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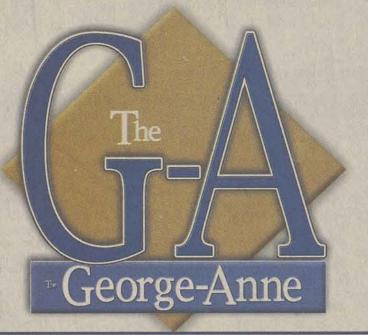
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# Mercer, 8-0

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

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### 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 watermel-

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 uni-

"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.

"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

**Learning Support** 

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



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.

Grube said that graduation is not only for the said that students who do not meet the University will be either incorporated into a Student Success 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 re-

quirements. Grube said that the faculty of Learning Support 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

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

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 run-

All of the candidates have extioressed 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. "Ithink 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

Joyce Estrada



**Aaron Nicely** 

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.

> 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

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.

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"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 committed 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

"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

"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 run-

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Williams Center room 2023 P.O. Box 8001 Statesboro, Ga. 30460



#### **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

•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

ning independently and said he thinks that is key to

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

to be on volunteer service, campus safety and the

Douberly said the focus of his platform is going

Douberly also feels as though his age will play

"I know how to lead," Douberly said. "I've

Sly Colquitt, a senior justice studies major who is

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."

"There are questions about whether or not an

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his campaign.

into his favor.

Colquitt

professional perspective."

improvement of registration.

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.

\*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 ussell Union Theater

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

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 genral

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.

\*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

also a building manager at the Russell Union, said his

"I never had an interest until recently," Colquitt

interest in SGA was sparked by the recent scandal.

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

Colquitt said he plans to focus on student involve-

While acknowledging his own lack of experience

"Those who are in SGA currently do have the

The elections will be held on May 1 and 2, with a

on SGA, Colquitt doesn't think experience makes

experience factor over me," Colquitt said. "How-

ever, that doesn't make them best for the job."

runoff being held May 4 and 5, if necessary.

someone the best candidate for the job.

ment, campus safety and a shuttle bus system for the

#### POLICE BEAT

#### •Bernice Sparling, of Meadow Dr.,

Statesboro Police Department reported criminal trespass. •Rick Stevens, of Old Register Rd., •Sherika Johnson, of Johnson St., reported

reported criminal trespass.

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

•Tim Davis, 24, of 326 B. Johnson St.,

was charged with driving on suspended license and obstruction.

•Kendrell Brenton, 19, of 138 Lawton Place Dr., Sylvania, Ga., was charged with entering auto. \*Antonio Hopkins, 22, of 277A Thankful

Church Rd., Girord, Ga., was charged with entering auto Editor's Note: Police Beat appears in Statesboro Police Department, -- All Police Beat information is compiled by Shawntineal Hughes,

assistant news editor.

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

### Student leaders reconized at awards ceremony

#### By Sam Siegel

April 24

A&E Editor

Some of our school's finest were recognized at the third annual GSU student leadership awards banquet

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 commit-

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 motivaters and unsung

Those vindicated with the John Nolen award, the highest accolade given, were Erica Minc, Elliott L. Rogers, Voncieallies Allen, Tod v. 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.

### to be civil, nice, honest apologetic,

that was held last night.

In his eight part lecture about

#### leadership, he encouraged people 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 I ban of video gambling, a \$2.8billion-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

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



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everyone a great summer!

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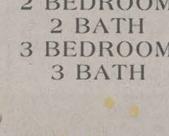
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### **End-of-the-year** thank you nots

another school year. GSU really concerned with their dissertation than outdid itself this year with all its political scandal, millionaire contestants and tolling bells.

According to the list of long term goals that I wrote down as a freshman this was supposed to be my final column full of thank yous and boohoos. Instead I will be saving that column for December at the earliest. I have, though, compiled my own list of thank you not's to all those persons

who have played a role in my decision to graduate using the "five me during junior year that my money

(1) To the advisor who allowed me to advise myself as a freshman I say a sincere and heartfelt thank you not. I really enjoyed taking those extra elective classes that I may never, ever, ever use in my natural lifethough I do believe that I am probably much more analytical because I took both psychology and sociology. I am also much more conscientious about each and every microscopic detail of my college career because you entered my life during my first

ine

(2) To the girl behind me in the dinner line at Landrum during my sophomore year who told me that the liver and onions were really good, my doctor and I both say thank you not. I was so sick that I missed the test that determined whether I got the A that would have kept me on the dean's list. From you I learned that "well done" may not mean the same to everyone and that real friends don't let real friends eat the liver.

(3) To any of those rare breed of you's.

Well, we actually made it through "Dr. So and So's" who seemed more making time to answer my ques ions

about how to be successful in the class they chose to teach, I say "Gracias." Your holier than thou attitudes taught me how to select my professors with much more scrutiny and you serve as an example of the type of teacher that I aspire never to

MARNITE ZACHERY

(4) To those individuals in the financial aid department who accidentally told

was just "not there," I say "muchos gracias." The money I spent on long distance trying to find out the correct information could have sponsored several third world children but I did make a new friend at AT&T. It is because of you that I try to send all paperwork in super early, doublecheck everything, and call so much that I may be known by name.

(5) Lastly, I would like to thank myself for another seven months to do something great at GSU. I believe that God permits everything to happen for a reason and though numbers 1-4 may have had a tremendous effect on my doing the "five year thing," it was me and only me who ultimately made it possible.

To anyone else that I forgot to thank you not (you know who you are) please forgive me for not acknowledging you.

Either space did not permit or I simply chose to block out your presence in my life. I'll remember you in my December thank

### **Your Opinion**

### SGA candidate wants to fight for the students

I know most Georgia Southern students are tired of the scandal and controversy that tends to swarm around the Student Government Association and this election.

I know they are tired of the lies and broken promises, and how they shatter our trust and faith in the system that was made "for us, by us." I am not writing this letter because I'm running for SGA president; I am writing this letter because I feel that the students should be aware of the importance of this election.

Many students have been turned off by the rumors and news articles that call for the disbandment of Student Government. Many students just don't care, and I can sympathize with you, but as a student who pays tuition to this school, and as a

citizen who puts money in this economy, you need to voice your opinion in a debate that will affect your future.

This election has grown in importance in the last week. No longer is it an election between students with ideas, and students who truly care, but now, it is an election about who will truly fight

This past year I was the executive vice president for SGA, and I served with the Nicely admin-

I have drawn criticism lately for not fighting harder to make that administration work. I did everything in my power to fight for the students, but I was not president, and it was not my administration. I have also been blamed for the low ' turnout in the last election.

According to some, I made people on SGA under publicize the election. These accusations are not true at all

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. I am in this fight to the end, not because I want a title for my resumé but because GSU needs a leader who will fight the hard fight and will not give up.

I am not afraid to fight for you, and I am not afraid to be your president. This election will change SGA's landscape forever, and it is important that your voice is heard, and that your opinion is counted.

Sincerely Joyce Estrada

### Student questions Nicely's motives for running for SGA

Can you believe that Aaron Nicely is running for SGA president again? How far is he really going to take his dislike for Joyce Estrada? Anybody with half a brain knows that he is running again only because he knows that the Estrada ticket is going to

If he really wanted to be the SGA president he would have run the first time. In last year's election I was a candidate on the ticket opposing Nicely because I thought he lacked leadership ability, but at least he was in the election for the right reasons. This year he isn't even in it for the right reasons. And I will continue to

Aside from Nicely I see many other candidates in this second election that I know are in it for the wrong

In the first elections they were all candidates that had history and experience with SGA, who knew what was going on. In this next group of candidates I see a bunch of students that never gave a d@\*n about stu-

I see candidates I know person-

they are involved with take place at either a local bar, or within the walls of their eve-so-secret fraternity

If complete and total reform is what you want than vote for these people. But if you want a successful

ally whose only student activities SGA next year than you need to look at who already has built relationships with the faculty, who knows how SGA works, and most importantly, knows how to make it work.

> Adam P. Taylor GSU student

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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.

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Out with old,

### In with the new

# George-Anne George-Anne

### 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 governpeople who just tell you what they think you want to hear. Watch out for lies, because this campus is full of

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.

this next part might be very boring. It is bound to be at least a little bit

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 levelheadedness 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

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 ment and the faculty and staff with a knew you could do the job, and I grain of salt. Do not be duped by 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 wher-

Kevin "Stix" Caskey: The ways than one.)

(If you don't work for the G-A epitome of Billy Bad Ass. Thanks for making the staff a little less reserved and for loosening up the old ADS

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

Renfroe: 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

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.

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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.

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

I've made it (I hope)! The last less, but in anything, one has to take 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'

First of all, I would like to say thank you to this university and everyone in- SAM SIEGEL volved 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

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 painthe 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 prosperlife's too short to sweat the small

There are a thousand other people that I should mention. This article has to fit on the news page, so if your 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.

Sam Siegel is an English major and is graduating (in all probability) in May. He can be reached at samgsiegel@hotmail.com.

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

· 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

• 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

· An evening walk down Savannah Avenue can cure just about anything. · Your parents are smarter than you think.

STACEY Wysong

· Get to know as many. people as you can because, sadly, it is often true that it's.

· So are your instruc-

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

 The Rolling Stones were right: "You can't always get what you want, but if you try sometimes, 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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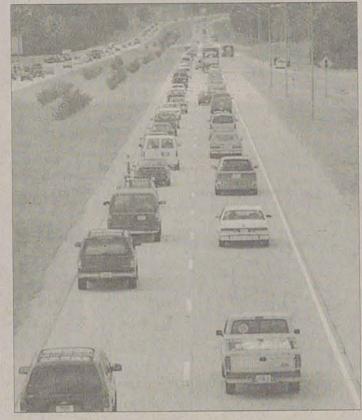
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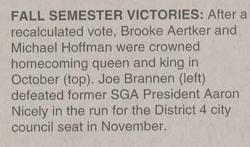


SU has seen it all this year — from mass evacuations out of town to escape Hurricane Floyd to mass evacuations to Chattanooga to watch our Eagles capture our fifth National Championship title. Everything from the homecoming king and queen results to the SGA elections have been recalled. And famous people 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 Millionnaire?' 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.





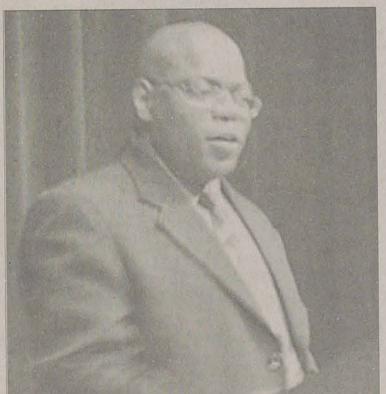






**NOTHING CAN** COMPARE TO THE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP WIN: Quarterback Greg Hill (right) holds the fifth National Championship plaque high after stomping Youngstown State, 59-24 in December.

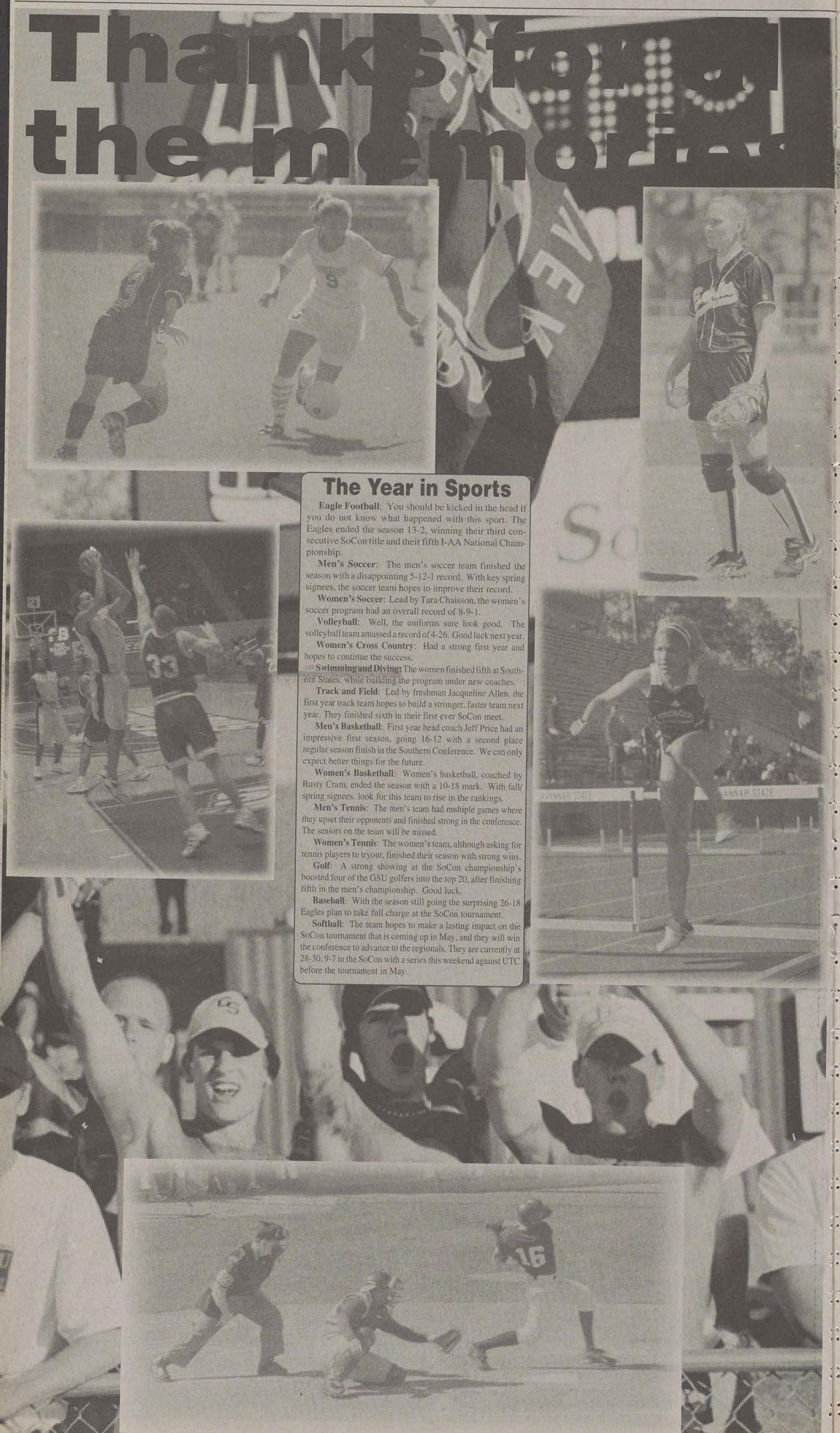




TRIALS AND TRIBULATIONS: GSU Baseball (far left) kicked off the year with a rough start, dismissing four players for hazing, followed by four more players leaving the team. Lesra Martin (middle) visited GSU in February, giving his audience something to think about as he told his of his struggles to get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







# Eagles blast Mercer, 8-0 Blazi earns Player

**By Edmund Coley** 

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 bottomhalf of the first inning with two runs GSU 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

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

GSU would send 10 batters to as they took advantage of three walks the plate in the 7th scoring five really wanted to get them back."

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



MAKING THE PLAY: Kelly Blazi was named softball Playerof-the-Week on Monday.

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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 Mon-

This marks Blazi's first-ever

Player-of-the-Week honor. The Warner Robins, Ga. native hit .538 (7-for-13) in the fourgame 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.

of-the-Week honor

•GSU has claimed four straight SoCon weekly honors

She also hit a double and p.m.

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stole a base in helping t Eagles to a split in the serie

"I'm very happy for Kel because I know how hard she worked to get to where she is GSU head coach Kell Kirkland said. "She had an e cellent weekend at the pla and she played a major part helping us to two wins again a very tough UNC Greensbo team.'

In Friday's second gam Blazi led the Eagles by goi 3-for-4 with five RBI and to runs scored. Three of her R came in the fifth inning wh she belted a one-out home r over the left field fence to gi GSU a commanding lead route to a 9-1 win.

Blazi's winning of Playe of-the-Week continues a for week string of SoCon week honors for GSU, which start when sophomore Aim Littlejohn was named Pitche of-the-Week on April 4. Seni Jennifer Harris earned Playe of-the-Week honors on Ap 11, and Littlejohn earned second POW of the season la week on April 17.

Chattanooga freshm Connie Ness earned this week Pitcher-of-the-Week hono Blazi and Ness will both pl in a pivotal SoCon series th weekend when GSU (28-30, 7) hosts Chattanooga (38-2 11-5) in a pair of doublehea ers starting on Saturday at

#### Furman's Cole Hubka stole home in the fourth to lift GREENVILLE, S.C. — Furman's Chris Valdes went the Paladins to a 3-2 lead.

GSU falls to Furman on the road

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 Sr Con) 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

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

Furman's Corey Etheridge (5-5) went five and onethird 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.

How Sweet it is



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.



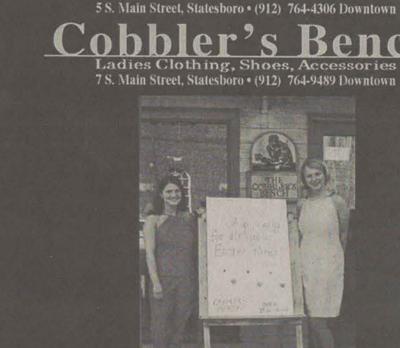
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#### **GSU** places sixth in first ever showing at SoCon outdoor championship



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

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\*Ohio State Grand Champion

\*Tri State Grand Champion

\*Inducted into the International Karate Hall of Fame (which include people such as Bruce Lee and Chuck Norris)

\*Inducted into the International Kickboxing Hall of Fame

\*Inducted into the Isshin Ryu Hall of Fame

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

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,

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

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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.

possession of fifth place on the strength of top-20 efforts by senior

Newton and sophomore Justin Kolumber. Stroud and Newton tied for 11th place, while Kolumber was at 217. posted a 17th-place finish.

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 fourth at 220.

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, GSU, tied for seventh after while The Citadel was 11th at 951 Friday's first round, claimed sole and VMI rounded out the field at

Pat Beste of ETSU was the Matt Stroud, junior Christian tournament's meadlist with a 3over-par- 216, one shot better then William McGirt of Wofford who

Andy Crain of UNC Greens-East Tennessee State who trailed boro was third at 219, while Jedd McLuen of College of Charleston, Chris Wisler of ETSU and Jay Mundy of Furman were tied at

### Stroud named to All-**Conference squad**

GSU's Matt Stroud has been age putts per round at 29.5. A named to the Southern Conference men's golf all-conference squad, according to an announcement today from the league office in Asheville,

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

Stroud posted the Eagle's low scoring average this season at 74.12, and ranked 12th in the nation in aver-

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

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.

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# Lifestyles

# The sounds of summer: summer tours 2000

With the release of "Machina: Machines of

Jam bands like Dave Matthews Band and Phish

This summer will perhaps be the most exciting

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 to-

gether on stages throughout North America. The

tour will pit stop in at the Georgia Dome for some

**Tim Prizer** 

Ahh, the sounds of summer. High-pitched eals from children splashing in the swimming l, the sound of lawn mowers, rumbling enes, sprinklers ticking as they shift positions, those distant roars of thunder that somehow p their way through the scorching sunshine. re is just one sound of summer that often gets out and it is easily the most exciting and the st powerful. This beautiful sound that I am rring to occurs on stages throughout the U.S. t's right, it's the sound of music brought to us 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 ke it their goal to cover as much of the globe in ittle time as possible. With Atlanta nearby, U students are almost guaranteed to see whatr artists they want, in any genre they desire, in scorching months of summer.

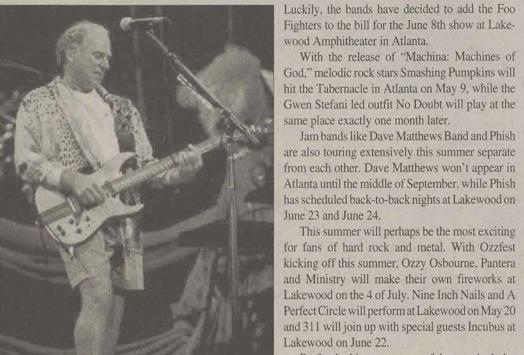
Whether your style is metal, alternative, pop, ntry, or hip-hop, this summer is loaded with certs from all of your favorite artists, many of om plan to shack up at least one night at a club amphitheater in our state's capital. From the kie Chicks to Metallica, both bands and artists seeking a little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

To multiply the money that a tour brings to an artist, often times musicians with erally the same fan base will tour together, sharing stages on the same nights bughout the world. When four or more bands join together for an all-out ning of jamming and tour extensively, it is often referred to as a festival. From tivals to simple 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 Midwest, and finish in the East in Washington, DC he quality of artists that decide to tour together. From country to rap and all igs in between, fans are in for a wonderful treat. Aside from Atlanta's Music tour the summer has to offer. dtown, other exciting shows are surfacing for the summer months.

nerica this summer. The tour will kick off on July 28 at the Sandstone aphitheater in Kansas City, Kan. The Crows and Live have not yet scheduled ate to play in Atlanta, however.

Another amazing show will be the co-headlining of the Red Hot Chili Peppers to be released however. support of their latest album "Californication") and Stone Temple Pilots (in port of "No. 4"). The Chili Peppers and the Pilots will begin their sixth leg of able to find plenty of action in Atlanta's music scene this tour in Saratoga, NY and take a break after the August 19 gig in Montreal. summer also. Though Macon's own Allman Brothers



Jimmy Buffett

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 towards the end of July. This is by far the biggest hip-hop

Limp Bizket and Cypress Hill plan to put on a free The Counting Crows and Live plan to share a bill that will stretch across North 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

Those of you who are fans of older artists should be

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 Sun-

day, 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.

**Dixie Chicks** 

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

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

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 Internet photo be much hotter than normal in the blistering months of Summer 2000.



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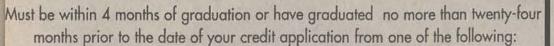
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### **Southern belle named Caroline**

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

"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

Who needs a bell tower anyway when the versatile

#### Caroline sings so much better? GSU sponsors Disability Awareness Day

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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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Well, the end is near. At least for enough to survive. 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

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And to everyone else, good

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spend it by playing games. Wake up. Who you are today you will be And dating is not far from this tomorrow unless you return to

So with these last few thoughts, rificed, and I will show you a rela- I say farewell to those of you who decided to read my little corner of the paper. To those I have offended, I cannot apologize for what I believe. I can only offer the hand of Andre 'Agassi once said, it is respect for being willing to state and stand by what you think, a rare trait indeed. To those who have

the one who knows how to make you cry with something much

evening and good-bye.

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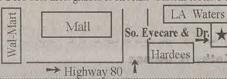
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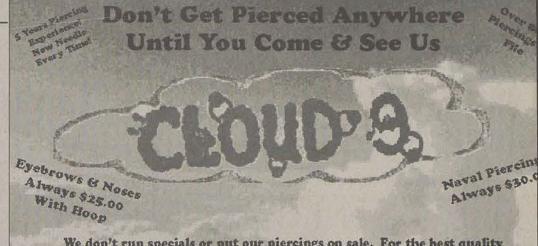
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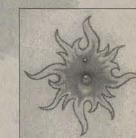
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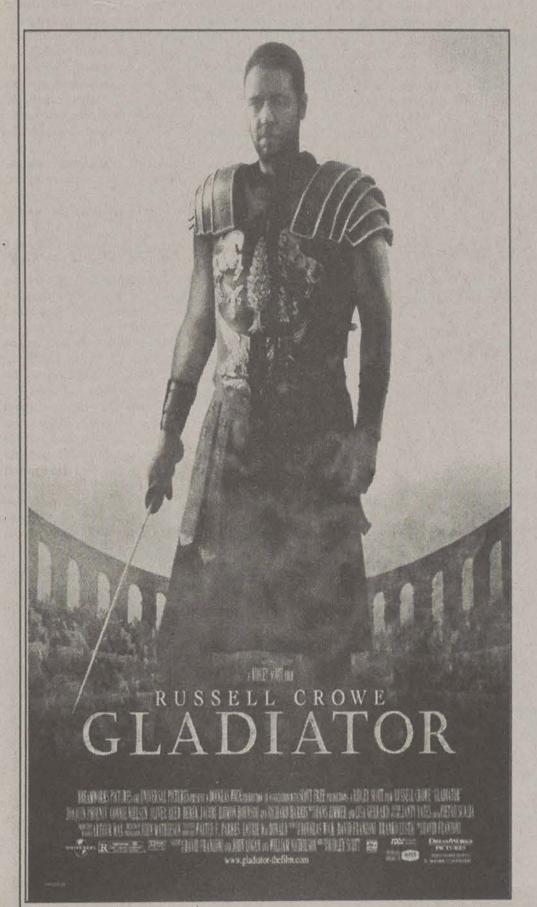












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**Kevin Cummings** sophomore, CIS major



"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 sophomore, science education major



"I'm going to Uganda for eight weeks."

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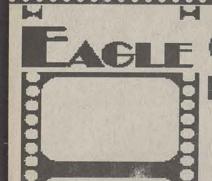
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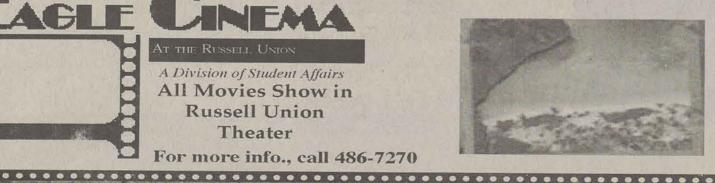


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#### Widespread Panic returns to the 'Boro



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

This Friday one of the best bands ever compiled in the state of Georgia will be playing harminously 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 ryhthm 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, "everyone in the stadium to go to the concession stand to pick up their free beer courtesy of Widespresd 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 full time member played in his first gig at (lead electric guitarist) was nicknamed the famous Uptown Lounge in October

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

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 (percusssionist) 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 playedhis first gig as drummer and earned a spot with the band. Domingo "Sunny" Ortiz who later became the band's fifth

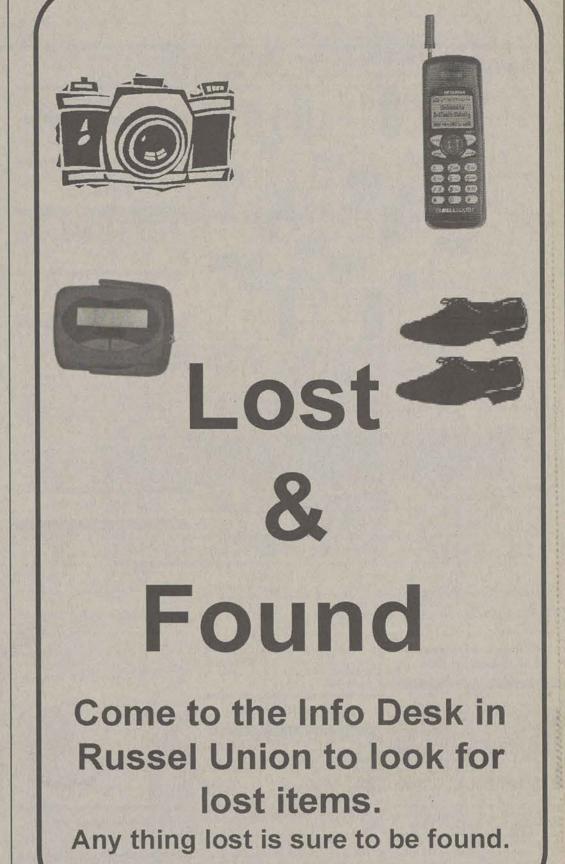
In September of 1988 the fabulous five completed their first album "Space Wrangler". The music was great yet the band was missing one key element. Keyboardist T Lavitz of the Dixie Dregs joined the group contributing to the recording of "Mom's Kitchen" in May of

HoweverJohn"JoJo"Hermanbagan 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.

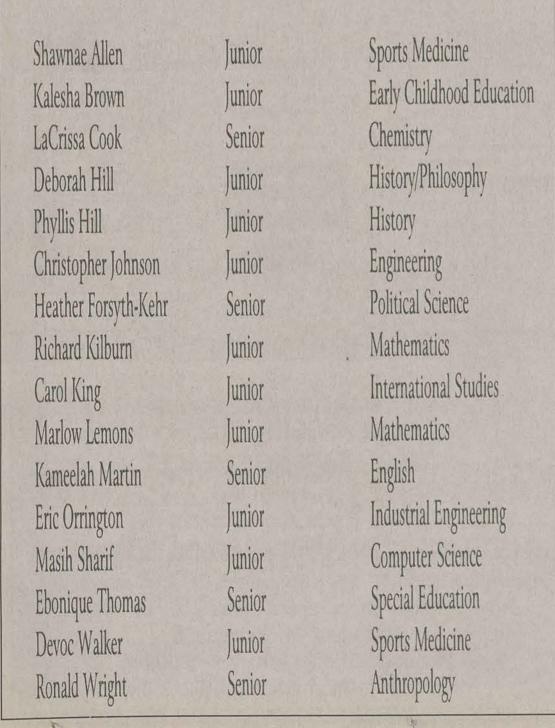
This Friday, GSU is in for a very special treat. Widespread Panic is one of the best live bands of our era. Some experts would argue that the band is playing their best music right now. I personally would have to agree.

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

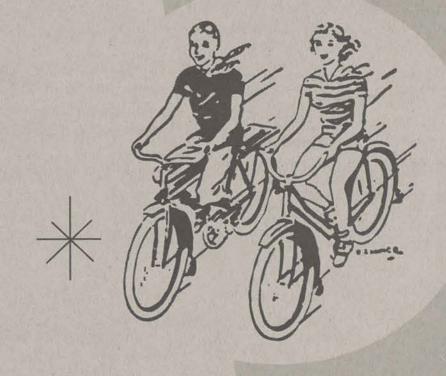
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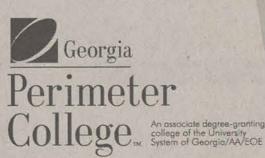


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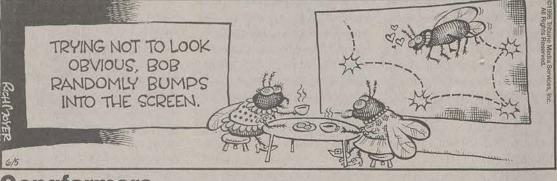
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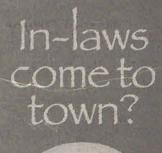
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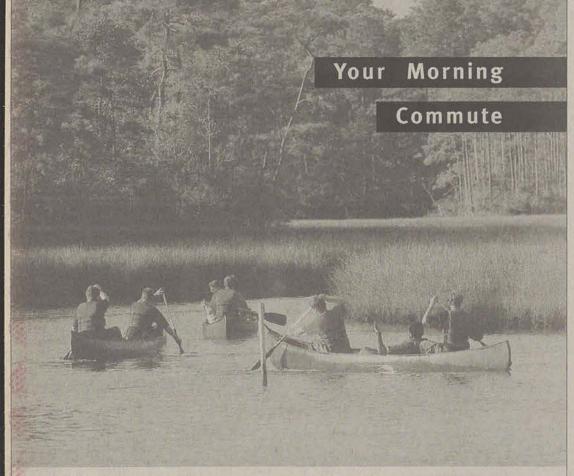


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# Wednesday, April 26, 2000 — Page 15 'Return to Me': A movie review from both sexes

By Tricia Hall and Justin 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 the somewhat cheesy plot was to see "Return to Me." I think that the actually full of good stuff, only reason he agreed to see this "chick and well, I caught myself 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 the plot was cheesy. I thought 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 reembursed for it. Sweet. However, I

must have fallen into the trap something because.....darnit...Ilikedthe 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 smiling throughout the movie. Just don't tell anyone that I said that.

Trish: I don't think that 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



#### 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: Lagree 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 hereyes 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

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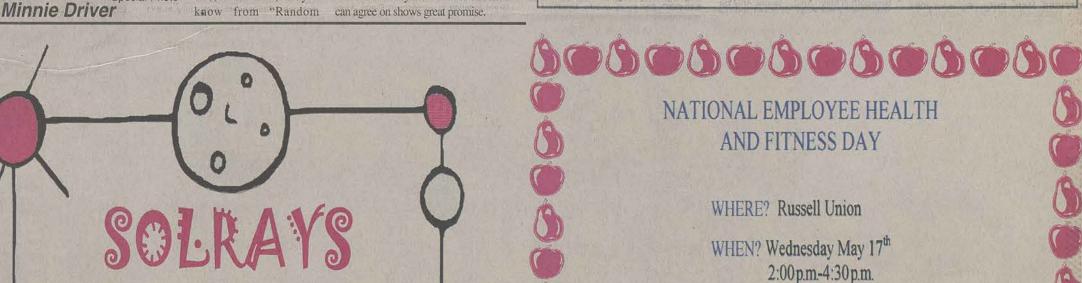
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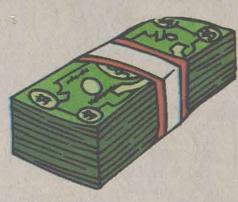
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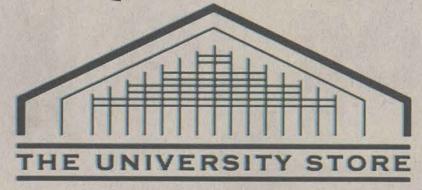
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