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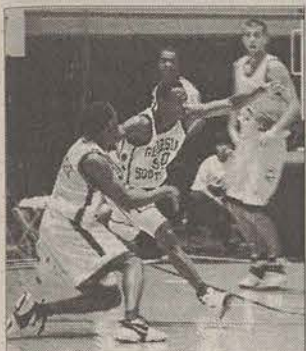
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Sports



'Never say die'

The Eagles ended a three-game losing streak and kept their postseason hopes alive Monday night by beating the UTC Moccasins, 81-68.

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Features

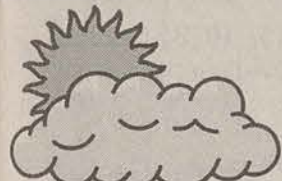
SPHERE

Movie review

G-A movie reviewer Eric Bray says "Sphere" is "riddled with inconsistencies and imperfections."

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Weather



Today: Partly cloudy with a high in the upper 60s and a low in the mid-40s.

Friday: Showers and sun with a high in the mid-60s and a low in the mid-50s.

Today's Word

oikonusis (oiKONisus)
n. an urge to start a family.

Source: Weird Words

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Does race play a role?

Students question police responses to parties

By Josh Nunez
Guest Writer

A large majority of black students at GSU and nearly half of white students surveyed believe that local law enforcement agencies are more likely to over-react to black social gatherings than to similar white gatherings.

The findings result from a race relations survey conducted in November on the GSU campus.

Eighty-six percent of black students

tude exists among students, they feel that black and white students are treated the same way by law enforcement agencies.

"We are just there to preserve order, not that any group is going to get out of hand any more than anyone else," said Capt. Mike Russell of the GSU Division of Public Safety. "We don't normally ride around targeting groups of students. We respond to complaints, such as noise."

Russell also said that students may misconstrue the break-up of a random

"WE MAKE EVERY EFFORT THAT WE KNOW HOW TO ENSURE THAT EVERYONE IS TREATED ABSOLUTELY EQUALLY."

-- GSU PRESIDENT NICHOLAS HENRY

and 49 percent of white students agree that parties of predominately black GSU students are more likely to attract the attention of law enforcement agencies than similar gatherings of white students.

Reactions of both white and black students may stem from attitudes associated with Player's Ball, an annual gathering in Statesboro of African-American college students, which has drawn crowds as large as 10,000 people.

Complaints of property damages, congested street, illegal parking and loitering led police to step up security for the following year, and the presence of additional law enforcement may have contributed to complaints of discrimination by some students.

However, several local authorities, university officials and student leaders said that while they are aware that this atti-

gathering as discrimination.

"Any event that is sporadic in nature that has not been approved by the university and does not follow university guidelines will not be allowed to continue," Russell said.

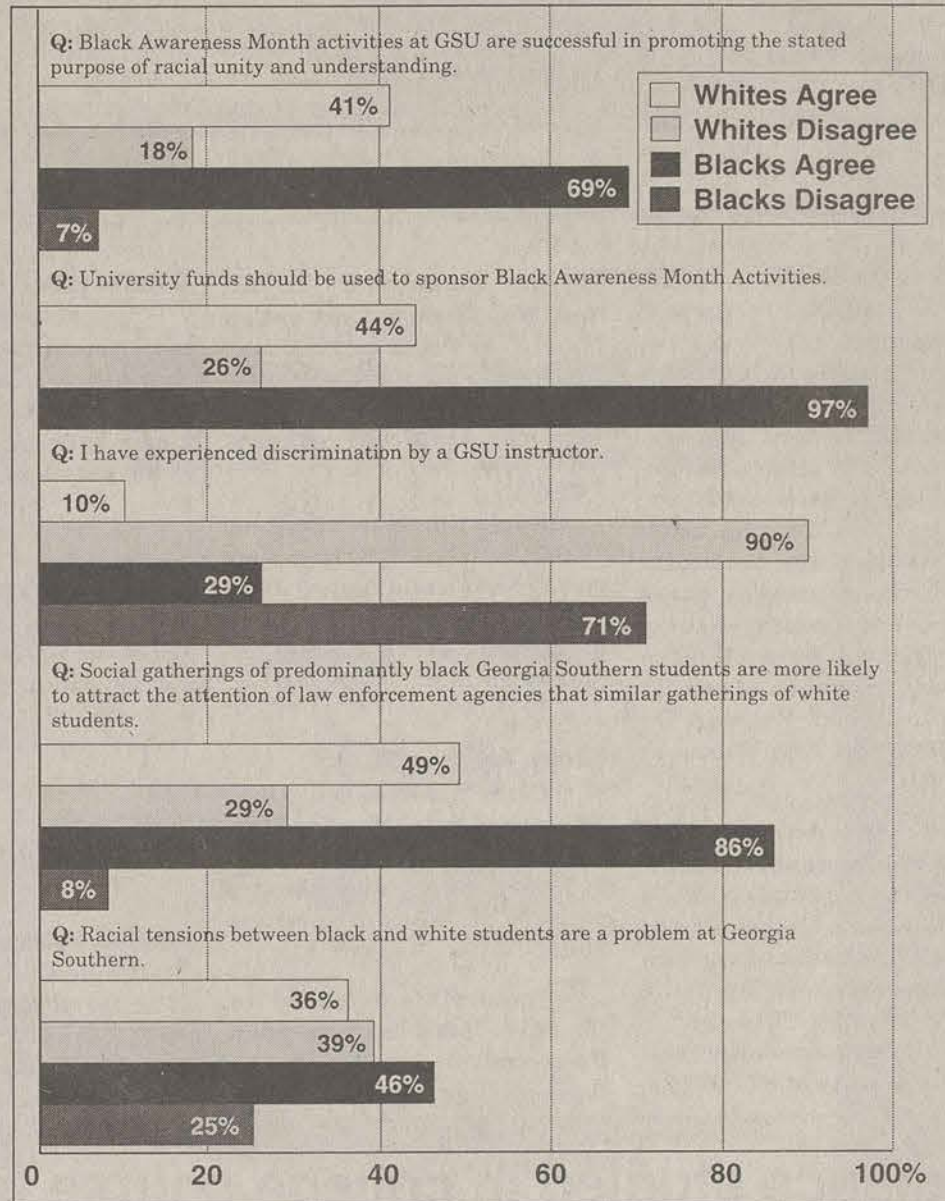
Russell said that any complaints about discrimination by campus police are thoroughly investigated.

GSU President Nicholas Henry said that although he realizes some students perceive that police are more likely to respond to black social gatherings, he believes that it is an unjustified perception.

"We keep a constant eye on it," Henry said of the accusations of discrimination. "We make every effort that we know how to ensure that everyone is treated absolutely equally."

Larry Taylor, the university's director
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Also among the survey findings ...



Carter named Alumnus-of-the-Year

By Kelley McGonnell
News Editor

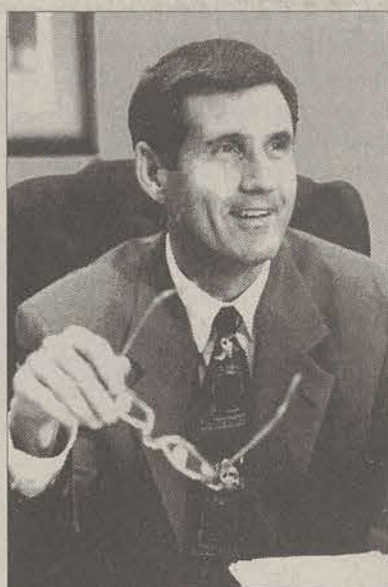
University Vice President of Academic Affairs and Provost Harry Carter received the Alumni Association's Alumnus-of-the-Year at a special awards dinner on Feb. 14.

Carter graduated in 1966 with a B.S. in mathematics from GSU and later earned his M.S. in management science from the U.S. International University and a doctorate in business administration from the University of Georgia.

Carter was nominated by Jimmy Childre of Sandersville, Ga., who worked with Carter on the College of Business Administration Advisory Committee.

"GSU has produced many distinguished alumni, but none whose professional achievements have had greater impact on the university's well-being, growth and reputation," Childre said in his nomination.

"I nominated him because he has given so unselfishly of himself to all the organizations he has been involved in," Childre said.



Harry Carter

"I think he won because all people who have known him in all the various capacities would say he is a friend who works with no personal agenda and concerned about solving problems."

Since returning to GSU in 1975, Carter has been everything from an assistant professor of management to the acting president of the university. The university curriculum has expanded

to include 27 new degrees and a doctoral program under Carter's leadership.

In addition, he works with an annual budget of \$53 million and supervises 660 faculty members and 300 staff.

Carter has been called on twice to fill in vacant positions. When Chuck Austin, vice president of academic affairs, left mid-term in 1982-83, Carter was asked to fill in. Again, when University President Dale Lick left in 1986, Carter became acting president until Nicholas Henry took over in 1987.

In 1987, Carter was presented the GSU Distinguished Alumni Award and was named the Math Department's Alumnus-of-the-Year in 1994. Twice during Carter's tenure, he was selected by students in a campus-wide "Professor-of-the-Year" survey as being in the top five percent of professors.

Carter was unavailable for comment as of press time.

— Most of the achievements listed in this article were obtained from Carter's Curriculum Vitae.

AMA to study 'binge drinking' on college campuses

The Associated Press

SAN DIEGO — With a four-year study taking place on at least six college campuses, the American Medical Association hopes to learn more about "binge drinking" and how to stop students from doing it, the group's president said last Saturday.

Dr. Percy Wootton, who was attending the California Medical Association's annual meeting in San Diego, said the study began in October and is being financed with an \$8.5 million grant from the Princeton, N.J.-based Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

The participating schools are: the University of Vermont, Lehigh University, the University of Delaware, Colorado University, the University of Iowa and the University of Wisconsin. More schools might sign up as the study proceeds, Wootton said.

"These universities were chosen primarily because the student leaders expressed an interest and willingness to study this problem," he said.

The study is being conducted in the wake of two highly publicized alcohol-related deaths of students at Louisiana State University and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology last summer and

fall.

In December, researchers at Cornell and Southern Illinois universities released a national survey that found that nearly three of every four fraternity leaders engage in binge drinking, consuming an average of 14 drinks per week.

"Binge drinking by definition is five drinks in a row in succession for men, four for women," explained Wootton.

Not only does it result in car accidents, it tends to lead to a disregard for safe sex and to poor grades, and has led to a number of deaths, he said.

While physicians make diagnoses for a lot of diseases that can't be prevented or treated, binge drinking is different, he said.

"Here is a national public health problem that can be prevented," Wootton said. "What the study is going to do is try to determine why there is binge drinking in the first place."

Each university will come up with its own plan for executing the study. Some have completed their plans and others are still working on them.

Wootton said he did not know when the first findings might be released.

Styrofoam use on campus stirs controversy

By Terra Traylor
Staff Writer

The concern about the excessive usage of styrofoam by GSU's food services continues to grieve many.

According to Tom Palfy, Director of Food Services, the use of styrofoam in Lakeside and Landrum was used to see if it would cut the cost of water usage, detergent, labor expenses, and electricity by not using the dishwasher.

"The use of styrofoam proved that it wouldn't save money because in the end the cost came out to be the same," Palfy said.

He said that at one time he was against the use of styrofoam, but now that he has done some studying up on the subject he realizes that it isn't as harmful as many people interpret it to be.

"Styrofoam does not use CFC's (Carbon Fluorides), it doesn't biodegrade, but it proves to be better than paper because paper can stay in the ground for 40-50 years without biodegrading, whereas styrofoam breaks into tiny pieces, it crushes easily, it is not the major problem in landfills," Palfy said.

"Many people have misconceptions about styrofoam, it will just take a long time to educate people to know that it isn't as bad as it used to be," he said.

Palfy said that there isn't a dish machine in Lakeside, therefore styrofoam is used. He said that permanent wear will be used in all of the facilities with dish machines, but where there aren't dish machines, the use of styrofoam will continue.

According to John Averett, Dept. Chair, Environmental issues, it is a good idea to shift away from styrofoam use because it is not an environmentally friendly product. He said that styrofoam doesn't decompose, but that it breaks up into fine particles which end up in bays and estuaries.

"I wish the University would use paper or reusable things instead of styrofoam," Averett said.

He also said that by trying to

get a system where people bring in their own cups to be refilled that might cut back on wasting paper or styrofoam.

"All places in the country are becoming aware of non-recyclable items and seem to be cutting back, helping the environment makes for a good business, and a good citizen," Averett said.

Averett suggests that students and faculty do something about the use of styrofoam on campus, and be aware of it. He recommends approaching food services and see if they are open to changes.

According to Pam Loring, a student at GSU, the use of styrofoam on campus, in general, is hazardous to the environment.

"I think the university should be a positive role model for the community, and how can it be if it blatantly pollute the earth like that," Loring said.

Loring has sent petitions out, she has spoken with many people around the university, and even the student government, but she said no one seems to be interested or concerned.

She said people don't realize the harm in using styrofoam and other hazardous items carelessly.

"Styrofoam takes up one-third of most landfills, it releases poisons into the atmosphere, and it is ecologically irresponsible," Loring said.

"The earth is falling apart as it is, the small things should also be paid attention to because they are just as harmful to the environment," she said.

According to Palfy, the use of styrofoam will continue because it proved to equal the same amount as using permanent wear, and in the end proves to be less hazardous than paper. Food Services is concerned both with saving money as well as saving the environment.

Comment cards are available in the Food Services Department to better understand what actions should be taken with the use of styrofoam on campus, along with other concerns.

POLICE BEAT

GSU Division of Public Safety

February 15, 1998

•Luther Woodall reported a payroll check was missing from the Hanner Fieldhouse.

•Amy Bashara reported a jacket and a rugby ball were missing from the M.C. Anderson rugby fields.

•Tonya Logan reported a jacket, a rugby ball and two hats were missing from the M.C. Anderson rugby fields.

February 14, 1998

•Shannon Dwayne Fields,

22, Lyons, was charged with DUI(results pending).

Statesboro Police Department

February 17, 1998

•Michael Hickey, 21, St. Simon's Island, was charged with possession of marijuana.

•Sebrina Walker, University Pointe, reported that her window was broken by wind and rain.

•Landrum Peeples, Park Place, reported that two tires on his vehicle had been punc-

tured.

February 16, 1998

•A resident of Pine Haven reported a domestic argument.

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Things to Do at GSU

Ongoing

• **A Night for Southern's STARS**, organized by the Public Relations Event Management class, will hold talent auditions on Feb. 24, from 6-8 p.m. at the Russell Union, rm. 2075. Students with any particular talent for music, comedy, dance or acting are encouraged to try out. Prizes will be given when the event is held on March 11 from 7 to 10 p.m. For more information, call Tom Wilson at 489-5661.

• **The 6th Annual GSU Sports Management Conference** will be held on Feb. 20-21 in the Southern Center. It will feature Mike Veeck along with six other speakers from the sports industry. The cost is \$45. For more information, call Larry McCarthy at 871-1552.

• **The 2nd Annual GSU Mr. and Ms. Fitness Contest** on March 3 at 7 p.m. in the Union Ballroom. For contestant information, call 681-5922.

Today

• Eagle Cinemas will show **"Kiss the Girls"** starring Morgan Freeman and Ashley Judd at 7 p.m. in the Union Theater as part of Black Awareness Month.

Friday, February 20

• Eagle Cinemas will show **"Kiss the Girls"** starring Morgan Freeman and Ashley Judd at 7 p.m. in the Union Theater as part of Black Awareness Month.

• There will be a rehearsal for the **Miss African-American Pageant** at 7 p.m. in the Russell Union Ballroom.

Saturday, February 21

• **The 9th Annual Miss African-American Pageant: A Tribute to our Mothers** will be held at 7 p.m. in the Russell Union Ballroom. Tickets are \$2 in advance and \$3 at the door.

Sunday, February 22

• Eagle Cinemas will show **"Kiss the Girls"** starring Morgan Freeman and Ashley Judd at 7 p.m. in the Russell Union Theater as part of Black Awareness Month.

Monday, February 23

• Eagle Cinemas will show **"The Devil's Advocate"** starring Keanu Reeves and Al Pacino at 7 p.m. in the Russell Union Theater.

COLLEGE NEWS

Romance studied in college course on love

By Ron Harris

The Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — With Valentine's Day upon them, college students at San Francisco State University took more copious notes than ever in PSY 305, otherwise known as "Psychology of Love."

The only course requirement is that you have a heart.

Taught by Dr. Martin Heinsteins, a developmental and clinical psychologist, the three-unit lecture course explores the dynamics of romantic and passionate love.

With Heinsteins' sage advice and personable style, the elective course offers timely information for psychology majors and the lovelorn alike.

With a watchful eye on his young students, Heinsteins warns against the pitfalls of hasty romantic love.

"Passion is something about what we don't have, rather than what we have," Heinsteins said. "That's a very primitive and extensive need of having someone. But when it's kind of a desperate situation, it can frequently lead to a bad choice."

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--DR. MARTIN HEINSTEIN, DEVELOPMENTAL AND CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGIST

Heinsteins' class of 150 students is about 80 percent female and 90 percent psychology majors.

"A lot of the students come from traditional and religious families, and that often comes into conflict with being thrown into an open sexual environment," he said.

Heinsteins' course helps many students cope with their new college environment as well as ana-

"I didn't expect it to be this personal," said Marissa Jimenez, a junior psychology major. "It turned out to be a big surprise."

Jimenez said the class has focused on the early, vibrant stages of romance. "I'm sure he'll get more into the miserable part," she said.

Heinsteins emphasizes patience and honesty as lofty romantic virtues for his younger students.

"Once they've had sex with a person, they often feel obligated to 'love' them," Heinsteins said.

He calls the early stages of romance "the toboggan ride."

Heinsteins is on his second marriage, which has lasted 33 years.

Heinsteins

stresses the importance of strong communication in relationships.

He also readily admits "the initial attraction I think is 80 percent physical."

Looking around his lecture hall classroom, Heinsteins cautioned against physical attraction as the main basis for falling in love.

"If I had the power to wave my hand and we would all see each other as we really are, we would all run screaming from the room," Heinsteins said.

plain how we get to the point of actually being in love," Sternberg said. "This book tries to do that by using an analogy we're all familiar with: a story."

The gist of Sternberg's theory is simple: Everyone has a story and all our stories are different, each shaped by our backgrounds, personal history, education and values. Our romantic happiness, he believes, rests on finding someone whose story best matches our own.

Sternberg gives all the stories names. In the "travel story," for example, an individual views love as a journey that two people take together.

lyzing personal relationships.

"We do focus a lot on the clinical aspects," says Pat Mori, a psychology major taking the course. "But, he doesn't just give the warm and fuzzy of it. He's more realistic."

Mrs. Mori will spend Valentine's Day catering to other cooing couples at Mike's Place, the restaurant she runs with her husband in Orinda.

"We'll have to figure out something later," Mori said of her own plans. "It's a busy night."

"The Triangle of Love."

In that book, the Hamden resident dissects this thing called love, reducing it to three component elements: intimacy, passion and commitment. His latest book has a more conversational style and is clearly directed at a popular audience.

Sternberg insists the book is not merely another pop psychology text, but a scientific treatise resulting from more than 200 interviews with people from a variety of backgrounds.

"The Triangle of Love" did a good job of explaining the different elements of a romantic relationship, but it really didn't ex-

College Board book provides college facts

By Gina Holland

The Associated Press

JACKSON, Miss. — Looking for statistics on enrollment, costs and graduation rates for Mississippi's public colleges? There's a new one-stop source.

The College Board has released a report that covers those categories, and more, showing trends over the years and regional comparisons as well.

At a glance you can learn which college spends the most on research, which has the most diverse student body and which is the cheapest.

"It's almost like a college almanac, having everything in one place," said Senate Universities Committee chairman Hillman Frazier, D-Jackson, who plans to keep the book in his briefcase. "We see exactly how our tax dollars are being spent and what's accomplished."

Among one of the more surprising statistics may be the increasing number of so-called "non-traditional" college students, those over age 25. That enrollment has increased nearly 17 percent over the past five years.

About one-fifth of the students are in that category. Alcorn State has the fewest older students, less than 11 percent, and Mississippi University for Women has the most, about 46 percent.

"That's a positive surprise. We really need to do a lot more work in our state on non-traditional enrollment," said Pam Meyer, spokeswoman for the College Board.

Said Frazier, "You have more mid-career people going back to college upgrading their skills and we have to have courses to meet their unique needs."

Meyer also said the state is doing better in graduation rates. The statewide rate is 42 percent, based on a study of entering freshmen from 1985-91.

The University of Mississippi had the highest graduate rate, about 50 percent, followed by Mississippi State, 49 percent and Delta State, nearly 47 percent.

Mississippi Valley, meanwhile, graduated 26 percent of the students in the study period, and Alcorn State and Jackson State graduated about 32 percent.

There are 62,243 students at the eight public colleges, including 49,043 Mississippians. A county-by-county breakdown shows just 28 of those are from Issaquena County while 5,360

are from Hinds County.

Other counties with more than 1,000 college students include Bolivar, Forrest, Harrison, Jackson, Lafayette, Lauderdale, Leflore, Lee, Lowndes, Madison, Oktibbeha, Rankin, Warren, and Washington.

Benton, Greene, Kemper, and Tunica counties all have less than

be about \$49,400. Faculty at Mississippi Valley earn the least, expected to average about \$35,600 this year.

—The overall average salary of staff at the eight universities is \$45,861, \$5,000 less than the Southeastern region.

—About 64 percent of college students are white and 34 percent are black. Women make up more than 58 percent of college enrollment.

—The state is spending a smaller amount of its budget on universities than in past years. The 1998 figure is 15.36 percent, compared to 18.31 percent in 1984.

Spending on total education, including public schools and community colleges, has remained steady, however. It was 61.34 percent in 1984 and 61.64 percent this year.

—Mississippi University for Women has the lowest tab for tuition and mandatory fees, which total \$2,284 annually, followed by Delta State and Mississippi Valley, both at about \$2,353. Mississippi State and Ole Miss charge \$2,731.

—Mississippi State University is spending \$89.7 million for research and the University of Mississippi Medical Center research bill is nearly \$68 million.

Mississippi Valley State has no money specifically earmarked in its budget for research, and MUW's budget is \$8,000.

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--HILLMAN FRAZIER, SENATE UNIVERSITIES COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

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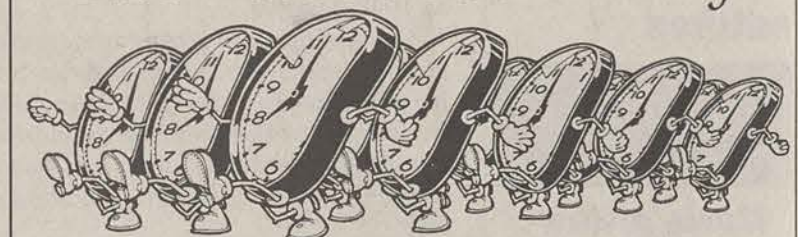
The College Board prepares the report each year and supplies copies to lawmakers and others.

"There's a lot of support in this document, we believe, for what the state is doing in its spending," Meyer said. "These are often asked questions by the various constituencies...it's part of telling our story."

Here's some other facts:

—Ole Miss and the University of Southern Mississippi pay their faculty the most. The average salary for both this year will

This Week in GSU History



One year ago, on Feb. 18, 1997, it was reported that the numbers of men joining fraternities at GSU was down 10 percent.

Five years ago, on Feb. 18, 1993, it was reported that Dr. Fielding D. Russell, 85, had died at Bulloch Memorial Hospital from respiratory failure and complications from a stroke. He was a professor of English at GSU from 1932 until his retirement in 1975.

Twenty-five years ago, on Feb. 15, 1973, Georgia Southern College students went snow-beserk over six inches of snow that hit Statesboro.

Seventy years ago, on Feb. 18, 1928, the Georgia Normal College girls basketball team beat Pape School 34-26.

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COLLEGE NEWS

Students complain, pastors rally to help troubled Baptist college

The Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — With its largest contributor embroiled in scandal, the American Baptist College is finding grassroots financial support from a small

ville-based denomination is struggling with dwindling donations because of a scandal involving its president, the Rev. Henry J. Lyons of St. Petersburg, Fla.

dollars have rolled in. Twenty pastors held a news conference last week at the college to offer support.

"Regardless of the motives for the bad publicity, some good has come out of this with some people recognizing our need for support," Lafayette told *The Tampa Tribune*.

"That's the redeeming factor." The school was cited by the Metro Nashville Fire Marshall for more than a dozen violations after students complained.

The third floor of the dormitory has been closed since a fire in November. Lafayette said repair work could not begin until

work was completed by insurance adjusters.

Lafayette has said an estimated \$200,000 is needed to bring the dorm's plumbing and electricity "up to modern standards."

The Rev. John Flakes, chairman of the board of trustees, said the repair estimate was closer to \$1 million.

Students have complained Lafayette has threatened disciplinary measures if they speak with reporters.

"I would be the last person to tell the students not to talk to the media," Lafayette said. "I admire their spirit of protest. We just need to know what's going on. Let's just follow the procedure."

But, he continued: "If they (students) put out some false information about this college, they will come before the disciplinary council."

The National Baptist Convention is the country's largest black denomination. Many of the nation's black ministers and church leaders are trained at the college.

"If THEY (STUDENTS) PUT OUT SOME FALSE INFORMATION ABOUT THIS COLLEGE, THEY WILL COME BEFORE THE DISCIPLINARY COUNCIL."

— BERNARD LAFAYETTE, PRESIDENT

but growing flock of pastors throughout the country.

More than 30 pastors either have sent checks or pledged to do so in the wake of students' complaints earlier this month about substandard living conditions at the small Nashville seminary, said school president Bernard Lafayette.

The National Baptist Convention USA Inc., is the school's largest supporter but has given no money to the college since October.

The 8 million-member Nash-

Lyons is the subject of state and federal criminal investigations.

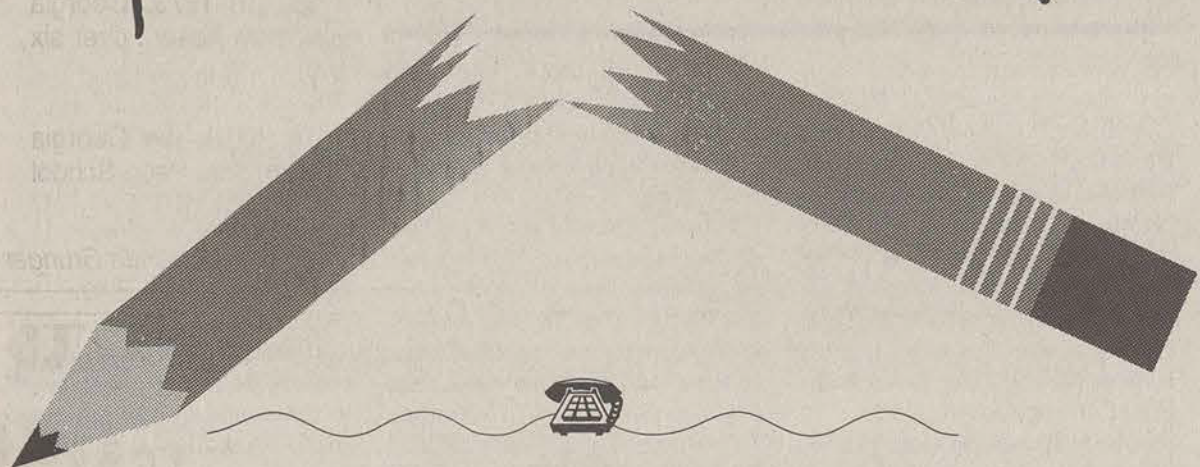
He's been accused of misusing church funds raised in the name of the convention's colleges, seminaries and the \$10 million World Baptist Center adjacent to American Baptist College.

Before the troubles began in July, the college got \$50,000 a month from the convention, Lafayette said.

Following reports earlier this month of poor dormitory conditions, promises of thousands of

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Survey shows GSU students in 'harmony and discord' with campus race relations

Molly Martin, the student government president of Guilford College in Greensboro, N.C., happily announced her plans to run for re-election. But it didn't take long for her happiness to fade.

Hate fliers appeared on campus, and a letter to the school paper criticized Martin. Why? Because she has included a black woman on her ticket. The fliers urged other students not to vote for Martin unless they wanted an "all-black senate."

Then, the hate turned even uglier. Martin was found last Wednesday night after she had been attacked and knocked unconscious. Her assailants had unbuttoned her blouse and had written a racial epithet across her chest.

What decade is this? This seems like a scene from the 1950s, not the 1990s. We like to think that race relations in this country are improving, and for the most part, they are. But stories such as these show us that we still have a long way to go.

While we fortunately do not have incidents as ugly and hateful as this one happening on our own campus, we have by no means reached a utopia, or perfect harmony, when it comes to race relations.

A recent survey of GSU students reveals both harmony and discord. While the majority of both black and white students tend to agree that an African-American history course should be an option in the GSU core curriculum, only 16 percent of white students as opposed to 69 percent of black students believe that such a course should be required.

Many students, both black and white, believe that Black Awareness Month activities at GSU are successful in promoting the stated purpose of racial unity and understanding, but 26 percent of the white students surveyed believe university funds should not continue to sponsor Black Awareness Month activities. None of the black students surveyed wanted the university to discontinue funding of Black Awareness Month.

The point of most disagreement came when students were asked if they believed that social gatherings of predominantly black GSU students are more likely to attract the attention of law enforcement agencies than similar gatherings. Forty-nine percent of white students agreed with this statement, while nearly 90 percent of black students agreed.

What do these results tell us? One thing they say is that black and white students tend to see our campus and this world differently.

Can these differences ever be resolved? We don't know, but at least we realize there are differences. In the survey, 35 percent of white students and 46 percent of black students agreed that racial tensions between black and white students are a problem at GSU.

The first step to solving a problem is recognizing that it exists.

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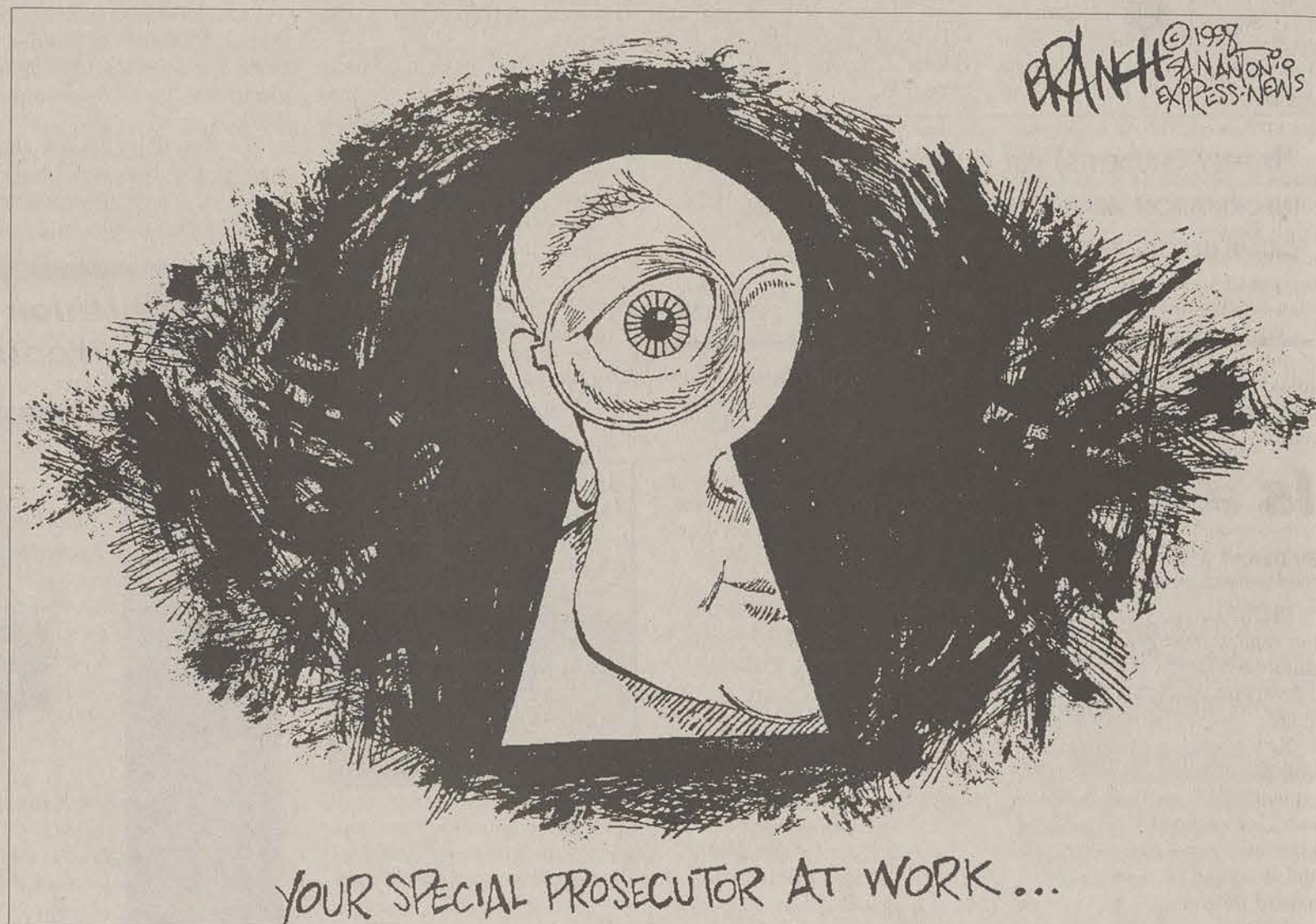
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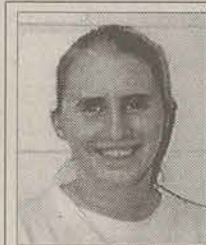


Saddam or Monica, where should priorities lie?

Our country is once again on the verge of war. Troops from across the country are headed to the hot sands of the Middle East to take a stand against a nemesis that just won't go away. Over seven years ago, we were faced with the same dilemma, the same nemesis, and America responded with determination and strength.

I can remember the instant I heard about the launching of Operation Desert Storm; it is a memory that I will carry with me for a lifetime. I will also remember the way the entire country seemed to come together for the sake of the troops. In my high school, selling yellow ribbons and large rallies took the place of classroom learning. CNN took the place of the teacher. After all, this was the most important thing that had happened to the United States in my lifetime. Now as our troops prepare for the inevitable "showdown in the sand," there is a conflict brewing in this country that could spell disaster for the men and women serving in the Persian Gulf.

Currently, our country is in the midst of a controversy. Instead of debating over possible



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action in the Gulf, the public has been bombarded with stories of sexual liaisons in the White House. For the past month, ev-

tion, but the issue is not whether Clinton actually slept with Lewinsky. If Hillary is not worried about being married to a

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ery news program in this country has focused on Monica Lewinsky's alleged affair with President Clinton. The public has listened to stories of sordid telephone messages, long private meetings near the Oval Office, and semen stained dresses. Instead of worrying about the possibility of war, the news is more concerned with the private sex life of our president.

Okay, I concede that this issue does deserve some investiga-

tion, but the issue is not whether Clinton actually slept with Lewinsky. If Hillary is not worried about being married to a cheating husband, then the American public has no business scrutinizing their personal life. No, I don't approve of adultery, but face it folks, we knew Clinton did not have the highest degree of moral standards when we elected him. It was public knowledge that he had experimented with marijuana during college, and that he wasn't too eager to participate in Vietnam. Two words: Paula Jones. Need I say more? Did people actually

think that he would transform into a man of morals just because he moved to 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue?

I don't feel sympathy for Clinton. After all, if he did get himself into this legal mess it is his own fault. What I do feel is concern for the state of our country. On the verge of war, with many other countries not supporting our cause, the Commander-in Chief of our country has a serious conflict of interest. Instead of running the United States and working on foreign policy, Clinton has to worry about what piece of evidence will be leaked into the media to help tarnish his image.

But above all, many of us could care less what is happening with the Washington grand jury. When I look around me, I am more worried that in the next few weeks, one of my best friends may be risking his life in the midst of a wide-scale war than I am about the Starr versus Clinton soap opera. When our mothers, fathers, brothers, and sisters are traveling to a remote desert on the other side of the world and may never return, what do you think is the more important issue?

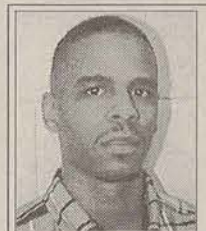
Wait a minute, we're not 'Homeboys in Outer Space'

With the much loved *Martin*, super funny *Fresh Prince of Bel Air*, and highly praised *Living Single* gone for good, African-Americans once again find ourselves left out in the cold with only a handful of quality television shows that appeal to us.

Most of today's shows that are targeted towards African-Americans, like *Homeboys in Outer Space* and *Good News*, are of poor quality and filled with such stereotypical "black behavior," that many African-Americans are not willing to watch them. For example, a recent episode of *Homeboys in Outer Space*, featured the two lead characters, Ty and Morris, as "space-age gangsters." The two characters were dressed in sagging jeans with bandannas tied to their head as they rode through space in their spaceship known as the "Hoopyty."

As a young, African-American male, seeing these types of images on TV disgrace me, as I feel that African-American males are being portrayed as non-educated "thugs."

In the latest survey I found on this issue, published in a 1994 *Journalism Quarterly*, found that in a test group of 315 white fourth, sixth and eighth graders in California and Michigan, 60 percent believed that blacks on television talked like



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real black people and 56 percent believed that black teenagers on television were realistic. Just under half of the test subjects believed that the portrayals of

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black men and women were accurate.

Mical Whitaker, an instructor of African-American Theater at Georgia Southern University said, "there are successful blacks on television such as Oprah Winfrey that do a great job of portraying African-Americans in a positive manner. Yet, there are still programs that portray blacks as having little intellect. I feel that blacks have come too far to have to settle for roles that portray them in negative fashions."

When FOX first burst on the scene, in the mid 1980's and 1990's, it used shows that centered on African-Americans in prominent roles to challenge the big three networks (ABC, NBC and CBS). Shows such as *21 Jumpstreet* and *Roc* proved to be successful for FOX because at the time the network was attracting 38 percent of black viewers.

With African-Americans accounting for such a large percent

of the TV audience, why not present more quality programming that caters to them?

"There are some unwritten rules about doing it. First, not many whites will watch a show on the black condition. Second, not many middle-class blacks are interested in watching shows on the black condition," Myron Jackson, a public relations executive in Atlanta, said.

If we must settle for comedies, let's settle for comedies that portray African-Americans under a positive light. Let's settle for shows like *The Parent Hood*, starring and produced by Robert Townsend where we get to see a successful black professor, who along with his wife, a law student, raises a family of four kids. Give us more of these type shows that do great jobs at portraying "black life" in a humorous manner.

The bottom line is that we need more African-Americans in executive positions to push for more quality African-American oriented shows.

Also, when a good show comes on that portrays African-Americans in a positive manner, watch it. Don't feel like you must restrict yourself to stereotypical shows like *Homeboys in Outer Space*. Or as it should be called *Star Trek* meets *Good Times*.

HEALTH NEWS

Specialist: Light cigarettes do little to reduce health risks

By Steve Karnowski
The Associated Press

ST. PAUL, Minn. — Low-tar and low-nicotine cigarettes do little to reduce a smoker's risk of dying of lung cancer and other smoking-related diseases, a cancer specialist testified.

Dr. Jonathan Samet of Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore told jurors in Minnesota's tobacco trial Thursday he reviewed a number of studies conducted over the past three decades to reach that conclusion.

"We certainly see no evidence of declining relative risks from smoking-caused diseases, and possibly some evidence of rising relative risks," Samet said.

Samet told jurors the studies showed that a smoker's risk of dying of lung cancer appeared to decrease about 20 percent in the early 1960s when smokers were switching from unfiltered to filtered cigarettes.

But he said the risk appeared to rise in the early to mid 1980s when smokers were switching to modern low-tar, low-nicotine cigarettes, which now make up about 80 percent of the market.

He said a smoker's risk of dying of other smoking-related illnesses, such as emphysema and heart disease, did not change much, if any, over the decades.

Outside the courthouse, tobacco attorney Peter Bleakley

said the defense would challenge Samet's assertions on cross-examination today.

"He will be forced to concede two things that are very important," Bleakley predicted. "One is that the data that are available show that there has been a substantial reduction in the incidence of lung cancer. Twenty percent is a huge reduction in the incidence of lung cancer, especially since low tar and nicotine cigarettes have only been on the market for about 20 years."

"The second point is that the lowest tar and nicotine cigarettes ... have only been on the market for the last few years, and there are no data yet to show what the

ultimate reduction will be," Bleakley said.

In contrast to the tobacco industry's official position, the doctor testified it has been established conclusively that smoking causes cancer of the lung and several other organs.

Samet said smoking-related cancers require costly treatment and often end in death. Other smoking-related illnesses — such as heart disease, emphysema and strokes — also require costly treatment, he said.

Smokers also have worse overall health and therefore use more

health care services than non-smokers and former smokers, he said.

The state and Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota are suing the tobacco industry to recover money spent treating smoking-related illnesses, plus punitive damages.

Samet, chairman of the epidemiology department at Johns Hopkins, covered some highly technical areas at length and in great detail, and some jurors and attorneys appeared to have difficulty staying alert.

But his testimony was an im-

portant part of the state's effort to lay a foundation for the economic model it used to calculate its \$1.77 billion damage claim.

The defense strongly objected to the economic model even before the trial began and is expected to attack it further as the trial goes forward.

Defendants include Philip Morris Inc., R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corp., British-American Tobacco Co. Ltd., Lorillard Tobacco Co. and The Tobacco Institute Inc. Liggett Group Inc. is a defendant of Blue Cross only.

Is a low-fat diet always best?

By Daniel Q. Haney
The Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — The often repeated advice that people should eat less fat and more carbohydrates is coming under challenge.

New research finds that cutting fat levels much below the typical Western diet probably won't lower the risk of heart disease for the majority of adults, and it might even increase the hazard for some.

On average, fat makes up 34 percent of the calories in the American diet. The American Heart Association suggests that 30 percent or less of calories should come from fat.

Nevertheless, "there is a movement toward even further fat restriction," said Dr. Ronald Krauss of the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory at the University of California.

He noted that many individuals, sometimes with the encouragement of doctors and other health professionals, believe that if a low-fat diet is good, an even lower fat one should be better still.

Krauss is head of the heart association's nutrition committee, which writes the organization's dietary guidelines. At a meeting Saturday of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, he presented new evidence of why very low fat diets may be good for some but bad for others.

Krauss noted that evidence in favor of lowering fat and replacing it with carbohydrates comes from studies that look at average cholesterol levels across large population groups.

"These fail to reflect the tremendous amount of individual variation," he said.

Just how someone's cholesterol level responds to diet depends, at least in part, on the genes that he or she inherits. Probably many genes are involved, and no one knows what they are.

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However, once these genes are identified, Krauss said it should be possible to tailor people's diets to match the needs of their genetic profiles.

One factor in all this appears to be the kind of low-density lipoprotein cholesterol, or LDL, that people produce. While LDL is generally known as the bad cholesterol, since it increases the risk of clogged arteries, it comes in two varieties.

By far the worse is what experts call small, dense LDL. Between 20 percent and 30 percent of adults make this kind of LDL. It is part of a syndrome that also often includes low levels of HDL, the protective good cholesterol, and high triglycerides, among other things.

Those with small, dense LDL have what's known as a pattern

B cholesterol profile. Their risk of heart disease is about three times higher than the majority of Americans, who have larger LDL and are considered to be pattern A.

Krauss put 105 men on a low-fat diet in which 24 percent of calories came from fat. This is close to what's typically achieved with AHA's more rigorous Step 2 diet, intended for those who have trouble lowering their cholesterol.

He found that men with pattern B cholesterol responded strongly to the low-fat diet, significantly improving their cholesterol levels. However, those with more normal pattern A showed little or no benefit.

Indeed, about 40 percent of them actually shifted from pattern A to pattern B. Their protective HDL dropped significantly, and they developed the small, dense LDL.

"This may give some caution to very low-fat diets in these individuals," said Krauss.

For now, doctors cannot easily determine whether their patients are pattern A or pattern B, although Krauss said such tests should soon be available.

Dr. Jan Breslow of Rockefeller University questioned whether the apparently damaging effects seen among the pattern A men on low-fat diets truly will put them at higher risk of heart trouble.

He noted that large population studies generally conclude that the less fat people eat, the lower their risk.

"This is a big raging debate," he said, that will require more research to settle.

Researcher: Men's brains shrink faster than women's

By Dee-Ann Durbin
The Associated Press

DETROIT — The hearing goes, the eyesight goes, memory goes. So does the brain itself — and a new study shows that it leaves faster for men than it does for women.

But how that affects how men or women think has yet to be determined, as tests show men and women perform similarly despite the difference in brain sizes.

Human brains reach their full size in adolescence and begin shrinking after age 20, but age-related shrinking is far more pronounced for men than women, according to a new study published in this month's Archives of Neurology.

As the brain shrinks, the amount of cerebrospinal fluid — a cushioning fluid between the brain and skull — increases. Be-

tween the ages of 65 and 95, men had a 30 percent increase in fluid; women, only one percent, the study found.

Much has yet to be learned, said Dr. C. Edward Coffey, a neuropsychiatrist at Henry Ford Behavioral Services who has been leading the study on brain aging for five years.

There is no evidence that brain size alone determines a person's ability to function, he said. Doctors aren't even sure exactly why the brain shrinks. But shrink it does as cells die, at about 10 percent per decade, he found.

In the study, Coffey used magnetic resonance imaging technology to measure the brain size of 330 healthy men and women. Excluded were people who had suffered strokes or any other form of damage to the brain.

Researchers noticed many different rates of shrinkage once

people reached their 60s, he said.

"Someone who's 65 might show a little, some might show a lot," Coffey said Wednesday.

"It's a lot like you see older folks behaving. You'll see someone who's sharp as a tack, another who can't find their car keys."

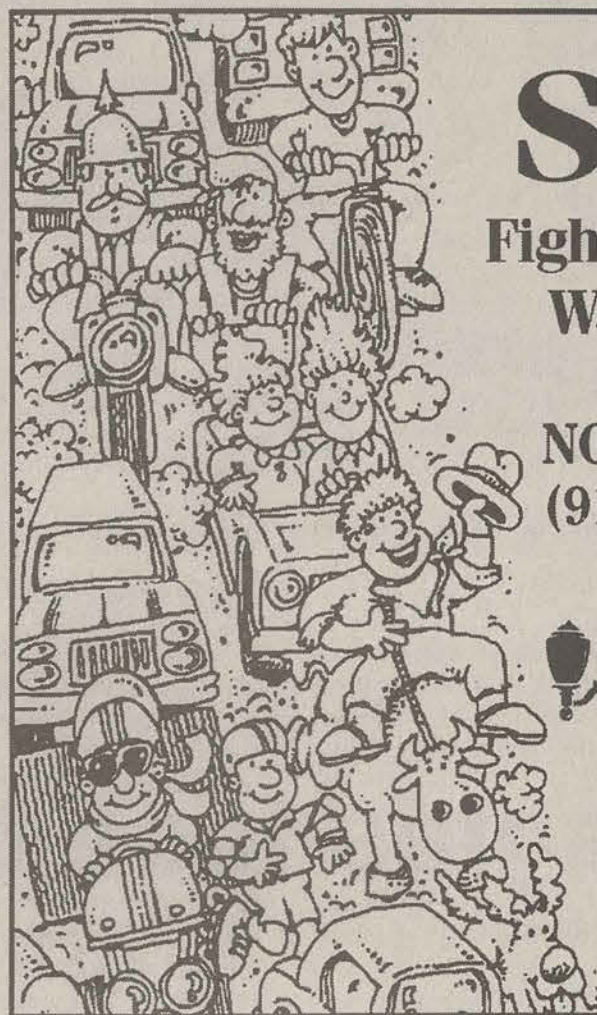
Other studies have shown men experience greater changes in the brain as they age than women do.

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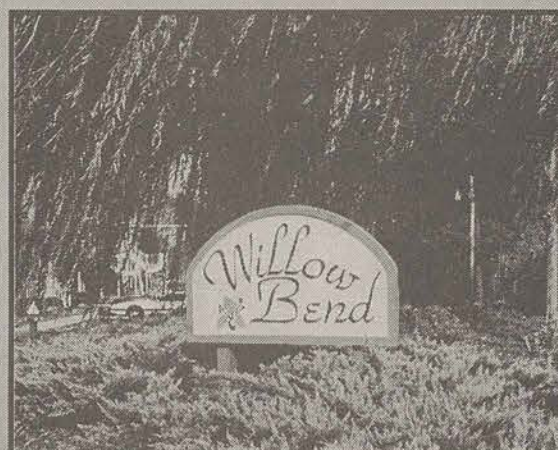
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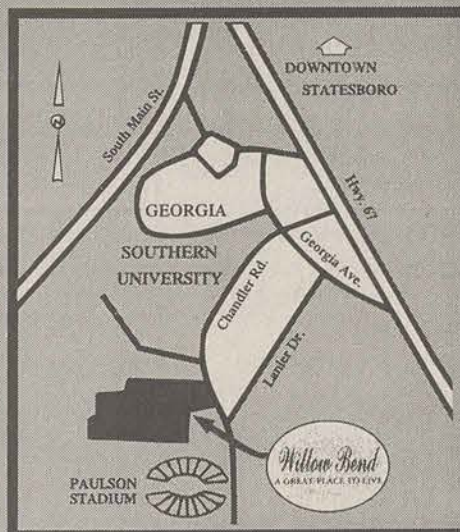
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Ladies and Gentlemen, Baseball is back!

Thank God baseball is coming back. The best part of the spring season is the return of America's sport.

Have any of you ever seen the movie "Sandlot?" That's how I spent my summers growing up as a kid. Me and my best friend Wes would play baseball during the day and watch baseball at night. We would even take all of the benches and chairs from around the pool to make a fence for a game of home run derby.

In 1990-91, Wes and I were going nuts as the Braves made their first run at the World Series. I remember how my heart broke as Kirby Puckett drove that ball over the center field fence and forced a game 7. After the end of the series, Wes and I won the championship for Atlanta in our minds as we played a quick game of baseball on my old Nintendo.

Baseball is a part of America's history. It has been the ultimate platform for competition in my opinion. What other sport in America is played more? Football you say? I don't think so. Football is played distinctly in America and a little bit in Europe. When most people of the world think of football, they think of soccer anyway.

Basketball is played often in other countries, but still not as much as baseball. Let me pose this question to you: What team do you think a person halfway across the world, let's say China or Japan, would recognize first? The Green Bay Packers or the Atlanta Braves, or the New York Knicks or the New York Yankees?

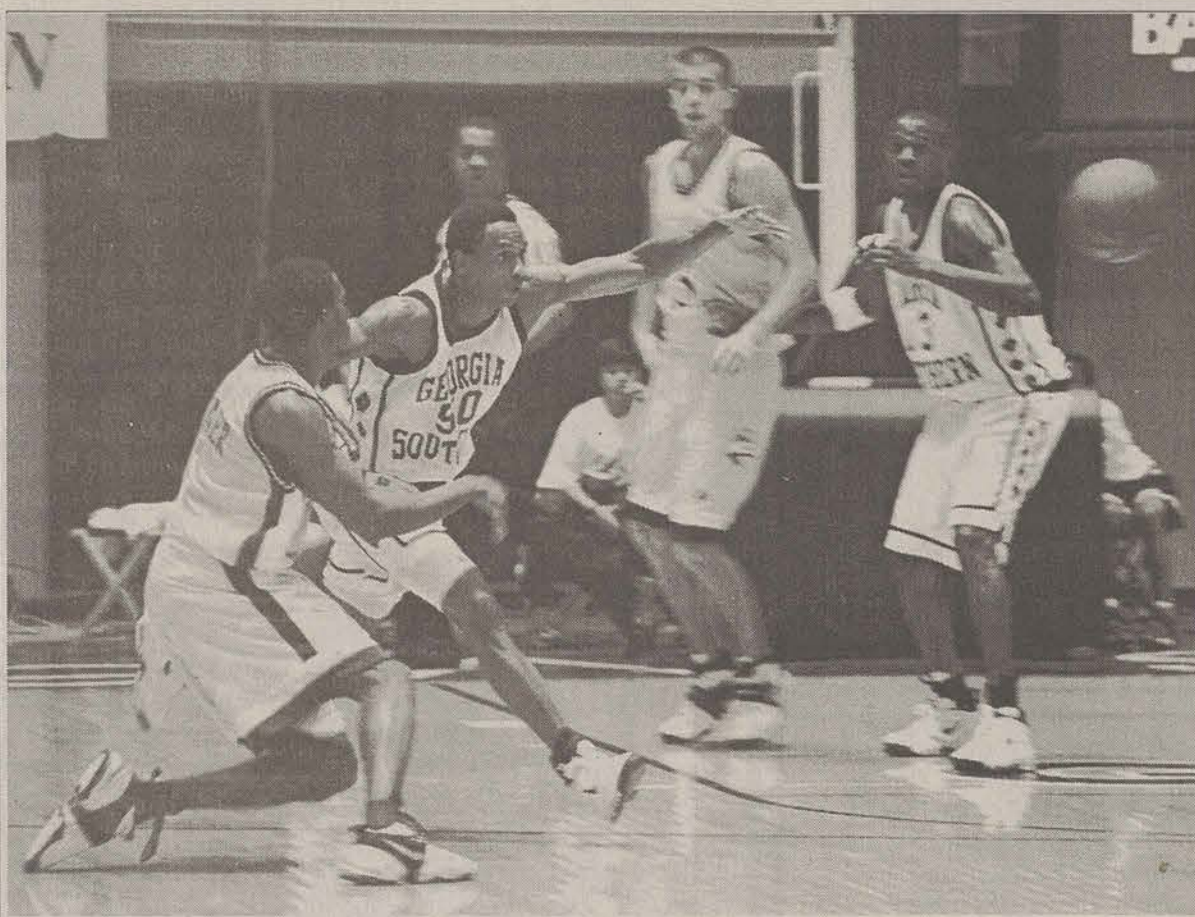
It's just a matter of fact. More people in the world love baseball over any other sport. Not to say that baseball is a better sport than any of the others, but look at the countries of the world who have baseball leagues or teams. I'm willing to bet that baseball is just as popular in South America and Central America as soccer is. Just check out the names in the lineup of any MLB team.

Other than it's popularity, it has been a major precedent setter for the integration of African American athletes. Willie Mays and Jackie Robinson weren't let into the Majors just because they were black, but because they could play some serious baseball. The sport was important to the recognition of the black athlete for all sports. I mean come on, can anyone imagine modern day baseball without Ken Griffey, Jr.?

Beyond race and popularity, it is an incredible sport. It demands total concentration, poise, and athleticism. When you go up to bat, it's just you and the pitcher standing 45 feet away. The odds are against you, the pressure is on. Either you deliver or you sit down. This is a true test of the many levels of athleticism for the batter!

Ultimately, it doesn't matter what sport you play as long as you respect the rules of the game and allow anyone who feels the same way you do to play. The game that I will watch, play, and support throughout my life and the world, however, is baseball.

Never say die Eagles find a win at UTC



File photo

Never say die: The Eagles kept their postseason hopes alive Monday night by beating UTC 81-68.

G-A Staff Reports

The GSU men's basketball team ended their three game losing streak in Chattanooga Monday night, surprising the

UT-Chattanooga Moccasins and knocking them off 81-68 in front of an audience of 5,195 at UTC's Roundhouse. The win gave GSU an overall record of 9-16.

"I thought we played smart; our defensive play was stellar," Coach Gregg Polinsky said. "Chattanooga has a good ball club."

GSU (9-16, 4-9 SoCon) defeated the Moccasins in Chattanooga.

GSU	81
UTC	68

nooga for the first time since their 82-70 win back on Jan. 5, 1980. Before the contest, Polinsky showed his team film tapes of the Wofford game and their previous matchup against UT-Chattanooga.

"We showed them the difference from when we beat Chattanooga at home (on Jan. 26) and after we lost to Wofford. I think the guys saw that (the difference)."

UTC (11-14, 7-7 SoCon) held an early advantage over the Eagles, 19-9, in the first half. But, then Elvardo Rolle caught on fire from behind the three-point line, and led GSU on a 18-6 run. The Eagles took a 34-29 lead into the locker room at halftime.

UTC came back in the second half, tying the game at 54 all on Moccasin guard Wes Moore's two free throws. But after that, GSU went on to score the next 14 points, and never looked back. Polinsky thought that his athletes finally came together as a

team.

"This is the way it should be," he said. "Coaches take responsibility for losses, but the players deserve the credit when we win. What we've got to do is understand to put the team agenda ahead of any personal agendas. Those who don't understand that have to sit."

The Eagles hit 13 of their last 14 free throws during the last three minutes of the game to put the Moccasins away for good. Overall, Polinsky was elated over the victory.

"I'm really pleased with our players. We made some key plays," he said. "I think we have the potential to play well against anybody in this league."

Rolle led the Eagles in their win, hitting five of his eight three-point attempts, to add to his total of 19 points. Arkee Thompson had a career night, lighting up the UTC defense with 17 of his own. Cedric McGinnis had 15 points and eight rebounds. Fernando Daniel added 12 points and eight assists.

The Eagles end their regular season on the road Saturday night against Davidson.

"Hopefully we'll move into the tournament with some momentum," Polinsky said.

Eagles lose third straight to Wofford

By Mike Gibbs
Staff Writer

It was Senior Day and it was supposed to be a nice going away present for senior Elvardo Rolle,

Wofford	60
GSU	57

but the Eagles (8-16, 3-9) closed their final regular season home game with a 60-57 loss to the Wofford Terriers last Saturday in Hanner Fieldhouse.

"Well, it's pretty disappointing," Head Coach Gregg Polinsky said. "Wofford came in and played a good game, but as a team playing at home we need to be able to win this game."

The Terriers (7-17, 4-9) hung around the Eagles long enough to make their impressive spurt to edge GSU.

"I thought that the game would be a tough game and, obviously we didn't shoot the ball particularly well," Polinsky said. "I thought we were much better defensively."

In the first half, GSU senior guard Elvardo Rolle quickly drained a three-pointer, giving them an early lead, 3-0. The Terriers would eventually lead

8-7 off of two made free throws by forward Alfred Forbes at the 13:22 mark. The motivated Eagles would make an 11-4 run to go up by six, 18-12, late in the first half.

"We just didn't have the attitude to go out there and play," said Rolle, who would play in his final home game in Hanner Fieldhouse. In the first half, Rolle went 3-for-6 from the field with nine points and finished with 12.

Wofford wouldn't let the Eagles gain all the momentum. They made a 9-3 run in the last minutes of the first half to go into the locker room tied, 26-26.

"We feel that we should win every game we play," Rolle said, who was honored before the game.

GSU was looking to come out on top against their competitive SoCon rival, but once again they couldn't hold off the Terriers in the second half. Wofford scored eight straight points giving them a commanding seven point lead, 40-33.

"We played a little smarter and we made a few adjustments according to their personnel," Polinsky said on his team's effort to climb back in the game.

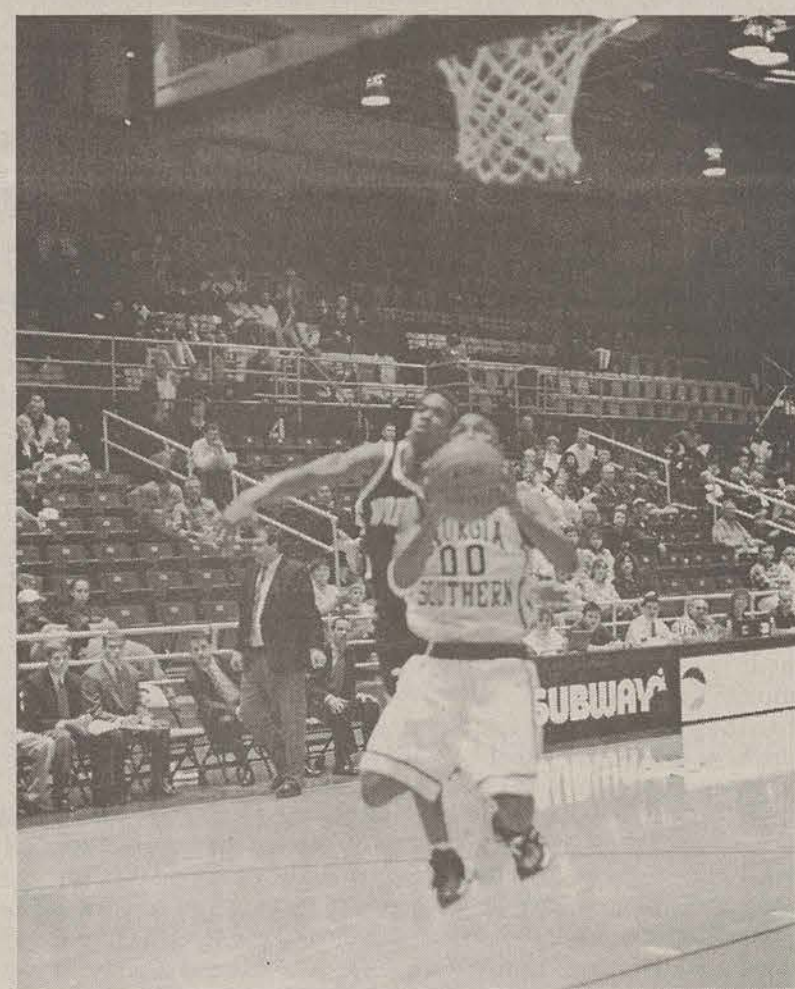
"But down the stretch again we have to make a stop or, either we need to make a play on offense, and we [didn't] execute."

The Eagles made a few plays to elevate their way back in the game going on a 12-4 run during the middle of the second half to go up 46-49. Forward Cedric McGinnis scored 12 points during this run to help put GSU in front.

"I think we played hard. We couldn't make the stops on the other end to put ourselves in position to win," McGinnis said, who connected on 8-for-8 from the free throw line and ended the game with 16 points, four rebounds, and two blocks.

Down the stretch the Eagles put in an all out effort but came up a little short handed when Wofford closed the gap and took the lead, 60-57 with a 10-4 run in the remaining minutes which decided the game. The Eagles had one last chance to put up a shot with :26 seconds remaining on the clock, but Rolle's shot would come up short.

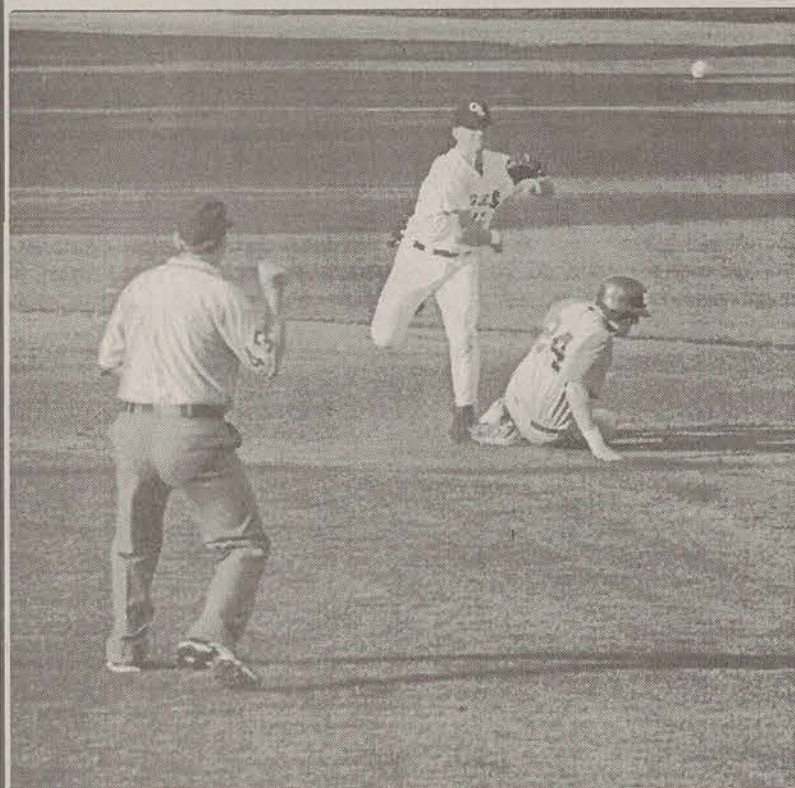
GSU will end their regular season at Davidson on Feb. 21 before the Southern Conference Tournament starts, which will be in Greensboro, N.C.



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Fernando Daniel looks to score a quick two points against Wofford last Saturday. The Eagles came close but couldn't maintain the lead as the Terriers defeated GSU, 60-57.

GSU Baseball will feature youth, leadership



File photo

GSU lost to Georgia Tech in the Eagles home season opener. The '98 Eagles are young and will feature 12 freshmen in the roster.

By Lee Guarnella
Sports Editor

If you were to ask Coach Jack Stallings what he thinks of the young team he has to skipper this year, he'll tell you that he has faith in them.

"We'll just have to see how quick they can get their feet on the ground," Stallings said.

The team is young this year, starting four to five freshmen a game, but what remains the same is the tough schedule the Eagles will play again this year.

Stallings emphasized the importance of a good start for the freshmen playing for him.

"It's always important to win for everyone, especially the freshmen," Stallings said. "For early success we have to emphasize for them to play hard every time and go out for the win."

"Western Carolina is always tough," Stallings said. "The Citadel will be very tough, they al-

ways have a good club. UNC-G will be the surprise of the SoCon and will be very tough as well."

Last season, the Eagles had an impressive run at the SoCon title going 34-26-0 and 18-6-0 versus the Southern Conference. GSU won the regular season championship but failed to win the SoCon title outright as Western Carolina claimed the Southern Conference title.

In order to win big this year, the Eagles will have to rely on the leadership of the seniors and juniors who have been a part of the team for the last couple of years.

Players like seniors Michael Holden and Clint Sauls and juniors John Durik and Steve Walson will have to show leadership on and off the field.

"Some of the important returning players are Clint Sauls who pitched well against Georgia Tech have shown good lead-

ership," Stallings said. "Michael Holden and Steve Walson have done well also."

After the Tech game, Holden had this to say about the young guys on the team and also summed up what was necessary for a successful season.

"We've got some young guys, and they will have to grow up fast," Holden said.

GSU seems to be off on the right foot for the season however, posting close scores to a tough Yellow Jacket team.

"We've been working hard since January," Stallings said. "We have had some good practices and good preseason practices and we've worked well."

Eventhough, the 1998 Eagles will showcase a younger squad, they still have an experienced coaching staff who is used to winning championships and will try to convey their winning ways to the new players.

CAMPUS NEWS

GSU athlete goes from gridiron to diamond



Ryan Hadden, who played football for the Eagles during their Southern Conference run, will hope to do the same with the GSU baseball team.

By Jamie Hodges
Assistant Sports Editor

The Eagle baseball team received a pleasant surprise this past January when football player Ryan Hadden joined the program. Hadden, a free safety for the GSU football team, was a three sport athlete at Metter High School. He was recruited by the GSU football program as a quarterback.

"I believe that I can give 100 percent to both sports," Hadden said. "I'll try to use the ability that God gave me to good cause."

If nothing else, Hadden will indeed provide the Eagle baseball squad a big boost in the speed department. Hadden runs a 4.58 in the 40 yard dash, placing him among the fastest five athletes on the football team.

The Eagle's Head Baseball Coach Jack Stallings said he is glad to have Hadden on his team.

"He does a lot of things right plus runs very well," he said.

Hadden was a pitcher on the Metter Tigers baseball team. He pitched a perfect game during his stellar career, and batted .400 during his junior year.

But Hadden achieved local fame as a premiere quarterback for the Tigers. He broke four

school records during his senior year at Metter, completing 143 of his 228 attempts for 2,055 yards while throwing for 20 touchdowns. He was selected as the 1995 Region 3-A Player-of-the-Year. Hadden threw for 900 yards during his junior year.

"I love both sports," Hadden said. "I haven't made a decision in which one to choose yet." Hadden is an outfielder for the GSU baseball team. He is currently one of the Eagle pinch hitters.

Hadden is still not sure rather he wants to keep playing two sports for GSU, or just choose one to stick with permanently.

"I may continue to do both," he said. "It's going to depend on how baseball goes."

Sunday afternoon, Hadden made his debut in a GSU Eagle baseball uniform. He came off the bench during the bottom of the ninth inning to face Georgia Tech pitcher Chuck Crowder. He struck out. But Hadden is determined to not get discouraged. "I'm just trying to take it one day at a time," he said.

Hadden also played basketball while at Metter. He earned two varsity letters in basketball.

GSU Men's Tennis defeats Georgia College in dual match, 4-3 at Hanner Courts Friday

GSU News Services

The GSU men's tennis team hosted Georgia College in a dual match at the Hanner Courts.

The Eagles pulled through in the end with their first victory, a 4-3 decision.

GSU improved to 1-2 while the Bulldogs dropped to 2-1.

At No.1 singles, GSU's Christian Singer defeated Sebastian Buijss 6-2, 6-3.

At No.2, the Bulldogs' Alan Smith defeated Ryan O'Keefe 4-6, 6-3, 6-2.

GSU came from behind to win the No.3 and No.4 spots with Eagle Florian Scheidat defeating Marcus Hedquist 3-6, 6-4, 6-1 and Eagle Kendall Swartz beating Jerome Lavoie 3-6, 6-4, 6-3.

At No.5 singles, Bulldog

Hean Francois Giguere defeated Fredrik Wilander 6-3, 6-2. GSU's Alex Franqui defeated Martin Sandberg 6-2, 6-4 at No.6 singles.

The Georgia College Bulldogs took two of the three doubles matches to win the point.

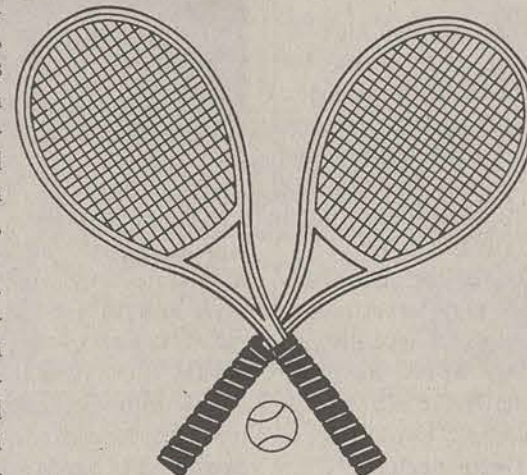
At No.1, Bulldogs Smith and

Niels Sigerdsson defeated Singer/Scheidat 8-2.

At No.2, Eagles O'Keefe and Franqui defeated Hedquist and Sandberg 8-3.

At No.3, Bulldogs Philippe Gagnon and Lavoie defeated Swartz and Cecilio Gibbs 8-5.

The men's and women's tennis teams will both be in action when they host Mercer on Tuesday, Feb.17, at 2 p.m. at the Hanner Courts.



WINTER OLYMPICS

Biggest competition in Nagano is among USA's best-three figure skaters

By Nancy Armour
The Associated Press

NAGANO, Japan — Their awkwardness was glaringly obvious when they were asked to pose together for a picture on the ice.

Michelle Kwan, Tara Lipinski and Nicole Bobek did their best to look chummy, but nobody wanted to get too close. Squeezing them into the same frame took some doing.

Teammates, yes. Best buddies, no way.

Perhaps that's inevitable. These three very different, very competitive young women are under enormous pressure to do the very same thing: win an Olympic gold medal.

"This is not like a bobsled, where they're all pushing the same sled," said Frank Carroll, Kwan's coach. "You're out there by yourself."

Women's figure skating, the glamour part of one of the Olympics' most glamorous sports, the event America could sweep, began last night.

Russia has won all the figure skating gold medals so far: pairs, men's and ice dancing.

But Kwan, Lipinski and Bobek are three excellent reasons why Russia may not do so well this time.

Each will go about the business of winning very differently because, aside from wanting the same medal, they have practically nothing in common.

Kwan was thrust into the spotlight four years ago as a shy 13-year-old. The phenom with an independent streak, she disobeyed Carroll and took her Olympic qualifying test while he was out of town.

She was the designated "other woman" in case Tonya Harding was kicked off the Olympic team.

When Harding was cleared to skate, Kwan became just another spectator.

Now, as a two-time U.S. cham-

pion and the gold-medal favorite, everything she does is news, and her every move is monitored by Carroll, her parents or her agent.

She arrived in Japan late, skipping the opening ceremony, and she's not staying in the Olympic Village.

"Michelle wants to feel very comfortable and be in an environment where she can sleep well

"I LIKE BEING THE UNDERDOG. IT GIVES ME A LOT MORE THINGS TO THINK ABOUT AND KEEPS ME MOTIVATED."

—TARA LIPINSKI, U.S. OLYMPIC FIGURE SKATER

and rest well with the intention of doing the very best performance she can do here for the United States," Carroll said.

And when Kwan's on, her best is just about perfect.

The 1996 world champion received 15 perfect marks at the U.S. championships last month.

"I enjoy being the Olympic favorite," Kwan said.

"But you don't think about winning Olympic gold. My winning program is to skate well, and that's what I'm here to do."

Her biggest competition will be Lipinski.

The youngest world champion ever last year at 14, she's a human jumping jack who launches herself into triple after triple without breaking a sweat.

It was Lipinski's turn to struggle with the champion's role this season, losing to Kwan at Skate America and the U.S. national championship.

"I like being the underdog," she said. "It gives me a lot more things to think about and keeps me motivated."

Unlike Kwan, she has been staying at the Olympic Village except for 2 1/2 days of training in Osaka.

Bobek didn't arrive until last Friday. Still recovering from bronchitis and a hip injury, she said it was better for her to stay home as long as possible in order to get well.

She's not at the Olympic Village, either, staying instead in a hotel with her mother.

"I've never worked so hard in my life," she said.

"I've even had trouble sleeping, having dreams about the Olympics and everything that can happen."

After turbulent teen-age years, Bobek has grown up.

She hasn't had a coaching switch in nearly two years, a record for someone who used to change coaches like most people change socks.

Regaining her form of 1995, when she won the U.S. title and world bronze medal, she might be the only skater who can match Kwan's grace and elegance, and her technical difficulty is increasing.

No country has ever swept the women's event, but no country's ever had such a strong, and diverse, team, either.

"We're all very different and it's just how the judges mark it," Bobek said.

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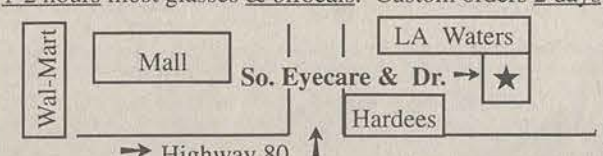
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MLB NEWS

Los Angeles's Mike Piazza possible free agent after this season

The Associated Press

VERO BEACH, Fla. — Los Angeles Dodgers catcher Mike Piazza has moved one step closer to becoming a free agent after this season.

Dan Lozano, the agent for Piazza, said several months ago his client would test the market next fall if he wasn't signed to a long-term contract by Feb. 15.

The deadline came and went last Sunday.

Dodgers general manager Fred Claire declined to com-

ment on the deadline and contract negotiations, while Piazza following his first day at Dodgertown expressed his frustration.

"Obviously, I'm a little disappointed," Piazza said.

"But I've dealt with it. I'm fine as far as my state of mind. I'm ready to play this year. That's it."

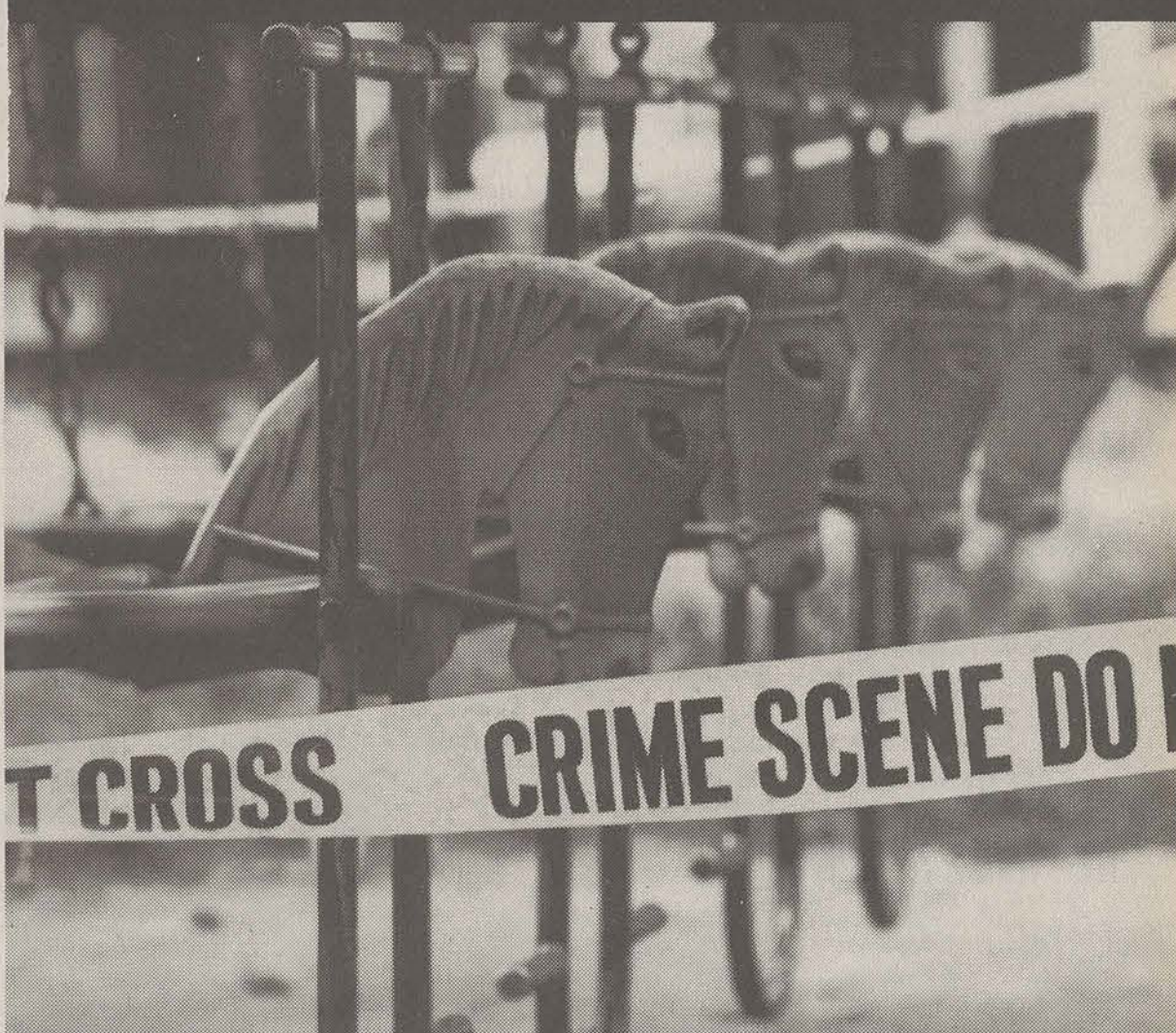
The pending sale of the Dodgers to Rupert Murdoch may have hindered Claire's ability to meet Piazza's deadline.

Piazza is likely to get a contract worth \$12 to \$15 million a year and could sign baseball's first \$100 million contract.

He is in the final year of a two-year, \$15 million contract.

"We set the deadline and obviously it didn't work out," said Piazza, who could eventually become baseball's highest-paid player. "I'm a little disappointed. But I owe it to my teammates, the fans and to myself. I'm not going to let this be any sort of distraction."

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Campus food services: not up to par

By Jennifer Stokes
Staff Writer

All right, faithful readers. Time for my quarterly rant about campus Food Services. Let me say right off the bat: I'm not impressed.

The addition of the Chick-fil-A in the Union has been the best thing this university has done in terms of food in a long time.

I love Chick-fil-A. I do not love the price, however, which limits how often I, as well as many others, actually eat there.

But at least the option is available. And how is it that students who work there can actually put out food fast, where as their neighbors at The Station still move like sloths? Could it be a motivation factor perhaps?

I had the extreme displeasure of eating at Spud's the other night.

Ever since I saw one of their clerks have to get out a calculator to make change when the register was broken, I haven't eaten there. But my friend really wanted a hot dog, and I was buying, so I went.

I ordered two hot dogs, a bag of chips and two drinks. The clerk swiped my Eagle card, and handed the order to the preparer. Mind you, this was at quarter to six.

Half the staff was cleaning, getting ready to close, and there was no one in line ahead of me. I really needed some cash, so I told the clerk I'd be right back.

I walked to the ATM, got some green, walked back to the counter, and the preparer was still working on the first hot dog.

It took nearly eight minutes to get two hot dogs! I'm not even going to start about food quality - that's a whole other article.

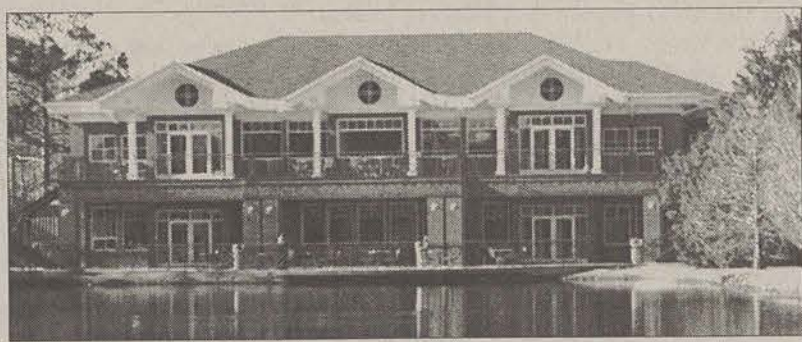
Let's jump over to Lakeside. Stone Willie's pizza is good, but the number of people who stick their fingers in the boxes while looking for that perfect pizza is sickening.

Hey folks, they're all the same! Watch how they are made - it's an assembly line for crying out loud!

I really don't want to eat something you stuck your fingers in! The taco stand is like a trip into some jalepeno-induced nightmare.

The only way to get that much grease in the hamburger is to add it extra. You can't eat a taco without having orange-tinted fat run down your arm. Bleh! And if you get a taco salad, watch out for the whole teaspoon of sour cream you get - you just might taste it.

I have asked for extra before, and 2 out of 3 times been told they can't do it, they have to follow the recipe. Now that's some outstanding customer service.



File Photo

The Grill, also located in Lakeside Café, used to be acceptable, until they went to a hot-dog style bun, instead of a sandwich roll. I was getting a roasted turkey there near the beginning of the quarter, and the cook behind the counter had his belt undone, his pants unzipped and was tucking in his t-shirt.

And he was facing out into the restaurant, not even trying to be discreet. I did not need to see his blue and white striped boxers, and needless to say, I do not eat there anymore.

I refuse to eat something called a Bubba Burger (it sounds like a dog treat), so let's go around to the cafeteria line. I ordered a veggie plate there, thinking I was doing my body a favor. I was wrong.

The rice was soggy, it looked like mashed potatoes, and was almost as salty as the field peas. I got a biscuit, and when they put it in the to-go box, they put it on

than two people.

Most tables were stuffed - three to six in a booth or two to seven at a table. You get that many people together to eat and talk, it's gonna be loud no matter what. Seven hundred decibels of music in the background doesn't help. I don't know who Lakeside buys their video programming from, but it's awful.

Today, I saw Bonnie Raitt, then Culture Club (complete with Boy George making pouty mouths into the microphone) and then some group with red hair jumping on the stage like they had St. Vitus' disease - I couldn't read the name off the monitor. Pop, really bad big eighties, and then alternative? It's like a monkey is in the back room, jumping on the remote control.

And to top it all off, the service is miserable. I see more workers standing around running their mouths than trying to please customers.

Hey, if your friend is in the line, good for you.

I don't need to hear about how Ashley was puking her guts out at the big party or how Robby was kissing on someone last week or how fast you had to drive to make it back from wherever this weekend.

Save the chitchat for your break.

Well, that's probably enough rant for now. If you look really hard, there are opinion cards on the checkouts in Lakeside.

I don't know where you put them once you have them filled out, but I bet if you ask one of the employees, they can tell you.

Jennifer Stokes is the weekly restaurant reviewer. The opinions in this article are hers and not those of The George-Anne.

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Video Spotlight: 'Hard Eight' racks it up

By Jeremy Slate
Staff Writer

"Hard Eight" **** = Very Good

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Welcome to the second installment of The George-Anne's Video Spotlight.

This week's featured video is the 1996 film "Hard Eight."

"Hard Eight" is the cinematic debut of director Paul Thomas Anderson. This young amateur has recently entered the nation's consciousness with his superb second film, "Boogie Nights."

Anderson is a gifted young director whose style marries the gritty realism of Martin Scorsese's work to the humanism and reality of Robert Altman's films.

As the film starts, we find ourselves outside a diner in the desert surrounding Las Vegas.

The camera focuses in on a figure slumped down by the front door of the diner.

As this poor soul sits there wallowing in self pity, he is approached by a man who offers him a cigarette and a cup of coffee.

With this small show of compassion, we are introduced to John (John C. Reilly) and Sydney (Phillip Baker Hall).

John, the hard luck case, has just been to Vegas and lost all his money in an attempt to raise \$6,000 for his mother's funeral.

Sydney is a suave gambler who takes it upon himself to help John. He tells John that he can't

get him the \$6,000, but he can teach him what he did wrong in Vegas and how to scam a room and a meal.

In an ingenious scene, John works the casino system of tellers and floor managers to scam a free room and a meal.

When he next sees Sydney, John is in complete awe.

The film then jumps to Reno, Nev. two years later where we see that John is now living with Sydney, who has become his father figure.

John now idolizes his mentor by dressing in the same suits, drinking the same drinks, and basically living the same lifestyle.

John has been associating with a small-time hustler named Jimmy (Samuel L. Jackson). Jimmy is a crude, crass hoodlum and Sydney disapproves of John's friendship with him.

John has also become involved with Clementine (Gwenyth Paltrow), a cocktail waitress/hooker, for whom Sydney has also taken a fatherly interest.

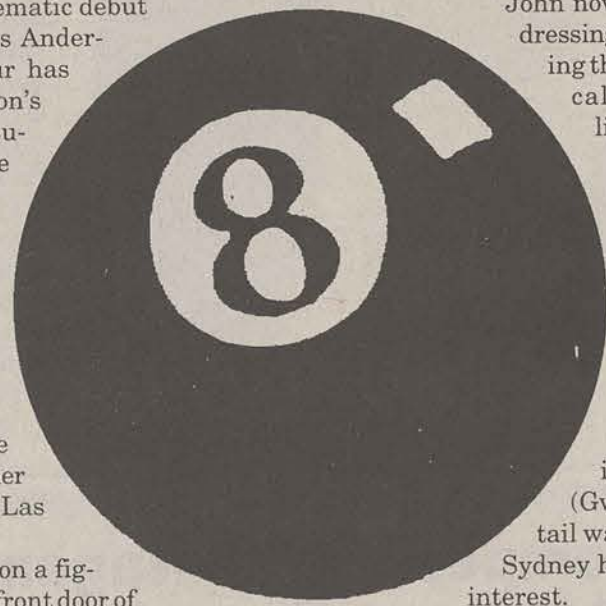
When John and Clementine find themselves in trouble, Jimmy threatens to reveal a secret from Sydney's past.

Hall is best known as the library cop on *Seinfeld*.

With his slick portrayal of Sydney, he proves he is destined to become a star.

"Hard Eight" is a grim and gritty film noir re-envisioned for the 1990's.

It is superior to most recent noir offerings because it is not interested with flashiness, but with humanity and redemption.



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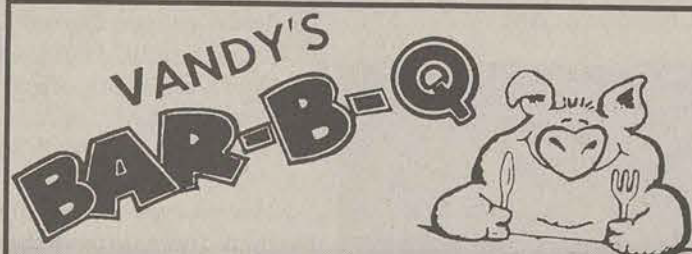
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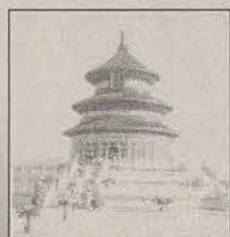
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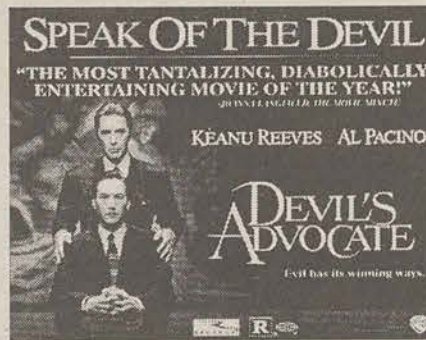


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Les Claypool goes solo

By Brian Piszczek
Staff Writer

Les Claypool is most known from his songs with Primus, but Les took it one step further. He stepped aside for his own album but still played with Primus.

The album, "Les Claypool And The Holy Mackerel presents Highball With The Devil," takes on the craziest mix of heavy bass with strange lyrics.

Claypool was born in Richmond, Calif., but grew up in El Sobrante, Calif. Les had always wanted to play a musical instrument,

but it was not until an invite to play in a band that he finally thought about the bass guitar. Claypool's main idol was Geddy Lee from Rush. Geddy played the bass with the two-finger method. Claypool followed Geddy's style but added another finger. And oh, is he fast! Enough history, back to the album.

Most of the instruments are played by Claypool himself; although, he did have some help. Joe Gore and Mark Haggard help with the guitars on some of the songs. On the drums, help comes from Jay Lane. For the additional vocals, Adam Gates gives him assistance. With all this help, Claypool managed to produce five songs playing all instruments by himself.

In "The Awakening" Claypool and Jay bring the beautiful sound of heavy drums with mad bass guitar. This song really shows Claypool's true talent. His ability to rip through the chords is unbelievable. Claypool is also

famous for his type of singing. It's not rap and it's not singing. Alas, it's southern-twang talking! The only of his kind.

"Precipitation" delivers the crazy style vocals and is reinforced with his fingers on the bass. Claypool also uses the slapping method for the bass. Any song will have an example of this. If the Primus fan is in you, the album is a definite collector's item.

A special guest appears on "Delicate Tendrils." His name is

Henry Rollins. Henry does a narrative while Claypool records three different sets for the three different instruments.

Claypool is simply amazing! Another song that grips you is "El Sobrante Fortnight." Singing about a boy raised in El Sobrante, "he set forth as a leader of sorts."

Since he was raised in El Sobrante, one could conclude that the leader is Claypool, and the leadership is in his musical ability. The music is odd; however, believe me when I say one hit and you're hooked! All of the songs contain the self-taught bass style playing, but pay close attention to "Calling Kyle," "Cohibas Esplendidos," and "Me and Chuck."

Claypool has one other talent. He's an artist. Some of the artwork on the cover he produced. This is another plus for the album.

If you like this music, try the other seven Primus albums.



'Sphere,' with all those amazing actors, how did they go wrong?

By Eric Bray
Staff Writer

On the surface, "Sphere" may seem like a thinking man's addition to the explosive sci fi trend in movies—a more eventful (albeit less high-minded) version of "Contact." For the most part, this is a fair assessment, though only for the first half.

"Sphere" is promising right off the bat. Written by Michael Crichton, who knows how to cater to the short attention span of the American mainstream, the story dives head-first into the action like a no-nonsense "Law & Order" episode.

The pacing is so rushed, however, that viewers might not be able to shake the sensation that they're watching a highly abridged anti-director's cut due to the fact that the editing is so numbingly condensed.

In fact, we're treated to a good look at the infamous globe from which the title is derived inside of twenty minutes.

And to be perfectly honest, after viewing the film in its entirety, I'm not altogether certain what exactly the sphere is.

The story centers around a centuries-old space craft discovered at the bottom of the Pacific Ocean, revealing signs of intelligent life. Assembled to make contact is a team consisting of Dustin Hoffman as a psychologist, Sharon Stone as a marine biologist, Samuel L. Jackson as a mathematician, and Liev Schreiber ("Ransom," "Scream 2") as an astrophysicist.

The plot may get underway too quickly for concentration, but the tension is well-paced early on. It loses steam, though, proving once again that suspense is more intriguing than action.

One of the greatest flaws of "Sphere" is that it wields the suspense too heavily, rely-

ing more on mysterious innuendoes than delivery. There's one frustrating scene in which a forty-foot squid attacks the underwater station, and all the audience is permitted to see are sonar blips.

This is disconcerting given that most of what is shown throughout the film is handled

changed as his potential is sacrificed to a character with no chance of development. Peter Coyote ("Unforgettable") also exhibits his potential but is equally unfulfilling in the role of the enigmatic official managing the crew.

At least he appears at home in the role.

Veteran rapper Queen Latifah ("Living Single," "Set if Off"), as Coyote's assistant, offers a portrayal suited more to a McDonald's employee than a government agent.

Huey Lewis also dredges his withered carcass from the vaults of obscurity for a cameo that's sure to win an Academy Award for Best Has-Been in an Irrelevant Role.

Given that most of the highlights of "Sphere" peter out into mediocrity halfway into the movie, you would hope that its intellectual content would be the driving force. Unfortunately, though, this is one of its weakest aspects.

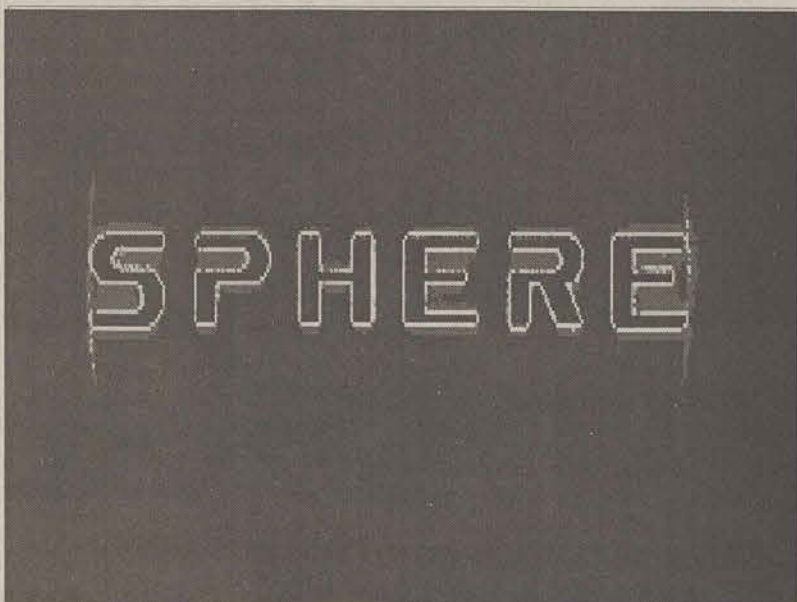
This film is riddled with inconsistencies and imperfections

that are certain to leave you confused well after the closing credits. The parameters of the fantastical premises are not fully thought out, and the ending is simply a tacked-on, hurried cop-out.

In this respect, "Sphere" is sadly reminiscent of the summer's other potentially intellectual sci fi thriller "Event Horizon." Both hook the viewer with a strong start but take a nose-dive soon after the plot foundations are established.

In retrospect, perhaps Levinson should have dragged out some of these earlier segments.

As far as underwater science fiction movies go, this one starts out like "The Abyss" but winds up along the lines of "Deep Star Six" or "Leviathan."



with minimal special effects.

The cast is a disappointment as well, although this is the fault of poor writing and direction rather than acting.

Too late in the film, director Barry Levinson ("Sleepers") takes a feeble jab at neglected issues like Hoffman and Stone's relationship with all the grace of a punch-drunk boxer.

Stone, herself, gets lost somewhere in the muck of the story through most of the film, and Hoffman rarely displays the personality we know he's capable of.

This is apparently compensated for with an excess of personality exhibited by Jackson's character, whose role in the movie wavers ambiguously.

Schreiber, on the other hand, is short-

Madonna offers first live performance in four years

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — The coat didn't stay on Madonna for long. She ripped it off to deliver her first live performance in four years, in a drop-dead black net top.

The new mother chose Valentine's night to bring down the house in a surprise show at a

Manhattan club, said Liz Rosenberg, her spokeswoman.

"It was something she thought about doing for a while, especially because she has this new album," Rosenberg said.

Madonna "wanted to go back to her roots," Rosenberg added, so she showed up at Roxy, the

Chelsea dance club where she performed 14 years ago, when she first arrived in New York from Michigan.

A crowd of 2,000 had been dancing the night away to recorded music when suddenly, at 2 a.m. Sunday, there was the Material Girl, dressed in a

Jean Paul Gaultier outfit — a black tafetta coat with puffy sleeves and a long train.

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- Stellar blast
- Well worker
- Life of Riley
- Raw minerals
- Worthy of condemnation
- Streisand
- Add another poker player
- Shore
- Mortgage attachments
- Pamphlet
- Gods' beverage
- Sierra
- Spread wide
- Swabbie's stick
- Millennia
- Unbroken
- Art movement
- Beast of burden
- Mint
- More pleasant
- Doctrines
- Sailor's call
- Geneva's lake
- Churned as if boiling
- Comic Booster
- Ohio River tributary
- Waste time vacillating
- Melville novel
- Sgt. Snorkel's dog
- Go ga-ga
- Planted explosive
- Within range
- Jewish gossip
- Sacks

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- Roman climber
- Humanian round dance
- Repugnances
- Stars no more
- Soft drinks
- Even score
- Swiss peak
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- Incite
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- Inhalations
- Data display
- Singer K.T.
- Hammer heads
- Cutoff-man's function
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- Shoe parts
- Use up
- Solar event
- Minute circus star
- August-born, mostly
- Wee bit
- Australian nut
- Poetic pieces
- Split hairs?
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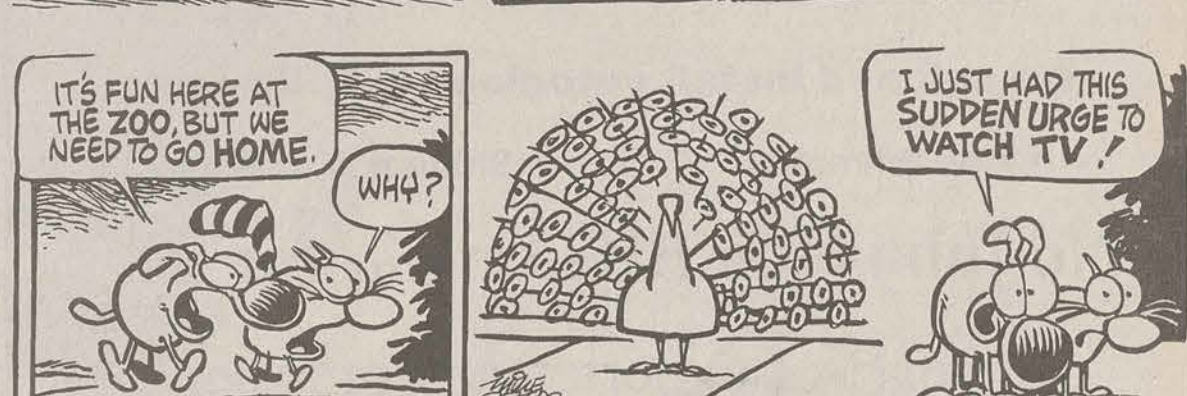
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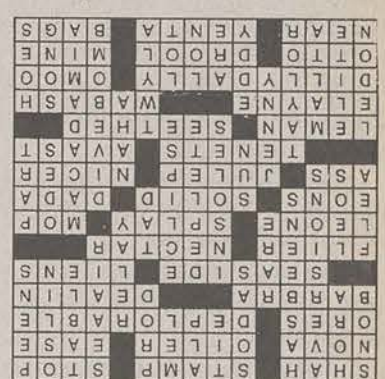
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COLLEGE NEWS

Racial attack angers students

The Associated Press

GREENSBORO, N.C. — Assaults knocked the student government president at Guilford College unconscious, then unbuttoned her blouse and wrote a racial epithet across her chest.

After Molly Martin announced her candidacy for re-election as student senate president on a slate that includes a black woman, racist fliers began appearing on campus and a letter criticizing Martin was sent to the school newspaper.

"Those kinds of messages have no place in this community," school President Don McNemar told a crowd of about 500 angry and frightened students Thursday night. "There is no reason, no appropriateness for those messages."

Martin was found by her boy-

friend Wednesday night with the words "nigger lover" scrawled on her.

She told officials that she had been approached from behind and did not see who hit her.

Martin spoke to the crowd briefly last Thursday evening, saying she was feeling well and thanked the campus for its support.

"We're here tonight not to apologize, try to atone, get defensive or feel guilty," she said. "We're here to act."

On Feb. 2, an anonymous letter was sent to the student senate and the campus newspaper complaining that Martin engineered a plan to put two black students in the senate, McNemar said.

And last week, anonymous fliers were distributed around campus saying Martin was unquali-

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fied and that students should not re-elect her unless they want an "all-black senate."

Student government elections at the liberal arts school were scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 17.

Editors upset with university's records policy

The Associated Press

DAYTON, Ohio — Editors at the University of Dayton campus newspaper are threatening to sue the school over its policy of withholding from student reporters key information in campus crime reports.

But university officials say they are simply following a federal law that requires the school to protect the privacy of its students.

Lisa Morawski, editor-in-chief of the *Flyer News*, and managing editor Jeff Brogan said the campus police department's practice of blacking out names, addresses and other information on the copies of crime reports given to the newspaper prevents the *News* from doing its job.

"We want to be as accurate and timely as we can," Brogan said.

The controversy represents the latest installment in a growing number of public-records disputes involving universities

across the nation.

A similar case at Miami University in Oxford went to the Ohio Supreme Court. The jus-

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tices' decision favoring disclosure — a ruling that goes against the federal privacy law — led to the U.S. Department of Education Department to sue Miami in federal court on Jan. 22 to try to block the release of names and other personally identifiable information.

A federal judge is expected to decide next month whether the

disputed information can be released.

The 1974 federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act prohibits public or private universities from releasing education records that identify students without the students' permission.

Schools that violate the provision face the potential loss of federal funds, such as student financial aid and research money. But a later amendment to the act seemed to specifically exempt campus police records from the privacy protection.

UD's status as a private institution with a police force that has its own authorization independent of other law-enforcement agencies complicates the issue, said John Hart, the school's director of legal affairs and university attorney. So does the fact that UD's police records are used not only for law enforcement, but also for student disciplinary hearing purposes.

New program eliminates standardized testing

The Associated Press

AUSTIN — A company that prepares students for standardized tests is applauding a Texas A&M program that doesn't require the Medical College Admissions Test for some incoming medical students.

Paul Cohen, a spokesman for the New York-based company Princeton Review, said the MCAT and similar tests are poor indicators of a student's ability to perform.

"They are also tremendously biased along racial lines," Cohen told the *Austin American-Statesman*.

The program at Texas A&M recruits students from areas with large minority populations and offers them guaranteed admission into the university's medical school if they maintain a certain grade-point average in a science-intensive curriculum during their undergraduate years.

The program resulted from declining minority enrollments in the university's medical school after a federal court ended affir-

mative action programs at Texas colleges in 1996.

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medical school and law school, you couldn't take a test-preparation course and go up 6 points," Cohen said. "We don't make our students better doctors or lawyers, we make them better test takers."

Jennifer Lynn, assistant director of the *Princeton Review's* Austin office, said the company was formed because it wanted to give students a better chance at

passing the tests. Lynn and Cohen both agreed Texas A&M deserved praise for eliminating the tests, they say are unfair.

Others, however, disagree. Maria Lofftus, director of academic services for Kaplan Educational Centers' health sciences division, said the MCAT is a valuable tool in predicting a student's success in medical school.

She said the test is also a good indicator of how a student will perform on his medical licensing exam.

Standardized testing has come under more scrutiny as states such as Texas and California have eliminated affirmative action in higher education.

Both states have seen declines in minority enrollment in their medical and law schools.

The decline has also caused the University of Texas medical school to take a second look at its policies.

The school recently announced that it will look at a factors beyond grades and test scores in hopes of recruiting a more diverse group of students.

Beating death of a UC student has classmates fearful

The Associated Press

BOULDER, Colo. — Enrollment in Bill Kipp's karate classes on self defense have surged since the Dec. 21 beating death of University of Colorado student Susannah Chase on the streets of Boulder.

Kipp's surging enrollment is only one manifestation of the fear and defensive measures residents have taken since Chase was found fatally beaten in an alley near 18th and Spruce streets.

There was tentative relief last week when Kelly Ray Thompson, a transient, was arrested as a suspect in a Tacoma, Wash., murder, and confessed to killing Chase as well. But police now say Thompson was not in Boulder when Chase was attacked.

"When (Thompson's confession) fell through the whole level of anxiety went up again," Kipp

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said.

At the University of Colorado, requests for escorts from the NightRide/NightWalk program have more than doubled since Chase was killed, said program director Brian Worthen. The program provides escorts from 7 p.m. to midnight Sunday through Thursday.

During the fall semester, 46 escorts were given each week, and the program is averaging 96 escorts per week in the current

semester.

Worthen said he expects service to increase as word spreads about the program.

Worthen hopes a concert held in Chases memory last Sunday at the Fox Theatre will help the program in reaching more students through advertising.

At McGuckin Hardware, J.D. Fullen said pepper spray sales are up about 50 percent since Chase was killed, and people are also buying more whistles.

Window and door reinforcements, such as dead-bolt locks and dowels for window tracks, along with motion-sensing lights and alarms, are also selling faster, said McGuckin's Bob Mulder.

"It's a random crime and that makes it more scary for the neighborhood," said Antje Ryken, who lives across the street from where Chase was found fatally beaten.

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of affirmative action said he believes that campus police are aware of student skepticism and that they are working toward overcoming those attitudes.

Part of the problem, Taylor said is that some African-Americans have preconceived negative attitudes about law enforcement.

"If you look at the history of blacks and law enforcement in this country, the black experience has been negative historically," he said. "When African-American students come to Geor-

gia Southern, they often bring these views with them."

Chad Elkins, Student Government Association president, also agreed with university officials that law enforcement agencies do not act any differently towards black social gatherings.

"The police were only there to do their job," Elkins said. "Past events have led police to take extra precautions at events like Player's Ball. Last year's Player's Ball was much more orderly than the previous year's. As far as

parties go, I don't think police act any differently. Police always break up unauthorized parties, black or white."

-- Amy Branch, Stacy Clemons and David Lacher also contributed to this article.

This article is the last part of a series of race relation stories which were based on surveys and interviews conducted November 1997 in Assistant Professor Robert Bohler's advanced reporting course.

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