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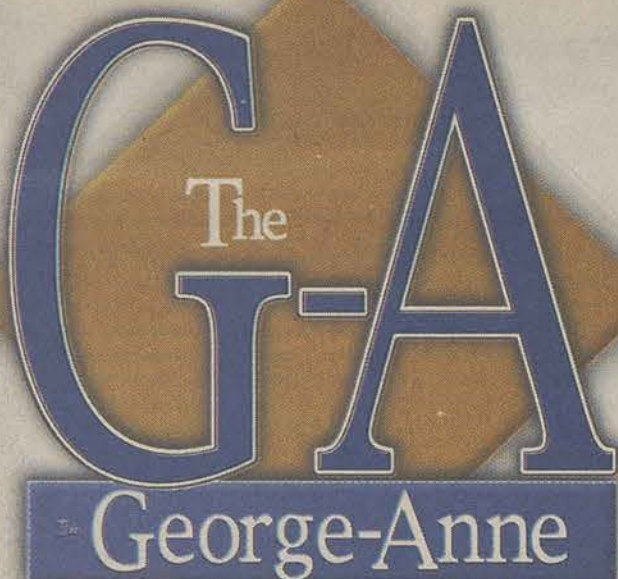


SPORTS

GSU to induct six into athletic hall of fame

Giff Smith, Randell Boone, Michael Curry, Tommy Bond, Bill Griffin, Morris Lupton will join other GSU greats in the athletic hall of fame. Find out more inside.

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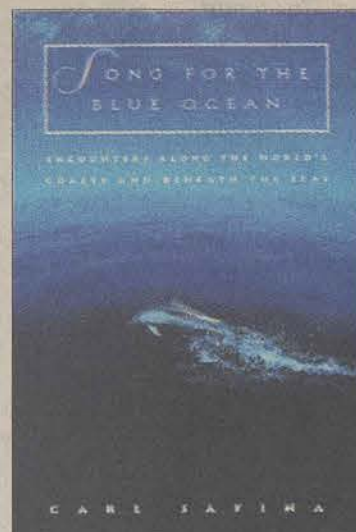


LIFE

Carl Safina to present lecture in Russell Union

Carl Safina, director and founder of the Living Oceans Program at the National Audubon Society, will present a lecture in the Union Theater Tuesday at 7 p.m.

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Garden District tenants wonder why expectations have not been met



Liz Smith

Where are the stores? The residents of the Garden District are wondering why the convenience store, health food store, and tanning beds that were in the original plans for the complex are not there. According to Cameron Benton, the property manager, the Garden District's first priority was to move in residents, and that the stores will hopefully soon follow.

By Leigh-Anne Burgess
Assistant News Editor

Tenants of the Garden District are overall pleased with their living accommodations; however, some are wondering why expectations were not met.

"The apartments are fairly nice and for the most part I like living here, but it's definitely not what I thought it was going to be," tenant Robyn Ritsert said.

When construction began on The Garden District last spring, prospective tenants were promised the luxuries of in-complex convenience stores, a health food deli, and tanning beds. However, when tenants began to move in on August 12, none of these commercial properties were prepared, nor was the condition of the buildings what was expected.

According to Cameron Benton, the Garden District's property manager, there are reasons that the promised amenities were not constructed.

"The commercial owners wanted to make sure that traffic was not going to be a problem and the spaces would be easily accessible," Benton said.

Some of the businesses would not only be available to tenants but to non-residents as well. The business owners were concerned that it would be difficult to route traffic into and out of the apartment complex due to increased traffic from these non-



Liz Smith

residents.

Perhaps the most important reason that the commercial site construction was actually put on hold was for the benefit of residents. According to Benton, making sure that all of the apartments were soundly built and ready for the promised move-in date was the top priority.

"The businesses being built was not as important as the tenants moving in," Benton said.

However, tenants are still skeptical about the speed that the apartments were built in.

"People are constantly coming by to fix things that were not done before we moved in," Ritsert said.

Another tenant added that the lack of quality in the

Garden District is very noticeable. "Our balcony is not level and the wood used feels very cheap," he said.

Although Statesboro's newest luxury apartment complex may have its problems, most students were not too surprised.

"They did things cheap, but this is a college town so I guess you can expect that," Ritsert said.

According to Benton, the Garden District located at Auburn University also experienced the same delay and similar problems, but the businesses were operating after the first year and residents were satisfied. Benton says that she expects construction to begin at GSU's location very soon.

GSU crushes UTC 31-10

By Doug Kidd
Senior Sports Writer

Coming into Saturday night's game between GSU and Tennessee-Chattanooga, it was supposedly Chris Sanders and the rest of UTC's "Air Raid" offense that was going the rack up a ton of yardage with the passing game. But instead, GSU's J.R. Revere outplayed the SoCon's leading passer by completing 8-of-16 passes for 182 yards and three touchdowns while rushing for another 69 yards in the Eagles 31-10 victory.

"J.R. played well for us tonight," said head coach Paul Johnson. "He made some good plays for us and he ran the option well. Tonight, he made the plays he's capable of."

After struggling in the first three games, completing just 48% of his passes for 157 yards, the junior quarterback finally broke out against a Mocs defense that wasn't prepared for the GSU passing attack. "(The UTC defense) was playing us up close for the option so we knew we had to go to the passing game. It worked," Revere said.

Revere connected on two separate 59-yard scoring strikes, the first to Chris Johnson early in the second quarter and the second to Derrick Owens five and a half minutes later. Revere would later hit Andre Weathers on an eight-yard touchdown in the third quarter.

Although Revere played better than Sanders, who finished the contest 23-of-42 for 221 yards, a touchdown and two interceptions, it didn't look like it was going to be that way early on. The Mocs quarterback completed five straight passes for 44 yards on the opening drive, but on his sixth attempt, Nate Gates intercepted Sanders' pass at the Eagles eight-yard line, thwarting the Mocs momentum.

Later, Sanders would lead UTC to a 25-yard field goal in the first quarter putting Mocs up 3-0. Sanders finished the first quarter 11-of-15 passing for 115 yards.

But that was all the success UTC would see as the GSU defense came around. "(UTC) moved the ball at times," Coach Johnson said. "Our defense came together and settled down after the first quarter and played well."

"The defense was huge, we played great,"



Jeff Dion

safety Ryan Hadden, who finished with five tackles, said. "Our plan was to stop the pass first and then the run when they did the run...and we did that."

The GSU defense held the UTC passing attack that had been averaging 287 yards a game to a season-low 221 yards. Receiver Cos DeMatteo, who last week set a record for six touchdown catches in a game, was held in check with seven catches for just 49 yards and no scores. Richmond Flowers also added seven catches for 80 yards and Ronnie Strickland caught six balls and the Mocs only touchdown. Despite the successful first quarter, the UTC passing game was shut down for the rest of the game, gaining only 106 yards over the next three quarters. The running game was neglected by the Mocs as UTC rushed for only 47 yards.

GSU's offense was a different story as Revere led the Eagles to 568 total yards, including 386 on the ground. After being torched by Adrian Peterson for more than 200 yards rushing in each of the past two years, UTC decided to shut the fullback down by focusing solely on junior. "(UTC) was playing 11 guys on the run, on our fullback,

trying to take him out of the game," said Johnson.

It took for the first half as Peterson was held to 30 yards, but GSU found other ways to move the ball. "We knew we could pass the ball when (UTC stuffed the middle of the line) and also go outside to the A-backs," said Peterson. "The Wofford game made us realize that teams would (concentrate on the fullback dive) and that we would have to go to (the slotbacks)."

Peterson, who would eventually rush 27 times for 141 yards and a touchdown, watched the "A-backs" get the job done as Mark Meyers and Andre Weathers gained 81 and 70 yards respectively on just 11 collective carries.

"We played better tonight, especially offensively," Coach Johnson said. "(Reshuffling the offensive line) helped us some... Clarke did a good job at center, but we'll have to look at the tape to see how everyone did."

"We made a lot of progress over last week," Johnson said. "I'm happy with the way we played. If we can increase our progress next week from this week, we'll be all right."

McCurdy works to facilitate voter registration in Statesboro area

By Jason Kemp
Staff Writer

As election season kicks into full swing, many students of GSU and residents of Statesboro may notice voter registration tables appearing throughout the community. The woman behind this is Dr. Karen McCurdy, a professor in the Political Science department. Dr. McCurdy is also the Director of the Bureau of Public Affairs for GSU and has dedicated many hours this fall in trying to register people in the Statesboro area.

Dr. McCurdy takes her job as director very seriously and with an unequivocal passion for Public Affairs, which is often not seen in such a rural and politically apathetic environment.

"As Director of the Bureau of Public Affairs, my mission is to find outreach programs so that the faculty at Georgia Southern can be assistance to the local government," McCurdy said. "We have done an annex study for the city of Statesboro and we are working on a citizens guide to development in coastal Georgia, under the offices of the Department of Natural Resources and is a collaborative effort with the Center for Sustainable Coasts."

When Dr. McCurdy heard about other local organizations such as the American Association of University Women and the Business and Professional Women Organization showing interest in hosting a candidate forum and having voter registration drives, she immediately offered the services of the

bureau.

"When I heard about the organizations planning a candidate forum, I attended the first set of meetings and thought that the bureau would be the best way of facilitating voter registration," McCurdy said.

Dr. McCurdy, who received her



Laura Calvert

Karen McCurdy

masters and doctorate degrees from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, believes that her interest in the public affairs of Statesboro comes from the strong emphasis that was placed on community outreach at the University where she learned how to become a teacher.

"One of the key components of the University of Wisconsin was the profound treatment towards outreach in the community," McCurdy said. "So I learned how

to be a teacher in a place where the ideal was that you went to every part of the state and became involved in things."

McCurdy believes that it is critically important that there is a good working relationship between faculty and all of the other citizens of the area, and stresses that the bureau is more than happy to offer any of its services to the local government.

Besides running a bureau in which she accepts no salary, Dr. McCurdy teaches American Government, Congressional Policy, Environment Policy, Scopes and Methods and Political Science Theory for the Political Science department.

Dr. McCurdy tries to stress the importance of being involved in public affairs to all of her students, and is requiring all of those who are in her American Government class to participate in some type of local political activity.

This fall, Dr. McCurdy will be picking up most of her dinners on the run, as her attempts to increase political awareness to all of those in the Statesboro area require more and more of her time. However, Dr. McCurdy believes that community service is important and valuable.

"A real adult gives back to the community," McCurdy said.

Dr. McCurdy is not only giving back to the community, but she is setting a precedent for community outreach for all of the faculty and the students at GSU.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Things To Do at GSU

• **ATTENTION:** Marilyn Kalb, GSU senior administrative secretary of athletics, has found a wristwatch in the vicinity of Hanner Fieldhouse. If you feel it may be your watch, please contact her at 681-5047.

Ongoing

• **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 7 p.m. at 401 Chandler Rd. across from Johnson Hall and Watson Hall. BSU also has lunch every Wednesday from 12 to 1 p.m. Everyone is invited. For more information, contact the BSU at 681-2241.

• **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.

• **The Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers** meets the first and third Tuesday of every month at 5 p.m. in the Technology Building Room 2117.

• **The Academic Resource Center** is beginning a series of workshops to help students in various areas. Among the workshops are "Developing Personal Potential," "Learning Lifestyles for College Success," "Word Choice in Writing," "Correcting Common Sentence Errors," and "How to Study from a Student's Perspective." Workshops run from September 20-28. Call 681-0321 for more information.

• **The GLBT Resource Center** is offering a support group for gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender students, faculty, and staff. Meetings will be on Thursday nights from 5 - 6:30 p.m. in Russell Union room 2072. Contact the GLBT Resource Center at 681-5409 for more information.

September 25-27

• **The Golden Key National Honor Society** will be holding information tables in the Russell Union. Those interested in becoming a member should stop by. Induction of new members will be October 29th at 7 p.m.

September 26-28

• **An information table and petition signing** will be held at the rotunda to help widen the Presidential debates to third party candidates like the Green Party's Ralph Nader and the Reform Party's Pat Buchanan. For more information contact Heather Mellow at 681-5621.

September 25

• **Bulloch County Political Forum and Voter Registration** will hold "Meet the Candidates" at 7 p.m. in the newly renovated Bulloch County Courthouse courtroom.

September 28

• **The GSU Collegiate 4-H Club** will hold a meeting at 6 p.m. in Russell Union room 2071.

October 3

• **The Muslims of the Americas** are sponsoring a panel of speakers to present

facts, dispel fiction, and answer questions. Everyone is invited. It will be held in room 2042 in Russell Union from 7-9 p.m.

October 6-7

• **The Southern Explosion Dance Team** will hold tryouts at the RAC on Oct. 6 from 6-9 p.m. and on Oct. 7 from 9 a.m.-until. There is a fee of \$5 due at the door the first day. If you have questions, call CRI at 681-5436 or email questions to mayonaise007@hotmail.com.

October 6

• **The GSU planetarium** will present a show detailing the images and discoveries made by the Hubble Space Telescope over the past decade. A telescopic viewing of the moon and stars outdoors, if clear, will follow the presentation. For more info, contact the Physics Dept. at 681-5292.

October 10-14

• **GSU presents "Tartuffe: Born Again"** in the Black Box Theatre. For ticket information call 681-0123.

October 12

• **The Eagle Expo Career Fair** will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the RAC. For more information, call 681-5197.

November 3

• **The GSU planetarium** will present a star show of the current night sky and current space missions. Telescopic viewing of the Moon, Jupiter and Saturn outdoors, if clear, following the presentation. The Statesboro Astronomy Club will meet following the presentation/observing. For more info, contact the Physics Dept. at 681-5292.

December 2

• **The GSU planetarium** will present a star show of the constellations, planets, meteors and other sky objects visible during the holiday season. A partial solar eclipse will occur on Christmas Day and instruction will be given on how to safely view it. The Statesboro Astronomy club will meet before the presentation. For more info, contact the Physics Dept. at 681-5292.

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POLICE BEAT

Statesboro Police Department September 19

• **Reginald Deshawn Aaron**, 20, P. O. Box 32, Jeffersonville, GA reported items worth 660 dollars stolen from his vehicle.

• **Nathan Richardson**, 20, 134 Stadium Walk reported criminal trespass.

September 20

• **George William Harvey, Jr.**, 25, 139 Park Place, reported burglary.

• **James Thompson**, 18, 16 Varsity Lodge reported criminal trespass.

• **William Craig**, 23, Towne Club #50, reported 400 dollars worth of damage to a 1999 4Runner.

• **Wesley Holmes**, 18, 903 Statesboro Place, reported criminal trespass.

• **Angela Culver**, 18, Players Club #27, reported 40 dollars missing from her bedroom.

September 21

• **Richard Franklin Wells**, 22, Plantation Villas, reported a missing cell phone.

• **Lee S. Kelley**, 20, 306 W. Main St., reported being stabbed in the chest with a knife.

• **Samuel Tucker**, 19, Towne Club #41, reported disorderly conduct.

• **Melissa Anne Hensley**, 22, 121 Herty Drive, reported harassment.

• **Ruben Bufford**, 18, 401 Bobwhite Ct. reported a stolen cell phone.

September 22

• **Monica Thompson**, 22, Park Place #77, reported a civil dispute.

• **Christopher Jann**, 21, Bermuda Run E1, reported a stolen cordless phone.

• **Dennis Wilkerson**, 22, Varsity Lodge 3196 reported receiving harassing phone calls.

• **Michael Wilds Davidson**, 20, 115 Cadbury Ct., Alpharetta, was arrested for public drunkenness.

• **James Albert Hood, Jr.**, 20, P. O. Box 1947, Dublin, was arrested for DUI and failure to maintain lane.

• **John Hammonds**, 21, Towne Club #41, was arrested for disorderly conduct.

• **Eddie Wertz**, 23, 212 Lanier Drive Apt. 16, was arrested for a misdemeanor possession of marijuana.

• **Marcus Mincey**, 23, Rt. 3 Box 110,

Metter, was arrested for speeding, no proof of insurance, and driving on a suspended license.

September 23

• **Teddy Jason Daniel Lane**, 18, 1460 Hwy. 80E Lot 22, Swainsboro, was arrested for driving on a suspended license.

• **Bart Clarence Auvil**, 24, 178 Robert Reed Road, was arrested for possession of marijuana with intent to distribute.

• **Jeremy Benjamin Price**, 22, Rt. 2 Box 150A, Metter, was arrested for driving on a suspended license.

Editor's Note: Police Beat appears in every issue of the George-Anne in an effort to inform the GSU community of the amount, nature, and location of crime. All reports are public information and can be obtained from the GSU Division of Public Safety or at the Statesboro Police Department.

All Police Beat information is compiled by Leigh-Anne Burgess, assistant news editor.

Officials say fraud put commercial drivers on Georgia's roadways

The Associated Press

ATLANTA, Ga. - An independent driving examiner using the address of a middle Georgia motel produced fraudulent test results that put more than 500 untested commercial drivers on the road, the Georgia State Patrol said Friday.

Authorities gave 527 holders of commercial driver's licenses 30 days to request a hearing or take the state's two-hour road test to prove they are qualified to operate tractor-trailer rigs, large trucks and buses.

The only person arrested so far is state employee Adrian Terrico Usher, 29, of Jenkinsburg. Usher, a state driver

examiner, was charged with warning someone of the patrol's investigation, violating his oath of office.

The patrol said it found no evidence Usher was involved in the actual license scheme.

Citing the ongoing investigation, the patrol did not release the name of the driving examiner accused of using the motel address to produce fraudulent results.

"There's reason to believe this is not an isolated case," said Mike Barton, director of the patrol's investigative services division.

"We can tell you there's sufficient reason to believe there's more than one" that may have

falsified results, he said.

State patrol Lt. Col. Johnny Grimes said some of the drivers exchanged their fraudulent licenses for new licenses in other states.

There are legitimate independent commercial license testers that administer behind-the-wheel exams to meet a demand that the state's three facilities are unable to handle.

Patrol officials said they have turned up no accidents involving a driver with one of the fraudulent licenses.

"These guys have been driving for some time now. They probably have some experience under their belts," said Capt. Sammy Hill, who administers the patrol's license administration division.

"The question is the fraudulent road test scores. There was never a road test given," Hill said.

Officials said most of the licenses in question were issued over the past few years.

This Week's Weather



Today
Isolated T-Storms with a high of 88 and a low of 70.



Tuesday
Partly cloudy with a high of 75 and a low of 51.

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1 Ohio

Man claims he married the wrong woman

AKRON — A man who says he married the wrong woman is getting a divorce.

Joseph Pileggi and Carli Buchanan, the woman he claims he never intended to marry, reached a divorce settlement Friday, their attorneys said.

Pileggi, 69, sued Buchanan, 61 for an annulment, claiming he thought he had married her mother, Ducile Palermo, 83, during a 1997 ceremony in Daytona Beach, Fla.

He says he was shocked when he came across the marriage license that had Buchanan signed as the bride and Palermo as a witness. He says he thought he married Palermo, who has he lived with since 1992.

But Buchanan claims Pileggi knew full well he was marrying her and that they consummated the wedding the same day.

Pileggi filed for divorce and Buchanan countersued, seeking temporary spousal support and a portion of his assets.

The settlement includes an exchange of money and property, but attorneys would not discuss the details until the couple appear before Summit County Domestic Relations Judge Carol Deszo on Monday to formally accept the agreement.

A civil case Pileggi filed against Palermo still is pending.

Pileggi realized he apparently had married the wrong woman after Palermo had a stroke last year and he looked at his marriage certificate.

2 Illinois

Girl Scouts must pay \$1.3 million to injured girl

CHICAGO — A jury has decided the Girl Scouts of Chicago must pay \$1.3 million to a teen-ager whose leg was crushed by a 300-pound bell at a Wisconsin camp site owned by the organization.

Christine O'Shea, then 15, of Munster, Ind., was ringing the bell to wake other campers when it fell from its mounting 12 feet off the ground and landed on her leg, said her attorney, David C. Wise.

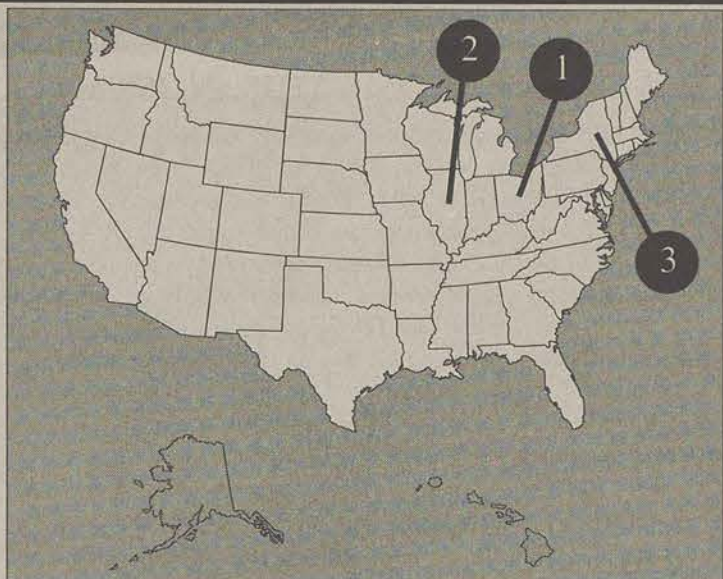
Doctors inserted a rod into her leg and performed several operations. O'Shea, now 19, can walk, although she still feels a lot of pain, Wise said.

O'Shea, who was not a Girl Scout herself, was taking part in a camp sponsored by the Armenian Church, which had rented Camp Juniper Knolls in East Troy, Wis., from the Girl Scouts.

The camp supervisor said he had warned church leaders that children should not ring the bell. Church leaders said they received no such warning.

The jury found in its verdict this week that the church was not at fault.

Attorneys for the Girl Scouts could not be reached for comment.



3 New York

Lost diamond ring is recovered

NEW YORK — Not all the miracles in New York happen on 34th Street.

A Brooklyn teacher had her own miracle on 62nd Street Thursday, when two Con Edison workers spent three hours looking for her diamond engagement ring under several feet of muck and water.

Rouhana Lubits, 22, was walking with her adult special education class in Borough Park when something frightened one of her charges, and he grabbed her arm. His hand slipped to hers and knocked off the ring, she told the Daily News.

The ring fell through a grate into an underground transformer covered with mud at about 1 p.m.

"It's not a \$20,000 ring. But it means a lot to me," said Lubits, who has been married two years and teaches at the Hebrew Academy for Special Children.

Nearby naysayers said the ring was gone for good. But someone called Con Ed, and the utility sent troubleshooters Frank Scotto and Bobby Finger to the scene.

They used a pump to drain the water, but to no avail, and at about 6 p.m. picked up shovels and headed down the 10-foot hole to sift through the mud.

"The second or third shovelful, there it was," Scotto told the News. "I said, 'This is it, it's got to be.' I was so happy for her. And I was happy we didn't have to shovel all that mud."

Lubits thanked her ring rescuers. "It's not too often you find people like this. I'm grateful."

Child critically injured in Disneyland accident

Associated Press

ANAHEIM, California — A 4-year-old boy was in critical condition Saturday after an accident on Disneyland's Roger Rabbit Car Toon Spin ride, police said.

The Southern California boy, whose identity was not immediately released, became trapped on the ride at about 10:15 p.m. Friday, Lt. Joe Vargas said.

Disneyland authorities and city Fire

Department paramedics responded and freed the boy, who was taken to the University of California, Irvine, Medical Center. Details on the boy's injury and the nature of the accident were not available.

"We had detectives out there, we had out forensics people out there. It does not appear to have been a mechanical malfunction of any kind," Vargas said.

It was the second time a child was hurt

on the ride this year.

A 13-year-old girl was injured April 19 when she got off the Car Toon Spin to retrieve a stuffed toy and her foot got caught in the rails that the ride's cars travel on. The ride had to be shut down while paramedics freed her.

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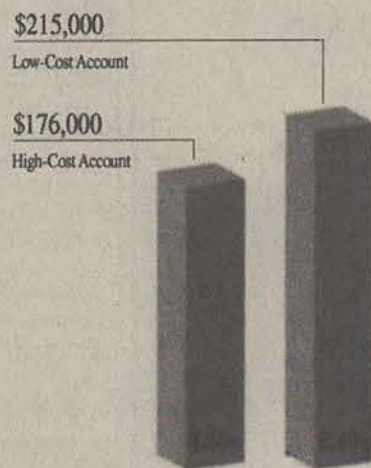
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Prosecutors clear policeman in tiger attack

Associated Press

BOISE, Idaho — Ada County prosecutors exonerated Boise police Sgt. Rich Schnebly of any wrongdoing from his involvement in a tiger attack that occurred more than a month ago.

Jan Gold was one of a dozen people led into the zookeeper's hallway in the tiger building during the annual Feast for the Beast fundraiser Aug. 11. The door to the tiger's den had been left unlocked.

Taiga, a 2 1/2-year-old male tiger, escaped and jumped on Gold. Schnebly fired three shots at the 600-pound cat to drive it back into its cage. One of the rounds broke Gold's leg and caused nerve damage.

Gold also suffered head, neck and shoulder lacerations during the mauling.

Last month, police conducted an internal investigation concerning Schnebly's firearm use and a separate criminal probe of the incident.

The investigation upheld Schnebly's actions, and the criminal probe sparked a review by Ada County Prosecutor Greg Bower's office for possible charges.

The review by prosecutors is standard whenever an officer is involved in a shooting, said Roger Bourne, chief deputy prosecutor for criminal matters.

Schnebly said he welcomed the news but never believed he did anything wrong.

Still recovering at home, Gold said Tuesday she was pleased that Schnebly was cleared and reiterated gratitude for the officer's actions.



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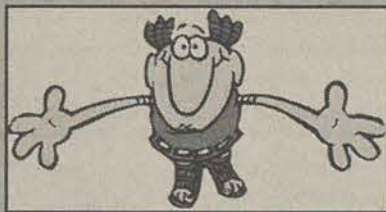
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BUSH, KINGSTON, MILLER ARE THE RIGHT CHOICES COME THIS NOVEMBER

This year's elections hold a special purpose for America. Not only will we select the man who will lead our nation into the new millenium, but we will be making a choice on who should represent us in Georgia's 1st congressional district and who should take the place of the late Senator Coverdell.

The George-Anne, having reviewed the campaign proposals of all the

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candidates for President, the 1st district congressional seat and Georgia's Senate race, has decided to come forth and endorse a candidate in each of these respective races.

In the race for the White House, The George-Anne endorses Republican George W. Bush. His plans for tax relief and education reform speak to the very core of what America is about. Hoping to "leave no child behind," Bush has promised reform of the education system to foster local control, teacher accountability and raise the bar for schools who fall short of meeting their students' educational needs. In addition, the GOP

candidate feels that Americans deserve to have their money returned to them from the surplus in the form of a tax cut, in order to encourage more growth in the business sector and to promote entrepreneurship. He does not feel that the federal government has unlimited rights to YOUR money.

In the 1st district race, The George-Anne endorses incumbent GOP candidate Jack Kingston. His record of success in the House and here in the 1st district speaks for itself and The George-Anne feels that any change now is unnecessary. Working his way up the leadership ladder, he is better prepared to represent this district and make sure our concerns are met. His opponent, Joyce Griggs, has not supplied the electorate with any substantial reason for why he shouldn't be returned for yet another 2 year term.

Finally, in the race for the U.S. Senate, The George-Anne endorses former Georgia governor and democrat Zell Miller. The architect of the HOPE scholarship, Miller left the governor's mansion with an unprecedented approval rating of 87%, and his benefit to the students of Georgia, particularly those studying at the post-secondary level, needs no description. He is clearly a man of honor and integrity and will serve our state well.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

FRANCYS JOHNSON

PRESIDENT, BLACK STUDENT ALLIANCE

Dear Mr. Editor,

I am writing to encourage all of my brothers and sisters to register to vote, send for their absentee ballots, educate themselves in about the candidates and vote this November in the general election. I have heard all the excuses in the world for not voting. Excuses aside, every African-American eligible to vote should and take full advantage of that opportunity. There is too much to lose if we fumble this ball.

In examining the candidates for office please look at their positions on education, urban and rural policy, the economy, civil rights and affirmative action, census 2000 and drugs. The first and most important to minorities in America is a quality education. Education is the key to providing African-American youth with a passport to the twenty-first century!

Without an education, African-American youth will not be able to compete for good jobs and wages. The next issue facing many African-Americans who live in urban areas deals with the need for community development to improve the quality of life. Resources are needed to rebuild our cities and upgrade the skills of African-American workers in rural areas; African-American farmers are losing their lands at a frantic rate. Another matter that should be addressed by the candidates are those that deal with the African-American pocketbook. While the economy may be booming for many Americans, the unemployment rate in the African-American community is still at record levels! Urban neighborhoods are still losing jobs and the wage gap between African-Americans and other workers hurts our ability to survive in the new global economy. Each of these issues are important for the continued progress of African-Americans in this country.

The next set of issues are important if we want not to go back to the dark yesterdays of America. The laws that have protected the civil right of African-Americans are under attack while hate crimes are on the rise! Affirmative action is still needed to provide equal access to jobs, higher education, and loans. Because of self-help and affirmative action, African-Americans

have made real gains in education, business, and the work place. Minorities should not be subject to much longer sentences than non-minorities for the same crimes. All persons should receive the same punishment for the same crimes. But that is not the case in many state and local courts. This year's census will have a dramatic effect on the African-American community. Because minorities are under represented in the census count, we lose federal dollars in all programs that are based on population and lose voting power in the redistricting process. Finally, illegal drugs and drug abuse continue to haunt our communities, by promoting violence and poor health and "killing the Dream" for too many African-American families.

Whether we vote as democrats, republicans, independents, members of the reform party or some other third party, our votes count and the outlook that our votes don't really count simply encourages voter apathy. We are obligated to vote by definition of our citizenship and the terrible struggle that secured it. Part of what makes us Americans is this right to vote for our country's leaders and policies.

The right, and the responsibility, to take part in our government might be compared to a baseball game. The umpires in the game have the right to make calls about the operation of the game whether the players are playing by the rules or not. If the don't accept this responsibility by exercising this right, the game doesn't function properly; it becomes chaotic and a free-for-all. The same happens with our government. If we, as voters (the umpires), don't accept our responsibility to make calls about the operation of our government and whether the politicians (the players) are playing by the rules, the government doesn't function properly.

In order to aid our government, and thus, ourselves, we must accept this responsibility and take part in our government by voting.

Sincerely,
Reverend Francys Johnson

At 3:00 p.m. I decided that it was time to study for my test the next day. At 5:00 I decided that studying could wait, but the current t.v. program I was watching could not.



JUSTIN JOHNSON

At 7:00 I decided that it was a good time to go out for dinner. At 9:00 I decided that I would clean my room. (see what I mean) At 11:00 I decided that, well, if I go to sleep now and wake up at 6 a.m. the next day, I'll have plenty of time to study before my test at 9:30.

Well, sure that sounds like an ok plan. I mean, sure reading 8 chapters

in three and a half hours is conceivable. Retaining the information...not as conceivable.

At 6:00 a.m. the alarm went off. At 6:30 the snooze went off. At 7:30 I woke up to find I had turned the snooze off and gone back to bed. At 8:00 I got out of the shower. At 8:20 I was dressed and ready to go. At 8:30 I hopped in the car and drove to campus to come up here to the office and study. At 8:45 I sat down and read chapter one. At 9:00 I was lured to the computer to see if someone had gotten up at the crack of dawn and sent me an e-mail. Alas, no. At 9:15 I had an aneurysm and freaked out about failing the test. At 9:30 I went to class and took the test. At 10:20 I came out of the classroom and wanted to cap myself.

Where had my time gone? I wasn't

doing anything fun or even remotely close to having a good time. How could I have let myself be so unprepared? "Ah, I'm such a loser," I think.

"Well, there is always next time," I manage to convince myself. I then take out my calculator, average in a 25 for the test I just took and 100's for all the tests I still have to take and YIPPEE, I like what I see. I can still pass. Problem solved. "That's a little unrealistic," my subconscious says. "You can do it," I say, and I told myself again what a good student I was.

The thing is, this has happened to me every semester since I've been here, and well, this is my third year here. Interesting. I'm sensing a pattern. Is anyone reading this remotely like me? I find it hard to

think that I'm alone here in my struggle. What's it going to take for us to start studying and stop procrastinating. Maybe we should all call our parents and ask if we get an "A" average in a class, if we can get 10 dollars or something like that. Do you think that might work? I'm open for suggestions here, I need help. Oh man, do you think there are support groups for people who are in as much crap as I am? Do you think there is a cure for my problem. I can see it now....

"Hi, my name is Justin and I, well, I.....I'm a procrastinator. I'm ready for my 10 step program and to be cured now, thanks."

Justin Johnson is the managing editor at The George-Anne and can be reached for contact at gamed@gasou.edu.

Election could come down to two issues

It's time for us to "take stock" of the presidential election campaign, so that we, as voters, can make an informed decision about how much vodka we will need to get through it.

In case you haven't been paying attention, here are the two top issues in this race so far, based on media coverage:

1. Al Gore's decision to kiss his wife, Tipper, on the mouth.

2. George W. Bush's decision

to refer to a New York Times reporter by the nickname of another bodily aperture.

That's right, voters: The theme of this presidential campaign is: "Orifices Making News." So let's review these two issues in detail:

THE KISS — Going into the Democratic convention, the Gore campaign was in trouble, with surveys showing that 63 percent of the voters agreed with the statement that the vice president "breathes through gill slits." But then, just before he gave his acceptance speech, Al kissed Tipper for three full seconds right on the podium, which is a known erogenous zone. Suddenly, Al's

poll shot up. Apparently, the voters interpreted the kiss to mean that Al is capable of human emotion, although an analysis of the video replay indicates that he may have been simply depositing an egg sac.

In any event, Al's popularity soared, and now every appearance he makes includes a scheduled Necking Segment. If the race is close in late October, the Gore campaign has a contingency plan that involves Al getting, according to one top advisor, "very close to third base."

Speaking of our National Pastime, former Texas Rangers owner George W. Bush got himself in "hot water" with the news media when he used:

THE NAUGHTY WORD — What happened was, during a campaign appearance, George leaned over to his running mate, Dick Cheney, and — with an open microphone nearby — kissed Dick right on the podium.

No, seriously, George told Dick that Adam Clymer — a reporter for The New York Times whose name can be rearranged to spell "Ram My Decal" and "Read My Clam" — was a naughty word whose letters can be rearranged to spell "ash sole." Dick agreed with this assessment.

As you can imagine, this shocking incident shocked those of us in the news

media. We never use "salty" language. When we whack our thumb with a hammer, we exclaim: "Gosh all Nelly!" So when we overheard George W. spewing this shocking filth, we had no choice but to inform the American public by broadcasting the video on network TV more often than the Zapruder film. As a result, 3-year-olds all over America starting calling their parents ash soles.

I hope you don't get the impression that the whole presidential campaign has been about trivial matters. In fact, Al and George have spent weeks arguing about a crucial issue that will determine the fate of the entire world for centuries to come: the format of the presidential debates. The Gore camp struck first, boldly proposing a series of 140 seven-hour debates, each one including a segment where the candidates would have to identify tree species by looking at bark samples, and concluding with a contest to see who could kiss Tipper the longest. The Bush campaign countered with a proposal for one 20-minute debate, with each candidate being allowed to phone a friend and ask the audience, and the question categories being "Famous Movie Dogs" and "Name That Golf Club." As I write this, the two sides are hammering out a compromise debate format, which I'm sure will attract a nationwide TV

audience consisting of whoever is operating the camera.

If you're getting depressed about the presidential race, remember: Al and George are NOT your only choices. I am still running! Here's my platform:

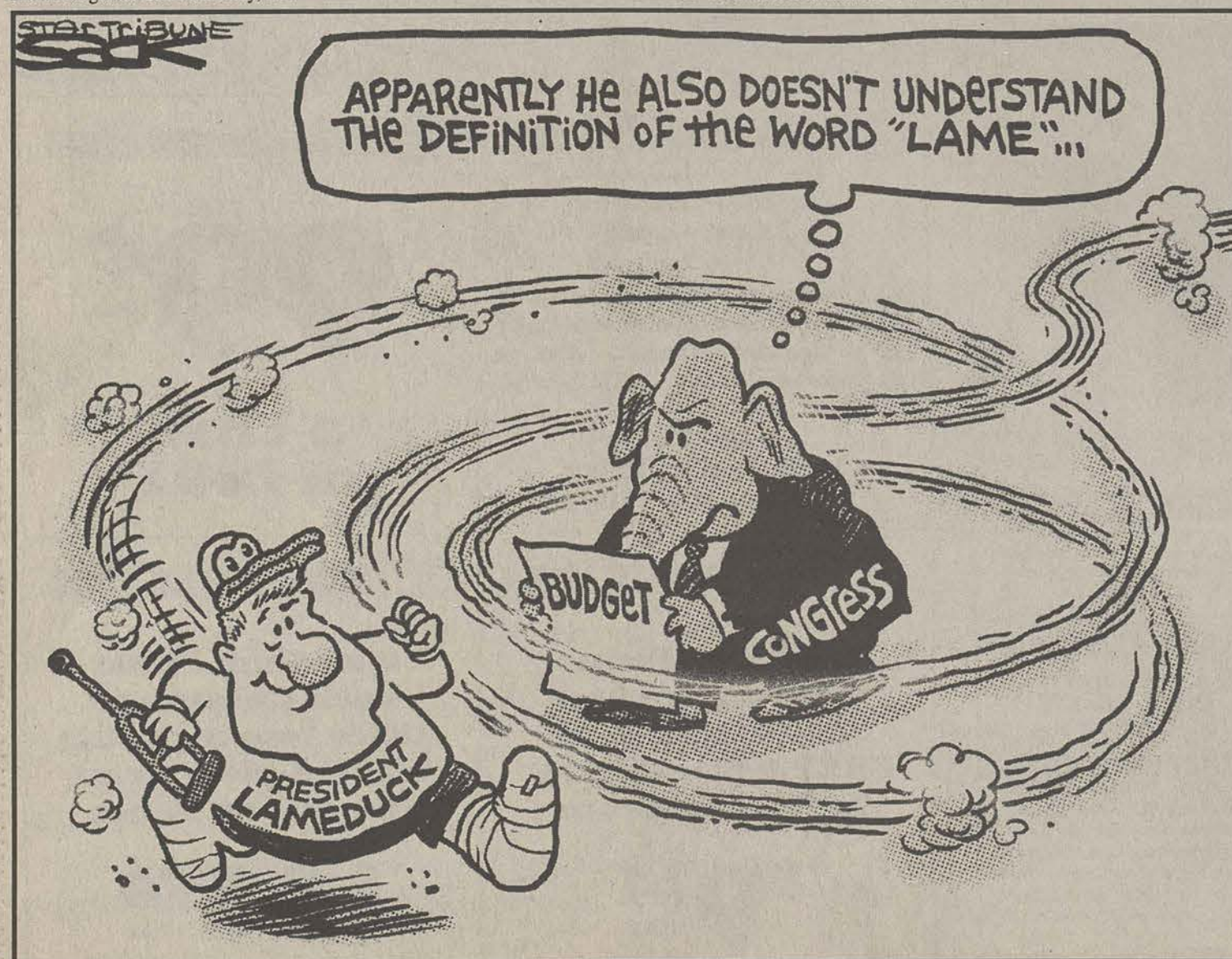
— **TAXES:** I favor a tax cut for the Middle Class, defined as "anybody who owns at least five remote controls." This cut would be offset by a 100 percent tax on all money won by contestants on "reality-based" TV shows.

— **SOCIAL SECURITY:** I say we scrap the current system and replace it with a system wherein you add your name to the bottom of a list, and then you send some money to the person at the top of the list, and then you... Oh, wait, that IS our current system.

— **LOUD CELL PHONE CONVERSATIONS IN RESTAURANTS:** I favor on-the-spot confiscation of the phone, as well as the hand holding it.

— **DRUGS FOR SENIORS:** Go ahead, seniors! But don't be playing your stereo at all hours.

As your president, I would fight for these measures! I would not take any "guff" from the ash soles in Congress! If they tried to thwart me, I would say to them, with real meaning: "Read my clam."



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GALILEO celebrates its fifth anniversary

By Julie Allen
Staff Writer

If you had wandered over to the Henderson Library on Friday, you may have noticed the celebration that was taking place. Balloons, banners, and even cake filled the library. So, what was the special occasion? Friday, September 21 marked GALILEO's 5th birthday.

In 1995, the University System of Georgia launched GALILEO. Since then it has been used all over the state by schools and libraries. It has also been made a national model for other states to follow.

Most students at Georgia Southern have heard of GALILEO and have used it on many occasions, but what exactly

is GALILEO?

GALILEO stands for Georgia Library Learning Online. It is, essentially, a virtual library. GALILEO is a way for libraries to share information electronically. A massive compilation of information, it contains over 100 databases with thousands of periodicals and journals.

"Prior to GALILEO, research had to be done more traditionally, moving around to several locations," says Dr. Bede Mitchell, the university's head librarian. "Now, with GALILEO, research can be done from one seat, because it brings together so much material in one location."

GALILEO also provides access to encyclopedias, business

directories, government publications, and electronic books. All of these resources can be obtained through the click of a mouse.

GALILEO is extremely beneficial and convenient, but it does have a downside.

"Sometimes people rely too much on GALILEO," says Dr. Mitchell. "They forget that there are many other useful sources available in books."

To celebrate the birthday, the

Henderson Library had a whole day of festivities. Refreshments including cake and punch were served throughout the day.

There was even an online scavenger hunt that students could participate in. All the top winners were put in to a drawing for the grand prize of a thermometer.

GALILEO Day was only the beginning of the entire GALILEO week that will be tak-

ing place all over the state of Georgia.

In the Henderson Library, there will be small exhibits and information posted about GALILEO throughout the rest of the week.

Also, there will be a GALILEO Day reception in Atlanta that will be directed by Governor Roy Barnes.

GALILEO is a program that our state should be very proud

of, as we have been able to lead the nation with the first ever online library that is available to all citizens of the state. As more and more states model our success, it will be remembered that Georgia was the first to offer this extensive program.

Feel free to come by the Henderson Library and help the state of Georgia and Georgia Southern celebrate the birthday of GALILEO.

Cinema Arts present French film 'Beaumarchais' in Union

By Tim Prizer
Lifestyles Editor

Tonight at 7:30 in the Russell Union Theater, the Cinema Arts Department at Georgia Southern will present the 1996 film "Beaumarchais." Nearly two hours long, the film should please anyone who is in for an evening of intellectual cinematography.

Starring Fabrice Luchini as Pierre-Augustin Caron de Beaumarchais (or just Beaumarchais), the movie is about the son of a watchmaker who becomes a playwright and a traveler. Throughout the film, which is set in France in the 1700s, Beaumarchais gets himself in many jams socially and romantically.

"Beaumarchais" is a film of creativity, wit, and beautiful camera work.

The character of Beaumarchais is very complex. At different times he is a humorist, a womanizer, an advocate of freedom, a pretend aristocrat, and a schemer of the courts. More importantly, Beaumarchais



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is a radical ringleader who attracts a mass following and helps defeat the aristocracies of old and enforces the right of the individual.

The movie also stars Manuel Blanc (Gudin) and Sandrine Kiberlain (Marie-Therese). "Beaumarchais" is French spoken, but will be presented with English subtitles. No knowledge of French history or language is required to enjoy the film. "Beaumarchais" is charming and influential in practically every scene.

Ocean expert to speak on conservation at Union

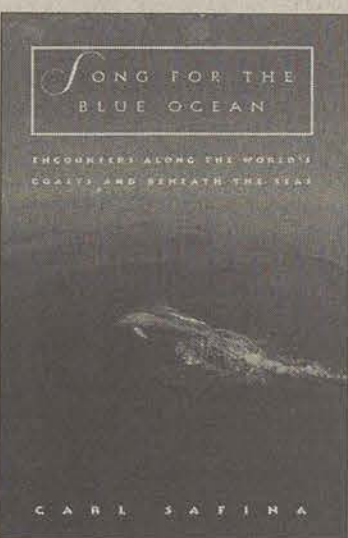
G-A News Service

Dr. Carl Safina, director and founder of the Living Oceans Program at the National Audubon Society, will present a slide/lecture program on "Status and Trends in the World's Fisheries" at 7 p.m. Tuesday, September 26th, in the Union Theater. Following the lecture, he will sign his recent book about the state of the ocean's resources, "Song for the Blue Ocean."

Safina has been close to the sea all his life, as a fisherman, a seabird scientist and a voice for restoration of abundance and vitality in the oceans. He has served on the Mid-Atlantic Fisheries Management Council, the Smithsonian Institution's Ocean Planet advisory board and the World Conservation Union's Shark Specialist Group.

Safina is an adjunct professor at Yale University and is a recipient of the Pew Charitable Trust's Scholar's Award in Conservation and the Environment.

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GSU to induct six into Athletics Hall of Fame

G-A News Service

Former football national championship performer Giff Smith and Randall Boone, basketball players Michael Curry and Tommy Bond, baseball standout Bill Griffin and founding booster Morris Lupton will be inducted into the GSU Athletic hall of Fame Friday, Sept. 29 at 7:00 p.m. in the Russell Union Ballroom. In addition, the Class of 2000 will also be honored and recognized during halftime activities of the GSU-VMI football game Saturday afternoon.

The six individuals were chosen by the selection committee from a list of 54 names on the 2000 ballot. The Hall of Fame selection criteria includes a 10-year eligibility moratorium for all student-athletes.

"It is certainly a privilege to be able to honor these individuals," said GSU Athletics Director Sam Baker. "Needless to say, their credentials speak for themselves and we are extremely proud of their inclusion to the Hall of Fame. The selection committee should be commended for a job well done."

The class of 2000 will join 88 other individuals and one team previously inducted into the Hall of Fame.

The GSU Athletic Hall of Fame Inductees:

Tommy Bond- A three year basketball letterman from 1969-71, he was co-captain and a starter his senior year. Was a member of Alpha Gamma Pi National Honor Society and was a Dean's List member throughout his collegiate career. Is an active alumni association member and an owner of a real estate investment company.

Six inductees into the Athletics Hall of Fame

- Tommy Bond
- Randell Boone
- Michael Curry
- Bill Griffin
- Morris Lupton
- Giff Smith

Randell Boone- A three year football letterman from 1987 to 1989. A two-year starter at strong safety. Selected to three All-

American teams as a senior. In 1989 he helped Georgia Southern to the NCAA's first perfect 15-0 season and a NCAA Division I-AA National Championship.

Michael Curry- A four-year letterman, he holds the school record for games played in a career (119). Started the last 77 games of his career and is a member of the 1,000 point club. Has enjoyed a solid career in the NBA, most recently starring with the Detroit Pistons after stints with the Philadelphia 76ers and Milwaukee Bucks.

Bill Griffin- Played every inning of 122 baseball games from 1960-63 while under the direction of legendary coach J.I. Clements. Held school's consecutive game hit record for 22 years, hitting safely in 18 straight games during the 1962 campaign. Signed with the New York Yankees after his college career.

Morris Lupton- Instrumental supporter of football. Credited with providing "dynamic" leadership, support and enthusiasm throughout the beginning and early years of the Georgia Southern Football program. Personally built and contributed the Lupton Building beyond the west endzone of Paulson Stadium.

Giff Smith- A four-year football letterman from 1987 to 1990. A three-year starter at defensive end and a three-year All-American performer. Was a starter in three consecutive NCAA Division I-AA National Championship Games ('88, '89, '90). Rejoined GSU football program as assistant coach in 1996 and helped Eagles to pair of Southern Conference titles in 1997 and 1998

GSU volleyball falls twice over weekend

G-A News Service

GSU women's volleyball started out the weekend playing UTC on Saturday in a three game sweep (15-7, 15-8, 15-7) by the Lady Mocs.

UTC (7-8 overall and 4-1 in the SoCon) had a balanced attack led by Cheryl Theis, Carol Reedus, and Kari Krouse.

GSU (6-5, 2-3) was held to .049 hitting as the Lady Mocs came up with 12 blocks and 52 digs. Sarah Dutcher led the defensive effort with 10 digs, and Nicole Carson and Katy Lusetti were both in on four blocks.

GSU was led by Erin Martin and Lauren McClain with 10 kills each. Megan Lippi, the Lady Eagles' leading hitter, had nine kills and 12 digs, but she hit just .063 for the game.

Three Lady Catamounts notched double-doubles in WCU's SoCon victory over GSU Sunday afternoon.

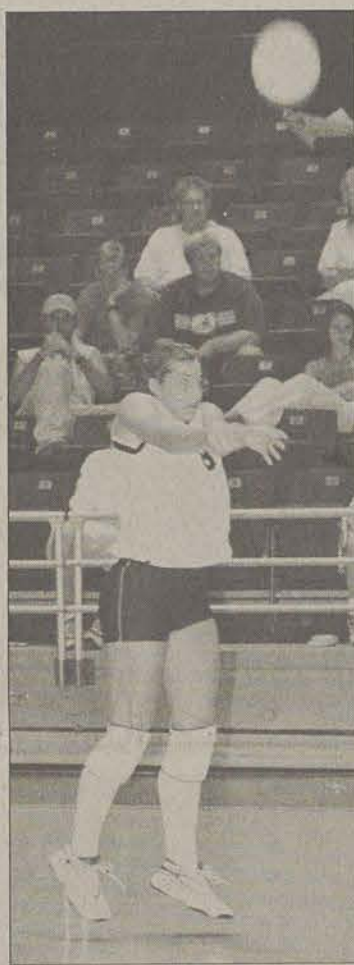
WCU started the game on strong by jumping out to an 8-2 lead. GSU fought its way back to

8-5 only to be shut down by the Lady Cats 15-6. The Lady Eagles battled their way back in game two to defeat WCU 15-13 as they tallied 15 kills and only seven errors.

WCU put down 60 kills and 15 blocks as a team to roll past GSU in games three (15-12) and four (15-4).

GSU falls to 6-6 overall and 2-4 in the conference.

STRUGGLING: The GSU volleyball team got off to a hot start, but have now dropped four straight decisions to even their record at 6-6, 2-4 SoCon. The Eagles hope to regain their winning ways when they take on Georgia State at Hanner Fieldhouse on Tuesday at 7 p.m.



David Whiddon

U.S. gymnast Ray may not compete for Michigan squad

TMS Campus

SYDNEY, Australia - Gymnast Elise Ray, whom Bela Karolyi called the American team leader, said Thursday she may not compete for the University of Michigan, although she wants to go to college in Ann Arbor.

"I'm deciding after the Games," Ray said. "I love the school, so hopefully I

can still go there as a student."

Ray is considering an offer to go on tour with her teammates this fall. If she chooses to do so, that would make her a professional and ineligible to compete collegiately under NCAA rules. She would forfeit her scholarship.

Michigan coach Bev Plocki, who has been

following Ray's Olympic performances closely at home, said she is "in limbo" but knew this was a possibility when she recruited Ray.

"We spent a lot of time, put in a lot of effort and hard work to recruit her," Plocki said. "We knew we ran that risk. But we felt it was definitely worth it. We're just hoping she'll still decide to have the experience of competing collegiately."

Ray, from Columbia, Md., is expected to begin college in January.

U.S. Olympian Maurice Greene wins 100-meter gold

The Associated Press

SYDNEY, Australia - On the day after he won the Olympic 100-meter race, Maurice Greene had a note of wonderment in his voice as he held the gold medal.

"I feel a lot of pride in it," he said.

"It's something that doesn't come easy. You work four years for something that lasts nine seconds."

In Greene's case Saturday night, 9.87 seconds to be precise. The time was off his world record of 9.79 but plenty good enough to win and confirm his status as the world's fastest man.

"This is the best roller coaster ride I've ever been on," the two-time world champion said Sunday. "This is the most exciting time I've ever had. I wish I could express it to you. It's something I'd love to share. I can't think of any words that would help you feel what I feel right now."

The roller coaster hit bottom four years ago when Greene failed to qualify for the Olympics and sat in the stands at Atlanta, watching the most glamorous race of the games with tears of sadness streaming down his cheeks. "I was wishing I was there in the finals, changing the outcome of the race, getting the United States a medal," he said.

The ride completed its full trip Saturday night, with tears flowing again, this time for joy.

Training partner Ato Bolton, running for Trinidad and Tobago, finished second, a familiar situation when he runs against his friend. "I told Ato last night I couldn't have done this without him," Greene said. "Ato brought me to where I am. We're

easier? You betcha."

The pals have stayed together in Sydney, sharing a house with other runners. In the early days here, Bolton said the place was rocking with music, but as the 100 approached, the tone changed. "He started playing the slowest gospel music," he said, nodding at Greene. "I thought Maurice was having a funeral in the house."

"After the second round, something switched on," Greene said. "I was so nervous. I was pacing, walking around the house. I'm a person, when it's time to run, nothing bothers me. I don't let anything

in between my goal, what I want to accomplish."

The training guru for Greene and Bolton is ex-Olympian John Smith, who said there is nothing complicated about his methods.

"I have three rules," he said. "The first is show up for practice. The second is show up for practice. And the third is show up for practice."

"You've got to keep things simple. We practice to create what we need for the races."

Greene said he brings a plan to practice.

"I've always said to be No. 1, you train like you're No. 2," he said. "You've got to work very hard because the person behind me might be working harder."

"I FEEL A LOT OF PRIDE IN IT. IT'S SOMETHING THAT DOESN'T COME EASY. YOU WORK FOUR YEARS FOR SOMETHING THAT LASTS NINE SECONDS."

- U.S. OLYMPIAN MAURICE GREENE

United States Olympics medal count

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Georgia House speaker Tom Murphy faces tight election fight

The Associated Press

ATLANTA, Ga. — House Speaker Tom Murphy cuts a powerful swath through state politics, but a few thousand voters in his rural west Georgia district get a chance to end his reign every two years. This time, some are wondering if the old warhorse will make it.

In the Nov. 7 election, the 76-year-old Democrat is being challenged by a Republican who was barely born when Murphy won his first legislative term 40 years ago and was just a teen-ager when Murphy began his long reign as speaker in 1974.

State Republican leaders say farmer-businessman Bill Heath is the best-financed candidate they have ever offered against Murphy and one of the most articulate. And, they say, he might just be able to pull off one of the biggest political upsets of

modern Georgia history.

Democrats say that isn't so, but concede Murphy may face a closer contest than usual because he riled some of the home folks with stands on several hotly debated local issues.

"I don't think there's anything to worry about, but you can't take anything for granted," said Rep. Calvin

to keep an eye on.

"It's kind of surprising if he's in a close contest. I would think a lot of voters there would say that the Speaker can do things nobody else can do and therefore we ought to keep him around as long as we can," he said. "That should be pervasive enough that you shouldn't be able to mount a campaign against him."

Murphy's legislative district — about 45 minutes west of Atlanta — includes his home county, Haralson, and portions of Polk and Paulding. The district is largely rural and blue collar although it is threatened by Atlanta's sprawl.

In fact, the portion of Paulding County just outside Murphy's district is rapidly becoming suburban and Republican.

All 180 members of the Georgia House are elected every two years. The speaker is elected at the beginning of each new term by fellow House

members and no state house speaker in the country has served longer than Murphy.

Democrats have controlled the Georgia Legislature since Reconstruction but Republican gains during the last decade eroded the Democratic margin in both chambers.

Murphy, of Bremen, won his last race in 1998 with 67 percent of the 8,868 votes cast in his district. Dan McIntosh, a former Bremen city council member who has been at odds with Murphy, said the lawmaker won't repeat that performance this year.

"I think there's probably more unrest and more people dissatisfied with the job he's done than there's ever been before," McIntosh said.

McIntosh said many were dismayed by Murphy's role in an issue involving the local hospital, which faced financial problems and possible closure. Murphy opposed the initial effort to align the hospital with a larger health system in Carroll County. The alliance since has taken place but under

different terms.

McIntosh also said some blame Murphy for the failure of an effort to turn an unsuccessful industrial park into a golf course to spur economic development.

Tommy Reeves, a childhood friend of Murphy's who writes a column for the local weekly newspaper, said McIntosh and others are

been handing out Heath brand candy bars, a gimmick which created a little stir.

When someone complained to the manufacturer that Heath was using the product for publicity, the manufacturer wrote him and asked him to stop. When Heath explained his supporters were just giving away the candy and asking them to remember the name, the manufacturer withdrew the complaint.

"I had nothing to do with that," said Murphy. "I could care less about him giving out candy."

Heath said he's running because Murphy has neglected the district. "You would think that

after 40 years, and 26 years as speaker, we ought to have every road in the 18th District paved. We've got a water shortage problem out here. With the most powerful man in the state, you'd think we'd get something out of that."

"He just doesn't know what the record shows," said Murphy. "In 1992, I put \$5.5 million in the budget to buy the land for the lake (a proposed west Georgia reservoir). In 1998, I put \$46 million in the budget to build the lake if we can ever get the water wars settled with Florida and Alabama. That's what's holding it up."

Murphy, who had raised over \$93,000 for the campaign through July, said he's not taking his opponent lightly. "I intend to hit every business in the district, talk to everybody, walk the streets and shake hands with folks. That's the part of politicking I enjoy."

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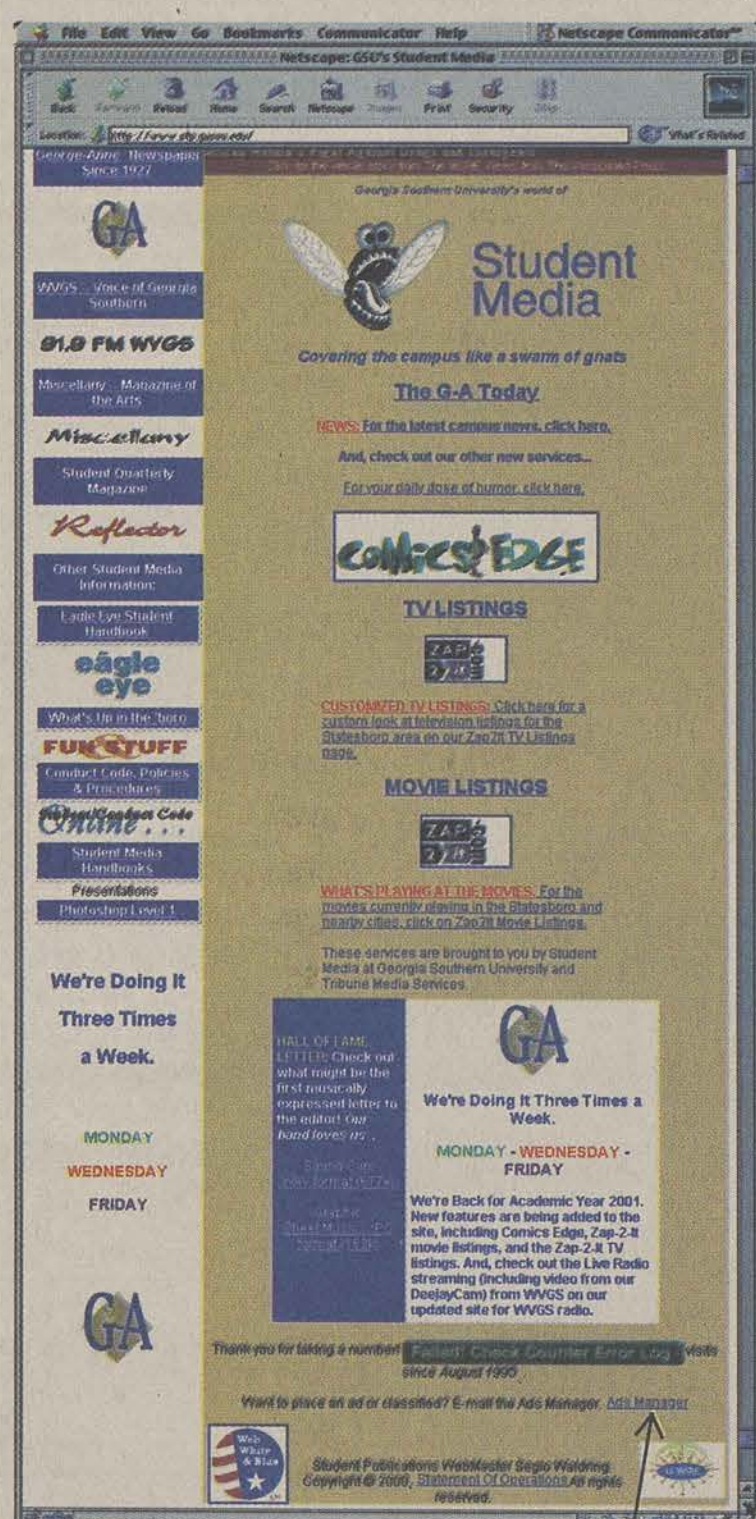
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