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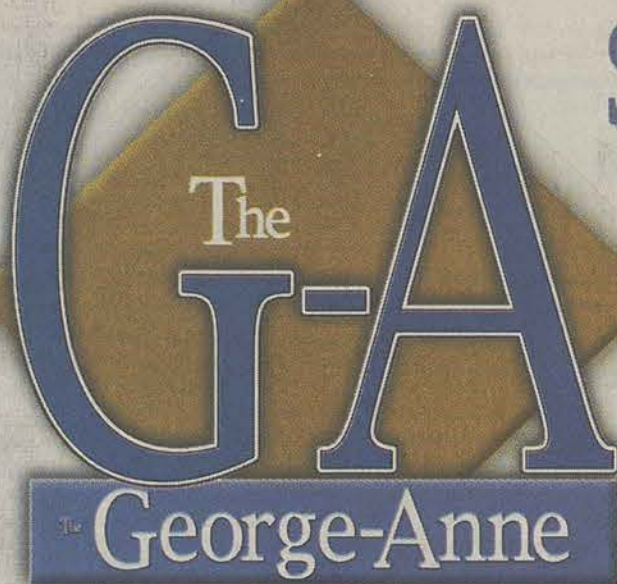


LIFE

'Coyote Ugly' comes to the bigscreen

Discover how one girl tries to make it in the big city. Does it add up or barely produce a howl? Find out inside.

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SPORTS

Peterson to win Heisman?

Many people think that Adrian Peterson has what it takes to win the Heisman trophy. Will it be this year?

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Vandegrift envisions GSU as 'first choice, first tier university'

By John Bryson
News Editor

Dr. Vaughn Vandegrift, GSU's new Vice President of Academic Affairs, said he feels that GSU's ultimate goal, according to the strategic plan, is to become the "first choice, first tier university for all Georgia students."

Vandegrift, who joined the GSU community on July 24th, says his first month and a half on campus has gone well. Noting that his physical transfer to GSU was the hardest part of taking on this new position, Vandegrift was also quick to point out that the hospitality shown to him by the GSU community was by far the best he had ever encountered.

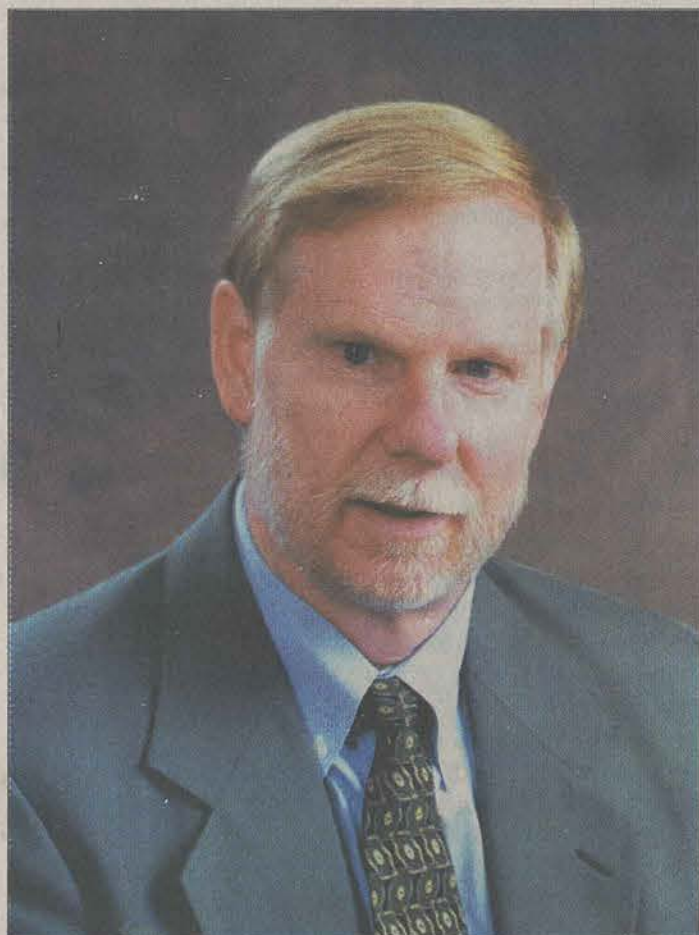
"I was attracted to this place because of the people," Vandegrift said. "This first month has done nothing but confirm my belief that the hospitality here is better than anywhere else."

The Strategic Plan

"The strategic plan is the manifestation of what GSU will become based on the history of what it has been and is now," Vandegrift said.

Vandegrift likened the strategic plan to GSU students, saying that they should see the strategic plan in the sense of their own development.

"I want students to see that the idea of a strategic plan is not to become something that you



File Photo

Vaughn Vandegrift

cannot," Vandegrift said. "Instead, it is the idea of developing yourself into the very best of what you can be. We aren't trying to be a Harvard or even a UGA, we are focusing on our own mission to become the very best that GSU can be within its own mission."

With the strategic plan central to his own planning, Vandegrift hopes to accomplish two main goals in his first 100 days with respect to that document and its goals.

Those goals are 1.) to meet with all of GSU's department chairs, deans and faculty

members so that he can learn their interests and support professionalism and 2.) to initiate a program review process to look at various majors and degrees to determine their strengths so that the university can meet the goals of the strategic plan to focus on academic distinction and student-centered learning.

Vandegrift believes that students should understand that the strategic plan isn't something that was developed out of "thin air," but rather is a

well-planned document that stresses development of GSU to its highest level.

"We want to make as many programs as possible reach to their highest level," Vandegrift said. "We can do that through academic distinction, transcultural opportunities, development of technology, beautification of campus - it's already beautiful and can be more so - and through the other

elements of the strategic plan."

On GSU students

Focusing on a student-centered university community, Vandegrift wants GSU students to enjoy their days here while being responsible for their academics.

"Students should get as much

help as possible through several areas to deal with alcohol, drug or family problems with counseling. Also, academic problems can be addressed if students let the right people know."

On the immediate problems facing GSU, Vandegrift said that

he feels some areas that he will pay immediate attention to are retention rates for GSU students as well as the six-year graduation rate.

"Our six-year graduation rates and

retention rates are a little below the national average," Vandegrift said. "First, we need to get a good handle on the reasons so that we can address them."

Even with the areas that Vandegrift mentioned that need improvement, he remains convinced that GSU is destined for greatness.

"GSU is a very good place and will be better," Vandegrift said. "I've seen the commitment."

'Excellence'

• Six GSU professors win top awards

Awards for excellence in contributions to instruction

- Craig Roell, professor of history
- Greg Russell, associate professor of information systems and logistics

Awards for excellence in research/creative scholarly activity

- Charles Briggs, associate professor of history
- Cathy Owens Swift, professor of marketing

Awards for excellence in service

- David R. Stone, professor of mathematics
- Russell Kent, professor of management

By John Bryson
News Editor

Six GSU professors who were rewarded by GSU at last Monday's Fall Convocation with Awards of Excellence are "humbled and honored" by being chosen by their peers as exemplifying the very best in three areas that GSU has sought to derive the best from its faculty.

The awards which focused in on three areas - service, research/creative scholarly activity and contributions in instruction - were devised to show that GSU is committed to promoting a faculty which is distinct in its contributions and helps to lead GSU into the future.

Each of the recipients who spoke to *The George-Anne*

expressed thanks and encouraged others to do the same and continue the tradition.

Dr. Greg Russell, associate professor of information systems and logistics and a recipient of the award for excellence in contributions to instruction, feels he now has yet another motivating factor for his work.

"This is an incredibly high honor," Russell said. "The other recipients in the past have been a tremendous group. I now feel like I have a responsibility to continue at a high level of quality of instruction."

Dr. Cathy Owens Swift, professor of marketing and a recipient of the award for excellence in research/creative scholarly activity, feels like this is a "real achievement" as she

has now won an excellence award twice.

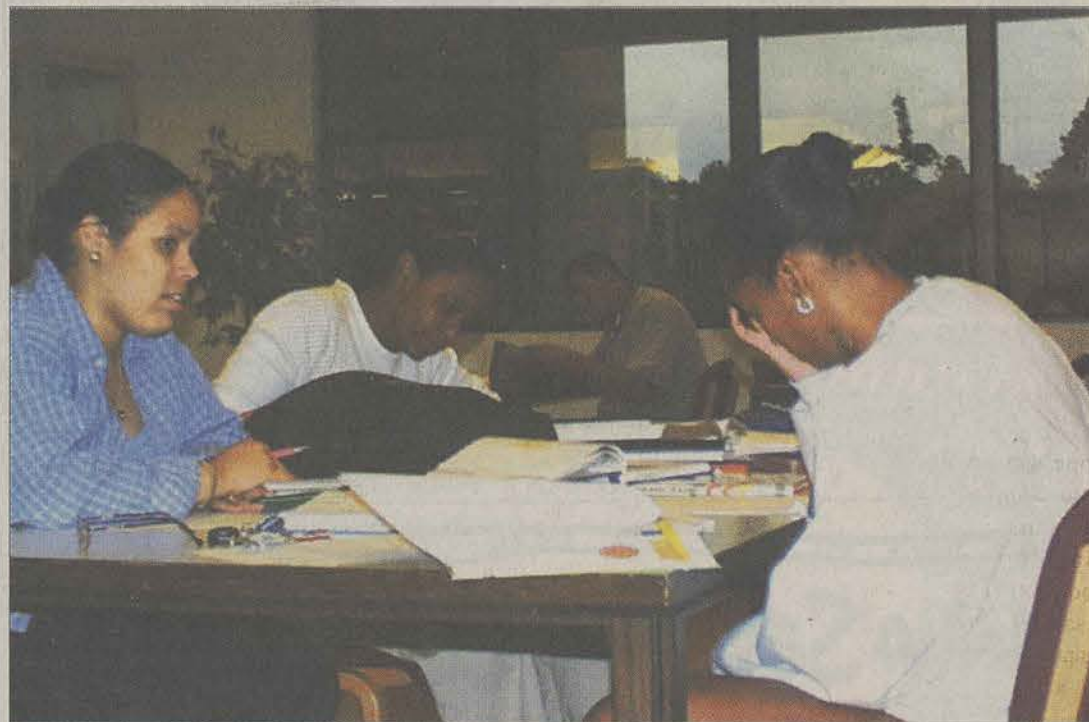
"Several years ago I was able to win the teaching award," Swift said. "A lot of my research is in the teaching area . . . since we are a teaching institution, this award shows recognition for research in the educational area and is very special to me."

Another recipient of the excellence award in contributions to instruction, Dr. Craig Roell, professor of history, feels that this award shows that his peers believe he has contributed something "at the university level that is distinct," but feels that others were deserving also.

"I certainly didn't expect this," Roell said. "I was so surprised that

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Back to the grind...



Tim Prizer

Studying Away: (left to right) Tausha Gresham, Kenya Brantley and Kearston Bland take advantage of the library's study area Tuesday afternoon.

Napster asks for rights to copy music

TMS Campus

Hoping to reverse a stinging rebuke from a lower court, Napster Inc. asked the U.S. 9th Circuit Court of Appeals on last Friday to rule that consumers have the right to copy music from other consumers' computers without compensating the artists who recorded it.

The argument is the same one that Napster's lawyers tried on U.S. District Judge Marilyn Hall Patel in San Francisco, who nevertheless slapped the company with a potentially crippling injunction. But

the 9th Circuit, whose turf includes Silicon Valley and Hollywood, has a track record that some copyright experts say is more favorable to innovative technologies like Napster.

In particular, some legal observers say that the 9th Circuit is more open to new interpretations of copyright law in the face of new technologies. And that's what Napster, a Redwood City company that enables consumers to search for and retrieve music files from each others' computers, may need to stay in operation.

Still, the legal tea leaves can be tricky to read, given that only three

of the 28 active judges on the 9th Circuit will be deciding the case. And there's no telling whether the two judges who granted Napster's request for an emergency appeal will be the same ones ruling on it.

"The 9th Circuit is too big, and in fact many of the judges on it are too new to have a reputation with regard to copyright," said Eugene Volokh, a law professor at UCLA.

Napster, the most popular online music service, is challenging a pre-trial ruling by Judge Patel that it enabled the widespread violation of

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Things To Do at GSU Ongoing

•More than 3,000 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 2048.

•**BSU** meets every Tuesday at 8 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.

August 23-24

•**GSU Theatre and Performance** will hold open auditions for parts in "Tartuffe: Born Again" by Moliere at 7 p.m. in Comm Arts room 1001.

August 29

•**The Black Student Alliance** will meet at 7 p.m. in room 2047 of the Russell Union.

•**Phi Kappa Phi** will hold a meeting at 4:15 p.m. in room 2042 of the Russell Union.

September 6

•**Gamma Beta Phi** will hold its first meeting in Russell Union room 2048 at 7 p.m.

September 9

•**The Association of Georgia Southern Women** will hold its annual membership coffee on Saturday, Sept. 9, 2000 at 10 a.m. at the Lamar Q. Ball, Jr. Raptor Center. Refreshments will be served until noon. Membership is open to all wives of, or women who are, active or retired faculty members, administrators and staff of GSU. Call Linda Rhodes at 681-5373 for more information.

September 19

•**Focus on Excellence** lecture given by Dr. David Stone will be held at 4 p.m. in the GSU museum lecture hall.

This Week's Weather



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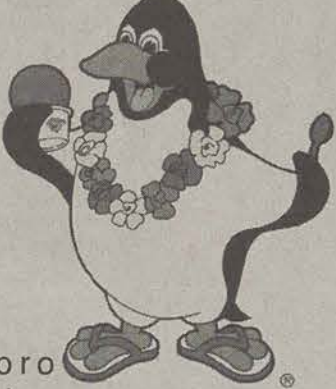
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POLICE BEAT

GSU Public Safety August 14

•Randall Gallant reported his Murray bicycle was taken from the Russell Union bike rack.

•Nicholas Moller reported someone entered his vehicle in the Recreational Activity Center parking lot and took the face of his radio/CD player.

August 15

•Jonathan Kyle Mayeske, 19, 1257 Arlene Court, Lilburn, was charged with DUI (.121) and failure to maintain lane.

August 16

•Robert Brooks Gaudry, 18, 39 Clarendon Road, Savannah, was charged with DUI (.084) and failure to maintain lane.

•Anita Tay Lary, 5340 Cedar Chase, Dunwoody, was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol.

August 18

•John Cary Gaines, Jr., 22, Park Place Apts., was charged with DUI (.224) and failure to maintain lane.

•Gary Lamar Lane, Jr., 33, 376 Baumgarner Road, Brunswick, was charged with DUI (.212) and weaving over the roadway.

•Kristin Kelly MacSorley, 19, 200 Lakeview Drive, Glennville, was charged with DUI (.155) and a stop sign violation.

Statesboro Police Department August 15

•Dexter Hendrix, 23, 6 Spruce Street, was charged with driving on a suspended license

•Scott Daniel, 22, 335 Langston Chapel Road, was charged with forgery in the 1st degree and acquisition of a controlled

substance by forgery or misrepresentation.

August 16

•Audrell Grace, 21, College Lane Apt. 120, was charged with speeding and driving on a suspended license.

•Kenya Lovell, 21, 304 Pretoria-Rushing Road, was charged with forgery in the 1st degree.

•Blake Waters, 20, 250 Marshland Court, Richmond Hill, was charged with possession of a fake ID and underage possession of alcohol.

August 17

•Ryan McFadden, 18, 1300 St. Lawrence Drive, Alpharetta, was charged with DUI, no proof of insurance and speeding.

•Kevin Dial, 18, 5130 Forest Dawns Lane, College Park, was charged with possession of marijuana (misdemeanor).

•Steven Demchik, 18, Johnson Hall, was charged with DUI and defective equipment.

August 18

•Albert Tagoe, 18, 203 Blairmore Court, Duluth, was charged with driving on a revoked license and excessive volume from radio in vehicle.

•Scott Daniel, 22, 335 Langston Chapel Road, was charged with false report of a crime and false statements and writings.

•Terrance Thomas, 25, 108 Randall Street, Sylvania, was charged with driving on a suspended license and excessive volume from a motor vehicle.

•Travis Hardney, 19, 6945 Kimberly Mill Road, College Park, was charged with driving on a suspended license and seatbelt violation.

•Nathan Sluss, 21, 656 Serramonte Drive, Marietta, was charged with failure to maintain

lane, no proof of insurance and DUI.

August 19

•Ryan Woodson, 19, 551 Russett Court, Marietta, was charged with speeding and DUI.

•James Newsome, 19, 1822 Chandler Road Apt. 32, was charged with a pending DUI and defective equipment (tag light).

August 20

•Dan Pope, 19, 65 Inland Circle, Newnan, was charged with disorderly conduct.

•Stephen Sweat, 18, 740 Sweetbrier Drive, Alpharetta, was charged with DUI and failure to maintain lane.

•Robert Maxwell, 22, Sylvester, was charged with DUI and reckless driving.

•Latise Martin, 18, 309 Longwood Drive, was charged with disorderly conduct.

August 21

•Dare Acabi-Isama, 20, Decatur, was charged with DUI and excessive volume from vehicle radio.

•Gary Tomlinson, 20, Lauderhill, FL, was charged with driving on a suspended license and excessive volume from radio.

•Anthony Venson, 23, 116 North Foss St., was charged with driving on a suspended license (2nd offense).

Editor's Note: Police Beat appears in every issue of the George-Anne in order 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 John Bryson, News Editor.

Bush and Gore campaign in vital midwest

TMS Campus

DES MOINES, IA - The day was supposed to be devoted to education and defense, two of Gov. George W. Bush's favorite topics.

Instead, Bush and his staff spent much of Monday trading barbed remarks with the campaign of Vice President Al Gore about two of the Democratic nominee's current favorites: taxes and debates.

Between defending the fairness of his tax-cut proposal and his willingness to go head-to-head with Gore in debates, the Texas governor told the Veterans of Foreign Wars convention in Milwaukee that

he would rebuild the nation's flagging military and then flew to Des Moines to visit an innovative public school located in the business district so working parents can be close to their school-age children.

The stops in Wisconsin and Iowa illustrated a theme of Bush's campaign appearances in the wake of last week's Democratic convention: that he intends to challenge Gore in states that have not voted for the Republican presidential candidate in recent elections.

Both Midwestern states, for instance, last fell into the

Republican column in 1984, when President Ronald Reagan won his second term. Bush planned to visit 19 states between last Friday, when he campaigned in Gore's home state of Tennessee, and the end of the month. Of those, President Clinton carried 16, including Illinois, which is on Bush's schedule for Tuesday.

The schedules of the two candidates in recent days prove how vital they consider the states that border the upper Mississippi River. They are making appearances in the same four states - Wisconsin, Illinois, Iowa and Missouri - within days of each other.

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ONLY IN AMERICA...

1 Kansas

Lost doll returned to owner after 76 years

OKLAHOMA CITY — Dolly is back home with owner Marvel Fish after being stuck for 76 years in the wall of Fish's childhood home.

The 6-inch porcelain doll named Dolly now regally resides over the Fish household — protected in a handmade case on the fireplace mantel.

"I must have been 12 or 13 when the doll fell between a space in the closet that my father hadn't finished out," Fish said.

Her father, while building the house, had not finished off a wall, leaving a 4- to 6-inch opening between the floorboards and outer wall that extended from the second floor to the foundation of the house, she explained.

The young girl never told her parents she had lost the doll, fearing she would be punished. But she never forgot.

Two years later they moved, and throughout the years of being a teen-ager most of her childhood toys disappeared, except for a miniature sewing machine. She used it to make doll clothes, including the multicolored red and green striped silk dress the doll wore when it was lost.

Fish kept the memory of the doll alive by retelling the story of the lost doll to her daughter and two sons, 12 grandchildren and then 15 great grandchildren.

Fish's daughter Sylvia Bayless was determined Dolly would not be just a memory.

"I have my Mom's love of things and my Dad's perseverance," Bayless said.

She found the house where her mother once lived and convinced the new owner to help locate the doll. Her son had tried previously with a different owner and was unsuccessful.

D.J. Steinbrom readily agreed to help them find the doll, Bayless said.

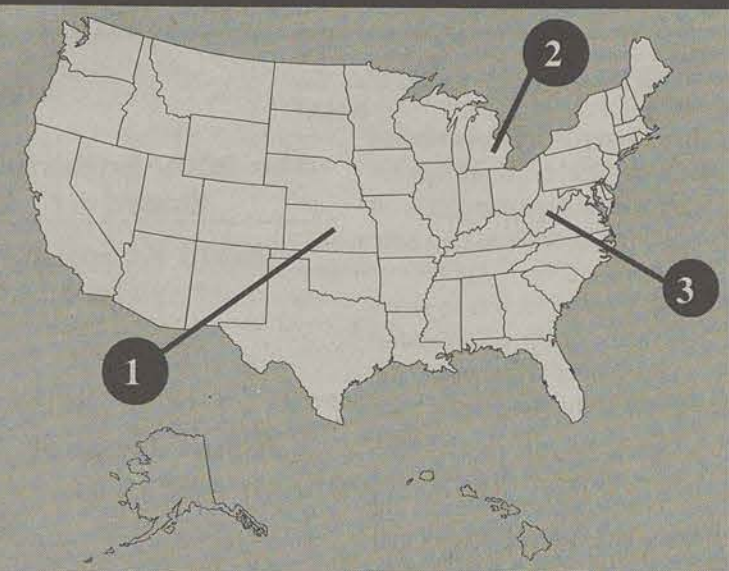
Fish and Bayless set out with a car full of plastic pipe, fishing equipment and flashlights after mapping out their plans. "They looked like they were going deep sea fishing," Lee Fish said.

"When we drove up I knew it was the right house," Marvel Fish said, even though she had not seen it since she was 15.

Bayless said her mother had a pretty good idea where the doll might be located but nobody had any idea how far it had fallen or what it would take to get the doll back. "It wasn't easy," said Bayless.

Steinbrom pulled boards off the wall and was even prepared to tear off the plaster and lath in order to reach the lost doll, she said.

But that was not necessary



when Bayless spied the doll had only fallen only a few feet and was resting on top of a first floor door frame.

"I just barely saw the outline due to the years of dust and then I saw the head," said Bayless.

She snagged the doll's dress with a large fishing lure tied to a string and lifted her to freedom. Then they retrieved the doll's broken leg with a wad of tape on the end of the plastic pipe.

Fish took her doll home, cleaned her up and reattached the leg with glue. Only the faded colors in the silk dress attest to the passing of the years.

2 Michigan

80-year old drug dealer arrested..again.

MUSKEGON — An 80-year-old Muskegon Heights man is spending his senior years busy in ways highly unusual for a man his age.

Jimmie DeLoach, also known as "Cadillac Jimmie," is battling charges he was selling crack cocaine and marijuana from his home. Prosecutors also charged him for a felony firearms possession.

It isn't the first time DeLoach has come up against such charges. At ages 71 and 75, he was convicted of selling drugs and spent time in prison.

"The reason we continue to charge him is because he keeps selling drugs," Brett Gardner, Muskegon County's chief assistant prosecutor, told The Muskegon Chronicle for a Saturday story.

The new charges could send DeLoach to prison for the rest of his life. DeLoach was arrested Wednesday, two months after the West Michigan Enforcement Team and Muskegon Heights police used a search warrant to raid the home DeLoach was renting.

Police say the raid produced drugs, a loaded gun, and a wad of \$593 in cash. DeLoach was arraigned Thursday before 60th District Judge Richard J. Pasarella and remained

in the Muskegon County Jail. His bail had been set at \$50,000.

"Despite four previous convictions, the loss of his home and prison time, he just won't stop," said Gardner. "I don't think people should feel sorry for him. DeLoach's personality is low-key and affable, Gardner said.

"On the outside, he appears to be an old man and the last thing you would

believe is that he's a drug dealer," the prosecutor said.

"The impact of selling drugs is not lessened because the person who is selling them is 80 years old. He's a dangerous man," Gardner said. Preliminary examination in the case is set for Aug. 30.

3 West Virginia

Chimp escapes, goes on rampage

SPRAGUE — The same chimpanzee that two years ago wrecked a U.S. Postal Service truck has struck again.

Herbie got loose after a sitter opened the wrong door of his cage and was on the run for more than three hours Saturday. Herbie stayed near his home while most neighbors stayed inside out of fear, said Raleigh County Sheriff's Deputy M.A. McCray.

Police told residents to keep their lights off. "If he saw a light on, he would apparently go to the house and want to go in," McCray said.

The chimp jumped on one vehicle and tore screens out of one resident's home, the deputy said. While loose Herbie bit Ronald McClung, 18, in the palm of his hand.

Herbie also bit Mike Cochran, a neighbor who had tried to restrain the 5-foot, 150-pound creature. Even though Cochran had played with Herbie before, "It jumped on him, knocked him down and bit his finger. He had some injuries to his side, too," McCray said.

Herbie's roommate, Sonny, never made it out of the large cage they share in the home of Fred Wriston, who has owned Herbie for 13 years.

A Beckley police officer obtained a tranquilizer from a veterinarian and a Wriston family member got close enough to inject it. Herbie went to sleep and was carried home.

In June 1998, Herbie tried to take the driver's seat of a postal truck. After escaping from his cage, Herbie ran Arthur Warden of Beckley out of the truck, causing the truck to slam into a parked vehicle. The chimp, who jumped from the truck before the accident, started after Warden, getting into a grab-each-other match until Wriston restrained his pet.

Wriston said at the time he believed Herbie tried to take the mail truck because he was once featured in a commercial, driving. Herbie cooks, cleans, mops and hammers, and relatives say he's just as intelligent as a human.

"Permanent" makeup is latest trend in tattooing

Associated Press

Cedar Rapids, Iowa—Tattoos already adorn arms, legs or nether regions, and now you can have them on the eyes, eyebrows and lips.

OK, the latter aren't true tattoos. They're permanent makeup, but the application process is similar.

"It is just convenient to have the opportunity to not worry about makeup," says Susan Naylor, who offers the service at her Cedar Rapids salon, Expressions Salon & Spa.

Naylor, 32, is one of two known technicians in the state. She took a four-day class in January to learn the procedure, and she already has a handful of customers.

Permanent makeup isn't actually permanent. It lasts three to five years, unlike artistic ink tattooing, which lasts a lifetime. The pigment probe used with permanent cosmetics pierces only the second layer of skin cells. Those cells shrink over time, slough off and take the iron-based pigment with them.

If you can't wait for the pigment to wear away, though, a plastic surgeon

must remove it.

The procedure requires two applications. The first appears light. A month later, clients come back for a touch-up. Each application takes one to two hours.

Susan McCray, 50, of Cedar Rapids, had her first application on her eyes and lips, four months ago while visiting Florida. When she found out Naylor performed the procedure, she decided to

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—SUSAN MCCRAY

have the first application thickened.

"I don't have to mess around with makeup anymore," says McCray, who plays tennis. She says permanent makeup is perfect for people who work up a sweat while playing sports.

"You always look a little fresher with it on during sports," she says, "and it doesn't come off on your wine glass either."

The probe has a tiny needle, as long as the width of a nickel. The needle beats 70

times per minute across the client's skin while injecting the organic pigment. All of the equipment is sterile and disposable.

With permanent eyeliner, for example, a topical anesthetic is applied to the eyes, which are then covered with plastic wrap and UV glasses. A light is pointed toward the client to warm the solution and aid the numbing of the eyes.

The eyelid is pulled toward the temple to avoid poking the client in the eye. The probe, held like a pen, is dipped in pigment, and the technician drags the needle across the skin.

Sounds uncomfortable, but that all depends on your threshold for pain. McCray says the procedure felt like someone was poking her with a needle or digging for a splinter under her skin.

Permanent makeup costs from \$300 to \$1,800, according to the American Institute of Permanent Color Technology, based in California. Naylor, who took her class there, charges \$275 for eyeliner or eyebrows, \$250 for lip liner and \$400 for full lips.

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Next time, better planning for UGA ticket line would be nice

This past weekend's ticket line for the UGA game has left a bad taste in the mouth of the George-Anne.

While we applaud the fact that many students camped out at the stadium for the better part of two days waiting to get a chance to purchase those elusive tickets, the planning on the part of GSU athletics could have been a lot better.

Everything appeared to run smoothly until Saturday morning. While we know that the athletic department has no control over mother nature and the rain that made its presence felt that morning, the voucher system employed to ensure no one was able to jump in line caught everyone by surprise.

A great idea at face value, it confused the fans and students waiting outside to get tickets. For one, the athletic department decided to hand these numbered vouchers out at 8 a.m. while many people had taken cover from the rain in their tents and cars. In fact, a large number of people were still sleeping and missed out

completely when they passed by. There were also others who had left for a while to shower or eat since they had been outside for quite some time. People who had waited in line for more than 24 hours now had to go to the back of the line in order to purchase their tickets.

Secondly, the decision to wait until 3 p.m. for tickets to go on sale was a bad one. Sam Baker said the decision was made to allow those taking part in sorority rush a chance to get out to the stadium to purchase tickets. Weren't they going to be at the back of the line anyway? The George-Anne doesn't have anything against sorority members purchasing tickets, but they weren't likely to get them anyway if they hadn't been in line to begin with.

In order to show that our criticism isn't all bad, we do feel that GSU athletics had the right ideas in mind when deciding to promote such an event. It brought GSU students together in celebration of what is sure to be a memorable event. And, when we play UGA again, we plan to do it all once more. Better planning would have been nice.

Our Opinion

WISCONSIN RESIDENTS KEEP COOL DURING OBSCENITY-FREE HOLDUP



DAVE BARRY
GUEST COLUMNIST

Sometimes I am so darned proud to be an American that I have to lean over and hold my stomach. This is such a time. I have just read an amazing story about a group of Americans - regular people, just like you and me, except they live in Wisconsin - who on May 31 found themselves staring straight into the eyeballs of Danger. I am proud to say that, when the chips were down, these Americans did not turn tail and knuckle under. Instead, when the fat was in the fire, they stepped up to the plate and cut the mustard.

Why do I say this? For one thing, I've been mixing my medications. But also I am deeply moved by the heroic actions of the citizens of a Wisconsin town called Rib Mountain, as reported in the Wausau (Wis.) Daily Herald, which bills itself as "A Gannett Newspaper Serving North Central Wisconsin." According to two detailed front-page Daily Herald stories, written by Peter J. Wasson and sent in by alert reader Kay Meyer, here is what happened (I am not making any of this up):

It was an ordinary evening at the Aldi grocery store on Rib Mountain Drive. People were shopping for groceries, probably not expecting a man to come bursting in wearing a hood and brandishing a samurai sword.

But that is exactly what happened. In the vivid words of shopper Coreen Poeske: "He came right through the Keebler chocolate chip cookies display, just plowed through, and there were Keebler cookies spread all over."

"Give me your money!" the

hooded man shouted at the cashier. He banged his sword on the checkout counter, causing the tip to bend.

All of us, at one time or another, have tried to imagine how we would react to this type of situation, although we may not have specifically imagined the part about the cookies. I just hope that I have the courage to react the way shopper Paul Josiger did.

"I just said to myself, 'What can I do to help?'" said Josiger. "So I threatened him with fruit cocktail."

Yes. Without regard to his own safety, Josiger - described by the Daily Herald as "a former pitcher on his company softball team at Kolbe & Kolbe Millwork Co." - picked up a can of fruit cocktail (the brand is not specified in the Daily Herald story) and, in his own words, "yelled at him to put the knife down and get the hell out of the store or I would throw the can at him. Well,

with this sword asking for my keys," Coe told the Daily Herald. "It was like one of them three-quarter length samurai swords, and the odd thing was, the end was bent."

Again, it was a situation that called for quick thinking; again, the citizen made a lightning mental calculation.

"I said to myself, 'It's insured,'" Coe said.

So he dropped his keys, ran inside and called 911. Within minutes, the police apprehended the suspect, identified as Edward Pollard II, age 21. According to the police report: "Pollard said he had watched several movies where armed robberies were committed, looking for techniques on how to do the robbery. Pollard decided to use the scary, threatening approach, but to not use obscenities."

But even this masterful, obscenity-free criminal plan, based on actual movies, was no match for the brave and quick-thinking citizens of the Rib Mountain area. As Marathon County Sheriff Gary Marten told the Daily Herald: "Without

all those people helping us, it wouldn't have been so quickly successful."

Speaking of movies: If Hollywood doesn't take this drama and turn it into a major motion picture starring Mel Gibson and Julia Roberts, with Britney Spears as the cashier, then Hollywood is even stupider than I thought. Because this is a story to inspire all of us - to make us realize that, when the armed robber of unhappiness knocks over the Keebler cookie display of our complacency, and bangs the samurai sword of negativity on the checkout counter of our dreams, we must not be afraid to hurl the fruit cocktail can of hope. At least that's how I see it. I have GOT to adjust these dosages.

Rage Against The Machine gets slammed by Fox at DNC



TIM PRIZER
LIFESTYLES EDITOR

As the Democratic National Convention has come to a close in Los Angeles, cannot help but be drawn to the upcoming general election in November. I love to hear the liberals ramble on about cheaper health care and safety locks on firearms. Though I am not fond of the two-party system, there's something that attracts me to the crossfire between right-wing and left-wing politicians every four years.

However, the news coverage of the Democratic National Convention was something to be scorned. Fox News, especially, seems to have taken a largely one-sided approach on the comments made by Al Gore, Bill Clinton, Bill Bradley, and Jesse Jackson. During breaks between speakers, the Fox News team, sitting at the oddly-shaped neon blue table, analyzed what was said and nearly always unanimously offered the more conservative side of the issue. Were these journalists still stuck in Philadelphia with the Republicans, or were they simply trying to spark the interests and pinch the nerves of the television viewers, in order to keep them tuned in?

In any case, a few comments made by the talking heads of Fox News made me red in the face. As the cameras circled the outside grounds of the Democratic National Convention, free-spirited rowdy youth awaited one of the most popular hard rock bands in the world, Rage Against the Machine, to take the stage. It is widely known that Rage Against the Machine, led by Zack De La Rocha, is one of the premier voices speaking out against our government, our economy, and society in America. For anyone who has heard their music, it is easily agreed that these guys are at least the loudest voice to challenge our current governing system. Crunching guitar riffs,

extreme bass rumbling through the forceful hooks of hullabaloo, and finally De La Rocha's unique style of vocal cord-splitting singing combining full verses with short hip hop rhymes characterize this group of Socialist militant rockers.

In a tone of voice a little boy would tell his friend to steer clear from the bully because he uses "dirty words," the Fox News team warned the audience of Rage Against the Machine's "dangerous" ideology. With every explanation from the three or four participating journalists, you could hear the contempt in their voices. "They're against the death penalty," an outdoor correspondent at the mass gathering of youth said with exhort. "Their name is Rage Against the Machine, the 'machine' being capitalism," one said. "They're socialists," warned yet another, "who believe in equal distribution of wealth."

This is a prime example of our country's media attempting to make us complacent with our society, the discrimination found within it, and to not only steer us clear of anything or anyone who challenges the system, but also to make us fear such opposition.

Even after Fox's tattletale approach at reporting the appearance of Rage Against the Machine outside the Democratic National Convention, the news team did not back down on their unprofessional onslaught. After the band had taken the stage in front of what looked like millions, the crowd burst into movement, bodies slamming into others, while some floated along the top of the audience with the aid of upward-extended arms. Now that the band had been narrow-mindedly covered, Fox decided it was time instead to ridicule the fans that had come together to feel the bass and to hear the intelligent rhymes of protest.

It started off comical. You had these old fuddy-duddy reporters trying their damndest to use the correct slang terminology. "With these young bodies slamming into one another, I guess you could classify this as a 'mosh pit?'" one reporter hesitantly asked, cautiously saying "mosh" to

insure correct pronunciation. "Yes, this would be a 'mosh pit,'" another answered with an equal amount of timidity. They went on to ask each other if "mosh pitting" was supposed to be fun, and they came to the conclusion that it at least looked as though the kids were enjoying themselves.

Then the bravely spoken comment was made that sent me over the top. One of the Fox News anchors, in what seemed like an attempt to comfort the public watching from their living rooms, made a comment completely generalizing the throng of fans bruising each other in excitement. The reporter said it was evident that the kids in the crowd knew nothing about the band's political philosophy. His outrageous comment went like this: "You can look at these people and see that it is obvious that none of them have been reading any books or anything." BAM! I nearly hit the floor in awe.

Was this generalization made from the style of the kids' clothes? The punk rock band T-shirts? The torn up pants? Perhaps it was the body piercings? Or maybe the different hairstyles? I know from personal experience that most of Rage Against the Machine's fans are well informed on the band's stance, and even agree with them. Many of them are into the fine arts, are bookworms, and are more up-to-date on current issues than the majority of the American population.

The media, and Fox News specifically, makes a blatant attempt to keep the public satisfied, and when something threatens to shove a stick in the circling spokes of society, they discourage it and push it aside. Rage Against the Machine has the guts not only to say what they believe, but to scream it at the top of their lungs over angry, hard-hitting hooks. Hell, this band's music is what liberal political satirist Michael Moore used to get his opposite, shallow conservative Alan Keyes, to jump in Moore's own mosh pit for his television show, "The Awful Truth."

"You can look at these people and see that it is obvious that none of them have been reading any books or anything." Huh, and I thought politicians were the ones who had forgotten what it was like to be young.

SOMETIMES I AM SO DARNED PROUD TO BE AN AMERICAN THAT I HAVE TO LEAN OVER AND HOLD MY STOMACH.

then he got the money and ran, so I threw that can of fruit cocktail at him but missed."

Here Coreen Poeske picks up the story: "As soon as he was gone, one woman said, 'Don't anybody touch anything, because he didn't have gloves on and there will be fingerprints all over the place.' Another woman told us all to take our shopping lists and write down everything we saw for police. There were a lot of quick thinkers in there."

While the shoppers were collecting clues, the drama shifted outside to the suddenly dangerous streets of Rib Mountain, where Robert "B.J." Coe was leaving his job at Wausau Motorsports.

"He came running toward me

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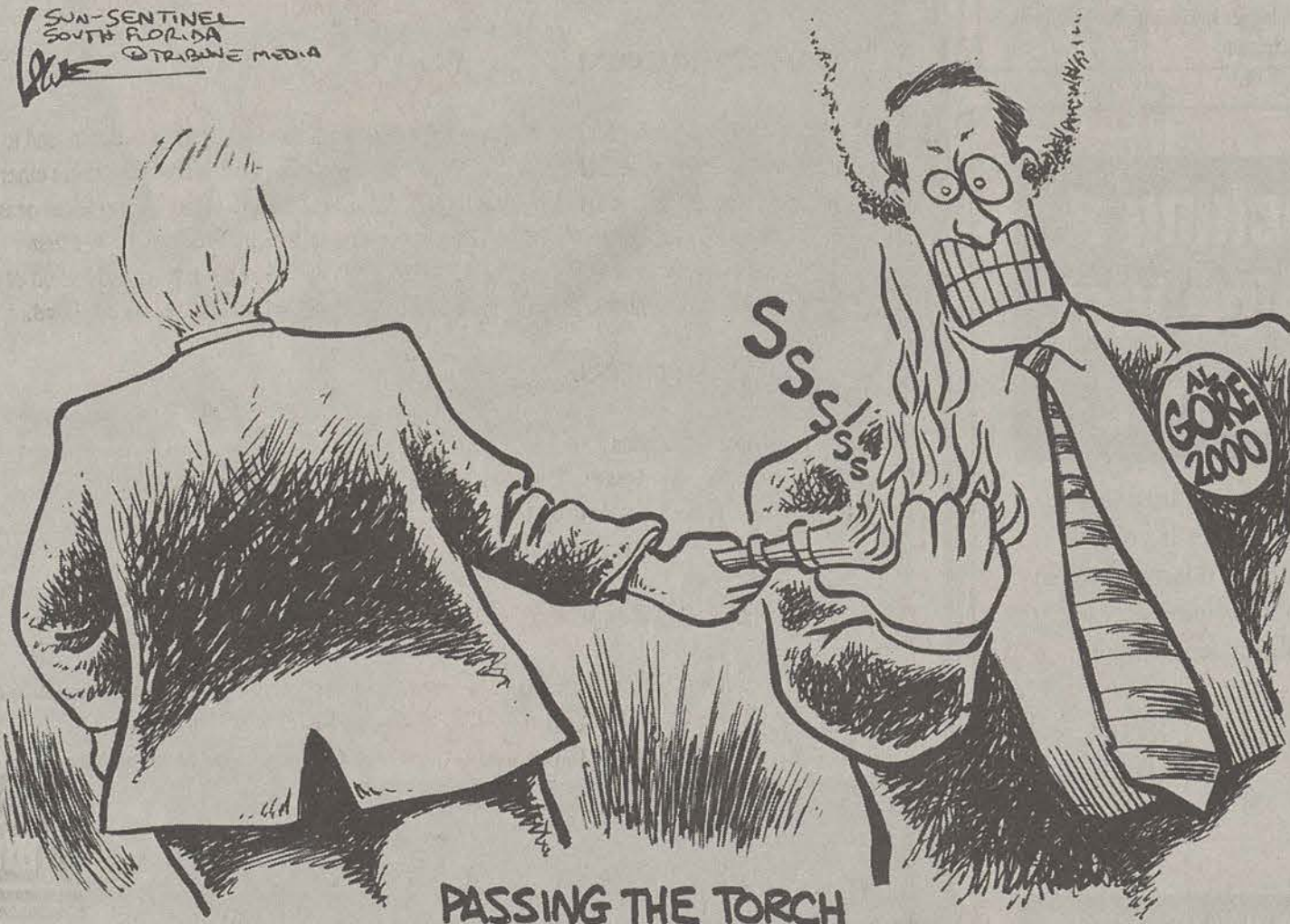
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Small Oregon town hit with repeated kidnappings

Associated Press

RIDDLE, Ore. — When a 15-year-old girl disappeared without a trace from a town 75 miles away, residents here took notice.

And just a few weeks ago, when a 3-year-old went missing, 20 people were out in a flash, combing the town's streets in search of the boy. He was found sleeping in a closet.

Residents in this mill town of 1,220 souls say the disappearance of one of their own, 14-year-old Stephanie Condon, has brought them closer together.

Condon was last seen while baby-sitting at her cousins' Tri-City home on Oct. 31, 1998. Her body has never been found, and no one has been charged with a crime relating to her disappearance.

"Before Stephanie, people wouldn't have been as scared or worried," said Catherine McCarthy, the Riddle's city clerk. Also, people may not have dropped what they were doing to join in the search.

"There's a lot of good people in Riddle," she said. "I wouldn't want to raise my kids anywhere else but here."

Riddle residents couldn't help but pay close attention to news accounts of the disappearance of Leah Freeman, the 15-year-old Coquille girl who disappeared in June while walking home from a friend's house. Her body was found last month in a wooded area about 12 miles from town.

"I felt saddened by it," Larry Wood said. Wood owns Riddle Grocery and has lived in the area for almost 30 years. "It brought back all the memories of Stephanie. She used to come in here every day for lunch. She was a pleasant, happy girl."

The only named suspect in

Stephanie's disappearance is Dale Wayne Hill, who is serving a six-year prison sentence on an unrelated robbery. He's never been charged in the Condon case. Hill has admitted showing up at the home where Stephanie was baby-sitting, but has denied any involvement in her disappearance.

Christine Condon, Stephanie's mother, says she is convinced that Hill is more than just a suspect. "He knows more than anybody should know" about Stephanie, she said.

She admits the slow pace of the investigation is frustrating,

disappearance hasn't gone away.

"I've lived here all my life," she said. "I never thought anything like that would happen. Now, my mother is more strict. I don't go out at night. I baby-sit, but mostly it's at my house."

Her mother, Kim, lives a stone's throw from the Tri-City mobile home where Stephanie was last seen. McLaughlin was home and awake that night but heard nothing out of the ordinary, she said. "Not one thing."

McLaughlin, who also has a teen-age son, now leaves her outside lights on at night. She's installed deadbolts on her doors and locks on all her windows. And she remains vigilant about her daughter's whereabouts.

"She's not old enough to realize what could happen to her," she said. "It's that age you just think you're invincible."

The children of Riddle still haven't given up on Stephanie.

This past spring, a group of sixth graders, calling themselves Riddle Oregon Community Kids, began raising money to buy new equipment for the town's playground.

They decided to dedicate the new playground to all missing children, in Stephanie's honor. But they say it's not a memorial.

"A memorial would be telling everyone we think she's passed away," said 12-year-old Brittany Osborne, the group's president and long-time best friend of Stephanie's brother, Martin. "But we don't know if she's still alive or not. So we're just dedicating it to her."

"THERE'S A LOT OF GOOD PEOPLE IN RIDDLE. I WOULDN'T WANT TO RAISE MY KIDS ANYWHERE ELSE BUT HERE."

— CATHERINE MCCARTHY

but says it gives her some comfort to know Hill is behind bars.

"We want something to happen, but we want it to happen right," she said. "And we want to find her."

Douglas County sheriff detective Joe Perkins, lead investigator in the case, said he is still evaluating interviews and following up on leads. The investigation is now mainly focused on locating Stephanie's body, he said.

Some of the town's residents, however, remain uneasy that no one has been charged in the case.

"People are more watchful," Wood said, "but they don't talk about it because it's still an open situation."

For 17-year-old Christina Smith, the shock of Stephanie's

Cuban painting deemed too graphic in Cuba and US

Associated Press

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. — A Cuban-American painter thought she would be celebrating freedom by having her work displayed at the Illinois State Fair alongside that of Cuban artists who had been censored in their own country.

But instead, she saw her painting removed by fair officials who deemed it too graphic for a family event.

"It's ironic to me that people from Cuba came to the United States to be able to express themselves through their artwork and here in the U.S. I'm being told that I can't express myself," said 34-year-old Michele Tuohy of Oak Park, whose mother is Cuban.

Tuohy's painting "Butterfly" features a nude woman descending a stair-

case with her arms cradled as if she were carrying a baby. A second nude woman is climbing the staircase, with a baby behind her that apparently is being pulled by its umbilical cord.

Fair officials said it's not a matter

they may not have been ready to answer or really want to answer at days at the fair," Herath said.

The painting was supposed to be part of an exhibit honoring Gov. George Ryan's historic trip to Cuba last year.

Several artists featured in the exhibit had been censored under Cuban dictator Fidel Castro's rule.

Exhibit curator Oscar Martinez, who is Tuohy's husband, said the painting's removal

was inappropriate.

But on Friday, Ryan defended the decision to pull the painting.

"I don't think it was censorship so much as that thing was just kind of bad taste for the fair," Ryan said. "It might be all right in an art institute, someplace where adults go. But this is where families and kids go."

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of censorship, but rather of good taste.

Agriculture Director Joe Hampton decided to pull the painting after marketing officials raised concerns about its content, said agency spokesman John Herath, who called the umbilical cord image "pretty graphic."

"Families with small kids could have brought up some questions that



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Adrian Peterson: 2000 Heisman winner?

By Doug Kidd
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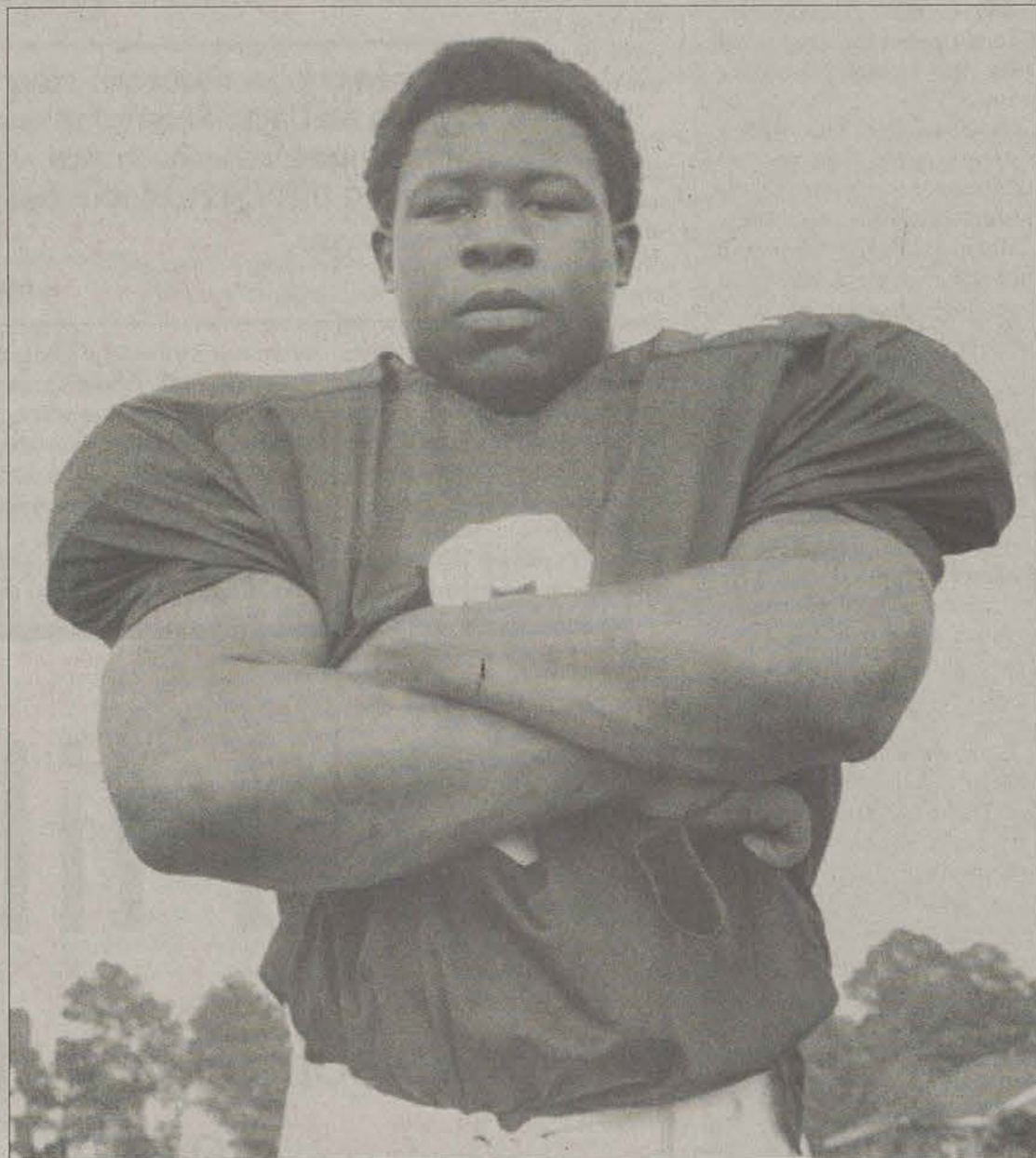
As the 2000 college football season gets set to kickoff this year's race seems wide open. But not only in the national title chase, which prognosticators have tabbed perennial favorites Nebraska and Florida State as the early front-runners, but in the run for the Heisman, college football's top individual prize.

With only one sure-fire candidate returning this season in Virginia Tech's Michael Vick, who finished third in the balloting a season ago as a freshman, can a I-AA player such as GSU's Adrian Peterson have a shot?

Sure, says the GSU athletic media relations department, which began distributing a CD, entitled "Adrian Peterson: Record Breaker 3" to Heisman voters last month. The CD which contains a bio, statistics and highlights from Peterson's historic first two seasons in Statesboro, have helped increase the junior fullback's exposure to the national media.

Heading into the season it appears that GSU's campaign has worked. On Sunday August, 27, ESPN will mention Peterson on their Heisman preview show along with the likes of Vick, Purdue's Drew Brees, Nebraska's Eric Crouch, LaDainian Tomlinson of TCU and Alabama's Freddie Milons among others. So what does Peterson, already a recipient of the Payton Award signifying I-AA's best player, think of being mentioned for the top spot of college football's elite? "It's a great honor to be spoken of [for the Heisman]. It's a great award."

Although Peterson, who's rushed for 5,310 yards and 74 touchdowns in 30 career games, has put up the type of numbers that beg for national attention despite playing in I-AA, he remains modest and almost shy about his chances. So much so that many



Luke Renfro

IS THERE A HEISMAN IN HIS FUTURE? Adrian Peterson will try to make it two Payton Awards in a row as well as make the first legitimate shot at the Heisman Trophy by a I-AA player in the history of football over the next season. If unsuccessful, he still has one more year left at GSU, but will it ever happen?

of his teammates didn't hear the Heisman news until the press informed them on Media Day.

"I actually heard it from my grandfather," said quarterback J.R. Revere. "Adrian hasn't said a word [about the Heisman hype]. He honestly hasn't talked about it. Not once, because

that's the type of person he is."

While the self-effacing fullback might not talk up his game as much as other spectacular players across the country, his quarterback doesn't mind. "I do think Adrian's the best college player. I don't care what anybody says," Revere said.

Despite the numbers he's posted Peterson is still criticized by those who say he is a product of the Eagle's spread option. "Regardless of whether he's lined up five yards or eight yards in the backfield, it would still be the same outcome," said Revere. "I think what he is doing is a lot harder. He's

Purdue's Brees is Heisman favorite

The Associated Press

The offensive game plan at Purdue this year isn't going to be much of a surprise. It will consist of Drew Brees — early and often. But that doesn't mean anyone's going to stop it.

Just ask Wisconsin coach Barry Alvarez, who watched Brees complete an NCAA record 55-of-83 against the Badgers in 1998.

"He's in a league by himself," Alvarez said. "As far as I'm concerned, I've never played anyone that can do the things he does."

Brees, the latest in a long line of great Boilermaker quarterbacks, will be given every possible chance to chase the Heisman in coach Joe Tiller's spread-out, one-back offense. In three years at Purdue, Brees has already thrown for 64 touchdowns and over 8,000 yards, while completing 62-percent of his passes. He's on pace to leave Purdue with almost every school and Big Ten passing record.

Yet Tiller thinks there is room for more improvement — a scary thought for Big Ten secondaries.

"Last year was my 14th year with that offense and Drew is by far the most effective guy I've been around," Tiller said. "But we think he can do better. He needs to improve his game management and throwing the long ball."

Last season, one in which almost all of Brees' 1998 numbers slipped, he was still the runner-up to Georgia Tech's Joe Hamilton for the Davey O'Brien Quarterback Award and Wisconsin's Ron Dayne for the Max-

well Award. He also finished fourth in the voting for the Heisman and was a second-team All-American. Tiller attributes last year's production dip to an added focus on eliminating interceptions. Brees went from 20 picks in 1998 to 12 in '99.

"I think it might have handicapped his style of play because he didn't look for the big play as much as he had in the past," Tiller said. "And he's a guy you have to give the game to and let him go with it. We want the ball in Drew's hands with the chips on the line because that's when he's

"IT'S HARD, EVEN IF SOMEBODY COMES CLEAN ON A BLITZ, TO GET YOUR HANDS ON HIM."

- BARRY ALVAREZ

best."

So this year, Tiller and Brees are holding nothing back. They're mixing the slant and out patterns with a collection of bombs. Brees even spent extra time in the summer working with his receivers to ensure precision come September.

A league title would be Purdue's first since 1967 and would almost ensure Brees the award. While many marvel at his competitiveness, composure, intelligence and accuracy, it's another, often unnoticed intangible, that grabs Alvarez.

"His escapability and mobility," Alvarez said. "It's hard, even if somebody comes clean on a blitz, to get your hands on him. Then he's got that awareness to find the open man once he does scramble 3 2."

closer to the line, true, but he's having to make cuts quicker and he's not seeing blocks develop as fast and a lot of the stuff he does is on his own. I think he is the best back."

Peterson, who according to Revere is a team leader "not neces-

sarily by word of mouth but by example," thinks of his teammates when talking of his publicity. "It's really a team award. I have a great line and a great quarterback. If I'm on the news the first thing they are going to say is 'Georgia Southern's winning back' so it's really about the whole team."

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GSU football has so-so Saturday scrimmage



DOWN, SET, HUT! Eagle football still has several questions coming out of last Saturday's scrimmage at Paulson Stadium. The team will hold another scrimmage at 'Our House' this Friday at 3 p.m..

By Doug Kidd
Senior Sports Writer

"Timing is a key part of this offense," junior slotback Andre Weathers said on Media Day. "That's why you've got to practice and keep working over and over. If you don't have timing then the offense doesn't work."

With just eleven days until the season-opener, GSU continues to iron out the kinks and judging from the Eagles results from Saturday's scrimmage at Paulson Stadium, the offense has yet to find its timing. Defense dominated the day as they forced the GSU offense into six turnovers including four interceptions.

The Eagle offense struggled all day as they were held to 280 yards on 88 plays, a paltry 3.2 yards per attempt. First-year starting quarterback J.R. Revere gained 43 yards rushing on 15 attempts while completing just 3 of 14 passes for 20 yards and two interceptions. Revere's backup Melvin Cox paced the Eagle ground attack with 73 on 10 attempts. Weathers added 42 yards on the ground.

The GSU offense will get a chance to improve Friday when they scrimmage the Eagle defense again at Paulson Stadium at 3:30 p.m.

Although they struggled Saturday, GSU feels that they are in good shape offensively. Despite only returning Adrian Peterson, Michael Anderson and Chris Johnson to an offense that led the nation in scoring, rushing and total yards per game, the Eagles are confident. Much of the confidence is due to the arrival of junior J.R. Revere to the starting quarterback position. Revere, the team's third leading rusher last season with 318 yards and nine touchdowns in limited action, also completed 16 of 35 passes for 198 yards and a score.

"He's always handled himself with poise," said offensive coordinator Mike Sewak of Revere. "He was an understudy to a great quarterback and it's his turn to do it. I'm looking forward to seeing it."

The great quarterback that Sewak alludes to was the record-setting quarterback Greg Hill. But Revere wants others to know that those expecting Hill or any of the other all-time great Eagle QB's will be disappointed. "I can't be Greg Hill. Greg is a whole lot faster than I am. He was a 4.4 and I'm just a 4.6. There will never be another Tracy Ham. There will never be another Raymond Gross, another Greg Hill." But before Eagle fans can get worried, Revere adds: "Hopefully, when I leave here, there will not be another J.R. Revere."

What Revere does bring to the table is more of a threat of a passing game. With Johnson returning and the emergence of other receivers Derrick Owens, Taqua Thrasher and Anthony Williams, Sewak is pleased. "We're expecting big things from Chris and the other receivers. With teams moving up outside linebackers and strong safeties to help stop our inside running game, that leaves man-to-man coverage - which we like."

Sewak is also pleased with the corps of slotbacks led by Weathers. "These guys [slotbacks] are quick, water-bug types, they'll make you miss." Other slotbacks expected to contribute are Mark Myers, Chris Blount and Zzream Walden.

The biggest pre-season concerns are with the offensive line. After Bob Bellingrath elected not to return, senior Mike Anderson was left as the only returning starter. "We have a real good group of guys coming back. Most of these guys have played before and have been in the system for a year or more and know the plays. If we can get everything down mentally [we'll be fine] because physically we're solid." Expected to compete for playing time are seniors Travis Burkett, Derrick Nobles, Dietrich Everitt, Anthony Scott; juniors Bubba Brantley and Josh Jones; sophomores James McCoy and Charles Clarke and freshmen Travis Hames and Paul Collins.

GSU volleyball preparing for upcoming season

G-A News Service

The GSU volleyball team, led by head coach Eddie Matthews, has completed their first week of practice in preparation for the upcoming 2000 season.

The Eagles return six players, including four starters, off of the 1999 squad. A quartet of juniors make up the majority of this group and bring a wealth of experience to the otherwise young team. The group is led by setter Amanda Brooks (Bourbonnais, Ill./Bradley-Bourbonnais), who has led the team in assists each of the last two years. Sara McCarty (Finley, Calif./Keelyville), who was tenth in the nation in 1999 in service aces, will also shoulder some of the setting responsibilities while also playing middle blocker. Jill Jobe (Denton, Texas/Denton) returns as a defensive specialist while Susan Bindshedler (Brandon, Fla./Bloomington) returns to the outside hitter position.

Sophomores Ashley Chao (Marietta, Ga./Walton) and Lauren McClain (Scottsdale, Ariz./Saguaro) close out the cast of returning players. Chao will see time at the defensive specialist position. Meanwhile, McClain, who was second on the team with 250 kills as a freshman in 1999, will man the middle blocker position for the Eagles.

Joining the veterans are five newcomers this year. Junior Katie Shepherd (West Chester, Pa./West Chester University), who began her collegiate career at Georgia Southern, returns to the Eagles to compete for playing time at the defensive specialist position for this year's team. Matthews concentrated on strengthening the team's outside hitting positions with the remaining newcomers.



File Photo

POINT, GSU! The Eagle volleyball team hopes to improve on last year's dismal season.

"Our primary focus recruiting-wise was the outside hitting positions," Matthews said. "We knew that we had a void there last season. We were very fortunate to sign two very good outside hitters who we think are going to be able to contribute immediately and will be a very good addition to the Georgia Southern volleyball program."

Erin Martin (La Mesa, Calif./West Hills), Caitlin Sherman (Ft. Lauderdale, Fla./Westminster), and Megan Lippi (Sandpoint, Idaho/Sandpoint) all join the team as outside hitters this upcoming season. The Eagles also added depth to the middle blocking position when Savannah's Christina Lentz chose to walk-on to the team.

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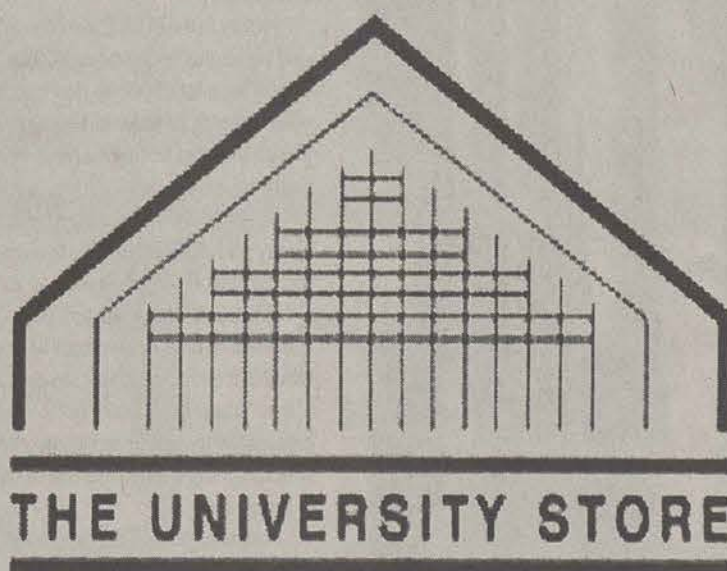
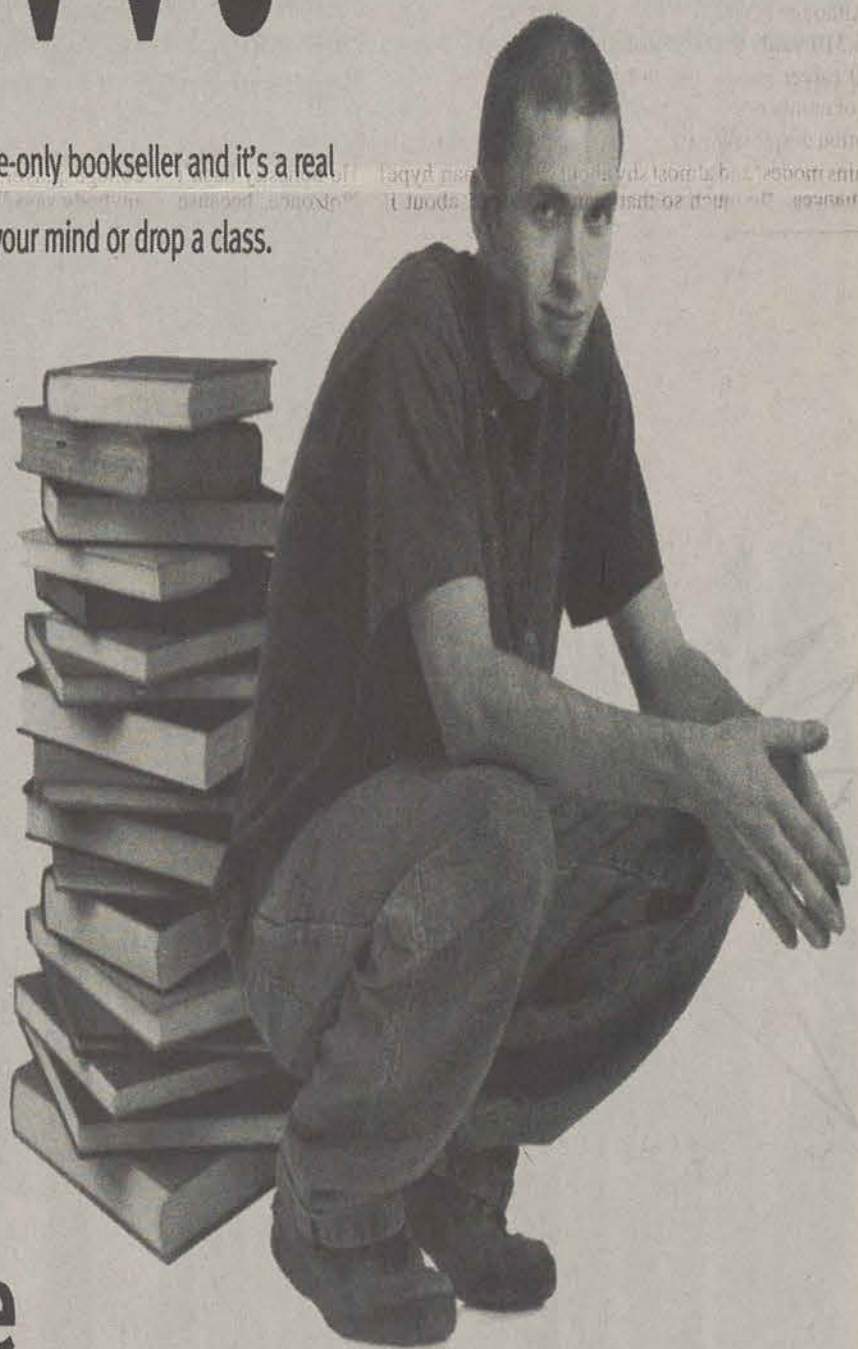
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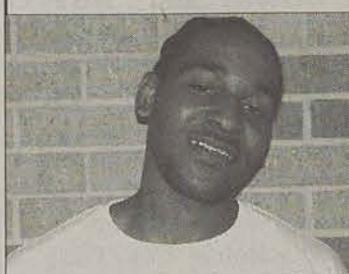
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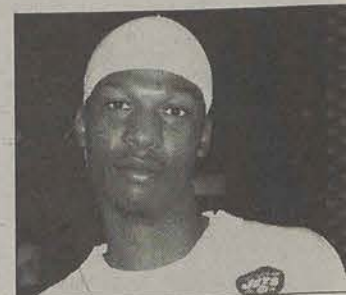
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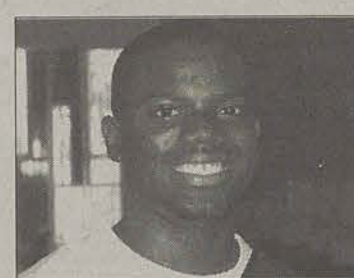
"If we don't get intimidated, we should have a good chance at a victory."

Jeff McNeill



"They'll get beat."

Jan Beckwith



"They will do pretty good. UGA's defense can't contain GSU's offense."

Ron Milline



"They'll get spanked."

John Milton



"GSU will do good against the Bulldogs."

Christina Newman

Bowden to Seminoles: 'Forget about last year'

Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Bobby Bowden has already put last year's national championship season behind him. The Florida State coach now hopes his players can do the same.

Bowden addressed his team after Saturday's hour-long practice and insisted that players leave 1999 in the past.

"I just got through talking to them about forget the 13-0 stuff," Bowden said. "Forget the No. 1 stuff. Get everything focused on BYU."

Bowden, who enters his 25th season with the Seminoles, hopes his team will be in the right state of mind when the season opens against

Brigham Young on Aug. 26.

Coaches will run next week's practices in a "pro camp" style that includes tightening up any of the team's loose ends and reviewing hours of BYU footage.

"There's no room for errors, and we got some potential errors out there right now," Bowden said.

The second-ranked Seminoles have lost nine starters from last season, including All-Americans Sebastian Janikowski, Corey Simon, Peter Warrick and Jason Whitaker.

FSU still has starting quarterback Chris Weinke in backfield. The senior enters the season as the first three-year starter since Steve Tensi

in 1964.

Bowden feels that the return of his starting quarterback is the biggest difference between this year's team and the one that tried to repeat as national champions following the 1994 season.

Bowden is confident his team can accomplish what this year's team did. But he has no plans of reminding his team about the past.

"You've been in the top four 13 years in a row," Bowden said. "You haven't lost a game out here (in Doak Campbell Stadium) since '91. You're the defending national champions. Those are the pressures that we're under."

Begay: Professionals are disheartened over Woods' dominance

The Associated Press

WILLIAMSBURG, Va. — Notah Begay III, a rising star with two victories in both of his seasons on the PGA Tour, thinks Tiger Woods' domination of golf has left many fellow professionals disheartened and feeling beaten from the start.

"I think for a lot of them it is" disheartening, Begay said Monday at Kingsmill Golf Club, where he will defend the Michelob Championship in October. "But there's a small percentage that look at it as a challenge and inspiration. He's the pace-setter."

Woods, a teammate of Begay at Stanford, became only the second player to win three majors in a year Sunday with a comeback

victory in the PGA Championship. It was a rally that Begay said highlights what makes Woods frighteningly good.

"What a lot of people don't understand about Tiger is that when he gets in those situations, as opposed to a lot of other players that start feeling the pressure and... having doubts, Tiger really enjoys it."

"Everybody wondered why he can make those putts," Begay said of Woods' 6-footer on the final hole of regulation to force a playoff with Bob May.

"He's just testing himself. He's continually testing himself and when he fails, he goes back and evaluates why he failed and rebuilds it and comes back stronger the next time. That's why it's so scary how good he is now because he's going to continually try and improve and make himself a better player, which is going to make the rest of us have to work even harder to bridge the gap."

For many, he said, the psychological game has already been won — by Woods.

"I know for a fact that there's a percentage of guys that know they can't beat him. It's as simple as that," Begay said, adding that he's beaten Woods two or three times head-to-head over 10 years while coming up short five or six times.

Curtis Strange, a two-time U.S. Open winner, compared Woods' dominance to that of superstars Wayne Gretzky,

Michael Jordan and Jack Nicklaus in their primes.

"He's winning all the tournaments," Strange said flatly. "I think we have to be careful and not expect him to win every tournament he steps into, but when he gets fired up, with his talent, with his intestinal fortitude, everything, when that preparation meets the opportunity, he's there all the time."

Woods has played just 15 events on tour this year, winning seven times and finishing second three. He's earned nearly \$6.7 million, more than twice what Phil Mickelson, a three-time winner this year, has won. Begay is 12th at \$1.65 million.

Woods also is making a liar of Lee Trevino, Strange said, partly joking.

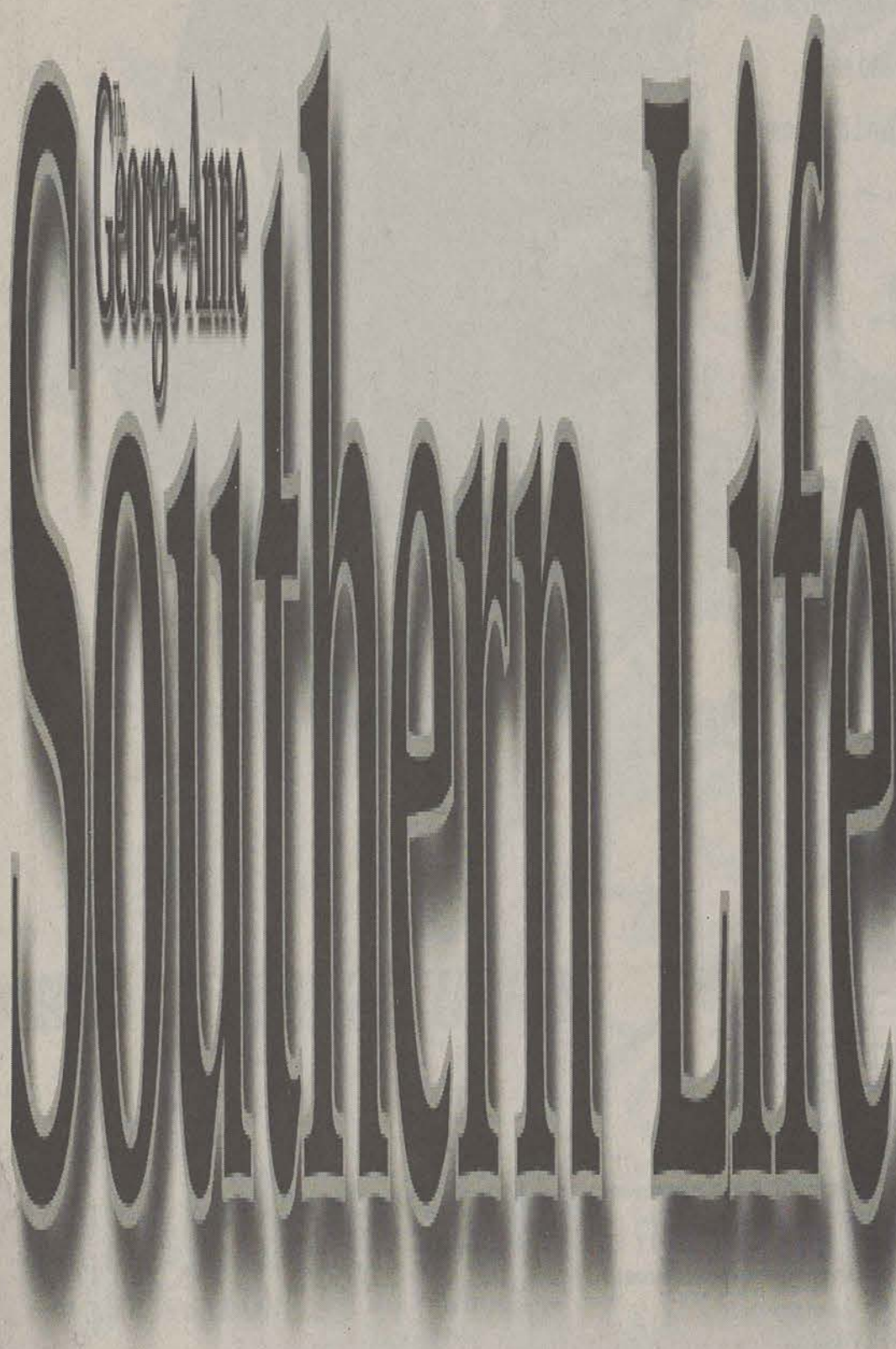
"Trevino said years ago, 'God didn't give one golfer everything.' Well, that was before Tiger Woods came about," Strange said. "He's not only very good at everything, he's probably one of the top three in every category right now. He's got the total, total package."

It's a package Begay, who probably knows Woods as well as any other player on tour, would relish a chance to duel with some Sunday afternoon.

"I think that would be the most fun, just to be there with him. We've played so much together in all these years. It'd just be like two old friends going at each other, two brothers almost. And once the gun goes off, it doesn't really matter who the guy is. You just want to beat his brains in," he said.

May's gutsy performance should give every golfer hope that they would rise to the challenge if their time comes, against Woods, Begay said. But Strange doesn't expect anyone to come close to the 24-year-old Woods on a consistent basis.

"Guys like Notah, as wonderful as he is, have no chance ever to be number one in the world as long as Tiger's around," Strange said. "Mickelson and Ernie Els and guys you look at as the top notch players. David Duval isn't going to be number one. They're going to be wonderful players, maybe hall of fame players one day, but they're not going to be number one as long as Tiger's around."





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Dr. David Stone, professor of mathematics and recipient of the award of excellence for service, wants students to see that faculty members participate in more than just classroom activities, since that is all they see on most occasions.

"What most students see is faculty members teaching," Stone said. "A lot of times they don't know all the duties faculty members have. The third leg of the academic stool is professional service. This helps students see that."

Dr. Russell Kent, professor of management and the second recipient of the excellence award for service was out of town and unavailable for comment. In addition, Dr. Charles Briggs, associate professor of history and another recipient of the excellence award for research/creative scholarly

NAPSTER, FROM PAGE 1

copyrights held by record labels and songwriters. Patel's July 26 order gave Napster two days to stop those violations, but Napster's lawyers said the company couldn't do that without shutting down the service.

Hours before Patel's injunction was to take effect, 9th Circuit Judges Alex Kozinski and Barry Silverman granted Napster's request for a reprieve. The case, they said, raised substantial and new questions about what constitutes a copyright violation and how to remedy it.

In written arguments filed last Friday with the 9th Circuit, Napster contended again that its users weren't violating copyrights. And if the appeals court agrees, the case is effectively over, Napster can't be held liable if its users aren't doing anything wrong.

Jonathan Schiller, a lawyer for Napster, argued that Congress specifically gave consumers the right to copy music for personal use in the Audio Home Recording Act of 1992. In fact, he said, the 9th Circuit held in 1999 that the law protects all non-commercial copying when it rejected the record labels' lawsuit against a portable music player made by Diamond Multimedia, a subsidiary of Santa Clara-based S3 Inc.

Patel held that the law doesn't apply to computers, an opinion that Volokh shares. But Schiller said they were misreading the statute.

Napster's brief also contends that the service is protected by the Supreme Court's 1984 ruling in favor of Sony Corp.'s video cassette recorders. That ruling protects any technology that has a "substantial non-infringing use"; in Napster's case, Schiller said, that includes letting users sample songs before buying them and downloading music from bands that want their music to be distributed that way.

Finally, the brief argues that Patel made several errors in determining the facts of the case, such as giving the record labels the benefit of the doubt when evidence was lacking or in conflict. That's a critical argument, given that the appeals courts traditionally defer to the lower courts on questions of fact.

activity, is on leave from the university and was unable to be reached.

As for their lectures, the recipients say that they are hard at work preparing for them and hope that they will be able to provide educational value to those that attend. However, they all seem excited about the prospect of presenting their topics.

"I'm nervous and excited about it," Russell said. "But I hope that people will see that I'm a risk taker. A teacher who will try new things and change things up so that students are constantly engaged and interested in the material."

The lectures will take place over the course of the year and will be held in GSU's museum hall.

All of the recipients received a 4000 dollar grant from the university in addition to their reward. Each of them was unsure as to what they would do with the money, though a couple mentioned they might buy a new computer for their office and one mentioned that it might be used to travel abroad on a research trip.

The labels and publishers have until Sept. 8 to reply to Napster's written arguments. Commenting late Friday, Amy Weiss, a spokeswoman for the Recording Industry Association of America, said, "Judge Patel issued a thoughtful and well-reasoned opinion that we believe will be upheld on appeal."

Hank Berry, Napster's interim chief executive, said he is continuing to propose changes in the service that could compensate artists and settle the lawsuit, but so far the labels haven't been receptive.

Legal experts say that the 9th Circuit is active and respected on copyright issues, although not as influential as the federal appeals court based in New York.

Mark Lemley, a law professor at the University of California at Berkeley, said the court is probably best known in tech circles for its 1992 ruling in a copyright lawsuit brought by videogame and console manufacturer Sega Enterprises Ltd. against videogame designer Accolade (now owned by Infogrames Entertainment S.A.). The court, Lemley said, was the first to endorse "reverse engineering" — the practice of taking a product apart to figure out how to make another product compatible with it.

The ruling doesn't necessarily mean that the 9th Circuit is less protective of copyrights, Lemley said. Attorney Mark Radcliffe of Gray Cary Ware & Freidenrich in Palo Alto agreed, noting that the 9th Circuit ruled in favor of copyright holder Nintendo in a separate reverse-engineering case.

"A lot of judges come not from an intellectual property background, so they have kind of peculiar views of intellectual property," Radcliffe said. The Sega decision, for example, indicates a little bit of sentiment that "big evil corporations" were trying to use copyright law "to hold back the gamers," he said.

Pam Samuelson, another law professor and copyright expert at UC-Berkeley, said the precedent set in the Sony case should help Napster.

It takes "an aggressive new theory to overcome the implications of a major U.S. Supreme Court decision," she said. In addition to being technology-savvy, the 9th Circuit "have also generally been attentive to the wider public interests at stake in intellectual property decisions, which means that aggressive new rights holders' theories of liability don't always succeed in this court."

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Eastwood, Domingo and Lansbury among this year's Kennedy Center Honorees

Washington Post

WASHINGTON - The Kennedy Center has selected five artists who have electrified American popular culture as this year's Kennedy Center Honorees.

The center, criticized in recent years for some of its picks, chose actor and director Clint Eastwood, dancer Mikhail Baryshnikov, rock-and-roll pioneer Chuck Berry, tenor Placido Domingo and actress Angela Lansbury. The nationally televised salute will take place the weekend of Dec. 2 and 3.

With the selection of Berry, 73, the center is at last firmly acknowledging the artistry of rock 'n' roll and its enormous impact since the 1950s. Berry's songs, beginning with the smash hit "Maybellene", are at the heart of rock-and-roll. His music and his ebullient stage presence, including his signature duckwalk, influenced Elvis Presley, the Beatles, Jimi Hendrix, David Bowie, Bob Dylan, the Rolling Stones and Bruce Springsteen.

Though the Kennedy Center has been questioned for giving people a legendary status when their careers were brief or obscure, or saluting artists with highbrow appeal but little in the way of broad popular impact, this year's honorees have had long, influential careers. In many cases, even their clunkers have been hailed as bold experiments.

Eastwood's film portfolio, which covers 47 years and 56 films, includes two he made with an orangutan. But Eastwood, now 70, has become an icon who set the standard for disciplined, cool and ironic action characters. After a long run in television's "Rawhide" in the early 1960s, he broke into film stardom with the "spaghetti westerns" of Sergio Leone. With "A

Fistful of Dollars" and "The Good, the Bad and the Ugly," he sealed his image with a tough silence and a questioning squint.

In the 1970s he took that independent bent to the "Dirty Harry" series as the San Francisco detective who would shoot first and interrogate later. Here was uttered his contribution to the Cambridge Dictionary: "Go ahead, make my day."

In 1971 Eastwood also began to direct with the thriller "Play Misty for Me" and he has continued to work behind the camera in films that range from "Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil" to the current hit "Space Cowboys," in which he also stars. In 1992 his western "Unforgiven" won him the Oscar for best director and was named the best film of the year by the Motion Picture Academy and the National Society of Film Critics.

For more than 55 years Lansbury has been winning awards in film, theater and television for her acting. She has won four Tony Awards for best actress, for "Mame" in 1966, "Dear World" in 1969, "Gypsy" in 1975 and "Sweeney Todd" in 1979. "Murder, She Wrote," in which she portrayed the detective Jessica Fletcher, was the highest-rated drama series on television for nine straight seasons, starting in 1984. Since 1983, she has received 16 Emmy nominations, though she has yet to win. Her film roles have brought her three Oscar nominations, for "Gaslight" (1944), "The Picture of Dorian Gray" (1945) and "The Manchurian Candidate" (1962). She has won two Golden Globes for her film work.

The work of Domingo spans four decades. He made his debut in 1961, when the Spanish-born singer appeared as a baritone in a zarzuela production,

then in a production of "My Fair Lady" in Mexico City and then in the role of Alfredo in "La Traviata." Since then Domingo has sung 115 roles, which is believed to be more than any other tenor in the history of music. Though his charisma is unmistakable in the broadcasts of the wildly successful "Three Tenors," Domingo has a statistic in his biography that underscores his impact. After singing "Otello" in Vienna on June 30, 1991, he received 101 curtain calls and 80 minutes of applause.

Domingo, 59, has also made a mark as a conductor in the world's most famed opera houses and as a mentor. He is the founder of Operalia, the biggest annual vocal competition in the world.

The youngest of this year's honorees is Baryshnikov, 52, a dancer whose skills had won him an international reputation before he left the Soviet Union, his homeland. In 1974, while on tour in Canada, Baryshnikov defected to the United States. He has since established a record of artistry and interpretation with the American Ballet Theatre and the New York City Ballet. He became perhaps the most sought-after celebrity in dance, known for his athleticism and grace, as well as for his charismatic personality. For a decade he was the principal dancer and artistic director of the ABT. In 1990 he and Mark Morris founded the White Oak Project, a successful laboratory of American modern dance.

Baryshnikov has also made an impact in film and television; he was nominated for a Best Supporting Actor Oscar for his role in "The Turning Point" in 1977.

NIH to fund fetus research

Washington Post

WASHINGTON - The National Institutes of Health Wednesday is expected to unveil new rules that will allow it to fund controversial but promising research using human embryos, a move that is sure to draw protests and a possible lawsuit from anti-abortion groups and their allies in Congress.

Many scientists and patient advocacy groups say that the research, which uses "stem cells" from embryos, is the most promising avenue to possible cures for diabetes, spinal cord injury, Parkinson's disease and a variety of other illnesses.

But embryos are destroyed in the course of the research and even some religious groups that support abortion rights have questioned whether the work is a proper use of human embryos.

The NIH has been working on the rules for more than a year and had released an earlier version for public comment. A Capitol Hill aide and a lobbyist who follow the NIH's work

closely said that they expected release of the final version Wednesday.

Under the expected guidelines, many of the stem cells would come from patients who created more embryos during fertility treatments than were ultimately used. This commonly happens when couples seek medical assistance in conceiving a child and the patients usually freeze their spare embryos or have them destroyed.

In part, the NIH guidelines are aimed at making sure that researchers do not pressure fertility patients to donate embryos through payments or other inducements, or through coercion. In addition, fertility patients would be barred from specifying who can receive the benefits of the stem cells from their embryos, the NIH has said in earlier versions of the proposals.

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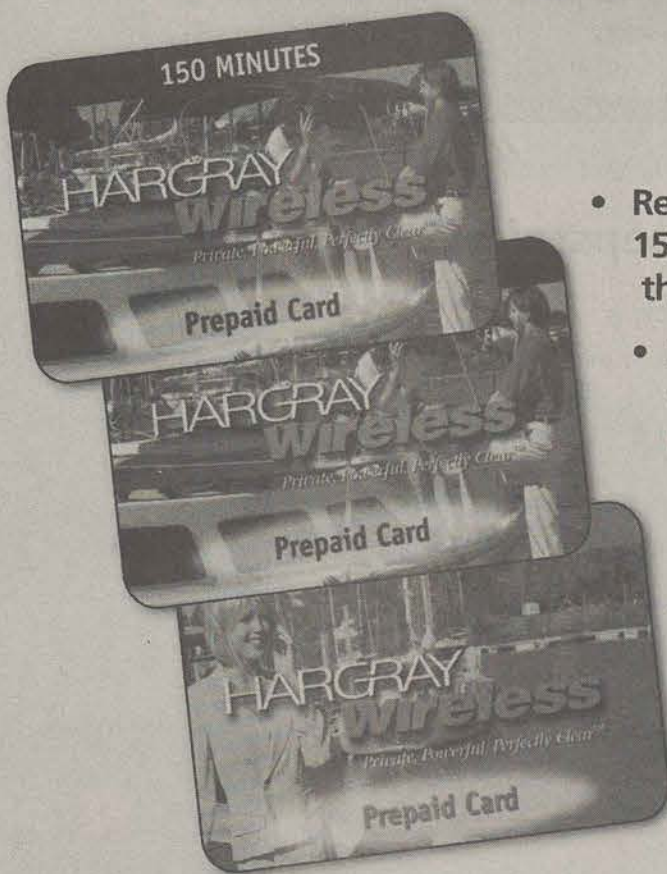
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WEST WARWICK, R.I. - When Harvey and Patricia Bennett got into the fast-food business, finding employees was as easy as unlocking the door. But two years ago, the parade of walk-in applicants abruptly ended.

The Bennetts took out ads, signed up with state jobs programs and scoured senior citizen job fairs. They offered their workers referral bonuses. They recruited vocational-school students.

"What fast-food restaurant isn't 'thiring'?" asked Patricia Bennett, taking a brief break from the tail end of the lunch rush. "They're all desperate for help."

This summer, the Bennetts got creative. They signed on with The Council on International Educational Exchange to hire foreign college students on short-term cultural exchange visas to staff their four Wendy's Old Fashioned Hamburgers restaurants. The Bennetts have arranged to use a former convent in West Warwick, R.I., as a dormitory for burger flippers and sandwich wrappers from Slovakia, Poland, the Czech Republic, Germany, Lithuania, Spain, Italy and France.

Since June, they have placed 20 foreign students among their outlets in Coventry, Warwick and Richmond. The students pay their own fare to the



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FOREIGN HELPERS: These workers from Slovakia were brought in due to a worker shortage in the United States

United States for their four-month stay. The Bennetts shuttle their imported crew to work each morning by van. They rent the old cells of the Sisters of the Presentation of Mary to their workers at minimal rates. The students can buy their meals at the restaurant at half price. Occasionally, the Bennetts live up the students' stay with outings to the beach or the movies.

Yesterday afternoon at the Rhode Island Mall Wendy's, Libusha Tencerova, Marcella Canakyova and

Waldo Melicher manned a tiny Slovakian outpost by the stainless steel tray of garnishes. Melicher herded neat rows of square patties to doneness. Chatting softly in Slovak, Canakyova and Tencerova dressed them with mayonnaise, tomato and lettuce.

They've come to improve their English skills, to earn some money for the coming school year, and sightsee.

For Daniel Chudy, a 22-year-old environmental technology student at the Technical University of Zvolen, French fries are the entree to a long-held dream.

"When I was at home, I always want to go to the U.S. and see historical buildings and know the mentality of these people. It's a different world for me," Chudy said.

So is the working side of a Wendy's. "It's difficult. It is very, very fast," Chudy continued. "I know it's fast food. But it's very fast for me."

Adriana Sladkovicova is about to graduate from a social-work program at the University of Trnava. In her university town in Western Slovakia, jobs are scarce and students are plentiful. Her part-time job in a shop there pays less than half of what she can earn in an unskilled job here.

"For me, it's more than pocket money," she said.

Today, few American students - or anyone else - view a fast-food job with the same enthusiasm, the Bennetts say. Each of their four restaurants has a prime location near a highway or a major road. They are busy outlets, requiring about 17 workers a shift. Like other fast-food restaurants, the Bennetts pay above the \$5.65 minimum wage - more than \$6 an hour for line workers. (On Sept. 1, minimum wage will rise to \$6.15 per hour.) It no longer attracts whatever unskilled workers are available.

"A lot of businesses, for economic reasons, pay what we pay," said Harvey Bennett. "Unless people don't want the 99-cent special. We could make it the \$9.99 menu."

In June, unemployment in Rhode Island was at 3.9 percent, according to the state Department of Labor and Training. That is just below the national average, although higher than any other New England state, said William Langlais, assistant director for labor market information.

Langlais said most foreign students in Rhode Island are here for summer resort jobs.

"That's the first time I've heard of it year-round. I'm surprised," he said.

Researchers at the Economic Policy Institute, a nonprofit, labor-policy think tank in Washington D.C., say that the tight labor market in the last five years has prompted some employers to take drastic measures to find workers without using the traditional carrots of higher wages and better benefits.

"When wages were falling, employers said 'let the market decide.' Now that wages are rising, they say, let's increase the supply of labor," said Eileen Appelbaum, the institute's research director. "There's no data to tell how widespread this is."

But since 1993, the State Department has recorded a steady rise in the number of "J" category exchange visitor visas. These visas are issued to foreigners coming to the United States for short-term educational, training or cultural exchanges. They typically allow foreign professors to do teaching stints, or college students to take jobs at summer camps or foreign medical interns to complete a residency at an American hospital.

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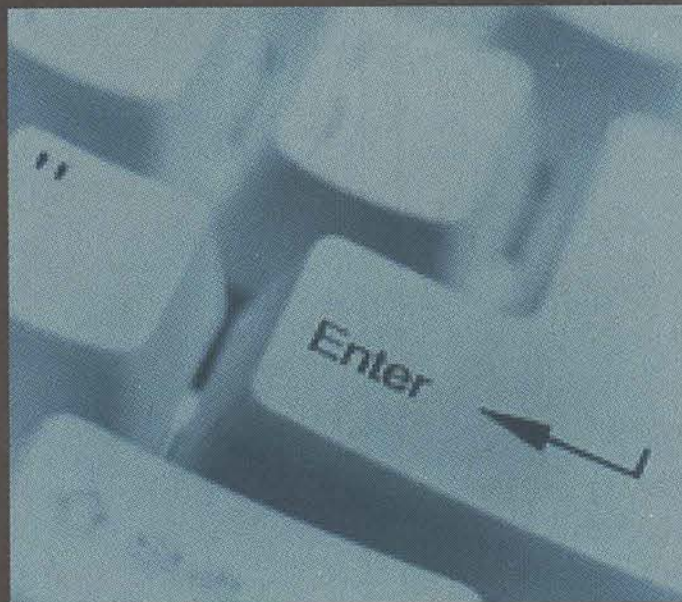
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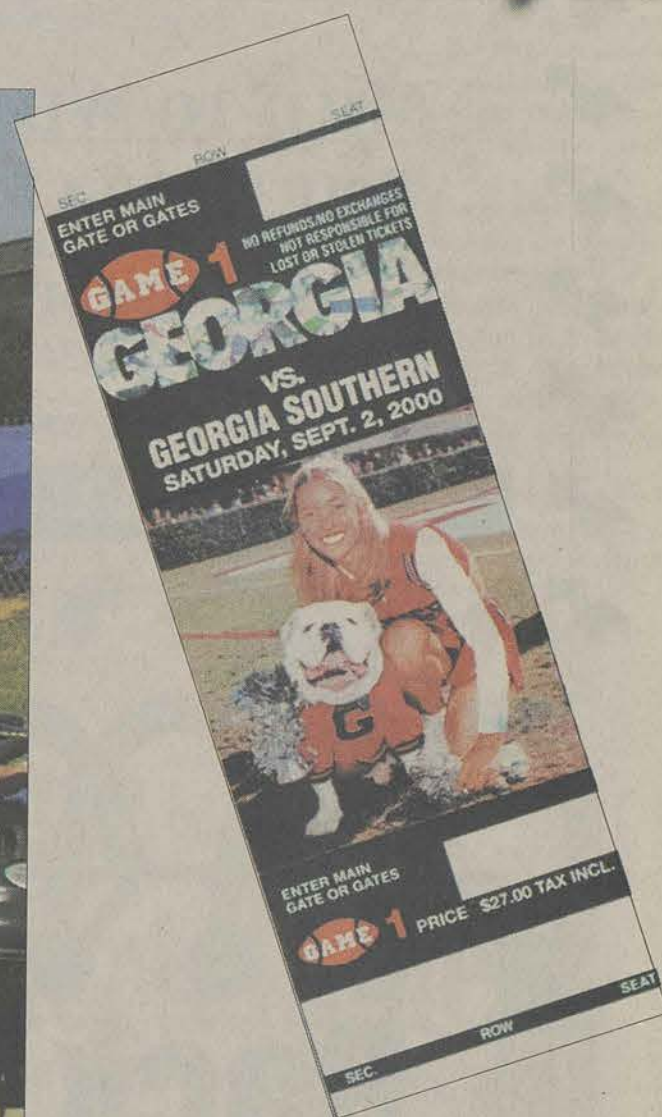
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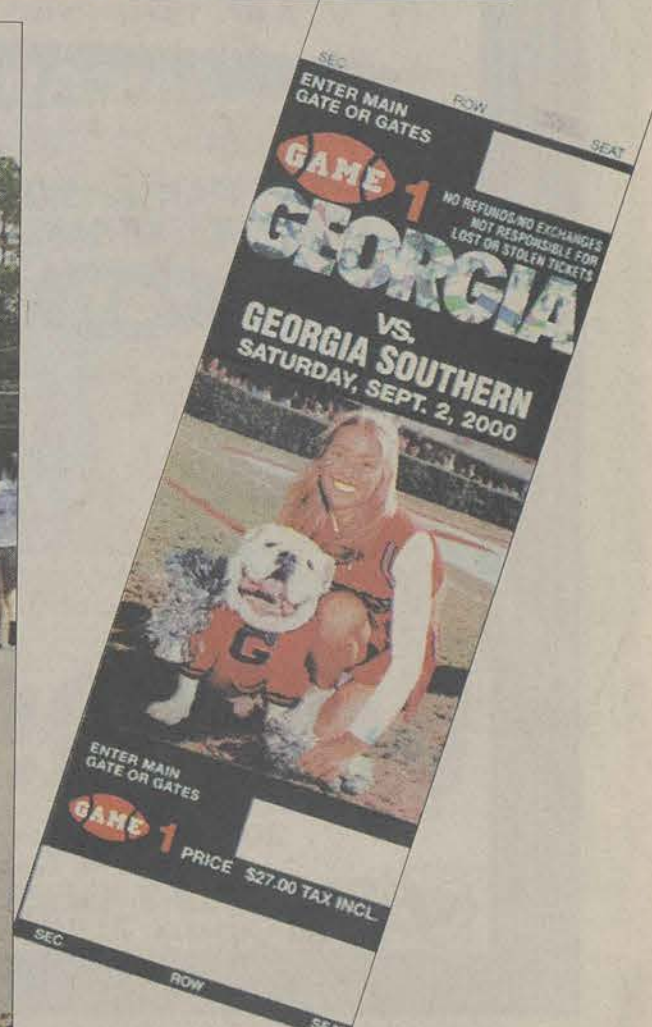
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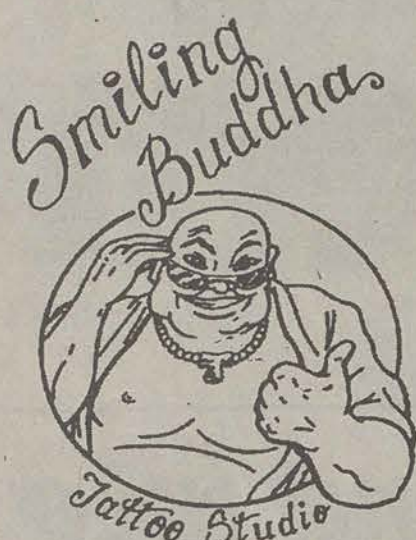
GSU football fans waited night and day for tickets to the Georgia vs. GSU game. Those camping out roughed through the heat and rain to purchase their coveted tickets. (center) Luke Chamblee, Brian Renillard and James Syms brave the heat in their homemade pool.

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Students endure heat, rain, and gnats for coveted tickets

By Dana K. MacKay
Assistant Lifestyles Editor

TVs, lawn furniture, tarps, tents, fans, couches, coolers, and one inflatable pool. That was the unusual scene around Paulson Stadium last Friday. The madness started Thursday night at 7:15. A student named Stephen Stanley, had decided that he would be first in line for the coveted GSU vs. UGA tickets. So he, along with buddies Tony Mills and Brian Smith, set up camp right under the "Ticket Line Starts Here" sign. The second group joined them only a short two hours later. Friends came to relieve Stanley and his crew so that they would be able to go home and enjoy a shower, just to come back out and get sweaty again. It looked like a practice session for a tailgate party. At one end of the strip there was Hank Williams Jr. blaring, while just a few cars down, Busta Rhymes was playing. Some students endured the heat and the gnats just for the company. "I have had tickets for two and a half weeks now. I'm out here for the fun of it—because everyone's out here," said Jessica Harrison. For the most part people were in high spirits on Friday. Whether or not it was from adult beverages, who knows? Students walked the strip visiting other groups. Some stumbled from local bars

to catch up with their friends who had braved the heat.

Any sleep that anyone may have attempted to get was most likely disturbed by a 7:00 AM rain shower that lasted about an hour and a half. Rain water mixed with lots of trash made for a horrendous stench that just got worse as the afternoon got hotter. Students would periodically climb into their cars and enjoy the air conditioning.

Mass delirium set in as I overheard some folks talking about the food they were going to go eat as soon as they had tickets in hand. I guess all the hamburgers, hot dogs, and ham sandwiches that their friends were bringing them just wasn't cutting it. But local businesses saw it as yet one more opportunity to squeeze money out of the students, bringing pizzas to sell, knowing weak, hot, and hungry students couldn't resist. The students waiting in line were asked to have everything packed up two hours prior to ticket sell time. This, coupled with hangovers and heat, led to a few sour attitudes.

Despite the sleep deprivation, fighting off the gnats, and sweating bullets, this was one more page in the GSU scrapbook. Memories were in the making all weekend long for the folks that endured the heat and the rain. I think first-in-line Stanley summed it up best, "This is something I can tell my kids about."

Couple donates ancient scroll

LAWRENCE, Kan. — There was a good reason that the torn scroll bought by John and Cindy Ballard at a charity auction looked so old. It really was old—about 3,000 years old.

Now, thrilled scholars at the University of Kansas are trying to learn more about the scroll, which they say came from ancient Egypt.

Imagine the Ballards' surprise. When they bought it three years ago, they thought the document might make a good conversation piece, and they kept it framed in their home.

"There was no certificate of authenticity with it," John Ballard said. "It could have been made by somebody in a garage in Raytown, Mo."

Ballard, a 1973 University of Kansas graduate, and his wife donated the scroll to the school at a presentation Friday.

The couple learned the document's real nature after their son, Jake, took a religions studies class at the university. There, he heard about ancient scrolls that were sometimes buried in tombs with the dead.

Jake asked his professor, whom he described to the elder Ballard as a "real-life Indiana Jones" — if he could bring in the scroll.

Associate professor Paul Mirecki couldn't believe what he saw.

The scroll contained drawings and hieroglyphics in black and red ink on paper made from papyrus. The document measured 3 1/2 feet by 10 inches and was used as a religious guidebook for resurrection and afterlife.

Little is known about the scroll's history before 1950, Mirecki said. But he thinks the scroll might date back as far as 1050 B.C., and probably came from a Theban nobleman's tomb in Upper Egypt.

"Many objects like this are in collections throughout Europe," Mirecki said. "We're still studying this scroll to date it more precisely."

Richard Clement, director of special collections at the Spencer Research Library, said the scroll would be in good hands among the library's collections of historic books.

"What a wonderful gift this is," Clement said. "It is a first for KU, but it fits with our collections. We're very, very pleased to receive this."

Ballard said he was pleased to find an appropriate home for the scroll where it could be studied and cared for.

"It's been a wonderful three-year journey to discover what it is and where it came from," Ballard said. "We're delighted."

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Single elephant in jail

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS - If Gildah the elephant is lonely, she's not saying. Despite the charmed life she lives, an animal rights group says Gildah is sad and needs to be around her own kind.

"Solitary confinement is what we give to the worst criminals in our society," said Jane Garrison, an elephant specialist with the People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals. "It is extremely cruel to keep elephants isolated from other elephants."

Gildah (pronounced Jilda) seems to have a pretty good life. The 52-year-old Thai elephant lives at The Mirage hotel-casino in the Secret Garden of Siegfried & Roy, a habitat of white lions, tigers and dol-

phins. Gildah munches on watermelons and bananas, hangs out with her friend Merlin, a turkey, and takes a bath in her pond if the heat gets to her.

At night, it's show time as Gildah performs with illusionists Siegfried & Roy. She's been with them since the show opened in 1990.

In the mornings, her handler, Chris Logan, says Gildah loves to watch cartoons and the Discovery Channel. His house is next to Gildah's habitat and Gildah peaks in Logan's window to watch television.

She may seem content, but PETA says Gildah is lonely. They want her retired to an elephant sanctuary in Hohenwald, Tenn., where she can make friends with other elephants.

Garrison said elephants are herd animals and even though Gildah is not being physically mistreated, her life

must be torture. "They need the companionship," she said.

The Mirage contends PETA is using Gildah as a fund-raising ploy.

"PETA is a very highly organized money machine. They create issues, go out and raise money on those issues," said Alan Feldman, spokesman for the resort.

PETA claims they have received a handful of letters from people complaining that Gildah is alone, but Feldman questions whether the letters exist.

"The love and care of Gildah has been beyond reproach the entire time," he said.

Gildah herself is keeping mum on the subject. On Thursday, she seemed to enjoy using her snout to throw dirt and grass on her back in an effort to cool off.

Internet romance can lead to more than love

Knight-Ridder Tribune

Mathew Kirkson, a self-described "adventure-seeking rebel," doesn't jump from bridges or fly off canyons. But the risk-taking streak he's ridden has landed him twice in clinics for sexually transmitted diseases.

He says the first man he met online gave him syphilis, and in March, doctors diagnosed him with gonorrhea, the product of another Web affair gone awry. But last week, the 29-year-old Palo Alto waiter sought "adventure" once again -- driving his minivan into East San Jose to have sex with yet another man he had met online only 30 minutes earlier.

"Back on the prowl," Kirkson said. "Sure, it's dangerous. But life is full of risks. You've got to take some of them."

Growing numbers of sex-obsessed adventurers like Kirkson are finding the World Wide Web the first stop on the way to liaisons that accelerate the spread of disease.

Health officials are still reeling from a series of recent studies in several major U.S. cities that have labeled online chat

rooms the technologically-advanced equivalent of HIV-infested sex clubs and bathhouses. The new research says thousands of Americans -- a majority of them young, gay men -- already have been infected with a range of sexually transmitted diseases, from the relatively harmless body lice that infested 15 men in New York to fatal HIV cases in Denver.

year-old college student from San Jose who caught herpes from a man he met online.

"I never really thought it would happen to me, but that's what everybody says. I put the blame squarely on the shoulders of my own youthful delusions of invincibility," Imendia said. "But I'm lucky it's something that doesn't kill. I'm lucky it's not AIDS."

San Francisco researchers released two studies that have painted increasingly chilling portraits of the online sex community. One, offered by the city's Public Health Department, said gay men who met online reported riskier sexual behavior with more sex partners than gay men who met in traditional settings.

"People with Internet partners tend to be more risky than those who don't meet their partners over the Internet," said Andrea Kim, an epidemiologist in the city's HIV epidemiology unit.

The second study discovered that more than 30 percent of gay men at an STD clinic reported meeting partners online, compared with 10 percent of heterosexual men and 3 percent of women.

"SURE, IT'S DANGEROUS. BUT LIFE IS FULL OF RISKS. YOU'VE GOT TO TAKE SOME OF THEM."

For the Bay Area, the trend carries troubling implications. The computer-savvy region is home to high Internet use and a burgeoning gay population wrestling with a number of sexually transmitted diseases.

The variety of bacteria and viruses that could infect the sexually promiscuous is far more frightening than anything high-tech hackers could concoct.

"I'd be glad if all I caught had been some I Love You virus or a nasty computer code that ate up my hard drive," said Nicholas Imendia, a 21-

To thong or not to thong

Knight-Ridder Tribune

It's a question appropriate for the 21st century.

Do you thong?

Yes, yes, yes, say scores of enthusiastic women who have added the slingshot-looking, heretofore-too-risky-for-public-wear panty to their underwear arsenal.

"I'm addicted to them," confesses Roshenna Harris, a 21-year-old student.

"They're all I wear," declares Zoe Ashbury, a 46-year-old restaurant manager.

"I can't wear anything else," says Penny Mullins, a 30ish spokeswoman for Frederick's of Hollywood. "I won't go back."

From specialty boutiques like Victoria's Secret to mass-market department stores like Target, thong underwear, merely a panel in the front and a single strap up the back, is threatening to overtake traditional briefs as the panty of choice for America's women.

Back in the dark ages, say about 10 years ago, wearing a thong for anything other than a romp on a beach in Rio or a roll in the hay with your honey was perceived as racy and somewhat tawdry.

The thong came by its sleazy reputation honestly. It got its start as the thread-thin G-string devised by dancers during

the 1939 New York World's Fair to comply with Mayor Fiorello La Guardia's order to cover up. The G-string gave rise to the thong bikini in 1973. Frederick's of Hollywood began selling thongs as underwear in 1981 (along with crotchless panties and push-up bras).

Strap-snapping Monica Lewinsky notwithstanding, this is a new day, a day in

restaurant manager at Zanzibar Blue in Philadelphia. "I've been wearing them a long, long time, since they looked like G-strings. I hate panty lines."

Ashbury is one of those women who can't have too much underwear. She color-coordinates her under layers with her outer layers and owns thongs in all colors and fabrics. So she speaks with authority when she advises not to let the "floss"

back piece scare you: "You have to be selective. Lace ones are cute, but they itch. It has to be a fabric that doesn't irritate."

At Victoria's Secret, thong sales have risen 30 percent since 1995, compared with an increase of about 5 percent for

all other panty sales. Thongs account for 40 percent of the retail chain's total panty purchases.

But Krista Bard isn't buying them. Wearing the skimpy unmentionables is definitely an acquired taste, she says.

"I have this white La Perla dress that is a sheer, clingy thing that I wear a nude thong with. Anything else would show a line," the 47-year-old Philadelphia business consultant says. "Otherwise, I hate them."

Bard says the thong is too uncomfortable for her. "You have to pick your torture, and, if I have to pick torture, I prefer Manolo Blahnik shoes."

"YOU HAVE TO BE SELECTIVE. LACE ONES ARE CUTE, BUT THEY ITCH. IT HAS TO BE A FABRIC THAT DOESN'T IRRITATE."

which the sleazy image of the thong has taken a backseat to a more utilitarian, albeit sexy one, where the minor discomfort is endured for the absence of that dreaded Visible Panty Line.

Partly because of fashion's affinity for stretchy, sheer fabrics, sales for thongs have risen 52 percent over a three-year period, compared with just 10 percent for all other types of women's panties, according to a survey by NPD, a marketing-information company that researches underwear sales.

Which takes us back to the question: Do you thong?

"Absolutely," replied Ashbury, a res-

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Sen. John McCain has skin cancer removed

Associated Press

PHOENIX — Sen. John McCain spent more than five hours in surgery to remove skin cancer from his temple and upper arm, and his doctor said preliminary findings show that the cancer had not spread to his lymph nodes.

McCain's internist, Dr. John Eckstein, said Saturday's surgery to remove the two melanomas, the most serious form of skin cancer, went exactly as expected and without complications.

The removal of the melanoma from his left arm involved a simple excision, Eckstein said. The surgery on the left temple was more extensive and included the removal of lymph nodes from the face and neck and a salivary gland, he said.

"We are pleased to let you

know that the preliminary report on the lymph nodes ... was clear without any evidence of melanoma cells," he said. "However it will take several days to fully evaluate the removed surgical tissue."

McCain was recovering at the Mayo Clinic Hospital and was expected to remain there for two to three days, Eckstein said.

The surgery followed earlier tests that found no signs that the cancer spread beyond the two new melanomas. The lymph nodes removed Saturday from around the cancerous lesions were being tested to help determine whether the surgery was the only treatment necessary.

If the cancer had reached one or more of the lymph nodes, treatment is more complicated and less likely to cure the cancer, melanoma experts said. Options

include anti-cancer drugs and stimulating the immune system to try to fight the cancer.

The outlook would have been much worse if the cancer had spread to McCain's organs, since that stage of melanoma is extremely difficult to treat, said Dr. John Glaspy, a researcher at UCLA's Jonsson Cancer Center.

Doctors found the melanomas after McCain left the Republican National Convention to have biopsies performed at Bethesda Naval Hospital near Washington.

Melanoma is usually caused by exposure to the sun. People with fair skin, like McCain, have a higher risk of skin cancer. McCain spent hours in the Arizona sun campaigning for Congress in 1982 and subsequent years.

'Coyote Ugly' uses cheap tricks to lure all audiences

By Tim Prizer
Lifestyles Editor

They've graced the cover of nearly every major magazine over the past two months, they've been spotlighted on most entertainment television channels, and the talk on the streets about them hasn't slowed down yet. Their names are Violet, Lil, Cammie, Gloria, Rachel, and Zoe. These are the girls of "Coyote Ugly." The box office smash has been raking in the money for over three weeks now, and there seems to be nothing slowing down the exchange of \$6.50 for close to two hours of sexy bar top dancing.

With the movie surprisingly written by a woman, the synopsis of Gina Wendkos' "Coyote Ugly" reads a lot better than the previews lead on, and the movie itself proves to be a lot worse than both of them combined. "Coyote Ugly" features Violet Sanford (played by actress Piper Perabo), a small-town New Jersey songwriter who moves to New

York City in order to get her songs recognized. Living in an apartment that looks more like an abandoned drug shack, Violet tries her best to keep herself busy away from her living quarters. When none of the big music corporations are the slightest bit interested in Violet's work, she attends a nightclub that puts unknown live local musicians in the limelight one night a week. There she meets Kevin O'Donnell (played by Australian actor Adam Garcia) who pretends to be in charge of the club's booking in order to score points with Violet, but in reality, he is the nightclub's short-order cook. Once the truth comes through, the rest of the scenes involving Violet and Kevin are ones that can be found in any typical romantic comedy. Violet then finds out about the bar called Coyote Ugly, and is immediately given an audition due to the club owner's fondness of Violet's sass. Violet of course, after some disputes, gets the job and becomes a nightly regular.

The story behind "Coyote Ugly" isn't too bad on the surface. You've got the struggling small-town female musician trying to catch her musical break amongst towering skyscrapers, honking horns, and wailing si-

rens. You've got the pretty boy cook who has the hots for this lost girl, and would do anything to be able to call her his own. But the problem with "Coyote Ugly" lies underneath the scripts, and behind the scenes.

If you were told that a movie was coming out that highlighted six beautiful women, five of whom danced on top of a beer-splattered bar and all of whom served massive amounts of alcohol to horny drunken men, what would you guess the film would be rated? If you were told that one of these beautiful women is featured in a sex scene with another actor/model, what would your guess be as to the rating of the film? The previews for "Coyote Ugly" imply that the flick will fall right in line with earlier films like "Showgirls" and "Striptease," both rated R and featuring continuous shots of naked women dancing around for an aroused male audience. But "Coyote Ugly" is rated PG-13. So, why

called for some obscene language to be used at the club.

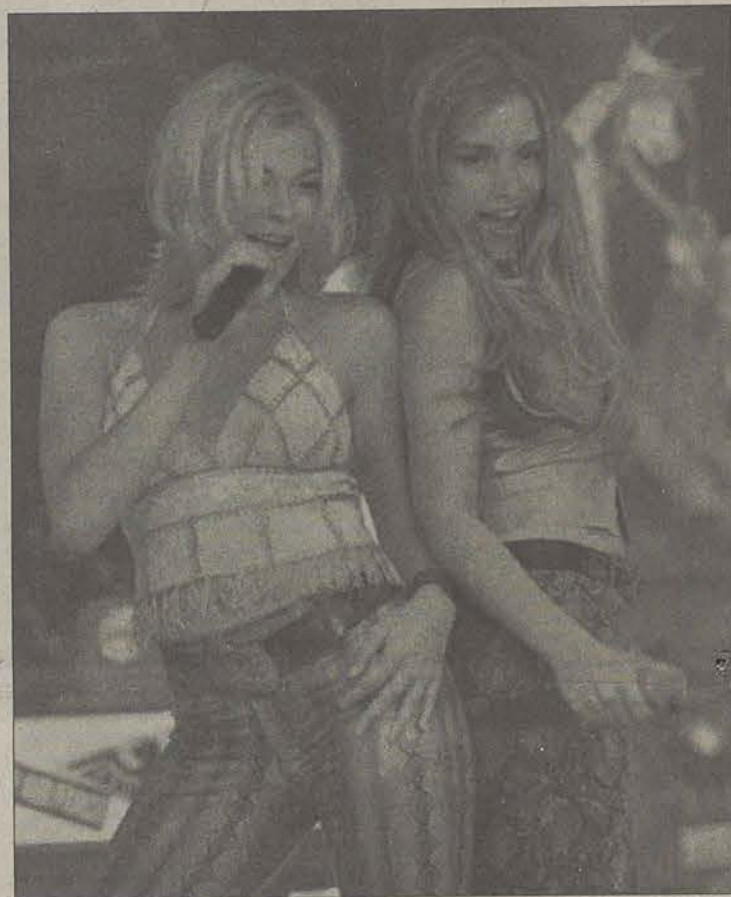
So, why does his resistance to do this cut back from the quality of the movie? Because such content in a movie like this only makes sense. "Coyote Ugly" lacked the punch that was constantly trying to creep through the plot. In a real New York City nightclub, would hordes of men come nightly to see women whose clothes stayed on at all times? In a place where men are getting completely trashed on beer and liquor, would the language remain clean throughout the night? Would a club that featured "sexy" stick figures shaking their implants and butts on top of a bar go without any obscenities being shouted at the female entertainers? Rather than making the movie realistic, McNally knew that this did not matter to most of the people who paid to see it. Instead, he made the music Violet was creating nauseatingly close to the same music

that Britney Spears and Christina Aguilera get rich off of (for some unjust reason). Also, he made the group of girls who worked at Coyote Ugly blatantly resemble the group of girls that made up the Spice Girls, and used a guest cameo performance by teen country music singer Leann Rimes.

McNally also knew that if the acting in "Coyote Ugly" was worse than a made-for-TV movie, the audience would concentrate only on

what was before their eyes. In a movie centered on women, it is astonishing that the best acting in the film came from the two men featured in the story. Adam Garcia put forth a strong effort as Kevin O'Donnell, and John Goodman, though severely out of place, was as brilliant as ever playing the role of Violet's father, Bill Sanford.

Critics have thrown "Coyote Ugly" around like a rag doll, but most of the American population who have seen it have nothing but praise for the film. The movie begged for quality but the poor acting and the cheap tricks McNally used, knowing that the American culture would see no problem whatsoever, made "Coyote Ugly" a fruitless film, yet a successful get-rich-quick scheme for those who produced it.



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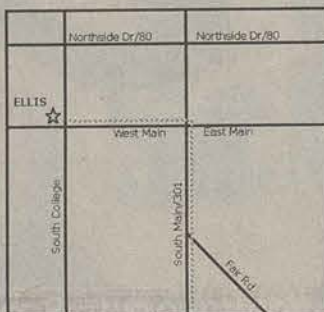
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EPA enforces safe drinking water by providing list of ingredients

By Jessica Garcia
Staff Writer

As the fields of science and technology continue to expand, Americans are becoming further aware of and even obsessed with their health and what affects it. In particular, concern for what goes in our bodies has become a common place even in a simple grocery store. Take food information labels, for example. We can't even eat a bowl of cereal without knowing how many calories and fat grams it contains or what its ingredients are. But how often have Americans stopped to ponder what is in their drinking water? Sure, there's Evian and other bottled water companies, but what if you simply want it from your tap?

As recent Environmental Protection Agency ads convey, "The fact is, there is more to your tap water than filling your glass." In March of 1999, a short feature was aired on the "Today" show informing Americans

they could receive information pertaining to their local drinking water by calling a toll-free number. Within twenty four hours, 40,000

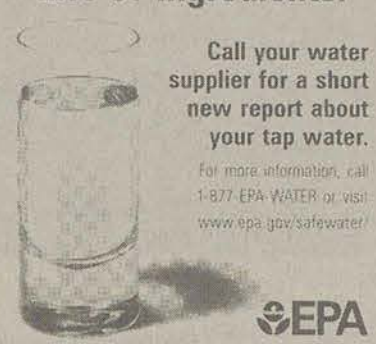
paings are encouraging consumers nation-wide to demand their local water authorities to "pour over the facts" and give consumers a "list of ingredients" for their local tap water. By calling the toll-free number (1-800-426-4791) or visiting the web site (www.epa.gov/safewater/), Americans can and are being informed where their tap water comes from, what contaminants have been detected in it, and how these levels compare to federal health standards. This campaign, entitled "Drinking Water: Know What's In It For You," also encourages consumers to check out public notification of violations beginning with those that are health-based, followed by water monitoring, and reporting violations.

The public notification changes made this May also include the right of consumers for faster notice in

emergencies, fewer notices overall, and notices that are easier to understand. Over ninety percent of Americans were required to have had reports available from their water suppliers this July. If you did not receive one, your local water service can inform you as to when your report was or will be published.

Thanks to the EPA's concerns, consumers now have more to obsess over than how many miles they need to run after eating a Milky Way Bar. Ironically, consumers must now be aware of the very element that is vital in sustaining life - water - which may actually be more harmful than your everyday helping of Easy Mac. So, instead of assuming that your water is only two atoms of hydrogen and one of oxygen, take the EPA's advice of awareness in the slogan, "because when it comes to drinking water, the most important ingredient is you."

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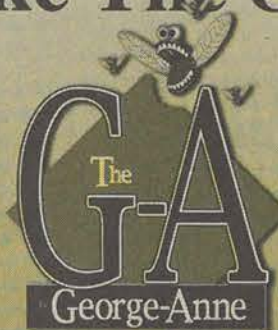


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Today's Birthday (Aug. 23). Expect many changes this year, some in how you see yourself. Start by listing your talents in August. Ask for your share of the wealth in October. An older person teaches you a valuable lesson in November. Another transformation could occur naturally in December, as you outgrow one phase and begin another. There's more work than money in June, but creativity blossoms by July.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) — Today is a 5 — You are smart today. You are capable of learning quickly. If you do the reading and watch an expert, you will acquire the skills you admire. A high level of accomplishment is required to maintain the position to which you aspire. So, practice!

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Today is a 7 — Having lots of love in times of no money is better than lots of money in times of no love. So, especially, if money's tight, don't say something that would hurt. The other person may not have your experience or objectivity. Teach through your example.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) — Today is a 5 — You and somebody you live with could get into a brawl. You want things to go one way, and the other person doesn't see why. You're the stickler for the rules this time, and you can prevail. Be graceful, as well as right, and patient.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) — Today is a 6 — What you thought was going to happen might not. What you thought was the truth might be fiction. The more you learn, the more you realize you didn't know. Be cautious and don't spread rumors. The full story might not be revealed until tomorrow.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is a 5 — Your friends are trying to get you to lead them, but take care. They may be trying to get you to take responsibility for a mistake they're bound and determined to make. Be strong to steer them in the right direction.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is a 5 — Somebody in your life may be very strict. You may think this person is stifling your creativity. Instead of arguing, try to take the coaching. It could help you avoid a mistake you'll be glad you didn't make!

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Today is a 6 — You may feel like trying something outrageous. You may have friends who are encouraging you to plunge boldly forward. That may not be wise, however. A detail could trip you up. Ask a few more questions before you launch your new endeavor.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21) — Today is a 7 — Time to look at your savings again. Do you have any? Are your investments producing the highest return? A friend's crazy scheme won't work, so don't do anything foolish. Stick with something that worked before, instead.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is a 5 — Your partnerships and other relationships are in flux. Expect people to be in the mood to argue. You're taking on new responsibilities and growing. You're testing the limits, and so is everybody else. Don't take any of it too seriously.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is a 6 — You may want to travel, but you're stuck. The job's difficult, and it's not getting easier. Relationships will go well for the next several weeks, but tonight it may be hard to make a connection. Relax. Don't push against the tide.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is a 6 — You and your sweetheart or a child could argue about money. Don't decide you won't be able to achieve your dreams. Instead, see if the two of you can figure out a way to bring in whatever you need. Set goals, instead of limits.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) — Today is a 5 — Even though everybody's talking, nobody's speaking for you. You're going to have to do that for yourself. Pay attention. Don't allow your point of view to be overlooked. This won't be easy, but it's important. Be rude, if necessary. They can take it.

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Hillel brings jewish culture to GSU

By Julie Allen
Staff Writer

On such a diverse campus like GSU's, it is difficult for some groups to keep up with their culture and heritage. GSU offers many clubs and organizations to its students, and now there is one for those of the Jewish community.

GSU recently established a student organization for the Jewish students on campus called Hillel. The Jewish Student Union is free to the Jewish community, funded by the Atlanta Jewish Federation and the Savannah Jewish Alliance.

The organization makes it easy for Jewish students to keep up with their religion. Instead of traveling to Savannah to the nearest synagogue Hillel holds services every Friday in the Russell Union. According to Janna Frankel, president of Hillel for the past two years, the members do a lot more than just take part in religious services.

"People tend to shy away from groups because they are afraid that all they do is sit around and preach. That is definitely not the case with us," Frankel said. "Mostly we just get together and have a good time. We are just a

make it home to be with their families, creating a sense of togetherness for Jewish students.

The group of students take a yearly trip to Charleston, SC to be with other collegiate members of Hillel. The GSU chapter is joined by the Hillel members from other colleges and universities such as Clemson, Georgia State, and Georgia Tech.

Over the summer, a letter was sent out to all the starting Jewish freshmen informing them of Hillel. Even though school

has started, it is not too late to join. Anyone on campus can join and gain not only pride in their religion, but a group of friends they can relate to as well.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 29th in the Russell Union. If any students have any questions, they can contact Janna Frankel or the advisors of Hillel, Dr. Lisa Sherwin and Ms. Paula Solomon.

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Though the group is small in number, it is not accustomed to small time fun. The members get together approximately two or three times a month for an outing. They do various things such as eat out, watch movies, or go skating.

Throughout the year, Hillel has parties to celebrate the Jewish holidays when its members can't

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1. (5) "Doesn't Really Matter," Janet. Def Soul.

2. (1) "Incomplete," Sisqo. Dragon/Def Soul.

3. (2) "Bent," matchbox twenty. Lava. (Gold)

4. (3) "Jumpin, Jumpin," Destiny's Child. Columbia.

5. (8) "I Wanna Know," Joe. Jive.

6. (4) "It's Gonna Be Me," 'N Sync. Jive. (Gold)

7. (10) "No More," Ruff Endz. Epic.

8. (7) "Absolutely (Story Of A Girl)," Nine Days. 550 Music.

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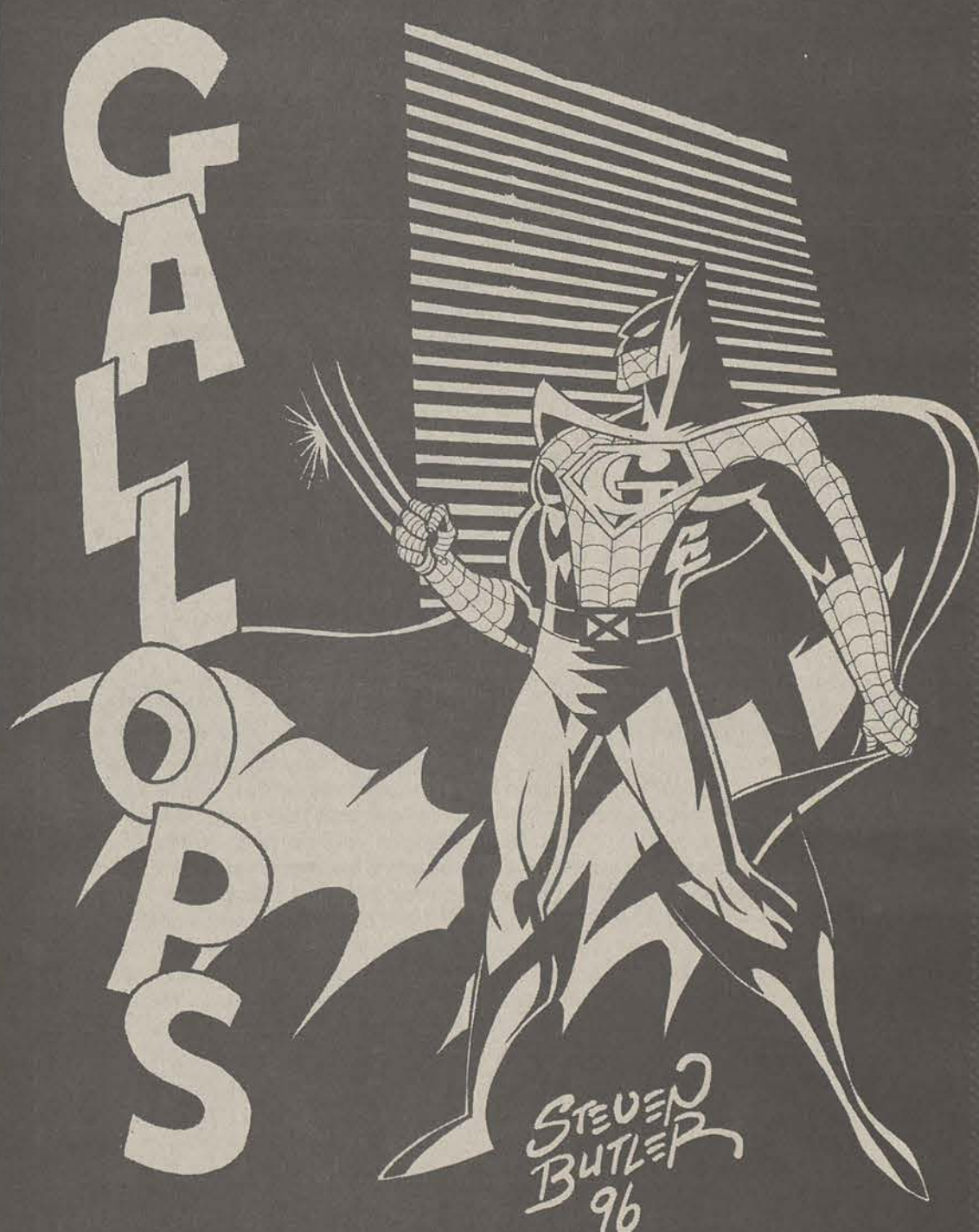
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Mother of six enrolls in college

Associated Press

MOREHEAD CITY, N.C. — Like many mothers, Cindy DeLaFuenta of Newport will soon head to Chapel Hill with the family car packed full of belongings.

But unlike other parents making the journey with their children to the University of North Carolina for the start of the fall semester, DeLaFuenta won't be waving goodbye and leaving campus once the boxes are unloaded.

The 40-year-old mother of six graduated from Carteret Community College and will join the student body at UNC as a junior transfer student in the university's School of Education.

While the start of a new semester for many students means settling into a dorm room and roaming the student store for supplies and books, those are only a few of the

tasks DeLaFuenta faces as she prepares to balance her duties as a mother and a full-time student.

When she leaves for Chapel Hill she'll be moving herself and three of her children - 8-year-old Isaac, 11-year-old Hannah and 16-year-old Timothy - into UNC's family housing, settling into a new town and working out the final details of their schedules before they all head off for classes.

"This is a big undertaking for me," DeLaFuenta said. "I'm 40 years old, half my family is out of high school and on their own, and now I'm packing up and moving with my three school-aged children to Chapel Hill."

DeLaFuenta said she has felt a bit overwhelmed at times but she's counting on everything falling into place. After all, she said, that's what has happened so far.

While she had considered entering other universities, DeLaFuenta was interested in UNC's middle grades education program, which has opened to junior transfer students. She made that her priority and kept the faith that she'd be accepted and make the move to Chapel Hill possible.

"I applied to the School of Education. I applied to the university. I applied for housing and for financial aid," she said. "I applied for everything at the same time at UNC and didn't apply anywhere else."

"A lot of people said to me 'Don't get your hopes all up because you'll just get disappointed.' I told one person, 'I'm going to go to Chapel Hill and you're going to eat your heart out.'" DeLaFuenta said with a laugh. "Then I got accepted into the program. I got accepted into the

contingent upon her academic performance.

Now that she has made her way to UNC, DeLaFuenta intends to get her bachelor's degree in education and possibly pursue a master's degree in special education.

"What I'd really like to do, I think, down the line, is teach developmental programs at the community college level and work with literacy programs," she said. "It seems like there are so many people today who can't read and a lot of them are people with special needs."

It's not surprising that she has chosen education as her specialty. The importance of learning has always been stressed in the DeLaFuenta household, where the children were often home-schooled.

"She always told us to do the best we could," said DeLaFuenta's oldest daughter, Rachel Garner.

"Our education has always been important to her."

While family obligations and other responsibilities put DeLaFuenta's own education on hold, it was ultimately the support of her children that got her back to the classroom.

In January of 1998 she enrolled in a Spanish class at Carteret Community College at the encouragement of Garner and her oldest son, 21-year-old Joshua, who were both attending the college at the time. One class led to another.

"Next they had talked me into an English class, then a music class and a study class, and soon I had a full load," she said.

DeLaFuenta's children pushed her to continue.

"I think they knew how much I wanted to do it, and that motivated me," said DeLaFuenta, who maintained a 3.52 grade point average while taking courses in the college's Associate of Arts degree program. "They drug me along for the first semester, and then after being there for a while I knew the college was where I had to be."

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university. And about a month ago I got into housing. Everything just kind of fell into place."

Family housing was particularly important.

East Carolina University in Greenville and UNC-Wilmington are closer to home, but the thought of a long commute each day wasn't appealing to a mother who wants to be sure she has time for both her schoolwork and family.

"I didn't want to do that two-hour commute back and forth every day," DeLaFuenta said. "I'm hoping that without all the travel time I'll be able to spend more time with my children and make sure they get their homework done and have all the things that they need."

Being able to take care of her family has also meant finding the money to cover expenses for home and school.

DeLaFuenta said she is fortunate to have received financial aid as well as help from the Sunshine Lady Foundation, which has awarded her a \$5,000 scholarship for her first semester that could grow into a \$20,000 award over a two-year period

Prisoners who misbehave will have privileges cut

Associated Press

CHARLOTTE - Prisoners who misbehave will receive fewer showers, cigarettes, television time and exercise sessions under tougher new rules being instituted by the North Carolina Department of Correction.

The state's 76 prisons have long penalized misbehaving inmates by separating them from the general prison population and cutting back their privileges. The new rules will make life more unpleasant for the roughly 800 troublesome inmates.

Prison officials say the 12-point plan, which took hold Aug. 1, is needed because no-parole laws that took effect in 1994 severely reduced the time the state's 31,000 inmates can cut from sentences with good behavior.

"We have more violent inmates who are here for longer periods of time," said department spokeswoman Tracy Little. "We have inmates who have fewer incentives to good behavior."

The new rules come amid growing efforts nationwide to use austere living arrangements to punish and control the most troublesome inmates. And advocates for prisoners are concerned.

"We will look at this very carefully and try to see if there are areas where we think they've gone too far," said James Carter, a lawyer with N.C. Prisoner Legal Services, a Raleigh-based nonprofit agency that helps protect inmates' legal rights.

The plan affects only inmates placed on the department's three levels of punishment: intensive control, maximum control and high-security maximum control. The levels apply to inmates who repeatedly break prison rules, threaten violence, commit assaults or are identified as gang leaders.

Most of the time, those prisoners are placed in separate unit and often in cells by themselves, Little said. Now, the rules will be stiffer:

- No television privileges. In some prisons, they used to be able to watch TV in the dayrooms.
- Canteen visits reduced from once a day to none.
- Visitation reduced from once a week to twice every 30 days.

- No more tobacco products during recreation times.
- Haircuts every 30 days, where it used to vary from prison to prison.

- Exercise privileges reduced from an hour a day outside to four times a week, including two days outside and two inside.
- Showers reduced from one a day to four each week, with

medical exceptions permitted.

Prison officials wanted to eliminate magazine subscriptions, but the N.C. chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union objected and the rule was dropped.

Before North Carolina's new laws took effect in 1994, an inmate's sentence was cut as soon as he or she showed up in prison, Little said. With good behavior and by working a job, an inmate under the old system could cut a 15-year sentence to a 4 1/2-year stay in prison.

New laws, called structured sentencing, eliminated parole and instituted longer prison stays for violent offenders. Now an inmate can earn only small amounts of time off for good behavior and must serve a minimum sentence regardless of behavior.

Prison statistics show inmate misbehavior has risen since the new laws took hold. Assaults on prison staff by prisoners using weapons rose 52 percent between 1995 and 1998.

Two years ago, North Carolina opened a so-called supermax prison for the worst of its problem inmates. The \$8 million facility, on the grounds of Polk Youth Institution about 15 miles northeast of Durham, locks inmates away in solitary confinement in 8-by-10-foot concrete cells.

When is a petting zoo not a petting zoo?

Associated Press

HORSEHEADS, N.Y. -- When a camel and goat each bite a child and health officials quarantine the critters to check for rabies.

A traveling petting zoo called The Zoo set up shop in a supermarket parking lot in this Chemung County town 70 miles southwest of Syracuse only to have the big dromedary and the goat bite a kid.

In response, the county Health Department put the offending animals in quarantine for 10 days and warned residents to be wary of wild animals.

"We're not trying to send up the panic flag at this time," said Joseph Egnaczak, Rabies Program Coordinator at the Chemung County Health Department.

Animals in petting zoos might

not be vaccinated for rabies, and the public should avoid contact with the animals, Egnaczak said.

Pat Engesser, one of The Zoo's owners, said that she has more than 30 animals and they are free of rabies. Neither the camel nor the goat had been vaccinated, she said, because there is no approved vaccine for the animals. A veterinarian was to vaccinate them anyway over the weekend.

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August 15, 2000

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As the Medical Director at Georgia Southern University Health Services, I am writing to inform you about meningococcal disease, a potentially fatal bacterial infection commonly referred to as meningitis, and a new recommendation from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

On October 20, 1999, the CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) voted to recommend that college students, particularly freshmen living in residence halls, be educated about meningitis and the benefits of vaccination. The panel based its recommendation on recent studies showing that college students, particularly freshmen living in residence halls, have a sixfold increased risk for meningitis. The recommendation further states that information about the disease and vaccination is appropriate for other undergraduate students who also wish to reduce their risk for the disease.

Meningitis is rare. However, when it strikes, its flu-like symptoms make diagnosis difficult. If not treated early, meningitis can lead to swelling of the fluid surrounding the brain and spinal column as well as severe and permanent disabilities, such as hearing loss, brain damage, seizures, limb amputation, and even death.

Cases of meningitis among teens and young adults 15 to 24 years of age (the age of most college students) have more than doubled since 1991. The disease strikes about 3,000 Americans each year and claims about 300 lives. Between 100 and 125 meningitis cases occur on college campuses and as many as 15 students will die from the disease.

A vaccine is available that protects against four types of the bacteria that cause meningitis in the United States: types A, C, Y and W-135. These types account for nearly two thirds of meningitis cases among college students.

I encourage you to learn more about meningitis and the vaccine. For more information, please feel free to contact us at:

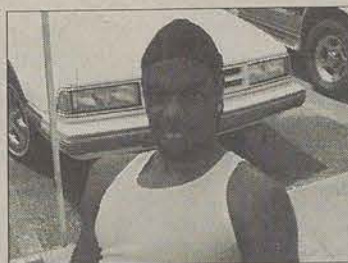
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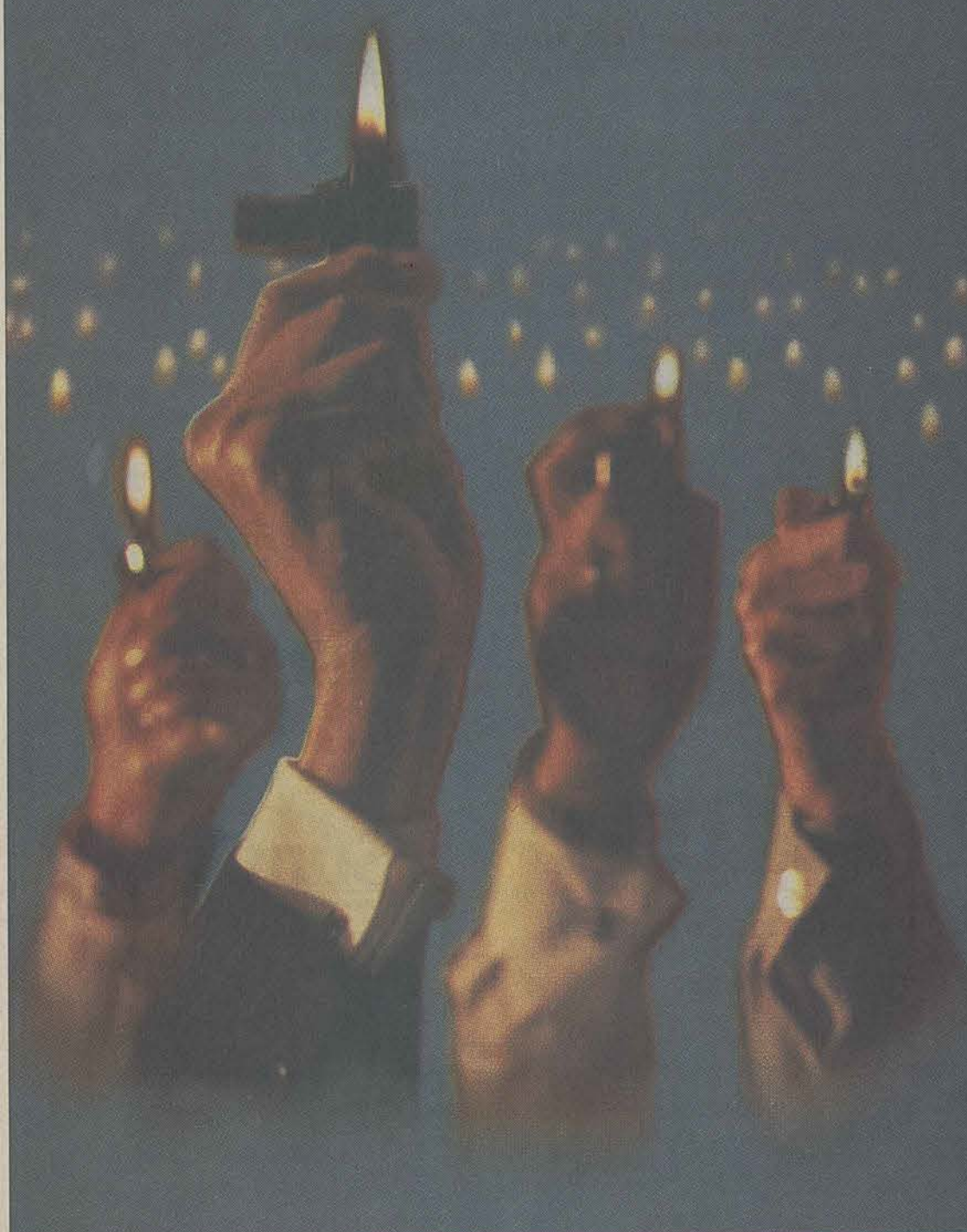
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