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## Sports

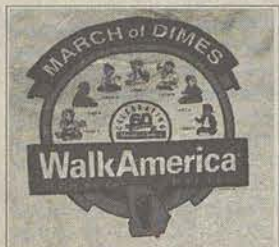


### Eagles fall in SoCon tourney

The GSU baseball team went 1-2 in the SoCon tourney, losing to Furman in their final game.

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## Features



### WalkAmerica

GSU held its annual WalkAmerica to benefit March of Dimes Birth Defect Foundation.

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## Weather



**Today:** Partly cloudy with a high in the mid-80s and a low in the lower 60s.

**Wednesday:** Partly cloudy with a high in the mid-80s and a low in the lower 60s.

## Today's Word

**pygalgia** (piGALgeu)  
n. soreness in the buttocks.

Source: Weird Words

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## Is belonging to Clemson's IPTAY a black-and-white issue?

The Associated Press

CLEMSON, S.C. — Clemson University's athletics booster group is struggling, like other parts of the school, to increase minority participation and change its perception as an all-white club.

Of IPTAY's 18,000 members, Executive Director George Bennett said 25 to 30 are black.

"It's disappointing that more are not interested. We certainly want anybody who we can get to come in here," Bennett said.

The *Herald-Journal* of Spartanburg reported that the problems range from disinterested alumni to disillusioned former athletes.

"For a black athlete, he's got to have some connection," said Rodney Quick, who played football at Clemson in the early 1980s. "It turned out that I didn't."

Bennett and Clemson athletic director Bobby Robinson think IPTAY can make inroads through its collegiate branch, which has about 1,600 members. "Getting them involved as soon as they get out," Robinson said.

Bennett said IPTAY will raise at least \$8 million

for a third straight year. He is eager to change the face of the group, but some black alumni say they see no reason to join IPTAY when hardly any blacks hold visible positions throughout the school.

Clemson enrollment last fall was 85 percent white and 7 percent black. Among student-athletes, the ratio was 72 percent to 28 percent.

The numbers drop off dramatically in the administration:

- The board of trustees has one black member.
- The athletics department, which supports 19 sports, has five black assistant coaches but no black head coach or high-level administrator.
- IPTAY has no blacks or women on its board.

Bennett said he hopes the board will have the first in both categories within the next two years.

"I think a lot of people choose to decide where to give their money. (IPTAY) is not one of the areas that I'm interested in," said former Charlotte, N.C., Mayor Harvey Gantt, who in 1963 was the first black student at Clemson.

Others believe booster involvement is not a tra-

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## Two ASU athletes accused of carjacking police officer

The Associated Press

ALBANY, Ga. — Two Albany State University basketball players were arrested last Tuesday and charged with the weekend carjacking of an off-duty Albany police officer.

Police said Timothy Alexander, 20, and David Woods, 22, are accused of holding up the officer early last Sunday after accepting a ride with him from a nightclub. The two are charged with hijacking of a motor vehicle, armed robbery and aggravated assault.

University officials said they have been suspended from school, and basketball coach Oliver Jones said they would be dismissed from the team.

"It was strangers catching a ride, and it escalated from there

to an armed robbery," said Sgt. Keith Hall.

Woods pulled out a .380-caliber semiautomatic pistol, police said.

The two demanded money, and Woods smacked off-duty officer Kawaski Barnes in the face with the gun, police said.

Then they jumped into the officer's car and sped away, officers said.

The pair did not know they had robbed a law enforcement officer until they discovered the police identification in Barnes' wallet, Capt. Frank Lang said.

They abandoned the car a few blocks away from the alleged robbery. Evidence recovered from the vehicle led investigators to the two basketball players, Lang said.

## Savannah State President, students clash over faculty firings

The Associated Press

SAVANNAH, Ga. — Savannah State University's new president promised things would be different when he took over for John T. Wolfe, who angered students and faculty by firing 13 high-level staff members.

But students are now angry with President Carlton Brown for his own staff changes, including the replacement of a popular vice president.

The personnel changes, for many faculty members and students, are eerily reminiscent of mass firings under past administrations.

Eight of the university's 10 previous presidents, including Wolfe, resigned following mounting pressure from the community, students or the Board of Regents. The two others died while in office.

Wolfe resigned in 1997 after a no-confidence vote from faculty and staff. He now serves as the Board of Regents' associate vice chancellor for academic affairs.

"I understand that with every decision you make regarding personnel someone is going to be upset," Brown said. "But the bottom line is the process."

Despite the uproar, Brown insists that the administrative changes were handled in a fair, open and proper fashion and made in the best interest of the students and the institution.

"We're not trying to harm a soul," Brown said. "All we're trying to do is move the institution forward."

Among the personnel changes drawing the most criticism was the replacement last month of Karen Hill, interim vice president for student affairs.

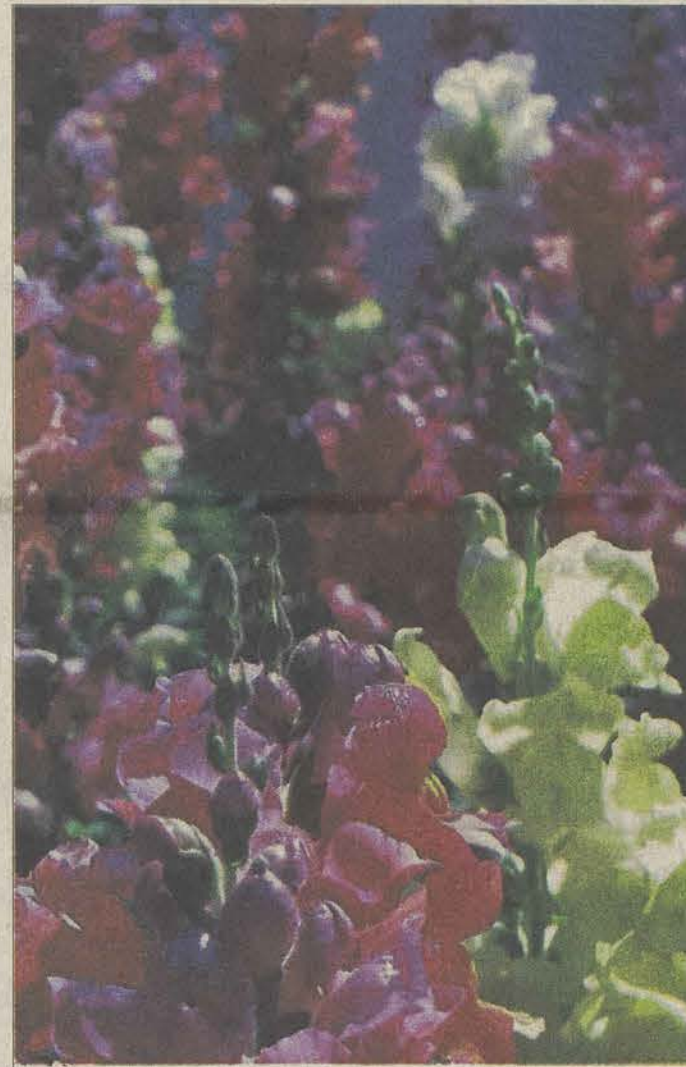
Ms. Hill had been temporarily appointed to her position without a search process in 1996 under the previous administration. In September 1997, Brown announced that the university was conducting a search for a permanent replacement. Ms. Hill was allowed to reapply and remain in the position until the search process was complete.

More than 600 students signed petitions asking for Ms. Hill to be hired.

Brown, who said he wanted to be open and accommodating to student concerns, allowed the student government association to select students to serve on the selection committee and asked the faculty senate to select people for the faculty slots.

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## Spring has sprung



Spring is evident all throughout the GSU campus. Whether it's the runners on the pedestrian, the sunbathers at the pool or the flowers in the various garden patches, it's quite obvious that winter is over.

With the quarter half-way through, students are looking forward to the beach, the tans and those summer jobs.

Mid-terms are over, but now there are papers, tests, quizzes and finals to wade through. With all there is to do, it's hard not to let the eye wander out the window when it should be focused on the professor.

Photos by Cory Brooks

## Police fire tear gas on Michigan State student protest

By Justin Hyde  
The Associated Press

EAST LANSING, Mich. — Police fired tear gas into a crowd of 3,000 Michigan State University students early last Saturday who lit a fire in the city's downtown to protest a ban on drinking at a favorite party spot.

The confrontation came a few hours before the release of a national study that said the school leads the nation's universities in alcohol-related arrests.

Meanwhile, police in New Hampshire were pelted with bottles, beer cans and rocks when they tried to disperse more than 500 partying Plymouth State College students and visitors early last Saturday also.

Both altercations come the week that students were finishing up their final exams.

In Michigan, demonstrators were angry that the university decided to put a stop to drinking at Munn Field, a campus spot where

fans hold parties before and after Spartan football games.

Students tore through a fence surrounding the field before heading to the campus home of Michigan State President M. Peter McPherson. He was not at home.

The crowd, estimated at 3,000 people, moved into downtown East Lansing, chanting obscenities at police. Just after midnight the protesters lit a fire in one of downtown's busiest intersections.

Police fired tear gas into the crowd so firefighters could put out the blaze, police said. Another bonfire was lit near the edge of campus, and police fired tear gas again to clear a path for firefighters.

Students were accused of throwing bottles and rocks at police. Seventeen people were arrested, mostly for disorderly conduct. At least five people were treated for minor injuries.

Also last Saturday, it took about 80 officers from throughout New Hampshire to bring

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under control a crowd of hundreds of students at an annual off-campus fraternity party at Plymouth State.

Seven people were arrested. Six were charged with disorderly actions and another charged with felony-level riot. Injuries were minor, police said.

Later that night, the Chronicle of Higher Education released a survey saying Michigan State University students were angry that the university decided to put a stop to drinking at Munn Field, a campus spot where

Please see MICHIGAN, page 12



## POLICE BEAT

## GSU Division of Public Safety

## April 30, 1998

• Katherine Merritt, 19, of Bermuda Run, was charged and arrested with DUI (.17) and weaving over the roadway.

• David Huff, 19, of Statesboro, was arrested and charged with DUI (.09) and weaving over the roadway.

## April 30, 1998

• Josh Radecke reported his bookbag was taken from the Landrum Dining Hall.

• Bryan Anderson reported a bottle of cologne was taken from his room in Sanford Hall.

• A case of simple battery was reported at the Carroll Building.

• Lankston Johnson reported

someone scratched both sides of his vehicle in the Plant East parking lot.

• Cacherra Thomas reported someone painted some obscene words on her vehicle in The Pines parking lot.

## Statesboro Police Department

## May 1, 1998

• Antoine Fields, 18, of Foxridge Apts., was charged with sale of marijuana, conspiracy to distribute marijuana, poss. of cocaine with the intent to distribute.

• Senakol Reese, 19, of Pulaski Hwy, was charged with sale of marijuana, conspiracy to distribute marijuana, poss. of cocaine with the intent to

distribute.

• Steven Tucker, 22, of Institute St., was charged with sale of marij., conspiracy to distribute marij., poss. of cocaine with the intent to distribute.

• Brook Hadler, of Pine Haven Apts., reported her cat possibly having rabies.

• A resident of Knight Dr. Apts. reported a case of battery.

## April 30, 1998

• Shannon Todd, 21, of Bermuda Run Apts., was charged with DUI 1st (.109).

## April 29, 1998

• Joe Herrington, 18, of Den-

mark St., was charged with disorderly conduct.

• Stanley Brown, 24, of Metter, Ga., was charged with suspended license 2nd, no proof of insurance, and open container violation.

• Tom Williams, of Bulloch St., reported disorderly conduct.

*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

• FAFSA forms are now available 24 hours a day at the Henderson Library and during normal business hours at the Statesboro Library.

• The Statesboro Regional Library is looking for volunteers to come read to children during the month of May as part of the **Reading Is FUNDamental** distributions drive. For more information, call Elaine McDuffie at 681-0945.

• The Candler County Extension service will be taking applications for **Cotton Scouts** from April 22 through May 11. Please come by the office at 316 W. Broad St. to apply.

• The **Ogeechee Poetry Journal** is now accepting submissions from GSU faculty, staff, students and alumni as well as area poets. Include brief biographical information, a self-addressed stamped envelope with all submissions. No more than four poems per poet and send them by May 10 to GSU/Department of Literature and Philosophy/ P.O. Box 8023/ Statesboro, Ga., 30460.

• The **National Model United Nations** will select members for 1999 during spring quarter. Interested students should contact the Center for International Studies located in room 1119 of the Forest Drive Building or call 681-0332 for more information. Applications are due by May 14.

• The GSU Russell Union is now taking applications for **Eagle Entertainment Team Leaders**. Pick up an application in Russell Union room

2024. They are due by May 13. For more information, call 681-0399.

• The museum will present a new exhibit **"Oh! Canada: A Cultural Mosaic"** through June 14.

## Today

• Dr. Ruth Garrett, Savannah gerontologist, will be presenting a free community program entitled **"Finding Meaning in Later Years"** at 7 p.m. For more information, call 681-5887.

• There will be a Success Workshop: **Test Preparation** by J. McDougald at 1 p.m. in Forest Bldg. room 1218. For more information, call 681-0321.

## Wednesday, May 6

• There will be a Success Workshop: **Paragraph Development** by M. Franklin at 2 p.m. in library room 1042. For more information, call 681-0321.

• There will be a **Endowed Scholarship Recital** at 8 p.m. in the Foy Recital Hall.

## Thursday, May 7

• There will be an English Workshop: **CPE English Review** by B. Freeman at 5 p.m. in library room 0142. For more information, call 681-0321.

• Tony Mills, Educational Outreach Program Coordinator for the Savannah River Ecology Lab will present **"An Evening with Reptiles and**

**Amphibians"** at the Center for Wildlife Education and Lamar Q. Ball, Jr. Raptor Center at 7 p.m. Admission is free.

• A **Studio Honors Recital** will be held at 8 p.m. in Foy Recital Hall.

• CLEC Departmental Lecture Series will present JoAnne Paschall, director of Nexus Press, **"Artists' Book and the Redefinition of the Book"** at 7 p.m. in Union room 2047. For more information, call 681-1315.

• Eagle Cinema will show **"Animal House"** at 9:30 p.m. in the Russell Union Theater. Admission is \$1 for GSU students, faculty, staff and guests.

## Eagle Creek Golf Club

Monday, Tuesday, &amp; Thursday

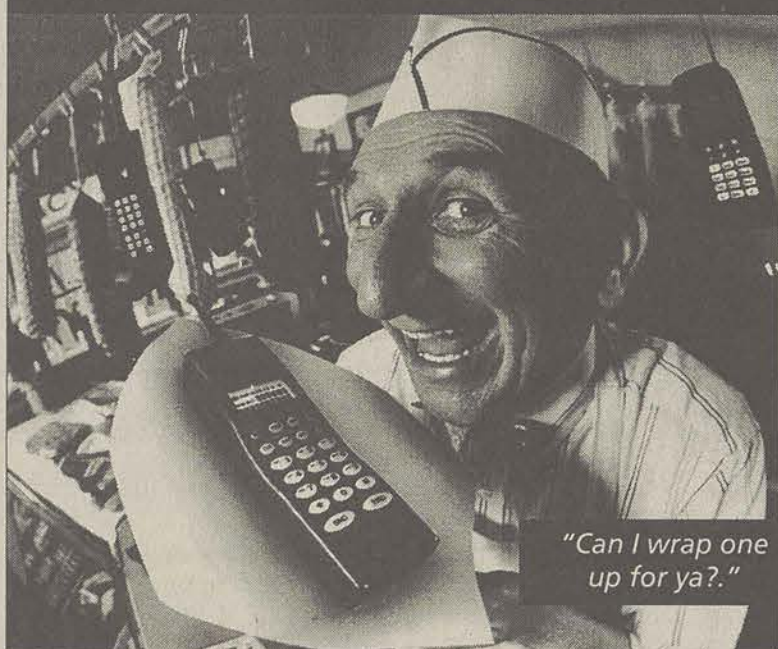
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- 11:30 Testing
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- 1:30 Disease Process- CD4 counts, viral Load and Medication

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ONLY IN AMERICA...

1 Pennsylvania  
Man tries to give away his house

The Associated Press

HERMITAGE — Bruce Berry won't have to haggle with a buyer or hire a real estate agent to unload his house.

He's giving it away for free. The only catch is that whoever gets the house will have to pay to have it moved.

Berry wants the northwestern Pennsylvania land for a new building for his mattress store. The two-bedroom brick house is the former home of a gift boutique.

"It would be a shame to tear it down," said Berry, owner of the Sleepy Hollow Sleep Shop in Hermitage. "It's a cute little house. There's not a crack in the brick anywhere."

If Berry cannot find someone to take the house, he will tear it down later this spring.

2 Massachusetts  
Nowhere to shower in Harvard's athletic center

The Associated Press

CAMBRIDGE — Harvard academics are steamed that the

richest and perhaps brainiest university in the country has just built a huge athletic center with no showers.

"To me, it's a typical Harvard story," novelist Anne Bernays said.

"This is a place with a \$14 billion endowment, but it doesn't put showers in a new athletic facility."

The \$15 million athletic center due to open this year will have 16 squash courts, six tennis courts and a weight room.

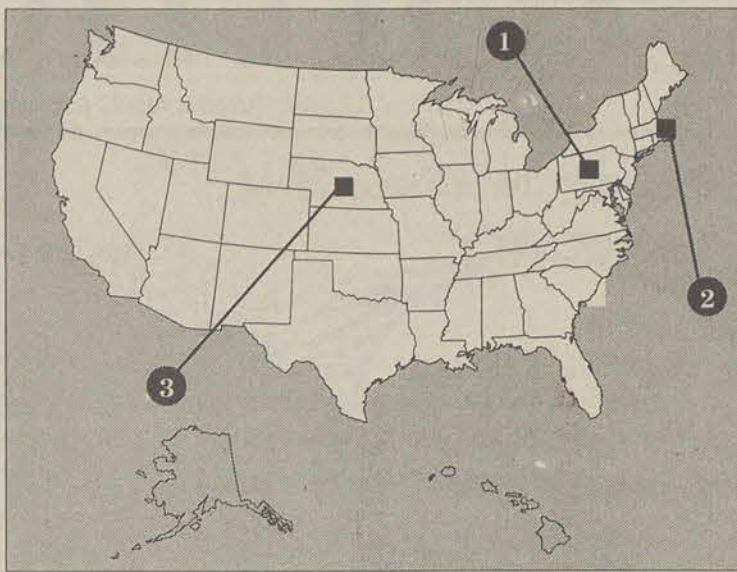
It will be home to the university's sports administrative offices.

But there will be no place to wash up after a workout, giving rise to fears among academics who swim at a nearby university pool that they will have to share their showers with the great unwashed from the athletic center.

Harvard said the center has no showers because it is for use mainly by varsity teams that use showers in a nearby fieldhouse.

"We do the best we can to accommodate everyone," said Buffy Clifford, a Harvard sports information spokeswoman.

"But this is an athletic facility, not a health club."



3 Nebraska  
Marijuana found stuffed in film canister

The Associated Press

LA VISTA — Talk about a serious oops!

A worker at the LaVista Wal-Mart opened a film canister last Tuesday night and discovered more to develop than just snapshots.

The employee pulled out a roll of film and then a bag of marijuana that had been stuffed inside the canister.

The film had been sealed in an

envelope and dropped in the store's film drop box.

The envelope contained the name and address of Daniel J. Huss of LaVista.

Police went to Huss' home, where Huss told them he had been fishing with friends last weekend and he must have grabbed one of his buddies' film canisters by mistake.

Huss gave police permission to search his home and they found another film canister with marijuana.

Huss, 34, was ticketed for possession of less than an ounce of marijuana.

Students arrested for lacing teachers' coffee with laxatives

The Associated Press

PEORIA, Ill. — Four sixth-grade girls thought it would be funny to put laxatives in their teachers' coffee and soft drinks, but the prank sent the instructors to the hospital and the students to a youth center.

"I'm just really angry about it," said Bonnie Hodel, 53, one of three White School teachers treated at OSF Saint Francis Medical Center last Wednesday. "I'm beside myself. No one believes these things are going on in our schools."

Hodel said the spiked coffee might have been retaliation for her disciplining two of the girls

for unruly behavior.

The four girls, all 12 years old, were taken to Gift Avenue Detention Center, and police said they plan to ask that charges of aggravated battery to school personnel and reckless conduct be filed against them.

The girls put a mild, over-the-counter laxative in the teachers' coffee pot, cups and soda cans, police said.

School officials found out about the tampering when a student told a teacher about it.

"My hope is that they thought it was funny and will learn that it wasn't," said eighth-grade teacher Marilyn Caughey.

Town searches for \$50,000 roach

The Associated Press

TUCSON, Ariz. — People are begging for permission to wade through the sewers here.

With a pest control company offering \$50,000 to the person who captures a specially marked roach to be released someplace in the city next week, some people are focusing on what's widely considered the ultimate roach motel.

Pima County has received at least 20 calls from people seeking permission to troll the sewers. And that begs the question of how many people won't bother to ask permission.

Bad idea, county officials say.

Besides being really, really stinky and gross, the county advises that raw sewage is hazardous to those who wade through it.

OFFBEAT

Kindergartner brings drug pipe for show and tell

The Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — One kindergartner's show and tell item got special attention from Granite School District, and police.

The boy brought a small glass pipe, of the type commonly used to smoke crack cocaine and crystal methamphetamine, to South Kearns Elementary School.

Possession of alcohol, illegal drugs or drug paraphernalia violates the district's strict "zero-tolerance" policy.

District spokeswoman

Michele Bartmess said school officials "didn't feel any compunction to punish the child, but the police officer felt a home visit was warranted."

However, a report filed by Salt Lake County Deputy Sheriff Michael R. Bendixen last week emphasized that it was unknown "whether the pipe came from the boy's home or if he found it in the neighborhood."

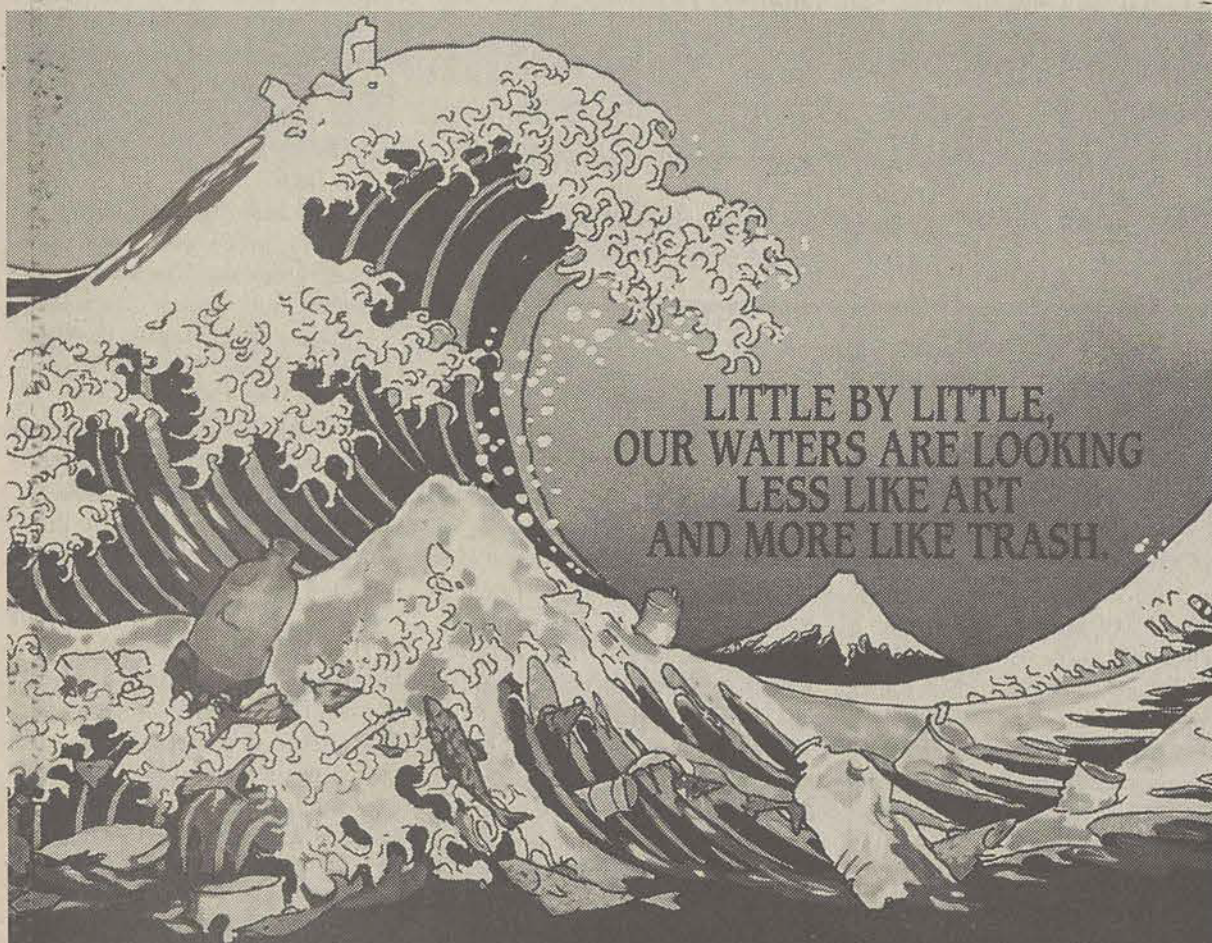
Bendixen said this was his first possession case involving a child so young.

"It's more than just a

little bit of a problem to bring drug paraphernalia to school," he said.

Lorraine Sanchez, counselor for Valley Mental Health's adolescent drug and alcohol unit, said she was saddened by the incident.

"I find it real surprising that a kid as young as he was would have that in his life. When you think about show and tell, you think of a child taking his favorite book or toy... You really have to wonder what his environment is," Sanchez said.



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**Be a Team Leader for one of  
the Following Committees:**

**Big Time Entertainment**

Everyone likes to see big names brought to campus. Well this committee organizes the events for big events such as comedian Tom Deluca, comedian Carrot Top, Singer Vince Gill, Welcome Week, Homecoming, and SpringFest. Apply today for Big Time Entertainment's Team Leader and be apart of something GRAND!

**Eagle Cinema**

Do you like movies? Eagle Cinema is the committee for you! Apply for Eagle Cinema's Team Leader and assist with the selection process of bringing movies to campus.

**Public Relations**

Eagle Entertainment is looking for a Team Leader that can pack the house! Every event needs a press release, flyer or possibly a banner. Your creative imagination will be needed to pack the house of every Eagle Entertainment Event. We need someone who would like to be apart of every event that Eagle Entertainment presents at GSU.

**Crowns & Fashion**

Eagle Entertainment needs a well organized people person to be the Team Leader of Crowns & Fashion. This committee plans and organizes the Homecoming Queen & King Elections, Miss Georgia Southern University Pageant, and the AIDS Fashion Show.

**Nooners**

Nooners? Yes! Midday events are in! So, be apart of the committee that brings in your midday break from classes. This committee will bring in variety programs of endless possibility, but they must be at noon!

**Spotlights**

This committee will host or assist in a variety of event styles from comedy, lecture, homecoming, Welcome Week, and SpringFest. Be a Team Leader today and organize the largest variety of programs under one roof!



## Our Opinion

### International Week and Unity Fest coming up this week at GSU

"United We Stick, Divided We're Stuck!" is the title of GSU's Unity Fest scheduled for May 7 at Oxford Field. The event is sponsored by several of the university's African-American organizations to aid in unifying the campus.

However, the event will not only help to unify the university, but also all proceeds from the festival will be donated to charity.

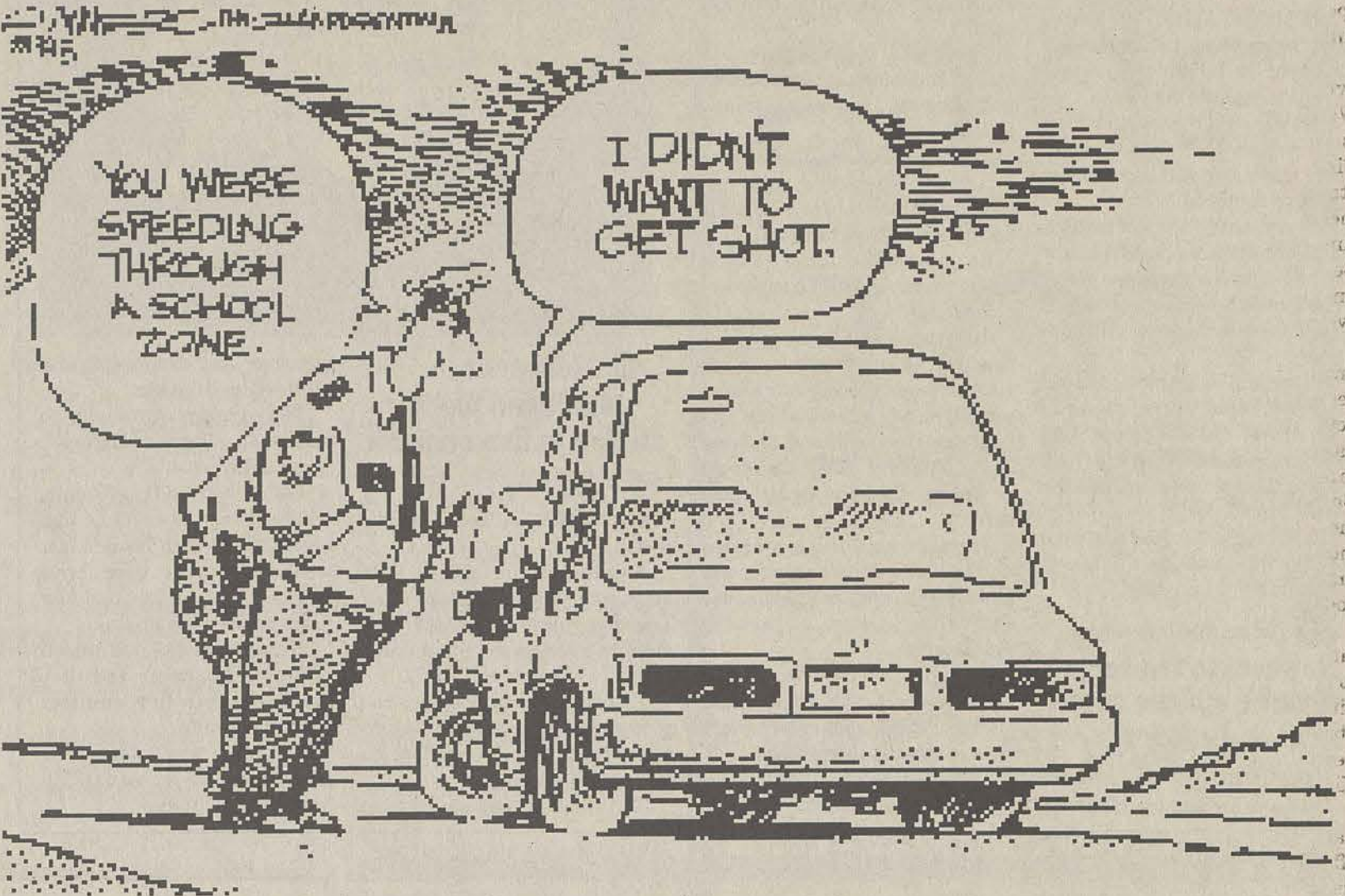
Also this week is International Week at GSU. This is a time for students to appreciate and celebrate world diversity.

International Week actually began April 30 with the World Intercollegiate Business Game in the College of Business Administration Building. This year's event is sponsored by several of the university's organizations such as Multicultural Affairs, the Georgia Southern Museum, Center for International Studies and student organizations.

These events are designed to bring awareness and to gain student participation in an area of the university that they may have overlooked in the past.

Hopefully, a large majority of the students will participate in the events, not because it is required, but to gain knowledge.

It's better to learn about something you never knew anything about than to remain ignorant on the subject.



### My first venture to the RAC was a memorable one

Saturday, April 18 will undoubtedly go down as a day in history for GSU. On this day, the university held the grand opening for the new Recreation Activity Center, better known as the RAC.

However, I must admit, I was unable to attend the grand opening ceremony and the events that took place that day, but from what I heard, it was an eventful day.

But this past weekend, I was finally able to visit the center to see what all the "hype" was about. And I was not disappointed.

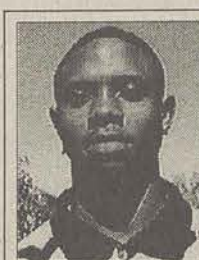
Getting out of my usual Saturday routine of watching cartoons and WCW Wrestling, eating cereal and getting more sleep, I decided to take advantage of the day and visit the RAC. My roommate and I both agreed that the idea was worth entertaining, so we got dressed in T-shirts and shorts and made our way to GSU's latest campus edition.

Upon reaching the \$8 million facility, I noticed outside there is a big pond. What purpose is this going to hold? Is it going to act as a distant cousin to Lake Ruby and Lake Wells (the two lakes across from Zach S. Henderson Library)?

Hey, I got an idea. Why not open it up as the site for a new P.E. course. We could call it: "Introduction to Fishing." This is just a suggestion. I figure there's no need to let that fine body of water go to waste.

Anyway, as I entered the RAC, I was quickly overwhelmed with that new building smell. Showing the attendants our student ID cards, my roommate and I made our way towards the main gymnasium.

In earlier stories on the recreation center, there was the mention of this main gymnasium, which houses three full-length basketball courts with another auxiliary gymnasium and the



**STACY CLEMONS**

EDITOR

climbing wall. I didn't see either of these features, maybe because I didn't tour the entire facility.

No matter though, my room-

The question of "Who's got next?" and a quick shout from my roommate quickly brought me out of my daze as I made my

**UPON REACHING THE \$8 MILLION FACILITY, I NOTICED OUTSIDE THERE IS A BIG POND. WHAT PURPOSE IS THIS GOING TO HOLD? IS IT GOING TO ATTACK AS A DISTANT COUSIN TO LAKE RUBY AND LAKE WELLS (THE TWO LAKES ACROSS FROM ZACH S. HENDERSON LIBRARY)?**

mate and I began stretching for what we initially decided would be a day of working out; however, it soon turned into a day of "Hoop It Up Action."

While waiting on our opportunity to showcase our skills on the basketball court, we both sat on the sideline taking in the view. My roommate, being a two-week veteran of the RAC, continued stretching. Me, being a rookie of the RAC scene, continued to gaze around the semi-massive building taking in the day.

I liked the cardiovascular strength training area. Whoever diagrammed this section really had a vivid imagination of what students and faculty members would want in a fitness room. Although, I didn't exactly enter the area, I noticed by just looking that the people inside the room were having fun. The big color television screens and the audio equipment adds that special touch to a modernized building like this.

way to the middle basketball court.

Once I stepped on the floor and began looking around some more, I noticed a few people jogging around on the indoor track upstairs and a large majority of people having fun inside the racquetball rooms. The adjacent basketball court was already taken by a large group of guys who also were having some nice, yet competitive fun.

During breaks of the game, I couldn't help but notice myself drifting my concentration from the court to the other activities going on around me, but a loud "Look Out!" quickly brought me back to reality.

Somehow, the team I was on lost the game 12-11. For me, it wasn't a bad outing since it was my first time in the new building, but for some of the guys on my team, I could see they weren't as carefree as I was.

As the team made its way to the sideline, I found my way to an area separating the courts

and the fitness area and proceeded to continue my exploration of the building.

My gazing was rapidly cut short as a "What's up Stacy" popped up. Several people I have become acquainted with on campus, struck up conversations as they headed to their preferable RAC areas.

When the middle court basketball game concluded, I was selected to play on yet another team and this time, the outcome was a lot better as we won 12-9. We would win one more game before retiring to the sidelines yet again. However, we received one more opportunity and took full advantage of it as we won the last game 12-10, ending my day at the RAC.

Before leaving the facility, a couple of more conversations were stricken up. The other participants and myself discussed everything from classes to what I thought about the new Recreation Activity Center.

To that question, I would only have positive answers. From the four and a half hours I spent at the facility, I could see my fellow Georgia Southernites participating in a day of fulfilled activities.

However, we all need to remember that this is GSU and not the University of Georgia. The RAC is a nice addition to the campus although it is not of the magnitude of the University of Georgia's SPACenter (which I also have to admit I compared the RAC, too). The building was not only constructed with student funds, but also was built for a campus of approximately 14,000 students. It is a nice place to go to have fun, meet your friends and new people as well as interact with GSU faculty members.

What more could we ask for except for one of those awesome RAC towels?



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## Your Opinion

### Restaurant review was a little biased

Editor,

I usually don't complain about such things, but when I read the review of the Southern Palace Chinese Restaurant, I knew I had to set the record straight on behalf of all lovers of American-Chinese cuisine, especially lo-mein.

Your reviewer wasn't pleased with the lo-mein, but I think she judged it unfairly. The taste your reviewer described as smoky, as if some of it had burned up in the pan, was probably something

completely different. Most likely what she tasted was dark sesame oil, a wonderfully rich condiment usually added just before serving. It is an acquired, sophisticated taste, not for everybody, but in no way does it resemble burned food. If she had asked, the server of manager could have explained.

One reason I'm sure I'm correct is this: when she heated the meal the next day, the taste disappeared. Sesame oil, though quite flavorful, is extremely fragile, and excess heat destroys the flavor. That's why it's added just before serving.

Anyway, please keep up the

good work. And if you're ever in need of a gourmet-wanna-be, please give me a call.

**Tina Whittle**  
Writing and Linguistics

### George-Anne's still disappearing

Editor,

I have brought this to your attention before but the problem still exists. I am a prof in Biology and notice that the morning after either *The George-Anne* or *Eagle* comes out, our recycle bins are filled with them. I estimate that approximately 40 percent of the papers are brand new, un-

touched. This raises concerns for at least two reasons.

1. The university is wasting money printing so many copies if they are not read.

2. We are wasting resources such as paper and energy.

I think the problem is an overzealous nighttime cleaning crew (but why they worry about throwing out papers when they don't do other aspects of their job baffles me). I think you guys should contact the boss of Physical Plant and get them to leave the papers. Can't students read the paper on the next day?

**Dr. Lorne Wolfe**  
Department of Biology



GUEST COLUMNS

# Walt Disney's new addition of 'Animal Kingdom' disgraces past images of Disney World

Walt Disney died 32 years ago, and I strongly suspect he's spent a considerable part of that time spinning in his grave.

No, I'm not referring to the ever-present rumor that ol' Walt's cryogenically frozen body is kept in a secret vault under Cinderella's Castle. How that got started is anybody's guess. I mean that his company, once America's corporate epitome of Beaver-Cleaver values, has come under attack by, well, virtually everybody.

The Southern Baptists are angry that gay Disney employees get medical benefits. Labor activists are upset that the company allegedly uses child labor to assemble some of its products. Catholic church leaders were incensed over a Disney-backed movie that portrays priests in an unflattering light. And the list goes on and on.

So with all due respect to the late Mr. Disney, today I'm going to join the attack. My beef is different than those mentioned above. It's with Disney World's new theme park, the Animal Kingdom.

Disney CEO Michael Eisner has billed it as something which offers "a new dimension of reality with live animals and natural habitats." Tour guides take you around in a tram and you'll see, instead of animatronic characters, living animals in their supposedly natural surroundings — a Jurassic Park type of adventure. Without the dinosaurs, of course.

Sounds too good to be true? Well, like Michael Crichton's fictional park, controversy and trouble began to brew even before Disney's version opened, when recently many of its rare animals began to die under mysterious circumstances.

A rhino died because of intestinal problems, another while under anesthesia.

So did four cheetah cubs after they swallowed a chemical found in antifreeze. Oh, and I shouldn't forget those two West African cranes that were killed when they were run over by the giant tram. I bet that happens all the time on the African savanna.

Some animals rights groups were up in arms after the deaths became public, and for once, I'm inclined to agree. Although the U.S. Department of Agriculture investigated and officially cleared Disney of any animal treatment violations, I think the Animal Kingdom is a crummy way for Disney to add to its \$22 billion in yearly profits.

For one thing, Disney is promoting this place, in part, as a sort of wildlife refuge. That's the case in appearance only. Although refuges are protected by guards and fences, the animals eat, walk around and sleep in their indigenous habitats.

At Disney's Animal Kingdom, they eat human prepared food at feeding stations placed specifically where tourists can see them. They roam on 500 acres, which may seem like a lot of ground to cover to sweaty tourists, but is actually minuscule compared to the great conservation areas in Africa and elsewhere. And don't think the animals sleep outdoors, because the Disney people have trained them to come inside at night — into cages. I may not be an animal expert, but from the look of things, Disney's Animal Kingdom sounds more like an overhyped zoo than a wildlife sanctuary.

Supposedly Disney has hired some of the best animal care experts on the planet to work at the Animal Kingdom. Maybe that's true, but you have to wonder what the heck is going on when more than a dozen animals, several of whom were endangered species, die in captivity. The com-

munications director of the Miami Metrozoo speculated that "They may be suffering a little

ford to keep having Simba-esque creatures popping up dead all over the place.

**KEEP IN MIND WALT DISNEY WORLD IS RUN BY A HUGE CORPORATION THAT HAS NEVER BEFORE DEALT WITH THE HOUSING AND CARE OF LARGE NUMBERS OF ANIMALS (SORRY, THE ANIMATRONIC TIKI BIRDS DON'T COUNT).**

from the 'Get it ready, get it open, because we've got to meet this date' syndrome. That's no fault of the animal people. It's just the pressure of the business."

Yes, business. Keep in mind Walt Disney World is run by a huge corporation that has never before dealt with the housing and care of large numbers of animals (sorry, the animatronic Tiki Birds don't count).

As Mr. Eisner himself admitted not too long ago: "A company this big just can't monitor everything. Some things are going to slip through the cracks." Or, more to the point, some things are going to get run over by tourist trams.

By herding together exotic and real animals, Disney really opened itself up to attack when things began to foul up. It is, after all, the company that created some of the most popular cartoon animals in the world. If a corporation like, oh, Exxon opened up a theme park in which the animals began to die like crazy, no one would be too surprised. After that Valdez oil spill, the public might even expect it from them. But with Disney, image is everything. It can't af-

For example, take the song "It's A Small World." Think about the awful possibilities less than charitable individuals could do to its lyrics:

It's a world of profit, a world of cash; Where zoo animals drop dead in a flash; Do they have no shame, neglecting their game?

It's a cruel world after all. Or how about that theme song to the Mickey Mouse Club? Just think of what an unscrupulous Conan O'Brien could do with that one: M-I-C-K-E-Y, M-O-U-S-E; has been forced to perform critter autopsies; Mickey Mouse! Mickey Mouse! (Aw shucks!); Shoulda stuck with the Haunted House!

It's too bad, it's so sad, but what can you do? Thank the glorious God above, animals can't sue.

I realize that for decades Disney has been a source (be it a

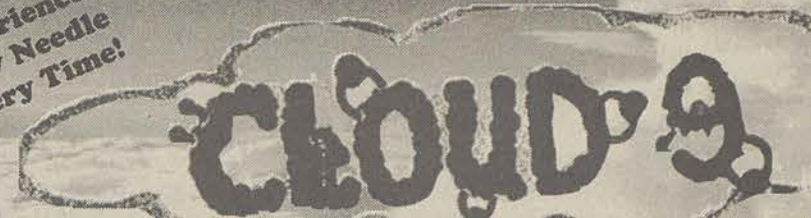
sappy one) of entertainment for the kids. But recently, Eisner and company have seemed determined to concoct ill-thought out megaplanes in an effort to boost Disney's profits.

Remember a few years back when Eisner hatched a scheme to open a history-based theme park right next door to a Civil War battle field?

Many people, including historians and local residents, felt it would cash in on the memory of the dead, and the plan was hastily withdrawn. They built the Animal Kingdom instead, hoping to avoid another controversy. So much for that idea.

An animal rights advocate recently said, "Disney should stick to Mickey Mouse." Truer words have not been spoken — at the very least he doesn't have to worry about those darn trams.

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## The Academic Corner

### Semester System — How Will It Affect Me??

As Georgia Southern Converts to the Semester System, the University has adopted the philosophy that students will not be penalized or harmed in the transition. Every decision affecting advisement, degree requirements, and graduation will be made with the students' best interest in mind — the University is committed to make decisions so that students will not be negatively impacted by the transition.

**Q: WHY ARE WE GOING TO THE SEMESTER SYSTEM?**

A: The entire University System of Georgia (USG) is converting in Fall 1998 based on the idea that the semester system will create a better learning and teaching environment for faculty and students. The national trend is toward semester systems, with only 30 to 25 percent of colleges and universities remaining on the quarter system.

**Q: WHAT ARE SOME OF THE BENEFITS OF THE SEMESTER SYSTEM?**

A: The pace of a semester course should be less hectic. There is proportionately more out-of-class time for students to study course materials in greater depth, and for independent study, reading, and writing. A greater amount of faculty time is freed for instruction and other related matters. Spring Semester will end in early May, allowing students to take advantage of earlier summer job opportunities. Textbooks are put to better use since most are designed for semesters. As a result, fewer books are needed, thus decreasing yearly textbook and material costs for students. There are fewer registration periods. Reducing the number of terms from three to two makes it easier for students to plan an entire year with fewer changes. Classes don't meet every day, allowing more time between class meetings to complete assignments.

**Q: WHEN DO WE CHANGE TO THE SEMESTER SYSTEM?**

A: In Fall 1998, Georgia Southern University, like other University System Institutions, will convert to the Semester System. Students who graduate before August 1998 will not be affected by this change. All other students will begin to take semester system courses.

**Q: HOW MANY COURSES WILL I TAKE?**

A: Most semester courses will be 3 credit hours, meaning students will take more courses (usually 5 or 6 per semester) instead of the normal three courses per quarter. Full-time students will enroll in at least 12 hours; half-time students will take at least 6 hours.

**Q: WHAT WILL BE THE CLASS SCHEDULE?**

A: Classes will not meet five days per week as they do now and the semester will last 15 weeks instead of 10 weeks.

**Q: WHEN WILL CLASSES START?**

A: Semester system courses will begin August 21, 1998.

**Q: HOW DO I COMPLETE MY DEGREE?**

A: If you do not plan to graduate by the end of Summer Quarter, 1998, you will need to make a decision prior to August 1, 1998, about how best to complete your degree. If you make this decision **before August 1, 1998**, you have three options: (1) Satisfy Quarter System Core and Degree Requirements; (2) Satisfy Quarter System Core Requirements and Semester System Major/Degree Program Requirements, or (3) Satisfy Semester System Core and Major/Program Degree Requirements. If you wait until **after August 1, 1998**, to make the decision, you are limited to: (1) Satisfy Quarter System Core Requirements and Semester System Major/Degree Program Requirements, or (2) Satisfy Semester System Core and Major/Program Degree Requirements.

**Q: WHAT HAPPENS IF I CHOOSE TO SATISFY THE CURRENT QUARTER SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS?**

A: If you choose to satisfy the quarter system degree requirements you will choose semester courses which are the equivalents (contain the same or similar content) of the quarter system course listed as a requirement for your degree. Each department has developed equivalency charts for every degree program (listing quarter courses and identifying the semester equivalent).

**Q: IF I CHOOSE TO SATISFY THE SEMESTER SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS, HOW DO MY QUARTER SYSTEM COURSES APPLY?**

A: Students who elect to complete semester system degree requirements must satisfy all semester requirements. These students will use equivalent quarter courses to meet these requirements. Charts based on semester degree requirements which identify quarter system equivalents have been developed.

**Q: WHERE ARE THESE EQUIVALENCY CHARTS LOCATED?**

A: Your advisor will have copies of these charts and they will be available on the semester conversion website: <http://www.gasou.edu>

**Q: WHOM SHOULD I ASK IF I HAVE A SPECIFIC QUESTION CONCERNING SEMESTER CONVERSION?**

A: If you have a question about semester conversion, email your question to [peterson@gsuvm2.cc.gasou.edu](mailto:peterson@gsuvm2.cc.gasou.edu). Questions and answers will appear in editions of the Academic Corner in the George-Anne and at [www.gasou.edu](http://www.gasou.edu).

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## DOWN THE STRETCH

REGINALD M. FARRELL



### Fake wrestling still entertains

Baseball is one of America's favorite past time. Cool. However, I just have to talk about a sport that is near and dear to my heart. That's right, ladies and gentleman, pro wrestling.

So what if it's choreographed. It's good entertainment. Now, I know there are tons of wrestling lovers on this campus that are ashamed to admit it. It's okay, watching two people in tights demolish one another is perfectly normal. Whether you watch WCW or WWF, it's all good. Personally, I like both companies. Regardless of the on ongoing rivalries, you fans out there have to admit that there's no feeling quite like watching an intense wrestling bout.

Seeing the competitors enter the arena to their theme music and the psychotic looks on their faces just gets me hyped up. Hey, I like seeing people get caught on the receiving end of a diamond cutter from Diamond Dallas Page or a stone cold stunner by Stone Cold Steve Austin. This is what glorifies this sport! There are too many times I've found myself laughing hysterically as referee's and owners like Vince McMahon, of the WWF, get pounded by wrestlers and get away with it. Where else can you get that quality entertainment other than the "Jerry Springer Show?" Certainly not on "Ricki Lake" or some steamy soap opera. That's why I tune into shows like WCW Monday Nitro, Raw Is War, WCW Saturday Night, and Shotgun Saturday Night.

The interesting thing about pro wrestling is that you never know what will happen next. It might be a surprise attack from the NWO or Degeneration X. Perhaps, someone might just want to shoot off at the mouth. The bottom line is that there's never a dull moment! Oops! I failed to mention the use of the ever-popular and painful steel chair, that is definitely another monumental trademark of this profession.

Also, we can't overlook the colorful attire of most wrestlers. For example, you have Ric Flair's colorful robes and there's Sting who now resembles "The Crow" just to name a few. Then there are the catch phrases we all know and love because we can't get them out of our heads. Some of them include the Undertaker's "Rest In Peace" motto, Steve Austin's "That's the bottom line 'cause Stone Cold said so" theme which is worthy of an award and the one I like most, the "woo" from Ric Flair.

Of course, some people find wrestling violent or barbaric, maybe even vulgar. But think about it, a lot of us love to gather around the television set when the "Jerry Springer Show" comes on. And when you break it down, both of them are very similar!

Once again, I call out to you followers of the gladiators in the squared circle, you know who you are. Don't make me come single you out! It's time we meet one another and throw our own Monday Nitro parties. By the way, I missed "Raw Is War" last night. Will someone tell me what happened?

## Two late inning charges undo Eagles

GSU News Services

Fourth-seeded Furman University scored four-times in the top of the ninth inning to post a 6-5 come-from-behind victory

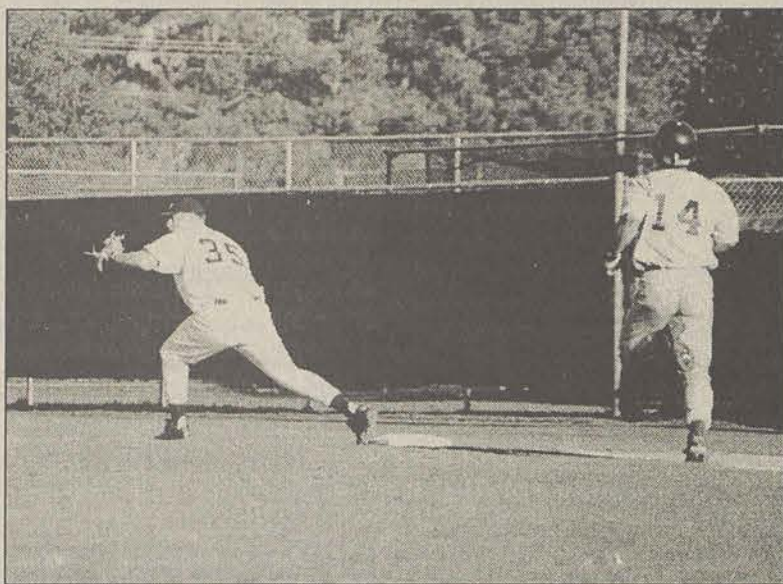
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over sixth-seeded GSU in game nine of the 1998 Coca-Cola/Wendy's Southern Conference Baseball Tournament last Saturday in Charleston, S.C.

Before being put out by Furman, GSU lost in the opening round against Western Carolina, 6-5 and posted a win against Davidson, 6-3.

In the game versus Furman, GSU (18-27) claimed a 1-0 lead in the second inning on Steve Watson's RBI groundout. In the fifth, Furman tied the game at 1-1 when Jody Wade homered. In the bottom of the fifth, GSU took a 4-1 advantage with Jody Pollock's run-scoring single highlighting the inning.

The Eagles would score again to take a 5-2 lead into the ninth inning. The Paladins would then go on a scoring spree, with three unanswered runs. In Furman's half of the ninth, Paladin shortstop Adam Etherington's RBI



File Photo

The Eagle baseball team went 1-2 last weekend at the Southern Conference tournament, defeating Davidson. They play UGA today.

single tied the contest at 5-5 with one out. Following a single and a walk to load the bases, Furman first baseman Jim Morrill drew a walk to force in the winning run, completing the late inning win.

Furman starter William Rowland (4-6) got the win with a complete game effort, striking out six and walking one. Eagle reliever Adrian Yother (3-5) suffered the loss after allowing two hits and two earned runs in 1/3 innings.

Etherington and Wade collected two hits apiece for the Paladins while Pollock and Joe Dawson had two hits each for the Eagles.

In the Eagles' first round loss to Western Carolina, the Catamounts claimed a 1-0 lead in the third inning on a sacrifice fly by WCU right fielder Charlie Thomas. The Eagles came back to score three runs in their half of the fifth inning off Jimmy Alexander's two-run triple highlighting the frame.

## Eagles fall in championship



File Photo

Last grab of the season: The Lady Eagle softball team ended their season last weekend in the Southern Conference championship game against Chattanooga. GSU was defeated 8-0 in the final.

GSU News Services

The GSU softball team couldn't stop Chattanooga from capturing its third straight

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Southern Conference Tournament title, as they fell to the Lady Mocs 8-0 in Sunday's championship game at Jim Frost Stadium in Chattanooga, Tenn.

The Eagles, who finish the season with a record of 20-36, 5-7 in the conference, had reached

the finals by beating UNC Greensboro, 6-3, in Sunday's semi-final game.

Chattanooga, (47-15/10-2) recorded seven runs off six hits in the second inning to quickly gain control.

The Lady Mocs added another run in the third to finish the game's scoring. GSU's only scoring opportunity came in the seventh inning when Ashley Flemming led off with a single, stole second and reached third on a fielder's choice.

But UTC starting pitcher Amy Robertson's throw to the plate after fielding a short

grounder beat Flemming and kept GSU scoreless.

Robertson (22-6), the tournament's Most Valuable Player, allowed no runs off four hits with four strikeouts to take the win in her final game. Kammerer (6-11) took the loss for GSU. Kami Tucker led UTC's charge by going 3-for-4 with a run and two RBI.

Leading GSU, both Mandi Dunn and Flemming went 2-for-3. Danelle Toole saw her 17-game hit streak snapped after an 0-for-3 showing.

In the semi-final game just prior to that, GSU answered UNC Greensboro's game-tying run in the top of the fifth with four runs in its half of the inning to retake the lead 6-2.

McCaine Lowder scored off a double by Sheri Russo, who then crossed the plate when Jennifer Harris smacked a two-run single. Toole scored on the play as well. Harris scored off an RBI single by Kammerer. Winning in relief, Kammerer pitched 2.2 innings, allowed three hits, no runs and struck out one.

For the game, Lowder was 2-for-3 with two runs, Harris was 2-for-3 with a run and two RBIs and Russo was 3-for-4 with a run and two RBIs to lead the Eagles. Jill Quilla paced the Spartans with her 2-for-3 effort with a run.

Toole, Harris and Dunn were named to the GSU all-tournament team.

### MLB NEWS

## Chipper Jones on a mission for Atlanta Braves

By Paul Newberry  
The Associated Press

ATLANTA — For some reason, Chipper Jones acts as if he has something to prove this season.

There's nothing wrong with a guy trying to summon up a little extra motivation, but it hardly seems warranted in this case. After all, how could Jones be down on himself after compiling these numbers a year ago: .295 average, 21 homers, 111 RBIs and 20 stolen bases?

Still, a month before spring training began, the Atlanta Braves third baseman went to work. While others were honing their golf swings, Jones grabbed

a bat and traveled to Florida to work with his father, a college baseball coach and his closest confidante.

**"I WENT OUT REALLY ON A MISSION TO TRY TO PROVE MYSELF AS ONE OF THE BEST PLAYERS IN THE LEAGUE."**  
—CHIPPER JONES

Jones has always been diligent with his winter workout program, but this was different, a superstar working out with

the vigor of someone who had a job to earn.

"I went out really on a mission to try to prove myself as one of the best players in the league," said Jones, apparently believing that 51 homers and 221 RBIs over the last two seasons didn't show that.

"That's what I want to be known as. I'm not there yet, but hopefully I'll get there."

Judging from the first month of the season, Jones is short-changing himself. On a team where all of the focus seems to be on pitching, he finished the month of April ranked among the NL leaders in batting average, hits, homers, RBIs and runs.

### Inside Sports:

- GSU baseball gets caught from behind in late inning loses at SoCon Tournament
- Eagle softball loses in championship game to UTC in SoCon tournament action
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- MLB and NFL news

### 1998 Southern Conference Baseball All-Conference Second Team

#### Pitchers

- Brian Rogers, The Citadel, Junior
- Corey McDonald, UNC-G, Junior

#### Relief Pitcher

- Jason Parson, UNC-G, Senior

#### Fielders

- Catcher—Frankie Ward, WCU, Senior
- 1B—Jim Morrill, Furman, Senior
- 2B—Jody Pollock, GSU, Sophomore
- SS—Terrence Smalls, The Citadel, Senior
- 3B—Aaron Haigler, The Citadel, Junior
- OF—Jerry Simmons, The Citadel, Senior
- OF—Rusty Swackhamer, ETSU, Sophomore
- OF—Jeremy Purcell, UNC-G, Sophomore
- DH—Brandon Eierman, ETSU, Junior

### CROSS COUNTRY NEWS

## GSU cross country signs two new runners from Marietta for season

GSU News Services

John Szczesniak of Lassiter High School and Sarah Malone of Walton High School have both signed letters of intent to run cross country at GSU. Two signees, both from Marietta, Ga., will join the Eagle and Lady Eagle runners for the upcoming fall season.

Szczesniak was ranked 24th in the state in 1997 and placed fourth at the state cross country meet for Lassiter. His junior season, he posted a state meet showing of the third place. He earned all-county honors in 1995, 1996, and 1997.

Also a highly-touted track athlete, Szczesniak was listed as one of the state's top runners in the 800 meter and 1600 meter events this year. He was a state qualifier in both his junior and

senior seasons in the 800 event. He was also named to the all-county track team his senior year.

"John is a great step for us in building our program," Cross Country coach Todd Lane said. "He is very physically talented and has great range over the distance races. His work ethic and love of the sport should make him a tough runner over the next four years."

Malone was a four-year letter winner for Walton. She was a top-five runner on her high school cross country team and posted a finish of 41st at the state meet her final season.

"I think Sarah has quite a bit of potential and should make some big jumps in college," Lane said. "She comes from a successful high school program which is a plus to bring that with her."

### NFL NEWS

## Cincinnati head coach releases overweight players from minicamp

By Joe Kay

The Associated Press

CINCINNATI—Coach Bruce Coslet kicked two players out of the Cincinnati Bengals' minicamp last Saturday because they showed up overweight.

Coslet told receiver David Dunn and linebacker James Francis to go home and get in shape. He met with them after weigh-ins Saturday morning.

"I'm not going to put up with this anymore," Coslet said angrily. "I'm tired of it. It's not fair to me and it sure isn't fair to their teammates."

Dunn, the team's number three receiver, agreed to a one-year contract on April 24. Francis, the starting left outside linebacker, is under contract through 1999.

Coslet's decision represents a tougher line against players who let themselves get out of shape over the winter and do not return to minicamp in condition to practice. This is the first incident of the rule having to be enforced.

"It may help to be less tolerant of this type of thing," team president Mike Brown said.

"We've tried to work with guys in all kinds of ways to improve their conditioning."

"Maybe it's time just to say we won't accept that any longer. When you're ready to go as you should be, we'll be pleased to have you try. Until then, don't bother us."

Francis' contract includes a clause that pays him for working out with a trainer in Houston in the offseason.

Brown said Francis has failed to fulfill the clause and has lost the money.

Francis, a first-round draft pick in 1990, has had weight problems over the years, which is one of the reasons the Bengals wanted the workout clause in the contract extension he signed in November 1995.

The extension included a \$1.5 million signing bonus and annual salaries of \$1.25 million through 1999.

"We've worked hard to make James improve himself," Brown said. "Maybe this will jolt him enough that he'll take it more seriously and work hard and get in shape and be ready...when training camp starts."



CRI NEWS

## Men's softball teams battle it out for a chance to go to the state intramural softball playoffs

By Jamie Hodges  
Assistant Sports Editor

CRI hosted the Men's Softball State Qualifier last Friday night at the Fair Road softball complex. Six clubs fought it out in a tournament that awarded only the top two spots for the state playoffs in Atlanta, Ga.

In the opening rounds of competition, Sigma Chi defeated Tru Sluggers over a forfeit and Kappa Sigma beat Smiley's All Stars 8-7. During the second round of play, Already Won overpowered Sigma Chi 22-6, and Aww Nude took care of Kappa Sigma, beating them 9-5.

In the loser's bracket Kappa Sigma won their game against Tru Sluggers (another forfeit) and Smiley's All Stars outlasted Sigma Chi 12-11.

"It was tough but we pulled it through," Todd Branch, Smiley's All Stars captain, said. "We only had nine players but we pulled it through."

Smiley's All Stars victory knocked Sigma Chi out of the tournament.

In the winner's bracket, Already Won faced Aww Nude. Already Won jumped out in front 9-1.

Aww Nude rallied, narrowing Already Won's lead to 9-4. But in the bottom half of the third, Already Won shut the door on any chances for an Aww Nude win. A three run homer by Trey Royal, and a two run blast by Barrett Donnelly sparked a 12 run inning that put Aww Nude away. Already Won went on to win 21-4.

"We're starting to hit the ball better," Luke Nelson, Already Won's captain said. "Our bats are starting to come around."

The win put Already Won in the championship game.

Meanwhile in the loser's division, Smiley's All Stars beat

Kappa Sigma 19-3.

Smiley's All Stars went up against Aww Nude in a semifinal matchup. Smiley's All Stars went out ahead quickly 4-0.

Smiley's All Stars increased it's lead to 7-2, and Aww Nude appeared to be down for the count. But a Hugo Montaya single, doubles by Monty Durrence and Chris Collins and a two run home run by Chris Watford tied it up 7-7.

Smiley's All Stars retook the lead 10-7. But Aww Nude retaliated in the bottom half of the fourth and went back in front 14-10. Aww Nude held on for the 16-15 squeaker.

The tournament championship game featured Aww Nude and Already Won. Already Won made quick work of Aww Nude, destroying them in a 32-2 rout.

**"WE EXPECTED TO DO WELL. EVERYBODY WERE GUNNING FOR US, BUT THEY CAME UP A LITTLE SHORT."**

**CLINT SMITH,  
PLAYER ON THE ALREADY WON SQUAD**

"We expected to do well," Clint Smith said. "Everybody were gunning for us, but they came up a little short."

Already Won will receive an all expenses paid trip to Atlanta for the intramural softball state playoffs. Aww Nude is eligible to participate but will have to pay their own way.

The state softball tournament will be held at the Country Club Sports Complex during the weekend of May 15-17.

## Women's Softball State Qualifier hosted by CRI, top two teams selected for state intramural championships in Atlanta, Ga.

By Reginald M. Farrell  
Staff Writer

Last Friday night, Campus Recreation and Intramurals hosted the 1998 Women's State Softball Qualifier.

A lot was on the line as three teams competed in a double-elimination tournament for the right to go to the state softball tournament in Atlanta, Ga., the weekend of May 15-17 at the Country Club Sports Complex.

The competition began with game one putting Triple Threat against the Hittin' Hoopsters. Hittin' Hoopsters quickly responded to take a 5-1 lead.

Hittin' Hoopsters put up two runs in the second inning and five more in the third to give them a 12-1 margin.

Triple Threat would score two additional runs to pull them within nine. Hittin' Hoopsters would answer with four extra runs in the bottom of the fourth inning.

The Hittin' Hoopsters clinched the victory 16-4.

With the win, they advanced to take on Slow and Hard while Triple Threat waited on the loser from that bracket.

In game two, Slow and Hard jumped out to an 8-0 lead against Hittin' Hoopsters.

The Hittin' Hoopsters only bright spot came in the bottom of the first when they tacked on three runs. Slow and Hard continued to take control to nail down a 18-3 blowout.

For game three, the Hittin' Hoopsters took a quick lead on Triple Threat again.

The Hittin' Hoopsters dashed out to a 6-0 lead. Triple Threat scored their only runs in the bottom of the second. After that, Hittin' Hoopsters would close the door on a possible comeback and rout Triple Threat 22-2.

The Hittin' Hoopsters were

sent to the semifinals to take on Slow and Hard.

The fourth game was a rematch between Hittin' Hoopsters and Slow and Hard.

The Hittin' Hoopsters struck first to gain a 4-0 advantage. The Hittin' Hoopsters went on to continue their offensive onslaught. Slow and Hard climbed back into

the game to make it a 9-7 deficit. Then, the Hittin' Hoopsters would score one more run in the

seventh inning to put the game away 10-7 to force a decisive game five.

In the final game, Slow and Hard looked to rebound from their game four loss. Slow and Hard would start early with a 3-0 lead in the first inning. But Hittin' Hoopsters assembled five

runs in the bottom of the inning to build a 5-3 lead. In the top of the second, Slow and Hard re-

claimed the lead 8-5. At the Hittin' Hoopsters' next at bat, they would score three runs to tie the score 8-8.

Slow and Hard outscored the Hittin' Hoopsters 10-1 off of runs in the third, fourth and sixth innings. Slow and Hard would hang on to ensure an 18-9 victory and an all expenses paid trip to Atlanta, Ga., to participate in the state softball tournament.

Rhonda Bledsoe commented on the Hittin' Hoopsters loss: "They (Slow and Hard) just really played good offense, they really hit the ball and they scored off the hits. We didn't really make that many errors but we couldn't answer their hits."



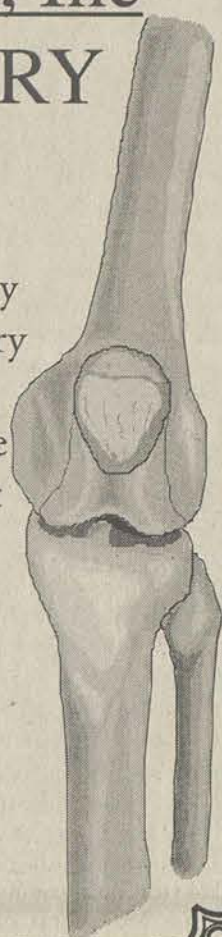
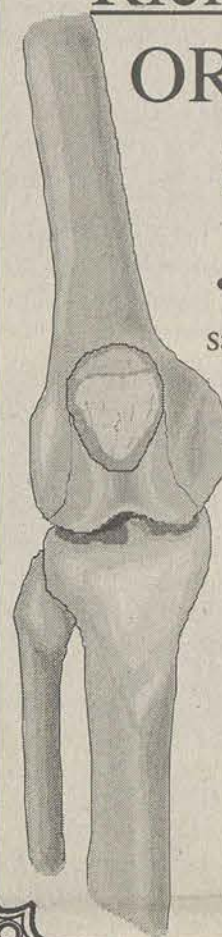
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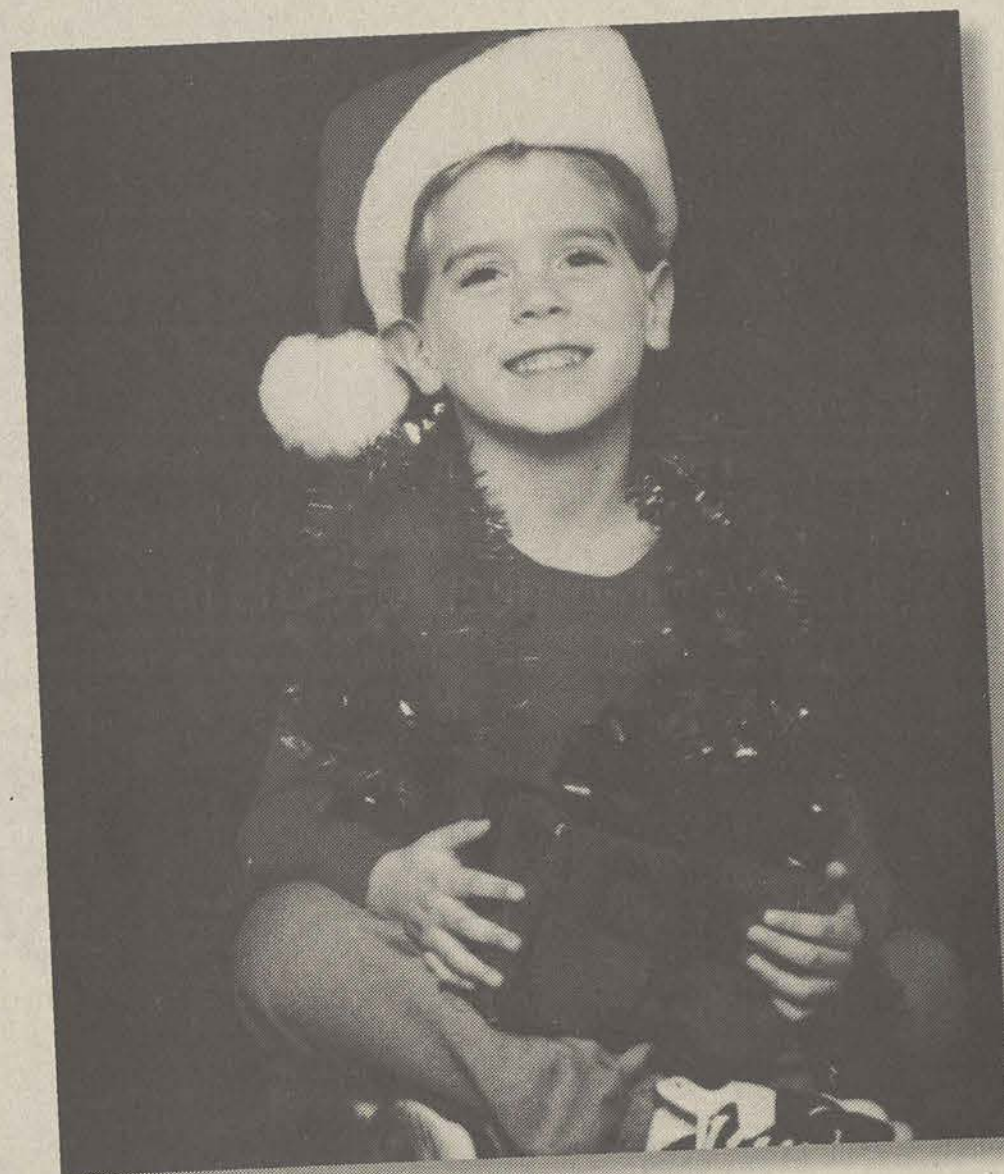
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IN THE SPOTLIGHT

# GSU students welcome their fighting 'angel'

By NiCole Patterson  
Senior Staff Writer

Faith is the belief in the value, or trustworthiness at someone or something. Newlyweds Deitra Lockett-Walker and Tavoris Walker's faith in a higher power helped them to get through a soon-to-be parents' worst nightmare. Their newborn baby had to be resuscitated twice during Deitra's labor.

The couple's story begins last December when senior logistics/intermodal transportation major Deitra Lockett-Walker's water partially broke in the College of Business Administration Building. At the time she was only six months pregnant.

"I had just finished some so-

that it was not time for the baby to come. She was only told that her water broke halfway.

However, the "pleasant" ordeal was far from being over.

During Spring Break, everything began to unfold for Deitra and her husband Tavoris, who is a senior criminal justice major. Sat., March 28, Deitra checked into Kennestone Hospital in Marietta, Ga. Again, she was released due to the fact that she had not dilated enough.

Sun., March 28, Deitra said she went to her grandmother's house.

"I was eating good. I was eating everything from ice cream to potato soup," Deitra said. "I walked around some and that

"I LOOKED AT TAVORIS AND SAID, 'GOD DID NOT BRING US HERE TO LEAVE US NOW.' RIGHT AFTER I SAID THAT THE BABY'S HEART RATE WENT BACK UP..."

— DEITRA LOCKETT-WALKER,  
NEW MOTHER

rarity activities in the Union," Deitra said. "I knew that I had less than five minutes to walk to the COBA Building, so I started to walk a little faster. I had a management test and I didn't want to be late."

Once she arrived at the COBA Building, Deitra said she felt extremely hot. She said she began to feel like she was having an asthma attack, so she reached for her inhaler.

Suddenly, she began to wheeze and water started dripping down her leg.

"I was like 'Oh my God,' I couldn't believe it," Deitra said. "My friend helped me to the bathroom. I was cramping so bad and water kept running. I was hurting so bad that when the EMS came, I forgot my name."

When Deitra reached the hospital, a doctor explained to her

night at about 9 p.m., I checked into the hospital again. They told me that I had dilated a little more."

From 11 p.m. to around 4 a.m., Deitra was in labor. Her contractions were five minutes apart; however, she said she was able to sleep a little during some of them.

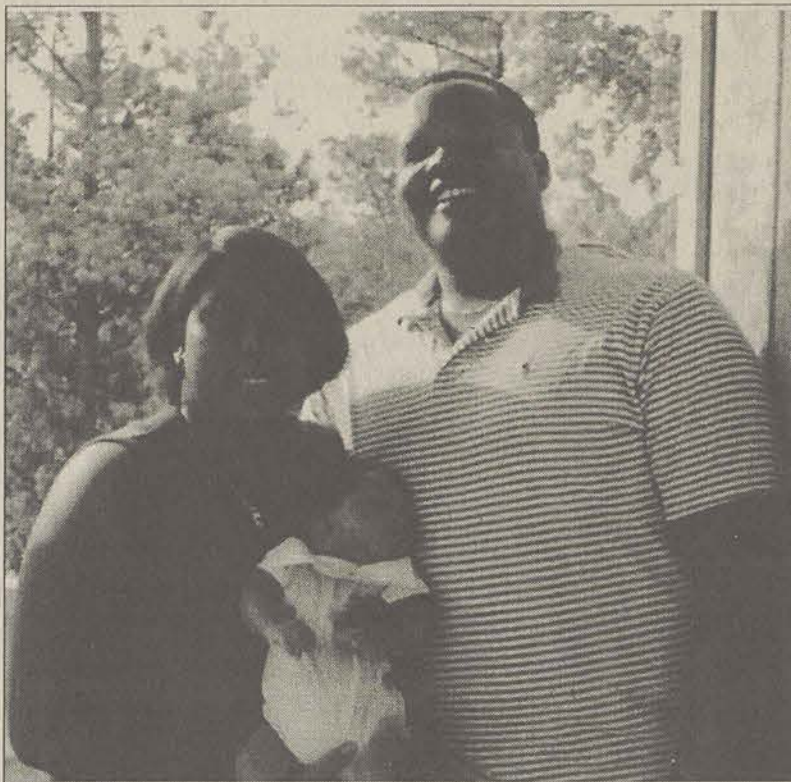
Still the "pleasant" ordeal wasn't at its end.

Mon., March 30 is a day that Deitra and her husband said they will never erase from their minds.

Early that morning, the nurses at the hospital tried to give Deitra medicine to soothe her pain.

However, the medicine did not work and she was in pain from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Around 3 p.m., Deitra said she remembers being injected with some epidural.



BEAMING WITH PRIDE: GSU students Deitra Lockett-Walker and Tavoris Walker proudly show off their newborn son, Gabriel Darrell.

No one knew of the effects it would have because suddenly the baby's heart rate dropped to 140/80.

"I looked at Tavoris and said, 'God did not bring us here to leave us now.' Right after I said that the baby's heart rate went back up and my doctor was called," Deitra said.

Around 4 p.m., that afternoon, Deitra said her doctor used a tube to see how far she had dilated.

Unexpectedly, the baby's heart rate dropped again.

"The baby used the bathroom and if he was not removed soon, he was choke on his own bowel," Deitra said.

According to the couple, an emergency C-section was performed on Deitra and questions of whether or not the baby would live or die began to linger in the back of Deitra and Tavoris' minds.

"I was thinking that if we lose

the baby then I would be upset, but then we could always try again," Tavoris said.

"I just did not want to lose her (Deitra)."

Their faith in a higher power miraculously brought them both a healthy 8 lb. 10 oz. baby boy named respectively by his father, Gabriel Darrell Walker.

"I named him Gabriel because he is the angel in Luke 1:19 that brought Zechariah good news," Tavoris said.

Entering parenthood is a major step for anyone and when asked how it now felt to be a new parent, Deitra said, "It's hard being a non-traditional student, but Gabriel keeps me and Tavoris going. He is the reason we are still here at Georgia Southern."

"We want him to have a good education and want for nothing. Gabriel has given us a new outlook on life and we are very blessed to have him."

CAMPUS NEWS

## GSU to conduct wilderness site field school summer quarter



Special Photo

Several GSU students take a break from working the dig site.

By Tia Martin  
Staff Writer

GSU in cooperation with the United States Forest Service will be conducting a wilderness site field school for the summer of 1998. The excavation will take place June 28 to July 18.

"It's a chance of a life time," Samuel Couch, a professor in the department of Geology/Geography who will over see the field school said. "Being apart of this field school will allow students to be apart of history."

This field school project will continue work on a site testing, site evaluation, and site clearing project which started during the summer of 1997. The site is a potential nineteenth-century Chinese mining encampment located in the Payette National Forest in Idaho.

Students will have the opportunity to give their own impression of what they see and what they believe happened at each individual site.

Last year's group of students found several interesting artifacts. Some of these artifacts included, Levi-Strauss pant buttons, Chinese pottery, and an opium pipe which no one else has ever had the privilege of finding

on a Chinese mining site. Some of the artifacts date back to at least 1870.

"We are glorified garbage diggers," Couch said when asked how he came about all of these unique artifacts. "These artifacts were basically left behind after the people that once used them left, or died."

Couch said a lot of people have no idea that there are Chinese mining camps in Idaho.

"Most don't know that there were Chinese [people] in Idaho, in fact in the 1870's Idaho had the highest concentration of Chinese [people] because they made up 60 percent of the mining population," Couch said. "There is so much history in these sites, and this is such a good opportunity for Southern to take part in."

If you are interested in being a part of this field school, the application deadline is May 15. A \$250 deposit must accompany the application. Outstanding fee balances are due no later than June 1. This field school can be counted for five credit hours. For more information please contact Samuel L. Couch in the Department of Geology/Geography at 681-5361.

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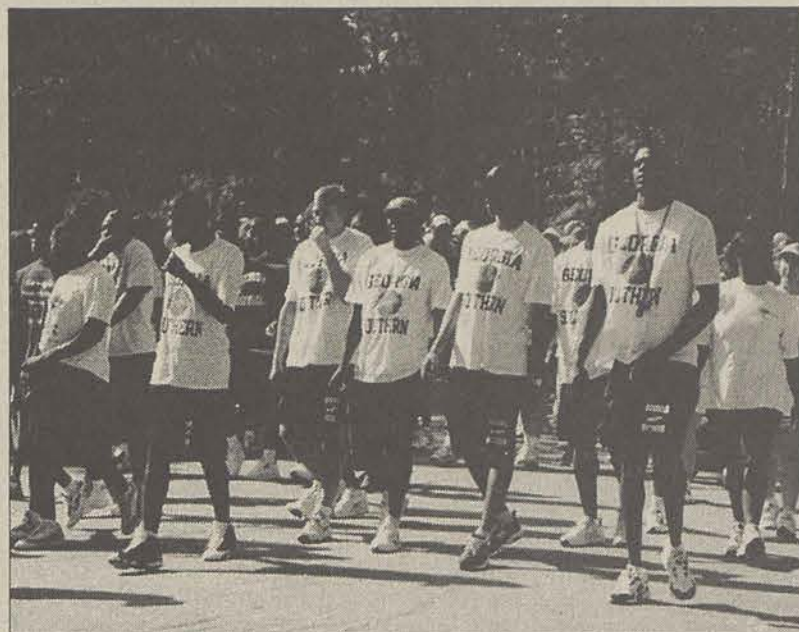
# GSU, Statesboro walk for March of Dimes

By Tamaya Huff  
Staff Writer

The March of Dimes Birth Defect Foundation of the S.E. Ga. Division, held their Annual WalkAmerica project here at GSU last Saturday. Due to the successful efforts of over 500 volunteers, community support and donations, from business charities, sponsors said the event went well.

Being an active organization since 1938, by raising money to educate, create community programs, and developmental research to help babies begin life healthy and strong, the March of Dimes has worked to ensure the health of infants until they are of one year of age.

WalkAmerica is one of the many projects used to gain financial support for the cause.



Cory Brooks

More than 500 volunteers supported Statesboro's WalkAmerica which was held last Saturday. The proceeds help save America's infants.

"GSU is a great place to walk." Hall also said this year's event was a great success.

"It's our biggest year with over 500 walkers," she said.

During the event, it was easy to see the community's close involvement with the charity.

The tunes of the Southeast Bulloch High School band filled the air with the harmony and song with hopeful efforts of encouraging the walkers.

"We believe in giving back to the community," Joe Bufford, band director, said. "The March of Dimes is one of my favorite charities. We do this every year."

The Statesboro Optimist Club (Morning Club), also gave a helping hand to the cause by providing food and beverages to the walkers.

Dot Thornton, who presided over the group's involvement in the project, said, "I've been in (WalkAmerica) for 3 or 4 years now. I was here today at 7:30

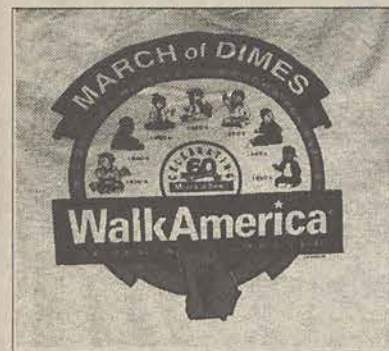
a.m. bringing tons of ice. We serve hot dogs, potato chips, and drinks to the walkers."

The walkers said they enjoyed the event too. After an exhausting jog around the four-mile course, Joseph Ritch, a member of the Phi Sigma Pi fraternity at GSU said, "Yeah it was good. It felt good to get out and help."

Cynthia D. Jackson, a member of the Phi Beta Lambda at Ogeechee Tech, attended the event with her two grandchildren, Dontrell, 5, and Jevonna, 3.

"I liked it," she said. "I really do support the March of Dimes."

Taking a look at the other positive effects that this project brings other than its goal of saving America's infants, Sandy Hall said, "WalkAmerica brings the community together since we're having over 500 people participate. It allows the community to socialize, catch up and meet new people."



Participants gave donations to participate in a four-mile trek around the GSU campus. Depending on the amount of the donations, certain incentives in the forms of T-shirts, mugs and hats, were given out to the participants.

Sandy Hall, community director of the WalkAmerica project in Statesboro, said she was grateful to GSU for the use of their campus and Hanner Fieldhouse.

"I think they are great because they allowed us to use the Hanner Fieldhouse," she said.

CAMPUS NEWS

## GSU sororities contribute 278 Teddy Bears to Atlanta abused children

By Tia Martin  
Staff Writer

What do you get when you put GSU sororities and 278 Teddy Bears together? You get a major contribution that helps hundreds of abused children.

Several of GSU's sororities, who contributed the majority of the Teddy Bears, and the South-East Panhellenic Association contributed the stuffed animals to Atlanta area abused children.

The philanthropy project was part of this year's Panhellenic Conference held in Atlanta, Ga.

"The Teddy Bears will go to the Atlanta Police Department, to support their efforts in providing comfort to abused children," Jane Campaigne, GSU's Greek Advisor said.

The Teddy Bears will be used to calm down abused children that come into Atlanta area hospitals.

"The Panhellenic Association and members of sororities demonstrate their depth of contribution to the community by donating Teddy Bears to these unfortunate children," Campaigne said.

According to Kellie Stephenson, the Panhellenic

Association's vice-president of financial affairs, it took GSU's participating sororities all winter quarter to collect the Teddy Bears.

"We do this project every year and this was our most successful year," Stephenson said. "I just asked each to sorority to contribute and the Teddy Bears just started pouring in."

GSU collected the majority of the Teddy Bears to take to the South-East Panhellenic Association Conference.

Campaigne said she had the privilege of transporting all 278 of the bears to the conference.

"There were Teddy Bears everywhere, they were blocking my back window and hanging out of the side windows but it made me feel good," Campaigne said.

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GEORGIA NEWS

## Folklorist focuses on arts, crafts that make South Georgia unique

By Elliott Minor  
The Associated Press

Frank Harrell stirred a pot of gurgling pink juice in his backyard kitchen, making jelly from mayhaw berries.

"They call mayhaw jelly the Cadillac of jellies," said Harrell, 78. "It's been so isolated over the years. The only people who knew about it lived around here. Once other people try it, they like it."

Valdosta State University folklorist Laurie Sommers has studied Harrell and others who keep alive old south Georgia traditions.

"They do it because it's important to them," she said. "It's some-

thing that gives meaning to their lives. They are the things that keep us all from becoming strip malls with McDonalds."

Ms. Sommers, using state grants, has surveyed south Georgia folklore and produced 13 programs for Georgia Public Radio.

Her subjects include:

- A family with roots in the Okefenokee Swamp that still makes palmetto yard brooms in Folkston. Swept dirt, rather than lush grass, once was the mark of a tidy yard.

- A Hoboken vocal group that performs a Colonial New England style known as Sacred Harp singing.

- A Willacoochee cane-syrup

grinder.

- A gospel-singing couple from Valdosta.

- A fourth-generation fiddler from Thomasville.

Despite claims by some that the world is becoming homogeneous, Southerners still have a strong regional identity, Harrell said.

"You see real examples of the way environment influences creativity and tradition," he said. "One uses plants and things from the natural world as everyday objects. One of the wonderful things about folk traditions is that you can see how people have adopted to the natural environment."

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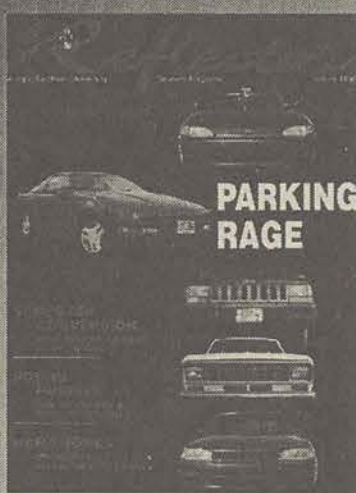
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## GEORGIA NEWS

## Three vie for new Jeep, ride Scream Machine for 48 days

The Associated Press

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They have had their share after 48 days of riding a roller coaster as part of an amusement park promotion.

The thing is, after spending about 14 hours a day on the Great American Scream Machine at Six Flags Over Georgia since March 13, the three refuse to give up until one of them becomes the grand-prize winner of a new Jeep.

"We have one Jeep and three

**"YOU'RE IN ISOLATION. BUT WHERE ELSE CAN YOU GET UP AND RIDE A ROLLER COASTER EVERY DAY."**

— JONATHAN THOMPSON, CONTESTANT

determined people," said John Bement, the president of the amusement park, which teamed with Atlanta radio station WKLS-96 Rock and Atlanta Area Jeep Dealers to stage the contest.

The promotional stunt promised a dark green Jeep Wrangler, valued at \$16,000, to the person who could ride the roller coaster the longest. Second and third prizes are season passes to Six Flags.

"It should have been a Cadillac. We're all going to need one," said Thompson, a 21-year-old technician from Cumming.

Brown, 20, is a data entry operator from Waco, Ga., and

Hughes, 29, is a customer service worker from Douglasville.

All three are on leaves of absence from their jobs, and all three say they won't quit until one or all of them has a Jeep.

They have turned down offers from 96 Rock of \$1,000 each to just call it quits.

The contest started with 24 riders. Thompson, Hughes and Brown have outlasted all.

So far, they have endured almost 10,000 laps, riding from 8 a.m. until 1 a.m. each day, with breaks for lunch, dinner and a five-minute break each hour.

They have already broken the U.S. record of 11 days and the world record of 23 consecutive days of riding a roller coaster.

After seven weeks, the three claim they can doze during the ride. They sit together every day in the last car, looking bored as it makes its first 105-foot climb in an empty park.

They look forward to May 11, when Six Flags will be open daily to the public, instead of just weekends.

The three are required to sleep on sleeping bags on the platform next to the coaster.

They can't carry books or radios to relieve their boredom on the ride.

They are not allowed to take aspirin to relieve the aches and pains of being knocked around on the coaster.

Friends and family can visit only on weekends, and even then must buy a ticket to get in.

The contestants have missed weddings and other family events.

"You're in isolation," Thompson said.

"But where else can you get up and ride a roller coaster every day."

## Springer: 'I don't want to tone it down'

By Martha Irvine  
The Associated Press

CHICAGO — Jerry Springer said last Friday that he's not about to tone down his raucous daytime talk show, and said he doesn't know why his producer-distributor announced an agreement to eliminate physical violence.

"I'm not going to buckle," Springer told Howard Stern during the shock jock's show. Springer spoke from WRQC-FM in Minneapolis, which carries Stern's show.

Springer, a former mayor of Cincinnati, said he did not attend a meeting between his producer-distributor and a religious group and said he did not sign off on the agreement announced last Thursday.

The agreement came exactly a week after Fox Broadcasting Co.'s Chicago station picked up the show when the local NBC affiliate dropped it because of its increasingly tawdry content.

But along with Springer, Fox's WFLD inherited a boycott led by the Rev. Michael Pfleger, an activist Roman Catholic priest who decried the "nudity, the degradation of women, the obscenity" depicted on the show.

**"I'M NOT GOING TO BUCKLE."**

—JERRY SPRINGER

After meeting with Pfleger, Studios USA Network, the show's producer and distributor, released a statement saying it would "eliminate all physical violence from the series."

"I don't know why they issued that statement," Springer said. "That's absurd ... I don't want to tone it down."

Springer said he plans to meet with the company.

"I'm not going to leave, but I'm going to make it clear about the show that the public

seems to want and that I've agreed to do," Springer told Stern, who has had his own fights with station managers over his show's content.

Springer did concede that Barry Diller, who owns USA Networks Inc., parent company of Studios USA Network, owns the show, not him.

"So it's ultimately going to be his decision ... and whoever the people are under him, they'll decide if they want to have me or not," Springer said.

Pfleger said he thinks Springer might be looking for a way out of the show.

"He knows that his show without the fights is a whole different show," Pfleger said.

"I don't know if he knows what to do without the fights."

Spokesmen for Studios USA and "The Jerry Springer Show" did not return messages seeking comment.

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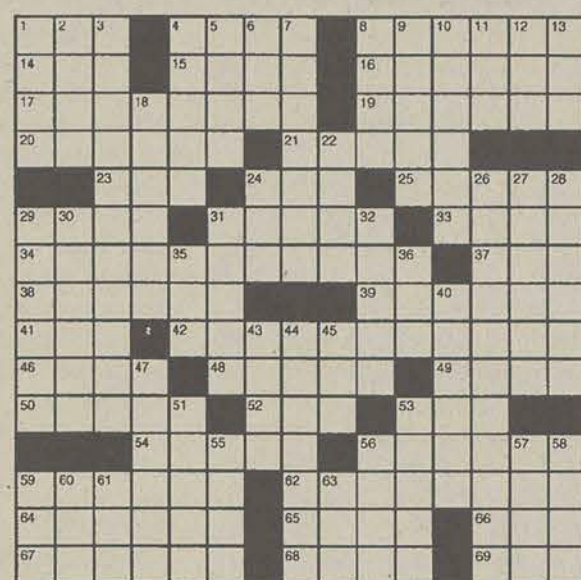
-- Seneca

## Crossword

### ACROSS

- 1 School grp.
- 4 Golf scores
- 8 Ranges
- 14 Set sights
- 15 Son of Isaac
- 16 Gangster Al
- 17 More eerie
- 19 Lake near Utica
- 20 Gene and Grace
- 21 Less
- 23 Age proof, for short
- 24 Matched grouping
- 25 Widows of knights
- 29 Houtboy
- 31 Narcotic drug
- 33 Matching
- 34 Structural parallel
- 37 Author Deighton
- 38 Rubs out
- 39 Detection devices
- 41 Industrious insect
- 42 Vanguard
- 46 Requite
- 48 High times?
- 49 Mr. Flintstone
- 50 Fountain orders
- 52 sequitur
- 53 Zodiac sign
- 54 Called
- 56 Dangers
- 59 At home
- 62 Patrol-car passenger
- 64 Gather, as leaves
- 65 Way out
- 66 Perjure
- 67 Fashioned
- 68 Stitches
- 69 Flap gums

- ### DOWN
- 1 Load luggage
  - 2 Grow weary
  - 3 Improved
  - 4 Noted diarist
  - 5 Sale-tag disclaimer
  - 6 "Norma"
  - 7 Overindulgence
  - 8 Flat boat
  - 9 Punished,



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### Singapore-style

- 10 "Norma" and "Louise"
- 11 Luau fare
- 12 Consumption
- 13 Sargasso
- 18 Church leaders
- 22 Needle case
- 24 Health resort
- 26 In an awkward manner
- 27 Become apparent
- 28 Intuited
- 29 Water, water everywhere
- 30 Third-largest island in the world
- 31 Johnson's comedy partner
- 32 Poetic dawns
- 35 Jellied delicacy
- 36 Pester
- 40 Postpones
- 43 Top-notch
- 44 Trinkets
- 45 Lodging house

- 47 Book before Hosea
- 51 Hawkins
- 53 Ogles
- 55 Fix
- 56 Front of a ship

- 57 Carrie in "Star Wars"
- 58 Look for
- 59 4/15 addressee
- 60 (King) Cole
- 61 Wild blue yonder
- 63 Agile deer

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## COLLEGE NEWS

## UI's Coke contract worth \$10 million

The Associated Press

URBANA, Ill. — Coke winning the cola wars at the University of Illinois will mean more than \$10 million over 10 years for the school, a newspaper reported.

The exclusive beverage contracts obtained by *The (Champaign) News-Gazette* require Coca-Cola to pay about \$7.6 million to the campus over 10 years, plus at least \$3.15 million to the university's Division of Intercollegiate Athletics.

In exchange, the soft-drink giant gains the exclusive right to sell soft drinks and other products on campus and at university sporting events. Coca-Cola also get giveaway tickets to football games and other athletic events, radio promotional spots, print advertisements and signs on university scoreboards.

"We're excited about the marriage," said Associate Athletic Director Bill Yonan. "We really are looking forward to enhancing it and becoming really good marketing partners."

Coke products occupied most campus vending machines last July, when the company signed an agreement in principle to exclusively sell its products on campus. But final agreements were not signed until this week.

University officials said it's hard to determine how much of the \$10 million will be a net gain over what the campus made from previous contracts with individual beverage suppliers.

But Associate Chancellor Bill Murphy said the contracts will

generate much-needed revenue for the school.

"The campus is under a fair amount of financial pressure," Murphy said. "There are a lot of positive things that we can do, especially for students, and there are limited resources to do them with."

Specifically, Coke will pay the campus:

**"THE CAMPUS IS UNDER A FAIR AMOUNT OF FINANCIAL PRESSURE. THERE ARE A LOT OF POSITIVE THINGS THAT WE CAN DO, ESPECIALLY FOR STUDENTS, AND THERE ARE LIMITED RESOURCES TO DO THEM WITH."**

— **BILL MURPHY,**  
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sity income and "student fulfillment."

- The Division of Intercollegiate Athletics will get at least \$350,000 a year in sponsorship fees during its nine-year agreement with Coke, or \$3.15 million. Its contract won't take effect until July 1 because the athletic division's sponsorship agreement with Pepsi-Cola remains in effect until June 30.

Just how the money will be spent hasn't been determined.

About \$30,000 annually will be reserved for projects approved by a special student committee. Its charge is to fund projects that will benefit a large segment of the student population, Murphy said.

The \$5 million payment, which the university has already received, will be treated as a quasi-endowment with the campus spending only the income, not the principal, Murphy said.

Yonan said the athletic division, which has had budget problems in recent years, will put its sponsorship income into its general fund.

Murphy said the university had no philosophical problems with agreeing to such an exclusive partnership with the huge corporation.

"We have relationships with a number of vendors, including folks who supply computers and many other goods and services on campus," Murphy said. "This is another one, and we think that there's a net benefit to the university and to the students and faculty it serves."

## Penn State student faces racial intimidation charges

The Associated Press

BELLEFONTE, Pa. — The defense attorney calls it a simple fight between college students. The prosecution calls it racial intimidation.

Jordan Wolfson, a 20-year-old white student at Penn State's University Park campus, was held for trial after a preliminary hearing last Wednesday in Centre County. He is accused of punching a black student, chasing him down a sidewalk and hurling racial slurs at him.

Wolfson's dormmate, John Mulhern, awaits his hearing.

Around 2:30 a.m. on April 2, senior Blakeley Cooper said he left his dormitory to get a sandwich half a block away. He encountered a group of five men and a few of them started shout-

ing at him. That led to a verbal skirmish, then Wolfson and Mulhern started chasing him.

They ran into another student walking by, Donald Morphy, who said he stood, arms outstretched, between the three students as Wolfson and Mulhern swung at Cooper.

"It seemed to be that it was two-on-one and Blakeley was going to get hurt," Morphy said.

Cooper broke free and ran 300 feet — right to a police cruiser.

"He was stressed out. He was breathing hard. He was shaking," said Frank Ball, an officer in the police car. Wolfson and Mulhern arrived right behind him, Ball said.

"I saw these two guys coming full-throat... clothes flying," Ball

said. "And as soon as they saw us, I could hear their feet sliding on the ground when they tried to stop. And they turned and ran."

Wolfson's lawyer, former state Attorney General Thomas W. Corbett Jr., said the case isn't racially motivated. He argued that there was "no evidence Mr. Wolfson has prejudice toward the African-American race or any other race."

If the charge isn't used in a case where a man is chased by pursuers shouting racial slurs, assistant district attorney Steven Slone replied, "What are we waiting for?"

Wolfson faces up to five years in prison and could be expelled from Penn State.

Mulhern said he has already been suspended.

## Hundreds pay last respects to University of Maine student who died of exposure

The Associated Press

FARMINGTON, Maine — Hundreds of friends, classmates and family members attended a memorial service for a college student from New Jersey whose New Year's Day disappearance remained a mystery for more than three months.

Kevin Zebrowski, a 21-year-old senior at the University of Maine at Farmington, died from exposure in subzero weather after he wandered away from a bar in Carrabassett Valley.

Members of Zebrowski's family were among the estimated 450 people who packed Nordica Auditorium to pay last respects to Zebrowski last Thursday afternoon.

Fellow students joined family members and others in remembering Zebrowski as a young man with a love of skiing who had a

positive attitude and lived life to the fullest.

Speakers also praised the courage displayed by Kenneth

and Maureen Zebrowski, who left their home and jobs to come to Maine and spearhead the search for their missing son.

## Gunman opens fire at party, kills college student

The Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — A masked gunman fired indiscriminately on a home where a party was being held early last Thursday, killing one college student from Illinois and wounding two others.

No one has been arrested for the 1:30 a.m. shooting, which occurred in a house near the Tennessee State campus in suburban Nashville. The assailant fired several shots from a rifle through a front window, sending about 20 people inside scram-

bling for cover.

"Bullets were flying around and people were looking for some place to hide," said Nashville Police Sgt. Charles Griffin.

Hershel J. King, 21, of Chicago was killed. Fellow Tennessee State students Cicely E. Mitchell, 21, of Dyersburg, Tenn., and John W. Hart, 23, of Houston, were wounded. They were in fair condition after surgery at Vanderbilt University Medical Center.

Another young woman suffered a broken arm when

partygoers ran for cover.

Griffin said it does not appear that King was singled out by the assailant.

Authorities have no motive for the shooting.

Last October, a former Tennessee State student was killed in a campus dormitory when he pulled a gun on two men who were trying to buy marijuana from him.

That killing occurred during "crime-free week" at the school, which has an enrollment of 8,600.

## CLEMSON

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dition for blacks.

"It's not familiar to our families," said Jennifer Yeargan Bush, who is pursuing a master's degree. "It's not because we don't want to (join) — it's because we don't know."

Alexander Howard, a former football player who is now a state trooper, said he often sees the literature that IPTAY sends to his Spartanburg house, but he never replies. "That's been coming through the mail forever. I really don't have the time," he said.

Some notable black Clemson athletes who have not supported IPTAY include NBA stars Horace

Grant and Dale Davis, and NFL stars Terry Allen and the Perry brothers, Michael Dean and William "The Refrigerator."

Rema Miller transferred from Spartanburg Methodist to Clemson to play basketball. She said black student-athletes are given a false impression of the campus atmosphere before they enroll.

"After my first year at Clemson, I realized as a minority I was in the wrong place," she said.

"At the same time, I was not allowed to be myself. And that's why I have no desire to participate in IPTAY or any alumni

(organization) — because I never felt I was a part of it and I was not accepted."

Miller said she is not alone feeling that way. "Even the non-athletes feel the same way. And that would build up animosity," she said. "How do you give to something you never were a part of?"

That's not true of everyone. Former wide receiver Perry Tuttle is an active IPTAY member and said he tries to build support among former athletes, although most aren't interested.

As for Bennett, "I'm open for answers," he said. "I sure don't have them."

the selection committee was biased and the fired employees were treated unfairly.

"We should have kept her here. She was cool," said Eric Matthews, a senior who signed the petition.

"Most of the faculty is on a power trip, but she was down to earth."

Some students have asked University System Chancellor

Stephen Portch to delay the appointment of the new vice president for student affairs and launch an investigation into the search process.

Portch told the students in writing to trust the judgment of their administrators. But some students said their faith in Brown hinges on his ability to keep his promises and the performance of his new hires.

Purdue University in West Lafayette, Ind.

The school had 574 arrests, followed by the University of California at Berkeley with 523, the survey said. They were followed by the University of Wisconsin at Madison, the Univer-

sity of Minnesota and Purdue University in West Lafayette, Ind. All except the University of Minnesota have fewer students than Michigan State, which has more than 41,000 people. The campus in Minneapolis has 51,400 students.

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Students sat in on interviews, asked questions and submitted evaluations to the selection committee for consideration.

Although several students attended interviews and submitted recommendations on Ms. Hill's behalf, the committee did not advance her name to the president for final consideration.

Students complained that their input wasn't considered,

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gan State led the nation in arrests for campus alcohol violations in 1996.

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