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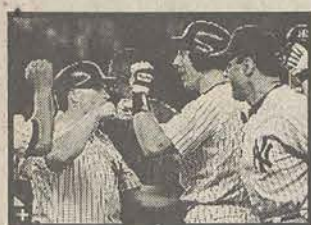
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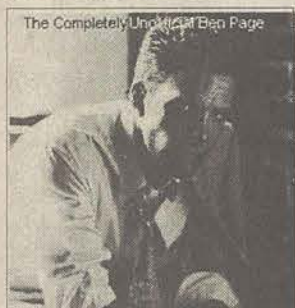


MLB interleague play results

Even though it wasn't
as popular as last year,
interleague play still
scored with fans.

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Features



Ben Affleck's rise to stardom

Affleck discusses his
rise to stardom, his
lovelife and his new
movie, "Armageddon."
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Weather



Today: Partly cloudy
with a high of 94 and a
low in the mid-70s.

Wednesday: Partly
cloudy with a high of 94
and a low of 75.

Today's Word

epigone (EPu-gon)
n. a descendant less
gifted than his or her
ancestors

Source: Weird Words

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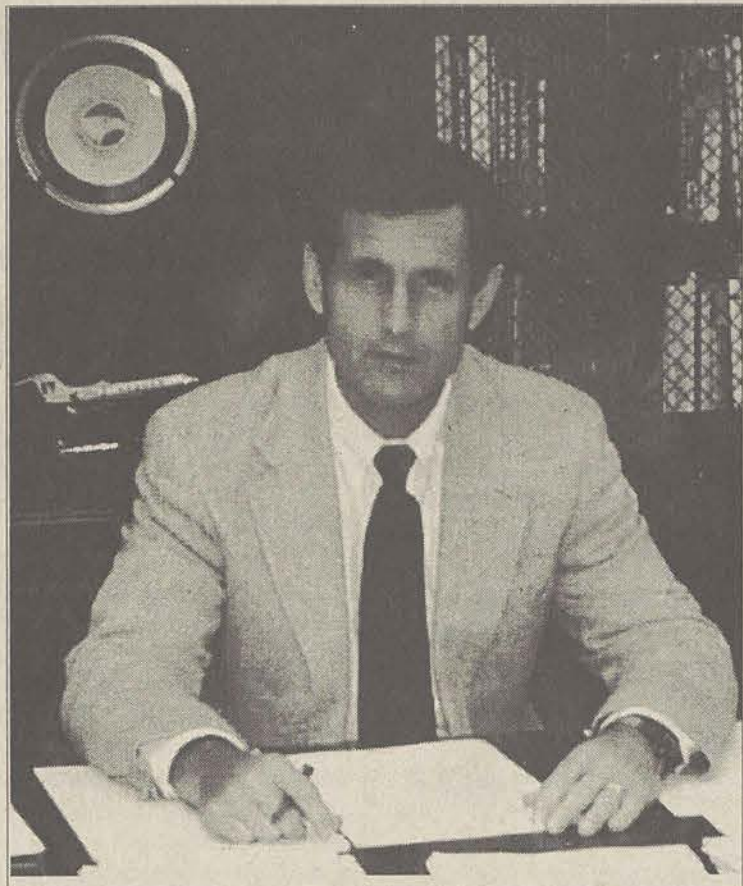


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First Day on the Job...



Acting President Harry Carter

Kelley McGonnell

Dr. Linda Bleicken

Linda Bleicken took over Harry Carter's office when she began her first day as the interim vice president of academic affairs last Wednesday.

"I'm nervous," Bleicken said. "But also excited. It will be a great challenge and a great opportunity to be of service."

Bleicken said she wouldn't redecorate her office. "I'm only going to be here for one year," she said. "That's a little excessive."

She said the most nerve-racking thing for her so far has been the awareness that she has a lot to learn, and wondering if she will know enough. The most reassuring thing for her has been the people she will be working with.

"It's been reassuring for me to know that I have the support and assistance of some really good people in this office," Bleicken said.

Dr. Harry Carter

Staff Report

Harry Carter moved into the President's Office last Wednesday and made it home.

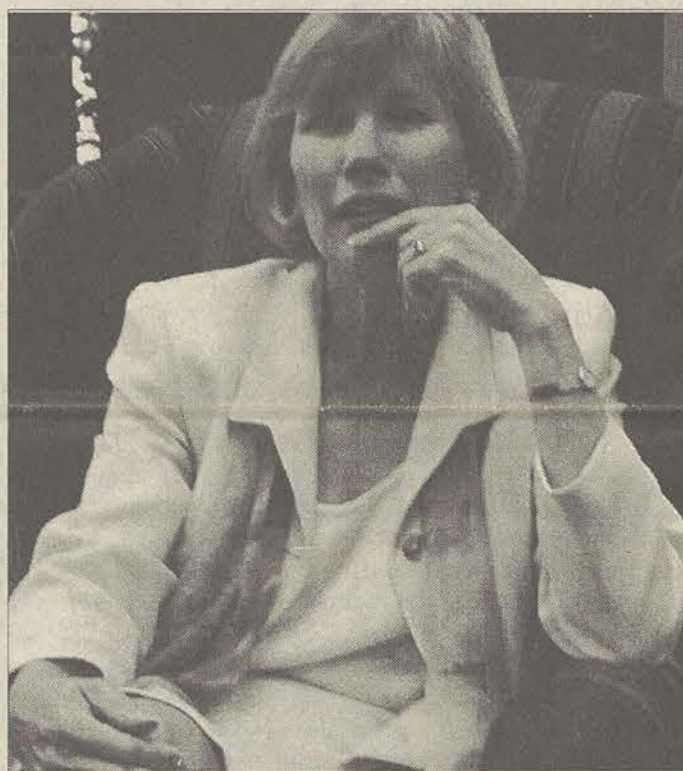
"So far it doesn't feel all that different," Carter said. "I guess having done this before several years ago, it's not quite as big of an unknown to me as it would have been if I hadn't had the experience."

Carter said that the biggest difference is working with new people.

"It's different from a people point of view, because I had an office that I worked in for 16 years with those folks and now I'm over here," he said.

He even had to leave behind his secretary who had been with him the entire time he served as vice president of academic affairs.

"The secretary I had, Ms. Bacon, was my secretary when I started," Carter said. "So she's been my secretary for 16 years."



Acting Provost Linda Bleicken

Joseph Mahaney

Melons

50th renewal of annual rite

By Kevin Head
Staff Writer

Today, Georgia Southern University will celebrate its 50th Anniversary Summer Watermelon Cutting. The ceremony kicks off at 10 a.m. beside the campus lakes.

Joining Acting President Harry Carter in slicing the first melon will be Kirbylene Stephens and Curtis Frink. Frink, who manages Landrum Cafeteria, is the longest serving staff member and Stephens was secretary to four presidents.

"We are celebrating the 50th year and we are looking forward to that," Carter said. "It's a wonderful tradition that was started many years ago by the President's Office."

This will be Carter's second time cutting the melons. He performed the honors in 1987 when he was interim president.

The tradition of cutting watermelons dates back to when Zach Henderson first started his administration in 1948.

All of the presidents since Henderson (John Henderson, Pope Duncan, Dale Lick and Nick Henry along with the interim presidents) have celebrated the annual tradition in July.

Zach Henderson started the watermelon cutting as an opportunity to bring students together in a summer activity.

During the 1940's farm products were still one of the major incomes for many families so Zach Henderson chose to cut watermelons as a tradition.

Today's ceremony will start off with a brief observance by Carter, followed by the cutting with help by Stephens and Frink.

Watermelon will be served to all watermelon lovers every Tuesday and Thursday throughout summer quarter by the lakes.

Bleicken appointed interim Vice President

By Laura Owens
Senior Staff Writer

Linda Bleicken has replaced Harry Carter as interim vice president of academic affairs.

Carter recently began serving as the university president since the resignation of former president Nicholas Henry. Bleicken took over as interim vice president on July 1st.

"I was asked by Harry Carter to serve in this position," Bleicken said. "I said yes because I felt it was an opportunity to serve faculty, students, and also our staff."

According to Bleicken, a memo was sent out by Carter asking for suggestions and input from the deans and vice presidents before he selected her to fill the position.

Carter said he is excited that Bleicken accepted the position and he believes she will do an excellent job because of her experiences with other GSU organizations.

"I think she is going to be a real significant influence for the next year," Carter said.

She said the role of the provost is to make certain GSU is following its mission statement and its guiding principles at every level, to make decisions regarding the allocation of resources, and to help guide the curriculum and direction of

GSU.

"The role of provost is facilitating the academic side of what goes on at GSU," Bleicken said.

According to her resumé, Bleicken has a doctor of philosophy in business administration, a master of science in business administration, and a bachelor of business administration from Georgia State University.

She has served as assistant professor of management, acting chair of the department of management, and associate professor of management at GSU.

She also served as chair of the strategic planning council of GSU for three years.

According to Bleicken, the council reports directly to the president and is composed of faculty and staff from all areas of GSU.

"Working with the council, I got a global perspective of what GSU does," she said. "That sometimes doesn't happen when you're in academic affairs only."

She said she would interact directly with students based on how much interaction they want and in what form.

"One of the things I really want to do is to be accessible to students and faculty," Bleicken said.

Bleicken said speaking with SGA and getting input from them is important.

GSU offers 2 new graduate degrees in public health

By Laura Owens
Senior Staff Writer

GSU has recently added two new master degrees to its curriculum, the Master of Public Health and the Master of Health Services Administration.

According to Fred Whitt, dean of the college of health and professional studies, the addition of these degree programs will contribute prestige to GSU by making two more graduate level programs of study available for students.

"These are highly respected and visible programs that in many states are only housed in major medical and health science centers," Whitt said. "There are only 69 accredited health administration programs in the country. This is a real tribute to Georgia Southern and our region."

According to Whitt, these degree programs will be an asset to many local communities by fulfilling an important regional need, providing education and training for health care fields in high demand.

"Georgia ranks low in health care programs," he said. "Through the MPH, students will use population-based data in an effort to better understand existing as well as emerging diseases and health concerns, with the primary emphasis on organizing community efforts to enhance health promotion and disease prevention. The primary goals of the MHSA program will be to prepare competent administrators who can plan, organize, coordinate and supervise the delivery of health care and assume leadership roles in a variety of health service organizations."

According to Whitt, GSU and Armstrong Atlantic State University will collaborate on delivery of these programs.

"We were affiliated with Armstrong several years ago, and we both still had an interest in developing

and offering these programs," he said. "We decided to work together and develop a win-win situation for both institutions and students. Students will be able to transfer courses, and we will work to maximize resources by avoiding duplication of class delivery."

GSU did not offer these degrees in the past due to the extensive process required.

"[These courses] are now being offered because we received Board of Regents approval in June after several years of program planning and development."

Whitt established the vision and idea for these degree programs, but credits others also.

"Many individuals worked very hard and deserve credit for the approval of these programs," Whitt said.

"Dr. Harry Carter provided the university support, and is credited with playing a critical role in negotiations with both the Chancellor's office and with AASU."

Credit should also go to Dr. Charles Hardy, Chair of Health and Kinesiology, and the faculty within the department.

The planning committee consisted of Helen Willegraf, Judith McLaughlin, Sara Corwin and Lynn Wolfe.

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**--FRED WHITT, DEAN OF THE COLLEGE OF
HEALTH AND PROFESSIONAL STUDIES**

POLICE BEAT

GSU Division of Public Safety

June 24, 1998

•Mike Sewak reported \$140 was taken from Dorman Hall.

June 23, 1998

•Earthwind C. Moreland, 21, 245 Park Place, was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct.

June 12, 1998

•Jennifer Gamatt reported a refrigerator was missing from Brannen Hall.

•A domestic dispute was reported at Stratford Hall.

June 11, 1998

•Derrick Deberry reported his bookbag was missing from the library.

•Greg Gilmore reported his keys were missing from Brannen Hall.

•Arturo Marchand reported his bicycle was missing from the Veazey Hall bike rack.

•A case of simple battery was reported at the Union Station.

•Anthony Edward Robinson, Jr., 22, Lakeland, Fl., was arrested and charged with DUI (.12) and weaving.

•Kenneth Ray Morgan, Jr., 21, 449 Lloyd Hodges Rd., was arrested and charged with DUI (.10) and expired tag.

June 10, 1998

•Mary Jackson reported a video camera and a tripod was missing from the Carroll Building.

Statesboro Police Department

July 2, 1998

•Branson Macatee of Mill Creek reported a lost or stolen

wallet.

•Daniel Green, 20, of Macon, Ga., was charged with DUI 1st and making an improper turn.

•John Post, 20, of Statesboro was charged with possession of marijuana.

July 1, 1998

•Heather Merten of Stadium walk reported a case of burglary.

•Tameka Jones of Eagles Nest reported a case of criminal trespass.

•Alex Fife, 20, of Savannah, Ga., was charged with DUI (1st).

June 30, 1998

•Jim Branch of Bermuda Run reported a case of criminal trespass.

•Zach Taylor of Players Club reported a case of criminal trespass.

•Heather Piel, 20, of Peachtree City was charged with DUI (1st) and defective equipment.

June 29, 1998

•John Perry of Seasons Apts. reported someone entering his auto.

June 26, 1998

•Kyisha Blunt of Stadium Place reported a case of simple battery.

•Timothy Campbell of Campus Courtyard reported a lost or stolen book bag.

June 25

•Ryan Montgomery of College Park, GA reported a case of battery.

•Ava Shuman of East Jones reported a case of criminal trespass.

•John Antonius of Lanier Drive reported a case of damage to property.

•Peter Kerin of Stadium Walk reported a case of burglary.

•Amy Jones, 21, of Statesboro was charged with weaving and DUI (1st).

•Anthony Peirce, 21, of Atlanta, Ga., was charged with obstruction of officers.

•Malcolm Lee, 22, of Statesboro was charged with giving false information.

•Johmeal McCain, 24, of Lithonia, Ga., was charged with obstruction of officers.

June 24, 1998

•Shumekia West, 20, of Reg-ister, Ga., was charged with disorderly conduct.

June 23, 1998

•Michael Hough of Players Club reported a case of burglary.

•Davie Dickey, 21, of Statesboro was charged with defective equipment and DUI (1st).

June 22, 1998

•Rick Stevens of Lanier Apts reported a case of theft by taking.

•Jamie Trombley of Gentilly Drive reported a case of burglary.

•Larry Taylor of Park Place reported a case of criminal trespass.

June 21, 1998

•David Mills of Georgia Ave reported someone entering his auto.

June 20, 1998

•Paula Gonzalez, 22, of

Metter, Ga., was charged with driving on a suspended license (1st).

June 19, 1998

•Andrea Silcox of St. Charles Place reported someone entering her auto.

June 18, 1998

•Lacy Scott of Stadium Walk reported someone entering her auto.

•Michael Bennett, 19, of Statesboro was charged with seat belt violation and underage possession of alcohol.

June 16, 1998

•Windy Hodges of Ridgewood Ave. reported a case of criminal trespass.

•Kevin Cannon, 22, of Marietta, Ga., was charged with DUI, no proof of insurance and headlight requirement.

June 17, 1998

•Franklin Roebuck of Hartwell, Ga., reported someone entering his auto.

•Melissa Rudolph of Stadium Walk reported someone entering her auto.

June 15, 1998

•Shannon Mimbs of Georgia Ave reported a case of criminal trespass.

•Latricia Jones of West Jones reported suspicious activity.

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

Today

•The 50th Anniversary of the Melon Cuttings will be celebrated at 10 a.m. by the campus lakes. President Harry Carter will cut the first melon. Stop by and enjoy the watermelon and a true Southern tradition.

•There will be a seminar to teach business owners and other professionals new ways to make their customers pay on time will be offered from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the COBA building. The course is taught by Glen Shepard and costs \$149.

Wednesday, July 8

•A one-day seminar to teach managers new ways to handle people problems and priorities more efficiently will be offered from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the COBA building. The course will be taught by Glen Shepard and costs \$149.

Thursday, July 9

•There will be a Christmas in July workshop, "Ornament Sets as Gifts," to teach participants how to complete one ornament in class and others at home. The course will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Southern Center and costs \$20.

Rapist gets two life sentences, plus

•Suspect pleads guilty to raping three GSU students and assaulting a fourth

Kevin Head
Staff Writer

Manuel Ayala, 24, was sentenced on June 8 to two consecutive life sentences plus 300 years for raping three female GSU students and assaulting another in 1997, according to *The Statesboro Herald*. Ayala, who was arrested in July 1997, changed his plea earlier the week he was sentenced from not guilty to guilty, which waived his right to a trial by jury.

According to published reports, three of the four victims were present at the time of sentencing. All were comforted by friends and family while District Attorney Joe Martin read the 21 felony charges against Ayala to the court. Martin then made the sentence recommendation that he had previously negotiated with Ayala's lawyer, Sims Lanier, and Superior Court Judge William Woodrum, according to reports.

"It was a hard sentence, I know that. But he did these things and he hurt these girls both physi-

cally and emotionally," Martin said.

Judge John R. Turner had never before passed as harsh a sentence, but he said in light of the seriousness and number of offenses, the maximum sentence was "just and appropriate."

Ayala explained his actions to the court by saying he would get so drunk that he would "black out." During those episodes of blind drunkenness, he attacked his victims while they slept in their apartments. In each case, he forced his victims out of their apartments and raped them at knife point.

Of the 21 charges brought against Ayala, only four were dismissed. Martin said that the charges that were dismissed were duplicates offered to give jurors a choice in the event of a trial. The two consecutive life sentences mean that if Ayala is paroled on one of the sentences, he has to serve the next one.

"If I could give my life to change what I have done," Ayala said. "I would."

MOVIE NEWS

Clooney's career in focus with "Out of Sight"

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES—George Clooney has finally found a movie he doesn't have to apologize for. "Out of Sight," adapted from Elmore Leonard's novel about a bank robber (Clooney) who falls for the federal marshal (Jennifer Lopez) pursuing him, opened last week to kudos from critics and movie-goers alike. Last weekend, it debuted at No. 3 with \$12 million.

"No one is expecting this movie to make a billion dollars," Clooney said. "We'd just like to get some good word-of-mouth and hang around for awhile. I tell you though, it's awfully nice sitting here talking to you about a movie that I can unabashedly say I love."

Clooney's string of so-so flicks, including "From Dusk Till Dawn," "One Fine Day," "Batman

& Robin" and last year's DreamWorks SKG flagship film "The Peacemaker," have failed to give him the acclaim he receives from his role on the medical drama "ER," often called the most popular series on television.

"You know, I have a framed letter from Steven Spielberg, saying, 'Here's our first film for DreamWorks. Do you want to do it?' Like I'm going to say no to that," Clooney said.

"All those movies were good breaks, especially considering where I was coming from," Clooney said.

"Batman" was a huge break. And, well, that franchise is buried now. I won't be doing that again. The other movies fell a little short, and, yeah, if I had been better, they probably would have been better, too."

ENTERTAINMENT NEWS

Ben Affleck's secrets to success, privacy and happiness

By Cynthia Webb
The Associated Press

MARINA DEL REY—When Ben Affleck looks back on his life, he doesn't have to go far. There was his first movie role at age 7 and the Academy Award at 25.

His introspection is worthy of an actor twice his age. In fact, there is so much self-reflection, you feel you've joined "Zen with Ben."

In less than a year, Affleck went from low-budget obscurity to an Oscar-winner. Now he's a co-star in one of the summer's loudest adventure movies, "Armageddon."

"You have to make sure that you don't start feeling entitled, so that you don't become spoiled, you don't become self-indulgent," Affleck says. "I want to grow and change, but I don't want to grow and change for the worse."

Affleck and co-writer Matt Damon, who met 17 years ago, turned their screenplay for "Good Will Hunting" into an Academy Award winner this year. Affleck said he thought about using his Oscar as a hood ornament, but finally put it on a shelf in his rented Hollywood Hills apartment.

As Affleck sits next to a hotel window for an interview, the sun dapples his stubbled face. Wearing jeans and brown work boots, propped comfortably on a coffee table, he has a Camel Light in one hand and three cans of Diet Coke nearby.

Affleck has been in the business since he was 7 when his mother's friend cast him in an independent production. He went on to work in a PBS series and other television projects before joining "School Ties" in 1992.

He gained notice last year playing a guy who falls for a lesbian in Kevin Smith's "Chasing Amy," a project whose budget would have covered only one production hour for Disney's \$135 million-plus "Armageddon."

In "Armageddon," he plays a scrappy oil driller who joins a team contracted to save the world from an asteroid.

He says doing an action flick is one more project, not a sellout. Every role he takes on embodies an essence of him, he says.

A.J., his character in "Armageddon," is trying to kindle a newfound love while he fights to rescue the world. More essence. Meanwhile, Affleck himself is trying to manage his success while maintaining personal and romantic relationships.

Affleck had a 10-year on-again, off-again relationship with a woman that ended last year despite counseling and reconciliation attempts.

"I've made enough mistakes to realize that one of the things that's really important is to keep a certain part of your life to yourself," he says. "I've got to maintain some sense of normalcy and sanity in my life."

That means details of his courtship with girlfriend Gwyneth Paltrow are sacred.

"I don't like to gossip. I'm very private. Even my friends complain and say, 'Why didn't you tell us?'" he said.

He said marriage is not in the near future.

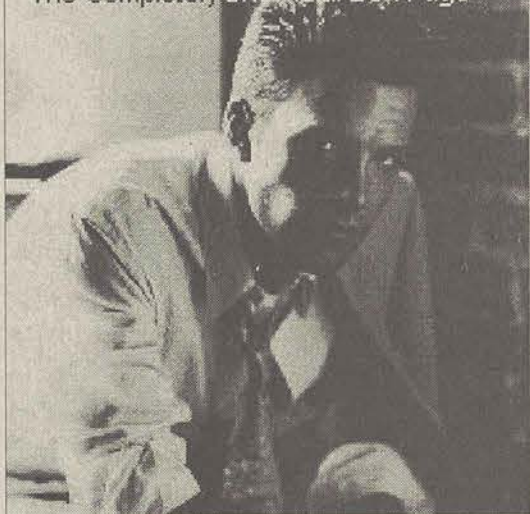
His next adventure will be in Georgia, where he is filming the romantic comedy "Forces of Nature" opposite Sandra Bullock.

Damon and Affleck are also working on two more scripts and Affleck is also working solo on his own script.

Affleck has played a high schooler in the 1993 movie "Dazed and Confused," and a Korean War veteran in "Going All the Way" in 1997. He played a blue-collar tough guy in "Good Will Hunting," an angel with Damon in Kevin Smith's upcoming "Dogma," and took on a British accent for a new project with Paltrow called "Shakespeare in Love."

Affleck was toned and tan for "Armageddon" (thanks to mandatory tanning bed ses-

The Completely Uncloaked Ben Page



sions), but as Smith says, it's hard to make the 6-foot-3-inch, brown-eyed actor look bad.

"Armageddon" director Michael Bay says he initially wasn't sure he made the right choice in Affleck.

"I'm like, 'Uh oh,'" Bay says. "I hadn't found the thing I liked about him, that spark, and it takes you a while. ... Ben was trying too hard."

Bay found the charm he was looking for after the first week of shooting. "He got a lot more comfortable," the director says. Producer Jerry Bruckheimer says simply: "He can have a career in whatever he wants. He's that good. It's up to him."

Affleck knows stardom can go as easily as it

"I hope there are better years ahead. The Oscar is certainly something they say in your obituary. I hope to have things that I look back on with much more satisfaction," he says. "I hope they say something like: Devoted husband and father, humanitarian or philanthropist, you know? Just the small things."

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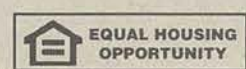
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1 Florida
Man sues club, claiming
bosomy stripper gave
him whiplash

The Associated Press

CLEARWATER—A man suing a topless club says an exotic dancer gave him whiplash during his 1996 bachelor party when she slammed her generous chest into his head.

"I saw stars," said Paul Shimkonis. "Apparently she jumped up and slammed her breasts into my head and just about knocked me out. It was like two cement blocks hit me."

Shimkonis said he hurt his neck and back at Diamond Dolls in Clearwater when Tawny Peaks, who boasts of a 60-HH bust, surprised him. He was there with friends on Sept. 27, 1996, for a night out before his Oct. 5 wedding.

He said he was too embarrassed to go to the doctor for three months.

Nearly two years later, he said, he was still in pain and the club wouldn't pay his medical bills. So he sued.

"I can't turn my neck to the right at all. I have to turn at the waist," said Shimkonis, 38, a physical therapist. "When I tell people how it happened, they just laugh. At work, I just don't tell them anymore."

During the bachelor party, according to the suit, "the guest of honor was requested by the star dancer to sit low in a chair, resting his neck to the back of the chair with his eyes closed to be specially entertained by the star dancer."

"Suddenly, without warning and without (Shimkonis') consent," the dancer jumped on him, "forcing her very large breasts into his face, causing his head to jerk backwards," the suit states.

Shimkonis is seeking more than \$15,000 in damages in a suit filed last Tuesday in Pinellas County Circuit Court.

Vinny Radene, a club manager, said he didn't see the incident or hear about it, but thought the suit was "kind of silly."

Teasing men about to be married is a tradition, he said.

The suit claims bodily injury, disability, pain and suffering, disfigurement, mental anguish and loss of capacity for the enjoyment of life.

2 Colorado

Mime robs bank

The Associated Press

LAFAYETTE—A man apparently dressed as a mime robbed a local bank last Wednesday, police said.

"I was astounded by what he looked like," said Paulette Montrose, who saw the suspect flee the Bank One building. He was wearing a tuxedo or dark suit and a white mask, and carried a gun.

He abandoned the mime demeanor long enough to order a teller to give him cash.

Police Lt. Mark Battersby, who was a block away from the bank at the time of the holdup, said, "Unfortunately, we just weren't fast enough."

The suspect jumped into a four-wheel-drive vehicle driven by an accomplice.

3 Illinois
Jug from 1500 B.C.
found at Seattle
Goodwill

The Associated Press

CHICAGO—A 3,500-year-old terra cotta jug that belongs in a museum took a 55-year unplanned tour of the country and almost went on the auction block for Goodwill in Seattle.

The jug dates back to 1500 B.C. It was unearthed in the 1920s from the ancient ruins of Meggido, a 13-acre site a few miles southeast of Haifa in the former Palestine.

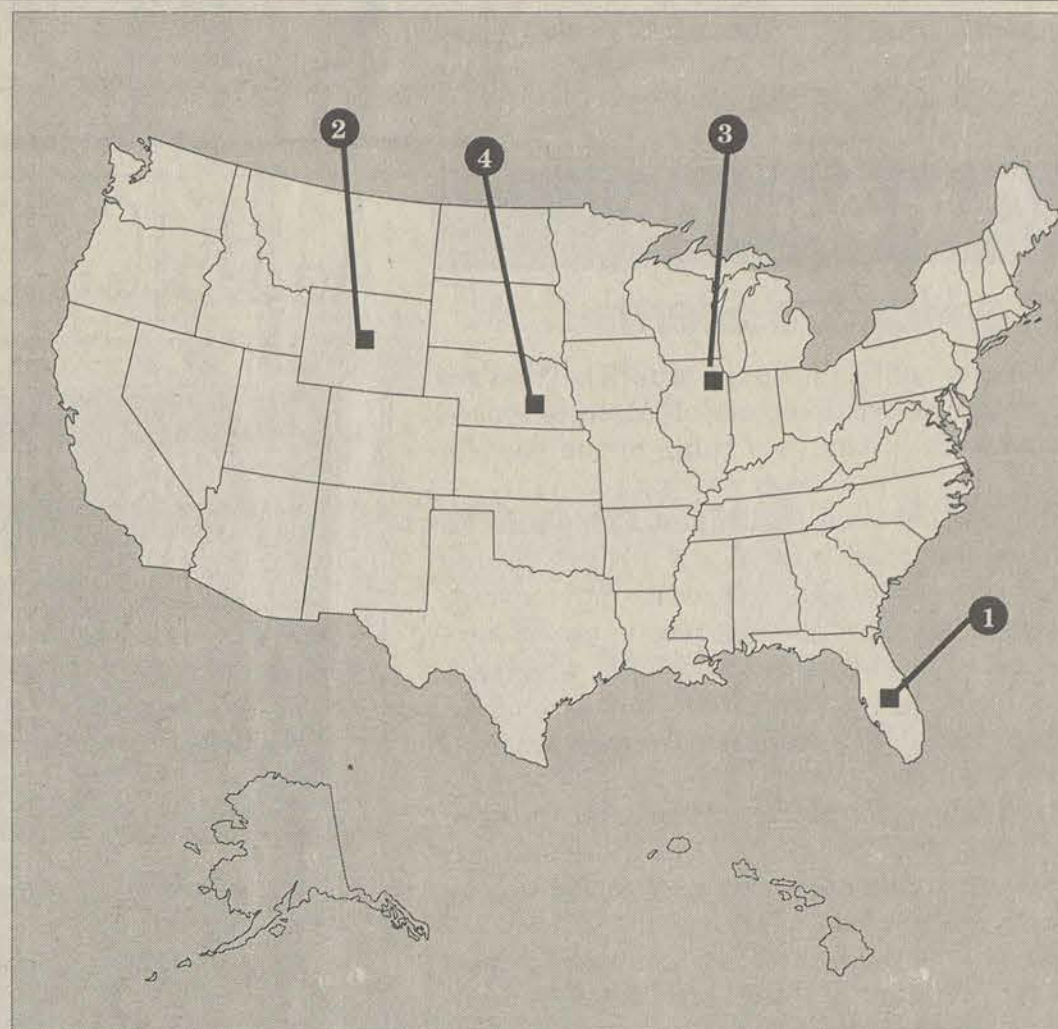
The University of Chicago's Oriental Institute Museum lent the jug to Forest C. Dana, a professor at Iowa State College, in 1943. It was a permanent loan in exchange for a donation of about \$25, said Raymond D. Tindel, museum curator and registrar.

"This (practice) was vital at the time when the budget had shrunk significantly," Tindel said. "Twenty-five dollars was not pocket change at the time, yet it was not what would allow us to run the institute for another year."

Only lesser pieces were lent out, mostly small vases and clay lamps of which the museum had more than one, but they were never meant to go astray, Tindel said.

"We expected them to come back but things happen," Tindel said, adding that people die and heirs are not always informed of the arrangement with the museum.

The jug was rediscovered by Randy Jones, a production



worker for Goodwill Industries in Seattle.

"How it got from Ames, Iowa, to Seattle, I have no idea," Tindel said.

Jones was sorting through donations for items to auction when he came across the jug in a cardboard camera carton labeled with a grease pen. The label read, "1500 BC Pitcher from Armageddon Palestine from Oriental Institute Univ. of Chic."

Jones alerted his boss, Dennis Grosek, who contacted the Oriental Institute.

4 Nebraska
Half-clothed man
causes ruckus in
theater

The Associated Press

BELLEVUE—A man who sat in gum at a movie theater quickly turned the film into a racy evening when he ripped off his pants and threw a tantrum while clad in his underwear.

The 43-year-old man settled into his seat at the Southroads Mall theater for a show last

Tuesday night when he found gum stuck to his pants.

Irate, the man got up from his seat and began hollering for the manager. As his voice rose, his pants dropped.

The 5-foot, 380-pound man began walking through the theater in his underwear, yelling for the manager, police Capt. Herb Evers said.

When the manager did not immediately arrive, the man, still in his underwear, punched out a glass case displaying a movie poster.

Clinton gets stuck in
elevator in Hong Kong

The Associated Press

HONG KONG—Just because you're president of the United States doesn't mean you can't get stuck in an elevator. It happened to Bill Clinton Friday, for 10 long minutes.

Finally, the elevator doors were pried open and Clinton was freed, along with his wife, Hillary, chief of staff Erskine Bowles and some Secret Service agents.

Apparently a lightning bolt in a thunderstorm triggered a power surge that knocked out a computer at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Center.

The loss of power stopped Clinton's elevator after he spoke to a group of business leaders.

A backup power source kicked in that allowed the elevator to move to a floor but the doors would not open, presidential spokesman Barry Toiv said. The agents with Clinton radioed for help; it was clear to agents waiting for the president that something was amiss, Toiv said.

After the 10-minute wait, "they pried open the doors," Toiv said. "Nobody was overly concerned. They were cracking jokes about it, the president and everybody."

Exploding condom makes mark at AIDS conference

The Associated Press

GENEVA—Julien, a 20-year-old Syracuse University student, has spent five days parading around the 12th World AIDS Conference as a walking condom. Posters that greet delegates urge men to "protect your jewels." The halls abound with free condoms, 30,000 of them.

While the latex sheaths embarrassed some and angered others, most of the 13,000 conference participants welcome them as a key weapon in the global battle to prevent the spread of AIDS.

Julien wore dark sunglasses and a head-to-toe green-yellow fabric sheath, with slits for eyes and the title "Mr. Lover Man"

emblazoned near the waist. He was one of several "human contraceptives" cruising the conference halls.

At one booth, condoms exploded with a bang every few minutes. Official conference condom supplier Durex was showing just how strong their products are, by filling them with air until they burst.

Durex also gave away 30,000 free condoms, according to spokeswoman Lucinda Ostwind. The company also organized the walking condoms.

"We have had a phenomenal response to the free condoms," Ostwind said. "When people's optimism about finding a cure (for AIDS) begins to waver, pre-

vention is what they fall back on."

Ostwind says the walking condoms have upset a few delegates, but brought a smile to the faces of most.

"Most seem to be open-minded about it and think it's a bit of fun," she said.

More than 13,000 researchers, physicians, government ministers, activists, journalists and others have taken part in the conference.

Meetings have addressed subjects from the development of an effective anti-AIDS vaccine to prevention of infection through protected sex.

Julien, a French-Brazilian citizen who would not give his

last name, volunteers with for Population Services International, a non-profit health group based in Washington.

"Everyone's open at this conference," he said. "There's a really liberated atmosphere."

He wasn't the only one in condom-wear.

"Today, we're safe in rubber," proclaimed volunteer Melvin Mortensen, a 32-year-old Dane attired in a white latex dress, pink sash, long false eyelashes and a hat covered in white inflated condoms.

Mortenson was extolling the virtues of safe sex at the conference as part of a three-month tour of Europe with the Safer Sex Caravan.

Amish parody may upset Amish at Arthur Fair

The Associated Press

ARTHUR, Ill. — They wear fake beards and perform songs like "Come Together and Build a Barn," but the Electric Amish say they do not mean to offend anyone.

Some residents of this area of central Illinois, where about 4,000 Amish live, are not amused that the group is performing at the Moultrie-Douglas County Fair July 25.

"There are aspects of Amish life that are funny and the Amish

have a sense of humor, but this doesn't feel quite right," said Wilmer Otto, an Arcola real estate agent who was raised Amish. "This looks like one more effort to make money off of someone else's religion."

The band's albums "Barn to Be Wild" and "Milkin' It" have sold 50,000 copies since 1993.

None of the band members, brothers Kyle and Barclay Grayson and Dean Metcalf, are Amish or were raised Amish. The Graysons are Indianapolis finan-

cial consultants.

"We feel very confident that people won't be hurt by our act. We're not trying to hurt anyone," Barclay Grayson said.

The Amish are committed to a simple, peaceful and pious life. They shun commercialism and technology as distractions to their way of life.

"I don't know if the Amish will be upset, but I don't think they will be too happy about it either," said Duane Kuhns, whose parents are Amish.

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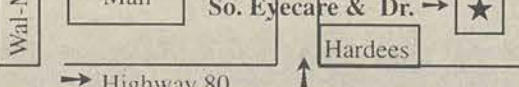
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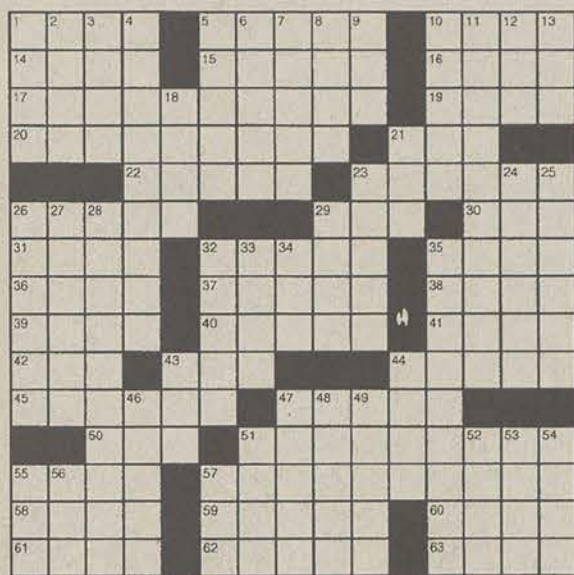
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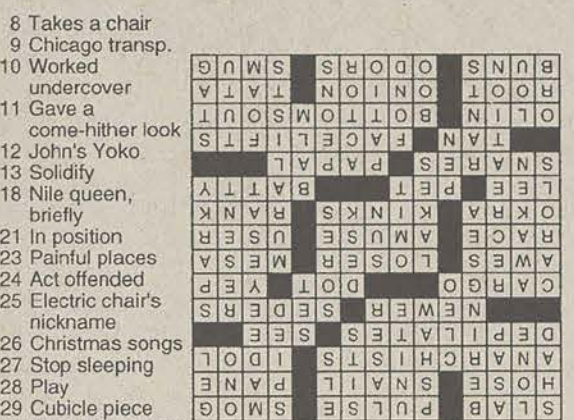
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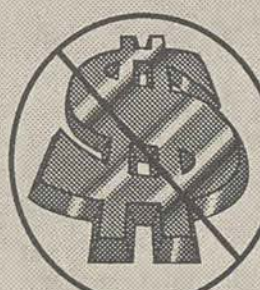
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There is a cure for summertime sports blues

Summertime is usually a dull time of the year for professional sports, unless you're just a big baseball addict. But if you're a big pigskin fan like me, waiting for the first NFL game or college football contest in the fall can be sheer torture. And if you're a big NBA fan, the summertime can be downright depressing.

But don't fear. I am here to tell you that there are alternatives out there for you to choose from. Let's take football, for instance. While waiting around for the NFL season, you can check out the Canadian Football League. You have a lot more passing here than you'll find in the NFL and the teams also score many more points. It's also pretty cool to watch former GSU football greats, such as Tracy Ham, play on TV.

The CFL is also a good place to possibly see NFL stars of the future, such as Warren Moon (who was picked up by the Houston Oilers in 1985), and Doug Flutie, (who is getting a third shot at the NFL with Buffalo).

But another alternative to the NFL, and one of my personal favorites, is Arena Football. If you want to watch football that has constant, non-stop action, then this is the sport for you. Lacking in big name athletes, Arena Football more than makes up for the lack of talent by using improvisation and unbridled enthusiasm.

What I love most about Arena Football is the high scoring. If you look at the final scores of these games, you would swear you were watching a basketball game. Final scores such as 77-56 are not uncommon at all. In fact, they're the norm.

And the athletes play for the sheer fun of it. In fact, with league wages hovering around the \$14,000 a year mark, players have to find second jobs just to support themselves and their families. No, you won't find any million dollar endorsement deals here.

I haven't left out you hoop fans. If you want to see some exciting basketball, check out the WNBA.

These women got game. And their enthusiasm is infectious. It is impossible to stay in your seat when you see Houston Rocket's guard Cynthia Cooper pumping her arms up in the air in celebration, after burying yet another jumper in somebody's unlucky face. And L.A Sparks guard Penny Toler has to have the best crossover in the league.

So, you see, life does exist after the Super Bowl and the NBA Finals. Summertime doesn't have to be a dead time for sports.

But do not fret. The first NFL preseason game will be here in less than a month. I can't wait. How about you?

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Not as big a hit as last year, inter-league play still scores with fans

By Ronald Blum
AP Sports Writer

DENVER—Yes, the novelty wore off a bit.

Still, interleague play remained a hit at the box office this year, with an average attendance of 31,447, up 16 percent from the average of 27,152 for intraleague games but down 6 percent from last year's average of 33,407.

"It was so obvious that people enjoyed it again everywhere," commissioner-to-be Bud Selig said Friday.

"It's a permanent part of our landscape. It's fun."

Players and owners have essentially agreed to a one-year extension of interleague play, a management lawyer familiar with the talks said on the condition he not be identified.

And it looks like big rivalries will be expanded next season, with the Mets and Yankees, Cubs and White Sox, Dodgers and Angels, Giants and Athletics, Blue Jays and Expos all playing six games against each other rather than three.

Selig says the intracity rivalries have produced the most exciting interleague games.

"The internal drama in the stadiums has been the biggest plus," he said.

So let's look at what happened this year, the second season of interleague play, which technically remains an "experiment."

AL teams beat the NL 114-110 (.509), a reversal of the NL's 117-97 (.547) margin last year.

The New York Yankees, who have beaten up on AL opponents this season, also had the best interleague record, going 13-3. Houston was next at 10-4, followed by Anaheim and Cleveland, both 10-6.

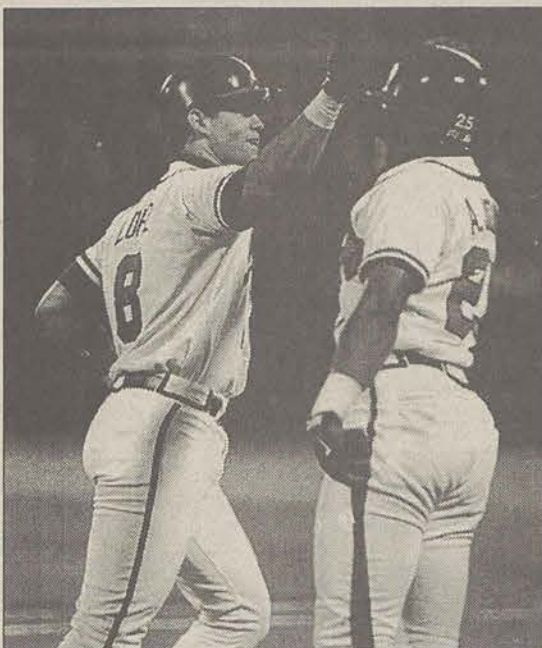
St. Louis had the worst record at 4-9, followed by Baltimore and Tampa Bay, each 5-11.

Vinny Castilla of the Rockies had the highest average at .435, followed by Texas' Will Clark at .431, San Francisco's Stan Javier at .421 and Anaheim's Darin Erstad at .420.

Ken Griffey Jr. led in home runs with 10, followed by Carlos Delgado, Tino Martinez and Rafael Palmeiro with seven each. Mark McGwire and Sammy Sosa were among seven players with six apiece.

Cecil Fielder, reviving after an awful start, tied with Martinez for the RBIs lead with 21, followed by Albert Belle and Jim Thome with 19 each.

AL teams hit .286 at home, up from .275 last year, and their road average increased to .261 from .245. NL teams dropped to .265 from .278 at home and went down one point to .267 on the



road.

AL pitchers hit .126, up from .106 last year, but had just eight RBIs. NL pitchers hit .152, a drop of 13 points, and drove in 19 runs.

AL designated hitters hit .300 with 13 homers and 57 RBIs, while NL DHs hit .221 with 10 homers and 58 RBIs.

Twelve pitchers went 3-0, the best mark in interleague play: Tim Lincecum, Dave Burba, Bartolo Colon, David Cone, Cal Eldred, Livan Hernandez, Esteban Loaiza, Albie Lopez, Greg Maddux, Shane Reynolds, Bret Saberhagen and Bill Swift.

Chan-Ho Park of the Dodgers had the best ERA among qualifying pitchers at 0.55, followed by the Yankees' David Wells at 0.56 and Maddux at 0.82.

Melton joins GSU strength and conditioning staff

GSU News Service

Tom Melton has been named assistant strength and conditioning coach at Georgia Southern University according to an announcement from the athletics director Sam Baker.

Melton, 26, will fill a newly-created full-time position on the Eagle strength and conditioning staff under the direction of head coach Mike Brass.

"Tom will be a tremendous asset to our program," said Brass. "He certainly will bring a wealth of experience and knowledge to all of our teams. He's a quality person with a great work ethic who did an outstanding job at Wofford."

Brass indicated that Melton would directly be involved in the planning, implementation and supervision of strength and conditioning programs for all 15 Eagle and Lady Eagle sports. In addition, he will assist in coordinating a staff consisting of two graduate assistant coaches.

Prior to his appointment at GSU, Melton spent two seasons

as head strength and conditioning coach at Southern Conference-member Wofford (S.C.) College. In addition to working with all Terrier student-athletes, he directed all activities in the institution's fitness center and weight room.

Melton is a 1994 graduate of the University of South Carolina, earning a bachelor's degree in athletic training. Upon graduation, he served two years as a graduate assistant in the USC strength and conditioning program.

The Columbia, S.C., native worked with the 1993 Gamecock soccer squad which advanced to the NCAA title game. He also played a vital role as strength coach for the 1994 USC football team which earned a victory in the Conquest Bowl.

Melton, who holds membership in the National Strength and Conditioning Association and United States Weightlifting Federation, was nationally certified as a "Strength and Conditioning Specialist" in 1997.

Dodgers' outfielder cleared of drunk driving charges

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES—Prosecutors decided not to file drunken driving charges against Dodgers outfielder Raul Mondesi due to a lack of evidence, a district attorney's office spokeswoman said Tuesday.

Mondesi, 27, was arrested June 13 in suburban Glendale for investigation of driving under the influence of alcohol. His blood-alcohol level was .083 per-

cent, slightly above the legal limit for driving in California, which is .08 percent, police said.

Officers pulled over Mondesi after they spotted his car moving slowly with its high beams on. He failed field sobriety tests, police said.

The case was evaluated by a prosecutor who determined there wasn't enough evidence to file charges, said a spokesman for the district attorney's office.

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July 24	Huntsville Fire
Mini Soccer Balls presented by Derst Baking Co.	
July 28	Tallahassee Scorpions
Rug Ratz Jerseys presented by Coca-Cola and WTOC	
July 31	Mississippi Beach Kings
Rug Ratz Team Posters/ Savannah Mall Night	
August 12	Baton Rouge Bombers
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