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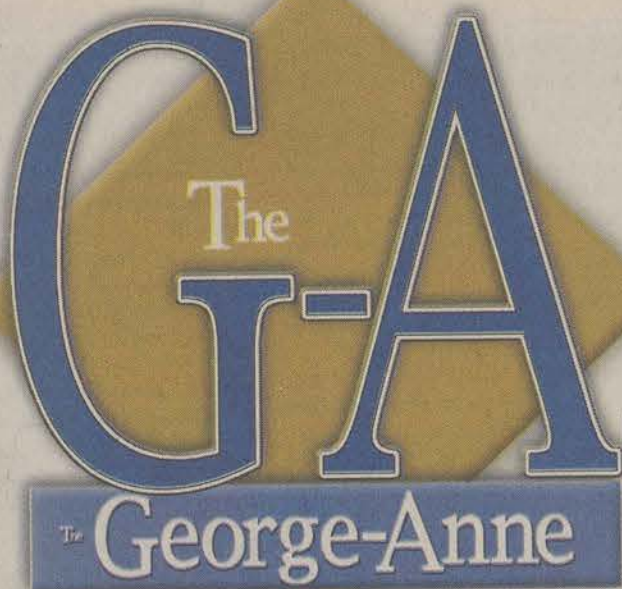


SPORTS

Men's Tennis loses in last match

GSU fell to Furman in their final match of their regular season. This loss changes their overall to 7-7.

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LIFE

'Catcher in the Rye' still popular

After many years, this classic novel is still a hit among teens today. Find out more inside!!!

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Monday, April 16, 2001

Tanning Beds: are they safer than the sun?

By Jennifer Williams
Staff Writer

Many college students at GSU are visiting tanning beds to improve their self-confidence and image, although the consequences can be harmful.

Several years ago tanning beds were thought to be safer than sunlight, but it has recently been proven that artificial sun has several negative affects. Tanning beds cause harm and skin damage because they emit more UVA rays or Ultra Violet A, than the sun. The sun emits primarily UVB rays or Ultra Violet B which do not penetrate as deeply into the skin.

UVA rays and tanning beds are linked together, yet people still expose their skin to these potentially fatal rays. Why? After surveying 75 Georgia Southern students the answer overwhelmingly for females was image. Eighty-five percent of the women surveyed said they had visited a tanning bed to prepare for events like prom, spring break or weddings. Many of the women surveyed said that they tanned their skin because their clothing

(prom dresses, and bridesmaids' dresses) looks better after they tan.



Jill Burnham

TANNING BEDS: Tanning beds are popular with many students in Statesboro, regardless of health dangers.

look liked I got bit by a hundred mosquitoes at one time."

"Two years ago, I wanted to look good for my senior prom," Barker said. "I was seventeen. I wanted my dress to look perfect. I really liked my date and wanted to look my best. I went to the tanning bed near my house a few weeks before prom, not knowing what was in store for me. The next day I was in the hospital."

Barker has not been to a tanning bed since high school. She was hospitalized because she desired to look tan. Leslee's self esteem and self-confidence were

affected by the color of her skin. She felt that she looked better with a tan, and her self-confidence was higher. Barker like many others did not think about the consequences of tanning in artificial light.

The most serious consequence of tanning bed use is skin cancer, although there are other less severe results from exposure to artificial light (UVA rays). Rashes, eye infections, freckles, leathery skin, and warts can all

result from tanning bed use.

Women and men answered the tanning bed survey differently. All 50 women surveyed, said that they thought skin tone had a positive effect on self-esteem and image, while the men said that skin tone and self-confidence had no relationship. Seventy-two percent of men said that they never visited a tanning bed, saying that they did not care about how they looked. Twenty-five percent of men surveyed said they do care about how they look, and visit tanning beds to improve their image.

A former tanning bed employee, Ashley Polk, remembers one particular man who was concerned with self-image. "He came in and bought a tanning package," Polk said. "My boss influenced him to buy a tanning lotion that enhanced his exposure to the light. He got so burnt, he never returned to finish out his prepaid package."

"I remember him walking in the front door, he could not have been more than eighteen," Polk said. "He looked so innocent, and I remember thinking that he was going to get fried."

This man is not the only one who has had a negative experience at a tanning bed. Katie Shepherd, a 21-year-old senior attending GSU, was diagnosed with Mild Displasia at the age of 19. Mild Displasia is a common form of skin cancer, defined as a pack of pre-cancerous skin cells. She

remembers having the surgery to remove the Displasia. "I was scared!" Shepherd said, "but, I was extremely lucky."

Shepherd was very lucky. Her dermatologist noticed a discolored mole on Beamer's lower back, and advised her to get some tests done. "They removed a half an inch thick chunk

of skin from my back. I now have five scars that are really visible and disgusting. I will never get into the sun again."

Shepherd visited the tanning bed only a few times in high school, and has not been exposed to any kind of sunlight for almost three years. Shepherd wishes that she had never visited the tanning bed, and said, "skin color just is not that important to me."

The consequences are severe, but people, especially young

women, put their lives in danger to look attractive. Women in general are more involved with their looks than men, and women have a higher self-esteem when they look their best. Image at GSU is a priority and apparent by the numbers of women that visit tanning beds. Tan skin, although negative health wise, is positive to a women's confidence, and on Georgia Southern's campus many females are determined to do anything to look good.



Jill Burnham

TANNING PRODUCTS: These lotions and oils are supposed to increase the quality of your tan. However, they also increase the exposure to harmful UVAs.

The debate over Players' Ball 2001 continues

By Dennis Hightower and Zoya Iqbal
Staff Writers

The Players' Ball Forum held by WVG 91.9FM and the NAAC Wednesday night at the Russell Union Commons. The objective was "informing students of our rights for the upcoming players ball weekend," said Aqueelah Traylor, a member of the Political Action Committee of the NAACP.

Traylor introduced the panel members, which consisted of representatives from numerous law enforcement agencies, apartment managers, and local community leaders. Approximately 65-75 GSU students turned out to express their opinions about everything from the role of law enforcement during Players' Ball to the lack of involvement from school officials.



PLAYERS' BALL DEBATE: Reverend A.J. Jones from the panel addressed the students stating, "The issue is bigger than just one weekend, when you are not welcome somewhere there is a problem from the start. You have to hit them where it hurts and that's in the pocket," Jones said.

The discussion quickly took a heated turn as both the students and law enforcement expressed their frustrations. The main objective was quickly defeated when subject turned mainly on traffic and parking problems.

Students from the audience asked why the roads will be blocked off and they would have to pay to park at apartment complexes. Chief Richard Malone, of Statesboro Police Department, responded by saying "safety is our main concern, and when roads are blocked off it is for pedestrian benefits."

Jeff Hardy, a representative of Willow Bend Apartments, defended the newly enforced paid parking policy by stating that his main concern was only to ensure willow bend residents comfort and pleasure.

There was no clear response from the panel concerning the early notice about which roads will be blocked.

Another concern voiced by the students was the increased number of law enforcement and the treatment from the officers. Both GSU and Statesboro police recognized that a very few number of participants at the event might cause problems, and overall everyone is there to have a good time. However, to ensure safety of party goers the police presence will increase from previous years. While making these comments, the panel passed around a picture of the weapons confiscated from last year's Players' Ball in an effort to help justify their position on Players' Ball.

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David Whiteon

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said. Jones encouraged the students to work with the law enforcement, who "showed their tolerance by coming to the forum".

The students felt a sense of responsibility for not scheduling and planning specific events and utilizing various Statesboro venues. Another main concern by the students was a lack of action on their own part to unite and gain school support. The audience asked the panel members what they can do to help for future Players' Balls.

Many myths exist around the GSU campus concerning the origin of Players' Ball. It is believed that in 1993 the football team organized a cookout after spring training. Supposedly, they chipped in financially and held a party for everyone in Players' Club.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Things to do at GSU April 18

• The Public Relations Event Management Class, PRSSA and the Communications Arts department present: "Tropical Trivia." Live trivia, auctions, live entertainment and more! Doors open at 6 p.m. at the auxiliary gym of the RAC.

• Georgia Southern will be dedicating its first Habitat for Humanity house at 5:30 p.m. Come and see the house that hundreds of students have worked on.

Ongoing

• GSU's NAACP meets every Monday

in Russell Union room 2080 at 6 p.m.

• Academic Resource Center will be offering free tutoring in the Library Ground Floor, room 1001 in the following courses: English, Biology, Sociology, Math, Algebra, Probability, Physics and Chemistry. Call 681-0321 for more information.

• The Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual/Transgender Support Group for students, staff and faculty meets in Room 2072 of the Russell Union on Thursdays from 5 until 6 p.m. For more information call 681-5409.

• Black Student Alliance meets every Tuesday at 7 p.m. Check sheet for room number. For more info call 681-5458.

• Anime Crew meets every Wednesday at 7 p.m. in room 1106 of the Forest Drive Building. For more information contact Christinia Huey at 688-2536.

• The Institute for Electronics and Electrical Engineers meets the first and third Tuesdays of every month. Please contact George Fotopoulos at gsi04936@gasou.edu for more information.

Robert E. Lee's portrait returns to the Capitol

Associated Press

ATLANTA - A portrait of Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee that had hung in the state Capitol until the 1920s will return April 26 as part of an agreement reached by lawmakers when they adopted a new state flag three

months ago.

The large portrait by Louis Kurz once hung in what was then the Old State Library on the second floor of the Capitol. It was moved to the Confederate Soldiers Home and eventually was made a part of the Atlanta His-

torical Society's permanent collection.

The search for a portrait of Lee began as the Senate was giving final approval in January to the new state flag, which greatly reduces the size of the Confederate battle emblem. Sen. George Hooks, D-Americus, said during floor debate that it would be easier for him and other legislators to vote for the redesigned flag if the state also committed to returning a portrait of Lee to the Capitol.

The portrait was restored at state and private expense and will be placed at the top of the third-floor stairway. Hooks and Gov. Roy Barnes will unveil the portrait at a ceremony coinciding with Georgia's Confederate Memorial Day celebration.

POLICE BEAT

Statesboro Police Department April 10

• Carmita Rivers, 22, Eagles Nest #35 reported criminal trespass.
• Misty Thrift, 20, Bermuda Run I-11 reported criminal trespass.
• Porshia Brown, 23, Park Place #83 reported harassing communications.
• Elizabeth Penn, 20, Eagle Nest #35 reported theft by taking.

• David Cheney, 20, Naylor, Ga., was arrested for criminal trespass, simple battery and obstruction of officers.

• Stephen Sweat, 19, Alpharetta, Ga., was arrested for DUI, possession of marijuana and failure to maintain lanes.

Editor's Note: The Police Beat appears in every edition of the Georgia News Brief in an effort to inform the GSU community of the amount, nature and location of crime. All reports

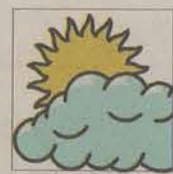
are public record and can be obtained at the GSU division of public safety and the Statesboro Police Department.

--All Police Beat information is compiled by Jason Kemp, assistant news editor.

This Week's Weather



Today
Partly cloudy
with a high of
81 and a low
of 54.



Tuesday
Partly cloudy
with a high of
72 and a low
of 48.

GEORGIA NEWS BRIEF

Coast Guard seizes freighter off the shores of Savannah

Associated Press

SAVANNAH, Ga. - The Coast Guard said Tuesday it will seize control of a Greek freighter stranded off the Georgia coast since late February with nine crew members aboard.

The ship Agios Minas has sat idle 8 miles off the coast of Brunswick for 45 days. The ship doesn't have enough fuel to return to port and its owners have not responded to calls for help.

The captain and eight crewmen have refused to leave the ship, fearing they would forfeit their wages. The Coast Guard plans to radio the crew Wednesday, hoping to persuade the sailors to leave with a rescue crew Thursday morning, said Lt. Darnell Baldinelli.

"We are not going to remove the crew. We would like for them to come off voluntarily," Baldinelli said. "But at some point we will have to move the vessel and the crew would go with it."

The Coast Guard decided to wait until Thursday so that advocacy groups could arrange for a lawyer to help crew members win back their

pay after they return home, he said.

The ship dropped anchor near Brunswick on Feb. 24 after delivering its cargo of tree stumps from South America. The captain was told by the ship's managers, Trinity Shipping Corp. of Piraeus, Greece, to wait for orders to his next destination.

The orders never came. The crew waited. The ship's supplies of fuel and food began to run out.

The Seamen's House, a local organization that offers support services for sailors, has made three trips to the freighter with cases of bottled water, beans, canned tuna, fruits and vegetables to feed the crew.

But fuel's so low that the ship's generators are turned on only twice a day, so the crew can cook two meals, said Tom Matyok, director of the Seamen's House.

"Their fuel is dangerously low," Matyok said. "To conserve fuel, they have two homemade diesel lanterns, sort of like if you make a wick out of rags and diesel fuel and hang them on the stern."

Fuel could completely run out by

Friday, Baldinelli said, meaning the crew would have no electricity for cooking, air conditioning or communications.

The Coast Guard issued an order Friday warning the shipping company that it had three days to make arrangements to fuel and move the freighter or the Coast Guard would take possession. The company acknowledged it received the order, but never responded otherwise, Baldinelli said.

If the captain and crew leave the ship, the Immigration and Naturalization Service has agreed to process them immediately and arrange their flights home within 24 hours, Baldinelli said.

The ship's captain, Lampros Psarros, is Greek. His crew is from Panama and El Salvador.

Psarros has said his crew is owed \$33,211. Despite cramped and dreary conditions, crew members refused to abandon the ship to ensure they would get their wages if the ship is sold, Matyok said.

He said the Seamen's House is working with other advocates to hire a lawyer for the crew to see that they get paid after they return home.

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1 California

First family's former cat is missing

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES - Ernie the six-toed cat's fortunes have risen hard and fallen hard since he met George W. Bush.

He's gone from being stuck shivering wet in a tree, to blissfully clawing the furniture in the Texas governor's mansion, to roaming the streets of Los Angeles.

Friends of President Bush who had taken in the orange-and-white tabby are searching for the cat, who disappeared from their Brentwood home a few weeks ago.

"It's obviously very sad, but we're still hopeful that we'll find him," said Brad Freeman, the Los Angeles-based investment banker and Bush fund-raiser who brought Ernie home in January. "I check with three animal shelters daily, and we've got posters up all around the neighborhood."

The first family, who gave Ernie up over concerns that his clawing habit could harm priceless White House treasures, is "concerned that Ernie's off in a faraway land by himself now," said Noelia Rodriguez, press secretary for first lady Laura Bush.

"But they know that he is a free spirit at heart. They also know that Ernie has a record of landing in some good homes, so maybe his third life will be just as nice."

On the campaign trail, Bush often repeated the story of how he and his wife found Ernie as a kitten. They were in their garden reading when their dog started barking and pawing at a tree; on a high branch was Ernie, wet and frightened.

"Sometimes you may find yourself up in a tree, wet and cold. But if you just hang in there and never give up, things will get better

for you, just like they did for Ernie," Bush said at an elementary school during a campaign stop last fall.

Ernie, who had been known for taking an occasional swipe at George W. himself, was named for Ernest Hemingway, who also had a six-toed cat.

The first family's other pets — a black cat named Willie and dogs Spot and Barney, are adjusting nicely to White House life, Rodriguez said.

2 Indiana

Homeless man taken to court for stealing breakfast

Associated Press

CROWN POINT, Ind. - The Grand Slam breakfast, with a slice of Hershey pie on the side, cost \$17.59, tax included.

But the taxpayers of Lake County are paying hundreds of dollars, plus dozens of government employee hours, to bring a homeless man back from Evansville to face prosecution for stealing the meal.

Timothy Whitten was stopped by a security guard at a Denny's in Merrillville on Nov. 18 after he allegedly tried to leave without paying for breakfast.

No one wanted to prosecute, though, so Whitten was turned loose after 48 hours in jail.

The case resurfaced Jan. 29, and prosecutors approved the filing of a single count of felony theft.

When Whitten subsequently was picked up in Decatur, Ill., a check revealed the outstanding warrant.

Lake County Prosecutor Bernard Carter said he turned down a request to send officers to Decatur to bring Whitten back because the cost would have outweighed the benefit.

Whitten spent eight days in the

Macon County Jail before being freed.

He was arrested again at an Evansville homeless shelter on the same arrest warrant earlier this month.

This time, because the arrest was in-state, Carter's office did not need to approve the dispatching of county police officers to retrieve Whitten, the prosecutor said. Two officers traveled to the jail in Evansville some 275 miles away, or nearly 100 miles farther away than the jail in Decatur.

"If we'd been asked about that, we wouldn't have signed off on that one, either," Carter said.

Carter said he plans to dismiss the charges.

"He's done his time; he's paid a lot for that \$17," Carter said.

Meanwhile, public defender Thomas Vanes, who was appointed to represent Whitten, is collecting spare change to cover the cost of the mean. Containers in the public defender's office have "Free Timothy Whitten" placards on them.

"After we get the \$17.59, we're going to raise an additional 15 percent for the waitress' tip," Vanes said. "We don't want a second count filed."

As of Tuesday, Vanes had collected \$10.76, not counting an IOU for 75 cents.



3 New York

Fertility clinic implants wrong eggs

Associated Press

NEW YORK - An appeals court has refused to dismiss a malpractice lawsuit filed by a black couple against a Manhattan fertility clinic that mistakenly implanted the woman's eggs into a white woman from Staten Island.

The defendants contended that the lawsuit by Deborah Perry-Rogers and Robert Rogers of Teaneck, N.J., should be thrown out because they were suing for emotional harm caused by the creation of human life.

The State Supreme Court's Appellate Division disagreed. A five-judge panel of the court said the Rogerses were not suing because of the birth of a healthy Akeil Rogers, now 27 months old, but because of circumstances before and after his birth.

The Rogerses seek damages for the emotional harm caused by their being deprived of experiencing pregnancy and bonding with the child, and by being separated from him for five months after his birth, the appeals court said.

The defendants are Dr. Lillian Nash and her firm, Central Park Medical Services, and Dr. Michael Obasaju, the physician who admittedly implanted the embryo in the wrong woman.

Mans dents Liberty Bell with hammer

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA - Invoking God's name, a man violently struck the Liberty Bell with a hammer Friday during a tour, superficially denting and chipping the 249-year-old symbol of freedom, according to authorities and witnesses.

"I just seen a man yelling out 'God lives on,' then he just started banging on the Liberty Bell," student Christopher Gooding said.

Mitchell Guilliatt, who described himself to authorities as "a wanderer" from Nebraska, pulled a hammer out of his backpack and forcefully struck the bell four times, federal authorities said.

Guilliatt, who had participated in a tour and speech about the bell at about 9:30 a.m., was quickly tackled by a National Park Service ranger and apprehended by National Park Service police, said Phil Sheridan, a park service spokesman.

The pavilion where the 2,000-pound, 3-foot-high bell is housed was temporarily closed while the bell was examined by park rangers and a museum curators, Sheridan said. The pavilion reopened for tourists about three hours later.

Philadelphia Museum of Art curator Andrew Lins examined the bell and said "damage is apparently superficial" and "shouldn't affect the permanent structure of the

bell." The museum's conservation department made some cosmetic repairs, including touching up several dents with coloring and coating the dents with wax to protect the bell. More permanent repairs are planned, he said.

"There are lots of different dents and the damage isn't all from this century or the century before. The Liberty Bell has a long history of use and abuse," Lins said.

Elaine Gross, a private tour guide who was showing the bell to children from Pomona, Calif., said the shrill rings caused by the hammer striking the bell sounded like gunshots.

"He hit it with all his might," she said.

Gross said Guilliatt complained after he was tackled. "He said, 'I didn't do anything. I didn't do anything violent,'" she said.

The hammer was described by prosecutors as being about four to five pounds, with a foot-long handle and six-inch-long head. Prosecutors said small fragments of the bell were found stuck to the hammer.

During a five-minute hearing in U.S. District Court, Guilliatt, wearing a T-shirt picturing a crucified Jesus, wished peace and love to everyone in court, then added, "We are all one body in Christ and God is the judge over all of us."

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PEOPLE SHOULD DISCUSS CONTROVERSIAL TOPICS NOT TRY TO HIDE FROM THEM

After receiving the "anti-reparations" ad from David Horowitz, *The George-Anne* decided to turn down the ad based on the manner in which it was presented. However we have decided to run the copy from the ad as a guest column. *The George-Anne* feels that is

Our Opinion

necessary to discuss this topic from all sides. In order to improve race relations on campus and in Statesboro, topics such as these need to be discussed in an open forum. This newspaper is the perfect forum. We have the responsibility of showing all sides of the story, if we were to not run it we wouldn't be acting true to our jobs.

The George-Anne would like to invite anyone with a view on this matter whether it is in support or opposition to write a "letter to the editor." All "letters to the editor" must be in RTF format preferably on a Mac formatted 3.5" floppy disc, or emailed to letters@gasou.edu. All letters must be single-spaced with no indentations. *The George-Anne* reserves the right to refuse or edit any letter for length and content.

By running this column we are attempting to start conversation, not controversy. All people do have the right to be heard in a fair manner. Please remember that the purpose of running this column is not to offend but to stimulate people's minds and generate meaningful conversation that few people in America get the opportunity to do outside of the University setting.

Ten Reasons Why Reparations for Blacks is a Bad Idea - and Racist Too

By DAVID HOROWITZ
GUEST COLUMNIST

I There Is No Single Group Responsible For The Crime Of Slavery.

While white Europeans conducted the trans-Atlantic slave trade, Arabs and black Africans were responsible for enslaving the ancestors of African Americans. There were 3,000 black slave-owners in the ante-bellum United States. Are reparations to be paid by their descendants too? There were white slaves in colonial America. Are their descendants going to receive payments?

II There Is No Single Group That Benefited Exclusively From Slavery.

The claim for reparations is premised on the false assumption that only whites have benefited from slavery. If slave labor has created wealth for Americans, then obviously it has created wealth for black Americans as well, including the descendants of slaves. The GNP of black America makes the African-American community the 10th most prosperous "nation" in the world. American blacks on average enjoy per capita incomes in the range of twenty to fifty times that of blacks living in any of the African nations from which they were kidnapped.

III Only A Minority Of White Americans Owned Slaves, While Others Gave Their Lives To Free Them.

Only a tiny minority of Americans ever owned slaves. This is true even for those who lived in the ante-bellum South where only one white in five was a slaveholder. Why should their descendants owe a debt? What about the descendants of the 350,000 Union soldiers who died to free the slaves? They gave their lives. What morality would ask their descendants to pay again? If paying reparations on the basis of skin color is not racism, what is?

IV

Most Living Americans Have No Connection (Direct Or Indirect) To Slavery.

The two great waves of American immigration occurred after 1880 and then after 1960. What logic would require Vietnamese boat people, Russian refuseniks, Iranian refugees, Armenian victims of the Turkish persecution, Jews, Mexicans, Greeks, or Polish, Hungarian, Cambodian and Korean victims of Communism, to pay reparations to American blacks?

V The Historical Precedents Used To Justify The Reparations Claim Do Not Apply, And The Claim Itself Is Based On Race Not Injury.

The historical precedents generally invoked to justify the reparations claim are payments to Jewish survivors of the Holocaust, Japanese-Americans and African-American victims of racial experiments in Tuskegee, or racial outrages in Rosewood and Oklahama City. But in each case, the recipients of reparations were the direct victims of the injustice or their immediate families. This would be the only case of reparations to people who were not immediately affected and whose sole qualification to receive reparations would be racial. During the slavery era, many blacks were free men or slave-owners themselves, yet the reparations claimants make no attempt to take this fact into account. If this is not racism, what is?

VI The Reparations Argument Is Based On The Unsubstantiated Claim That All African Americans Suffer From The Economic Consequences Of Slavery And Discrimination.

No scientific attempt has been made to prove that living individuals have been adversely affected by a slave system that was ended nearly 150 years ago. But there is plenty of evidence that the hardships of slavery were hardships that individuals could and did overcome. The black middle-class in America is a prosperous community that is now larger in absolute terms than the black underclass. Its existence suggests that present economic adversity is the result of failures of individual character rather than the lingering after-effects of racial discrimination or a slave system that ceased to exist well over a century ago. West Indian blacks in America are also descended from slaves but their average incomes are equivalent to the average incomes of whites (and nearly 25% higher than the average incomes of

American-born blacks). How is it that slavery adversely affected one large group of descendants but not the other? How can government be expected to decide an issue that is so subjective?

VII The Reparations Claim Is One More Attempt To Turn African Americans Into Victims. It Sends A Damaging Message To The African-American Community And To Others.

The renewed sense of grievance—which is what the claim for reparations will inevitably create—is not a constructive or helpful message for black leaders to send to their communities and to others. To focus the social passions of African Americans on what some other Americans may have done to their ancestors fifty or a hundred-and-fifty years ago is to burden them with a crippling sense of victim-hood. How are the millions of non-black refugees from tyranny and genocide who are now living in America going to receive these claims, moreover, except as demands for special treatment—an extravagant new handout that is only necessary because some blacks can't seem to locate the ladder of opportunity within reach of others, many of whom are less privileged than themselves?

VIII Reparations To African Americans Have Already Been Paid.

Since the passage of the Civil Rights Acts and the advent of the Great Society in 1965, trillions of dollars in transfer payments have been made to African-Americans in the form of welfare benefits and racial preferences (in contracts, job placements and educational admissions)—all under the rationale of redressing historic racial grievances. It is said that reparations are necessary to achieve a healing between African Americans and other Americans. If trillion-dollar restitutions and a wholesale rewriting of American law (in order to accommodate racial preferences) is not enough to achieve a "healing," what is?

IX What About The Debt Blacks Owe To America?

Slavery existed for thousands of years before the Atlantic slave trade, and in all societies. But in the thousand years of slavery's existence, there never was an anti-slavery movement until white Anglo-Saxon Christians created one. If not for the anti-slavery beliefs

and military power of white Englishmen and Americans, the slave trade would not have been brought to an end. If not for the sacrifices of white soldiers and a white American president who gave his life to sign the Emancipation Proclamation, blacks in America would still be slaves. If not for the dedication of Americans of all ethnicities and colors to a society based on the principle that all men are created equal, blacks in America would not enjoy the highest standard of living of blacks anywhere in the world, and indeed one of the highest standards of living of any people in the world. They would not enjoy the greatest freedoms and the most thoroughly protected individual rights anywhere. Where is the acknowledgment of black America and its leaders for those gifts?

X The Reparations Claim Is A Separatist Idea That Sets African-Americans Against The Nation That Gave Them Freedom.

Blacks were here before the Mayflower. Who is more American than the descendants of African slaves? For the African-American community to isolate itself from America is to embark on a course whose implications are troubling. Yet the African-American community has had a long-running flirtation with separatists, nationalists and the political left, who want African-Americans to be no part of America's social contract. African Americans should reject this temptation.

For all America's faults, African Americans have an enormous stake in this country and its heritage. It is this heritage that is really under attack by the reparations movement. The reparations claim is one more assault on America, conducted by racial separatists and the political left. It is an attack not only on white Americans, but on all Americans—especially African Americans.

America's African-American citizens are the richest and most privileged black people alive, a bounty that is a direct result of the heritage that is under assault. The American idea needs the support of its African-American citizens. But African Americans also need the support of the American idea. For it is the American idea that led to the principles and created the institutions that have set African Americans—and all of us—free.

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Saying 'Goodbye'



RANDY DOBSON

This is my final column, my signature, if you will, and I don't exactly know what to say, or how to say it. It has been an honor to write for this paper and, more importantly, for you. So as I ramble on for you this one last time, let me first thank each of you, students and non-students alike, for taking the time to allow me to be a small part of your campus lives.

I have tried to uphold a high standard of integrity in my writings though certain administrative officials have brought my integrity into question. But that's okay with me because I *know*, beyond a shadow of a doubt, that I have always held the trust and confidence of you, the readers, in the highest of regard. And hopefully you know that, and those officials know that as well. So, here we go, folks. Sit back for this, our one last ride together.

In light of a new administration taking over in the White House, and the not-so-new administration on this campus, I will give my own "State of the Campus" address:

Fellow students, alumni, faculty and staff, what is the current State of Georgia Southern University? How is the campus faring with its current "leadership" in place? Well, let's just look at a couple of things, shall we?

From 1996 through 1998, according to the campus police, there were zero, that's right, zero reported sexual assaults on campus. Well, if you ask Dr. Tracy Edwardson, of the GSU counseling center, that figure is not accurate. This is also proven correct when we look at the Department of Public Safety web site, which shows numbers in stark contrast to those provided to prospective students in the little blue and white pamphlet given out during orientation.

Why is that? Why is there a difference? Well, according to a member of the GSU police department, "Perhaps there was a typo. When you are dealing with numbers, there are always going to be mistakes."

And, given the rash of attacks on students of late (between 6 and 8, depending on whom you ask), it just doesn't make sense that there were zero between '96 and '98. Does it? I mean, if you look at the figures provided by a number of organizations [on a national basis], it is almost impossible that not one single student was attacked, that not one single attack was at least reported on campus during that time.

However, if those figures are an accurate portrayal of crime on this campus, just three short years ago, then

what has happened to this community since then? Are the students that are being accepted here that much worse, from a social perspective, than those of yester-year? No, I do not think so. I think the problem runs much, much deeper than that.

Have a couple of questions, though. I am wondering, given the fact that students have been terrorized in recent months (ask the several women who have been attacked), why it is only now that GSU officials are seemingly concerned? Why didn't officials, when the very first attack occurred [in November], send out a campus-wide email, or put up bulletins around campus, or increase patrols?

Why, in fact, was it not until AFTER my column earlier this semester, until a television news crew from Savannah started asking questions, that the "leadership" of this campus finally started to admit there to be a problem? And why, indeed, have I not seen more night foot patrols on campus, in particular, between the library and the dorms?

Again, these are just questions I have that, seemingly, nobody either can, or is willing to answer. And in reality, certain people should start to take notice because I am not the only one asking these questions. I just happen to be the only one who has been afforded the opportunity to put it in print. As you have heard me say before, "With privilege comes responsibility." Maybe certain folks involved with this campus could believe that also? Again, just a question. Can, or will, anyone answer it?

So, as I leave this place, I will take with me many memories. And it is my sincere hope that I have at least provided you with some entertainment over the past few years. My goal was not to be the best writer, just someone you might want to read now and again. Thanks for that opportunity.

Christian, Frog, Steve, Adam & Mike, umm, 'nuff said! Thanks, Patrick! Stadium Walk will never be the same! Thanks to David, Tim, Dana, Chris B., Zach (a.k.a., "Q"), and even to Bryson. I learned so much from each of you! And to a few professors (in no particular order), Doctors Wilson, Wright, Woods, and Steinberg, with me, your mission has been accomplished. For you challenged me to truly to question, to consider, and to think...tools I am grateful for learning from you.

And as I close, let me say one more thing: 'NOOOOOOGA!! NOOOOOOGA!! GO EAGLES!!! Peace!

Randy Dobson was a senior columnist for the *George-Anne*, and truly enjoyed every minute of it! Thanks, everyone! Redobson2000@netscape.net.

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The future is bright for 2001 graduates

TMS Campus

With the stock market sputtering and the economy slowing, this year's college seniors will enter a job market decidedly more fickle than in recent years.

Gone are the days when graduating seniors could demand eye-popping pay and stock packages from dot-com companies hungry for new recruits. The financial-services industry has slowed as well. Even the once-booming retail and automotive sectors have taken a breather.

"I think there are some students out there who are starting to panic a little bit now," said Tom Injaychock, the career center director at Winthrop University in Rock Hill. "They're seeing what's happening in the business market, and jobs are not as abundant as they once were."

Despite the slowdown, most graduating seniors will have little trouble finding work, recruiters and college career counselors say. Their options, however, may be fewer than some students might imagine.

As the U.S. population ages, nurses and other health-care professionals should remain a hot commodity. Declining interest rates have given a temporary boost to the mortgage banking industry. And the demand for information-technology workers still exceeds supply, despite an influx of workers from collapsed dot-com companies.

"Anecdotally I'm hearing good things about how employers are still on campus and still recruiting," said Camille Luckenbaugh of the National Association of Colleges and Employers. "They may not have as many jobs as last year, but they're still coming to campus."

A recent study by Jobtrak.com, an Internet site geared toward job-seeking college students, found that some students remain confident. Of 1,000 students surveyed, 30 percent expected to have four or more job offers when they graduate.

"This group of graduates hasn't

faced a downturn in the economy in their lives," so many don't know what to expect, said Jobtrak.com President Ken Ramberg.

Students looking for work have two factors in their favor: Despite the slowdown, companies still need to hire workers to replace baby boomers who are just beginning to retire. In addition, new grads are "more affordable and they can be molded into a company's corporate culture," said Mark Krajnik, an executive search consultant at The Richmond Group USA.

To understand the nature of today's job market, consider the recent experiences of four Carolinas students.

Scott Skidmore, an MBA student at Wake Forest University, recently landed an investment banking job at J.P. Morgan Chase & Co. He interned last summer at Chase Manhattan Corp., which completed its merger with J.P. Morgan & Co. in December.

The buzz from previous interns was that the company typically hired about 60 percent of its summer class, but last year, the figure dropped to only 34 percent.

Skidmore, 29, a former commercial banker with Rocky Mount-based Centura Banks Inc., said the lower number may reflect a general slowdown in the investment banking industry.

"I was pleased that I got one," he said.

With stock prices tumbling, fewer companies need investment banks to take them public or offer advice on mergers and acquisitions.

Just within the last month, Bear Stearns & Co. has said it would cut 400 jobs, mostly in its support areas. Goldman Sachs Group Inc. plans to trim its staff by about 5 percent. And Citigroup Inc. last week began laying off several hundred people in its corporate banking and investment banking unit.

Skidmore said he's not worried about the volatility in his industry. "What's going to happen is going to

happen," he said.

Skidmore's pay package includes a base salary, a signing bonus "to pay off debt from business school," he joked, and another bonus in 2002. After that, Skidmore's bonuses will be linked to his group's profitability.

He keeps mum on the value of his compensation package. But an informal survey of MBA students on Vault.com says J.P. Morgan offers a base salary of \$85,000 and a signing bonus of \$100,000.

Shannon Walke, a December graduate of UNCCharlotte, decided in her senior year to use her mechanical engineering degree in a sales job.

About a month ago, she began training as an industrial sales representative with Johnson Controls Inc., a Charlotte-based company that makes components for thermostats and security systems. Her engineering background, she said, helps her understand the intricacies of the products she will soon sell.

The starting salary for salespeople at Johnson Controls is between \$42,000 and \$46,000. Commissions on sales can boost that salary higher.

"I had to really search hard because I didn't want to do what you typically do with my degree," said Walke, 23, a Rutherfordton native. "I didn't want to sit at a desk all day designing parts or supporting an assembly line."

As manufacturing firms contract out more engineering work, a growing number of mechanical engineers are taking jobs with consulting firms.

Leon Warren, associate vice chancellor of student affairs for career services at North Carolina A&T State University, said he has noticed the trend: "They're still in engineering, but they get a much broader perspective of their field."

Four months before graduation, Walke said she "began talking to everyone I knew" to try to land a job as a sales engineer in the Charlotte area. She eventually got five offers and narrowed them down to two.

New study finds that marijuana-like substances in brain stimulate appetite

Associated Press

NEW YORK - Scientists have found that marijuana-like substances naturally produced in the brain stimulate appetite, a finding that not only offers clues to treating obesity but also explains why pot smokers get the "munchies."

The study suggests that these endocannabinoids are part of the brain's complex system for controlling when and how much to eat.

Scientists have known for several years about the existence of these substances, which are chemically similar to the active ingredient in marijuana but do not make people high.

However, their exact role in the brain was unclear.

In a study in Thursday's issue of the journal *Nature*, researchers found that mice that had been genetically altered so they could not respond to endocannabinoids ate less than normal mice did. The

mice lacked "receptor" structures that endocannabinoids activate in the brain.

And when ordinary mice were given a substance that blocked endocannabinoids from acting at these receptors, they ate less than normal as well.

The findings help explain why marijuana users get a ravenous hunger, the "munchies," after smoking pot.

"We know that the marijuana that gets absorbed activates these receptors, and now we show that activation of these receptors is involved in the increase of appetite," said Dr.

George Kunos, who led the study as scientific director of the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism at the National Institutes of Health. "It was assumed that was probably correct. This just provides the evidence."

Moreover, Kunos said, the study also suggests that endocannabinoids are part of the complex neural

circuitry controlled by leptin, a hormone that tells the brain when it is time to lose weight. Already, leptin is known to reduce levels of several other appetite-enhancing substances.

It is unknown how endocannabinoids are created by the body, or precisely how they work. But the study found they can operate independently of the level of certain other appetite-triggering substances.

That suggests it is unlikely that efforts to control weight gain or loss with any single drug will be effective, Kunos said.

Others agreed.

"It suggests that it will probably not be possible to deliver, in a pharmaceutical sense, a single magic bullet or knockout punch against these systems in the brain, since they are so highly redundant and backed up," said Dr. Rudy Leibel, head of molecular genetics at Columbia University.

Smithsonian announces budgetary cutbacks

TMS Campus

WASHINGTON - The Smithsonian Institution on Monday announced it is closing its world-famous zoological research center and making other major cutbacks despite record amounts of private donations and a \$50 million increase in its White House-approved budget.

Nearly 200 jobs will be eliminated.

The taxpayer-funded Smithsonian is the world's largest museum, education and research complex, with 16 museums in Washington and New York and six research centers, including the zoological center.

The announced cutbacks come amid complaints from Smithsonian scientists and scholars that Smithsonian Secretary Lawrence Small is bent on curtailing research

in favor of building projects and more crowd-pleasing public attractions.

Small, a former investment banker and the first non-academic to head the Smithsonian, said the redirections are necessary to modernize the institution and "support the institution's stated priorities of improved and expanded public impact, focused scientific research, management excellence and financial strength."

He also announced plans for an institution-wide consolidation and streamlining of science and research programs, which he will submit to the Smithsonian's Board of Regents next month. He would not reveal details of the consolidation.

The budgetary cutbacks and

closures must be approved by Congress.

"We must update much that is old in our exhibits and buildings, while simultaneously increasing our connections with citizens across the country," Small said. "Facing certain budget realities may not be easy, but it is nonetheless necessary if we are to keep our commitment to the American public."

Small acknowledged that private donations increased from \$147 million in the last fiscal year to \$206 million this year - up from just \$40 million five years ago. But he said these donations were largely earmarked for specific purposes and not available for his modernization plans.

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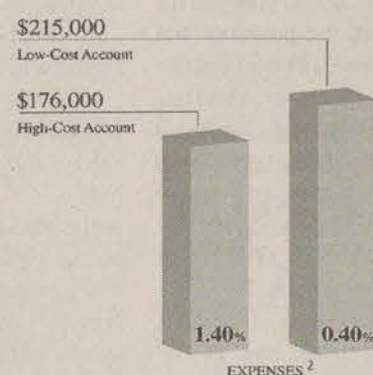
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Eagles split weekend series with College of Charleston

G-A News Service

Brett Lewis pitched a complete-game six-hitter and held off the Cougars' ninth inning rally leading Georgia Southern to a 2-1 win over the College of Charleston in Southern Conference baseball action before 671 rain-soaked fans at Patriots Point Field on Friday.

The Eagles improved to 23-14 overall and 12-7 in league play. The Cougars fell to 18-19 and 7-11.

GSU took a 1-0 lead in the second when Scott Henley doubled to right leading off the frame, moved to third on a wild pitch, and scored on Darryl Stephen's grounder to second. The Eagles stretched their lead to 2-0 in the fifth when with two outs Brendan Gilligan reached on a pop fly single to left and scored when Charleston right fielder Hank Stepleton misplayed Rocky Baker's deep drive to right for an error.

The Cougars threatened in the ninth when Jasha Balcom singled leading off the inning, and after moving to second on a grounder, scored on Stepleton's run-scoring single to right.

Lewis (6-2) recorded GSU's first complete game of the season and the seventh of his career when he retired the final two hitters for the decision. He didn't walk a batter while striking out seven.

Robby Milner (4-4) went the distance for the Cougars allowing two runs, one earned, on five hits with just one walk and eight strikeouts.

The Saturday game was delayed 1:23 in the top of the third inning due to rain.

Matt Lauderdale collected three hits while teammates Jasha Balcom and Hank Stepleton added two each pacing the College of Charleston to a 10-4 win over Georgia Southern in Southern Conference college baseball action before 707 at Patriots Point Field.

Charleston (19-19, 8-11) used a five-

run sixth inning to break open a close game. The Cougars, which held a 5-3 lead entering the frame, sent 10 batters to plate using five hits including Greg Alden's two-run single to right to cap the scoring.

Darryl Stephens and Matt Herring had three hits each to pace the Eagles

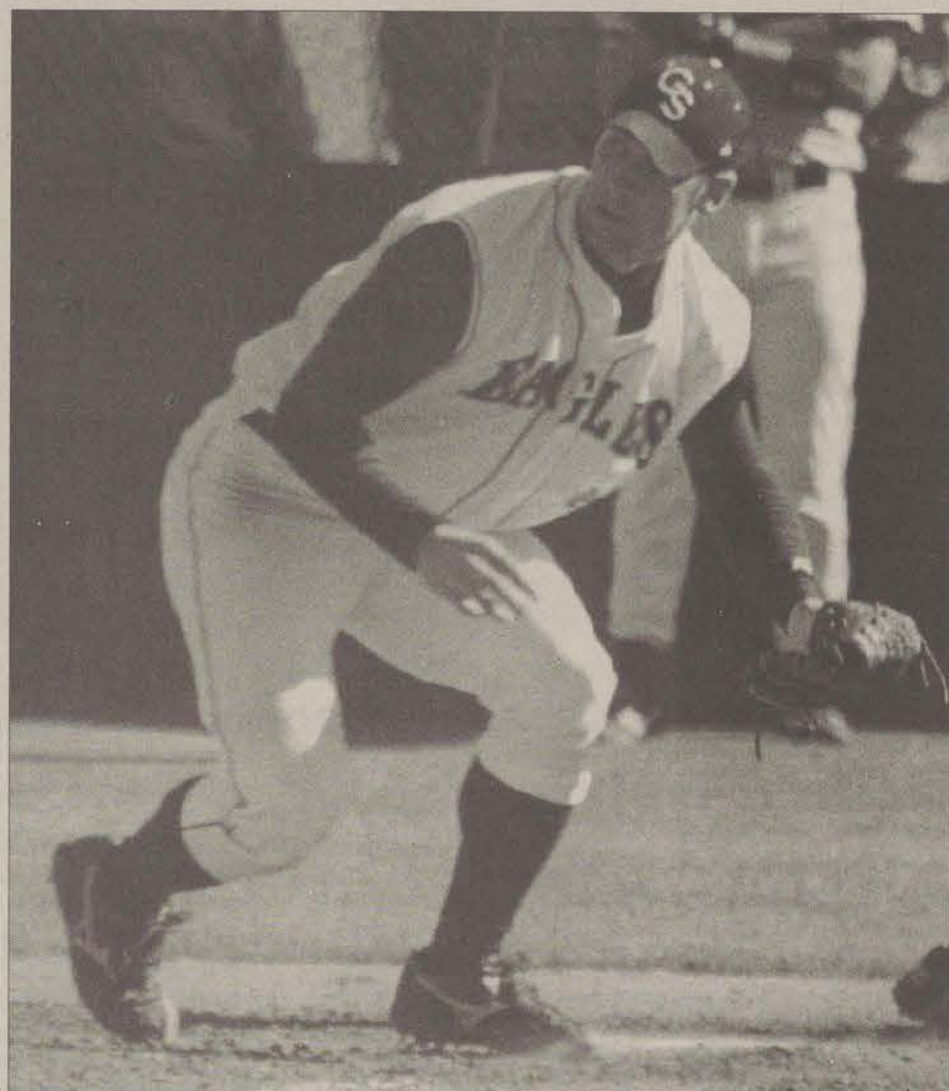
(23-15, 12-8). Stephens pounded out three doubles, the most by a Cougar opponent since Aaron Iatorola had three in Stetson's 13-5 win over the Cougars on April 4, 1992.

Ryan Mau (3-4) picked up the win allowing four runs over 8 1/3 innings of work. He walked two and equalled his

career-high with 11 strikeouts.

Dennis Dove (4-2) was the starter and loser for the Eagles allowing five runs, four earned, on four hits in 4 2/3 innings of work.

The final game of the series on Sunday was cancelled due to inclement weather.



LaVene Bell

SPLIT WEEKEND: The Eagles headed to College of Charleston for a three game weekend series and split a pair wins with C of C. Sunday's game was cancelled due to rain.

Men's tennis falls to Furman in final season match

G-A News Service

The 61st ranked Furman men's tennis team downed Georgia Southern 6-1 Friday afternoon at the Minor Mickel Tennis Center to claim a share of the Southern Conference regular season title.

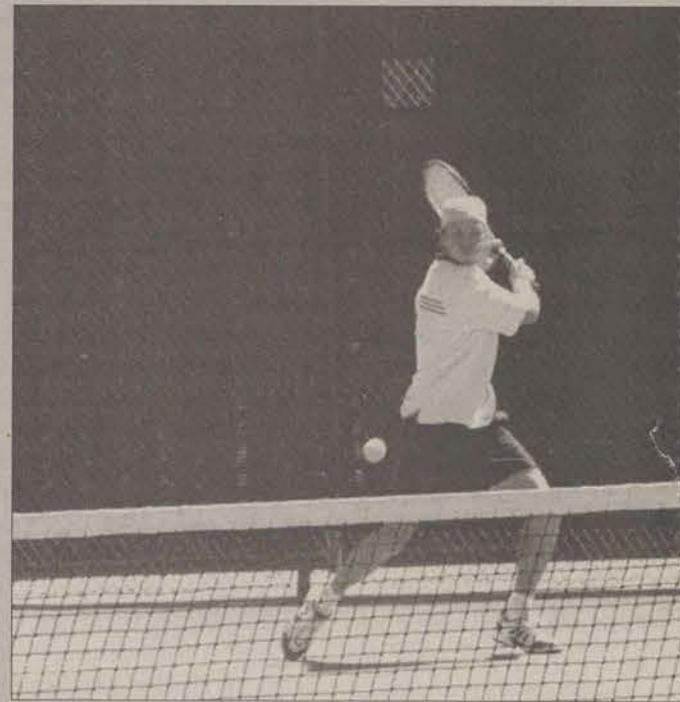
Sophomore James Cameron clinched the conference title with a 4-6, 6-3, 6-2 victory at No. 2 singles over Wojciach Nowak. John Chesworth, Chris Henderson, Eric Ward, and Patrick Fillnow each recorded straight set singles victories for the Paladins.

Furman opened the match by claiming the doubles point with wins at No. 1 and No. 3 doubles as each team finished the conference season unbeaten.

Furman's No. 2 doubles

team of Patrick Fillnow and Andrew Rogers suffered their first conference loss of the season with an 8-2 loss to Georgia Southern's Wojciach Nowak and Darren Clark.

Furman improves to 16-9 overall, 9-1 in league play, while Georgia Southern falls to 7-7 overall, 3-4 in the SoCon. UNCG also finished the season 9-1, while currently ETSU holds a 7-1 conference mark. If the Bucs win their remaining two contests, all three will share the SoCon title and a random drawing will determine the No. 1 seed in next weekend's conference tournament. If ETSU drops one of their remaining two matches, Furman will earn the No. 1 seed by virtue of a 5-2 victory over UNCG this season.



LaVene Bell

END OF SEASON: The Eagles ended their regular season on Friday against Furman with a 6-1 loss. The Eagles will head to the Southern Conference Tournament on April 19-22.

Eagles complete second spring scrimmage

By Doug Kidd
Senior Sports Writer

The GSU football team took the field for their second scrimmage of Spring Practice this Saturday after wrapping up its third week of practice on Friday.

GSU conducted its 10th workout of the spring practice period Wednesday afternoon with a two-hour session in full pads at the Eagle Practice Complex. Only five days of work remain on the Eagles' spring schedule, including the annual Blue-White Spring Game which is slated for noon on Saturday, April 21.

The Blue-White game at Paulson Stadium will be the last chance Eagle players will have to impress the coaching staff on the field before fall practice begins next August. "We're going to try to evaluate all the positions but certainly no one will beat out our running back or starting quarterback this spring," said head coach Paul Johnson two weeks ago. "But we're going to focus on getting some depth, especially since we've got a lot of kids that we redshirted last year."

A lot of attention in the next week of practices and in the scrimmages will go to the defensive side of the ball, particularly in the secondary.

While GSU will miss its two starting cornerbacks from the Eagles' 2000 national

championship squad in graduating seniors Lavar Rainey and Nate Gates, the other half of the unit's secondary is expected to provide not only experience, but depth as well.

Junior strong safety David Young, who started eight of his 14 games played in last season, finished fourth on the squad in tackles with 86, including four for loss. He also stood third on the team with three interceptions while tallying a program-best 10 pass breakups. More impressively, his 39 post-season stops ranked second among all GSU defenders.

Despite the loss of the two-year starter Ryan Hadden at free safety, head coach Paul Johnson certainly feels confident in the abilities of senior Nick Kearns and highly-touted redshirt freshman James Young.

Kearns, who opened a total of 10 games in 2000 (seven at strong safety, three at free safety) and made 53 tackles, has not participated during spring drills because of academic obligations while sophomore Phillip Mouzon is being held out of action trying to rehabilitate himself back to the lineup after suffering a dislocated hip against East Tennessee State last Oct. 28.

"We lost three of the four starters in the secondary, but in comparison to the cornerback

position, we're fortunate to have a couple of guys back with us at safety who have played a bunch," Johnson said. "Having David Young back will help a great deal, plus, Nick Kearns returns after starting a handful of games last year. I feel like we have the potential to develop a lot of depth back there with Derrick Williams, Phillip Mouzon and James Young, who I think has a chance to be a special player for us. We'll just see how it goes this spring, especially with some of the younger guys."

Because of Kearns' absence in the GSU secondary this spring, an opportunity has developed for James Young and Williams to vie for one of the starting positions this fall. A first-team all-conference performer for who recorded 71 total tackles as a senior for Tampa Bay (Fla.) Technical High School in 1999, James Young was also responsible for four tackles for loss, one sack and two interceptions.

Williams, a senior who has played in just 36 career games, with one start (1998), will be looking to rebound from a pair of injury-filled seasons. A member of Johnson's first recruiting class in 1997, Williams appeared in just nine games a year ago and was credited with one special teams' tackle.

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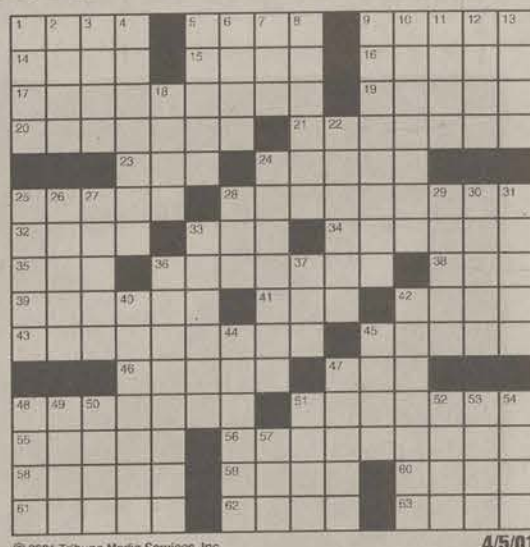
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20 Announcements

Fraternities - Sororities

Clubs - Student Groups

Earn \$1000-\$2000 this semester with the easy CampusFundraiser.com three hour fundraising event. No sales required. Fundraising dates are filling quickly, so call today! Contact CampusFundraiser.com at (888) 923-3238 or visit www.campusfundraiser.com.

WANT AN easy ten bucks. Visit: <http://gpa.go.to/rebate.html>.

FURNITURE FOR Sale. 3pc. black and gold livingroom set \$150. Full-size bed rails with free headboard \$25. All prices negotiable. Call Iesha 681-4034.

BAND LOOKING for a bass player. Contact Jeremy at 681-1405 or Sam at SamRiddle4@hotmail.com.

SONY PLAYSTATION 2 raffle held at Union from April 10th to April 19th, 9:00am to 4:00pm. Tickets are 1 for \$2.00 or 3 for \$5.00. Money goes to Southern Pride for trophy case!

MATH TUTOR. Do you need a math tutor? From Algebra to Calculus and Programming in JAVA. Call 681-1816 for appointments. \$10 per hour. Email: needatutor@yahoo.com.

STU PIDASSO: Thanks for being there for me. You have really touched me. Love, Jenny Talia

40 Autos for Sale

CAR FOR SALE! 1992 Black Eagle Talon, approx 150,000 miles, asking \$3000 obo. Call Lance at 681-1723 after 5:00pm.

1992 RED two door Chevy Tahoe, four wheel drive, loaded, grill and tail light guards, tow package, all records, \$1105 obo. Call 871-4577.

NISSAN MAXIMA 1989 Lt. Green, 140K miles, excellent running condition, automatic, power everything, alloy wheels, keyless entry, \$3800 obo. Call Laura at (912)354-0619.

50 Auto Parts, Repair

FOR SALE 15 by 10 center line wheels (scorpions) uni. Lugs BF Goodwrench radial tires, size: p275/50R15. \$800 obo 681-3104.

70 Child Care

FUN COLLEGE student - I will babysit your kids of any age! I have transportation and experience. Call Sandy: 541-0523.

90 Education

FUN & STUFF Visit our Web site for list of things to do that are educational and fun. On-line at <http://www.stp.gasou.edu/funstuff/>

120 Furniture & Appliances

FURNITURE FOR sale. One large chester drawer with larger mirror and one small chester drawer. Only \$50 for all. If interested call 681-4316.

SUPER CAPACITY washer and dryer for sale. Perfect condition, one year old, works great. \$300 for both. If interested, call Eric at 681-4532.

BEDROOM SUIT for sale. Mattress, box spring, six drawer dresser, head board, footboard, 2 decorative tables, and rails - for \$400. Call Semethia at 681-2894.

NEW LOVESEAT and sofa for sale. Green with patterned pillows. Great condition. Call 871-4778 for details.

140 Help Wanted

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AMS POOLS is now taking applications for Pool Managers and Lifeguards for summer 2001. Work locations in Alpharetta, Duluth, Cumming, Lawrenceville, and Suwanee. \$8.00-\$9.50/hr. Certification classes are available. Sign up now. Call 770-271-7307 for details.

SUMMER STAFF positions. College students needed for recreation and program: 6-12 week positions. Room and board provided. Contact the Georgia FFA-FHA Center at 770-786-6926 or gaffacamp@aol.com.

NEED PART-TIME help for landscape operations. Call anytime before 6:00pm 687-0323.

160 Miscellaneous for Sale

FOR SALE - One Brand Spakin New Playstation 2 for \$400 obo. Call or email Jason at (912)489-7177 or webmaster@phidells.zc.com and this technological marvel shall be yours.

FOR SALE: Living room suit, washer and dryer, dining room set, and '97 Mazda Protege. Call Altonia 681-6509 AFTER 12 NOON

STILL IN box Briggs and Stratton 14.5hp industrial commercial engine \$450. Two by two by three dog cage \$40. Call 489-1790 and leave a message.

NOKIA CELL phone accessories for cheap! Everything you need to decorate your Nokia phone. Don't get ripped off at dealers, call (912)681-9EOW. Ask for John.

165 Mobile Homes

MOBILE HOME for sale! 1983 Parkhurst Mobile Home 14 by 70, 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Asking \$8000 obo. Call Lance at 681-1723 after 5:00pm.

180 Musical

FENDER AMP - Blue4s Deluxe PR 246. No longer in production. Perfect Condition. Only 4 1/2 years old, virtually un-used. \$400 Call Justin Samples at 489-2544.

200 Pets & Supplies

FREE PUPPIES lab/german sheppard mix. Two males, two females. Call Julie at 746-3256.

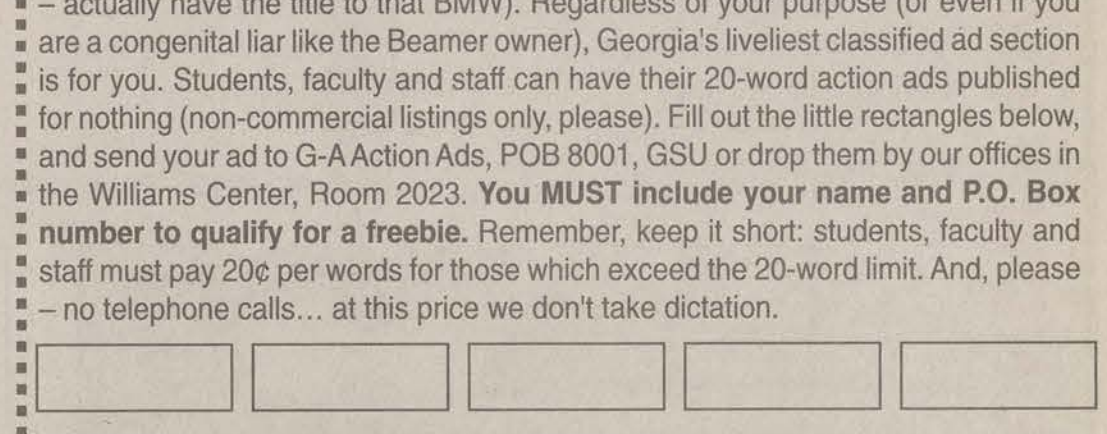
220 Rentals & Real Estate

BRAND NEW apartment for rent, two bedroom/ two bath with washer and dryer. Only five minutes from campus. Very reasonable price. For more info, call Allison at 685-2201.

NICE FOUR bedroom/ two bath with a fireplace in the great room. Large yard. Located near Wal-Mart. \$800 per month. Some pets allowed. Available August 1st. Call 681-0591 or 852-5299.

ONE BEDROOM apartment on North Main Street. Privacy at an affordable price. \$325 per month. Available August 1st. Call 681-0591 or 852-5299.

SUMMER SUBLEASE available at Park Place. Two bedroom/ two bath with washer and dryer. \$262.50 per month. Please call



871-4276. Ask for Lupe for more info.

NICE TWO bedroom/ two bath brick duplex. Near Mill Creek Recreation Complex. Quiet area, very nice unit, great floor plan for entertaining. \$485 per month. Available August 1st. Call 681-0591 or 852-5299.

SUMMER SUBLEASE available in Garden District. Private baths. \$200 per month. Call 681-4689 for more information.

AVAILABLE NOW by James Hood. Small 3 bedroom house near GSU 1 bath Central Heat & Air 682-7468

SUBLEASE NEEDED for summer! Call today to receive month of May free! Varsity Lodge is with in walking distance to campus. Call 681-7733.

APARTMENT AVAILABLE May 7th, \$350 per month with free water, cable, and HBO. \$175 moves you in, \$350 June and July. Call 681-2834.

GREAT SUMMER Deal 2 bedroom/ 2 bath w/d w/ free cable for \$165 each. Please call 871-7544 or 681-1638. Ask for Summer Deal

APARTMENT FOR RENT! 2BR/2BA Apartments next to campus \$500/Month no pets. 681-4250

APARTMENTS and houses for rent. Available in August. No pets. James Hood, 764-6076.

BOARDWALK TOWNHOUSES \$240/Person - Walk to GSU 3-2 Bedrooms Pool, Decks, Volleyball 512 South College 531-2300 or 681-2300 Georgia Real Estate Agent

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AVAILABLE FALL two bedroom/ two bath apartment, two bedroom/ one bath duplex. Both are near campus. 681-1252

EVERYTHING FURNISHED apartments - one block from GSU south main entrance - owner furnishes water, electricity, cable TV, HBO, and monthly pest control. Call Hood at 682-7468.

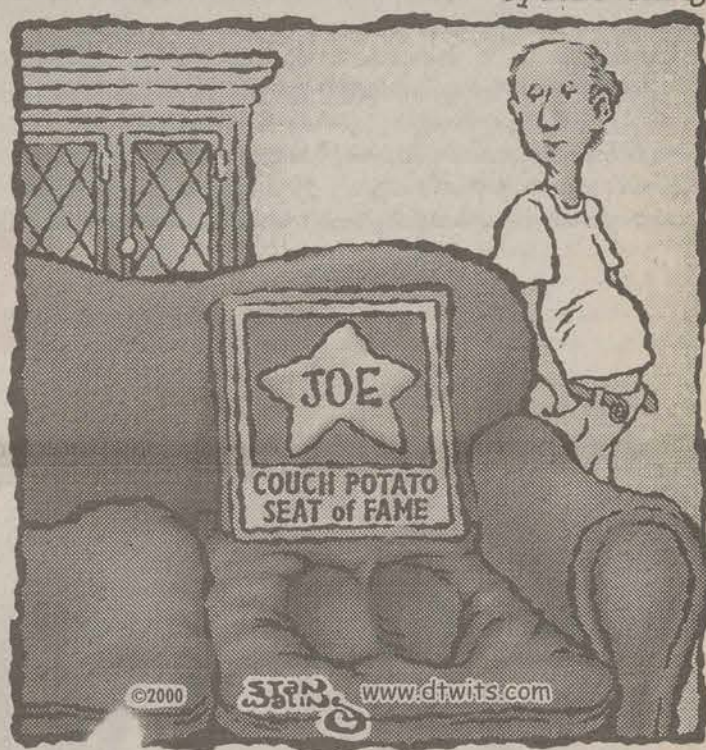
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ATHENS HOUSING four bedroom/two bath, free lease now, good neighborhood, good landlord. Call 706-202-0374.

ROOMMATE NEEDED for sublease. Private bedroom and bathroom in Bermuda Run. Washer and Dryer available. Needed for May 10th to August 5th. rent only \$225 per month. Only half rent for May. 681-4316

APARTMENT AVAILABLE May 7. \$175.00 moves you in \$350/mo., free water, cable (HBO), very large 1 bedroom. Lease ends

DITHERED TWITS by Stan Waling



Joe leaves a lasting impression.

in August but can resign if needed 681-2834

SUBLEASE for Summer 2 bedroom fully furnished, separate bathroom, walk-in closet, plus washer and dryer at Campus Courtyard \$270/month call 681-9907

230 Roommates

CAMPUS COURTYARD roommate needed to share four bedroom townhouse with three crazy females for fall. Rent \$250. Call Amy at 688-2594.

MALE ROOMMATE needed 2bed 2 bath mobilehome 5 minutes from campus, very clean & quiet. @ 280/mo. call 871-6475

FEMALE ROOMMATE needed to share three bedroom and one bath house. Close to campus. Renting now or for Fall. \$295 plus utilities. Deposit neg. Call Jamie at 541-1731.

SUBLEASE for Summer. 1 bedroom in

a 4 bedroom house. Satellite system, quiet neighborhood. Only \$200/ Month. May rent free! 489-8073

FEMALE ROOMMATE needed to share 4 bedroom townhouse at Campus Courtyard with three females call 688-2934. Leave a message.

FEMALE ROOMMATE needed in Towne Club. Rent is \$265 per month plus 1/3 utilities. Contact Alicia or Katie at 688-3157 or gsuangel211@hotmail.com for more information and to apply.

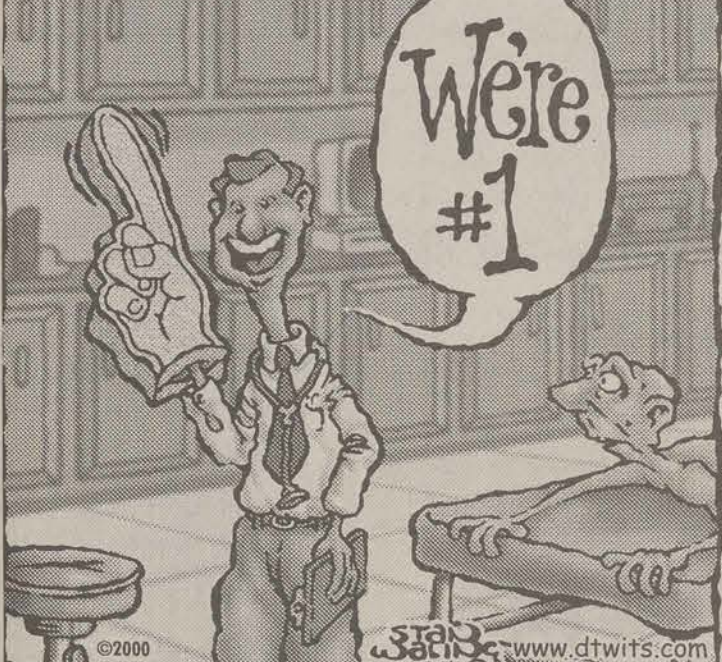
FEMALE ROOMMATE needed. Four bedroom/ two bath apartment for summer. Sublease reduced rent to \$220 per month. No deposit. Call (770)631-2902. Furnished.

310 Wanted

ADVANCED BASSIST and Drummer needed for rock band to play DMB, Allman Bros, and heavier; Bookings are no problem. Leave message at 912-237-6118 or 681-6691

DITHERED TWITS by Stan Waling

The BAD AD awards, Honorable Mention...



The Johnson Proctology Clinic

'Catcher in the Rye' still captivates teens after 50 years

TMS Campus

Ask a group of high school students about John Steinbeck's "The Grapes of Wrath," and you won't get much response. "Huckleberry Finn" doesn't ignite much of a fire either. "The Old Man and the Sea"? Yawns.

But mention "Catcher in the Rye," and you've got their attention.

J.D. Salinger's iconoclastic novel—it's marking its 50th anniversary this year, having been published by Little, Brown in July 1951—is still seducing high school- and college-age readers, something few other books do.

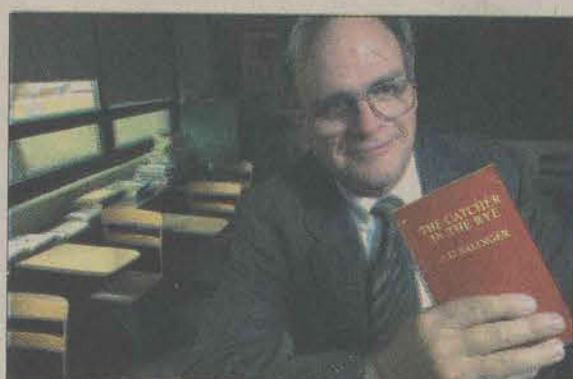
"My first question to students is, Does it talk to you?, and inevitably they say it does," says John Wenke, a professor of English at Salisbury State University in Salisbury, Md., and author of the 1991 book "J.D. Salinger: A Study of the Short Fiction."

"Students buy into it because (protagonist) Holden Caulfield is irreverent, he's flip, he's funny, he doesn't like authority figures. They really love it."

"Catcher in the Rye" is the story of a troubled adolescent's isolation, frustration and confusion as he stands at the threshold of adulthood and tries to understand the human condition. It is told by Caulfield, in the first person, from a rest home where he is recovering from a mental breakdown.

The book covers a few days in his life starting with his expulsion from prep school for academic reasons. He decides to spend a few days by himself in New

York before returning to his parents' Manhattan home (and before they receive the letter telling them of his expulsion). As he wanders the city, he ponders his life and the approach of adulthood,



TMS Campus

A BOOK FOR ALL AGES: English teacher Tim White of Aurora's Benet Academy has been assigning "Catcher in the Rye" for three decades and the kids still think it rocks.

which he dreads; thinks about his younger brother, Allie, who died of leukemia three years earlier, and his 10-year-old sister Phoebe, whom he loves; has adventures with an old girlfriend, a former classmate, a couple of thugs, a prostitute and a former teacher who may or may not have made a sexual advance; and eventually finds his way to his parents' apartment, where he sneaks in to visit Phoebe. He decides to run away, only to be deterred by Phoebe.

Throughout, the reader senses the deterioration of Caulfield's mental state. ("I swear to God I'm a madman," he says at one point.) The book ends with Caulfield saying that he went home, was placed in the rest facility, and plans to return to school the following September.

A couple of years ago, The Modern

Library board ranked "Catcher in the Rye" No. 64 on its list of the 20th century's 100 best novels. It has been standard high school reading since the 1950s and is still going strong today (it's ranked 154th on Amazon.com), despite almost annual efforts to ban it. (The battles over censorship, probably more than literary experts' opinions, only add to its appeal among young readers.)

"Every high school kid identifies with it," says Tim White, who teaches English at Benet Academy in Lisle, Ill., and who estimates he has taught "Catcher" about 80 times since the late '60s. "I thought it was good when I read it (in school) and wondered if kids would react to it the same way. And they have."

That's what sets "Catcher" apart. At times, Caulfield's narration may be dated—his 1950s-era slang, for example, or his references to playing checkers—but his thoughts and problems remain fresh and strike a chord with many young readers a half-century later.

"Every year I have a couple of kids who say it was like they were reading their life story; there's something really magical about that," says John O'Connor, who teaches "Catcher in the Rye" in his English classes at the University of Chicago Laboratory Schools.

"Unless you had a brother who died of leukemia when you were 13 years old, and unless you had this experience of being shipped from one boarding school to another, there should be profound differences. And yet the general feeling just really connects with people."

Run DMC back after eight and a half years

By Jarvon Lee
WVGS Sports Director

"Once your Crown King, you always the King." This holds true for three legendary rap performers known as Run DMC. The word crown may also be applied to the first word in the title of their much anticipated and often delayed album, "Crown Royal."

The trio known as RUN DMC has not released an album in eight and a half years. I can honestly say that I wasn't one of the people waiting in line to cop the new joint at the time it hit commercial record stands. I heard the CD for the time while driving to Atlanta with a friend of mine.

The first track, "It's Over," featuring Jermaine Dupree, caught my attention from the beginning. Of the 12 tracks on the CD, there are only three that are less than mediocre. I would, nevertheless, grant the three of four stars.

Dennis Hightower of WVGS calls this group "the godfathers of Rap," and godfathers they are indeed. The rap trio are known in the industry as some of the originators and pioneers of hip-hop music. Run DMC has also tried to do a music cross-over this time, in including some



Special Photo

GODFATHERS OF HIP HOP: Run DMC has just released a brand new album entitled "Crown Royal," and will be featured in Atlanta's Music Midtown in May.

rock in the album line-up.

The album showcases many favorite hip-hop celebrities such as Nas, Queens, N.Y., MC Prodigy of (Mobb Deep). I'm certainly glad this trio has decided to stick together and make one more run for it.

I do not recommend rushing out to pick up "Crown Royal," but if you're in the

neighborhood and were going to buy a CD anyway, this is the one to get.

Surprisingly, Run DMC scheduled two tour dates in Georgia for this leg of their tour. The first was in Milledgeville last weekend, and the group will also be one of the featured acts at Music Midtown in Atlanta in early May.

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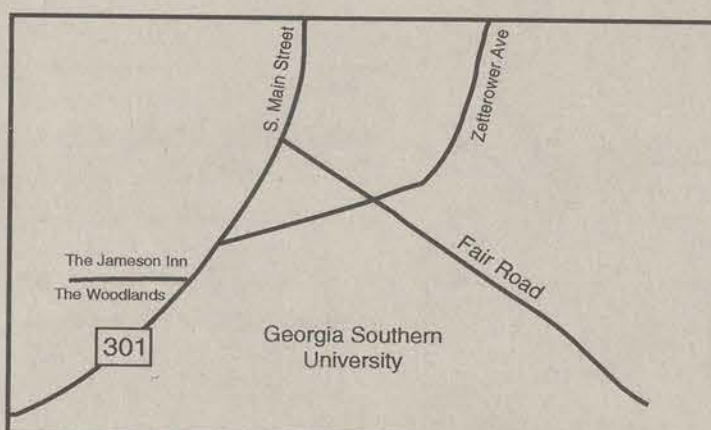
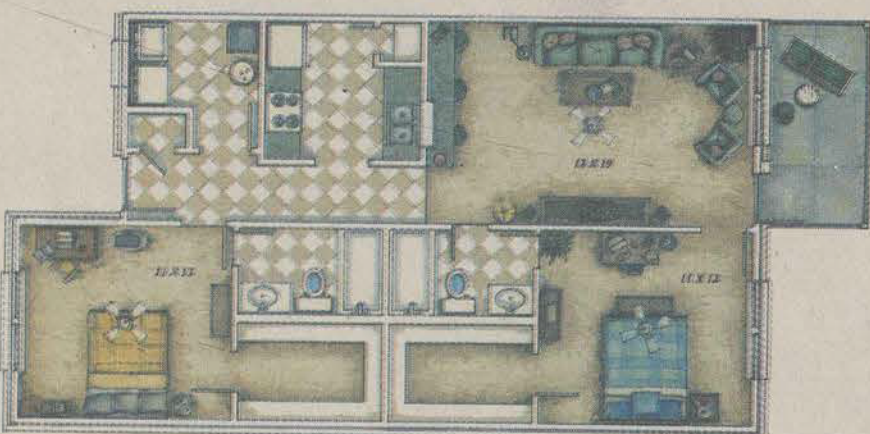
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Dr. Laura gets the axe

TMS Campus

The struggling talk show "Dr. Laura" can finally lay its head on the ground. Paramount officials announced Thursday that they taped the show's final episode, according to Variety. The show had its syndication debut seven months ago amid protest from the gay and lesbian community.

At issue were Schlessinger's comments on her syndicated radio show, where she referred to homosexuality as "deviant" and "a biological error." The comments spurred a vigorous campaign urging advertisers to drop her show, which led to more than 90 sponsors withdrawing their advertising, and an almost immediate ratings decline.

In a statement, Schlessinger says, "We set out to create a program that offered daytime audiences a true alternative and we succeeded. I believe it could have earned a substantial audience in time, but the television advertiser boycott precluded that."

Officials at Viacom Inc.'s Paramount Domestic Television declined to comment on the move, but said in a statement that the show finished taping its production commitment for the 2000-2001 season and would be available for the 232 stations on which it has aired nationwide.

According to Paramount, original episodes will continue to be edited and be available for broadcast through September.

Gay and lesbian advocates on Friday cheered the show's demise saying it sends a strong message to broadcasters about the content of their programming.

"I think that this has been a culmination of our work of education and advocacy over the last couple of years," says Joan Garry, executive director of the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation. "The gay community has sent a very strong message that we're no longer an easy mark. We hope that the lesson learned here is that media outlets will think twice before giving a platform to anybody who is provocative at the expense of our community."

Garry added that "We respect Laura's right to have an opinion but nobody has a First Amendment right to a television show."

Schlessinger has repeatedly denied being anti-gay or intending to support intolerance, saying her most controversial remarks "were used in a clinical context" that were not meant to disparage homosexuals.

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