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Briefs

Two GSU football players dismissed from team

By Jamie Hodges
Assistant Sports Editor

Two GSU football players, sophomores James Dickerson and Lavar Rainey, were dismissed indefinitely from the GSU Eagle football team last week.

According to Paul Johnson, the Head Coach of the Eagle football team, Rainey and Dickerson were released from the team due to violations of team rules.

"Everybody has a set of rules and we all must abide by them," Johnson said. "It's a tough situation, but we all have to obey the rules."

Dickerson declined to comment on the issue and Rainey could not be reached to discuss the topic as of press time. Dickerson played strong safety and Rainey was a cornerback for the Eagles.

Weather



Today: Scattered thunderstorms with a high in the mid-80s and a low in the lower 70s.

Wednesday: Scattered thunderstorms with a high in the lower 90s and a low in the mid-60s.

Today's Word

opsablepsia (opsuBLEPseu) *n.* the tendency not to look into another's eyes.

Source: Weird Words

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Henry rebukes Regents in his farewell speech to faculty

By Kelley McGonnell
News Editor

GSU President Nicholas Henry broke his silence regarding his desire to have an engineering school established at GSU last Thursday in his last formal address to the general faculty.

According to published reports, Henry may have resigned because he disagreed with the Board of Regents over the need for an engineering school.

After his speech, Henry still would not confirm the rumors surrounding his resignation.

"[To answer why I resigned] I'd have to take something other than the high road and I'd rather not do that," he said. "I didn't address why I resigned. I just addressed the issues."

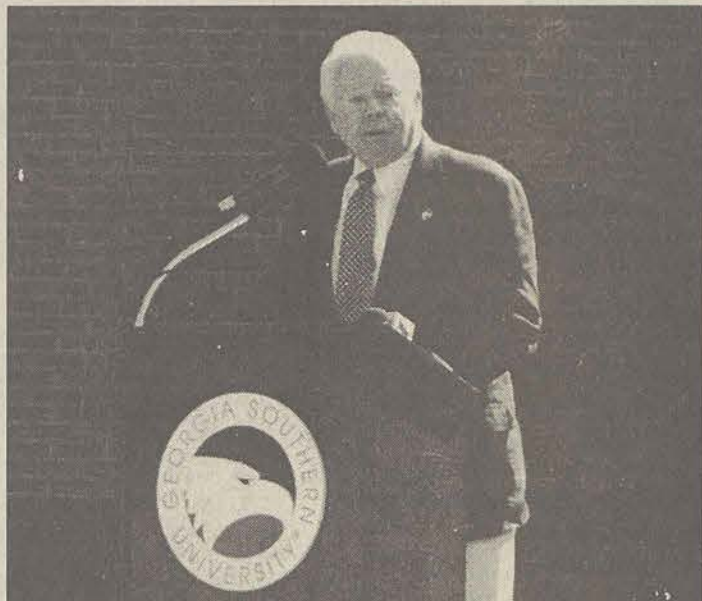
Henry said that he did not speak publicly about an engineering school before, in part, because he felt that the need spoke for itself.

"The Board of Regents should authorize and fund a second state engineering school at Georgia Southern University," he said.

Henry said he felt the school would not only benefit GSU, but would aid in improving South Georgia's future prosperity. He said he felt those who opposed the idea were hurting the state.

"Those who stand against an engineering school in South Georgia stand against a better life for South Georgians," he said.

South Georgians should fight for an engineering school so that they do not fall behind the rest of the state, according to



File photo

Henry.

"[The] dynamic is about South Georgians no longer being supinely grateful for trivial favors granted in Atlanta," he said. "One cannot demand while kneeling. One must stand."

Henry also criticized the Board of Regents for cutting GSU's budget, including the budget for summer teaching and added he did not understand the reasons for the cuts.

"As I wrote to the Chancellor in my appeal of his decision, we simply do not understand the rationale for this action," he said. "It is, to borrow a line from an old Broadway musical, a puzzlement."

Henry also talked of what GSU has

accomplished in the last eleven years since he became president, including the upgrade to university status.

"We-you and I-moved Georgia Southern from a college to a university, and it was a real change in status and mission, not merely a change in title, as we have recently witnessed among our sister institutions," he said.

In addition to the engineering school, Henry said he felt two more things were vital to the future success of GSU. The first included Savannah. Control of the Coastal Georgia Center was transferred from Armstrong Atlantic State University to GSU, but not without cuts from the Board of Regents.

"[The] dynamic is about South Georgians no longer being supinely grateful for trivial favors granted in Atlanta. One cannot demand while kneeling. One must stand."

— GSU President
Nicholas Henry in his last
address to the faculty

"The Board of Regents provided us with only one-fourth of the budget used by Armstrong Atlantic to manage the Coastal Georgia Center, and this unrealistically small amount will cause us real difficulties," Henry said.

Also, GSU was given all of the Savannah Science Museum major collections, which were in much demand, Henry said.

"We were competing for some of these collections with the Smithsonian Institution, the University of Georgia, and at least one university in Savannah," he said. "The decision by the Savannah Science Museum, which long has commanded the support of Savannah's leading citizens, is a stunning tribute to our University's shining reputation in Savannah."

Henry said the second key was relations with the Georgia General Assembly. Henry said the Assembly had been generous to the university since 1987 by providing GSU with money for the first time in the school's history.

"The legislature is our friend," he said. "And we owe our loyalty to our legislators, both locally and across the state."

Henry did say that he had not done everything he had wanted to do as president.

"I wish only that I could have done more, as I accomplished about a tenth of what I wanted to do," he said. "I leave with some regret over objectives not met; with some sadness over South Georgians' slow defense of their own self-interest; and with some satisfaction about the advancement of our university."

Elkins, Keen plan to revive Students for a Better Statesboro

By Kelley McGonnell
News Editor

Students for a Better Statesboro is being revived to respond to on-going turmoil in Statesboro, according to Chad Elkins, founder and chairman of Students for a Better Statesboro.

The organization was created by Elkins and former partner Ben Chao last year as a campaign committee formed to influence voter approval of the liquor referendum. The group was instrumental in passing the liquor referendum last March by registering students to vote and campaigning for the referendum's approval.

Because SBS is not trying to affect an election yet or raise any money, they will not have to file any forms with the state, according to Elkins.

For the time being, the group will simply act as a committee lobbying for students' rights and getting students involved in city politics, Elkins said.

Elkins has teamed up with current SGA President Russell Keen to spearhead the committee's efforts.

Elkins said that the official mission for SBS this time around "is to register the student population to vote, educate the students of GSU on Statesboro issues, develop an elevated awareness within the political sphere and to represent student views to the Statesboro community at large."

He also said that the reason they are reviving the group is "to improve relations and communication between both students and permanent residents of Statesboro."

According to Keen, the group has already talked to the Secretary of State's office for 4,000 voter registration forms and expects them to arrive early this week.

Elkins said that the first goal of the group is to get students educated about voting in Geor-

gia and registered to vote in Statesboro.

"The most powerful thing a student in this city can hold is a voter registration card," Elkins said.

Keen said that the organization will go door-to-door to pass out registration forms and will be encouraging students to attend Statesboro City Council meetings.

"Some citizens [of Statesboro] believe students don't have a right to even attend city council meetings much less vote on city-related issues," Keen said.

"Students should be educated that any issue that goes on in the city, affects them in some way."

Elkins said that the university and, in turn, the students are vital to the Statesboro economy and should be active in the community, because they can change things.

"Without students here, there would be tumbleweeds cruising down Main Street," Elkins said.

"It's already been proven that students that go out and vote and stay abreast of the issues can make a change and make Statesboro a better place to live for all."

Elkins is scheduled to graduate in June, but he said that the group will be up and running by then so there will be someone to organize it once he leaves.

"It's an on-going process," Elkins said.

"I'd like to see it keep going even after I graduate."

Elkins said he chose Keen to help with the efforts because it was the best way to represent the students.

"I chose Russ [Keen] because he was elected by the student population to represent their interests," Elkins said. "There is no better way to represent those interests. He's going above and beyond his duties as SGA president to do this."

GSU honors twelve student leaders



Special Photo

Hall of Leaders: Chad Elkins, Scott Mulkey, Noelani Mikell, Michael Johnson, Christina Jenkins and Erika Gordon were the first recipients of the Hall of Leaders Award. The hall should be established soon somewhere in the Union.

By Kelley McGonnell
News Editor

GSU marked its First Annual Student Leadership Awards Night last Wednesday by honoring student leaders and the projects they worked on.

The most prestigious award was given to six GSU seniors who have "demonstrated a superior commitment to the enhancement of student life," according to the awards committee. The hall does not have a permanent home but according to Michael West, assistant director of Russell Union programs, the winners will have their names engraved on a plaque that will be displayed in the Russell Union.

Recipients of the first set of Hall of Leaders awards were: Chad Elkins, Erika LaChelle Gordon, Christina Jenkins, Michael Johnson, Noelani Mikell and Scott Mulkey.

The Southern Talon Award, the other individual awards given, were presented to six GSU student leaders.

"Without these student leaders, there would be no balance, there would be no student life," West said.

The recipients were: Sebastian "Sly" Colquitt, Katherine Farmer, Seth Ferguson, Pearl Middleton, Julia Miller and Kelli Taylor.

The Faculty/Staff Student Organization Advisor of the Year award went to Joe Blankenbaker, the advisor of the Health and Physical Education Majors Club.

One of the students who nominated Blankenbaker said that he was exceptional because he treated students differently.

"He has earned our respect and admiration because he treats

The Building Construction and Contracting Guild won the Most Improved Student Organization of the Year award. Membership for the organizations improved 45 percent over the past year and, for the first time, sent a team to the Construction Management Competition where the team placed seventh and was named "Rookie-of-the-Year."

"WITHOUT THESE STUDENT LEADERS, THERE WOULD BE NO BALANCE, THERE WOULD BE NO STUDENT LIFE."

— MICHAEL WEST,
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF RUSSELL UNION PROGRAMS

us, the students, as equals," the nominator said.

The Unsung Hero award went to someone who worked behind-the-scenes, but not necessarily with one specific organization.

Emily Chandler of Student Affairs Special Programs received the award.

"This person's organizational and budgetary skills have been instrumental and necessary to insure the success of many programs," the nomination said.

The Student Organization of the Year award went to the Golden Key National Honor Society. The group was involved in Springfest, AIDS Day, Homecoming and Fall Festival.

The Boundary-Breaker Program of the Year went to SGA's Student Evaluation Guide. According to West, the award represents "innovation, creativity and groundbreaking vision and foresight in the development of a project or program which establishes a new standard in the enrichment and enhancement of GSU campus life."

SGA also was presented the Outstanding Community Service Project of the Year for the United Way Campaign. The campaign generated 600 percent more money than the efforts last year and was appointed a spot on the Southeast Georgia United Way Board of Directors.

POLICE BEAT

GSU Division of Public Safety

May 21, 1998

• James Wilson, 20, of Georgia Villas, was arrested and charged with theft by receiving stolen property and theft by deception.

• Keith Stovall reported someone broke the windshield of his vehicle in the Winburn Hall parking lot and took his CD player, radar detector and speakers.

• Robyn Henderson reported someone entered his vehicle in the Hanner parking lot and took his CD player.

• Anthony Alston reported someone entered his vehicle in the Winburn Hall parking lot and took his CD player and approximately 100 cd's.

• Edmund Coley reported someone took his bookbag from his room in Dorman Hall.

• A Johnson Hall resident reported a domestic dispute at Johnson Hall.

May 20, 1998

• Adam Little reported someone entered his vehicle in The Pines parking lot and took his CD player, amplifier and speakers.

• Megan Minto reported someone entered her vehicle in The Pines parking lot and took

her Cd player.

• Denise Sikes reported a portable phone was missing from the Lakeside Café.

May 19, 1998

• Jason Fox reported someone entered his vehicle in the Brannen Hall parking lot and took his speakers and damaged his dash in an attempt to remove the CD player.

May 18, 1998

• Tamika Minor reported her cellular phone was missing from Marvin Pittman.

• Timothy Smith reported someone took his cellular phone from his motorcycle in the Stratford Hall parking lot.

Statesboro Police Department

May 24, 1998

• A resident of Stadium View reported a case of harassment.

• Clayton Arndt, of University Place, reported a criminal trespass.

May 23, 1998

• Antonio Wright, 17, of Chance Tr. Pk., was charged with suspended license, noise ordinance (veh.), and stop sign violation.

• Roger Eason, 20, of Harvey Wilson Rd., was charged with

revoked license.

• Jess Hodges, 21, of East Jones St., was charged as a pedestrian under the influence.

• Brett Binnicker, of Delrio Rd., reported various cd's and stereo face plate missing from vehicle.

• Nicole Reddam, of Hawthorne, reported a criminal trespass.

• Merrit Athon, of Players Club Apts., reported a CD player and cd's missing from vehicle.

May 22, 1998

• Don Harris, 24, of The Lodge Apts., was charged with possession of a firearm.

• Michael Goldwire, 18, of Maple Dr., was charged with possession of marijuana.

• Brian Nesmith, 22, of Foxlake Dr., was charged with fleeing and attempting to elude, and noise ordinance.

• A resident of Towne Club Apts. reported a simple case of battery.

• Jeremy Williams, of Hatcher Run Rd., reported CD player, cd's, and a watch missing from vehicle.

• Susan Yawn, of Wilburn Circle, reported a purse missing from vehicle.

• Richard Larson, of

Univeristy Place, reported a criminal trespass of his residence.

• Joel Mehaffey, of Willow Bend Apts., reported a criminal trespass of storage shed.

May 21, 1998

• Vanessa Zerpa, 18, of Ricade Drive, was charged with DUI 1st offense, leaving the scene of an accident.

• Elizabeth Thomas, of Park Place Apts., reported a burglary.

May 20, 1998

• Matthew Alderman, 22, of Blitch Place Rd., was charged with battery.

• Abasdo Collier, 21, of Stadium View Apts., was charged with driving with a suspended license.

• Tauheed Ferguson, 19, of Duluth, Ga., was charged with susp. license 1st offense.

• Cossib Harvery, 22, of Cordele, Ga., was charged with susp. license 1st offense.

Editor's Note: The 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.

SGA UPDATE

SGA holds informal meeting, listens to private plans for a shuttle service

By Kelley McGonnell
News Editor

The new officers and senators of the Student Government Association met for the first time last Wednesday. The meeting was informal, but included a presentation by John and Judy Peck

from the Athens-based shuttle company, Big Dawg Shuttles.

The Pecks explained to SGA that they wanted to establish a nighttime shuttle service in Statesboro to travel between local bars and apartments.

They also proposed that they would donate the vehicles to the university for use during the day, and would one day completely donate the vehicles to the school. They also said the plan had been proposed to Ronald Core, vice president of business and fi-

nance. The Pecks asked for feedback from SGA because they were hoping the system would be a pilot program for other schools to imitate and if GSU did not want it, they would take the program to another school.

The senators asked questions of the Pecks, but did not make any official movement on the proposal. Russell Keen, SGA president, said he did not feel comfortable with SGA approving the idea until they received an official, typed proposal.

SGA then introduced themselves and informally discussed what they wanted to get accomplished in the next year and how to get more students involved in the SGA process.

SGA will hold its first formal meeting tomorrow night at 6 p.m. Check with the Russell Union for the room number or call SGA at 681-0655. All students are welcome and encouraged to attend.

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 museum will present an exhibit "Oh! Canada: A Cultural Mosaic" through June 14.

• The Golden Key National Honor Society will be taking orders/payments for **Flowers for the Graduate** from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the Union Rotunda. For more information, call Jacquene Curlee at 871-4106 or email gsu06936.

Today

• The Spring Production of "Hot L Baltimore" will begin tonight and continue through May 30. It will be performed every night at 8 p.m. in Communication Arts Building room 1001. Tickets are \$6 for adults, \$4 for Faculty/Staff and area students and \$2 for GSU students.

• There will be a performance by the **Woodwind Ensemble** at 8 p.m. in the Foy Recital Hall.

• Eagle Cinema will present "Ridicule" at 7 p.m. in the Russell Union Theater. The films was made possible with the support of the Cultural Ser-

vices of the French Embassy and Cultural Ministry of France.

Wednesday, May 27

• There will be a **Senior Composition Recital** with Jake Hallman, composer, at 8 p.m. in the Foy Recital Hall.

• Eagle Cinema will present "As Good As It Gets" with Oscar-winners Jack Nicholson, Helen Hunt and Cuba Gooding, Jr. at 5:30 p.m. in the Russell Union Theater.

Thursday, May 28

• Eagle Cinema will present "As Good As It Gets" with Oscar-winners Jack Nicholson, Helen Hunt and Cuba Gooding, Jr. at 7 p.m. in the Russell Union Theater.

Friday, May 29

• The Statesboro-Georgia Southern Symphony will present a "Pops" concert at Sweetheart Circle at 7 p.m.

• Eagle Cinema will present "As Good As It Gets" with Oscar-winners Jack Nicholson, Helen Hunt and Cuba Gooding, Jr. at 7 p.m. in the Russell Union Theater.

Saturday, May 30

• There will be an **invitational recital** with Jeff Shaefer on cello, Kris Torbush on violin and Maila Gutierrez Springfield on piano at 8 p.m. in the Foy Recital Hall.

There will be a Statesboro City Council meeting next Tuesday, June 2 at 9 a.m. Issues that were on the agenda for last week's meeting will be discussed in addition to other issues.



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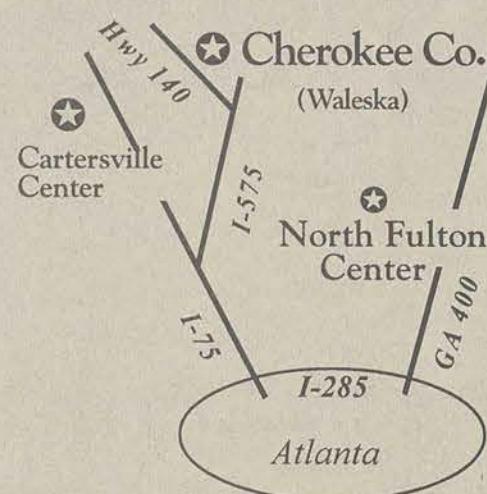
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ONLY IN AMERICA...

1 Florida

Man wearing women's underwear killed after police chase

The Associated Press

MIAMI — A drug dealer wearing a white apron and a black pair of lacy, women's underwear was shot to death after he tried to run down two police officers.

Thomas John Scheel, 33, who had a record of drug possession and resisting an officer with violence, had also led at least a dozen patrol cars on a high-speed chase, police said.

Police had approached his pickup truck last Tuesday after someone reported that a naked man was masturbating in it. Scheel took off, nearly hitting a female officer.

The truck was cornered after the chase when Scheel put it in reverse and backed toward Officer Carl Patrick, who shot him, said police spokesman Lt. Bill Schwartz.

Patrick was placed on routine administrative leave.

Scheel, 33, had been on probation for violating parole. He was first convicted in 1988 for drug trafficking and drug possession.

2 Massachusetts

Alleged robbers flee in taxi, get caught

The Associated Press

LOWELL — A couple accused of robbing a bank and then taking a taxi to flee the scene pleaded innocent in Lowell District Court to unarmed robbery charges.

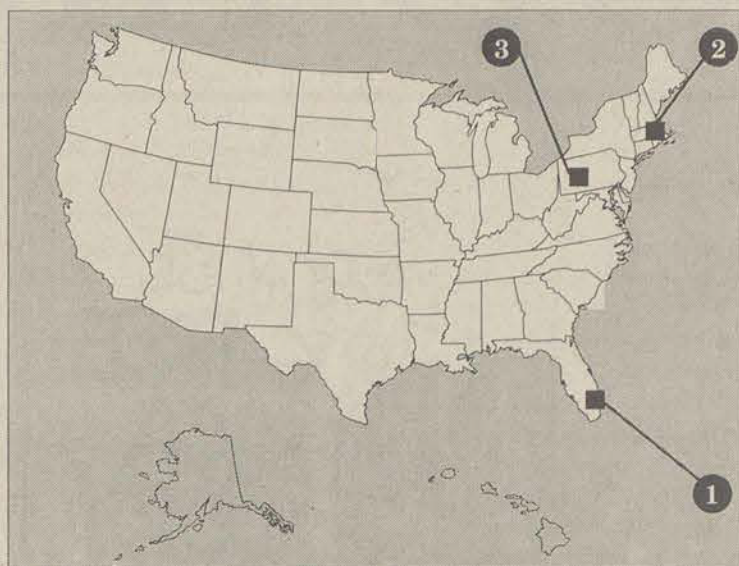
Stephen Lloyd Murphy, 47, and Susan Vezina, 42, both of Lowell, are accused of stealing about \$4,000 from a Fleet Bank in Tewksbury.

They were arrested after their cab driver apparently turned them in.

Murphy was ordered held on \$7,500 cash bail; Vezina was ordered held on \$1,500 cash bail. Both pleaded innocent to all charges.

Police said the couple took a taxi to the bank and, after demanding cash from a teller, fled in the waiting cab. Later, the taxi driver walked into the police station and turned the couple in, police said.

The driver apparently did not know the robbery was occurring as he waited outside the bank, said Brian Heffron, a spokesman for the Middlesex district attorney's office.



3 Pennsylvania

Nudist arrested while trying to buy gas

The Associated Press

WAYNESBURG — The question is, where did he keep his credit card? State police arrested a naked West Virginia man who stopped at a Greene County gas station to fill his tank.

Gregory Mayfield, 33, was charged with indecent exposure and open lewdness and released from the county jail after posting \$1,000 bail.

Moleta Reggetz, a manager at the BP station near the

Waynesburg exit of Interstate 79, said Mayfield had come into the station's store the night before and asked a female clerk what she would do if he walked in naked.

"I called state police and asked them to keep an eye on things, just in case," Reggetz said.

The clerk didn't see Mayfield during last Friday's incident, but state police were waiting at a nearby parking lot.

Mayfield told police he is a nudist.

Reggetz said the station has had naked customers twice before.

OFFBEAT

Man hit by train while talking on cellular phone

The Associated Press

HORNELL, N.Y. — It's a good bet Heath Hess will check his whereabouts the next time he makes a call on his cellular phone.

Police say the 24-year-old Hess was walking along some train tracks in this Southern Tier city Monday evening while talking on his cell phone. To reduce background noise, Hess stuck a finger in his other ear and did not hear the sound of an approaching Conrail freight train.

As the train bore down on him from behind, Hess was so intent on his conversation that he didn't hear the horn warning him.

Hornell Police Officer Scott

Richardson said the engineer on the train saw Hess standing on the tracks and tried everything he could think of to warn him.

"First, he blew the horn," Richardson said. "Then, as a last attempt to warn Hess of the train, he climbed out of the front of the engine and threw a water bottle at him. Unfortunately, the water bottle missed and the train didn't."

Hess was taken to a nearby hospital and treated for abrasions.

"He's very fortunate to be alive," Richardson said.

Hess may be charged with trespassing for being on the tracks, Richardson said.

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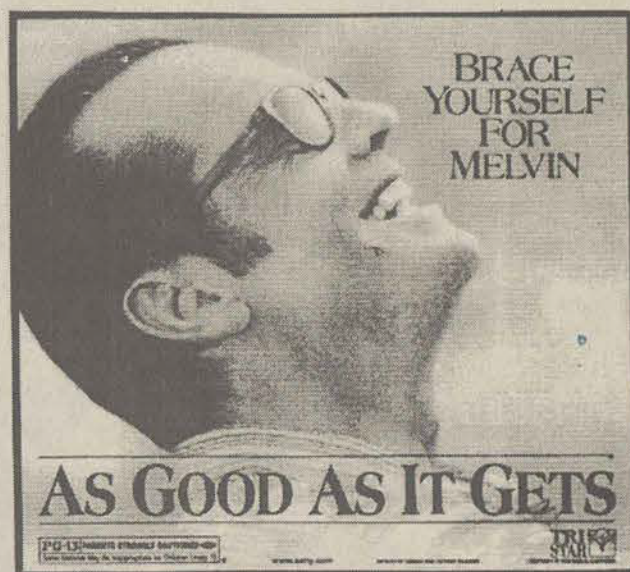
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Our Opinion

Students for a Better Statesboro: good idea that should not be necessary

The Students for a Better Statesboro are on their way back. Founder and chairman Chad Elkins and SGA President Russell Keen are reviving the political committee to register students to vote and hopefully, to get them active in Statesboro politics.

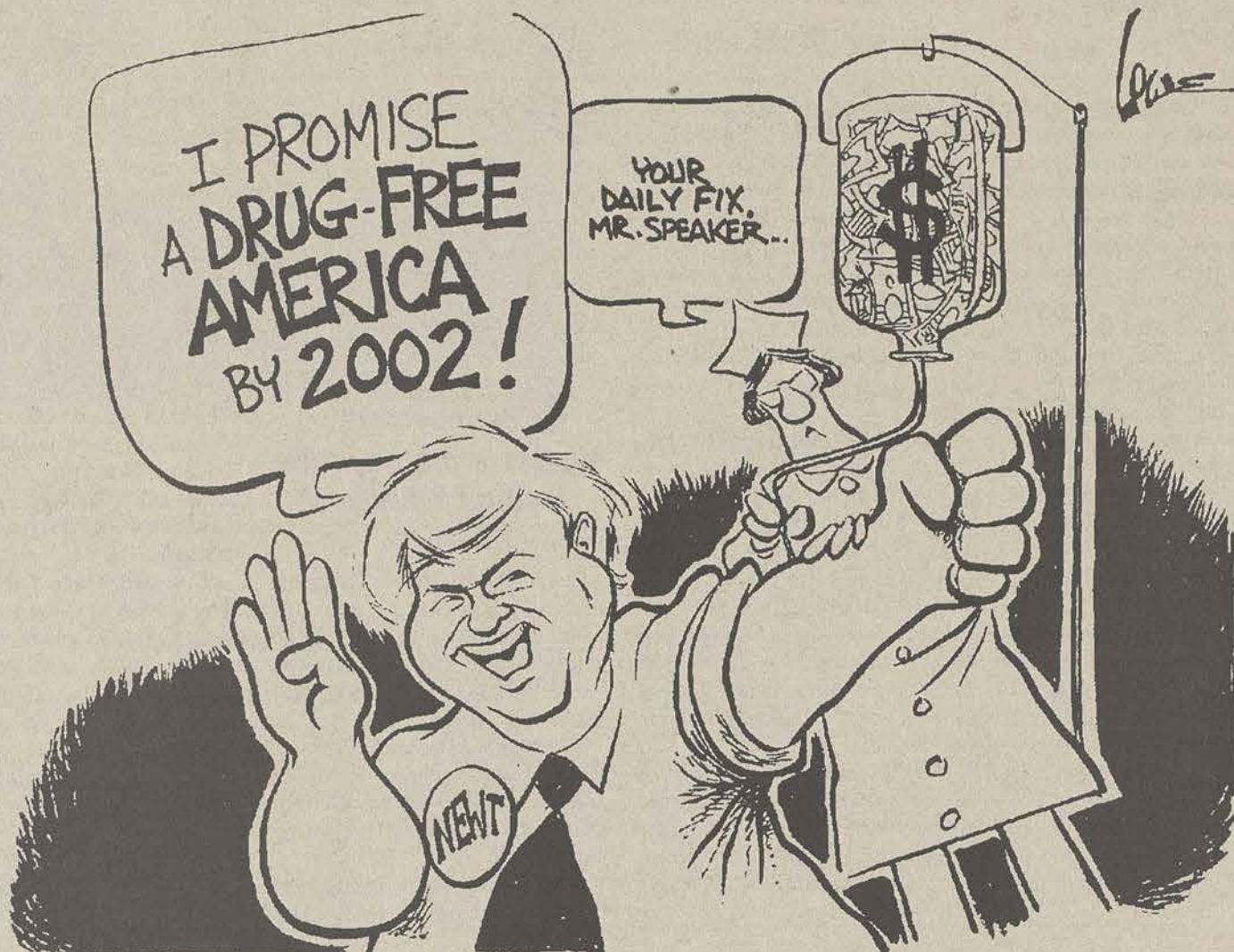
Both Elkins and Keen will take time of their already-busy schedules to go door-to-door passing out voter registration forms and letting students know when the next city council meeting is. They probably have better things to do.

It should not take a separate organization to get students involved. While the efforts of Elkins and Keen are commendable, they should not be necessary. Students are supposed to be young adults learning what it takes to make it in the real world. While many students have learned to complain about the government, very few in Statesboro have learned what to do about it.

There is an old saying "You can't complain, if you didn't vote." Well, GSU students need to know that you can't vote if you don't register. So when Elkins, Keen and the other members of Students for a Better Statesboro knock on your door and hand you a registration form, don't just fill it out. Send the darn thing in.

Then, go to the next Statesboro City Council meeting. The last meeting was quite amusing and there is always at least one issue on the agenda that directly affects the student population.

It is great the Students for a Better Statesboro was not just a one-issue committee. It is nice to have someone voicing the students' concerns. But as members of the Statesboro community, we should all be Students for a Better Statesboro. There shouldn't be a need for a separate committee.

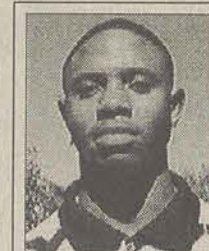


Indy 500 helped change my view of motor sports

By now, anyone who follows the world of motor sports knows Eddie Cheever captured the 82nd Indianapolis 500 this past Sunday.

The former Formula One driver defeated 1996 Indy 500 winner Buddy Lazier by 3.1 seconds in front of an estimated 400,000 fans in attendance at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

Why am I mentioning all of this? Well, for years I've heard a lot about the world of motor sports and every time, I gave the same statement, "racing a car in



STACY CLEMONS

EDITOR

She had given the starting command "Gentlemen, start your engines!" to the drivers at every Indy race from 1978-1996.

"There was somewhat of a hollow, sentimental feeling leading into this event without her," Tony George, Hulman's grandson and president of the Speedway said. "But I'm sure she was here in spirit."

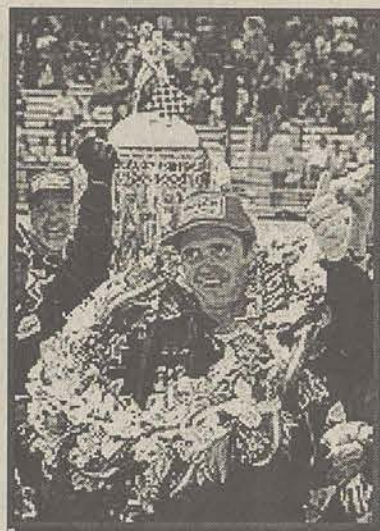
The Indianapolis 500 wouldn't be complete without mentioning the customary post race festivities. The most remarkable one is the guzzling of milk,

the post-victory beverage. I know you are wondering why milk? I'm still puzzled over that one, but I would speculate that it gives the body back some of the nutrients it lost while being strapped to the inside of a \$450,000 car for over 250 miles in 70 degree weather.

As I look back on this experience, I find that I was wrong all along about auto racing. Just because they're not running up and down a court or are hitting balls out of the park, doesn't mean that what these professionals are doing isn't sports-worthy. I think it takes a real professional to drive a car around at speeds exceeding 200 mph for over 500 laps. Yes, there might be something wrong with someone who goes to these extremes to prove their love for their sport, but they are and they should be commended for it.

Thanks Mrs. Hulman and the Indy car drivers. You've opened the eyes of at least one person who now understands the hard work it takes to become an Indy winner.

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Associated Press

Eddie Cheever celebrates his first Indy 500 win in Victory Lane after he nipped Buddy Lazier by 3.1 seconds this past Sunday.

a circle isn't a sport!"

However, this past Sunday afternoon changed my entire view upon motor sports. Motor sports is a sport unlike any other. When you watch a driver ma-

neuver is automobile around and between cars, usually only inches apart, at speeds over 200 mph then you know you are witnessing something phenomenal. I will be the first to say that I learned a lot by simply listening to the announcers, commentators and drivers as they explained G-forces, wing rotation, shock absorbers, etc.

First of all, the cars travel around an oval not a circle as I once thought. Yet, the most interesting thing about this "sport" is that unlike many of the traditional sports (basketball, football, hockey, etc.) new technological advancements come into play to make the sport safer and more interesting.

For example, for the first time ever, the Indianapolis Motor Speedway used a new energy-dissipating material, which was installed inside of Turn 4 to soften wall crashes on the turn. It was the first time in the 89-year history of the track that something like this had been attached to the storied "Brickyard Walls." In earlier tests this year, a head-

on impact at 30 mph against a solid concrete wall measured 80 Gs, or 80 times the force of gravity. I learned this by watching the pre-Indy show and the race itself.

I also learned that there is a lot of tradition that goes on in this sport. When you have someone like a A.J. Foyt, a former winner of the Indy 500 and owned two of the 33 cars that began Sunday's race still active in the sport, there something special about that.

"I just want to pass what I've learned on to my two young drivers [Billy Boat and Kenny Brack]. They have the heart and the know how. I just hope they can remain calm. If not, then the old Indy curse will get 'em," Foyt said.

However, Indy 500 tradition wouldn't be tradition without the late Mary Fendrich Hulman, whose husband bought the rundown Indianapolis Motor Speedway in 1945. Sunday's race was the first one since Mrs. Hulman's death on April 10. Hulman, who had been ill for years, died in a retirement home at the age of 93.



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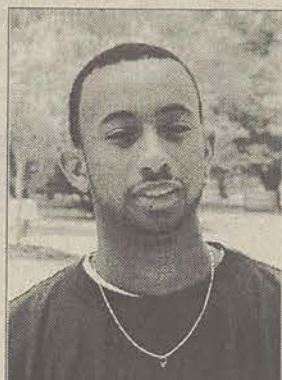
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The Perspective Corner

If a shuttle system were implemented at GSU, what kind of shuttle system would you prefer: one that goes from apartments to bars at night or one that would go from campus to places like the mall?



Johnny Harmon:
Senior

"Apartment to bar. It (the shuttle service) will serve as a designated driver and will cut down on DUI's."



Cameron Turner:
Freshman

"Campus to apartments would be better. Especially for school related activities."



Gwynera Dikson:
Freshman

"Campus to mall."



Matt Boone:
Freshman

"Campus to mall because I go to the mall more than I go to the bar."

COLLEGE NEWS

U.S. Labor Chief: college graduates entering strong job market

The Associated Press

BATON ROUGE, La. — Not to worry, U.S. Labor Secretary Alexis Herman told 2,300 graduating students at LSU last Friday, her remarks directed at those who haven't yet found jobs. You will.

"As labor secretary, I am the nation's top job consultant. So let me ask you. Do you have a job yet? If you can't say yes now, you will very soon," she said.

Herman, the keynote commencement speaker, said today's graduates are entering the strongest economy and job market in a generation.

Unemployment is the lowest it's been in 28 years, and 15 million new jobs have been created since President Clinton took office, she said.

"It's a time of unrivaled opportunity," she said.

The labor secretary challenged graduates to remember their past and not to let fear or others keep them from reaching their goals.

She said young people need to

be educated to succeed in today's changing workforce, where the days of lifetime em-

"YOU WILL CHANGE JOBS MANY TIMES... WHEN IT COMES TO MONEY AND OPPORTUNITY, THE DIFFERENCE IS IN DEGREES."

—ALEXIS HERMAN, U.S. LABOR SECRETARY

ployment with a single company are over.

"You will change jobs many times," she said. "When it comes to money and opportunity, the difference is in degrees."

Herman told graduates to take risks and to chart their own courses. She recalled that as a new college graduate, she was

turned down for many jobs she applied for and told that maybe she could be a clerk, or a typist or a secretary.

"I'd like to find that person today and tell him, yes, I am a secretary," Herman said.

She urged graduates to respect others, to be smart with their money and to contribute to their communities, "clean a neighborhood, teach someone to read and get involved in the political process."

Herman is a 1969 graduate of Xavier University in New Orleans.

Herman is under investigation by an independent counsel for alleged influence-peddling and solicitation of \$250,000 in illegal campaign contributions. A five-month Justice Department inquiry found nothing that clearly implicated her.

She did not address the probe during her speech. Later, in remarks to reporters, she said the investigation has not interfered with her duties.

Univ. of Arizona football player gets probation in textbook thefts

The Associated Press

TUCSON, Ariz. — A University of Arizona football player will spend two years on unsupervised probation for stealing college textbooks and reselling them.

Leland Gayles and former UA football player Mikal Smith admitted to taking books from the athletic department's return bins and then attempting to sell them at book stores.

Last Thursday, Judge Richard Fields of Pima County Superior Court sentenced Gayle, who also must pay \$660 in restitu-

tion to the UA Bookstore.

Smith, who now lives in Tampa, Fla., received the same sentence from Fields earlier this month.

Fields told both students he would classify their crimes as misdemeanors as soon as they each pay restitution to the bookstore. Gayles and Smith faced up to two years in prison.

Fields said he decided on lesser sentences in part because the offense was isolated. But he told Gayles "it's time to grow up."

Gayles said he was "sorry for what I did and realize I made a

mistake."

He remains a student at UA and is expected to resume his football career in the fall.

After the 21-year-olds were arrested, UA officials launched an investigation of the athletic department's book distribution policy for scholarship athletes. The investigation led to the firing of Mike Fisher, director of academic services for the athletic department.

UA provides scholarship athletes with free textbooks, which the athletes are required to return after each semester.

Community college graduate is just 15-years-old

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Kimberly Paige was academically eligible to enter college when she was 9. But her parents decided to wait.

Now, at age 15, Paige will be giving the commencement address at Valley College, graduating summa cum laude with an Associate of Arts degree in liberal arts.

"She's very special to us," said Yasmin Delahoussaye, Valley College's dean of student services. "She is an inspiration to me because of her youthful nature and her bright outlook on life. It could be El Nino outside but Kimberly is always there smiling."

Kimberly says she'll miss the friends she's made at Valley College, where her age was a big deal.

"I'd be in my psych class and they'd say, Are you sitting here waiting for your mom? I'd say no, I'm in this class. And then they'd say, OK, I want to be in your study group," she said.

She finished elementary

school at age 8 and was academically eligible for college a year later. But counselors recommended her parents keep her in

"WE'VE ALWAYS MADE SURE SHE HAS TIME TO GO TO DISNEYLAND AND THE MOVIES, AND WE ALWAYS MAKE SURE SHE'S HAD FUN."

—KIM'S MOTHER SAID ABOUT TREATING HER LIKE A REGULAR CHILD

secondary school a few more years. She graduated high school at age 12.

Besides her academic achievements that included tutoring English, Spanish and statistics, Paige has been developing her acting career.

She made her film debut in 1997 as a young Sarah Jessica Parker in "Til There Was You."

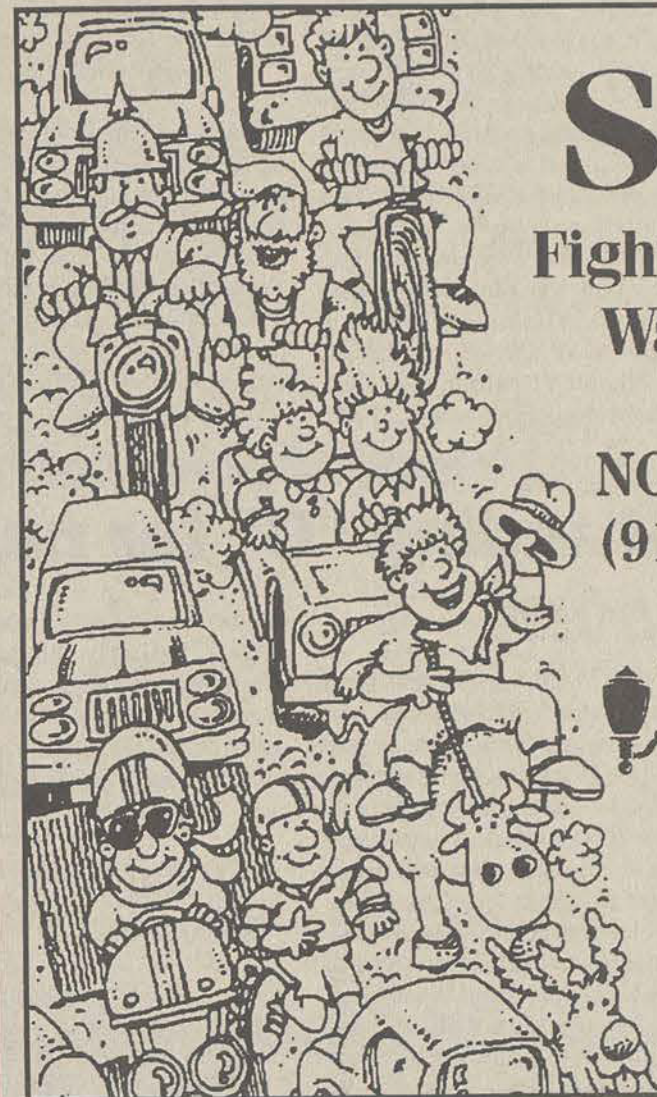
She also had guest spots on two television shows, "Married With Children" and "In Living Color." Later this year she will appear in the movie "Fly Paper" with Robert Loggia.

Kimberly's mother, Alicia Paige, credits her daughter's success to focusing on education at a young age.

"Not talking baby talk, lots of playing and parks and field trips and flash cards, encyclopedias and things like that," her mother said.

Still, the family has treated her like a regular kid.

"We've always made sure she has time to go to Disneyland and the movies, and we always make sure she's had fun," said her mother who drove Kimberly to college from Palm Springs.



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Bulls minus Jordan, Pippen equal nada

Guess what's going to happen to the indestructible image of the Chicago Bulls when Phil Jackson, Scottie Pippen, and Michael Jordan exit stage left. It will be a floor mat on which other teams who are gradually shaping into formidable opponents, will wipe their feet. The Bulls have one last shot at winning a title, possibly ever, and it is this year.

Forgive me any disagreeing Bulls' fans, but check out who scores in the games. A perfect example is the Indiana Pacers series going on as we speak. Indiana is down two games to one in the series, but look at who has been scoring the points for Chicago.

Game 3, in which the Pacers won 107-105, two Bulls, two, scored in double figures. I'll let you guess who those two Bulls were: Michael Jordan and Scottie Pippen. How amazing? I mean, what are the chances? Pretty good for reality, not so good for Chicago fans and the organization itself.

What do you think will happen when M.J. and Pippen are gone? Not to mention the skipper of the team. There will be a drought in Bulls basketball which will make the fans thirsty for a new winning combination. The only oasis for them will be the dramatic cut in salaries.

With the loss of the aforementioned three, the Bulls will have with them a mountain of player purchasing power. They will have to use it wisely. Would you drink all of the water in your canteen while you are in the middle of the desert? What Chicago will have to do for them to be in contention for the possibility of another championship without Jordan, Pippen, and Johnson, is to spread their money out over a wide range of possibilities.

Youth is a fountain of which the NBA has been taking gigantic drinks. The NBA is flooded with young aggressive athletes now and it may take that route in order for the Bulls to take another championship, and repeat what they did a long time ago. They may have to bring in a new set of young, aggressive players determined to win. They may have to find another Jordan or Pippen-like player.

The very first player that comes to mind is someone like Kobe Bryant. Now there are some that say that Kobe was wrong for bypassing college, however, he has so far proven that he has the potential to be an NBA superstar for years to come. Chicago, even though the process is so old to them now it seems unreal, should grab a promising young talent like the Lakers' Bryant and allow him time to flourish.

Chicago will have to reinvent themselves after the superstar, professional winners leave. The team will be left with a hole bigger than the ego of Shaquille O'Neal. But unlike O'Neal's rapping and acting, Chicago has a chance to make it in the future. They will have to discover another Michael Jordan, or build themselves an arsenal of Pippenesque or Jordanesque players.

Jordan speaks on retirement, future of Bulls

By Chris Sheridan
The Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS—With Michael Jordan playing as well as ever, the notion of him retiring seems absurd.

Still, Jordan refused to dismiss the possibility last Friday. "Anything is possible, anything is possible," Jordan said, cryptically, after the Bulls finished a 90-minute practice at Market Square Arena.

Earlier this season, Jordan tied his fate to that of coach Phil Jackson, saying he would retire rather than play for any other coach. Jordan backed off that stance about a month ago and has remained elusive since then about discussing his future.

With the way Jordan has played in the playoffs, scoring 41 points in Game 2 after having games of 39, 32, 38, 35, 22, 27, 31, 33 and 31 points, it is clear he is on top of his game.

He even has pulled some of his older moves out of the closet in this series, such as driving to the hoop for soaring dunks or beating defenders off the dribble.

At his MVP press conference, he said he would stop playing the game when he stopped learning. And he added that he is still learning.

Yet when it was pointed out to him last Friday that he clearly remains the best player in the game, Jordan refused a chance to end the retirement talk.

"It's perfect not talking about it," he said.

Jackson, meanwhile, stated again that he will be retiring or at least taking a year off at the conclusion of the playoffs. Many people close to the Bulls also expect Scottie Pippen to leave as a free agent, thinking he'd rather do something to spite the franchise rather than sticking around for another season, even

if he's offered \$15 million for one year.

Dennis Rodman, Luc Longley and Steve Kerr also will be free agents this summer, and Chicago owner Jerry Reinsdorf

"ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE, ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE."

—MICHAEL JORDAN ON RETIREMENT FROM THE NBA

would have a payroll approaching \$80 million if he somehow managed to convince all the Bulls to stay.

Reggie Miller believes the time has arrived for him to add another chapter of playoff heroics to his resume.

"I'm the one who has to take a

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- New York fans greet Mike Piazza
- Karl Malone talks on his position in Utah
- Dallas Stars reach Stanley Cup Finals

MLB FEATURE

Standing "O" for new Met, Piazza

By Ben Walker
The Associated Press

NEW YORK —By the time Mike Piazza straightened out his plane problems and arrived at Shea Stadium, the park was already a different kind of place.

Fans were in line more than three hours before last Saturday's game waiting to buy tickets. New York Mets general manager Steve Phillips was signing autographs. And Piazza was caught in a swirl of activity, smiling and seeming to enjoy the whole scene.

"It's crazy," he told new teammate Dave Mlicki.

A day after being traded from the Florida Marlins to the Mets, Piazza was ready to play. The five-time All-Star catcher did just fine, going 1-for-4 with an RBI double in a 3-0 victory over the Milwaukee Brewers.

"I was anxious, no question about it," he said. "I'm glad I at least did something to build on. That was a nice first step."

Piazza, traded a week after being dealt from Los Angeles to the Marlins, received a prolonged, raucous New York welcome. He got several standing ovations all afternoon, no matter what he did.

And Mets fans, in need of a bonafide star to cheer this season, were eager to see him.

"He's the reason I'm here today," said Jack Sanchez, 49, at

one of the walk-up ticket windows. "I probably should be out shopping or doing work that needs to be done. But when I saw that we got him, I wanted to come out and see his first game with the Mets."

"I'M JUST TRYING TO GET SITUATED."

—CATCHER MIKE PIAZZA ON BEING TRADED TO THE NEW YORK METS

The Mets had averaged just 18,278 per home date. They drew 32,908 for Piazza's debut, including Jerry Seinfeld, about 13,000 tickets were sold after the trade was announced.

The 100 or so fans that lined the entrance gate where Piazza entered the park had to wait a longer than expected to greet him. A mixup caused him to be more than an hour late.

Piazza thought the plane from Florida to New York was supposed to leave from West Palm Beach at 9:35 a.m. EDT. Instead, that flight took off from Fort Lauderdale, so Piazza just waited for the next departure.

On the plane Piazza had an interesting conversation with a fellow passenger.

"This guy next to me said he had to hurry up and get to the ballpark to see this new catcher that the Mets got. I asked him if he was any good and he said, 'I don't know,'" Piazza said.

"Last night, I had trouble sleeping because I was so excited to get here," he said. "The first time I was in the batter's box, I was seeing stars. I was tired."

The Mets sent two cars to the airport one for Piazza, one for his equipment and he got to Shea about 2:10 for the 4:10 start.

"I beat my bags here," he said. "My head's still spinning, I think that's my line of the day."

Piazza was greeted by rousing cheers when he first walked into the park, along with signs such as "Shea Serves the Best Piazza in New York."

Phillips also got a big ovation when he arrived. Later, he signed autographs on the field to shouts of "Great trade!" and "Who's next, Albert Belle?"

Piazza, meanwhile, hurriedly tried on his new Mets catcher's helmet and batting helmet, met the training and clubhouse staff and shook hands with Greg McMichael, Turk Wendell and his other new teammates.

"I'm just trying to get situated," Piazza told manager Bobby Valentine in the clubhouse.

GSU Club "B" soccer team ties Statesboro men's club 2-2

By Jamie Hodges
Assistant Sports Editor

The GSU club "B" soccer team faced off against the Statesboro Men's Club team at the CRI soccer field across from Legend's last Saturday afternoon. The game was played despite many cancellations of scheduled games last weekend during the intramural soccer tournament. The final was 2-2.

Neither team could generate any offense during the first half, despite the numerous scoring opportunities GSU's team were presented with.

Jeff Gelfand finally broke into the scoring column for GSU with his goal early in the second half. Statesboro countered with a goal of their own when Tomasz Warchol pushed the ball through the nets, tying the contest 1-1.

Late in the second half, Statesboro got past GSU's defense again and took the lead off a Michiel Van Meurs score.

Down 2-1 with only a few minutes remaining, GSU turned again to Gelfand, who came through the clutch with a game tying score.

No one scored after that, and the officials called the game off after the end of regulation. Thus leaving the contest dead-

locked at 2-2.

Chuck Mays, captain of GSU, said that he would have preferred a victory, but accepted the tie.

"I'd rather that we didn't lose, but we could've played a lot better," Mays said. "We haven't played as well (this game) as we have all season."

Danny Sachau, also a captain for GSU, pointed out the missed opportunities in the first half.

"We had a lot of shots; we just couldn't finish," Sachau said. "But I'm proud of our guys. We had a lot of good times and a lot of good games."

The game was the last of the season for the GSU Club "B" team. Now they turn their efforts to next year.

"We had a good season," Gelfand said. "We should've beaten that team, and we've beaten them in the past. But being down 2-1, that's a difficult position to be in, but we were able to pull it out and got another score."

The GSU club soccer team will be hosting tryouts this fall for the 1998-99 school year. Anyone interested in joining the team should contact Campus Recreation and Intramurals (CRI) at 681-5436.

NHL FEATURE

Dallas gets first shot at Stanley

By Jaime Aron
The Associated Press

DALLAS —The wait is over. The Dallas Stars finally get to see if they really are the best team in the NHL or at least, the best in the West.

The top-seeded Stars met the No. 3 Detroit Red Wings on Sunday in the opening of the Western Conference finals, where the Wings took game one, 2-0.

"We have had Detroit as a measuring stick for us the last couple of years," Stars center Mike Modano said. "I think now we are finally getting there."

The Stars haven't played since wrapping up their Western Conference semifinals series in five games with the Edmonton Oilers a week ago Saturday. The Red Wings finished off St. Louis in Game 6 of their series on Tuesday.

The Stars are at a disadvantage with Joe Nieuwendyk out for the playoffs with a knee injury. Nieuwendyk led the Stars with 39 goals during the season.

As a result, Modano, Greg Adams and Pat Verbeek will have a bigger offensive burden.

Modano leads the team in playoff scoring with 10 points, even though he was utilized mostly as a defensive force in the series against Edmonton.

"WE HAVE HAD DETROIT AS A MEASURING STICK FOR US THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS, I THINK NOW WE ARE FINALLY GETTING THERE."

—MIKE MODANO, DALLAS STARS CENTER

If the Stars have an edge at any position, it's goaltending, where Ed Belfour (8-3) boasts a league-leading 1.49 goals-against. Detroit's Chris Osgood has an 8-4 record and 2.49 GAA.

As defending Stanley Cup champions, the Red Wings feature one of the best skating teams in hockey and a talent-rich group that goes four lines

deep. Centers Steve Yzerman and Sergei Fedorov are the 1-2 scorers in the playoffs and Nicklas Lidstrom the top-scoring defenseman.

Although the Stars only won one out of five games with Detroit this season (1-2-2), they're confident about the finals as they finish the series that started with Sunday's opener.

"It's not so much that we want to win more than everyone else, but that we believe we're going to win more than everyone else," Modano said. "That attitude is what separates us from the rest."

Brent Gilchrist has a great amount of respect for the Stars, a team he played before coming to Detroit.

"When I left the Stars and signed with Detroit, I guess I envisioned this matchup two of the best teams in the conference. I left one of the best teams, and I came to one of the best teams," Gilchrist said.

"They're tough. They check and check and check. It's unbelievable. I watched some of their games. I guess I've seen it up close because I was there."

NBA FEATURE

Malone speaks mind on Malone

By Greg Beachum
The Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — Karl Malone says he has the right to speak his mind on any issue.

"Do I feel like the whole state of Utah is resting on my shoulders? Yeah," the Utah Jazz forward said. "I feel that every single day. So when I have an opinion to voice, the least I can do is (express it) as many times as I want to."

But Malone's latest outburst which a local columnist characterized as "stream of unconsciousness" was more odd than usual, considering that he made it during the middle of the Western Conference finals which ended in the 96-92 sweep of the Los Angeles Lakers and puts them against either Chicago or Indiana for the championship.

Last Wednesday, as a guest on Jim Rome's nationally syndicated sports radio show, Malone told Trail Blazers coach Mike Dunleavy, also a guest, that he wouldn't mind finishing his career in Portland.

"I could play for you, coach," Malone told an obviously amazed Dunleavy.

While Malone refused to articulate any specific disagreement with the Jazz, he said, "It has nothing to do with my teammates or my coaching staff. It's higher up than that. It's their job to come and talk to me. If it doesn't happen, then it will force my hand for next year."

For more than a decade, Malone has teased and tormented the fragile psyche of Utah fans. Whether he's talking about the stingy ways of Jazz management or the possibility of finishing his career with another team, Malone always pushes Utah fans' buttons just the wrong way.

"Some of the things I say at some times are unfortunate, but it's not going to stop me from doing what I do," Malone said. "The fans know where my heart is."

In a more jaded sports town, most of Malone's comments wouldn't raise an eyebrow. In Salt Lake City, where Malone is easily the most recognizable citizen and the star of the city's only major league team, even off-the-cuff comments can inflict throat-tightening fear.

NHL HOCKEY NEWS

Pittsburgh Penguins attempt to solve contract dispute with it's former star Mario Lemieux

The Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — Pittsburgh Penguins co-owner Howard Baldwin said he wants to settle a contract dispute with retired star Mario Lemieux.

Lemieux has gone to court, claiming the team has failed to keep up with payments on the \$42 million contract he signed in 1992.

Lemieux was to be paid over the next ten years.

But the Penguins want to extend the payments. The team lost \$10 million last year.

Lemieux's agent, Tom Reich, said the dispute is mainly with Baldwin's partner, Roger Marino. Reich says he respects Baldwin but gets no indication

that anyone else wants to resolve the dispute.

"Obviously, a settlement

"OBVIOUSLY, A SETTLEMENT WOULD BE THE BEST RESULT, BUT I'M NOT PARTICULARLY OPTIMISTIC,"

**--TOM REICH
MARIO LEMIEUX'S
AGENT**

would be the best result, but I'm not particularly optimistic," Reich said.

Baldwin has ceded much of

the team's day-to-day operations to Marino while he devotes attention to his film company. Baldwin and his wife, Karen, recently completed two films.

But Baldwin said he's ready to be more active in discussions with Lemieux and on other contract disputes that have emerged under Marino's tenure.

"I haven't gone anywhere. I intend to get more proactive this summer, for whatever it takes to get all of this done. I'm ready to roll up my sleeves and get to work with Roger," Baldwin said.

The Penguins also are arguing with Fox Sports Pittsburgh over broadcast rights and with Spectacor Management Group over the team's lease at the Civic Arena.

Hockey frenzy hits "Big D," Dallas goes wild over Stars

By Jaime Aron
The Associated Press

DALLAS — For their first four seasons in Dallas, the Stars were a novelty, exciting and different. Games were social events where fans cheered as loud for hard hits and fights as they did for goals.

The final score didn't seem to matter as much as whether fans had a good time. The attitude was so laid back that players complained the media wasn't being critical enough.

But now that the Stars are in the Western Conference finals, the honeymoon is over. Fans are finally holding them to the same high standard they have for the five-time Super Bowl champion Dallas Cowboys.

"The town is just buzzing with the playoff atmosphere," center Mike Modano said. "It has taken a long time. The first couple of years were just kind of a feeling-out process. But now, it is exciting to play. They are expecting us to win every

night."

Interest has remained high this season, although television ratings haven't. Games averaged about 45,000 viewers, roughly the same as "I Love Lucy" re-

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**--MIKE MODANO
DALLAS STARS' CENTER**

runs on some nights.

But Game 5 of the first-round series against Edmonton pulled in 170,000 viewers, the second-most viewers for a game since the team moved from Minnesota. Last year's playoff elimina-

tion game was the only one with more.

"We haven't gone this far since being down in Dallas, so I think giving the fans a little bit of a taste of playoff hockey for an extended period of time has really gathered the exposure and the fan base," Modano said. "Our success the last couple of years has drawn the fans in, but I think everybody has been waiting to see how we were going to do in the playoffs."

Now that the Stars are winning, the city is 100 percent behind them. And although the bandwagons may fill up late, they get awfully crowded, turning star players into heroes.

"It's a real sports town," Modano said. "They love winners here."

The party could end soon if the Stars aren't careful. Dallas may have won this year's Presidents' Trophy for the best regular-season record, but the most recent name engraved on the Stanley Cup is still Detroit.

USA BASKETBALL

Women's Dream Team face endurance task in the defense of their Olympic Gold Medal during the 1998 World Championships

By Chuck Schoffner
The Associated Press

For the U.S. women's basketball team, the upcoming world championships are as much a matter of survival as they are a hoops tournament.

Starting with their game against Japan in Karlsruhe, Germany, on May 26, the American women will play nine games in 12 days. That's a schedule even more rigorous than the 1996 Olympics, when the U.S. women played eight games over a two-week period en route to the gold medal.

"It's a tournament that's truly an endurance test," coach Nell Fortner said. "You have to maintain your focus in that situation with the traveling that goes on. You're not in your own country, you're playing in somebody else's backyard. It's definitely a challenge."

While the United States is favored to win the gold, don't look for the walkover that took place in Atlanta two years ago.

That team played together for nine months, going 52-0 on a worldwide exhibition tour before winning all of its games in the Olympics. Fortner's team has been together only since mid-March, added Tennessee star Chamique Holdsclaw earlier this month and now has to replace a player because of an injury.

Fortner, though, feels the team is coming around. It won all four of its games in the Slovakia Grand Prix, which ended Sunday, and is 11-1 in exhibition play.

"We're playing better right now," Fortner said by phone from San Fernando, Spain, where the team is training. "I

really felt like when we were in (Washington) D.C., we really got over a hump as far as this team jelling more and playing at the level we needed to play at."

"We scrimmaged against a good group of guys and they really pushed us hard every day. That really got us over a hump."

Fortner had to make a late roster change because inside player Tina Thompson hasn't recovered from a sprained right knee suffered in an April 26 game against China in Japan. She'll be replaced by Taj McWilliams.

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
COACH**

"I feel for her," Fortner said. "It was a great opportunity for her. I'm glad it wasn't anything serious like an ACL or something like that. It takes players a little while to get comfortable with the style we're having to play against, and she was starting to become comfortable with that and playing better."

McWilliams, who plays for the ABL's Philadelphia Rage, will be with the team in time for its

world championship opener. The 16-team tournament concludes on June 7 in Berlin.

"I think Taj will fit in well chemistry-wise," Fortner said. "She played with us last summer. She knows the things we're doing, other than two or three different things. I think the replacement is a good one."

The United States lost to Brazil in the semifinals of the 1994 world championships and ended up with the bronze medal. Brazil beat China for the gold.

Brazil and China both are in the world championship field, along with Olympic silver medalist Australia and strong teams from the Slovakia and Lithuania.

The United States had to go into overtime to beat Slovakia 79-73 on Sunday in the final game of the Slovakia Grand Prix.

"People in the United States don't realize it, but the rest of the world is very, very good," Fortner said. "It's a tremendous challenge for us. We're not as big as some of the teams we play, but we're quick and we've got some depth."

Holdsclaw, the national player of the year, joined the team earlier this month and started the games in Slovakia. She's averaging 9.2 points and 6.6 rebounds in five games and at 6-foot-2, gives the team good size on the perimeter.

"Like any young player, she's kind of up and down," Fortner said. "In this game, she's going up against bigger wing players. That's something she's got to be able to handle. Players 6-2 and 6-3 will be guarding her and that's bigger than what she's used to."

"But she'll adjust. She's just now coming into her own in this game."

Be on the lookout for The George-Anne's end of year review in sports.

The Academic Corner

Have You Scheduled Your Appointment for Fall Semester Advisement and Registration?

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CAMPUS NEWS

Students experience culture at music departments final concert

By Rodney Reid
Senior Staff Writer

Every now and then a opportunity to make ourselves more cultural, presents itself at GSU. On May 19, such an opportunity was made available when the Department of Music put on its final concert of the year.

The concert was kicked off by a presentation by GSU's Concert Band, which is conducted by Joseph David III. The band played four pieces, including "The Mad Major" and "Variations on A Korean Folk Song." After the completion of their last piece, the band received thunderous applause from the many parents and students in attendance.

"I believe everyone did a good job," said trombone player Bobby Williams. "We practiced hard and was lead by a great band director."

"We did the best we could, and while I believe that our performance was good, I still believe that we will get better with practice," Trey Stokes, trombone player, said.

A short intermission followed the Concert Band's performance as preparation were made for The Symphonic Wind Ensemble.

Before the ensemble, began their part of the concert, ensemble Conductor Daniel Pittman paid tribute to the many ensemble members who were playing in

their last concert with the group.

"We have had many accomplishments as a group, and so I would like to take this time to say thanks to all the parents and all the graduating and future student teachers who are playing in the last concert with us," Pittman said.

After giving thanks, Pittman lead the ensemble in their breath taking performance. The Ensemble started off with "Gavorkna Fanfare," and followed that up with an unbelievable performance of "Francis Mcbeth's Of Sailors and Whales." Mere words can not explain the heavenly sounds that poured out of the ensemble's instruments.

The thundering beats and the resounding horns, seemingly placed the audience right in the middle of Melville's "Moby Dick." "It was a roller coaster, a thrill ride, they had me on the edge of my seat," Daniel Primm said.

Some audience members had a look of complete surprise on their faces as they listened to their fellow students play their instruments with such skill and ease.

The ensemble wrapped up their performance with "The Gathering of Ranks at Hebron."

"I am very pleased with their performance, but I'm not surprised, because I always think they perform well," Pittman said.

STATE NEWS

Fort Valley State dismisses advisor of student newspaper

The Associated Press

FORT VALLEY, Ga.—As faculty advisor to Fort Valley State University's student newspaper, John Schmitt saw it go from a declining, infrequently published sheet to an award-winning journal.

Now, he's looking for a job. Fort Valley officials will not comment on why Schmitt's contract as an assistant professor of communications was not renewed.

Faculty members and civil libertarians see it as a First Amendment issue.

They say Schmitt's guidance of *The Peachite* into a newspaper praised for its investigative edge may have cost him his job.

Last Wednesday, Schmitt's attorney, Holly Manheimer, who works with the American Civil Liberties Union, filed an appeal with the University System of Georgia's Board of Regents to get Schmitt's job back.

"When you look at other factors like his evaluations and accomplishments, they are stellar," Manheimer said. "The awards given to the students and the paper are stellar. So

"One can assume the administration doesn't understand the role of a student newspaper on a college campus," he said. "They don't understand the implications of a paper with the First

the school of arts and sciences "just decided not to offer him another contract."

"The newspaper had a lot of errors, but the newspaper played no role in whether I thought he should come back or not," Prater said.

The Peachite has published 10 times this year, compared to three times last year.

Articles have touched on issues such as financial aid, the lack of safety measures brought to light by the death of a student and a November front page article that investigated the previous work history of the university's vice president for academic affairs, Josephine Davis.

The Davis article, which won a Georgia Student Press Association award, chronicled her three years as president of York College in Queens, N.Y., where she resigned in 1994 after an audit questioned some financial practices.

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—JOHN OMACHONU,
CHAIRMAN OF FORT VALLEY'S MASS COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

Amendment."

there is nowhere else to look other than the First Amendment implications."

Schmitt's boss, John Omachonu, chairman of Fort Valley's mass communications department, said he supports Schmitt.

Citing personnel privacy, the university won't say why the first-year teacher's contract isn't being renewed.

Aside from working as the newspaper advisor, Schmitt also taught journalism classes.

President Oscar Prater said

COLLEGE NEWS

Indiana student takes in \$640,000 in college scholarships

The Associated Press

EVANSVILLE, Ind.—It's the stuff high school seniors dream of. Instead of slaving away all summer to save up for college, Tiffany Hodge is relaxing as she picks and chooses from a pool of about \$640,000 in college scholarship offers.

The 17-year-old, who graduated last Wednesday from North High School, said her 4.0 grade point average and her community work gave her the key to this safe.

"They (scholarship providers) maybe saw I was somebody who not only cared about her grades but also about the community around her," she said.

The fact that she applied for nearly 40 scholarships probably helped, too.

But not even her school coun-

"By Tiffany declining those she can't use she's made many other students who were next in line very happy," Hahn said.

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sels can believe how much money Hodge has managed to amass.

"I can't recall anyone before ever winning so many from across the state and nation. It's unreal," said Marcy Hahn, Hodge's school counselor.

She plans to attend DePauw University in Greencastle, where she will study biology and secondary education.

The bulk of her tuition will be paid with a \$74,340 Eli Lilly Community Alliance Foundation Scholarship, a \$6,000

DePauw National Merit Scholarship and a \$17,360 DePauw Room Grant.

But it doesn't stop there. She's also accepted a \$5,000 Phi Delta Kappa International Scholarship; a \$10,000 Toyota Community Scholarship; a \$4,000 Coca Cola Scholarship; a \$500 Evansville Teachers Association Scholarship; a \$4,000 Indiana State Teachers Association Career Scholarship; a \$1,000 National Association of Secondary School Principals Leadership Award; a \$1,000 Consolidated Communications cash award; a \$600 Delta Kappa Gamma cash award; and a \$2,500 Whirlpool Corp. cash award.

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Prof elected president of American Collegiate Retailing Association

By Ni'Cole Patterson
Assistant Features Editor

Alumni Professor of Marketing and Director of the Centers for Retailing Studies, William H. Bolen was recently elected President of the American Collegiate Retailing Association, an organization whose purpose is to foster quality education and research at four year colleges and graduate schools in subjects similar to a vast number of fields in the marketing industry.

Bolen's duties as president will include being a strategic leader and moving the organization forward.

"One of the unique things about ACRA is that we have a close working relationship with the American Retailing Federation, which is a major trade association group for retailing," Bolen said.

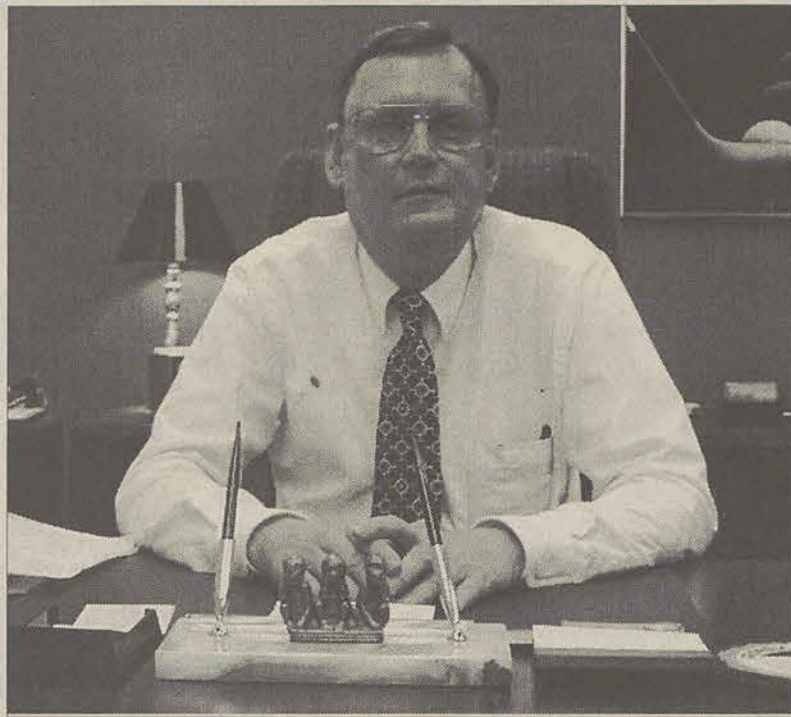
"So, we have to try and maintain that strong relationship. We try to make this organization serve the needs of promoting re-

tailoring education and to enhance it to make it better," Bolen said. "Our membership is all over the world, including places such as Europe. That in itself is challenging because it is very broad-based."

In addition, the ACRA works to encourage a positive relationship among all who have an interest in making a contribution to academic teaching and research in the field of retailing.

"I have been apart of this organization for about 10-15 years—maybe longer than that," Bolen said. "But it is an honor to be elected president because it is a tough challenge. Over the years, there have been a lot of good presidents. Quite a few times, I have been asked to run for president. I just thought this time I would get accepted and elected."

A native of Savannah, Ga., Bolen received his undergraduate degree from GSU. He also received his masters and doctor-



Cory Brooks

Professor William Bolen, alumni professor of marketing and director of the center for retailing studies, says that being president will be a challenge because he must take a good organization and make it even better.

ate degrees from the University of Arkansas. After leaving the

University of Arkansas, Bolen returned to GSU not knowing he would stay for 32 years.

"I didn't expect to stay here, but GSU continued to grow and change, so I stayed and it has been a great experience."

Bolen said his perception of retailing is that we are all, essentially, the customer. His definition of retailing is that the customers come back and not the product.

Nevertheless, he said that the customer is the one who keeps the business operating.

For many years, Bolen has taught retailing. Ten years ago he started the Center for Retailing Studies here at GSU.

The center focuses on retailing as a career and it also teaches students more about the field.

"Of course, we work very closely with retailers, in terms of lining up interviews. A GSU student with a degree in retailing, usually start off in the job market earning between \$26-

27,500 a year," Bolen said.

According to Bolen, a GSU degree in marketing and business is widely received in the market place.

"The generative thing in retailing is that we have a potential for more jobs than we have students. However, this is not always the case, the job market is very good right now," Bolen said.

"We think that our Center for Retailing Studies, retailing, marketing, and business programs offer students lots of opportunity, in terms of career development," Bolen said. "And the job market is reflecting that, in terms of companies hiring our students and they [the companies] come back wanting more of our students. That makes us here, in the department, feel good."

It also feels good to walk into a store and see a student who has graduated from our program doing something with their degree."

Wellness Day



Special Photo

GSU's 3rd Annual Wellness Day will be held on May 27, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. under the Union Rotunda. The event is sponsored by the Health Education Office, CRI and the College of Health and Professional Studies. The purpose of the event is to provide students with information about different health issues from various community and university organizations.

Quick Cooking ...

Pork Medallions with Maple-Vinegar Sauce

The Associated Press

This recipe uses ingredients found in most kitchens to make a quick but smoothly piquant sauce for a pork dish.

Maple syrup combines with flavored mustard and balsamic vinegar to give pork tenderloin a rich, distinctive savor—without added fat. As complementary side dishes, consider serving creamed spinach or spinach souffle (from the freezer case), red cabbage slaw and dinner rolls.

The basic quantities given in the following recipe make 2 servings.

Pork Medallions with Maple-Vinegar Sauce

1 pork tenderloin, about 3/4 pound, cut into 1-inch-thick slices
Seasoned pepper (garlic pepper or a pepper blend)
2 teaspoons butter
2 tablespoons finely chopped

green onions

1/2 cup chicken broth
2 teaspoons Dijon-style mustard (or other flavored mustard)
1 tablespoon maple syrup
1 tablespoon balsamic vinegar

With the heel of your hand, gently flatten pork slices to a thickness of about 1/4-inch.

Season both sides of medallions with seasoned pepper.

In a large heavy skillet, heat butter over medium-high heat.

Cook medallions for 3-4 minutes per side, turning once, until nicely browned.

Remove medallions, keep warm.

Add onions to skillet; cook and stir for 30 seconds. Stir in chicken broth and mustard.

Cook, uncovered, for 2 minutes, stirring; stir in maple syrup and vinegar.

Continue cooking, uncovered,

for a minute more, until sauce thickens slightly.

Return chops to skillet; heat through; serve chops with pan sauce.

Makes 2 servings.

Nutritional information per serving: 251 cal., 36 g pro., 11 g fat, 421 mg sodium, 110 mg chol.

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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Charlie Sheen hospitalized for drug overdose

By Amanda Covarrubias
The Associated Press

THOUSAND OAKS, Calif. — Charlie Sheen, who renounced his partying ways two years ago, was in a hospital recovering from a drug overdose at his Malibu home.

The 32-year-old actor was in stable condition last Thursday in the critical care unit at Los Robles Regional Medical Center, said Chris Caraway, a hospital spokeswoman.

"He's eating. He's talking. He's aware," she said.

Doctors were awaiting results of blood tests to determine what drug the star of "Wall Street" and "Platoon" took, though hospital officials confirmed he was being treated for an overdose.

His father, actor Martin

Sheen, appeared overwrought.

"My son is here because of a drug overdose," Sheen said, choking back tears as he stood alongside his wife, Janet.

Los Angeles County paramedics rushed Sheen, accompanied by his personal trainer, to the hospital. He was conscious but complaining of tingling in his

hands and difficulty walking.

In 1996, Sheen announced he was a born-again Christian and that fast-living "was a lot of fun, but there is such a thing as too much fun...It gets redundant. How many times can you wake up and struggle to remember your name, her name and where you are?"

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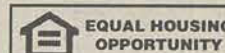
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