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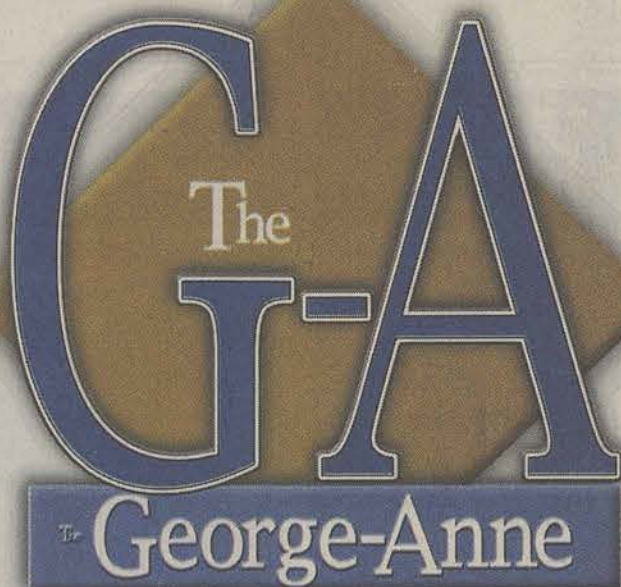


SPORTS

Men's basketball going strong

The Eagles will be back in action this Monday night against Chattanooga. See the sports section for more information.

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Hank Williams III follows country tradition

Hear what this 'risin' outlaw' has in store for you on his debut CD.

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More accusations take flight in baseball scandal

• Three of four players speak on dismissals

By John Bryson and Kelley McGonnell
News Editor and Editor in Chief

Three of the four baseball players released from the team earlier this week are alleging that they were scapegoats in a plan by baseball coaches to hold someone accountable for initiation activities held on Nov. 5.

"I think we were used as scapegoats in order for them to have a team and not have to kick off everyone who was there," dismissed infielder Scott Burks said.

"We were scapegoats so they could say they dealt with this," dismissed second baseman Jody Pollock said.

According to an earlier press release, the four dismissed players were let go because they had violated the same team rule in 1998.

The three admit to "initiating" the freshmen, but claim that all but eight members of the team were present.

Past Initiations

Pollock said that there are eight other players who were also reprimanded in 1998 who are still on the team and that has raised questions as to exactly why these four players were singled out.

Burks and Roberts were freshmen in 1998 and said that this year's freshmen have not been suspended.

"We were getting initiated in '98 so why weren't the guy who were initiated this year reprimanded?" Burks said.

Burks said that in 1998 it didn't matter what role people played in initiation, but that all players were reprimanded for just being present during initiation.

Rhett Roberts, on the evening of Nov. 5 the baseball team, with the exception of seven team members, gathered at a secluded house on highway 301 to initiate the new freshmen. The initiation included nudity from the freshmen on the team that was part of a tradition, said Pollock.

"All four of us are not denying the fact that we were there and we were involved," Pollock said.

Pollock said that there were other non-players present that were told to stay on the porch and that the "initiation" only lasted five minutes before the police broke it up. He said that he spent most of the time trying to keep a spectator on the porch, but admitted to handing one of the players a bat for a "Dizzy Bat" race.

"I handed a guy a bat and that was my involvement," Pollock said.

Pollock said that originally he was told that players had alleged that he, Burks, Petermen and Roberts told the freshmen to get naked.

They claim that no one told the freshmen to remove their clothing, but that the freshmen already knew to do it because the initiation was a tradition.

The players said that an alumnus of GSU baseball was the ringleader of the group and the one giving the initiates orders.

"The main guy, the ringleader, is a guy named Crazy Clown and he is an alumni," Pollock said. "An alumni always comes down and dresses up like a clown."

Pollock and Burks said that there was no initiation last year because of the incident in 1998.

"The coaches asked us [did we haze] and every person in that room said 'no,'" he said.

On Thursday individual meetings were held with each player and Hennon to determine who was involved in the hazing incident.

All four players were suspended at this time and were informed Sunday that they had been dismissed from the team.

"They called us on Sunday," Burks said. "And they called us in there and the first words out of their mouths were 'you have been dismissed from the team'."

Burks said that they did not ask for their sides of the story.

Jody Pollock

Pollock was told that he was named by other players as the ring leader of the hazing.

"What they told me in my meeting was that I was the ring leader," Pollock. "At that time they had told me that three or four people had said my name."

Pollock claims that Hennon did not ask for his side of the story during the meeting and suspended him indefinitely at that time.

"He has yet to ask me what did I do," he said.

Pollock thinks that he is an easy target for blame because of his recent opposition to Rodney Hennon being named head coach after Jack Stallings retired.

"[Sam Baker] knew I stood up for [former assistant coach] Scott Baker and I protested Rodney Hennon getting the job," he said. "Rodney Hennon knew that, too. I don't know if any of this is true, but they can't tell me what I did [to deserve suspension]."

Scott Burks

Burks said that during his meeting with Hennon that he admitted to being involved and would not name any other players.

"I told him please not to ask me about anybody else," Burks said.

Burks said that he thinks that Hennon intended to dismiss him from the team as early as last Thursday. "They told me Thursday to clean out my locker," he said. "If you tell someone to clean out their locker, you are pretty much kicking them off."



It was not until Sunday night that he was told he was dismissed.

Rhett Roberts

Roberts claims that during the first meeting last Thursday that he was asked what went on Nov. 5 and that he did not provide details or names.

"We had a party; we initiated the freshmen," Roberts said. "I was a part of it; I was there."

Roberts said he was also told to clean out his locker.

The Future

All four players will retain their scholarships until the end of the semester. Pollock said that he plans to transfer, as does Burks. Roberts said he is unsure as to what he will do.

"I'm finishing up this semester and then I am transferring," Pollock said.

The three dismissed players also indicated that another player and a coach resigned from the team for the way that the investigation by the coaching staff was handled.

Hennon admitted that a player and a coach have quit, but said that it was for unrelated reasons.

Pollock said that before the Nov. 5 incident, that the upperclassmen had the freshmen wear dresses to the weight room one afternoon and they were not reprimanded at this time.

Burks also pointed out that the same day as the initiation the freshmen were made to paint themselves purple and white. They then were made to attend the GSU football game against Furman, whose colors are purple and white. Pollock said no one disciplined them for that incident either.



Rhett Roberts



Scott Burks



Jody Pollock

"When we got in trouble two years ago, it didn't matter what your part was, just if you were there," he said. "Everyone got the same punishment."

Burks and Roberts said that they do not remember signing probation papers in 1998. Pollock said that he does.

Only four players were dismissed from the team this year, while 12 face four game suspensions to be announced during the season.

Initiation Night, 1999

According to Burks, Pollock and dismissed pitcher

Police did appear on the scene, but the players claim that no report was filed.

The Investigation

The three players said that they had heard nothing about the night until last week when they were warned that first-year Head Coach Rodney Hennon was going to hold a team meeting last Wednesday to discuss allegations of hazing.

"The whole team got together [before practice] and the whole team thought to deny it," Pollock said. "Our stance was going to be that we didn't do it."

He said that the choice to deny it was unanimous.

REVIEW

Finally a more quiet bar in the 'Boro

By Sam Siegel
A&E Editor

In the microcosm that is Statesboro, there are a few good places to go meet friends.

The Wild Wing Café and Legends are great band outlets; Horizons has music and pool. There are bar-restaurants in town, but just vegging at the bar is usually considered uncouth.

Riley's is going to make a nice addition to this town because it is a place to have a drink without blaring music or other such distractions. Friends can sit there for hours and have a good conversations over drinks.

There is no blaring music or heavy mahem. You aren't as likely to get covered in beer and run over. Perhaps the best thing is that you don't have to fight to get to the bartender.

This is not a traditional Irish pub; there is no Gaelic music



Photos by LaVene Bell

playing and the decor is not of any distinct nationality. Make no mistake—this is a hotel bar with the normal accouterments, but it is an anomaly in this town.

It is the only place in this town that is relatively quiet and calm where

one can drink without having to eat. Of course, it is attached to Denny's, so if you do want to eat at the bar, it is possible.

The lighting is dim, but it isn't hard to see; the drinks are poured well (not too strong or too stingy),



SMALL BAR, BIG ADVANTAGES: Newly opened Riley's Irish Pub, located on Main Street inside the Ramada Inn, offers a quiet place to hang out with friends while throwing back a beer or two.

and the glass size is generous.

Checking this place out is strongly recommended. If you are tired of not being able to hear yourself think or your friends talk, give Riley's a try. Just remember, be responsible!

Southern Illinois U. lifts campus alcohol ban

TMS Campus

CARBONDALE, Ill. — Southern Illinois University trumpeted its ban of alcohol on campus three years ago and announced a renewed focus on academics and community service for Greeks. School officials' decision this week to restore drinking privileges on campus has come much more quietly, but they say they're pleased with the change in course.

"I think what we've got here is not a complete reversal of position," said Jean Paratore, interim vice chancellor of student affairs. "It's a compromise position that allows alcohol under an awful lot of guidelines and restrictions that they (students) have imposed on themselves."

The new policy allows fraternity house residents to keep alcohol for personal consumption and, under strict limitations, serve alcohol during parties.

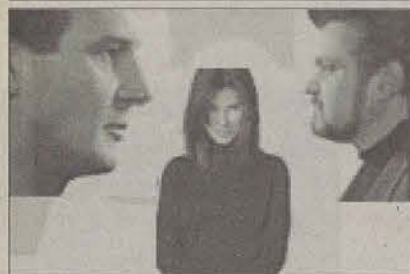
"What we're trying to do is tell

our members, 'Hey, it's OK to have a good time. But there are ways to reduce the risk as much as possible,'" Matt Arnold, president of SIUC's Interfraternity Conference, said.

The Northern American Interfraternity Conference, which sponsored the alcohol-free movement SIU joined with its ban in 1998, said it is pressing ahead with its alcohol-free housing policies for member fraternities and schools. Those members include the University of Pennsylvania, West Virginia University and the University of Kentucky — all of which have banned alcohol on campus. It will be several weeks before SIU fraternities will be able to turn on their taps again.

The new policies require chapter houses hosting parties to have sober monitors, designated drivers and bartenders who are trained to spot drunks. That training hasn't been completed.

In Theaters This Week



"Gun Shy"



"Scream 3"

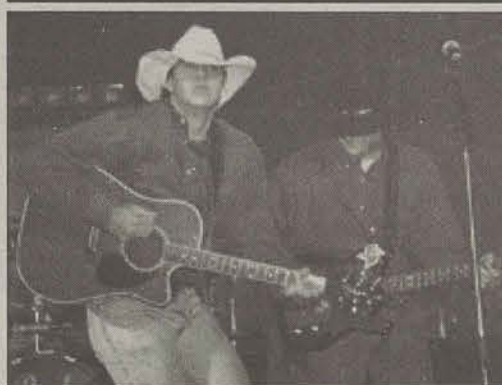


"Simpatico"

In Theaters as of February 4

"Gun Shy"
"Scream 3"
"Simpatico"

Live Music in the 'Boro



Neyami Road



Bill Wharton and the Ingredients

Friday

Karaoke at The Woodin Nikel
Galen Thomas and Friends at Buffalo's
Bill Wharton and the Ingredients at The Wild Wing Café
Shane from the Acoustic Workshop at Dingus McGee's
Ghetto Speed is opens for SMO at Horizons
Neyami Road at Legends

Saturday

Hush Puppies at Horizons
Seamount Highway at Dingus McGee's
Taylor & Kyle at Buffalo's

New Music Releases

February 1, 2000

"The Beach"
Original
Soundtrack

"Lost in the
Loop"
Liz Carroll

"East of the
Moon"
David Lanz
Univ. Classics

"The Night"
Morphine
DreamWorks

"Nobody's
Angel"
Nobody's Angel

"MP4 (Days
Since a Lost Time
Accident)"
Michael Penn
Epic

"Nos"
Virginia
Rodriguez

"Example: I Die
on My Knees"
Saint Sophia

"From the
Bottom to the
Top"
Sammie

"Shantalla"
Shantalla

"Rosie"
The Smugglers
Lookout!
produced by The
Fastbacks Kurt
Bloch

"Twenty Four-
Seven"
Tina Turner

"Life on Earth"
Vega
"My Own"
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Things To Do at GSU Ongoing

•GSU's Eagle Entertainment Council is in the process of accepting applications for **Team Leadership positions**. The students selected for these positions will have the opportunity to plan and execute programs for campus. The deadline for applications is Friday, February 4. Applications are available in the Russell Union Room 2022. Call 486-7270 for more information.

•Free Tutoring in the subjects: English, History, Sociology and

Psychology, all Math, Chemistry, Biology, and College Read/Study Skills. Each subject has different hours of operation. Call 681-0321 for more information.

•NAACP meets every Monday at 6 p.m. in the Russell Union Room 2047.

•BSU meets every Tuesday at 7 p.m. at 401 Chandler Rd. across from Johnson Hall. BSU also has lunch every Wednesday from 12 to 1 p.m.

Today
•Eagle Cinema presents "Fight Club" at 7 and 9:30 p.m. in the Russell

Union Theater.

February 5

•Eagle Cinema presents "Fight Club" at 7 p.m. in the Russell Union Theater.

•Georgia Southern University's Department of Mathematics and Computer Science will host between 750 and 900 sixth through 12th graders at its 12th Annual Invitational Mathematics Tournament. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. with a written test. An awards ceremony will honor the top finisher in each division at approximately 2:30 p.m.

February 7

•Math 1111 Review of: Rational Expressions, Negatives and Rational Exponents by Beth Burke at 5:30 p.m. in the Tech Room 2117.

February 8

•Time Management by Durelle Tuggle at 12:30 p.m. in the Forest Room 1218.

February 9

•NAACP presents 80's Night at 7 p.m. in the Russell Union Ballroom. Tickets are \$2 in advance, \$3 at the door and \$1 off with a can good.

POLICE BEAT

Statesboro Police Department February 1

•Lee Mayweather, 21, of Willow Bend Apt. #55, was charged with forgery.
•Donald Garwood, 20, of Eagle Court Apt. #213, was charged with forgery and burglary.
•Adrian Clanton, 21, of Willow Bend Apt. #55, was charged with forgery and transaction card fraud.
•Brandon Boyd, 19, of Green Briar Apt. #23, was charged with shoplifting and giving false information.
•Dayton Raymond, 21, of 238 Frink Rd. Martins Trailer Park #5, was charged with driving on suspended license and child seatbelt.
•Dontario Blackstone, 22, of Willow Bend Apt. #55, was charged with financial transaction card fraud.
•Tahirah Lee, of Pembroke, Ga.,

reported lost or stolen property.

January 31

•Rosie Leyba, of Broad St., reported battery.

GSU Department of Public Safety February 1

•Kathleen Toland reported someone entered her vehicle through an open sunroof in the Hanner parking lot and took her book bag.
•Kerry Willis reported a Sony CD player, head phones and approximately thirty cd's were taken from his room in the Kennedy Complex.

January 31

•Raymond Stephens reported a Toshiba DVD and CDRW was taken from Room 2103 in the Technology Building.

January 30

•Larhon Davenport reported a wind suit was missing from the Winburn Hall laundry room.

•A Brannen Hall resident reported receiving harassing phone calls.

January 29

•Bridgetta Clinkscales reported \$40 was taken from her purse at the Landrum cafeteria.

January 28

•Kristina Higgins reported a pole vault pole was missing from Room 1203 in the Hanner Fieldhouse.

•Aisha Spivey reported a London Fog coat was taken from the RAC.

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 crime. All reports are public information and can be obtained from the GSU Division of Public Safety or at the Statesboro Police Department.

All Police Beat information is compiled by Shawntineal Hughes, assistant news editor.

This Week's Weather



Today

Partly cloudy with a high of 63 and a low of 32.



Saturday

Partly cloudy with a high of 56 and a low of 31.



Sunday

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ONLY IN AMERICA...

1 Wisconsin

Missing machine's tracks lead to suspect

The Associated Press

MILWAUKEE —Part of the mystery about the theft of a snowblower is why a suspect failed to realize police could track the machine in the snow to its hiding place.

Ben Chomicki's wife found the garage door open and the 5-horsepower snowblower missing Monday, the morning after a snowfall.

"I went out and immediately in the snow I noticed there were tracks leading from the garage. I'm like, 'OK, let's call the police and let's follow these tracks,'" he said.

The tracks led down sidewalks, streets and alleys and across a school playground to a house seven blocks away where the machine was hidden under a porch and an 18-year-old suspect was taken into custody.

Along the trail, Chomicki said, the thief paused to check whether the machine worked.

"He would actually stop in a couple of deeper areas right on the

sidewalk and he plowed along the way as he was taking it to his house," he said.

2 Louisiana

Irate man turned away from theater gets stuck

The Associated Press

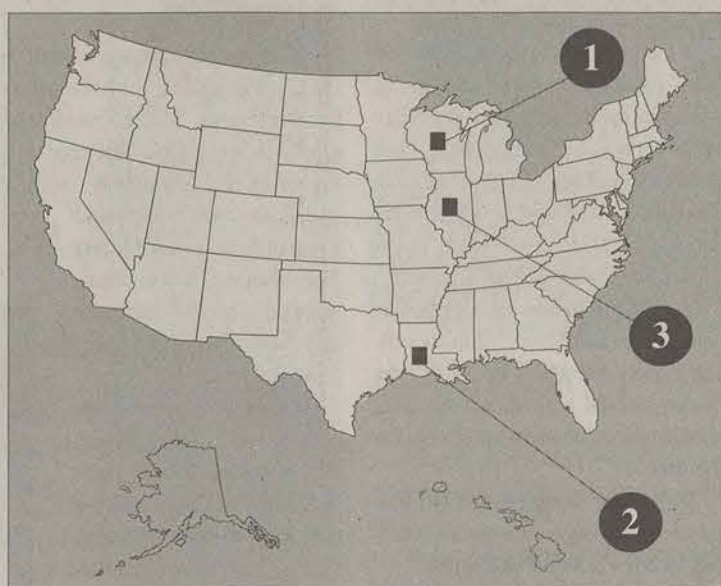
HOUMA — Turned away from a movie when he was carded and did not have identification, a man decided to "turn wheelies" with his pickup truck on the lawn in front of the theater and toss a little dirt.

Problem was that the lawn was so soft, the truck got stuck and he had some embarrassing explaining to do to investigators.

The incident occurred Friday at the Palace Theater. After he was turned away, Nicholas Jude Lasseigne, 20, of Galiano, hopped into his truck with his teen-age passengers, then decided to perform the stunt in front of the theater, the Terrebonne Parish sheriff said.

The truck stayed mired in the sod until deputies sent for a wrecker.

Lasseigne was issued a summons to appear in court to answer to a charge of simple criminal damage to



3 Illinois

A name means everything at the Illinois Lois club

The Associated Press

FORSYTH — It's a club where everybody is on a first-name basis.

"Hi, I'm Lois," said Lois Anderson. "And this is Lois Bledsaw, and

this is Lois Boyer."

Anderson, Bledsaw and Boyer belong to the 29-member Lois Club of Decatur and Macon County.

If you're a Lois, you're in. Bettys, Christines, Angelas, Therasas etc., etc., need not apply.

"Lois is a name with a very good meaning and history behind it," said Bledsaw, 60. "In the Bible, Lois is the name of Timothy's grandmother."

Boyer nods in agreement.

"You'll find most Loises today are like the three of us - full of vim and vigor," she said. "Loises always seem to have a lot in common."

Hospital amputates legs of two healthy patients

The Associated Press

FALKIRK, Scotland — Two psychologically disturbed men each had a healthy leg amputated at their request, even though nothing was physically wrong with them, a private hospital confirmed Monday.

The men, one British and one German, suffer from a psychological condition called body dysmorphic disorder, in which patients focus on a perceived imperfection that they find overwhelming, Falkirk and District

Royal Infirmary said.

Some sufferers feel they cannot go on living unless their imperfection is removed.

The hospital confirmed the operations took place, but would provide no further details. The operations were believed to have been carried out in September 1997 and April 1999.

The local health board was expected to meet Tuesday to discuss the situation.

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The Verdict

By Chris Brennaman
Staff Writer

Here we are, one month into what the pope has named "the new millennium" and I personally have high hopes for the entertainment industry. So, with this "millennium" edition of the verdict, I give to you,

The Icon's Wish List for 2000:

1. More Manly Movies- 1999 gave us the "13 Warrior" and I am left wanting more. More men in armor with swords gutting and beheading anything and everything that moves. Movies where men eat raw red meat and have consequence free sex.
2. More Chick Flicks- Am I mad? What sane man would want to see more sappy movies that require tissue for the women and No-Doze for the men? The reason is simple. How many times has

your woman said "No really, you go on and watch you trigger happy movie, I'll be fine," and when you got back, she's not talking to you. With more chick flicks, she's got something to do while your filling your blood lust.

3. The Return of the Wrestling Ratings Wars- Have you noticed wrestling just ain't as exciting as it used to be? WCW sucks and gives the WWF no reason to give great shows week to week. Sad. So sad.

4. Buffy the Vampire Slayer to Stop Sucking- Ever since the Sunnydale gang graduated, things just aren't the same. Buffy is a slut, Willow is a lesbian, and Xander is... scoring? The took a good thing and killed it. Good thing we have Angel.

5. More WVGS listeners- Really. We're a great station. You can listen live

on the net, we have a message board, and we've upped the quality in general.

6. George Lucas Removed From Star Wars- All that needs to be said is that he is bringing Jar-Jar back and the possibility of DiCaprio as Anikan is growing. Give the franchise Kevin Smith or Quentin Tarantino. That would breath new life into it.

7. More Robert Deniro: Why not?

8. More Comics Like Preacher- Garth Ennis and Steve Dillon are calling it quits, but who's to say that the quality should stop there? Creators should take a cue and raise the bar for themselves.

9. An A&E Biography of GSU Professor Robert Bohler- Go by his office, talk for a few hours. You'll agree.

10. Chris Brennaman: The Movie- Why not?

Hank Williams III enters country music with a bang

By Tim Prizer
Staff Writer

With the tattoos painted into his skin, he's as punk as the Ramones and the Sex Pistols. With his snow white cloth cowboy hat, he's as country as his father and grandfather. With his threadbare cowboy boots held together with a slab of duct tape, he proves that the combination of cowboy and punk can be done. And, in this case, done well.

Genetics sure have been good to this Williams family. First it was the legend, Hank Williams Sr. Then came his son, Hank Williams Jr. Now, there's a new outlaw on the rise. Shelton Hank Williams III has released his first solo album on Curb Records, perfectly entitled "Risin' Outlaw".

"I just like real hard country music that sort of punches you in the face," Hank states. "I don't like pretty boy stuff." Hank's music sounds straight country, but his lyrics on the other hand show that he's a rebel, a bad ass. Never in today's country music would you hear an artist sing about trying to "get in Ms. Shania's [Twain] pants." But Hank III bravely states in the opening song, "I Don't Know," that he may try before he dies. Before the first sound of a musical instrument comes through on "Risin' Outlaw", Hank claims "I might get drunk and rob a bank/ Shoot my car if it don't crank." This country boy goes as far as to say that one day he may try to "give up drinking cold ice tea." Now, that's a rebel.

In the third track, "If the Shoe Fits," Hank further elaborates on his rebellious habits. "I've been roughed up, beat up, I've been cut/ I got a tattoo at a tender age/ Never, could respect a sheriff tryin' to

break my neck with a few friends and a can of mace," he sings. "I was born on the south side with a lot of rebel pride/ I raised a lot of hell in my younger days."

Risin' Outlaw shows Hank Williams III taking over where his grandpa left off many years before. He looks a bit like the

Me Alone," and "Thunderstorms and Neon Signs" are all Hancock's originals. "Thunderstorms and Neon Signs" sounds like it was written personally for Hank III. Hank sings, "I grew up on the road from town to town/ My daddy's line of work kept us movin' around/

I've got fond memories of the way things were back then/ The warmth of neon when a cold storm's movin' in."

The young singer is also a respected musician and songwriter. Hank plays acoustic guitar throughout his album, and all on his own, wrote the songs "On My Own" and "Blue Devil," which was recorded on a 4-track by Hank III at his home. Williams shares song writing credit on the splendid rockers "Devil's Daughter" and "If the Shoe Fits."

The lonesome whine of pedal steel guitars, rapid fiddle playing, and quick two-step drum beats characterize Hank Williams' tunes, and make them superb for dancing. More importantly, it's flat out good music. You don't have to be a country music fan to dig it. The deep twang of the bass under Hank's rowdy vocals has attracted artists in all genres of music. In fact, Hank Williams III began opening for Beck on January 25 and will continue to share the stage with him until February 5. After that, Reverend Horton Heat has invited Hank to open for their shows for the next 20 days in February. Hank Williams III will headline a tour shortly following these dates.

To miss Hank Williams III would be like turning your back on history, on a legacy. So pick up Hank's shot new album "Risin' Outlaw" and be sure to catch him on the road. He'll make a lasting impression on any fan of music.

hank III



Special Photo

first Hank, and his squeaky, nasal singing voice presents visions of trailer parks and dirt roads winding their way through the Deep South. This is true country music. The kind of music that causes the listener to insert sounds of drunken yells, empty beer bottles clanking in the trash barrel, and cowboy boots tapping on the hardwood floors of a barroom.

For a 26-year-old man who began playing shows with his father at the age of 10, Hank Williams III has put out an album with quality far ahead of his time. He did have some help though. Hank borrowed Buddy and Julie Miller's "Lonesome For You" and used it as the fifth track on "Risin' Outlaw". He also does a brilliant rendition of the famous "Cocaine Blues."

Some of the best songs on the album were penned by the great Texas singer/songwriter Wayne Hancock. "87 Southbound," "Why Don't You Leave

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Thoughts on RAW, opinions, and WWF News

By Michael Russo
Staff Writer

With the road to WrestleMania already taking a few unexpected turns, I have a lot that I want to touch on concerning this past Monday's RAW, WWF News, and of course, some opinions, so let's get right to it.

RAW was excellent. How else could I put it? Everything from the matches to the backstage vignettes were all very entertaining.

I was literally laughing out loud at some of the things that went on. However, one thing the broadcast could have done without was the Lumber Jill Snow Bunny Match. Any time you take a match outside of the ring, it loses it's flair. Aside from that, having Harvey Wippleman win the WWF Women's Championship was a poor decision in my opinion.

Chris Benoit, Perry Saturn, Eddy Guerrero, and Dean Malenko's im-

pact on the broadcast really made the show enjoyable as well. As Jim Ross reported Friday on the Ross Report, these former WCW stars had not yet finalized a deal with WWF Entertainment, Inc., so seeing them on RAW was surprising. Furthermore, putting these four free agents on a live broadcast, in my opinion, was the best promotion they could have gotten. Fans want to see former WCW talent on Federation Programming, not read about it over WWF.Com that they've been signed, only to see them four months from now. If you're a wrestler, controversy is the best way to get exposure. And controversy is what Benoit, Saturn, Guerrero, and Malenko brought with them when they left World Championship Wrestling, and as a result, exposure is what they got; and plenty of it. The Federation's creative team did a great job of throwing

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Football is a heavy game on 'Any Given Sunday'

By Derrick Bailey
Staff Writer

"Any Given Sunday" is a movie that shows the side of football that the average fan may not see. The movie is appealing to everyone, even if you're not a football fan. I must caution you, however, it is a long movie.

This film is directed by the Academy Award winning film-maker Oliver Stone. He takes us through the ups and downs of a professional football team called the Miami Sharks. The Sharks are coached by Tony D'Amato, played by Al Pacino. D'Amato is an "old school" coach. He believes strongly in the morality, loyalty and integrity of his players. He also has a

great appreciation of the game. He is faced with some tough decisions as the coach of a professional football team, especially with the wave of young players joining the team.

D'Amato's "old style" of coaching is met with resistance by the Shark's owner Christina Pagniaci, played by Cameron Diaz. Her position was inherited from her late father, but unlike him, her only priorities are money and winning at any cost.

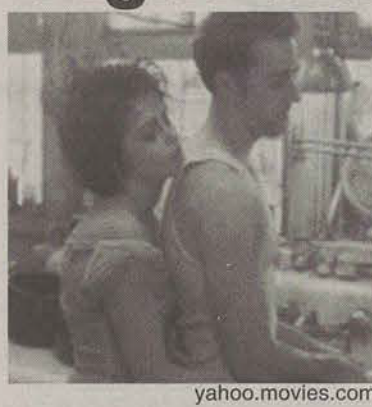
The 39-year-old legendary quarterback of the Sharks,

Jack Caprooney, played by Dennis Quaid, is struggling with the reality that his physical abilities are declining. An on-field injury sidelines him and opens the door for a young black quarterback named Willie Beamen, played by Jamie Foxx. Although Beamen has a lot of ability, he has a hard time harnessing his instant success. Being a black quarterback in the NFL is rare and Beamen feels that he has something to prove. He can win just like a white quarterback. In the process, Beamen's arrogance causes divisions within the team, especially between he and "J Man," the Sharks running back, played by L.L. Cool J. Luther "Shark" Lavay, played by Lawrence Taylor also gets irritated by Beamen.

If you have a good, young, black quarterback itching to replace the old legend, what do you do? If you have a veteran linebacker who needs three tackles and a sack to receive his bonus, but he risks being paralyzed for life, what do you do? If your owner is threatening to replace you if you don't compromise the principles that make you who you are, what do you do? In the NFL, these decisions may have to be made on "Any Given Sunday."

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'Fight Club' is funky and fun



By Sam Siegel
A&E Editor

"Fight Club" is one of the most perverse movies ever, and I loved it!

Brad Pitt plays Tyler Durden, a deranged psychopath who infiltrates the unnamed narrator's life. They start making soap and raising hell together as they start fight

clubs all over the nation.

The premise of this movie is to escape from the white-collar and corporate manners that bind us all. Durden finds his way out of it in the most bizarre of ways, but it is a hell of a ride getting there.

Fight Clubs are started all over the nation by the deranged Durden in his attempt to liberate men everywhere. There is an identity crisis in the end (this is the closest that I will come to giving away the ending), and a surprise twist that makes the

whole movie worth while.

Norton, who plays the narrator, is amazing in this movie, and Brad Pitt is his usual, cool, raggedy self. Helen Bonham Carter is freakish but cool, and Meat Loaf never fails to be entertaining.

To say that this flick is grotesque is an understatement, and it is pretty

graphic. It may not be appropriate for the young or weak of stomach.

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VIDEO PIC OF THE WEEK

'Mystery Men' come to your T.V.

By Jo Ben Deal
Staff Writer

Did you miss "The Mystery Men" in theaters? Most people did, but the entertaining super hero action comedy is now on video.

The action comedy is about a bunch of super hero wannabes. They strive to be like Captain Amazing, the resident super hero. When Captain Amazing is caught by his archenemies Casanova Frankenstein, the wannabes see their chance to prove themselves by saving Captain Amazing.

The team of wannabes includes the Shovel (he shovels very well), the Blue Raja (he flings forks with a deadly accuracy), Mr. Furious (he gets really mad), the Invisible Boy (he has the power to be invisible, but only if no one is looking), the Spleen (he's a real stinker), the Bowler (she has her fathers powerful bowling ball), and the Sphinx (he's terribly mysterious). Together they create Champion City's

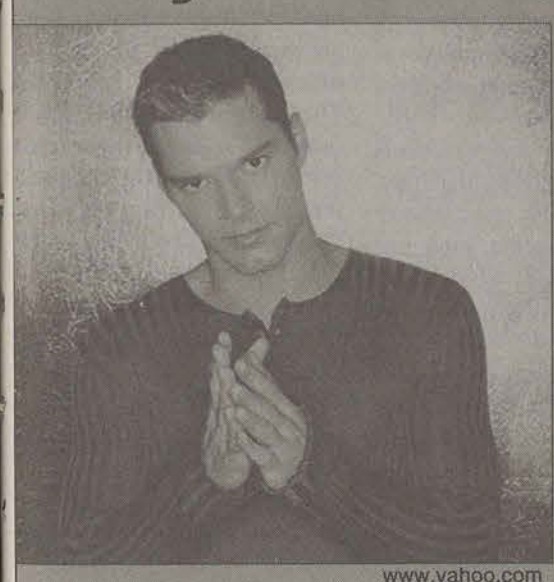
newest super hero team, but they can't decide on a name for their team.

"Mystery Men" is full of interesting and funny characters, a great cast, and even some good music. The plot is not all that original, but the creators have fun with it. In addition to fighting crime, the story also gives little glimpses into the personal lives of these hard working heroes. The Shovel's wife wants to divorce him because he runs around fighting crime with a shovel, Mr. Furious' romantic interest just wants to know his real name, and the Blue Raja's mom is worried about him.

The cast includes Geoffrey Rush, Ben Stiller, Janeane Garofalo, William H. Macy, Paul Ruebens, Hank Azaria, and Greg Kinnear. They do such a good job, you might find yourself cheering for these wannabes.

"Mystery Men" is based on the characters who appeared in the comic book "The Flaming Carrot" created by Bob Burden.

Ricky Martin in the White House



WASHINGTON (AP)—Puerto Rican pop star Ricky Martin stopped by the White House for a tour, but he didn't limit himself to chatting about the books and paintings in the Oval Office.

Martin had a brief, private visit Tuesday night with President Clinton, then met with Clinton aide Maria Echaveste to express his concerns about Navy bombing exercises on the Puerto Rican island of Vieques.

"The substance of the conversation that he had was with Maria," said White House spokesman Joe Lockhart. "The visit with the president was social."

The singer, who has three Grammy nominations this year, paid his visit without fanfare.

Horizons gets mobbed by the Mobcats

By Melissa Denby
Staff Writer

Friday night, I had the pleasure of going to a concert at Horizons.

The Mobcat Orchestra, as I was informed by one enthusiastic gentleman, is the "hottest swing band to hit Statesboro!!", thank you very much. Well I have to agree because the music was awesome!

The Mobcats consisted of two trumpets, a mellophone, a bari-sax, an alto sax, drums, bongos, an electric guitar, a stand-up bass and two singers.

This combination made it hard for everyone to keep still and those of us who couldn't swing dance put on a good show of toe tapping.

They played some cover songs like "Jump, Jive, and Wail" and

"Whatever Lola Wants" plus some instrumental and improvisational songs. The music was awesome! The front man, Jake Hallman, was very personable with the audience; joking around, telling stories, and picking on his own band.

The band had almost more fun than we did laughing at them! There was a

small but loyal group of swingers that added dancing to the scene and even a few local rednecks braved the dance floor. The music was swing'n, the band was great and people were dancing—what more do you need for a good time? The "hottest swing band to hit Statesboro" will perform again Feb. 6 in the Russell Union.

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GSU Announces 2000 Football Signing Class of 23

By Doug Kidd
Co-Sports Editor

Twenty-three student-athletes were announced Wednesday to have signed national letters-of-intent to play collegiately for the GSU football program.

The signing class, one of the largest since current Eagle head coach Paul Johnson took over four years ago, consists of 17 players from Georgia, five from Florida, and one from Alabama.

"I think we all are extremely excited about the 2000 signing class," said Johnson in a press release on signing day. "We feel like we've certainly addressed our needs with not only talented football players, but with high-quality individuals as well."

"While this time of year is always exciting, you really never can put a grade on your class until a few years down the road. However, I'm exceptionally optimistic that this particular group of players will have an opportunity to make a major contribution to our program."

Defensive lineman seemed to be a hot commodity for the GSU coaching staff this offseason, as six of the nine total linemen brought in as the class of 2000 have starred on the defensive side of the ball. Most notable

are Victor Cabral, the Southwest Florida AAAAA Player-of-the-Year at Naples High School and Carlton Oglesby who was an all-city performer while compiling 88 tackles and 8 sacks for Douglass.

Offensively, GSU brought in at least five players who have had experience at quarterback in high school, including Georgia AAA all-state selection Jonathan Woodham of Lee County.

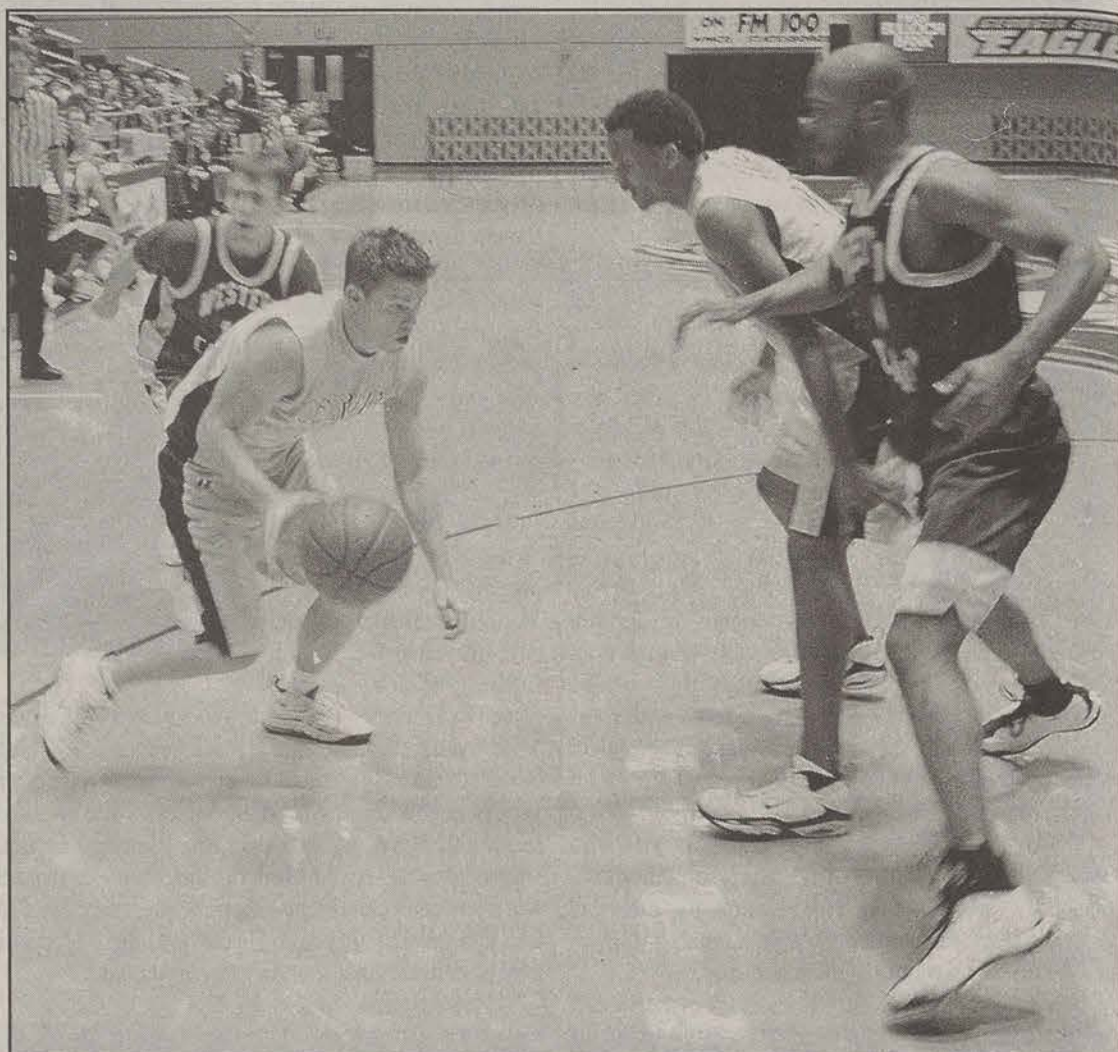
Kevin Davis of Charleston County led his team to a state championship in '99 while also compiling nearly 1,900 yards of total offense.

Josh Jones, a 6-2, 280 lb offensive lineman and the only junior in GSU's signing class, comes to Statesboro from East Mississippi Community College. Jones headlines a list of offensive linemen that also include Paul Collins of Madison County and Nick Heuman of Brookwood High School.

In all, the GSU signing class consists of six defensive linemen, four linebackers, three offensive linemen, three "athletes" or players who played various skill positions while in high school, two defensive backs, two quarterbacks, two running backs, and a wide receiver.

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-Ronnie Abrams, DB, 5-10, 165, Decatur (Southwest DeKalb HS)
-Derek Adams, OLB, 6-4, 215, Savannah (Calvary Baptist School)
-T.J. Anderson, RB, 5-11, 175, Lithonia (South Gwinnett HS)
-Victor Cabral, DL, 6-4, 235, Naples, Fla. (Naples HS)
-P.J. Cantrell, WR, 6-2, 190, Conyers (Rockdale HS)
-Paul Collins, OL, 6-4, 280, Carlton (Madison County HS)
-Leonard Daggett, DL, 6-2, 280, Merritt Island, Fla. (Merritt Island HS)
-Kevin Davis, QB/DB, 5-11, 175, Folkston (Charlton County HS)
-Hakim Ford, RB, 6-0, 203, Union City (Riverwood HS)
-Eric Hadley, DL, 6-3, 238, Thomasville (Thomasville HS)
-Kevin Heard, LB, 6-0, 195, LaGrange (Troup County)
-Nick Heuman, OL, 6-5, 285, Snellville (Brookwood HS)
-Trey Hunter, QB/DB, 6-0, 180, Guyton (Effingham County HS)
-Willie Johnson, OLB, 6-3, 245, Athens (Oconee County HS)
-Josh Jones, OL, 6-2, 280, Tuscaloosa, Ala. (Central HS/East Central Mississippi CC)
-Eric McIntire, DL, 6-1, 270, Estero, Fla. (Estero HS)
-Carlton Oglesby, DL, 6-2, 245, Atlanta (Douglass HS)
-Matt Rio, DL, 6-3, 220, Waycross (Ware County HS)
-Chaz Williams, QB, 5-10, 175, Apopka, Fla. (Apopka HS)
-Verge Williams, QB/DB, 5-10, 185, Leary (Calhoun County HS)
-Johnathan Woodham, QB, 6-0, 185, Leesburg (Lee County HS)
-James Young, DB, 6-3, 190, Tampa, Fla. (Tampa Bay Technical HS)



GSU BASKETBALL IS ON THE RISE: Todd Shipley, above against Western Carolina, is one of the reasons for the mens team's resurgence. Cory Brooks

Men's basketball finishing strong

•Price's squad playing well going into final month

By Doug Kidd
Co-Sports Editor

With the GSU men's basketball program heading into the season's final month, the squad, harnessing a four game winning streak against SoCon opponents, is peaking at just the right time.

"I can see that our team chemistry is starting to come together. At first, we started off well but went down a little bit after that," said senior forward Hamp Jones referring to GSU's mid-season collapse that saw the Eagles lose seven of twelve games. "But now I can see that the team's starting to play well and it's all starting to come together."

Despite the slow start, the Eagles have accumulated the most wins since the 1993-'94 squad went 14-14. In fact, GSU's 12-8 record is the best of any Division I school in Georgia: topping the marks posted by fellow Peach State schools Mercer (6-16), Georgia State (8-10), Georgia (9-10), and Georgia Tech (9-10). Also, the current winning streak is the programs longest in seven years dating back to the 1992-'93 season, while GSU's four games over .500 record is the longest during that span as well.

So why the resurgence of GSU basketball after nearly a decade's dormancy? The answer can clearly be traced to the hiring of head coach Jeff Price in the offseason. Price, a former GSU assistant whose two years in Statesboro during the 1980s resulted in NCAA tournament berths for the Eagles, spent the previous six seasons coaching Lynn University. While at Lynn, a Division II school in Boca Raton, Fla., Price led the

Fighting Knights to six consecutive post-season appearances while compiling a 136-42 record.

Also key to GSU's rise to the bottom of the SoCon standings is the play of returning players from previous coach Greg Polinsky's regime: most notably seniors Hamp Jones, Demarlo Slocum, and Quentin Martin.

Jones, a four-year starter at GSU who just recently played in his 100th career game, is looked towards as a leader from not only his teammates but his coaches.

"Hamp has proven himself to be an unbelievable hard worker and consistent player that all the players look towards," said Price earlier this week. "He's definitely emerged as our leader."

Jones is also productive on the court. Third and eleventh in the SoCon in steals and rebounding respectively, Jones has shown that he can be an added weapon the offensive attack of GSU by averaging 13 points per game.

Slocum and Martin, although not as productive statistically as others on the team, contribute with help off the bench. Slocum, who sat out the season's first eight games while regaining his eligibility, is one of the first players off of Price's bench-contributing 7.5 points per game.

Martin, who's insertion into the starting lineup over transfer Todd Shipley started the team's current winning streak, has helped the team's overall point and rebound average increase.

Sophomore starters Kashien Latham and Donta Humphries have added some scoring punch this season averaging 13.2 and 7.1 points per contest respectively. The sophomore duo also find themselves ranked among the SoCon leaders, with Latham third in rebounding (7.9), seventh in blocked shots (1.0), and eleventh in scoring (13.2). Humphries is fourth in assists (5.4) and tenth in steals (1.8).

Newcomers Julius Jenkins and Todd Shipley have provided an instant spark to the Eagle offense, particularly Jenkins. The freshman leads GSU in scoring at 16.4 ppg, also good for fourth in the SoCon. Shipley, a junior transfer from Gulf Coast Community College, has provided offense in the form of three-point shooting-with 40 three-pointers this season, good enough for fifth in the conference. He also is second on the team to Humphries in assists at 3.2 per game.

As GSU heads towards the SoCon tournament in March, key South Division games are still included on the Eagles schedule. Of the Eagles remaining seven games, all of them against SoCon foes, five are against teams still grappling for position in the South Division.

Although the College of Charleston has all but wrapped up first place, GSU, already in second place, is in the driver's seat to finish behind the Cougars. The GSU men's team travels to Johnson City, Tenn. this weekend to take on the East Tennessee State Bucs before coming home to battle UT Chattanooga Monday, at 7:30 p.m.

Softball starts off season against nation's best

By Ryan Hemenway
Staff Writer

The defending Southern Conference champion Lady Eagle softball team starts off the 2000 season on the road this weekend in Tallahassee, Fla. against a pair of defending conference champions.

GSU opens the season on Saturday with a doubleheader against Florida A&M University, defending champions of the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference, and then ventures across town for two games against the defending ACC champion Lady Seminoles of Florida State University on Sunday afternoon. Last year in Statesboro, GSU split doubleheaders with both teams to open the sea-

son.

The start of the season is a welcome sight for the team after all the weeks of practice.

"Our team has come a long way since the fall and we are very eager about the season," sophomore infielder Tiffany Kepple said. "The many hours of practice we have put in has prepared us well. We should have a great season."

The Lady Eagles are coming off of the best campaign in school history, winning a school-record 38 games during the 1999 season. GSU is looking to continue the momentum from the end of last season which ended with an eleven game winning

streak-including going undefeated through the SoCon tournament.

The nucleus of the team from a year ago returns this season, as GSU brings back seven starters plus the entire pitching staff. Also returning for the team this year is senior catcher McCaine Lowder, who was redshirted last year after an injury forced her to miss nearly the entire season.

GSU returns to Statesboro for the home opener on Saturday, Feb. 12 against Georgia Tech at 1 p.m. and again on Sunday, Feb. 13 versus Jacksonville State. The GSU softball team plays at the softball stadium across from Burger King on Fair Road.

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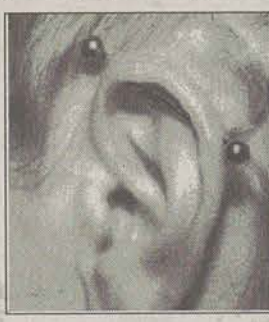
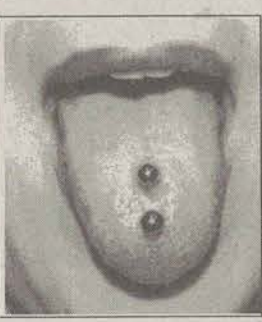
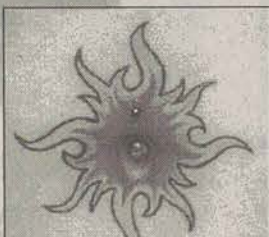
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30 Rises
34 Betting pool
35 Attorneys' jargon
36 Epic story
39 Moist
40 Brainstorm
41 Said again
44 Japanese honorific
46 Makes anxious
47 Leotards
51 Manufactured
52 Possessed
53 Ram's mate
54 Time period
56 Suspension
59 Author Deighton
60 Recipient
62 Paddy wagon
63 Passengers
64 Post of manners
65 Christmas carol
66 Pot starter
67 Spoons
68 Small whirlpool
69 Deep singer

DOWN
1 Spread out awkwardly
2 Comic Herman
3 Zealous
4 Hamm or Farrow
5 Mend trick with a match
6 Act the ham

7 Standard
8 Mediocre
9 "The Bartered Bride" composer
10 Food from taro
11 Countersign
12 Ogle
13 Ancient harp
18 Hold contents
22 Dross
27 Running without moving
29 Greek city-state
30 Idiotarides
31 New Year in Vietnam
32 Function
33 Little legume
36 Taste
37 Tasted
38 Teutonic
39 Internet
42 Hepburn and Meadows
43 Wood source
44 Dignified and impressive

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48 Capital north of Butte
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50 Amy Tan novel, "The Hundred Secret"

52 Employed
54 "East of ..."
55 City on the Tiber
57 Reasonable
58 Stick with a stick
61 BPOE member
63 Actor Hunter

an ad. Remember, if an offer seems too good to be true, it probably is.

20 Announcements

SPANISH CLUB Trip to La Conga Sat. Feb. 5th. Leave Forest Drive Build @ 9pm

ROOMMATES NEEDED for spring semester. 2 rooms avail. in 3 bed, 2 bath house \$200 mo. + 1/3 utl. call Aaron 764-9458. Leave messg.

40 Autos for Sale

CHRYSLER 5TH Avenue for sale. All power. Runs good. 19 inch TV and vcr for sale. Must sell. Call 681-4121.

Buick Skylark '85 light blue for \$800. Needs brakes. Please call me before 12pm at 588-2040

70 Child Care

SAVANNAH FAMILY seeks person to provide care for infant in home two morning per week. Must have excellent references and transportation. Baby-sitting experience preferred. Call 912-233-8217

80 Computers & Software

FOR SALE: Fujitsu Lifebook 420D laptop. Pentium 120 16mb ram 1 gig HD 10X cd-rom Floppy drive 28.8K modem 10 base T LAN card. \$600 obo call 489-2324.

90 Education

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120 Furniture & Appliances

FURNISH YOUR apartment! Sofa, matching chair and ottoman, earth-tone colors. 6' bar and 2 bar stools. All food condition. \$500 for all, or will sell separately. 489-5255, leave message if no answer.

FOR SALE washer/dryer \$150 call Josh at 587-9288.

FOR SALE black bed and dresser \$250. Interested? Call 681-8108.

FOR SALE: Fold out futon bed in good condition. \$50 obo call 489-2324.

140 Help Wanted

SCREENPRINTERS NEEDED, some experience necessary. Pay will vary on amount of experience. Call 912-681-8337 for details. Ask for Jeremy or Dale.

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GS TOP Step Program needs volunteers to tutor 2nd-12th graders will work 1:1 w/ kids @ their school, after school. Great experience! Must attend workshop first either Fri. Jan. 28th from 3:00-4:30pm or Friday, February 4th from 12 noon-1:30pm. Call the Office of Volunteer Service for more information. 871-1435.

The George-Anne, Georgia Southern University's official newspaper since 1927, is looking for 2 media students interested in advertising and media. Both positions will work with our Classified Department to build a larger presence in the community as well as update our ads every issue. This is a great opportunity to build on technical skills in a variety of information systems as well as layout programs such as PageMaker. Come by office 2021 on the second floor of the Williams Center to receive an application! Deadline for submitting your application is Friday Feb 11th

GREAT PANES WINDOW CLEANING is looking for Window Cleaners. Reliable vehicle Required. 842-5681 between 8 and 5pm.

SUMMER SALES Internships Earn \$3000 - \$7000 + Gain valuable business experience selling yellow page advertising in your official university telephone directory. Excellent advertising / sales / public relations challenge. Great resume booster! Nationally recognized training program. Call Paul at College Directory Publishing 800-466-2221 x288

LIFEGUARDS and beach vendors needed in North Myrtle Beach for the summer season. Will train, no experience necessary! Fill out application at www.nbsl.org/lifeguards or EMAIL: dudes@nbsl.org or call 843-272-3259

The George-Anne, Georgia Southern University's official school paper since 1927, is accepting applications from those students interested in photography in a multimedia environment. Some experience and equip-

ment helpful, however a desire to cover campus like a swarm of gnats is necessary. Come by room 2320 on the second floor of the Williams Center to pick up an application.

TWENTY BUCKS to anyone who can put either of my four and five band puzzle rings back together. Please call 489-2554 ask for Marti. Thanks!

CALLIGRAPHERS WANTED Saturday, March 25th 8:30am-12:30pm \$75 call Kandice Foreign Languages 681-5281.

150 Lost & Found

REWARD LOST tennis bracelet. If found please return! Very special given to me by my boyfriend and daughter. Call 489-4667 leave messg if no answer.

160 Miscellaneous for Sale

14.4 INTERNAL modem \$20, 8x CD ROM \$25, new Epson color upgradable printer \$40, Playstation Tekken 2 \$20, portable sony cd player \$20, call Orris 764-9280 and please leave a message.

NAUTICA WATCH for sale. I have had this watch for only six months. Must sell \$90. Mens watch call Jeff at 852-9760. Excellent cond. no scratches.

SONY PLAYSTATION for sale. 2 controls and 8 games. 4 memory cards. \$150 call Aaron at 764-9458.

170 Motorcycles

MOTORCYCLE for sale: 93 Kawasaki ninja 250 EX. Excellent cond. Asking \$1,500 obo. Call Chris at home at 770-263-6639 or work at 770-368-6559.

180 Musical

1998 GIBSON SG Standard with hardshell case. \$900. Crate 130 Watt Amp \$300 Call 871-3162.

IBANEZ ELECTRIC guitar with hardshell case and 115 watt crate amp with distortion footswitch all for \$400.

200 Pets & Supplies

FREE KITTENS to good home. Very friendly people-oriented kittens. Must give away soon. Call Stacey at 489-5498 or Scott at 481-1942

5 1/2 foot albino Burmese Python. Large Cage and 10 gallon tank plus heat rock and light. Perfect Pet \$200 obo. Call 764-9190.

FREE PUPPY Black with white markings on chest and front paw. Very cute and needs good home. Call Eric at 764-9040 or leave a message.

CKC REGISTERED Miniature Schnauzer 31/2 months old. Comes with leash, bowls, and treats. Had all shots. House broken. Please call 681-6458 or 681-0727.

220 Rentals & Real Estate

SUBLEASE THROUGH August in Stadium Walk. Spacious 2 bedroom 1 bath apartment with washer/dryer and nice kitchen. Unfurnished. Call Michelle at 681-9612.

FREE RENT for Han and Feb at Statesboro Place. Seeking female to sublease ASAP. Private bedroom and bath call 489-5484 or beep me at 486-6136.

SUBLEASE MASTER bedroom, full bathroom, walkin closet in Willowbend. Washer & dryer. Avail ASAP. New carpeting, very clean apart and nice furniture. Females preferred to live with two females. Please contact Zoyaibqal@hotmail.com and you will receive a fast response.

PERFECT ONE bedroom apartment w/cable avail end of May. \$300/month and \$300 deposit. Pets welcome! Call 489-1083.

GRADUATING SENIORS seeking leasers for a 2 bedroom apt. in Seasons avail in May. Private full baths, wash/dryer, \$265+ utl. 1st months rent neg. Furniture for sale too! Call Keri 871-4040 or Sonyette 681-6738.

230 Roommates

ROOMMATES NEEDED (2) to sublease June-Aug. Seasons Apt. \$265 plus utilities. Males or females contact LaTanya at 681-9636

ROOMMATES NEEDED for mobile home. Please call Eric at 489-6836.

ROOMMATE NEEDED to share mobile home. Private bedroom and bath \$200 month plus 1/3 utl. Call 852-9825.

FEMALE ROOMMATE needed. No deposit W/D. Own room \$225 month + 1/3 utl. House on Herty Dr. 754-3515 or 681-2092 leave message please.

ROOMMATE NEEDED for house close to campus must be responsible, mature, male. Call 489-2104.

FEMALE ROOMMATE needed to share 3 bedroom 3 bath duplex with 1 other female. Large bedroom, nice yard, quiet neighborhood. Low Rent!! Must see! 489-0975

LARGE 1BR/BA Available for summer rental cheap rent!! Quiet location. Call Chad @ 764-9077. for more info.

M/F LAID back roommate needed. Sublease house starting in January. \$230.00/ mo + 1/3 utilities. Great house with nice size living room and kitchen. Call 764-9215. Ask for James.

MALE OR Female roommate needed to share 4 bedroom house. \$170/month plus bills. Great neighborhood close to campus. Please call Stacey or Kelley @ 681-5246.

ROOMMATE WANTED in 2 bed University Place. Split \$400 rent and 1/2 utl. Call 681-6346.

ROOMMATE NEEDED. Stadium Walk Apart. \$242.50 plus 1/2 utilities a month. Needed ASAP. February already paid. Call 681-4596. Ask for Bryan or leave a message.

AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY - Master BR. bath for rent in 3BR house. A/C, heat, W/D \$220 per month + 1/3 utl. Call Aaron or Brian at 764-9458.

ROOMMATE NEEDED to share 3 bedroom 2 bath mobile home. \$200/month + 1/2 utl. Please call 852-9875 leave messg.

240 Services

NEED YOUR computer upgraded but don't know how to do it yourself? Let me do it for you. Call Orris 764-9280. Please leave a message.

TUTORING AVAILABLE in a wide variety of subjects \$7/hr 1 hour min. Call Kathryn at 587-9518

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ROCKFORD PHOSGATE Amp for sale. Punch 160X4. Call Gina or Jerry 842-9548

280 Television & Radio

32 INCH console T.V. with remote RCA. Great condition \$250 or 300 with VCR. Call 764-9190.

290 Travel

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CHEVY K-Blazer 4X4 powerhouse w/1 new RAD +AC can be seen at Dairy Queen \$4,300 neg. call Ricky 865-2494.

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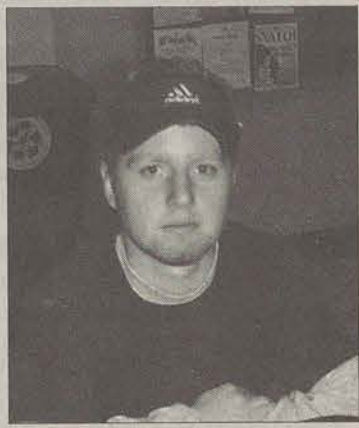
GSU students were questioned "Do you think John Rocker's suspension until May 1st and \$20,000 fine was too much, too little, or do you agree with the decision?"

Braves star's comments last December still causes tension on GSU campus



"Agree. You don't talk about people that you don't know. Who is he to judge others?"

Shandra Morris
-Junior



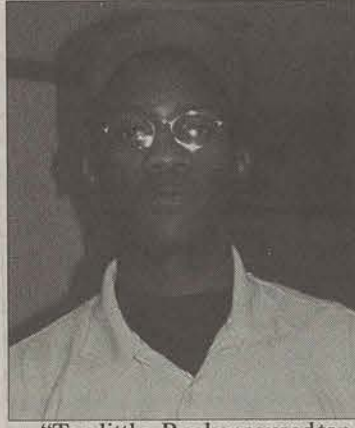
"Too much. By fining Rocker it goes against everything America stands for. What happened to freedom of speech?"

Adam Pointer
-Freshman



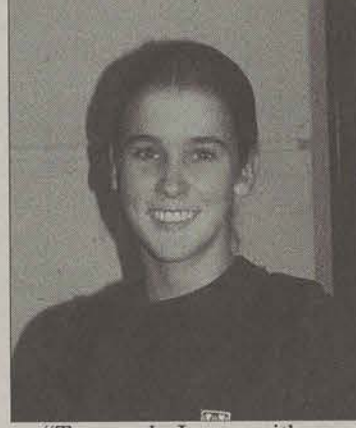
"Too little. Why should Rocker look down on his teammates like that? The Braves have racial groups that he offended."

Suzzanne Igboke
-Freshman



"Too little. Rocker caused tension in baseball. This could lead to further troubles in MLB."

Joseph Kirkland
-Sophomore



"Too much. I agree with some of what Rocker did and he should be punished. I do not think the suspension should be as long."

Alicia Hilley
-Freshman



"Being from New York, I think his comment was distasteful. He is an ignorant person."

Denise Kurland
-Sophomore

Rocker not hiding from his statements made with *Sports Illustrated*

Kevin Caskey
Co-Sports Editor

"I would retire first. It's the most hectic, nerve racking city. Imagine having to take the 7 train to the ballpark, looking like you're in Beirut next to some kid with purple hair next to some queer with AIDS right next to some dude who just got out of jail

for the forth time right next to some 20-year old mom with four kids. It's depressing", said John Rocker about playing for a New York baseball team.

"The biggest thing I don't like about New York are the foreigners. I'm not a very big fan of foreigners. You can walk an en-

tire block in Times Square and not hear anybody speaking English. Asians and Koreans and Vietnamese and Indians and Russians and Spanish people and everything up there. How the hell did they get in this country?"

Rocker goes on to call one of his overweight black teammates

"a fat monkey."

I think John Rocker, born in Statesboro, uh, oh, I mean Macon, said some very ignorant things to *Sports Illustrated*, and would no doubt like to take all of it back. Unfortunately, Rocker cannot take back what he said. What Rocker said is now set in stone, and is fresh on the minds of many New Yorkers. For Rocker's comments he was told to seek psychiatric therapy. Therapy is not the answer for a person who speaks their mind. Maybe stick John Rocker on a college campus so he can interact with people of different ethnicities, and possibly we can educate Rocker while he is on a college campus. I say take Rocker's hunting rifle away and replace it with a novel. An education is the key to ethnic unity.

What would be said about Rocker if he had trashed a city that is smaller than New York City? Say, Rocker trashed a

city like Milwaukee. Milwaukee does not have the media outlets that New York City has. Maybe it would not be as blown out of proportion like the recent Rocker comments have.

On Monday, January 31, Major League Baseball suspended John Rocker until May 1 and fined him \$20,000. Now, the players union has filed a grievance with Major League Baseball on Rocker's best interest. Do you think Rocker would have taken this time to sit and reflect on what he said? No, he probably would look at this as a vacation to sit on his tree stand and go hunting.

I have respect for John Rocker for being brave enough to speak his mind. It is rare to find someone that will actually speak what is on his mind. I do not agree with Rocker's comments, but I do have respect for the man. Rocker said that New York fans threw batteries at him, and called his own mother a whore. I probably would not have

nice things to say about New York fans either if the fans did that to me, but then again I would not express my opinions to a writer for *Sports Illustrated*. That was John Rocker's fault for being that stupid.

The statements given to *Sports Illustrated* were the quotes heard round the world. The Rocker issue has been dragged through the mud several times, and when the controversy seems to calm down the issue gets even more attention. I think the controversy will eventually die down when the Braves play the Mets and the Yankees. Rocker's real punishment will only begin once a New York fan sees John Rocker in the bullpen. Rocker thought the fans were bad in the playoffs? Well, Mr. Rocker, I have a strange feeling that you have not seen anything yet. I would seriously be worried about some crazed maniac coming after your head. Instead of maniacs it could be one of those "foreigners."

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