Center. To register call 681-5551.

•The Miss Georgia Southern University Pageant is accepting entries for the **50th Annual Miss GSU Scholarship Pageant**. Only full-time GSU students who have completed a full quarter at GSU are eligible. A \$1,500 scholarship is awarded

to the winner who will represent GSU in the Miss Georgia Pageant in June of 1998. Entry forms are available in the Russell Union room 2024. Forms are due by 5 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 9. The pageant will be held Jan. 31 at 7 p.m.

•Theatre and Performance will be holding **auditions** for "Measure for Measure" on Jan. 12 and 13 at 7 p.m. in the McCroan Auditorium.

•The Southern Center for Continuing Education and Public Service is offering courses on computer use. "The Basics of Personal Computers" will be offered from 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on Jan. 9 and from 6 to 10

p.m. on Jan. 13. The course covers components such as printers, monitors, modems and scanners and is ideal for persons who recently received a computer or are interested in purchasing one.

•"Software Overview" will be held from 8 a.m. to noon on Jan. 10 and again from 6 to 10 p.m. on Jan. 14. Participants will receive a brief overview of the Windows 95 environment and explore basic Windows applications such as spreadsheets, databases, desktop publishing and presentations.

•"Internet Overview" is scheduled from 1 to 5 p.m. on Jan. 10 and again from 6 to 10

p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 15. This class will cover the three most common areas of the Internet: chat, e-mail and the World Wide Web.

Today

•The Statesboro Astronomy Club will present "Observing the Sky" at 7:30 p.m. in the GSU Planetarium in the Math/Physics/Psychology Building. The presentation is free and open to the public.

•The final **SOAR information session** will be held at 8 p.m. in room 2042 of the Russell Union. Find out how to become a student leader and get paid for it.

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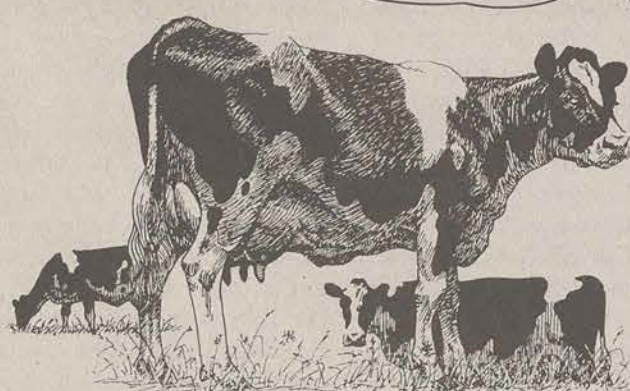
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1 California

First babies of year born to fathers with same name

The Associated Press

SACRAMENTO — It was a real strange tie for first 1998 baby in Sacramento County.

Two babies, both 20 inches long, were born at 1:04 a.m. on New Year's Day. And both have fathers named Scott Hanson.

"It's just too much of a coincidence," Claudia Hanson of Rocklin said. Claudia, 34, and her husband, Scott Hanson, a 34-year-old United Parcel Service driver, are the parents of the baby girl, Nicole Claudia Hanson, born at Kaiser Permanente Medical Center. She weighed in at 8 pounds.

The other Scott Hanson is a 31-year-old investment counselor from El Dorado Hills. His wife, Valerie, 29, gave birth to Blake Thomas Hanson — 8 pounds, 15 ounces — at Mercy Hospital in Folsom.

When the nurse at Mercy informed the couple that the Kaiser baby also shares their last name, it was too much to swallow. Blake's father called Kaiser just to make sure.

"It has been a lot of fun to have the first day of my son's life be so exciting," Blake's father said. "He's going to have a lot of great footage to look back on."

Nicole's father said he learned a couple of weeks ago

that he wasn't the only expectant father named Scott Hanson in the area. Blake's father had talked about the impending birth of his child on his weekly radio show.

2 Ohio

Judge orders drunk driver to live near bar

The Associated Press

HILLSBORO — A man with 18 drunken driving convictions has been sentenced to live within walking distance of a liquor store or bar to try to keep him from driving drunk again.

"It's my hope that he'll walk to get his beer and wine rather than drive," Judge James Hapner said. "Whether it will work or not, I don't know."

Dennis Cayse, 50, has been charged with DUI at least 24 times since 1971. He's been sent to prison twice, and the state of Ohio has permanently revoked his driver's license.

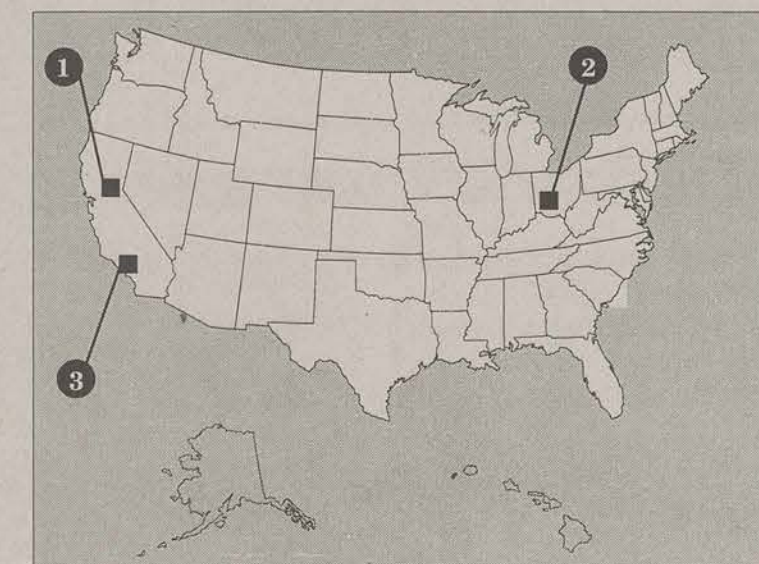
"He doesn't deny he's an alcoholic," Hapner said. "He just doesn't see that as a problem."

Cayse's most recent conviction came last month. His wife, Connie Cayse, was convicted for allowing an unlicensed driver to operate a motor vehicle.

In an order, Hapner gave Cayse a suspended 1 1/2-year jail sentence and placed him on probation for five years.

Cayse must spend the first week of the next five years in jail.

The couple must move near a bar or liquor store by Jan. 31. The order defines "easy walking



distance" as 3/8 of a mile in the country and 1/2 a mile in a city.

3 California

Leafblower ban sparks hunger strike

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Eight gardeners vowed to continue a hunger strike at City Hall unless the City Council reconsiders a citywide ban on the use of gas-powered leafblowers in residential neighborhoods.

About a dozen gardeners gathered at the south steps of City Hall, including the hunger strikers. They promised to remain on the south steps of City Hall until city officials consider taking the leafblower ban off the books.

"The people that are against us complain from their million dollar homes in west Los Angeles, drinking their cappuccinos,"

said Alvaro Huerta, spokesman for the Association of Latin American Gardeners. "For gardeners to be deprived of this technology is not just."

In December, the City Council approved an ordinance banning the use of gas-powered leafblowers within 500 feet of homes. The law won't be enforced until police and city officials figure out a plan to issue citations.

Tens of thousands of gardeners would lose 50 percent of their income if the ban is enforced, forcing them to hike their bill for yardwork, Huerta said.

The council failed to pass an amendment in December that would have lowered the punishment from \$1,000 and six months in jail to \$100 and \$170 in court assessments.

Council members will vote on the amendment.

OFFBEAT

New Year's baby photo in newspaper leads to father's arrest

The Associated Press

LOGAN, Ohio — Joseph White couldn't resist mugging for the newspaper when his wife gave birth to the city's first baby of the year.

Now he's got a police mugshot to go with it.

Logan police recognized White, who was wanted for al-

legedly assaulting a police officer, from the three-column photo of the first baby of the year on the front page of the *Logan Daily News*.

"I told him he was a fool for smiling for the front page. But I guess you've got to be proud of something," police Officer Matt Speckman said.

Police went to the hospital the next morning to arrest White, but he had already left. At noon, the hospital called police to say White had just picked up his wife.

Speckman said police chased White after spotting him near the hospital. He said the chase resulted in speeds of up to 75

mph in 25 mph residential areas.

White finally stopped the car at his grandmother's house and was arrested without incident, Speckman said. The mother and newborn were not injured.

OFFBEAT

Death row inmate wants to sell tickets to his execution

The Associated Press

MICHIGAN CITY, Ind. — An inmate on Indiana's death row wants to sell tickets to his execution for \$1,000 each so he can donate the funds to a children's charity.

But state prison officials say Robert Allen Smith's plan runs contrary to Indiana law.

State statute allows Smith to choose 10 people to witness his execution.

His plan was to sell those places to the first 10 people willing to donate \$1,000 to a children's charity in memory of Janelle Kaiser, the 2-year-old child murdered by the inmate Smith killed.

"I'm going to die," said Smith, scheduled to be executed by lethal injection at midnight Jan. 29.

"Maybe one kid could get something out of it. I'm a menace to society. I want to give back on my way out."

But Indiana law prohibits inmates from soliciting funds or contributions while in prison.

"Based on the statute, the department believes this prohibits him (from selling his seats)," said Pam Pattison, Indiana Department of Correction spokeswoman.

Smith has not sought the consent of DOC officials, Pattison said.

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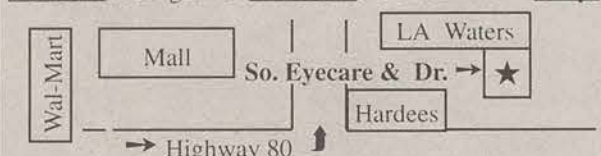
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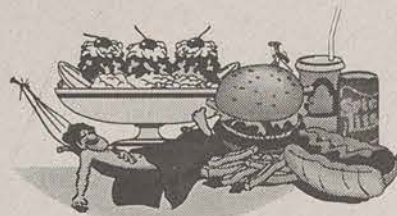
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Our Opinion

Wearing seatbelts can save your life and they are the law

Wearing a seatbelt can save your life. Two GSU students were killed over the Christmas break because they were not wearing seatbelts. In one instance, the passenger was belted in and sustained only minor injuries; the driver was not wearing a seatbelt, he was thrown from the car and the vehicle landed on him.

The state of Georgia is cracking down on seatbelt offenders. In Statesboro, if a driver or adult passenger is ticketed for not wearing a seatbelt, it will cost them \$25.25. If a child is not in a seatbelt, it will cost \$36.75.

Many people incorrectly believe that the police will not pull over a car solely for a seatbelt violation; they claim that they must first be pulled over for speeding or some other violation. But this is simply not true. The police will pull a car over just for seatbelt violations.

More often than not, having a seatbelt on during an accident will protect passengers. Injuries in minor accidents will be significantly less if seatbelts are used, and in major accidents, seatbelts may be the only chance for survival. Horror stories of people being trapped in vehicles by their seatbelts are rarely anything but works of fiction.

Putting your seatbelt on before you pull out should become a habit whether you are the driver or a passenger. It will not only save your life, but it will save you a ticket.

Well, the new year has begun and now it's time to take a look back at 1997, which was a hectic and unpredictable year for *The George-Anne*, the GSU campus, as well as the Statesboro community.

This past year saw some interesting events take place at GSU.

From GSU student Bobby Fulghum, literally taking his show on the road and winding up a contestant on the game show "The Price Is Right," to Eagle head football coach Paul Johnson bringing back some South Georgia football pride.

October 14, 1997 gave you (our readers) the story, I feel, was one of the best investigative stories of the year. Former GSU football coach Tim Stowers filed a lawsuit in the State Court of Fulton County seeking unspecified damages against GSU, Southern Boosters and several other GSU officials. Stowers' lawsuit alleged that he was fired without cause and did not receive payment for the remaining part of his salary, which was a violation of the terms of his contract. I'm sorry to say that *The George-Anne* has not, to date, followed up on this story, due to a lack of new developments, but stay tuned to your campus newspaper for more on this story if something should pop up.

GSU students were outraged once again when they heard the news that parking fines would



STACY CLEMONS

EDITOR

increase. According to Robert Chambers, director of GSU's Parking and Transportation, the increase was made to ensure that the penalties would serve as an effective deterrent to inappropriate behavior. The

time. If you doubt it, just ask Bobby and he'll quickly change your mind.

The George-Anne reported on April 1 that the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga had considered GSU President

same without GSU's true big man with the big red car.

South Georgia football history was reborn in Statesboro with help from GSU head football coach Paul Johnson and his Eagles. Johnson and company brought home a Southern Conference title and made it to the second round of the Division I-AA playoffs before being eliminated by the Delaware Blue Hens.

On the heels of several national publicized stories surrounding drinking and college fraternities, two national Greek fraternities who have chapters on the GSU campus, Sigma Nu and Phi Delta Theta, announced they were considering going alcohol-free by the year 2000.

GSU truly 'Set It Off' as the 1997 Homecoming King and Queen were crowned. Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority made it back-to-back wins as Kimberly Handberry, a senior public relations major from Millen, Ga., was crowned Queen. Marcus Norman, a senior secondary education major with an emphasis in biology, represented the Minority Advancement Program (MAP) and was crowned King.

With a year like that, what does 1998 have in store for us? Well, it's early in the year, but I sense something enormous coming and believe me, *The George-Anne* will have it for you.

HOPEFULLY, HENRY WILL CONTINUE AS A PART OF GSU FOR A LONG TIME TO COME. THINGS JUST WOULDN'T BE THE SAME WITHOUT GSU'S TRUE BIG MAN WITH THE BIG RED CAR.

new ticket fines included a new \$10 fine for a vehicle occupying more than one space (the old fine was \$5) to \$50 for unauthorized possession of a parking permit (the old fine was \$15).

Dreams came true for one GSU student when the words "Come on down" gave him the chance to live out a childhood dream.

Bobby Fulghum, a senior education major at GSU, proved two things when he was announced as the first contestant on the game show: dreams sometimes come true and insanity does kick in at the wrong

Nicholas Henry as their next chancellor. Sorry, that was no April Fool's story. Henry was one of six finalists who were being considered for the position. For those who didn't know, this was the third time in three years that Henry's name had been mentioned in connection with a job opening at other state university systems. Well, I'm glad to say he was eliminated from the race for the position, which concluded late spring quarter. Hopefully, Henry will continue as a part of GSU for a long time to come. Things just wouldn't be the



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Are Utah State University teachers breaking the law?

A box full of graded finals in front of a professor's office, a posting of grades taped to a bulletin board, an open filing system in the Biology department hallway for graded tests, passing around a pile of graded papers through the class saying, "pick out yours and pass along the rest," are all ways Utah State University instructors violate federal law.

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, also known as FERPA or the Buckley Amendment, defines privacy of "education records" of "students."

According to this law educational records are to be protected from anyone but the student, parent or university official.

This holds true for all educational records, financial aid and the like, but here I am concerned with grades.

I have had classes where professors have used all the above methods. Currently my graduate student recitation instructor slaps down a folder full of graded quizzes and says, "find yours."

This week he slapped down the wrong folder and we saw the grades of his other recitation sec-

MELISA ANN WILSON

GUEST COLUMNIST/UTAH STATESMAN

tion as we thumbed through it again and again, unable to find ours.

If FERPA holds true, this record "custodian" is violating

review only the records which relate to him or her."

The "custodian" is the one responsible for maintaining the record's (grade's) integrity.

I AM SURE THAT WHEN OTHERS LEAF THROUGH STACKS OF PAPERS THEY GLANCE AT MY GRADE, EVEN IF THEY DON'T REMEMBER IT OR EVEN ASSOCIATE IT WITH ME.

my privacy.

After FERPA was passed in 1974, USU created a policy in concordance with the privacy restrictions. The Administrative Council approved the latest version in 1996 called the "Use and Release of Student Records."

Part of it reads: "When a record contains information about more than one student, the student may inspect and

So does this mean we are all bound to personal consultations with each professor for our grade?

No, handing back tests or papers from instructor's hand to student's hand is legal.

Records may also be released with consent. This means if the instructor has written consent from each student to distribute grades in whatever manner -he or she can broadcast them over KUSU (not that too many

people would be listening.)

But without the consent, professors, instructors and yes, graduate students are breaking the law.

Professors do not generally ask for consent. I have no professor who asked an un-fil classroom generally if she could pass around our graded quizzes. Everyone in the class at the moment said yes.

That wouldn't hold up in a court — she asked to raise of hand, not every student registered for the class was here and she asked for that specific quiz, not all quizzes.

But, at least it's a start.

I am sure that when others leaf through stacks of papers they glance at my grade, even if they don't remember it or even associate it with me.

My grade is a private thing. I wouldn't want just any stranger walking through my home eyeing everything. I don't want any student walking through the hall eyeing my grades either.

Or eyeing it while rifling through a stack of papers in class, looking at a list of names and grades on an overhead, listening to a teacher calling out names and grades.

COLLEGE NEWS

Senior citizens may take classes for free in Georgia

The Associated Press

JONESBORO, Ga. — Glenn Middleton got his first degree in civil engineering. Forty years later, he chose to study something closer to his heart: music.

Middleton, 69, enrolled as a music major at Clayton College & State University three years ago, where he discovered a little-known provision of Georgia law that offers free courses for Georgia residents 62 or older. If space is available, the seniors can take classes at any state college or university except the medical, law, veterinary or dental schools.

"I went to fill out the application and I discovered, oh, I don't even have to pay tuition," said Middleton, a retired engineer. "My, that's a bargain."

Last year, 332 Georgians took advantage of the tuition waiver, which was made possible by a 1976 amendment to the state constitution unknown even to many school administrators. The seniors account for a tiny fraction of the 204,332 students in the state university system.

"On the whole, their academic performance is well above average," said James Austin, who has coordinated the program for seniors at Georgia State University since it began in 1977.

Georgia State's oldest student was an 87-year-old man who took classes "to keep his mind active and be involved," Austin said.

Popular subjects include art, computers and gerontology, Austin said.

Middleton plays several instruments, but his specialty is the dulcian, a double-reed instrument similar to a bassoon. He recently played in the orchestra during a production of "The Beggar's Opera" at the university.

Two years later, search for infant's killer continues

The Associated Press

ATHENS, Ga. — Although two years have gone by since a newborn baby was found stabbed to death in a trash can in a University of Georgia dormitory, neither the public nor the police have forgotten the slaying.

The 7-pound boy, dubbed

Jonathan Foundling, was stabbed before being discarded Jan. 8, 1996, in a basement bathroom at Oglethorpe House. He had more than 40 stab wounds and his throat was cut.

People have continued to leave flowers on his grave at Evergreen Memorial Park. Some also

left toys during Christmas.

Investigators believe the mother may have been the victim of rape or incest or may have been jilted by the baby's father.

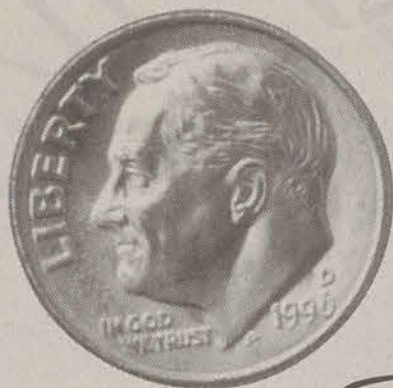
"We're asking that anyone who can remember anything to give us a call," university Police Chief Chuck Horton said.

Police say they have learned that 80 percent of such baby killings occur where the mother lives. In 70 percent of the cases, the mother kills the baby, and in 95 percent of those she acts alone.

Horton said that makes it likely that baby Jonathan's mother was an Oglethorpe House

resident.

"We've taken blood samples from at least 10 females, and some results are still pending," Horton said. "There were 240 Caucasian females in O-House at the time of the incident, and we're trying to eliminate every one of them."



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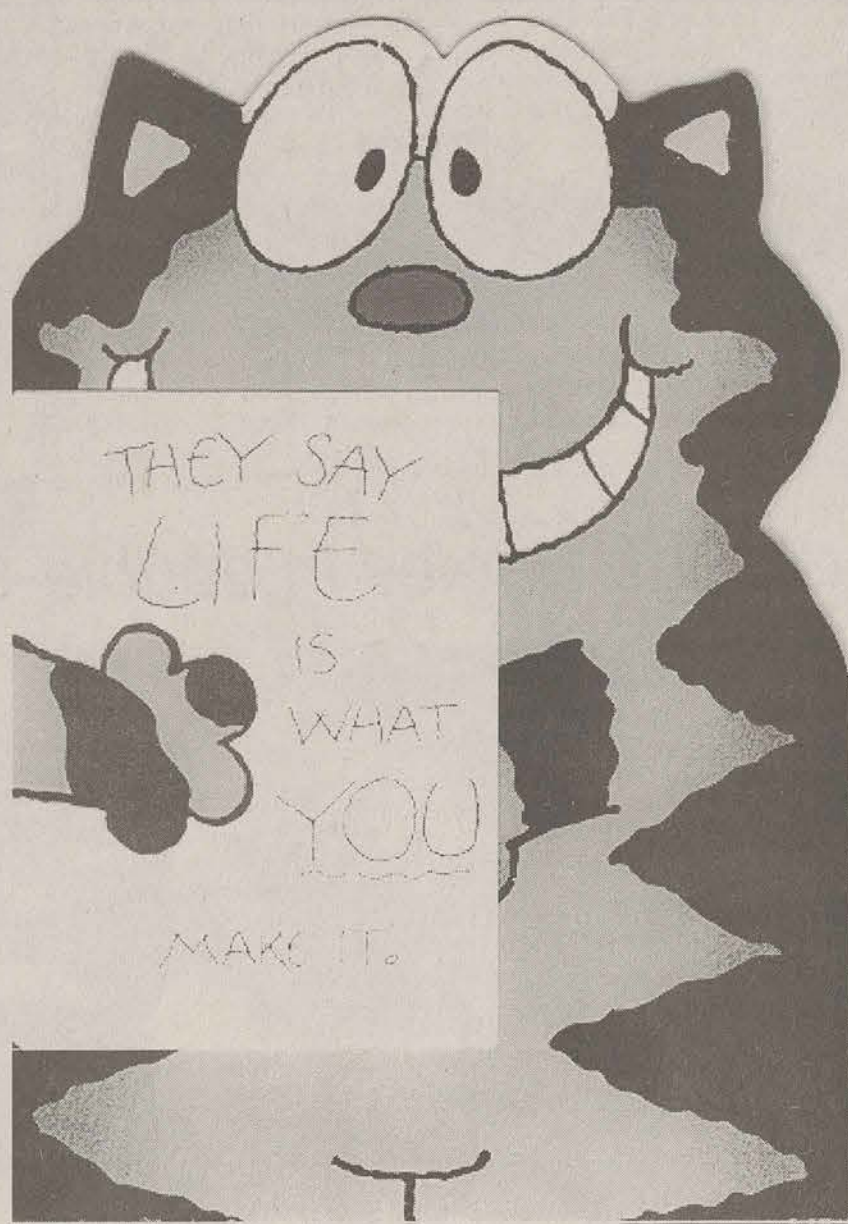
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LEE GUARNELLA

Let us all take a minute and reflect on some of the sports that took place over the holiday:

It was a close one, but the Eagles did lose to Delaware in the playoffs 16-7. It was a well fought battle but the GSU offense was stymied to the point where the bread and butter option was ineffective. So that's bad.

All you Georgia fans out there that bleed red and black had something to get excited about. The Dawgs absolutely dominated the Wisconsin Badgers 33-7. Hines Ward was all over the place as well as an explosive Robert Edwards.

The story of the game however was Mike Bobo. 26 for 28 passing for over 200 yards?! Are you kidding me? What a stellar performance by the senior quarterback who had to overcome some off the field trouble with the law. You know, that whole resisting arrest thing in Athens.

The Michigan Wolverines and the Nebraska Cornhuskers shared the national championship honor over the holidays as well. Now, should there be a share of the national championship? I don't think so.

How about this: If Nebraska defeats Tennessee, which they did in dramatic fashion, then Nebraska and Michigan finish the argument for good by having one last championship football game.

What's wrong with that? No more debate over who is the best team in all of the land. Line it up and finish it like men. Fight it out and see who wants it more. By the way, Nebraska and Michigan should have duked it out anyway and Tennessee should not have even been in the picture.

Now, it is hard to be a Denver Broncos fan, yet I am no fair-weather fan. I am sticking with the Broncos, new uniforms and all. We are back in it baby! We will own Pittsburgh and bring the Lombardi Trophy back over to the AFC where it belongs.

Terrell Davis will be unstoppable, along with that incredible offensive line Denver has. Shannon Sharpe will have a good game against the Steeler defense. Elway will have a time picking apart the Steeler secondary as well.

I know what you're thinking, what about Kordell Stewart and "The Bus"? Well, I ask you what about that Bronco defense that held the vaunted Chief offense to just 10 points? What about Neil Smith? Either way it's a good matchup.

I did get to watch Denver beat Kansas City with an unusual twist to it. My very good lady friend sat right beside me and watched the game. Fellas out there, until you can find a woman to sit beside you during the playoffs and cheer with you for your team, keep lookin'!

Tampa Bay lost, but we all knew they would. Green Bay just had too many weapons. Look out for the Bucs in 98 though, they will be tough.

Overall it was a great holiday for sports. All of my teams won, except for GSU, and all of the teams I can't stand lost, except San Francisco. Oh well, you can't have it all.

Delaware stops GSU, ends hope of championship run

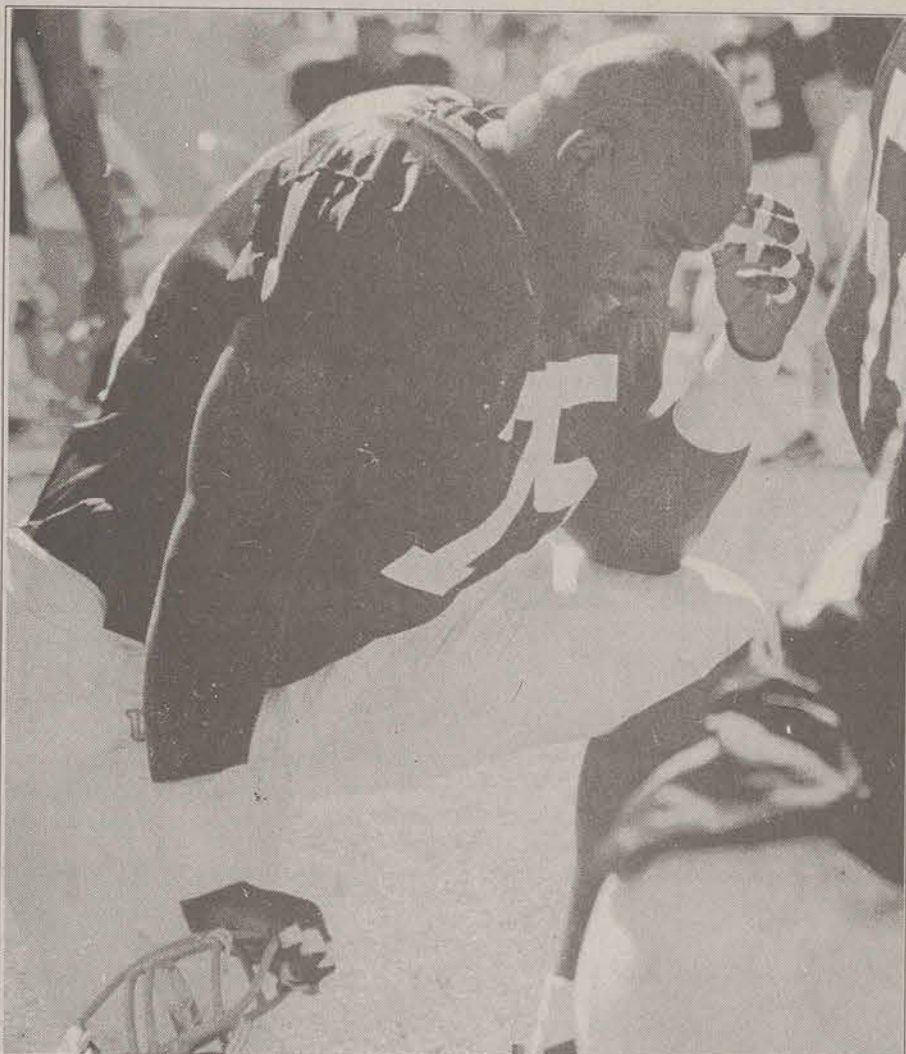


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Like players who were discouraged after a close loss to William and Mary early in the season, Eagles had a similar reaction to the defeat in Delaware.

From G-A Staff Reports

The Eagles' dream of a national championship blew away in the gusty, cold wind in Newark, Delaware. The GSU football squad fell to the Delaware Blue Hens 16-7 in their December 6 I-AA quarterfinal matchup.

Head coach Paul Johnson refused to use the weather as an excuse. "The weather didn't beat us; they did," Johnson said. "They would have beaten us if it was 80 degrees today." The Eagle's ground attack was shut down completely in the first half, unable to penetrate the unforgiving Blue Hen defensive wall.

Meanwhile on defense, GSU had problems stopping the Blue Hens' offense. The Eagles' defense appeared confused, as they had no answer for Delaware's split winged T-offense. In the first half, the Blue Hens managed only six points, but their ground control attack ate up precious time, keeping the ball out of the Eagle offense's hands. Coupled with their ferocious defense, Delaware was able to take a 6-0 half-time advantage.

In the third quarter, the Eagles offense woke up. They advanced to the Delaware two yard line. But Delaware's defense mounted a goal line stand, turning back the Eagles on three consecutive plays. On fourth down, Greg Hill was sacked short of the first down.

The Delaware offense took advantage of the turnover, scoring another field goal at the end of the quarter. In the 4th quarter, GSU finally found the end zone, scoring off Roderick Russell's 12 yard run with 11:58

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left in the game. Russell's run sliced Delaware's margin to 9-7.

The Blue Hens countered with a drive that featured their ground attack, which took 7:18 off the clock. Running back Craig Cummings topped off the drive with a ten yard TD run, increasing the Blue Hen's lead to 16-7 with 4:40 left in the game.

GSU drove all the way to the Blue Hen one yard line, but was stopped again by another impressive goal line stand by the Delaware defense. Hill was sacked again on fourth down, turning the ball back over to the Blue Hens. Thus, ending any comeback hopes for the Eagles. The loss ended Johnson's first season as head coach of the Eagles with a 10-3 record.

Russell led all ground gainers with 97 yards off 21 carries. Hill completed five of his eight passes for 50 yards and one interception. With the loss, GSU finished among the top eight teams in I-AA.

"I'm awfully proud of our football team," said Johnson. "They came out in the second half and fought their tails off."

GSU too much for FAMU in first round playoff game

By Jamie Hodges
Assistant Sports Editor

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The GSU football team hosted the Florida A&M Rattlers for the first round of the I-AA football playoffs on November 29. A sellout crowd at Paulson Stadium saw the Eagles outlast the Rattler's high octane "Snake Gun" offense, defeating FAMU 52-37.

The Eagles preserved their unbeaten playoff record at home, which now stands at 17-0.

"It was a hard fought football game. I think it was two teams that both had a lot of athletes and really played hard," said GSU's Paul Johnson. "We were fortunate enough to come out on top."

GSU set the tone of the game FAMU early in the first quarter. Greg Hill scored on the Eagles'

first play from scrimmage, finding a hole in the defense and then outrunning the FAMU secondary to the end zone from 49 yards out.

"That play had been in the game plan," Hill said. "I just had to take it one read at a time. The tackle came down and hit Rod (Russell). It was daylight from there."

The Eagles scored off of three Rattler turnovers in the first period, the last coming off a Florida A&M fumble on a kick-off return. That fumble was caused by GSU safety Ryan Hadden. His teammate, James Dickerson, fell on the ball at the edge of the end zone. This gave the Eagles a 35-7 lead at the end

of the 1st quarter.

Florida A&M scored two touchdowns in the 2nd quarter off the arm of their senior quarterback Otteman Sampson. This cut GSU's lead to 42-21 at the half.

In the 2nd half, the Rattlers continued to claw their way back into the game. Sampson's one yard quarterback sneak brought made the game 45-37 with 7:42 left in the game. But Hill's 26 yard TD romp down the middle of the field iced it for the Eagles.

GSU's option attack steamrolled their way to an amazing 416 yards rushing. The Eagles passed for 66 more yards, leaving their total offensive output at 482 yards.

Hill carried the ball 26 times for a total of 238 yards and scored four touchdowns. Russell contributed a TD of his own to go with his 131 yards off 32 carries.



Photo: Hans Knoepfel

Greg Hill scrambles away from a FAMU defender in high scoring first round victory for the Eagles in 1997 Playoffs.

VMI Keydets edge Eagles in double-OT thriller at Fieldhouse

By Lee Guarnella
Sports Editor

It took them two overtimes to do it, but the VMI Keydets overtook GSU 76 to 73 in a scorching that came down to the last shot.

"I feel as a team we played very hard," GSU forward Cedric McGinnis said. "VMI is a real good team, they came in and played hard and scrappy. They beat a couple of big teams and I give them a lot of credit."

Cedric started the scoring for GSU in the first with two consecutive 3-pointers and a blocked shot. Cedric's hard play was complemented by Quincy Wright's excellent performance off the bench in the first half.

"I think I could have done better on the defensive end and rebounding, but overall, I feel like I played a pretty good game," Wright said afterwards.

Quincy gave a much needed spark to the GSU offense in the first quarter and went into the half with 13 points and two rebounds.

GSU looked as though they were in control of the first half when they led



A last second basket by GSU's Fernando Daniel sent the game into a second overtime where the Keydets went on to win 76-73

File Photo

VMI 37-27 with 3:39 left.

VMI was not done scoring however. The Keydets would go on a 9-2 run to close out the first half with the score 39-36.

GSU didn't have the control in the second half as they did in the first.

VMI kept the game tight taking advantage of opportunities inside the paint and making six of six free throws.

GSU was ahead by as much as seven at one point but VMI could not be held down. An eleven to three run towards the end of

the second half kept VMI in the game.

Starting guard Quentin Martin scored the last three points for GSU in the second half and the game was sent into overtime when Martin missed a potential game winning three pointer with three seconds left.

In the first overtime, VMI went ahead by five only to see GSU fight back at the last second to tie the game at 70 with a last attempt shot by guard Fernando Daniel.

The second overtime looked very much like the first with VMI going ahead early, but GSU did keep it close. The game ended when Quentin Martin missed two crucial free throws that would have put the game within reach.

"We were ready physically. I don't think the physical part wore us down because we practiced all week for it," Martin said.

Coach Polinsky pointed out the missed opportunities after the game.

"We didn't step up and make some key free throws or some open shots that we had. VMI came up with some big blocked shots and overall you got to give them (VMI) credit, they made a few more big plays than we did," Coach Polinsky said.

Bench play helps Lady Eagles drop UTC

By Jamie Hodges
Assistant Sports Editor

The GSU Lady Eagle basketball team exorcised its demons from last Friday's upset loss to Wofford by receiving a huge boost from their bench Monday night during their 67-54 win over the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga. GSU's bench outscored UTC's bench 26-16.

The supporting cast of reserve players were led by Tondra Warren, Amy Krach, and Heather Thomas.

The first half saw both teams seesaw back and forth, as neither team could build a substantial lead. Chattanooga (6-8, 1-3 SoCo) finally put some distance between themselves and GSU (6-7, 3-1 SoCo) at the intermission, taking a 36-29 halftime lead.

But the Lady Eagles remained composed in the second half, and kept the game close.

"Just when they (UTC) looked like they were going to make a good run, we answered it with key shots," head coach Rusty Cram said.

The Lady Eagle bench stepped up their play when most of the starters got into foul trouble. Cram was able to use a nine man rotation by getting quality min-

utes from both of his freshmen, Krach and Thomas.

Krach, a 6-1 guard best known for her outside shooting abilities, showed a new side of her game. She caused the Lady Mocs serious problems in the paint by scoring seven points and grabbing 11 rebounds. She also added a blocked shot.

"I feel like I'm helping our team better if I go down low and use my height to my advantage," Krach said. "I want to be able to go outside or inside."

Thomas only played five minutes but while she was in the game, her 6-4 height made the Lady Mocs think twice before driving down the lane.

"The bench had to be the difference tonight," Cram said. "I thought that Amy Krach did a good of a job as anybody. I thought Heather intimidated them (UTC) when they took the ball to the hole."

Chattanooga employed a 2-3 zone defense, attempting to shut down GSU's low post game, but the Lady Eagles were still able to get inside points.

"Their zone actually helped us," GSU forward Tondra Warren said. "We were able to get rebounds off missed shots and put them back in."

GSU came back and retook

the lead in the second half off a Mary Perry jumpshot from the far left corner.

Perry's basket put the Lady Eagles up 42-41 with 14:13 remaining in the game. After that, GSU went on a 14-4 run.

The run was highlighted by post up baskets by Warren, put back shots by Sharon Mitchell, and a three pointer by Krach.

Tori Durrett's driving jumper in the middle of the lane gave GSU a 54-45 lead with 6:06 left in regulation.

UT-Chattanooga never threatened again; they could never cut the lead down to less than seven. The victory was the Lady Eagles' first home conference win of the season.

Notebook

• GSU was upset by Wofford 79-72 Friday night at Hanner Fieldhouse.

• The Lady Eagles hosted two teams during the holiday break, Coastal Carolina and Georgia. GSU fell to then #13 ranked Lady Dogs 84-73 on Nov. 24. The Lady Eagles defeated Coastal Carolina 78-73 Dec. 17.

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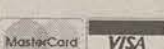
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STRAIGHT UP

By KAREN ABBOTT

No Need for the Back-to-School Blues

Welcome back GSU faculty and students. I hope everyone had an exciting and safe break.

Let me introduce myself, I am Karen Abbott, the new Features and Arts and Entertainment editor. For those who have not read my previous articles, I hope to entertain you.

Now, I know most of you are not ready to wake up early for class, hit the books, or deal with the long lines at the bookstore. So to make the transition from winter break and back to school a little easier, there are plenty of events to attend this week.

If you are planning to start the week off at Buffalo's, performing tonight is J. Chronicle. Friday Ron Chambers and Bobby Rhodes of The Drunks will be dazzling the crowd as always. On Saturday, check out the sounds of Shannon Tanner with "Good Time" Jimmy Cline and the "Big Boys" behind the bar. On Monday, get the wheels turning in that head of yours and join David Popkin for Live Trivia starting at 10:00 p.m. with \$1.50 Big Mug refills. Tuesday, of course, is Bash Night. All you can eat wings for \$7.95. And the boys at Buffalo's are starting something new for all you sports fans. There will be an All Sports Trivia Night hosted by Todd "the Hottie Toddie." Wambold also starts at 10:00 p.m. And on Wednesday come out and join the madness of Karaoke Night with Dancin' Dave. Go out and support my favorite boys in the 'Boro.

Starring tonight at the Woodin Nikel is Stewart and Winfield. The acoustic "dynamic duo" Jamey and David of Woods and Cone will be strumming on Friday night. On Saturday night, the guys at the Nikel will be introducing a new Disco/Retro Night with DJ Scoobie spinning all your favorite disco hits. So go on out there and shake your money maker. On Monday, Dueling Pianos will be going head to head providing a guaranteed good time. Tuesday night is \$2 Burger Night. And Wednesday night is Ladies Night with Tumbling Dice. So ladies get out there and check out the great drink specials TJ and Scoobie have for you.

Tonight at Legend's will be the grand opening of Fat Tuesday's Daiquiri Bar and dancing with DJ Scoobie. Live from Legend's on Friday night will be Swinging Medallions.

Friday at Blind Willie's is Erok and Redhouse. On Wednesday, check out SMO.

Tonight at the Mellow Mushroom, the guys from Sigma Nu, Sawmill Road, will be playing.

Woods and Cone will be playing tonight at Dingus Magees'. Chris and Brent will be playing Friday.

So for all you social butterflies, there is plenty going on this week in the 'Boro. Remember, this is the first week back at school so be careful, have fun, and don't drink and drive.

Be sure to tune in next week to find out what's "Straight Up" in the 'Boro.

The Acoustic 'Dynamic Duo'



Jamey and David of Woods and Cone play all your favorites from Billy Joel to Pearl Jam tonight at Dingus Magees'.

File Photo

'Titanic' surges ahead at box office

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — "Titanic" continued to plow ahead at the box office, finishing on top of the weekend box-office charts by a wide margin.

The disaster epic enjoyed its best day yet — 15 days after it opened — taking in an estimated \$12.7 million. During the first weekend of the new year it earned \$33.3 million.

The movie has grossed \$157.5 million to date and could end up netting more than \$250 million.

Following are the top five movies at North American theaters, with studio, gross, number of theater locations, receipts per location, total gross and number of weeks in release, as compiled by Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc. and Entertainment Data.

1. "Titanic," Paramount, \$33.3 million, 2,727 locations, \$12,217 average, \$157.5 million, three weeks.
2. "Tomorrow Never Dies," MGM, \$13.8 million, 2,807 locations, \$4,916 average, \$92.4 million, three weeks.
3. "As Good As It Gets," Tristar, \$12.2

million, 1,579 locations, \$7,738 average, \$40.7 million, two weeks.

4. "MouseHunt," DreamWorks, \$8.4 million, 2,213 locations, \$3,804 average, \$40 million, three weeks.

5. "Scream 2," Miramax, \$7.28 million, 2,688 locations, \$2,710 average, \$85.5 million, four weeks.

Southern Explosion: 'We're going to Disney World'



Special Photo

Pictured L to R: Back Row - Amy Herring, Christian Griffith, Shante Clark, Ashley Jones, Amber Toole, Lindsay Sowder. Middle - Delores Bennefield, Lisa Harrison, Tamira Swanson. Front - Nina Rodriguez, Sara Williams, Mistye Momon, Tiffany Minnis. Not Pictured - Lorimer Gentry

The music is pumping, and the girls are dancing. Southern Explosion is all about attitude.

The fourteen girls are preparing for the National Dance Competition in January at Disney World in Orlando, Florida.

The nationally televised event will take place January 8-10 on ESPN.

Lisa Harrison and Tiffany Minnis, Southern Explosion Dance Captains, agreed the "competition will be tough." This year there will be twenty to twenty-five teams competing for the title.

The team, choreographed by David Van Tassell, practiced eight hours a day over the holidays.

Also, they can be seen performing at the men and women's basketball games.

The team's two minute routine is full of face plants, fast twist, and lots of body momentum.

David Van Tassell's choreography moves the girls to up beat music of the nineties. As the dance counts are called out, straight lines and legs could lead the girls of Southern Explosion to earn a National Title.

Searching for your soulmate?

Union Productions welcomes Ellen Gootblatt, the relationship speaker, on Jan. 12 at 7:00 p.m. in the Union Ballroom. The title of her lecture is "Meeting, Dating and Mating," 250 questions to ask before going further in a relationship. Admission is free and there will be refreshments provided.

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Film noir makes comeback with 'L.A. Confidential'

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — "L.A. Confidential" was named the best movie of the year by the National Society of Film Critics.

Curtis Hanson, director of the dark thriller about corrupt cops in the 1950s, was honored as best direct by the group of critics from 48 newspapers and magazines.

"Kundun," director Martin Scorsese's drama about the early years of the Dalai Lama, was honored for best cinematography.

"La Promesse," a Belgian tale of a rebellious 15-year-old boy, was also nominated for best foreign language film.

Several other groups, including the New York Film Critics Circle and the Los Angeles Film Critics Association, have cited "L.A. Confidential," which stars Kevin Spacey and Kim Basinger.

LOS ANGELES — Frank Sinatra will be honored with a special American Music Award.

The Award of Merit, announced Monday, recognizes "outstanding contributions to the musical entertainment of the American public."

Sinatra, 82, hasn't been seen in public since a heart attack a year ago.

It wasn't known if he will attend the Jan. 26 awards show on ABC, spokeswoman Susan Reynolds said.

Among past recipients are Elvis Presley, Ella Fitzgerald and Michael Jackson.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — "Hee

Haw" regular Grandpa Jones was in a hospitalized after falling ill at the Grand Ole Opry House.

The banjo-playing 84-year-old felt dizzy after his second show and was taken to the hospital by ambulance.

Baptist Hospital said Jones was in stable condition in the intensive care unit.

The hospital gave no further details.

"They've done some tests and I'm sure they will be keeping him in Baptist for a few days anyway. Hopefully, he'll bounce back," Opry House manager Jerry Strobel said.

NEW YORK — George Segal doesn't want to hear the word "hit."

"Don't say we're a hit," the star of NBC's "Just Shoot Me" said in *New York Times*. "We'll see what happens later with this, because the pitfalls in this are so incredible. You can't trust anything in any of this, so you just live for the day."

After a string of movie roles in the 1970s, Segal largely disappeared from public view around 1980 for the next decade and a half.

He appeared in a series of forgettable features and two short-lived TV series.

Now, he's as visible as ever with a show that has built a solid fan base.

"I'm like a cork in the water, aren't I?" Segal said. "I keep bobbing up in all sorts of places, although I never know in advance where or when."

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-- Josh Billings

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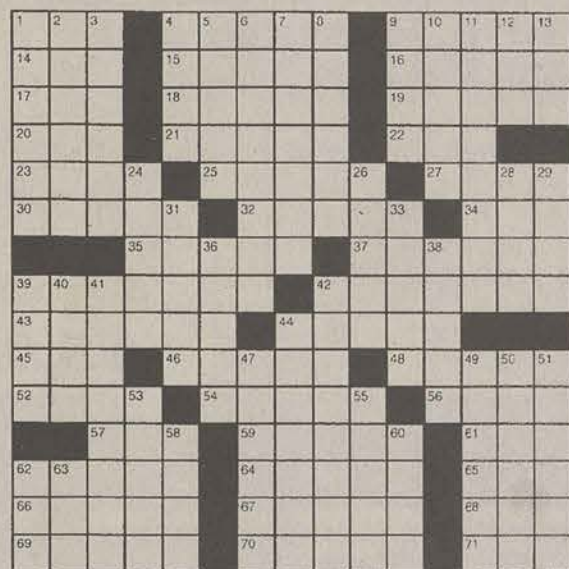
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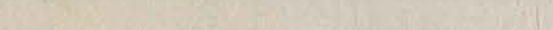
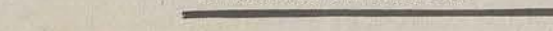
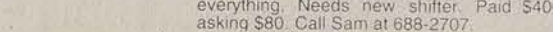
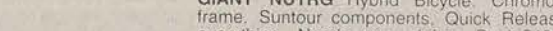
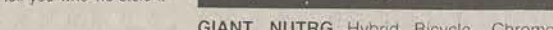
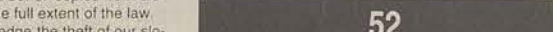
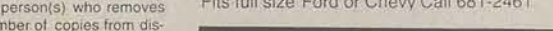
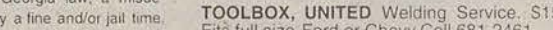
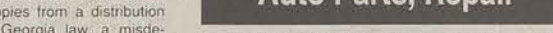
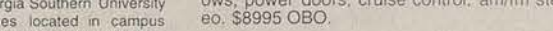
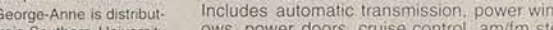
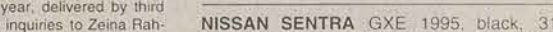
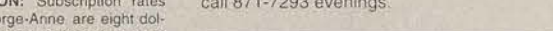
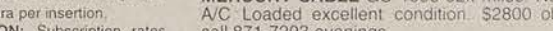
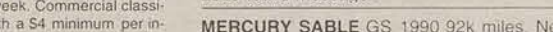
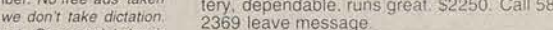
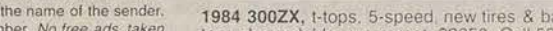
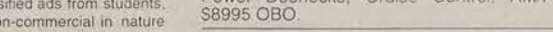
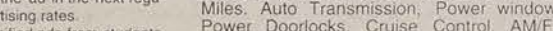
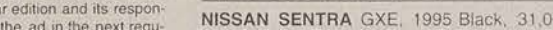
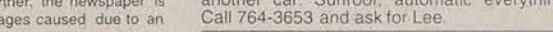
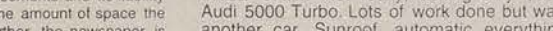
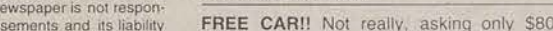
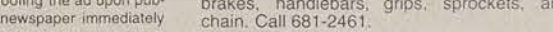
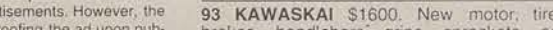
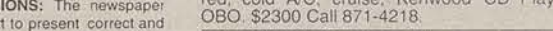
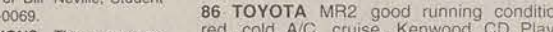
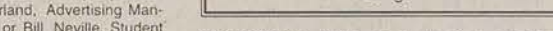
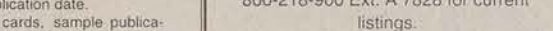
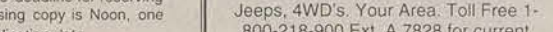
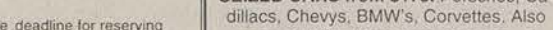
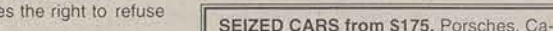
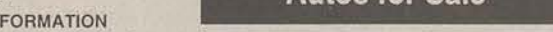
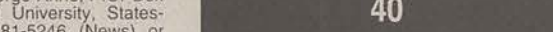
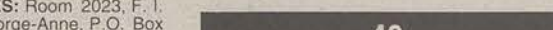
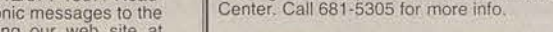
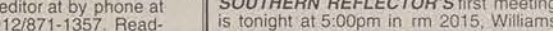
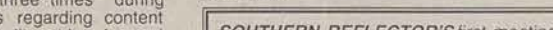
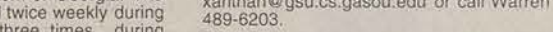
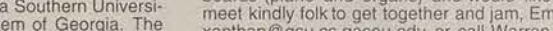
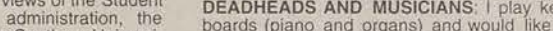
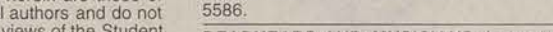
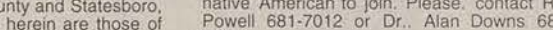
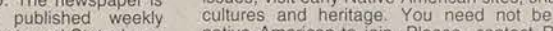
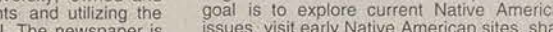
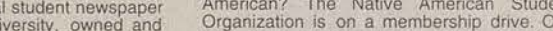
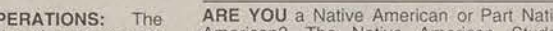
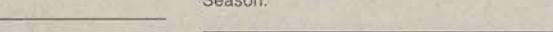
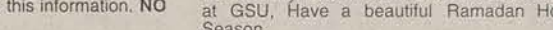
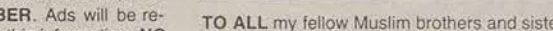
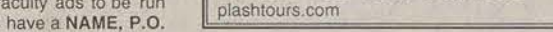
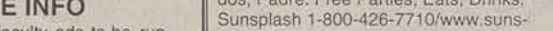
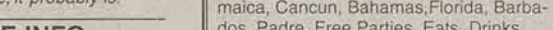
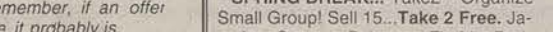
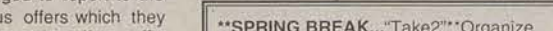
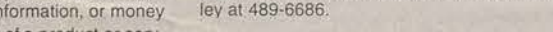
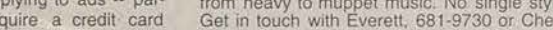
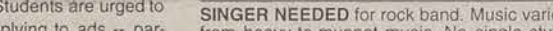
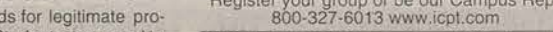
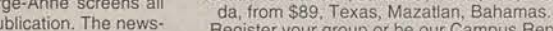
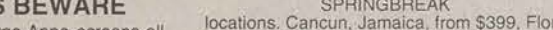
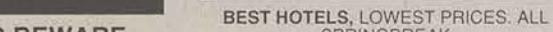
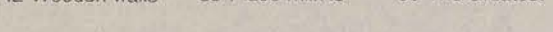
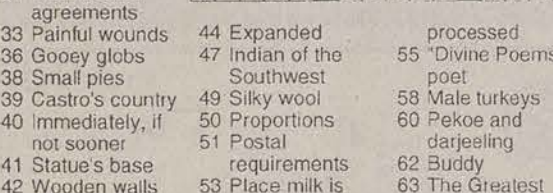
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