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## SPORTS

### GSU stomps Mercer, 8-0

Matt Easterday went 2 for 4 last night and broke the mark for consecutive game hitting streak.

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## LIFE

### Want to know who's coming to town?

Chances are, it's not Jimmy Buffett, but we'll tell you where he and a bunch of your other musical favorites will be this summer in our concert guide.

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# Grube reflects on his baptism by fire

■ Grube and his first year as GSU's president

By Kelley McGonnell  
Editor in Chief

President Bruce F. Grube's first official duty as a GSU president was to chop the watermelon's in July, a tradition older than most students' parents.

Since then he has learned a few things, and made a few changes.

One of those changes will be in his attire this July when he cuts the melons.

"I think I'll wear a wetsuit," Grube said. "No matter how careful you are, when you start whacking at watermelons, the juices fly all around. Who knows, maybe I'll wear a Speedo when I cut the watermelons."

Don't count on that though. Grube has learned how to cut a melon properly.

"I've learned how to cut a watermelon," he said. "You don't really cut a watermelon, you whack a watermelon really hard and it just lays right open."

But in his first year as president, capped off this month with his inauguration, Grube has discovered GSU and learned more than he expected.

Grube said that his biggest discovery this year was getting to know the people on campus and in the community.

"The best discovery I've made about Georgia Southern is how many good people make up this university," he said. "I still am discovering the faculty; they are doing incredible things."

"I've enjoyed the students from the get go," he said. "The people at Georgia Southern University are unusual. Most of them go out of their way trying to make Georgia Southern the best place it can be."

He said the biggest story on campus was probably the National Championship.

"The thing that gained us the most publicity was the football team winning the I-AA National Championship," he said. "All the work we do to get our name out was nothing compared to the exposure we got when the football team won the championship."

#### The Community Relationship

Grube said that, despite a few glitches, the Statesboro community is extremely supportive of the university.

"I don't know of any place that raises more than a million dollars in such a short period of time," Grube said. "Certainly we have issues. Sometimes the university will bump up against the community, but certainly the support that this university has from

Statesboro and Bulloch County is incredibly strong. The best I've seen."

#### SGA

Despite the overturning of the first SGA elections, Grube said that student government has not damaged its relationship with the administration.

"I don't know that SGA is tarnished with the administration," he said. "I've worked at a half of dozen campuses, there are many worse examples of student government than I've seen at Georgia Southern. The students involved here I think are good people."

#### Baseball

Grube said that despite the loss of eight baseball players in part because of the hazing incident, the athletic department did what was best for the team.

"In fact I think the baseball problem was handled in the proper manner," he said. "But I thought the coach and athletic director had no choice. It seems to have resulted in a better chemistry on the baseball team. They are doing extraordinarily well for themselves."

#### Graduation

When spring graduation was combined for one mass graduation and then summer ceremonies were discontinued, Grube said that many students did voice concerns, and did make a difference.

"A lot of students did voice opinions once they discovered what was in the works most of the students we talked to, once they understood what the graduation was really all about, ceased to be so opposed," he said.

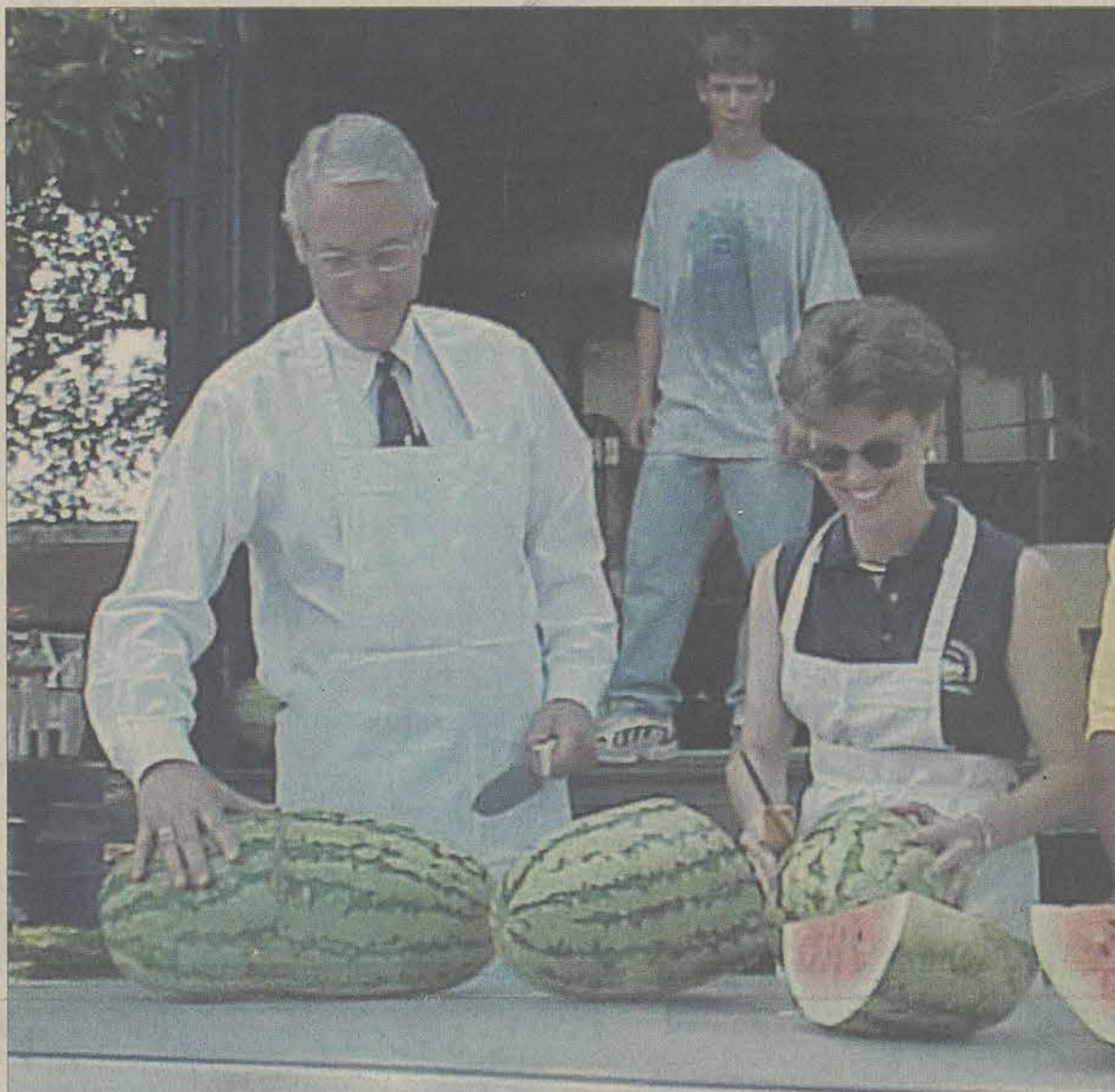
Grube said that graduation is not only for the students.

"It's a university wide ceremony," he said. "A tradition of the academy; it's also for faculty and all of those in the university community associated with the students' education."

He said in the future it will be handled more carefully.

#### Learning Support

It was announced this week that Learning Support students will no longer be accepted at GSU. Grube



File photo

**PRESIDENTIAL DUTY?** President Grube and his wife, Kathryn, cut watermelons at the annual event this past summer. Grube said he never knew watermelon cutting was in his job description.

said that students who do not meet the University System of Georgia requirements for admission, which are lower than GSU's, will no longer be admitted.

"In the fall we will quit accepting students who do not meet the minimum system standards," he said.

He said that the second phase will be to stop accepting students who do not meet the minimum GSU requirements for admission. The third stage, will be to start raising the minimum requirements.

Grube said that the faculty of Learning Support

will be either incorporated into a Student Success Center or in to the various departments on campus.

"There are probably a couple of alternatives out there," he said. "We are going to work with the faculty to see if there are other areas where they can continue to contribute to the campus."

Grube will focus next year on the next phase of the Strategic Plan and will continue to exact positive changes.

But this July, when he whacks those watermelons, he may be doing it in a Speedo.

# Six candidates qualify to run for SGA president

By John Bryson  
News Editor

Six students have qualified for the upcoming SGA elections to be held on May 1 and 2, among them Joyce Estrada and Aaron Nicely, two of the central figures in the recalling of the first SGA election.

Estrada, Nicely, Jason Clary, Blair Ermer, Sly Colquitt and Ronnie Douberly all turned in applications and met the requirements for running.

All of the candidates have expressed their desire to rectify the problems of SGA, in particular the image the organization has among students.

#### Estrada

Joyce Estrada, victorious in the first election but forced to run again after the elections were overturned, said she is pumped about the second campaign.

"I'm pumped up," Estrada said. "My supporters are ready and I've gotten nothing but encouragement from students."

Speaking about why students should vote for her after her campaign was found guilty of improprieties by the judicial board, Estrada said that she is now wiser because of the ordeal.

"After a year of fighting an uphill

battle for you on SGA, and now after having an election taken away from me, I truly know what it will mean to represent you as your SGA president," Estrada said.

Estrada further reiterated that the allegations brought by Rushing were not true and were only upheld because of Nicely's testimony in the hearing.

"The allegations were not true at all," Estrada said. "I think the key witness was Aaron Nicely and that he manipulated his words to convince the judicial board."

#### Nicely

Aaron Nicely, the 1999-2000 SGA president, said he is seeking a second term to correct the problems of the past year.

"After all the negative publicity SGA received I felt I should come back out and lead the students," Nicely said. "I will continue to work, as I always have, to represent student interests on campus."

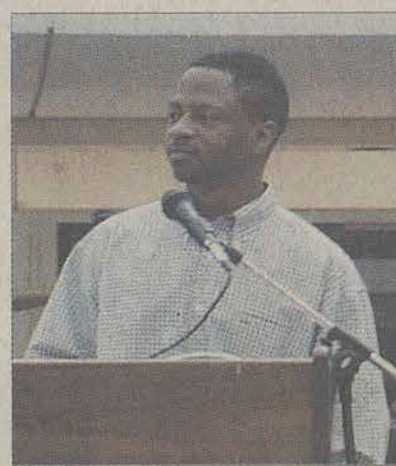


**Ronnie Douberly**

**ADDRESSING THEIR PEERS:** Ronnie Douberly, Joyce Estrada and Aaron Nicely, all candidates running for the position of SGA president for the upcoming year, gave their platforms for their campaigns yesterday under the Rotunda.



**Joyce Estrada**



**Aaron Nicely**

Nicely said his platform will address the issues of a student leadership summit, continuation of the House of Representatives, locating an SGA polling location at the RAC, establishing an online message board for SGA and allowing religious and Greek organizations to be funded by SGA.

Nicely, roundly criticized as the reason for SGA's lack of accomplishment this past year, also said he accepts responsibility for the mistakes that lead to the unproductivity.

"As a leader you accept responsibility," Nicely said. "You accept responsibility for the actions of an organization you are the head of. If things are broken, it will be my job to fix them."

When questioned why he didn't run in the first elections held in March, Nicely said he learned of the deadline late.

He further stated that in the first election he didn't run because he didn't want to cause professional tension between himself and Estrada and that his decision to now run was based on his knowledge of the improprieties com-

mitted by the Estrada campaign.

"I didn't want the negativity that would come up if I ran against Joyce in the first election," Nicely said. "However, the contesting of the election and the irregularities forced me to change my mind."

When asked why students should vote for him the second time around, Nicely said that his experience is the key factor.

"My experience and knowledge of SGA's workings are why someone should vote for me," Nicely said.

"I'm tired of all the negatives," Jason Clary said. "We need to change SGA and give it a positive view among students and the community."

#### Clary

Clary, who said his platform will revolve around returning respectability to SGA, reinstatement of fall break and summer graduation, and promoting unity on campus, said he considers himself a dark horse in the upcoming race.

"All students have heard about recently is about Estrada and Nicely," Clary said. "That's gonna make it tough, but I think I'm a viable darkhorse candidate who may surprise people."

#### Ermer

Blair Ermer, an undeclared freshman who is running independently, said he is seeking the post of SGA president only to unite the student body.

"[SGA] is so divided right now," Ermer said. "They can't get anything done. I think [SGA] needs to work together and unite the students."

Ermer did not list any other specific proposals.

#### Douberly

Ronnie Douberly, a 36-year-old technical education major, is running.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Things To Do at GSU Ongoing

•More than 2,000 tickets will be available for students to purchase beginning August 19 from 3 to 7 p.m. at the Paulson Stadium to the GSU vs. Georgia football game. All students who are enrolled in the 2000-2001 academic year will be served on a first-come, first-serve basis. They will also be allowed to purchase two tickets each with proof of a current I.D.

•Free Tutoring in several subjects: English, history, sociology and psychology, all maths, chemistry, biology, and college reading/study skills. Each subject has different hours of operation. Call 681-0321 for more information.

•The Christian Faculty/Staff meets every Monday at noon in the Russell Union Room 2044.

•The 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.

•GSU Chapter of Habitat for Humanity meets every Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. in the Russell Union Room 2044.

•The American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) meets the first and third Wednesday of every month at 2 p.m. in the Technology Building Room 2116.

## Today

•Disability Awareness Day will be held at Brooklet Elementary School.

•BSU/Vision Ministries is having Bible Study at 7 p.m. in the Russell Union.

## April 27 - 28

•BSU/Vision Ministries is having a Praise and Worship Service at 7 p.m. in the Russell Union Theater.

## April 28

•The Southern Explosion Dance Team Tryouts are from 6 to 9 p.m. at the RAC.

Tryout fees are \$5.

## April 25 - 29

•The play, "The Good Times are Killing Me" by Linda Barry, will be shown in Communication Arts Black Box Theatre at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$2 for GSU students with ID, \$4 for faculty/staff, and \$6 for the general public.

## April 29

•BSU/Vision Ministries is having a free Bar-B-Que and Talent Show at Sweet Heart Circle from 10 a.m. until.

•The Southern Explosion Dance Team Tryouts are from 1 to 6 p.m. at the RAC. Tryout fees are \$5.

## April 30

•BSU/Vision Ministries is having a Praise and Worship Service at 11 a.m. in the Russell Union Theater.

•The Southern Explosion Dance Team Tryouts are from 11 a.m. until at the RAC. Tryout fees are \$5.

## SGA

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ning independently and said he thinks that is key to his campaign.

"There are questions about whether or not an independent candidate can be effective," Douberly said. "I think it's actually better because the president won't get caught up in letting his friends work on pet projects and will actually work from a professional perspective."

Douberly said the focus of his platform is going to be on volunteer service, campus safety and the improvement of registration.

Douberly also feels as though his age will play into his favor.

"I know how to lead," Douberly said. "I've done lots of things in my life - a full-time job, school and extracurricular activities - that will show me to be the most qualified candidate."

## Colquitt

Sly Colquitt, a senior justice studies major who is

also a building manager at the Russell Union, said his interest in SGA was sparked by the recent scandal.

"I never had an interest until recently," Colquitt said. "I talked to some friends and we decided we had the leadership necessary to represent the students in the coming year. SGA has lost its credibility and many faculty and students feel it could have been handled better."

Colquitt said he plans to focus on student involvement, campus safety and a shuttle bus system for the GSU campus.

While acknowledging his own lack of experience on SGA, Colquitt doesn't think experience makes someone the best candidate for the job.

"Those who are in SGA currently do have the experience factor over me," Colquitt said. "However, that doesn't make them best for the job."

The elections will be held on May 1 and 2, with a runoff being held May 4 and 5, if necessary.

## POLICE BEAT

## Statesboro Police Department

## April 25

•Rick Stevens, of Old Register Rd., reported criminal trespass.

## April 24

•A rape was reported on North Easy St. •Michael Owen, 18, of 300 W. Highway 80 E., Brooklet, Ga., was charged with theft by taking.

•Tim Davis, 24, of 326 B. Johnson St., was charged with driving on suspended license and obstruction.

•Bernice Sparling, of Meadow Dr., reported criminal trespass.

•Sherika Johnson, of Johnson St., reported battery.

## April 20

•Kendrell Brenton, 19, of 138 Lawton Place Dr., Sylvania, Ga., was charged with entering auto.

•Antonio Hopkins, 22, of 277A Thankful Church Rd., Girard, Ga., was charged with entering auto.

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 Shawnline Hughes, assistant news editor.

## Student leaders reconized at awards ceremony

By Sam Siegel  
A&E Editor

Some of our school's finest were recognized at the third annual GSU student leadership awards banquet that was held last night.

Bruce Grube, the keynote speaker, brought attention to their accomplishments.

"Each of you brings special talents and special abilities to the table," he said. "I want to thank all of you students for your commitment."

In his eight part lecture about leadership, he encouraged people

to be civil, nice, honest apologetic, just, jovial and curious.

The people recognized exemplified all of these upstanding qualities.

The John F. Nolen award and the Southern Talon award were among the highest honors given.

There were twenty four awards given to organizations, students, faculty and staff members; many others were asked to stand and be recognized.

This night was a way for Southern to say thank you to some of its exemplary motivators and unsung heroes.

Those vindicated with the John Nolen award, the highest accolade given, were Erica Minc, Elliott L. Rogers, Voncieallies Allen, Tod Bowman, Nima Farsinejad, Erin Halbling and the G-A's own editor-in-chief, Kelley McGonnell.

The Southern Talon award was awarded to Shellie Dodd, Joyce Estrada, Rosanne Logan, Angela Jones, Nancy Kerves, Caroline Sherman, Ayisha Zachery and Bryant Smalley.

There was no shortage of commitment in the room. It was surely a commendable evening.

## Supreme Court sides with opponents of video poker

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The Supreme Court has refused to interfere with South Carolina's scheduled July 1 ban of video gambling, a \$2.8-billion-a-year industry in that state.

The justices, without comment Monday, rejected an appeal that challenged the way the ban was approved last year.

The appeal had been filed by Joytime Distributors & Amusement Co., a Greenville-based corporation that owns 164 video gambling machines in several counties.

"We thought it was a substantial issue that at some time the court needs to look at," Joytime lawyer Gaston Fairey said. "We're disappointed that the court chose not to do it."

The South Carolina General Assembly last summer passed the ban on video gambling unless a majority of voters in a planned November referendum approved continued payouts from the machines.

The South Carolina Supreme Court struck down the referendum, ruling that the General Assembly had violated the state constitution by delegating its decision-making power.

But the state's highest court upheld other parts of the law, effectively ending video gambling as of July 1.

"I do not believe we left any loopholes in the law to give them an extended life," said Rep. Terry Haskins, R-Greenville, who authored the bill.

After unsuccessfully seeking the state court's reconsideration, lawyers for Joytime filed the appeal acted on Monday.

## This Week's Weather

## Today

Partly cloudy with a high of 69 and a low of 48.

## Thursday

Partly cloudy with a high of 76 and a low of 54.

**This is the final edition of the George-Anne for this semester. We wish everyone a great summer!**

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## Help make SGA more than a joke

It really sucks that in our final edition we are not doing a "year in review" editorial, because SGA is still holding elections.

But, to all of you who read us diligently and hang on every word

### Our Opinion

we say, we would like to say vote.

While SGA is not all it is cracked up to be, there are actual candidates running and there is bound to be better voter turnout. That turnout should not just be the candidates and their friends. If that is the case, then Aaron Nicely may win. Not a good thing.

All the candidates, even the ones who did not run the first time, deserve some attention and some votes from others from the campus.

It is not the time to vote for the guy who will take your groups' picture at the Founder's Wall. It is not the time to vote for people because they are members of your organization.

While the G-A will cease publication as of today, students still need to take the time to listen to the "real" issues and to focus on making this campus a better place.

Talk to the people who hand you the free pizza and cokes; ask them what they will do to be better than the last administration. Their answers may surprise you.

SGA may have been a joke this year; this paper may have jokingly made fun of them. But you have the power on May 1 and 2 to make sure that your student government is not a joke again.

Make your decision wisely.

Out with old,

In with the new



## Good-bye to the paper and good riddance to the liars

I had intended to write my final column solely about the people I will miss. I wanted to thank them for all they taught me. But then it dawned on me that there are a few people that I will not miss who taught me some very valuable life lessons.

I probably shouldn't name any names. This is my final column; I don't want to end on a completely bad note. But I think that these people already know who they are and will probably not read this anyway because they don't like me any more than I like them.

Good-bye to the liars. There are a few individuals on this campus who have ruined the reputation of GSU and the students because they have spent the last year lying in order to serve their own selfish needs.

I will advise all GSU students to take everything they hear from the administration, the student government and the faculty and staff with a grain of salt. Do not be duped by people who just tell you what they think you want to hear. Watch out for lies, because this campus is full of liars.

But there are people on this campus who are truly here to learn and to make life a little bit better. They are people who would tell you the truth, even if it hurt, in order to make you a better person in the long run.

Many of these people have worked with me at the George-Anne. I have been here for four years, spending countless hours in this office, dealing with deadlines, irate readers, worried administrators and angry writers. But I would never trade a single day of any of it, because I met the best people I have ever known.

(If you don't work for the G-A this next part might be very boring. It is bound to be at least a little bit cheesy.)

To the staffs before me: Stacy, Mandy, Kevin, Mike and Aletha. You all taught me so much and made this campus a better place even when you were stirring up controversy.

Stacey "Gracie" Wysong: You know that you are my best friend, but, in addition, you took this paper to a new level with your own level-headedness and talent. Future MEs will always work in your shadow; if only everyone could leave such a legacy. I am the president of your fan club.

David "The Marine" Koepke: You are what this paper needs next year and you have all my faith and trust. Just remember to follow the no-alcohol rule and all will be good.

Justin "Sometimes" Johnson: I knew you could do the job, and I know you will do your best to fill the ME shoes next year. Don't stop looking for the pretty koosh.

Trish "The Dish" Hall: You always make the best decisions, and I have trusted that for two years. Continue to follow your intuition. But watch out for crabs.

John "Boy" Bryson: You have come so far in such a short time. Always continue to do what is right for the students on this campus. That's what you're here for.

Sam "The Liberal" Siegel: You have brought GSU arts events back to the spotlight and shown that there is some culture in Statesboro, Ga. I know you will bring culture to wherever you go.

Kevin "Stix" Caskey: The

epitome of Billy Bad Ass. Thanks for making the staff a little less reserved and for loosening up the old ADS man.

Shawntineal "Smiles" Hughes: Smile, baby, smile. Such sweetness is rare in a person, let alone a journalist.

Luke "Red" Renfro: Maybe I shouldn't have picked on you all semester. You do things with a camera that make everyone take notice. Click away, babe.

Nick "Oh, Nicky" Crouch: Always know that you belong somewhere, but I'm not so sure that it's "Toppers." You were my friend before and will be forever after.

Bryant "Multi-task" Smalley: Of all the five thousand things you do on this campus, thanks for being a part of this staff.

LaVene "Laverne" Bell: You are my sunshine. You always hang in there for me and never let me down. You're money, baby.

Sarah "Barbie" Trucksis: It was you and me against the world last year, and we won. You will always be a legacy in this office, long after we have both left.

Chris "The Icon" Brennaman: I gladly relinquish my student media crown to you. Keep it polished and treat it with a least a little respect.

Logan "SGA" Thomas: Thank you for dealing with the headache we call SGA. And thanks for being there for us when we needed you (in more ways than one.)

Edmund "Runningback" Coley: My favorite football player in the world. You have made my favorite GSU pastime even more fun.

Keep running and scoring.

Tim, Dana, Lindsay, Randy and Zane: Our writers are the backbone of this paper and you all support that with such talent and unselfishness. The G-A is in good hands if it is in yours.

Marnite "Too Cute" Zachery: Copy editing is not the easiest job, especially with our crew. But you always kept your wits and tried to keep us grammatically correct if not politically.

Jonathan, Will and Vic: Thanks for all the headaches and shouting matches. And thanks for the humor.

Spider, Josh, Leslie, Jane, Brandy and Dennis: Thanks for your talent and for dedicating it to the betterment of student media.

Mr. Bill: You were my fountain of fatherly advice for four years. You were my friend, my confidante and my mentor. I will forever be indebted to you for helping me be the person I wanted to be and for helping me produce a paper that I will forever be proud of.

Bohler: One little word that says so much. You have held together a staff that was sinking, and you have celebrated with one that was just setting sail. No matter what the future, or the comm. arts department says, you are the George-Anne and the absolute epitome of what an educator should be. We are what we are because of you.



**KELLEY MCGONNELL**

## Good-bye GSU, keep your hands off Trish

I've made it (I hope)! The last four years of hard labor are going to finally pay off, and I am going to sit in the sun for five hours to have it recognized.

Regardless, my impending graduation (if I can make it through the next two weeks), will be a wonderful celebration of several years' toil.

First of all, I would like to say thank you to this university and everyone involved in making it a positive organization. I have heard multitudes of people berate our school because it is "second" to UGA., and that is unfortunate.

What many students don't realize is that this is a teaching school, which means that while professors still have to publish and research, teaching is their prime focus. There are many teachers here who have been taught by the best schools (I know someone from Cambridge first hand). They care about their students, and typically they know their material very well.

I feel that I have gotten a superior education here; I wouldn't have traded my time for anything.

Thank you to all of my teachers who have dedicated so much time to me and understood my foibles and problems. I appreciate that my late papers that were judged on how good they were rather than on their delinquent nature. There are so many other things that faculty have done for me, and I want to say thanks.

I do not, however, want to congratulate this town. Justin Johnson was right when he said that this burg wouldn't be anything without the school. GSU gives Statesboro life, and more importantly, lots of money. The fact that the majority of this town hates the college is just sad, but forgive the locals. They know not what they do.

Forgive me for a moment if I get sappy. These past four years (and yes, I am graduating in four years) have been the best years of my life. I am going to miss classes, learning and the occasional drunken revelry. These years have not been all pain-

less, but in anything, one has to take the good with the bad.

I am going to miss work, and I am going to miss being able to write. I am really going to miss being able to publish the way that I can now.

That brings me to the George-Anne, loved by many, hated by some, read by them all.

I am going to really miss Trish with her cute way of seeing everything in the positive, even when she is pissed off. Never forget the fuzzy navel contest—yes, it is as bad as it sounds. I will never forget Kelley, the femme fatale who loves to be a bitch (something I really respect in a woman—as my mother used to say, it isn't often that you find a woman to be reckoned with). From Stacey, I have learned that it is possible to pass classes even if you don't go to them. Justin, sometimes—I don't know quite what else to say. I will confine myself to this—KEEP YOUR HANDS OFF TRISH! SHE'S MINE! wink, wink. You and your koosh have brought great fun and revelry to the office. Thanks.

Bryant, I hope you can find a job that you can do—and the whining seriously needs to stop.

John, like whoa—dude, you have been entertainment all year, and I thank you for that. David, don't shoot anyone—it might cause a few problems. Randy, floating too high in the clouds can give you a nosebleed, and as far as azaleas go, I have allergies. It's been fun, but keep it cool. Professor X, live long and prosper—life's too short to sweat the small stuff.

There are a thousand other people that I should mention. This article has to fit on the news page, so if you are thinking *you bastard, you left me out*, then you are one of them. Know that I love you dearly, and will miss you greatly.

It has been the time of my life.

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**SAM SIEGEL**

## What I really learned at GSU

When I first came to GSU three years ago, I was a naive little girl with a high school diploma who thought she knew everything about anything that really mattered. I was in love with the "man of my dreams," had an exceedingly high GPA and just knew I was going to make it big with no problems whatsoever.

Then reality knocked me on the head several times, broke me down and built me into who I am today: a humble person who still has lots to learn, but is a whole lot more open to different people, ideas and ways of life.

Over these past three years, I have learned more than the required class material, thank goodness, and if you want a little head's up on what took me three years to learn, here's some tips that have helped me through my life in college:

- Friends are, by far, your biggest asset in life. Hold on to people who truly matter; don't bother too much with those who don't.
- Long distance relationships almost never work.
- You will get your heart broken by aforementioned relationships 9 times out of 10.
- True love often comes when you are sick of the dating game.
- Trust as many people as you can, but don't be naive.
- It doesn't matter how many people believe in you if you don't believe in yourself.
- When it rains, it really does pour, but you are

the person who ultimately determines how much rain falls on your head.

- Not everyone loves you anyway.
- Faith is something you should possess always.



**STACEY WYSONG**

- An evening walk down Savannah Avenue can cure just about anything.
- Your parents are smarter than you think.
- So are your instructors.
- Get to know as many people as you can because, sadly, it is often true that it's not what you know, it's who you know.
- Getting involved on campus is the best thing you can do for yourself and for GSU.
- It doesn't matter what anyone says, GSU students need Statesboro's locals just as much as they probably need us.
- College is up there as one of the best times of your life - enjoy it as much as you can.
- Just about every one of us will have at least one dud roommate — be thankful if you're lucky enough not to endure this.
- Do as many stupid things you feel necessary in college because this is the last stop before true adulthood.
- The Rolling Stones were right: "You can't always get what you want, but if you try some-

times, you just might find, you get what you need."

- The people who work at the George-Anne work their asses off to put out a quality paper while maintaining their grades — try to appreciate this when you see an error every now and then.

And thus ends my spectacular list of advice. Now then, for those of you who are returning to the G-A in the upcoming year, I wish you all the luck in the world. Have fun with the paper and don't stress too much!

I love you all. David, you will be a supreme editor and we all know this — your leadership skills and dry humor are always a positive attribute. Justin, I know you're going to love being managing editor (it's the best job here) because you are one of the most creative people I know.

I know that Trish will be greatly missed, but you do what you have to do and we'll love you just the same, babe!

And for my fellow graduates, Kelley and Sam: you guys are extraordinary. Each of you has taught me a little something about life and what friendship is. Sam, good luck in finding that perfect job, and Kelley, we'll always live at least a block from each other — don't forget it!

And last of all, thank you, GSU, you have given me more than a journalism degree; you have given me life lessons and so many great memories that will be with me forever.

That's all folks!

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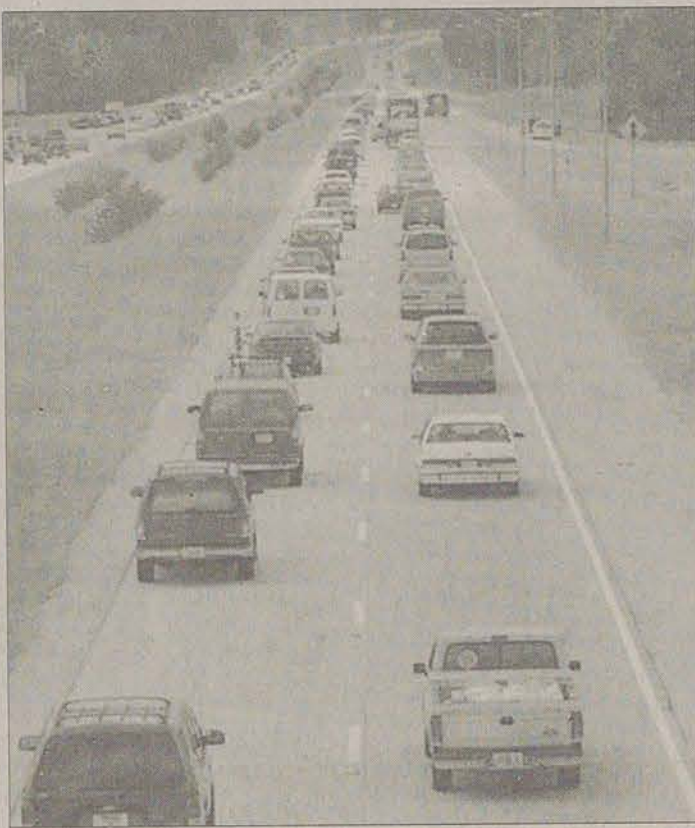
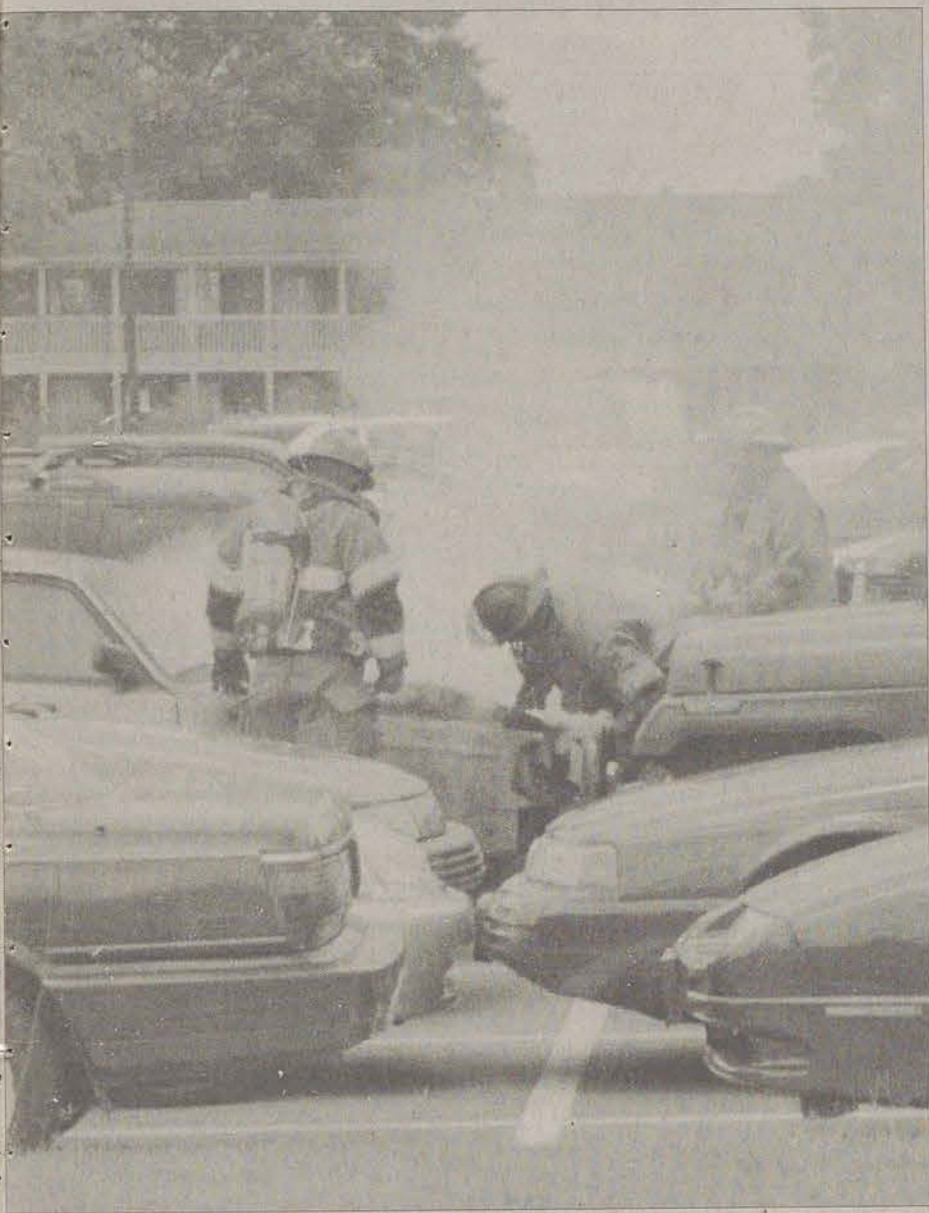
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# Just another year? HARDLY!



**G** SU has seen it all this year — from mass evacuations out of town to escape Hurricane Floyd to mass evacuations to Chattanooga to watch our Eagles capture our fifth National Championship title. Everything from the homecoming king and queen results to the SGA elections have been recalled. And famous people from Lesra Martin to Michael Moore have come to share their stories. We even had our very own celebrity for a moment on the ever-popular television game show, 'Who Wants to be a Millionaire?' We can hardly say this year has been like any other.

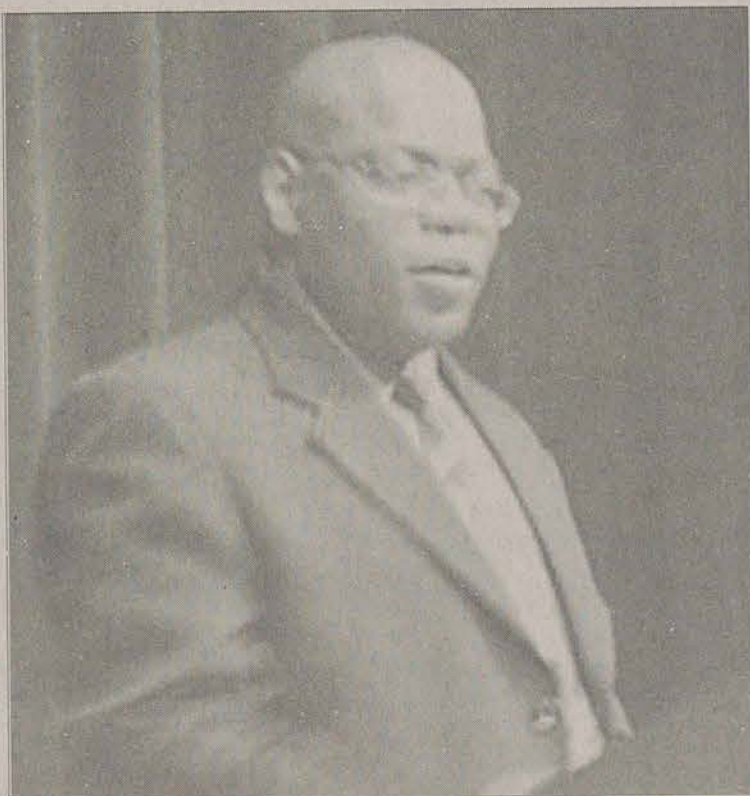
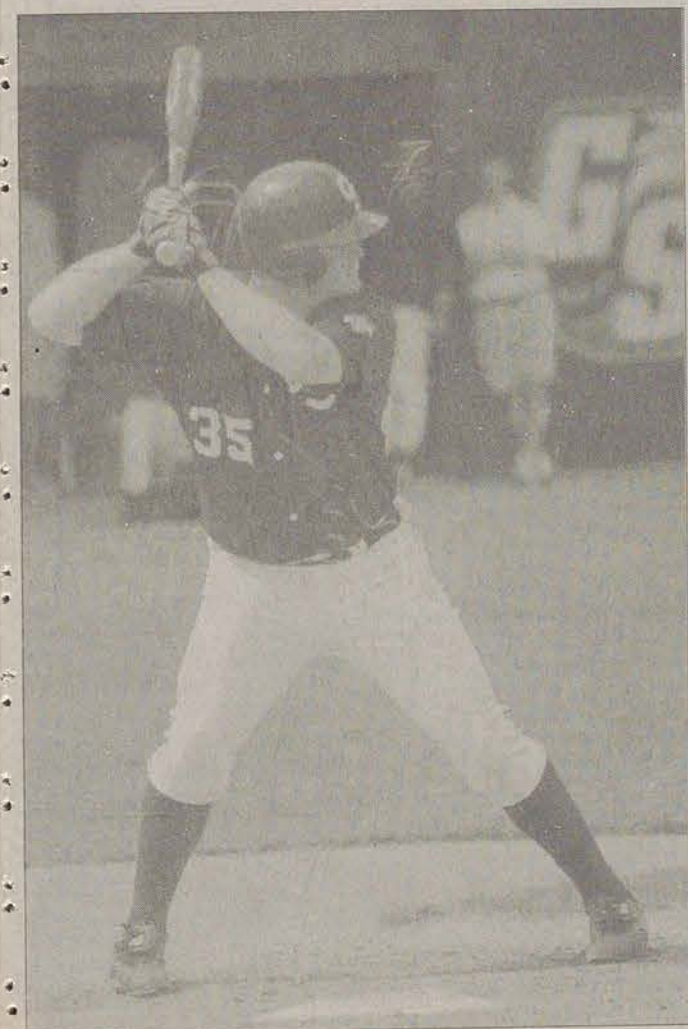
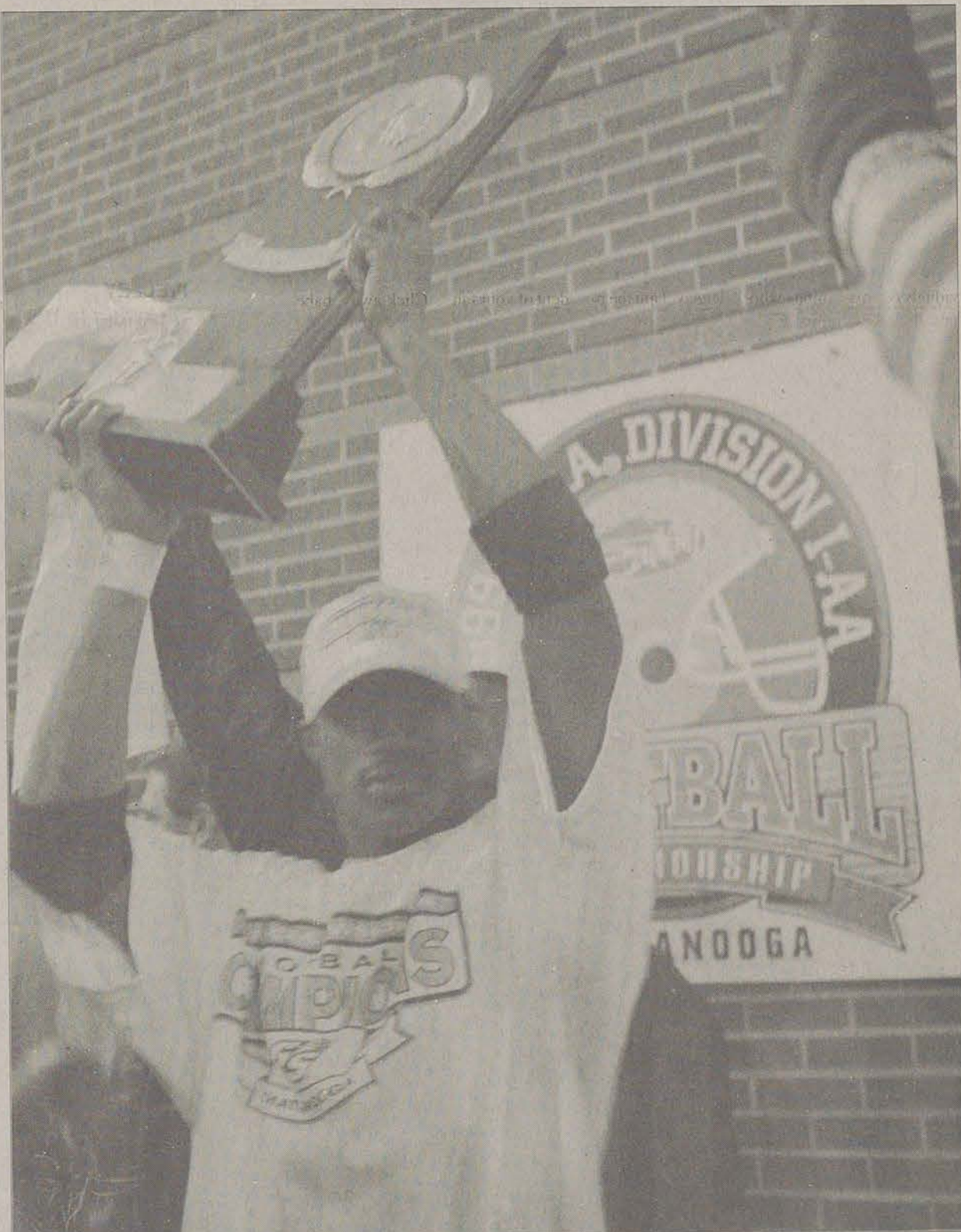
**EXPLOSIONS UNDER THE HOOD AND ON THE HIGHWAYS:** A student's Volvo caused some commotion in August after an explosion under the hood damaged several cars parked around it in the Kennedy Complex parking lot (far left). Thousands of motorists crammed Highway 16 in an effort to escape Hurricane Floyd in September, causing miles and miles of backed-up traffic and prolonged delays.



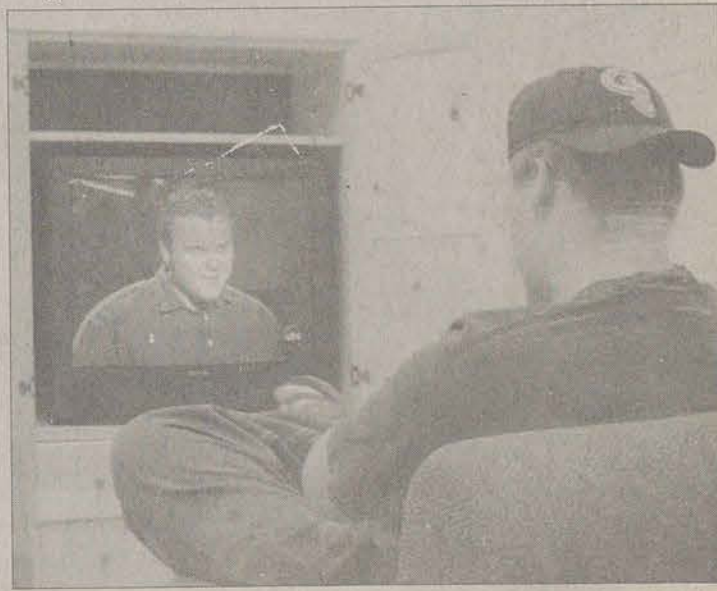
**FALL SEMESTER VICTORIES:** After a recalculated vote, Brooke Aertker and Michael Hoffman were crowned homecoming queen and king in October (top). Joe Brannen (left) defeated former SGA President Aaron Nicely in the run for the District 4 city council seat in November.



**NOTHING CAN COMPARE TO THE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP WIN:** Quarterback Greg Hill (right) holds the fifth National Championship plaque high after stomping Youngstown State, 59-24 in December.



**TRIALS AND TRIBULATIONS:** GSU Baseball (far left) kicked off the year with a rough start, dismissing four players for hazing, followed by four more players leaving the team. Lesra Martin (middle) visited GSU in February, giving his audience something to think about as he told his of his struggles to get where he is today. Jason Stirnaman (below) won \$16,000 on the game show, 'Who Wants to be a Millionaire?' last month.





# Thanks for all the memories



## The Year in Sports

**Eagle Football:** You should be kicked in the head if you do not know what happened with this sport. The Eagles ended the season 13-2, winning their third consecutive SoCon title and their fifth I-AA National Championship.

**Men's Soccer:** The men's soccer team finished the season with a disappointing 5-12-1 record. With key spring signees, the soccer team hopes to improve their record.

**Women's Soccer:** Lead by Tara Chaisson, the women's soccer program had an overall record of 8-9-1.

**Volleyball:** Well, the uniforms sure look good. The volleyball team amassed a record of 4-26. Good luck next year.

**Women's Cross Country:** Had a strong first year and hopes to continue the success.

**Swimming and Diving:** The women finished fifth at Southern States, while building the program under new coaches.

**Track and Field:** Led by freshman Jacqueline Allen, the first year track team hopes to build a stronger, faster team next year. They finished sixth in their first ever SoCon meet.

**Men's Basketball:** First year head coach Jeff Price had an impressive first season, going 16-12 with a second place regular season finish in the Southern Conference. We can only expect better things for the future.

**Women's Basketball:** Women's basketball, coached by Rusty Cram, ended the season with a 10-18 mark. With fall/spring signees, look for this team to rise in the rankings.

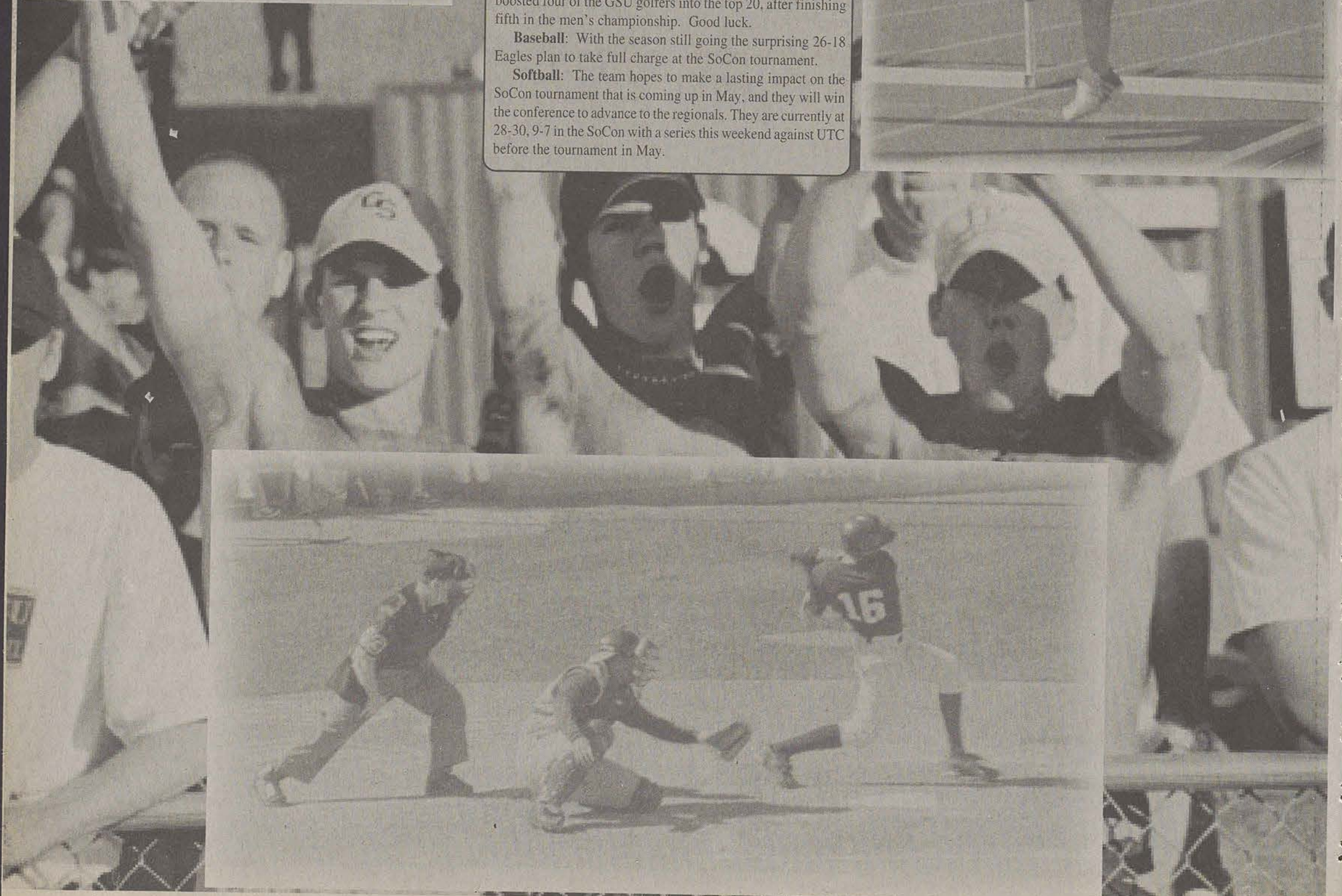
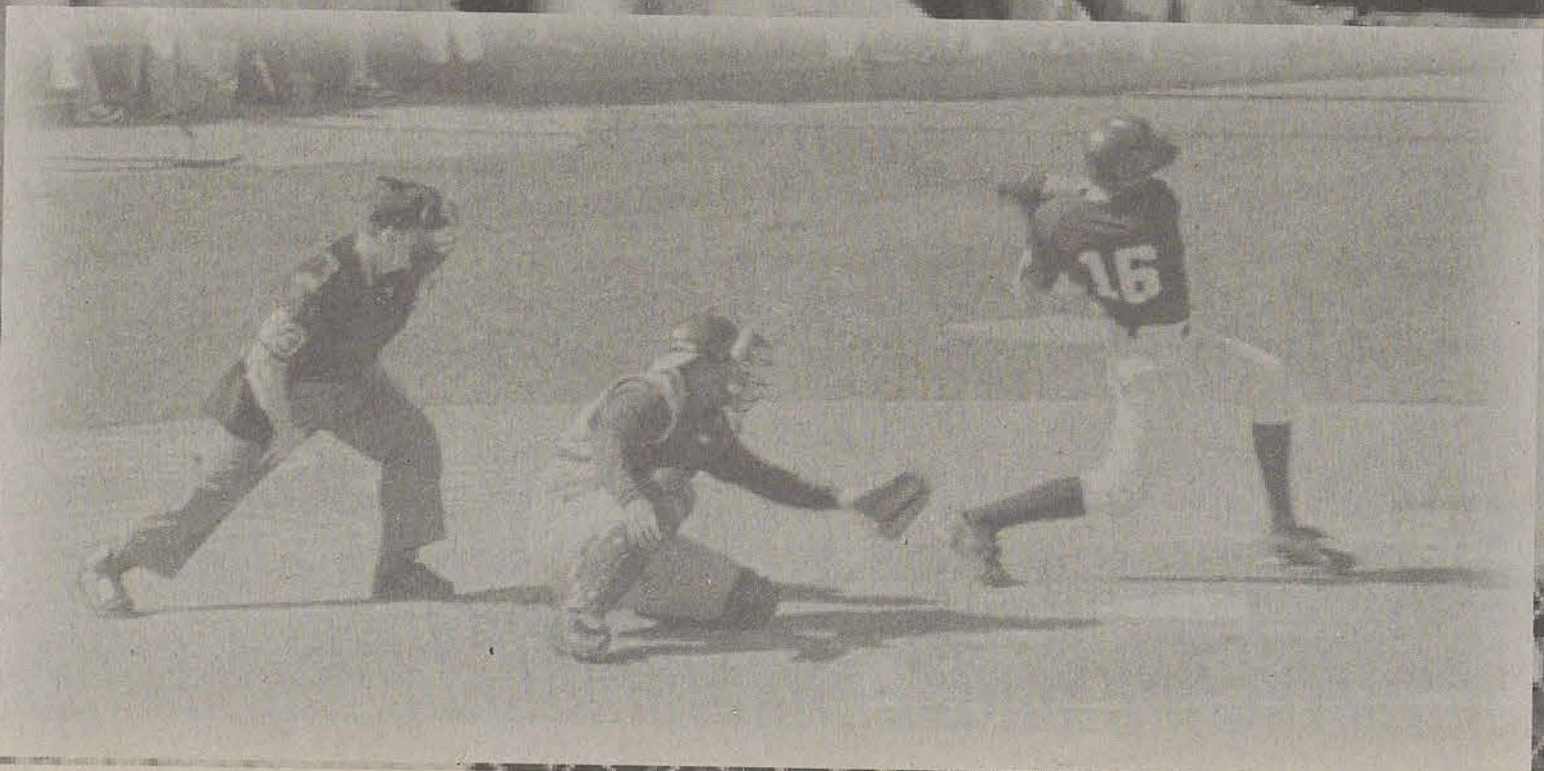
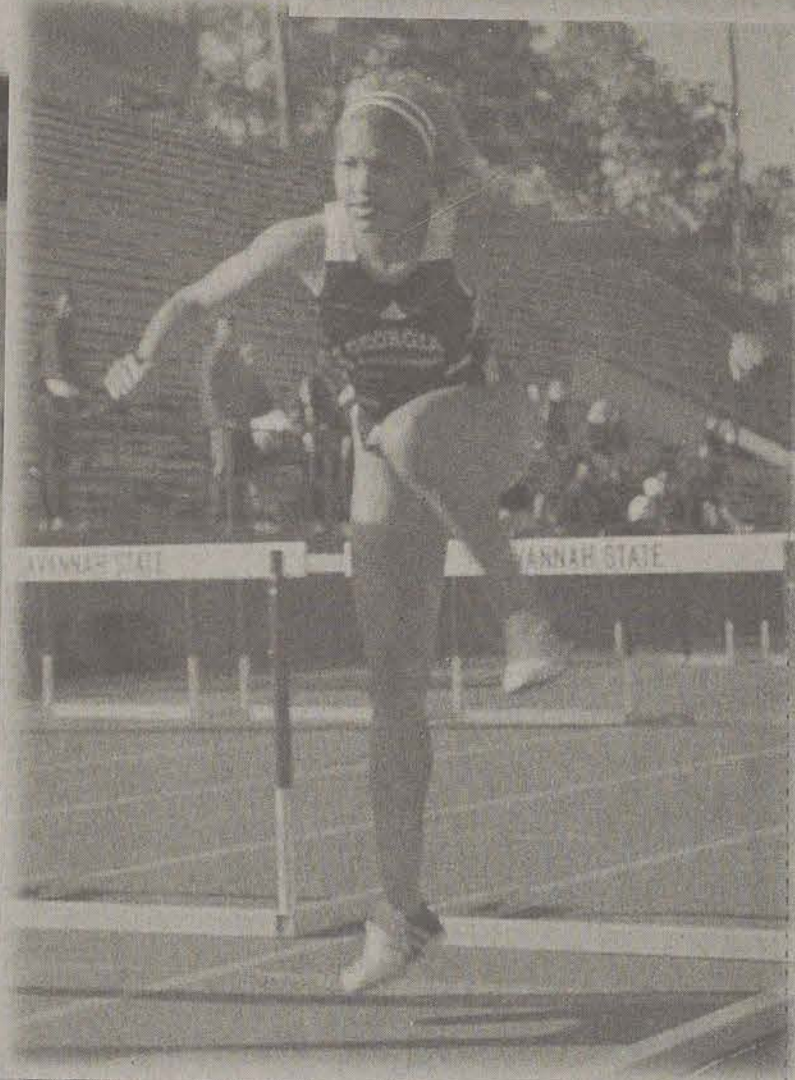
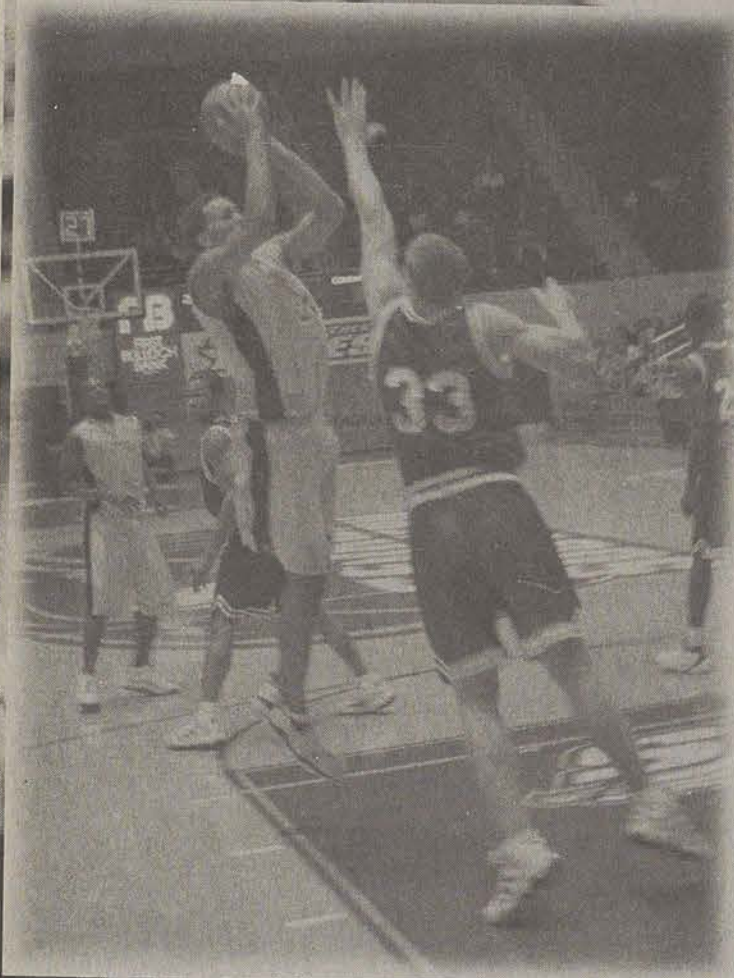
**Men's Tennis:** The men's team had multiple games where they upset their opponents and finished strong in the conference. The seniors on the team will be missed.

**Women's Tennis:** The women's team, although asking for tennis players to tryout, finished their season with strong wins.

**Golf:** A strong showing at the SoCon championship's boosted four of the GSU golfers into the top 20, after finishing fifth in the men's championship. Good luck.

**Baseball:** With the season still going the surprising 26-18 Eagles plan to take full charge at the SoCon tournament.

**Softball:** The team hopes to make a lasting impact on the SoCon tournament that is coming up in May, and they will win the conference to advance to the regionals. They are currently at 28-30, 9-7 in the SoCon with a series this weekend against UTC before the tournament in May.





## Eagles blast Mercer, 8-0

By Edmund Coley  
Sports Writer

Eagle slugger Matt Easterday went 2 for 4 and broke the mark for consecutive game hitting streak last night, while helping GSU to an 8-0 victory and recording their 26th victory of the season.

Easterday, who tied the record set by Jeff Shireman at 23 games in 1988 last Sunday going 3 for 5, has hit safely in all but two of the 41 games played this season.

"I focus on trying to hit the ball early in the count," said Easterday. "I'm glad it's over so [that] I can get back to playing baseball."

Senior Phillip Roland allowed only six hits and struck out eight Bears in his first complete game of the year. With the victory, Roland advances his record to 4-3 and marks the team's second shutout of 2000.

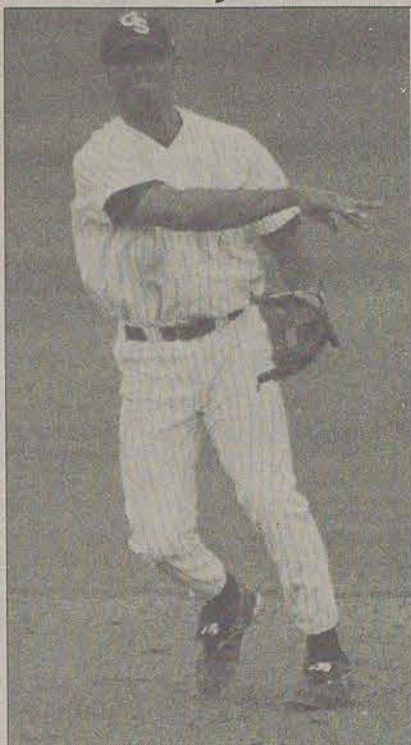
"I threw my fast ball well today," Roland said about his performance. "I kept my curve ball down and received good [run] support tonight."

The Eagles struck in the bottom-half of the first inning with two runs as they took advantage of three walks

**GSU** 8  
**Mercer** 0

**THEY KEEP GOING AND GOING:**  
The Diamond Eagles blanked Mercer to win their 26th game of the season.

File Photo



given up by Mercer starter Brett Jarrett.

Mercer would leave seven men on base yet could not get a man to third base the entire night.

GSU would send 10 batters to the plate in the 7th scoring five

runs on only two hits to break the game open.

"They came out and beat up on us last year," said Roland about Mercer. "Some of our guys played against them in high school and we really wanted to get them back."

## GSU falls to Furman on the road

G-A News Service

GREENVILLE, S.C. — Furman's Chris Valdes went 2-for-4 and batted in two Paladin runs to lead Furman to a 5-3 win over the GSU Eagles (25-18, 16-5 SoCon) Sunday afternoon at Furman Baseball Stadium.

Furman (19-22-1, 12-7-1 SoCon) took an early 2-0 lead in the first after driving in runs on Valdes' triple and Ryan Richetti's single.

The Eagles answered in the top of the second by scoring two runs off of Dustin Langley's RBI single and Ryan Flemming's sacrifice fly before

Furman's Cole Hubka stole home in the fourth to lift the Paladins to a 3-2 lead.

GSU's Matt Easterday doubled and later scored to tied the game at 3-3. Furman posted two additional runs in the fifth when Valdes hit a RBI single and later scored on a passed ball.

Furman's Corey Etheridge (5-5) went five and one-third innings to earn the win while Rob Purvis earned his seventh save of the season.

GSU's Brett Lewis (6-5) took the loss despite striking out a career-high 12.

## Blazi earns Player-of-the-Week honor

•GSU has claimed four straight SoCon weekly honors



Cory Brooks

**MAKING THE PLAY:** Kelly Blazi was named softball Player-of-the-Week on Monday.

G-A News Service

For the fourth consecutive week a GSU player has received one of the Southern Conference's weekly honors, as sophomore shortstop Kelly Blazi was named softball Player-of-the-Week on Monday.

This marks Blazi's first-ever

Player-of-the-Week honor. The Warner Robins, Ga. native hit .538 (7-for-13) in the four-game series against UNC Greensboro and recorded her first home run of the season. Blazi's seven hits in 13 at-bats resulted in five RBI and 11 total bases.

She also hit a double and

stole a base in helping the Eagles to a split in the series.

"I'm very happy for Kelly because I know how hard she worked to get to where she is," GSU head coach Kelli Kirkland said. "She had an excellent weekend at the plate and she played a major part helping us to two wins against a very tough UNC Greensboro team."

In Friday's second game Blazi led the Eagles by going 3-for-4 with five RBI and two runs scored. Three of her RBI came in the fifth inning when she belted a one-out home run over the left field fence to give GSU a commanding lead en route to a 9-1 win.

Blazi's winning of Player-of-the-Week continues a four-week string of SoCon weekly honors for GSU, which started when sophomore Aimée Littlejohn was named Pitcher-of-the-Week on April 4. Senior Jennifer Harris earned Player-of-the-Week honors on April 11, and Littlejohn earned her second POW of the season last week on April 17.

Chattanooga freshman Connie Ness earned this week's Pitcher-of-the-Week honor. Blazi and Ness will both play in a pivotal SoCon series this weekend when GSU (28-30, 11-5) hosts Chattanooga (38-21, 11-5) in a pair of doubleheaders starting on Saturday at 6 p.m.

## How Sweet it is



Sarah Trucksis

**BACK WHERE WE BELONG:** The highlight of the year in sports was most definitely the claiming of the I-AA National Championship crown. The celebration following the semifinal victory of Illinois State (seen above) was done in true GSU fashion, but the victory over UMass the week before might have been more emotional. Let's do it ONE MORE TIME.

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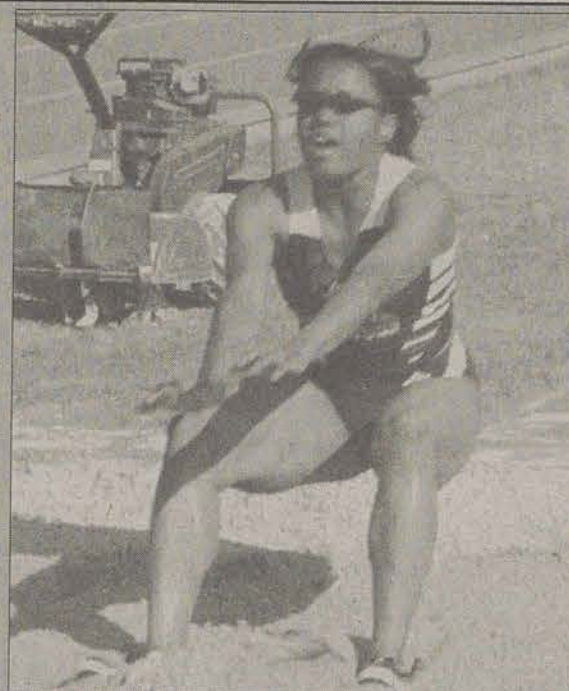
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## GSU places sixth in first ever showing at SoCon outdoor championship



Nicole Smith

**DIGGIN' IN:** The track team finished out the season placing sixth at the SoCon finale.

G-A News Service

BOONE, N.C. — The Western Carolina women's track and field team continued its reign in the Southern Conference by winning its second consecutive SoCon outdoor track and field title. GSU, in its first-ever participation in the league outdoor championships, finished sixth.

The Catamounts compiled a winning total of 250 points, while Chattanooga finished second with 191. Finishing third was host Appalachian State (106), followed by East Tennessee State (77), Furman (68.5), Georgia Southern (31), The Citadel (27), Virginia Military Institute (26.5), UNC Greensboro (20), Wofford (12) and Davidson (8).

Freshman Jacqueline Allen collected the most points for the Eagles, compiling 17 of the 31 total points. She finished third in the 100-meter dash (12.14), third in the long jump (18'08.50") and sixth in the triple jump (36'06.75").

Whitney Nelson recorded a fifth-place finish in the high jump with a leap of 5'03.00". Pearl Griggs collected two points with her seventh-place finish (1:12.79) in the 400-meter intermediate hurdles. And the Eagles also posted a pair of eighth-place finishes: Javonne Blackley in the 200-meter dash (25.49) and Kristen Griggs in the pole vault (8'06.25").

Both GSU relay teams posted top finishes, starting with the 4x400 group of Griggs, Blackley, Ebonie Ogletree and Nuwana Waters.

They finished with a time of 4:04.31, good for fifth place. Ogletree, Blackley and Allen also took part in a seventh-place finish in the 4x100 relay, as they joined Keyonia Collins in racing to a time of 54.29.

GSU will continue its season on April 28-29 by participating in the Drake Relays in Des Moines, Iowa.

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at Lakeside, Union, or Coba



## GSU golf places fifth at SoCon men's championship

G-A News Service

LEXINGTON, Va. — East Tennessee State's Pat Beste shot a final round 2-over-par -73 to lead the Buccaneers to their third straight

Southern Conference Men's Golf Championship that concluded Sunday afternoon, April 23, at the Lexington Golf and Country Club in Lexington, Va.

GSU, tied for seventh after Friday's first round, claimed sole possession of fifth place on the strength of top-20 efforts by senior

Matt Stroud, junior Christian Newton and sophomore Justin Kolumber. Stroud and Newton tied for 11th place, while Kolumber posted a 17th-place finish.

East Tennessee State who trailed the College of Charleston by five shots heading into the final round, shot a 287 for a three round total of 883 to win the SoCon title by eleven

shots over the College of Charleston who finished second place.

Furman finished third at 896 followed by Wofford in fourth at 900, GSU in fifth with a 905, UNC Greensboro sixth at 910, while Chattanooga finished seventh at 912.

Western Carolina was eighth with a 925, Davidson was ninth at 934, Appalachian State was tenth at 942, while The Citadel was 11th at 951 and VMI rounded out the field at 1,030.

Pat Beste of ETSU was the tournament's lead with a 3-over-par-216, one shot better than William McGirt of Wofford who was at 217.

Andy Crain of UNC Greensboro was third at 219, while Jedd McLuen of College of Charleston, Chris Wisler of ETSU and Jay Mundy of Furman were tied at fourth at 220.

## Stroud named to All-Conference squad

G-A News Service

GSU's Matt Stroud has been named to the Southern Conference men's golf all-conference squad, according to an announcement today from the league office in Asheville, N.C.

A senior from Savannah, Ga., Stroud led the Eagles to a fifth-place finish in the Southern Conference Championship this weekend. He tied teammate Christian Newton for the team's best individual finish at 11th place.

Stroud posted the Eagle's low scoring average this season at 74.12,

and ranked 12th in the nation in average putts per round at 29.5. A

product of Savannah's Benedictine Academy, Stroud led GSU in five of six statistical categories. Only teammate Christian Newton (six)

posted more top-10 finishes than Stroud (five), whose best finish of the season was a tie for sixth at the G. Gunby/Jordan Intercollegiate in the Eagles' first event of the fall.

Stroud becomes the second GSU golfer in as many years to honor All-SoCon honors. Blake Adams was named to the squad last season.

*The George-Anne staff wishes all the student-athletes a safe and exciting summer*

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## The sounds of summer: summer tours 2000

**Tim Prizer**  
Staff Writer

Ahh, the sounds of summer. High-pitched screams from children splashing in the swimming pool, the sound of lawn mowers, rumbling engines, sprinklers ticking as they shift positions, those distant roars of thunder that somehow creep their way through the scorching sunshine. There is just one sound of summer that often gets lost out and it is easily the most exciting and the most powerful. This beautiful sound that I am referring to occurs on stages throughout the U.S. It's right, it's the sound of music brought to us by many artists during their summer tours.

Big and small-named bands alike realize that dog days are the best time for a tour, and many make it their goal to cover as much of the globe in little time as possible. With Atlanta nearby, U students are almost guaranteed to see what artists they want, in any genre they desire, in scorching months of summer.

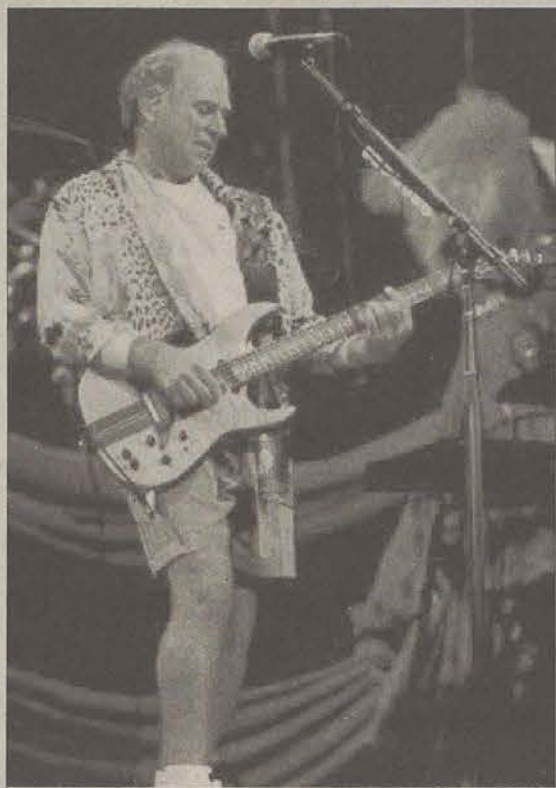
Whether your style is metal, alternative, pop, country, or hip-hop, this summer is loaded with concerts from all of your favorite artists, many of whom plan to shack up at least one night at a club amphitheater in our state's capital. From the Dixie Chicks to Metallica, both bands and artists seeking a little Southern hospitality this summer from us crazed music fans.

To multiply the money that a tour brings to an artist, often times musicians with a similar fan base will tour together, sharing stages on the same nights throughout the world. When four or more bands join together for an all-out evening of jamming and tour extensively, it is often referred to as a festival. From one-night tour stops, Atlanta attracts the most successful and more underground musicians.

Some of this summer's major concerts look like misprints at first glance due to the quality of artists that decide to tour together. From country to rap and all genres in between, fans are in for a wonderful treat. Aside from Atlanta's Music Midtown, other exciting shows are surfacing for the summer months.

The Counting Crows and Live plan to share a bill that will stretch across North America this summer. The tour will kick off on July 28 at the Sandstone Amphitheater in Kansas City, Kan. The Crows and Live have not yet scheduled a date to play in Atlanta, however.

Another amazing show will be the co-headlining of the Red Hot Chili Peppers in support of their latest album "Californication" and Stone Temple Pilots (in support of "No. 4"). The Chili Peppers and the Pilots will begin their sixth leg of tour in Saratoga, NY and take a break after the August 19 gig in Montreal.



Internet photo

**Jimmy Buffett**

Luckily, the bands have decided to add the Foo Fighters to the bill for the June 8th show at Lakewood Amphitheater in Atlanta.

With the release of "Machina: Machines of God," melodic rock stars Smashing Pumpkins will hit the Tabernacle in Atlanta on May 9, while the Gwen Stefani led outfit No Doubt will play at the same place exactly one month later.

Jam bands like Dave Matthews Band and Phish are also touring extensively this summer separate from each other. Dave Matthews won't appear in Atlanta until the middle of September, while Phish has scheduled back-to-back nights at Lakewood on June 23 and June 24.

This summer will perhaps be the most exciting for fans of hard rock and metal. With Ozzfest kicking off this summer, Ozzy Osbourne, Pantera and Ministry will make their own fireworks at Lakewood on the 4 of July. Nine Inch Nails and A Perfect Circle will perform at Lakewood on May 20 and 31 will join up with special guests Incubus at Lakewood on June 22.

By far the biggest concert of the year includes metal legends Metallica with newly discovered hard rock superstars Kid Rock, Korn, Powerman 5000, and System of a Down all performing together on stages throughout North America. The tour will pit stop in at the Georgia Dome for some hard-hitting, crunching guitar riffs on July 7.

Hip-hop stars Dr. Dre, Eminem, Snoop Dogg, and Ice Cube plan to tour the US in the same airplane this summer, starting off their tour on June 15 in San Diego, CA. These four rappers, who have found themselves at the top of all hip-hop charts at some point in their careers, have yet to set up any tour dates or venues. However, they will begin in the West, swing into the Midwest, and finish in the East in Washington, DC towards the end of July. This is by far the biggest hip-hop tour the summer has to offer.

Limp Bizkit and Cypress Hill plan to put on a free tour together as well, and plan to add a currently unnamed third act to come along with them as well. The groups will hit the road on Independence Day and will wrap it up on August 6th. The official tour dates have yet to be released however.

Those of you who are fans of older artists should be able to find plenty of action in Atlanta's music scene this summer also. Though Macon's own Allman Brothers

Band could sell out any venue in Georgia every night of the summer, the band will only breeze through as they play Atlanta's Music Midtown Festival on Sunday, May 7.

Santana will bring his Hispanic sounds and suave vocals to Lakewood on July 22 in support of his latest CD Supernatural.

Bruce Springsteen and his legendary E-Street Band have scheduled a total of 23 tour dates for this summer thus far, ten of which will be held at New York City's Madison Square Garden. Luckily for us Georgians, the New Jersey native does plan to play the Philips Arena on June 3 and June 4.

If in the mood for partying with a bunch of mid-life crisis drunks, the true summer sounds of Jimmy Buffett will be, as always, sailing across the US. Buffett and the Coral Reefer Band will float into Lakewood Amphitheater for two nights on July 13 and 15.

For you cowboys and cowgirls, the George Strait Country Music Festival is currently throwing up a lot of dust in its trail as it is in the Southeast at the moment. Featuring up to 15 country stars with George Strait headlining the event, this is one of the most exciting country events in recent years.

Perhaps the hottest item on the music market today, the Dixie Chicks have the most in-depth tour of North America of late. Playing many smaller cities that rarely get major acts, the Chicks will support their new masterpiece "Fly" beginning in Winnipeg on the first of June, and will not close out the tour until the approach of Halloween late in October. The Dixie Chicks are scheduled for an August 27th date at Philips Arena in Atlanta.

In between cookouts, pool parties, and working this summer, be sure to take some vacations and tap in on some of your favorite bands during their tours. The feeling of a powerful musical performance is rarely matched elsewhere, and with the number of excellent bands that have joined forces to tour this summer, Hotlanta will be much hotter than normal in the blistering months of Summer 2000.



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**Dixie Chicks**



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## A Southern belle named Caroline

By Kathy Bourassa  
Staff Writer

Ding, dong, ding, dong

The "Electronic Caroline" installed over the library recently is keeping students on their toes while bringing GSU in line with other campuses around the country.

"Almost ever major university has a bell system," Earl Cashon, who was appointed by president Bruce Grube to research and purchase the system, said. "(The president) feels it will raise the university's esteem."

Although the university declined to build a full bell tower due to prohibitive costs, after Cashon's research was completed, three vendors bid on the project. \$30,000 was approved by the Georgia Southern Foundation to purchase and install the chimes.

The foundation obtains money for school projects

with events such as the annual "A Day for Southern" fundraiser. Unlike with student funds, students are not required to vote on the projects.

Cashon said the system is playing Westminster chimes every half-hour presently, alerting students to the time. Once the programming is better understood, however, it will provide a great deal of flexibility.

The school plans to use the Electronic Caroline for other activities, such as lunchtime concerts, after the remaining equipment arrives. The school expects the keyboard to get delivered within the next few weeks. Cashon said he plans to brainstorm ideas with the music department.

Theater major Rachel Andrews said she likes the bells and thinks that using them for concerts is a good idea.

Who needs a bell tower anyway when the versatile Caroline sings so much better?

## GSU sponsors Disability Awareness Day

Special to the G-A

GSU will sponsor Disability Awareness Day starting tomorrow.

This yearly event is designed to educate the campus and local community on disability issues. This year,

the diversity of disability will be celebrated with a local elementary school. Disability simulations will be staged all day with the students of Brooklet Elementary school and entertainment will be provided by a troupe of dancers with disabilities. The Dawson Side Sliders. The group is composed of 28 fourth through sixth grade students, eight of which are regular education students and the rest of being exceptional students of varying ability levels.

In the evening, the special education teachers from this region will be honored in a program presented by the GSU Disability Awareness Day committee in the Russell Union

theater at 7 p.m. The special education teacher from each county will also be named and each will receive a certificate of appreciation. Cash prizes will be awarded to the GSU student winners of the campus contest for ideas and creations that enhance the lives of people with disabilities.

Following the program, will be a reception where the GSU student projects will be showcased and the Dawson Side Sliders will perform. This special event will honor special education teachers of the region who assist "exceptional" students to discover that a disability does not have to restrict their possibilities as productive human beings.

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# Returning to square one

## The Single Guy

Well, the end is near. At least for those of us fifth year seniors who have changed majors three times or had a little problem passing Calculus. The enigma has become comfortable, and reality is as intimidating as your eighth-grade locker room. So, as I wave farewell, let me leave you with a few final thoughts.

If the next stage is anything like the last transition, then I will be throwing out my letter man and tassel once again. Only this time it will read B.M.O.C. And I doubt many people will care that I know where to park before a GSU game or that I was the Single Guy, but perhaps that is part of the glory of starting over. I could become Gandhi or Gomer, and it will be my decision. But you don't have to be graduating to experience this resurrection. In a sense, every morning is a new beginning. Even the tears of destruction can be wiped away by the hands of re-creation. Hope is the aftermath of despair. It allows us to see what really is worth

keeping by seeing what is sturdy enough to survive.

And dating is not far from this principal of life. Show me a relationship where nothing is being sacrificed, and I will show you a relationship that is shallower than Beautiful Eagle Creek. Love is, by design, nailed to a tree or at least spray painted on an overpass.

Andre Agassi once said, it is better to live with disappointment than regret, and I feel that relation-

ship must be lived out the same way. All or nothing, go hard or go home. Anyone who would dare have a relationship with one foot out the door does not deserve the time of day much less the hand that the watch is attached to.

And to everyone else, good evening and good-bye. If you have any final thoughts, please e-mail me at [singleguy\\_gsu@yahoo.com](mailto:singleguy_gsu@yahoo.com).

**SHOW ME A RELATIONSHIP WHERE NOTHING IS BEING SACRIFICED, AND I WILL SHOW YOU A RELATIONSHIP THAT IS SHALLOWER THAN BEAUTIFUL EAGLE CREEK.**

And since I am quoting people John Calvin said that blushing is the color of virtue. And I couldn't agree more. Life is far too long to

times the strongest character is not the one who knows how to make you laugh with flattery, but rather the one who knows how to make you cry with something much deeper.

And to everyone else, good evening and good-bye.

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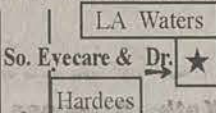
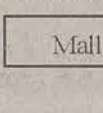
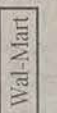
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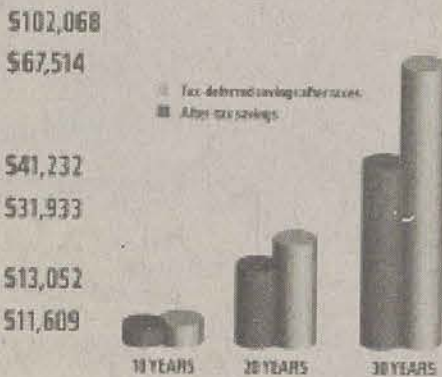
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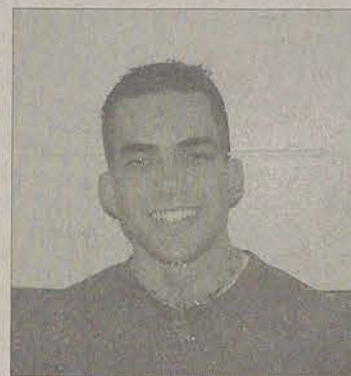
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## GSU students were asked: What are your plans for this summer?



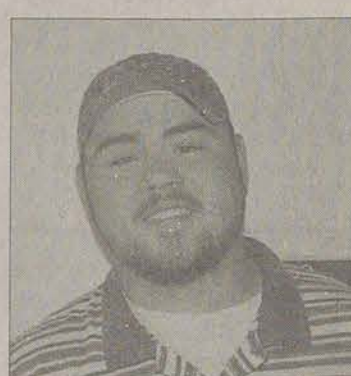
"I plan on getting a job."

**Kevin Cummings**  
sophomore, CIS major



"Hanging out with my beautiful girlfriend, Heather."

**Kris Hilton**  
freshman, computer science major



"I'm going to summer school back home and working."

**Paul Miley**  
freshman, biology major



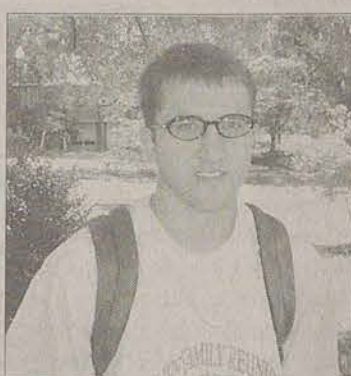
"Work, make money and spend time with my girlfriend."

**Joseph Lutz**  
sophomore, English major



"I am going to classes and working two jobs so I can afford an apartment next year."

**Danielle Ott**  
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"I'm going to Uganda for eight weeks."

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# Widespread Panic returns to the 'Boro



Special Photo

Widespread Panic, one of today's most popular college bands will return to Statesboro for the second time in five years to perform at Hanner Fieldhouse Friday.

By Bilal Malik  
Staff Writer

This Friday one of the best bands ever compiled in the state of Georgia will be playing harmoniously at Hanner Fieldhouse. Widespread Panic is on their way to Statesboro for the second time in five years.

Widespread Panic is one of the most popular college bands in the country and are bringing their southern fried percussion to GSU. The combination of electric and bass guitars, drums and bongos feeds the audience with a euphoric rhythm of sound.

The growing popularity of the band comes from the dedication the band has for their fans. Widespread Panic is famous for taking care their fans as well as numerous charities. For instance, John Bell (lead guitarist) was recently in attendance at a Macon Braves baseball game and decided to buy a beer for everyone in the stadium. The announcer told, "every-one in the stadium to go to the concession stand to pick up their free beer courtesy of Widespread Panic." The free beer was in celebration of a new recording contract.

Every fan has heard numerous rumors on how the band ever came up with the name Widespread Panic. The truth is due to anxiety problems Michael Houser (lead electric guitarist) was nicknamed

"panic" and one day he came home and announced that he didn't want to be just "panic", he wanted to be "Widespread Panic".

The band consists of six members: John Bell (vocals, acoustic, and electric guitar), John "Jo Jo" Herman (keyboards, vocals), Michael Houser (lead electric guitar, vocals), Todd Nance (drums), Domingo "Sunny" Ortiz (percussionist) and David Schools (bass, vocals).

The original foundations of Widespread Panic were cemented in Athens, Georgia. Michael Houser and John Bell met at the University of Georgia in 1982 and began playing together. One year later David Schools was introduced to John Bell through a mutual friend and was invited to play with them.

Schools was a child prodigy fiddler and demonstrated that he could add a little something to the lyrics Bell and Houser had written. In the Spring of 1985 they played their first gig together with success. The next Fall they completed their first record (45"), "Coconut image/Monkey Image".

On February 9, 1986 Todd Nance played his first gig as drummer and earned a spot with the band. Domingo "Sunny" Ortiz who later became the band's fifth full time member played in his first gig at the famous Uptown Lounge in October

of 1986.

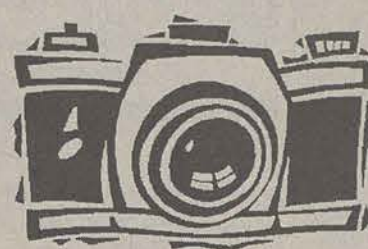
In September of 1988 the fabulous five completed their first album "Space Wrangler". The music was great yet the band was missing one key element. Keyboardist T Lavitz of the Dixie Dregs joined the group contributing to the recording of "Mom's Kitchen" in May of 1991.

However John "Jo Jo" Herman began sitting in with the band on keyboards in early 1992, and eventually became a permanent member. The rest my fellow student and friends is history, the band Widespread Panic was finally concrete in sound and character.

This Friday, GSU is in for a very special treat. Widespread Panic is one of the best live bands of our era. Some experts would argue that the band is playing their best music right now. I personally would have to agree.

There may be students on this campus not familiar with the band and their following, but I encourage you to open your minds to one of the best live bands in the country.

To see Widespread Panic live at my University is a privilege many college campuses want very bad, but will never have. Thank You Widespread Panic! Always remember, "Why worry? just panic!"



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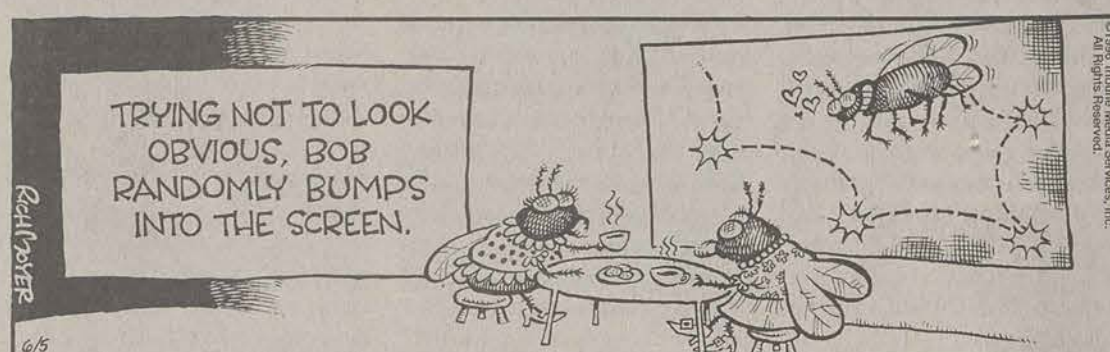
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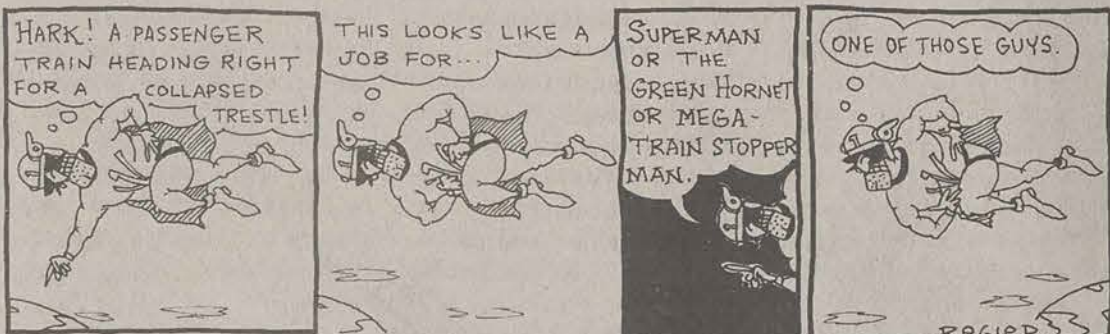
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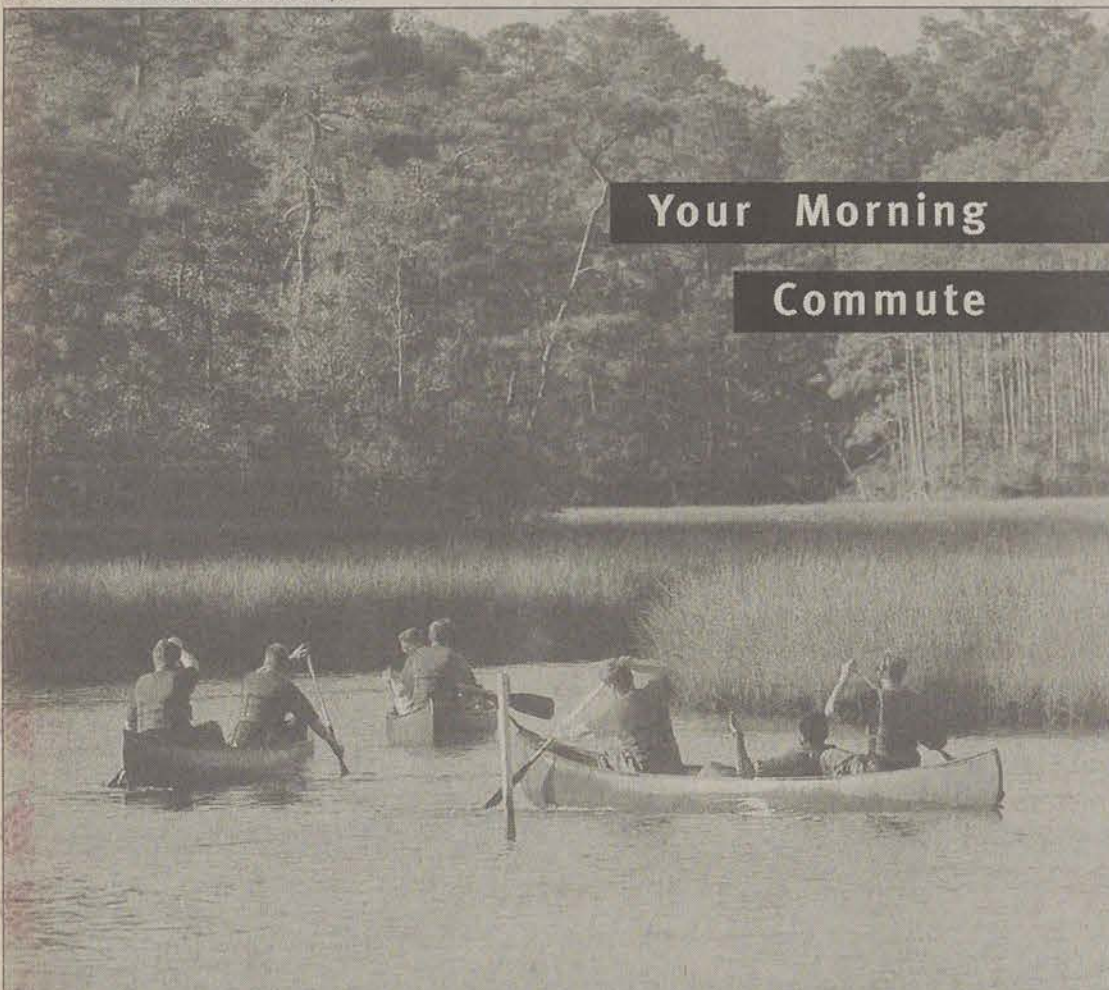
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# 'Return to Me': A movie review from both sexes

By Tricia Hall and Justin Johnson  
Two Lifestyles Editors

**Just:** There are very few movies that Trish and I can both agree on as to what a great movie is. We usually have completely different opinions about every movie we see together. Trish is all about "chick flicks." Those sappy, make-you-cry, type of movies. So, from the beginning I had low expectations of the quality of a movie called "Return to Me." This movie had "chick flick" written all over it.

**Trish:** I can't believe that I got just to see "Return to Me." I think that the only reason he agreed to see this "chick flick" was because it had Minnie Driver in it. However, from the very first scene I knew that this movie was going to be good. I kept looking over at Just to see what his reaction was during the sappier parts, but he seemed to be enjoying the movie. I knew that if he didn't, he'd never let me live it down.

**Just:** Maybe at first I was smiling during the movie because I realized that as long as Trish and I wrote a review on this movie, we'd be reimbursed for it. Sweet. However, I

must have fallen into the trap or something because.....damit...I liked the movie. The plot perhaps was a little cheesy, Bob Rueland (David Duchovny) falls in love with Grace Briggs (Minnie Driver), who, wouldn't you know...was given the heart of his dead wife in a heart transplant a year earlier. At first I thought, "What a coincidence." But the somewhat cheesy plot was actually full of good stuff, and well, I caught myself smiling throughout the movie. Just don't tell anyone that I said that.

**Trish:** I don't think that the plot was cheesy. I thought that it was sweet. Grace had never really been in love, but the first guy she falls in love with just happens to be Bob, whose late wife's heart is now her own. Isn't that romantic? His wife dies, but then her life is restored in Minnie's life. This fairy tale romance isn't presented in a sappy way, rather it is presented in a cute, funny manner.

**Just:** So maybe it wasn't sappy, but the plot could only happen on a Hollywood movie set. It was sort of one of those movies that makes you feel good on the inside. There are the classic scenes of course: boy likes girl, girl likes boy back, family loves boy, girl realizes she has her man's dead wife's heart. (ok maybe that one isn't classic) girl runs away, boy goes off to find her, and they live happily ever after....the end. However, the movie is funny....there are some great sidekicks like Megan Dayton, (Bonnie Hunt) who you know from "Random



Special Photo

## David Duchovny

Hearts" and "Beethoven," who is one of the most fun actresses to watch kid around. Then there are a slew of elderly cast members who are so much fun to watch and listen to them crack jokes on young people, that you can't help but love them. They reminded me of my grandparents, and how the most innocent of their comments can come off as hilarious. This movie is a must see in my opinion. It's one of the best "chick flicks" I've seen in a long time.

**Trish:** I agree that the old people were hilarious. They tried so hard to make things perfect between Bob and Grace. It's kind of like if your grandparents tried to set you up. On a serious note, the movie also illustrated what it was like to lose someone one you truly love. The love between Bob and his wife was so strong. They seemed to really adore each other. The night before she dies (this is at the beginning, so I'm not ruining anything for you), they are at a party and the look in her eyes when she looks at him shows her love and dedication to him.

I would definitely recommend "Return to Me." Any movie that Justin and I can agree on shows great promise.



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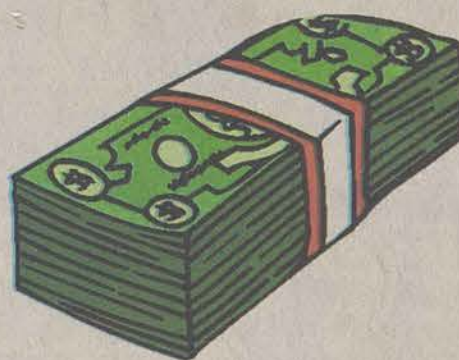
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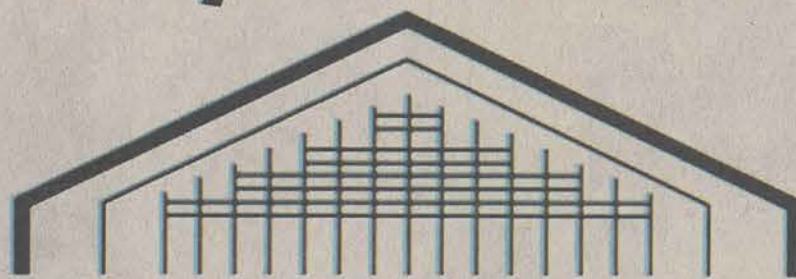
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