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GSU is working to help victims of sexual assault

By Shawntineal Hughes
Senior Staff Writer

Twenty-one sexual assault cases have been reported in Statesboro within the last year, according to University and Statesboro Police officials.

Five of these sexual offenses were reported to the University Police. Three were sexual battery incidents and two were rapes. The remaining 16 sexual offenses were reported to the Statesboro Police Department. "We have had 16 sexual cases and we've solved over half of them," Statesboro Police Captain Holloway said. These cases have either been dropped or the offenders were caught, fined or jailed.

"All of the offenders were known in the cases reported to the University Police, but were not arrested due to either the victims' wishes or lack of prosecutable evidence," GSU Captain Carl Peaster said.

According to the National Victim Center, one in every four women on college campuses has either been raped or suffered attempted rape. Research from this center also shows that only 16 percent of all rapes are ever reported to the police.

"It is likely that the majority of sexual assault victims report it to others, such as the counseling center, or report the incident at all," Peaster said. In a survey conducted by the National Victim Center, 43 percent of victims thought that nothing could be done, 27 percent felt it was a private matter, 12 percent were afraid of police response and 12 percent felt it was not important enough.

Even though sexual assault cases continue to occur and the offenders are sometimes caught, one case still remains open. Last year a 51-year-old woman was raped in her home in Statesboro. The victim said she was looking for support and had nowhere to go, so she decided to start a rape support group.

This group would try to prevent rape issues and help assist rape victims.

In her first attempt to begin this group, the woman went to the Psychology Department on campus. She said that she was upset at the response she received from certain members of the department. The victim said that Edward Smith, coordinator of clinical training, told her that the department would help

her with establishing the group. Then, other members later told her that the department couldn't do it.

"The woman requested for the Psychology Department to help her

which is unavailable without a clinic. Third, clinic liability issues.

"We felt that this was an excellent idea, but our department is not equipped to handle situations like

**"WE FELT THAT SEXUAL ASSAULT WAS
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--TRACI EDWARDSON, PSYCHOLOGIST

start a support group for sexual assault victims," Rebecca Murray, assistant psychology professor, said. "Edward Smith told her that the idea may be worth investigating, but never guaranteed anything."

According to Murray, the department could not support the victim's effort for three reasons. First, there was only one student who was interested in the program and she was graduating this semester. Second, the group counseling relied on space and on-site supervision,

this," Murray said. "If we had a clinic, we would have loved to help her, but we don't. The whole experience could have ended up being a disaster for members of the group." Although the victim was unable to get a sexual assault group started through the Psychology Department, GSU now has two groups aimed at helping students with sexual assault cases on campus. These groups are the Sexual Assault Facts and Education (SAFE) and the Advocate for Sexual Assault Programming

(ASAP).

Both groups have received professional training. They began this semester and have assistance from faculty member from the Housing Department, Counseling Center, Public Safety, Judicial Affairs, School of Education Advisement Center and Health Services.

"We felt that sexual assault was an important issue that needed to be addressed at GSU," Traci Edwardson, psychologist, said.

SAFE tries to help women who have been sexually assaulted. This organization would like to give women the opportunity to talk about sexual assault.

"It's ok to talk about it," Edwardson said. During the SAFE meetings, no adults are present in the room other than the sexual assault victims.

"We feel that if adults are present, it changes the atmosphere," Edwardson said. "We want all of the women to feel comfortable with talking about the issue." She also said that free health care is available to all sexual assault victims.

ASAP is targeted towards the

male audience. It focuses on teaching men how to assist in the healing of sexual assaulted women. The group believes that men knowledge with how to respond to a woman who has been a victim of rape or sexual assault is very helpful and important.

SAFE and ASAP plans to inform all incoming freshmen about sexual assault issues. The two groups have already begun to work with SOAR to help get the message out.

The 51-year-old victim is happy that GSU has put forth the effort to help sexual assault victims. However, she said that its downfall is that it only helps students.

"The two groups are nice, but we need something to assist the entire community," she said.

Murray also agrees with the victim. "It would be nice to eventually see a Rape Crisis Center here in Statesboro especially with the increased number of assaults taking place," Murray said. "Hopefully, with the help of people in the community and assistance from surrounding crisis centers, a sexual assault center may one day become available for everyone in Statesboro."

GSU seniors prepare for upcoming graduation

By Jennifer Williams
Staff Writer

As summer approaches many students are preparing and making plans for life after college. On May 5, GSU seniors will gather at Paulson stadium for graduation and say good-bye to their friends and school, while welcoming the future.

Graduation is the one goal that everyone shares, but what happens after receiving the diploma is what's important. Preparing to graduate includes getting cap and gown, clearing for graduation with an advisor, paying any unpaid parking tickets and sending out invitations to everyone who might send you a check. After the celebration is over, many graduates are going back to school, getting married, moving back in with their parents, and interning.

Jason Kemp, a 21-year-old political science major, has plans to go to Washington DC after graduation. "I am either going to law school or grad school, I have not really decided yet," said Kemp. "I have worked in DC for the last few summers, and I really enjoy it there. I am most likely going to work at a public relations firm while I am going to school."

Danielle Foerschler, a 23-year-old public relations major, is also graduating, but her plans are very different from Kemp's. After graduation,

Foerschler is going to intern at Fort Benning in the public affairs office. "If everything works out, this internship will hopefully turn into a job," said Foerschler. "Eventually I want to get into government affairs."

Foerschler has a lot to think about after graduation, because she is also getting married. Foerschler is marrying David Durante in December of this year. "I like the whole tradition of getting married," Foerschler said. "I know some people think we are too young, but we have been together for four years."

Jenny Howell, a 21-year-old marketing major is also graduating in May. Howell is going to move to Atlanta in May and has been boxing up her apartment in preparation for the move. Howell has been attending interviews in and around Atlanta. "I have interviewed with several companies, and I am very excited," said Howell. "I can't wait, I am ready to get out into the work place."

Even though graduation is a time of reflection and enjoyment, many students still must take time during their last few days to make important decisions about their future. The commencement ceremony will be held at Paulson stadium at 9 a.m. on Saturday May 5.

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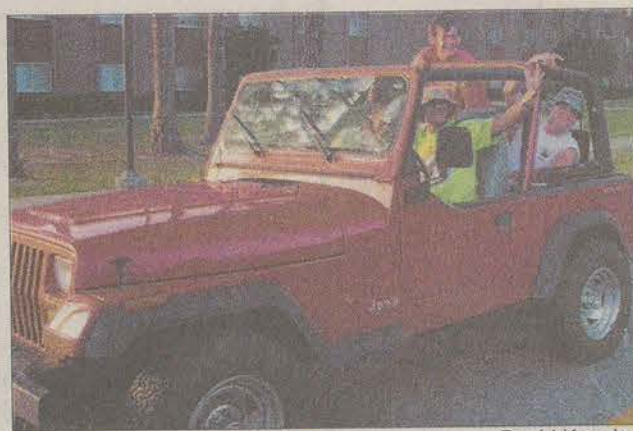
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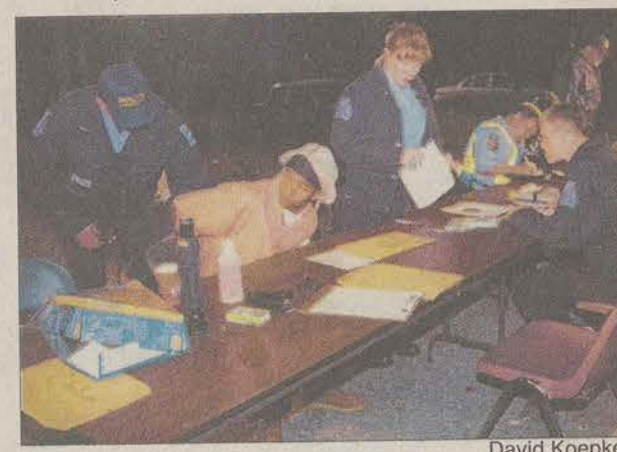
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Things to do at GSU April 25

• The Georgia Southern University College Chapter of the NAACP present: Rev. Jesse Jackson, at 11:30 a.m. in the Russell Union Rotunda.

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 gsf04936@gasou.edu for more information.

POLICE BEAT

GSU Public Safety

April 13

• Thomas Nealy reported someone entered his vehicle in the Winburn Hall parking lot and took his CD player, amplifier and subwoofers.

• A case of simple battery reported at Johnson Hall.

April 16

• David Ray reported approximately 20 CDs and a checkbook were taken from his vehicle in the Hanner Commuter parking

lot. He also reported that someone damaged the center wheel caps on his vehicle and took one of them.

• Ninato McCan reported a cellular phone was missing from the Landrum Cafeteria.

April 18

• Amy Summerville reported a cellular phone was missing from the Henderson Library

Editor's Note: The Police Beat appears in every edition of the Georgia

Anne 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 either the GSU division of public safety or at the Statesboro Police department

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

GEORGIA NEWS BRIEF

Court changes ruling on discrimination case against UGA

Associated Press

ATLANTA — The 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals has revived a lawsuit attacking the University of Georgia's use of racial preferences in admissions.

In a unanimous opinion Thursday, the court overturned a ruling by a federal judge who threw out a lawsuit filed in March 1997.

U.S. District Judge B. Avant Edenfield of Savannah had decided all of the plaintiffs in the suit lacked

standing to pursue legal claims against the university.

In its ruling, the 11th Circuit said Edenfield must reconsider claims raised by one white student plaintiff denied admission almost four years ago.

The appeals court affirmed rulings by Edenfield that two other white student plaintiffs lacked legal standing to sue, and the court dismissed claims by a group of black plaintiffs who alleged that the state's histori-

cally black colleges unlawfully discriminate against non-blacks.

The appellate ruling was against the university, but the school's main focus is on the pending appeal of a lawsuit filed by a separate group of white students denied admission. That appeal will be watched nationwide when argued May 22 because it may decide whether Georgia can use racial preferences in its admissions program.

Gov. Barnes to consider video gambling

Associated Press

ATLANTA — Gov. Roy Barnes might include a proposal to restrict video gambling during a special legislative session this summer.

A move to outlaw video poker machines in Georgia was defeated in the closing minutes of the regular session of the General Assembly this winter.

Republican leaders in the House and Senate want Barnes to expand the special session in July or August to address video poker and other machines they say are being used illegally to award cash prizes.

The machines flooded into Georgia after South Carolina outlawed them in 1999. Opponents say that waiting

until next year will allow them to become more entrenched.

"It's like kudzu," House Minority Leader Lynn Westmoreland, R-Sharpsburg, said. "It just grows."

In recent correspondence with video gambling opponents, Barnes said he was "furious" that some lawmakers purposefully ran out the clock last month without addressing the problem. "This cancer should not be allowed to grow in Georgia," Barnes wrote.

W.H. NeSmith Jr., an Athens publisher and a member of the Judicial Qualifications Commission, urged Barnes to let lawmakers take up the issue again this summer. The governor said he is "considering"

such a move. A final decision, he wrote, will come after he assesses the difficulty of drawing new legislative and congressional district lines.

A Barnes spokeswoman said Friday the governor still has made no decision on what agenda he will give lawmakers when he calls them back to Atlanta, or even whether he'll call one special session or two for political map drawing.

The dispute over stronger restrictions and penalties on violators versus an outright ban on use of machines for prizes contributed to the defeat of the initial bill.

This Week's Weather



Today
Partly cloudy
with a high of
85 and a low
of 63.



Tuesday
Partly cloudy
with a high of
83 and a low
of 58.

Judge sides with "Gone With The Wind"

Associated Press

ATLANTA — A federal judge has blocked the publication of a novel he said borrows too liberally from "Gone With the Wind" and infringes on the copyright of Margaret Mitchell's classic novel.

U.S. District Judge Charles Pannell ruled Friday that Alice Randall's novel "The Wind Done Gone" is essentially a retelling of "Gone With the Wind" from a different point of view using the same fictional characters and places.

Randall's story, Pannell wrote, "constitutes unabated piracy of 'Gone With the Wind.'" The publisher, Houghton Mifflin, said it will appeal.

Randall, whose book was scheduled for publication in June, argued that her story, told from the point of view of Scarlett O'Hara's mulatto half-sister, was a political parody.

Pannell disagreed, writing that Randall's "recitation of so much of the earlier work is overwhelming" and constitutes an unauthorized sequel.

When the reader of "Gone With the Wind" turns over the last page, he may well wonder what becomes of Ms. Mitchell's beloved charac-

ters and their romantic, but tragic, world," Pannell wrote. "Ms. Randall has offered her vision of how to answer those unanswered questions. ... The right to answer those questions and to write a sequel or other derivative work, however, legally belongs to Mrs. Mitchell's heirs, not Ms. Randall."

Attorneys for Mitchell's estate had sued to stop publication of Randall's book. The attorneys argued in a hearing Wednesday that the issue was not one of free speech as Randall and the publisher claimed, but about providing protection to authors and other creative artists.

"It's a wonderful decision," said Martin Garbus, a lawyer representing the Mitchell trust. "It protects authors and publishers."

Randall, who lives in Nashville, and Houghton Mifflin argued that the book was serious parody and could be published without substantial harm to the "Gone With the Wind" franchise.

"I wrote this parody to ridicule a book that has wounded generations of Americans," Randall said. "I look forward to the day when readers will be able to judge my book for themselves."

Pannell rejected the parody argument, writing that "The Wind Done Gone" includes no comment, criticism or attempts at comedy.

"We are disappointed in (Friday's) decision," said Wendy Strothman, executive vice president at Houghton Mifflin. "Publishing rests on the two principles of copyright and the First Amendment. Houghton Mifflin has vigorously supported its authors and protected those principles since its founding in 1832. We will continue to do so."

Other writers, including Pat Conroy, Harper Lee and Toni Morrison, have publicly supported Randall in the dispute.

"I can't believe the book will be suppressed," said historian Arthur M. Schlesinger Jr., one of 20 artists and intellectuals who signed a petition in support of Randall's novel. "The Mitchell estate is doing a wonderful job of advertising for Houghton Mifflin."

The Mitchell Trust has authorized one "Gone With the Wind" sequel — "Scarlett: The Sequel to Margaret Mitchell's Gone With the Wind" by Alexandra Ripley in 1988 — and is in negotiations for another.

Georgians pay respect to a departed legislator

Associated Press

MACON, Ga. — Hundreds of mourners turned out Saturday to pay their last respects to Denmark Groover Jr., the former legislator who helped imprint Georgia's flag with the Confederate battle emblem in 1956 and then endorsed changing the flag this year.

Groover died Wednesday after a long illness. He was 78.

Gov. Roy Barnes, U.S. Sen. Zell Miller, Lt. Gov. Mark Taylor and state House Speaker Tom Murphy

were among those attending the funeral, which was followed by a procession to Riverside Cemetery, where Groover was buried with military honors.

During the graveside service, Barnes gave credit to Groover for the approval of the new state flag earlier this year.

After Groover addressed the Rules Committee, he told friends that, "He didn't know if the Legislature needed him to give that speech, or the governor needed him to give that

speech, but he needed to give that speech," Barnes said. "Denmark, you're wrong — Georgia needed you to give that speech."

Barnes said that when he lost his first bid for governor in 1990, Groover helped him deal with the loss.

"He told me he had been beaten four times, and assured me it was not, as most politicians believe, the end of the world," Barnes said. "He encouraged me to run back for the General Assembly as I did in 1992 and to run for governor again."

"During the talks after my defeat, he impressed upon me that those of us who hold places of influence have a special responsibility, the responsibility not only to have a concern about our re-election but also about the next generation."

Groover, a partner of the law firm Groover & Childs, was honored in the House last year. He served in the Legislature for four decades and was a member of the famous "Black Sheep" Squadron under Maj. Gregory "Pappy" Boyington that fought in the Solomon Islands during World War II.

Born in Quitman, Groover received the Purple Heart and Air Medal during his military service. He graduated from the University of Georgia Law School in 1948 and began practicing law.

"With the exception of his God, his family and his country, I believe that Denny loved the state of Georgia and the Georgia House of Representatives more than anything in his life," said House Majority Leader Larry Walker. "In my 29 years in the Legislature, he was without a doubt the best legislator with whom I served. First to the Capitol, the last to leave. Reading and understanding every bill. Great oratorical skills."

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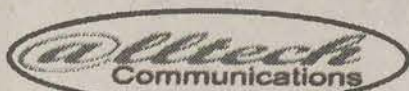
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ONLY IN AMERICA...

1 California

Good drivers get free latte from cops

Associated Press

PALO ALTO, Calif. — The rules of the road in this gridlocked college town just changed.

A good driver reward program begun in Berkeley has hopped the San Francisco Bay to Palo Alto. Motorists who perform acts of vehicular kindness are being thanked by police with tickets coupons for free goods ranging from a cup of coffee or an ice cream cone to restaurant meals.

"The point is to get people to be aware when they're driving," said Amanda Jones, commute coordinator for Palo Alto's Transportation Division, which administers the program. "We don't pull people over. We approach when their cars are stopped and say thank you for whatever it was they did — yielding a right of way or letting a pedestrian get across the street."

The program, which began this month, copies one used in Berkeley for the last year. At the suggestion of Dash Butler, Berkeley's police chief, officers there started a fund to buy coupons for free lattes.

Response was strong, so when the original coupons ran out, the Berkeley City Council secured an additional \$5,000 to continue the program.

Officials hope the program pays off with safer streets. According to statistics compiled by the California Highway Patrol, Berkeley has one of the highest per capita rates of collisions between cyclists and automobiles in the Bay Area.

In 1998, Berkeley, home to a bustling college campus, had 179 such collisions. Oakland, by comparison, with four times the population, had 135. Even San Francisco, notorious for its challenging cycling environment, had about a third the collisions per capita that Berkeley did.

Safety officials peg a rise in traffic accidents of all kinds to inattention behind the wheel, with cell phone use a high-profile culprit. But officials in San Francisco say that in 1999, distrac-



tions such as eating, reading maps, grooming or changing a radio station caused about 20% of all crashes in which drivers ran a red light or a stop sign.

Downtown Palo Alto, a grid of streets bordered by railway lines and residential neighborhoods, faces a similar challenge. The town is home to Stanford University.

The population swells from about 65,000 residents to a weekday high of about 120,000 time-starved students, workers and residents. So when a parking officer who read about Berkeley's "latte ticket" program proposed a similar plan for Palo Alto, officials were interested.

So far, the continuing reward ticket programs remain unique to the two college towns, although police elsewhere have experimented with the idea. Last month, for instance, Buena Park police spent four hours at one busy intersection, rewarding good drivers with \$20 grocery coupons.

"I wouldn't call it a trend yet," said Marilyn Sabin, of the state's Office of Traffic Safety. "But the fact is, we spend more time in our cars than we ever used to, so anything that makes you aware that the big, heavy vehicle you're driving could be viewed as a weapon is welcome."

2 Missouri

Internet Twins return to their birthplace

Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — Kiara and Keyara Wecker have spent most of their lives without a permanent home, but a court in their birth city is preparing to decide when and how the "Internet Twins" will return to their natural parents.

St. Louis Family Court Judge Steven Ohmer confirmed Thursday that the nearly 10-month-old twins are in the custody of Missouri family services officials. Their return brings home what was once a custody case stretched across three states and the Atlantic Ocean.

The custody case will be combined with the divorce of Tranda and Aaron Wecker, Ohmer said. He declined to say whether the outcome could be some kind of shared custody between the two parents.

Ohmer said he expected the first hearing to be held next week, though he didn't know when. Noting the intense media attention that has followed the case, Ohmer said he had not decided whether the hearing would be open to the public.

"I'm trying to balance the interest of the twins and the proceedings, as well as the obvious interest to the public, so I'm trying to walk that line, if you will," Ohmer said.

He also declined to speculate on how long it might take for the twins to find a more permanent home.

"It could take a while," Ohmer said. "I'm going to try to move it along as quickly as I can, but sometimes swiftness isn't the best. We want to have these kids in a stable environment."

Bill Meehan, a lawyer for mother Tranda Wecker, said she and her estranged husband should soon be able to see their twins. Meehan told CNN that the Weckers will begin a "reunification process."

The couple "will get a checklist of things to do and when they typically meet those types of things, the twins will be gradually reunited with the family," he said.

The twins, named Kiara and Keyara Wecker at birth, returned to St. Louis on Wednesday accompanied by three British social workers, said officials in Flintshire County, Wales, which had previously had custody.

Man collects obituaries and uses them as wallpaper

Associated Press

WATERLOO, Iowa — An important part of Sammie Day Jr.'s day is carefully reading the Waterloo Courier. And like many subscribers, he goes to the obituaries first.

But he doesn't just read and

move on, he saves some of the obituaries. But the newspaper clippings aren't relegated to a scrapbook on a shelf.

Using a special tool, Day carefully cuts out and then neatly folds the slip of paper into a square, making sure the photo and name show.

He then uses a thumbtack to stick the little square to the left-hand wall of his breakfast nook.

"I'm always a little leery to show anyone, because I'm afraid people may get a little ticked," said Day, 68. "People might get the wrong idea about it."

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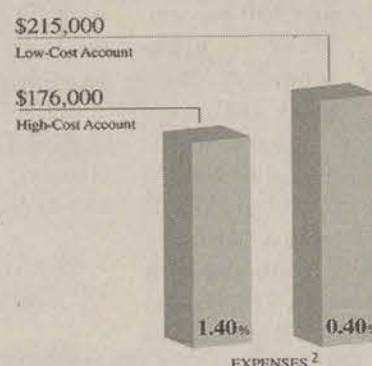
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Crime pays off for 57-year-old

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — Larry Causey figured he couldn't afford cancer treatment in a hospital, so he went to a place where it's free: jail.

Causey, 57, called the FBI and told them he was about to rob the post office in West Monroe, La. At the post office, he handed a note to a teller demanding money, then left empty-handed and sat in his car until officers arrested him.

"Larry's very sick, so getting arrested made him very happy," said Jay Nolen, Causey's lawyer.

Causey pleaded guilty to attempted robbery March 21 and is now getting the care he needs—complements of the Ouachita Parish Jail. Doctors have put him on three types of medication and are planning to perform a colonoscopy to determine the extent of his cancer.

Causey's medical case may be extreme, but his story isn't uncommon. While statistics aren't available, sheriffs nationwide say they're also arresting people willing to trade their freedom for a free visit to the doctor.

"A lot of times when they get arrested they say, 'I've got this (illness). You're going to have to take care of it,'" said Sheriff Dale Radcliff of York County, Neb.

State and federal laws require jails and prisons to care for sick inmates. As a result, sheriffs say their medical budgets are being inflated.

Hall County, Neb., was forced to double its inmate medical budget from \$50,000 in fiscal 2000 to \$100,000 in 2001, but inmate medical bills have already exceeded \$130,000, said Dave Arnold, director of the county's corrections department. Two patients, one

in intensive care and another with a heart attack, were responsible for \$70,000 of those costs.

Hall County commissioners plan to meet Friday to discuss the bottom line with the state's representatives in Congress. Commissioner Lonnie Logan said he wants to know whether the county can share some of the costs with the state or federal government.

"It can be a major problem," said Wayne Houck, sheriff of Lincoln Parish, La. "We're talking about thousands of dollars of taxpayer money to treat one prisoner."

Concern over high inmate medical bills may also be altering the way police do their jobs.

Tom Casady, police chief of Lincoln, Neb., said he'll often wait to arrest someone if they need hospital care. Once they're released, Casady lays charges.

Houck has allowed sick prisoners out of jail rather than spend tax money on their health care.

"If it's a lesser crime, you can just let him out on bond," Houck said. "Then a charity hospital can take care of him."

Medicaid benefits are automatically canceled when a person is incarcerated, said Traci Billingley, spokeswoman for the Federal Bureau of Prisons. Most insurance providers deny coverage when a policyholder is incarcerated, but numerous prisoners aren't insured in the first place.

Many of those who are deliberately arrested have been imprisoned before and they'd rather do time than pay for dental treatment or other medical costs, Houck said.

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PLAYERS BALL WEEKEND WAS CALM AND RELAXED COMPARED TO PAST YEARS

GSU would like to praise the success of this past weekend's Player's Ball. Overall, the weekend went rather smoothly, thanks to the pleasant behavior of the students and their visitors. There of

Our Opinion

course were minor violations, but no word of any major altercations or severe acts of any type of violence or unruly behavior.

The only problems seemed to be those involved with traffic along the major roadways that led into Player's Ball due to the massive volume of vehicles in such a small area. State Troopers and other

police were called into the Statesboro and campus area. Therefore, police presence was highly visible all locations, keeping participants at bay. Whether or not it was this presence that kept things under control, we cannot say. However, we can say that for the most part, students seemed to be on their best behavior. For years, Player's Ball has gotten a bad reputation. Maybe the quiet success of this year's event will cause less trouble for years to come. Next year maybe the city can relax the police presence and be less stifling to the many guests that come to town just to have fun. Most of the police officers that we talked to said that this year it has been much more enjoyable than previous years.

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X equals everything I know about math



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President Bush says our schools need to do a better job of teaching mathematics, and I agree with him 150 percent. Many high-school students today can't even calculate a square root! Granted, I can't calculate a square root, either, but I USED to be able to, for a period of approximately 15 minutes back in 1962. At least I THINK that was a square root. It might have been a "logarithm."

But whatever it was, if I had to learn how to do it, these kids today should have to learn it, too. As President Bush so eloquently put it in his address to Congress: "Mathematics are one of the fundamentals of educationalizing our youths."

I could not have said it better with a 10-foot pole. We all need mathematics in order to solve problems that come up constantly in the "real world." For example, suppose four co-workers go to a restaurant, and at the end of the meal, the waiter brings a bill totaling \$34.57. How much, including tip, does each person owe? If the co-workers do not know mathematics, they will just guess at the answer and put in random amounts of money ranging from \$9 to \$11, unless one of them is a guy I used to work with named Art, in which case he will make a big show of studying the bill, then put in exactly \$4.25.

But if the co-workers know their mathematics, they can easily come up with EXACTLY the correct answer. They can do this using "algebra," which was invented by the ancient

Persians. (They also invented the SATs, although they got very low scores because in those days there were no pencils.) The way algebra works is, if you don't know exactly what a number is, you just call it "X." The Persians found that this was a BIG mathematical help in solving problems:

PERSIAN WIFE (suspiciously): How much have you had to drink?

PERSIAN HUSBAND: I had "X" beers.

PERSIAN WIFE: Well, how much is THAT?

PERSIAN HUSBAND: It's a (burp) variable.

PERSIAN WIFE (not wanting to look stupid): Well, OK then.

Historical Footnote: Several years later, when the ancient Romans invented Roman numerals, and it turned out that "X" was actually equal to 10, there was BIG TROUBLE in Persia.

But getting back to the four co-workers at the restaurant: To figure out how much each person owes, they would simply use the algebraic equation $AEPO \ 1/4 \$34.57 + T(((SA?)(+NSOB!)(-SITE)(H),$ where "AEPO" is the amount each person owes, "T" is the tip, "SA" is whether the waiter has a snotty attitude, "NSOB" is whether the waiter has a nice set of buns, "SITE" is a variable used if you think somebody in the kitchen is spitting in the entrees, and H is hydrogen. Using this equation, our four co-workers can easily calculate that each one owes exactly, let's see... carry the 7...

OK, it would probably be somewhere between \$9 and \$11.

So we see that algebra is a vital tool for our young people to learn. The traditional method for teaching it, of course, is to require students to solve problems developed in 1928 by the American Association of Mathematics Teachers Obsessed With Fruit. For example:

"If Billy has twice as many apples as Bobby, and Sally has seven more apples than Chester, who has one apple in each hand plus one concealed in his knickers, then how many apples does Ned have, assuming that his train leaves Chicago at noon?"

The problem is that these traditional algebra problems are out of date. Today's young people are dealing with issues such as violence, drugs, sex, eating disorders, stress, low self-esteem, acne, global warming and the demise of Napster. They don't have time to figure out how many apples Ned has. If they need to know, they will simply ASK Ned, and if he doesn't want to tell them, they will hold him upside down over the toilet until he does. And then Ned will sue them, plus the school, plus his parents for naming him "Ned" in the first place. Ultimately, the ACLU will get the Supreme Court to declare that the number of apples a student has is protected by his constitutional right to privacy.

So what is the solution? How do we balance our children's need to learn math against the many other demands placed on them by modern life? I believe there IS a solution, one that is both simple and practical. I call it: "X."

Your Opinion

David Horowitz's proclamation that slavery reparations is a bad idea was justified, and as an African-american female I totally agree that Blacks should not expect reparations for slavery.

However, I disagree with his view that reparations to African-americans have already been paid by means of welfare and affirmative action. These programs are not reparations, they are in fact barriers that have held many African-americans from achieving their desired socioeconomic status, which I personally feel are indirect reasons that some Blacks maybe showing dependency on reparations they truly do not deserve. Some of us have continued to play the race and victim of society card that threatens the credibility of our existence by giving the rest of America the impression that we are all looking for government handouts. I personally have never been on welfare, and I do not plan to become on welfare—it is a system that has been abused by all Americans, not just African-americans. And although I am positive that affirmative action can account to the present number of black students on GSU's campus, I am confident that many of our academic achievements could overcompensate for our being Black.

I am hopeful that affirmative action will no

longer be an issue in years to come because being black should never be a factor for obtaining a decent job or a quality education. Distributing reparations would not only continue to slow the so called "healing" phase between Blacks and the rest of America, it would also promote complacency in African-american youth to improve their economic conditions. Blacks will continue to be resented and will maintain a collective inferiority complex that so many of us have worked hard to overcome. My personal message to African-americans is that we should stop expecting these reparations since we did not experience the horror of slavery first handedly, and many of us are not even aware of our own family history to say that we do deserve them.

As Horowitz stated, many white men did die in the Civil War for slavery. However, many black soldiers also perished alongside them for the same cause. So, black people, consider yourselves even with America. It is imperative that we discard this crippling attitude, and pay our own reparations of gratitude for the ultimate sacrifices of our ancestors whose bloody and teary-eyed labor has allowed us to become a great people.

Sanpri Purdy,
junior



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Small liberal arts colleges feel pressure

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In the world of college bumper stickers as status symbols, the Ivy Leagues and big-name state universities are often the winners for high school seniors.

That reality means small liberal arts colleges—places that thrived only a generation ago—are continuing to face a variety of competitive pressures, forcing some schools to close or consider mergers and others to rethink their strategies for success.

Even small liberal arts schools that have held their own in recruiting drives in recent years say it's tougher to attract students drawn in by the prestige and media attention that larger state schools and the Ivy Leagues garner.

For instance, Beloit College in Wisconsin was ranked 47th in the country in the familiar U.S. News' "Best National Liberal Arts Colleges" rankings for 2001 and enjoys a solid reputation in the higher education field. But it still struggles mightily to compete with nearby public universities.

"We still battle the publics in a lot of regards. There's still a large population out there that doesn't look at private education," said Jim Zielinski, director of admissions at Beloit. "This generation is very much a brand-name generation. It's 'Do my friends go there? Have my friends heard about that?'"

Joshua Tusin, a 1999 graduate of Naperville North High School, experienced that firsthand when he started looking at Beloit early in his senior year and then decided to attend the school.

"Everyone was sort of like, 'Beloit College? What's that?'" Tusin said. "Liberal arts colleges aren't as well known in the general public."

Liberal arts schools also suffer from rising tuition costs. Tuition, room and board and fees at many state schools hovers near \$10,000, compared with more than \$25,000 at many private schools.

At the same time, parents and students worry that a professional degree in business or engineering is an easier route to a career.

Furthermore, all of higher education is feeling more competitive pressure from online educators.

The number of students reporting an interest in small liberal arts schools has steadily declined over the past decade, said Kelley Hayden, a spokesman for the American College Test, which administers the ACT.

Of high school students graduating in 1999, 16 percent reported they would like to attend a college of 20,000 students or more. That number was up from a decade earlier, when 14 percent expected to attend such large schools.

At the same time, the number of students interested in a small school of 1,000 to 5,000 students has declined. In 1989, 29 percent wanted a school that size. By 1999, that figure was 24 percent.

In addition, Hayden said the group with the highest average ACT score in 1999 was reporting interest in the largest schools.

"Clearly the pattern here is that students are being attracted to the larger schools and the better students are also more attracted to the larger schools," he said. "Big schools maybe mean more opportunity to some people."

The hallmark of a liberal arts college has been the emphasis on the undergraduate experience as opposed to graduate and research programs. Students study more traditional disciplines such as literature, history and economics, and are expected to get a well-rounded education rather than focused training in a professional area.

According to U.S. News' rankings of America's best colleges, the top national liberal arts schools include Amherst, Swarthmore, Williams, Wellesley, Smith and Grinnell. The magazine defines a national liberal arts college as one that awards at least 40 percent of its degrees in liberal arts disciplines.

Fueled by a burgeoning population of students, many of the nation's most selective liberal arts colleges have seen substantial increases in applicants in recent years. But many reputable schools are still worried.

"It's very clear that the competition

for students, particularly with public institutions, has grown significantly over the years," said Paul Steenis, director of admission at Knox College in Galesburg, Ill., another small and nationally recognized liberal arts college. "We respond by spending a lot of time talking about the value of a liberal arts education."

For many students who attend liberal arts colleges, the difference in the type of education seems obvious. They're amazed when friends at larger state schools say they spend more time with a teaching assistant than a professor.

Tusin appreciates that a "big" class at Beloit means 20 students. The sophomore has come to expect intimate settings at Beloit; his photography class had just six students.

The size of his school—there are about 1,200 full-time students—is the attraction, Tusin said.

"One of the things I really love about Beloit is everybody is both a colleague and a friend," he said. "That's just something you don't get everywhere."

"Most students' primary concern now is, 'What kind of a job am I going to get when I walk across the stage with my diploma?'" said Harry Whitmore of Evanston, a senior at Knox.

"But I can't say enough about my experience here. I feel more prepared for life than I am for my first job, and I'd rather feel more prepared for life than for making money."

While generous alumni support, healthy endowments and continuing interest likely will keep Beloit and Knox strong for decades to come, the competition for students will undoubtedly force a number of small liberal arts colleges out of the market, some college consultants say. Others argue that even relatively strong schools will have to make tough choices.

"Everything has gone up in price, and when you're a tuition-dependent institution, you don't have a sugar daddy," said Marylouise Fennell, a senior consultant for the Council of Independent Colleges in Washington.

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Spring training ends with Saturday Blue-White game

By Doug Kidd
Senior Sports Writer

Like any other football game, half of the players that walked off the Paulson Stadium field after the Georgia Southern Spring game had smiles on their faces.

But what made Saturday different was that those happy faces were divided between both teams as the Eagle defensive players held both offenses to a total of 333 yards in the Blue team's 3-2 victory over the White.

"We kept both teams out of the endzone," said senior linebacker Cory Middlebrooks. "So yeah, I would say we did pretty good."

"We expected to score some points," quarterback Melvin Cox said. "This isn't what we expected from either offense—blue or white. We moved the ball a little but couldn't get in the endzone. That was disappointing."

A 27-yard field goal by the Blue's Sean Holland in the second quarter was all the points needed in the lowest scoring Blue-White game in the contest's twenty year history. The White's lone score came in the first quarter when Middlebrooks, who finished with 10 tackles, stopped Blue quarterback Chaz Williams in the endzone.

Scott Shelton, last year's punter and part-time kicker,

missed field goals of 35, 41, and 42 yards for the White.

In a game where 15 players sat out with various reasons, including all-conference selections Adrian Peterson, J.R. Revere and Jason Neese, the game was a chance where the less experienced players got a chance to prove themselves.

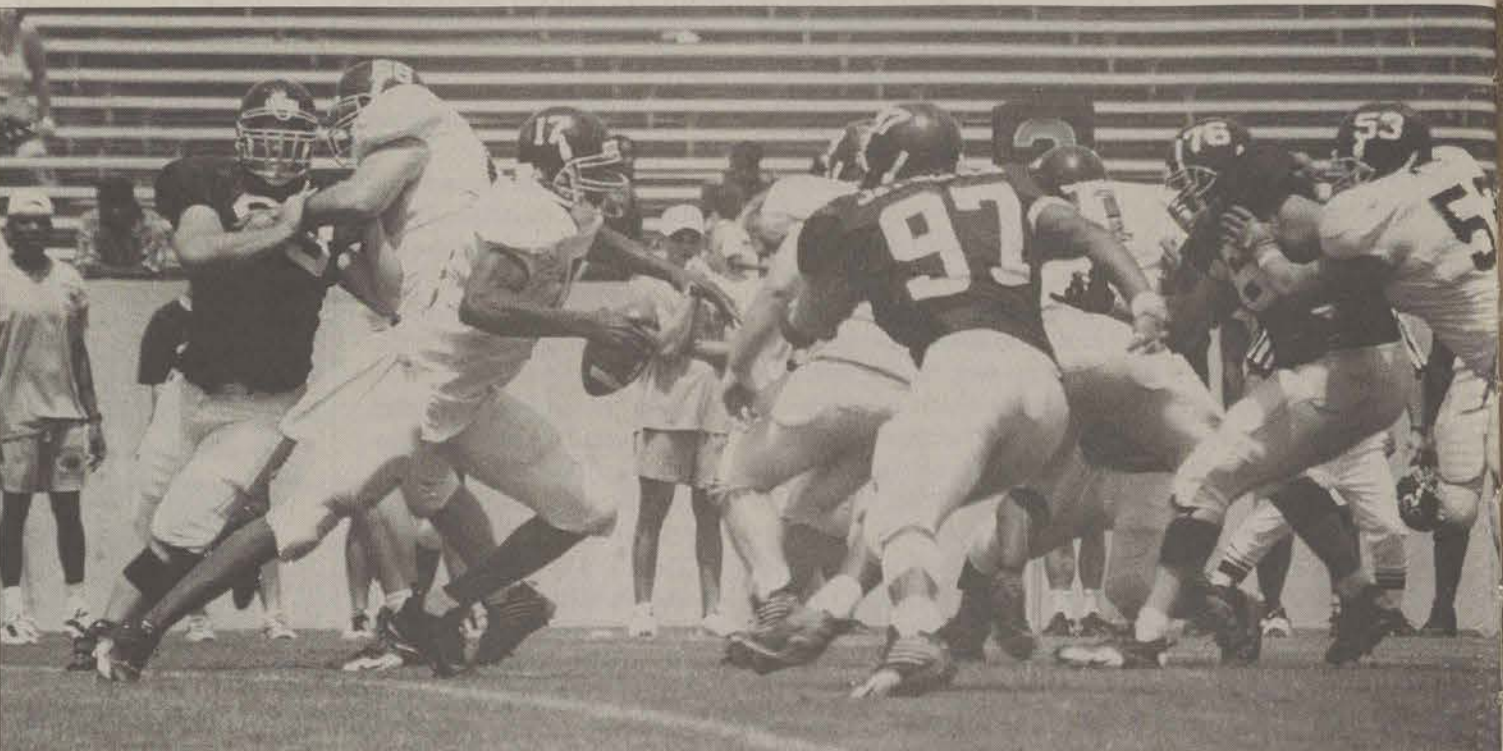
"The spring game is mostly for fun; we just try to let the young guys fly around and have some fun," said head coach Paul Johnson who was miffed at the offense's penalties and fumbles. "But we talked about mistakes during the scrimmages and I think [the offensive players] got to see that at work first hand."

Although they didn't find the endzone, both squads did move the ball well at times. On the game's opening drive, the White team drove 64 yards on 14 plays before Edmund Coley got stuffed at the one-yard line on fourth down.

But the White team did get on the board two plays later when Middlebrooks dropped Williams for the safety.

The Blue team would add the game's final score when Holland capped a 15-play, 69-yard drive with his 27-yard field goal. The Blue's scoring drive was their longest of the game.

Coming into the spring game all eyes were on the backup quarterback battle. But all four



LaVene Bell

A STRONG DEFENSE: Spring training ended Saturday at noon with a Blue-White intrasquad game. The final score of the game was 3-2 with Blue defeating the White. The defensive players on each side were the strongest aspects of the teams, holding the offense to 2.9 yards per game; a strength for the fall season.

quarterbacks struggled at times and failed to establish one of them as the number two.

"For as long as I've been in the offense I made too many mistakes out there today—missed reads, bad playcalling, all the simple stuff that should have went right," said Cox, who ran for 61 yards on 19 carries.

His White teammate Trey Hunter ran for only 17 yards on 11 carries and completed two-of-four passes for 32 yards.

Williams (26 yards rushing, three-of-three passing 45 yards) and John Woodham (18 yards rushing, two-of-two passing 10 yards) led the Blue squad.

All three redshirt freshmen (Hunter, Williams, and Woodham) struggled throughout the day, something Johnson somewhat expected. "When you play against the same guys for four straight weeks," Johnson explained, "the defen-

sive guys probably knew what they were trying to do before the freshmen quarterbacks did."

But the story of the day was defense. Both teams looked strong, holding the offenses to 2.9 yards per play and combining to make five sacks. The cause for the excellent defensive play came from the Eagle linebacking corps.

On the white team, linebackers Joe Scott (11 tackles),

Middlebrooks, Michael Ward (6 tackles) and Kevin Heard (6 tackles) led the defense while Jamar Jones (8 tackles), James Burchett (8 tackles) and Justin Godsey (7 tackles) led the Blue.

"It's a positive to have that many good players," said Middlebrooks of the linebackers. "If you have to come out, the guy coming in after you is also good. There's no drop-off in ability. I wish we could play all of us."

Eagles nail Buccaneers in three game series sweep

By Eli Boorstein
Sports Writer

Player's Ball wasn't the only event happening on the GSU campus this past weekend as the Eagle baseball team swept a three-game series against the East Tennessee State Buccaneers at J.I. Clements Stadium.

Georgia Southern (28-15, 16-8 SoCon) won Friday night's game 4-3 in a ten-inning thriller. After senior Darryl Stephens reached base on a single in the bottom of the tenth, he then stole second and reached third on a sacrifice fly. Outfielder Chris Walker then drove the ball into left to drive in Stephens for the deciding run. Walker, who has been battling a slump as of late, broke out in big fashion, going 3-for-4 from the plate with two runs.

"It felt great," said the Walker, a junior from Alpharetta, Georgia. "I started the season hot, but then everything started falling. That's the game of baseball. You have some good series and some bad. I just have to go out there and play."

For most of the night, the Eagle bats were silenced by the pitching of ETSU starter Reid Casey. Casey struck out seven with an impressive selection of pitches. He may have been kept on the mound a little bit too long, as he seemed to tire in the later innings after throwing 140 pitches.

The Buccaneers (15-26, 7-14 SoCon) were up 3-1 going into the bottom of the ninth, when Walker reached on a single. After second baseman Chad Hall then got on base with a walk, catcher Brendan Gilligan then drove a double into deep right fielder to score Walker. After Matt Nunley came on to pitch for ETSU, the game was tied on a Jemel Spearman sacrifice.

Junior Brett Lewis started the game on the mound for the Eagles, pitching into the eighth inning, before head coach Rodney Hennon took him out with two outs on the scoreboard. Lewis just missed throwing his second straight complete game by only one out.

Remarked Lewis, "I thought I threw a good game. I didn't have the stuff I usually had, but luckily we won the ballgame."

Freshman hurler Jared Comstock came on in relief and dominated the Buccaneer bats,

striking out all four batters he faced. Comstock improved his record to 6-3.

Jackson Simerly (1-3), who pitched in the deciding tenth inning, was credited with the loss for ETSU.

Thanks to a 3-RBI night from senior Scott Henley and a stellar pitching performance from freshman Dennis Dove, the Eagles were able to hand a 10-6 loss to the Buccaneers on Saturday.

Henley, who had been hitless in his nine previous at-bats, was 3-for-4 Saturday night while drive in essential runs to help GSU pull away from the Buccaneers.

ETSU led off the scoring with two runs in the top of the first. However, the Eagles were able to come back with two runs of their own after Matt Herring drove a ball into center field to score Brendan Gilligan and Jemel Spearman. Following another run for the visitors in the second, Brandon Burnsed drove in Henley to once again tie the score.

The Eagles then broke the game wide open with three runs in the fourth inning off a bases loaded wild pitch and a two-run single from Henley to put the score at 6-3.

After one more ETSU run, Georgia Southern then put the contest away after scoring three more runs in the seventh. In an interesting play in that inning, Burnsed was attempting to steal second when Chris Walker, who was on third, stole home when the ETSU fielders were not looking. RBI singles from Spearman and Henley then put the score at 9-4.

The Eagles managed to score one last run in the eighth inning off an error from Buccaneer catcher Jason Nidiffer. The Bucs then made a brief comeback in the ninth off a 2-run home run from Nathan Copeland, but Eagle reliever Brian Rogers was able to close out the game to give Georgia Southern the win.

Dove, who improved his record to 5-3, had career-high marks of ten strikeouts and seven innings of work. The strikeout total also marks the high for any Georgia Southern pitcher this season, topping the nine that David Ray collected on March 25.

Freshman Donnie Sharp took the loss for the Buccaneers, low-

ering his record to 4-2.

Sunday's game was an offensive battle as the two teams combined to put 22 runs up on the board. However, it was the home team that eventually won, pulling out the win 12-10. It was a unique line score for the Eagles as they scored their 12 runs off of just six hits.

After ETSU scored a run in the first, Georgia Southern came back to score three off of Scott Henley's 12th home run of the season in the bottom half of the inning.

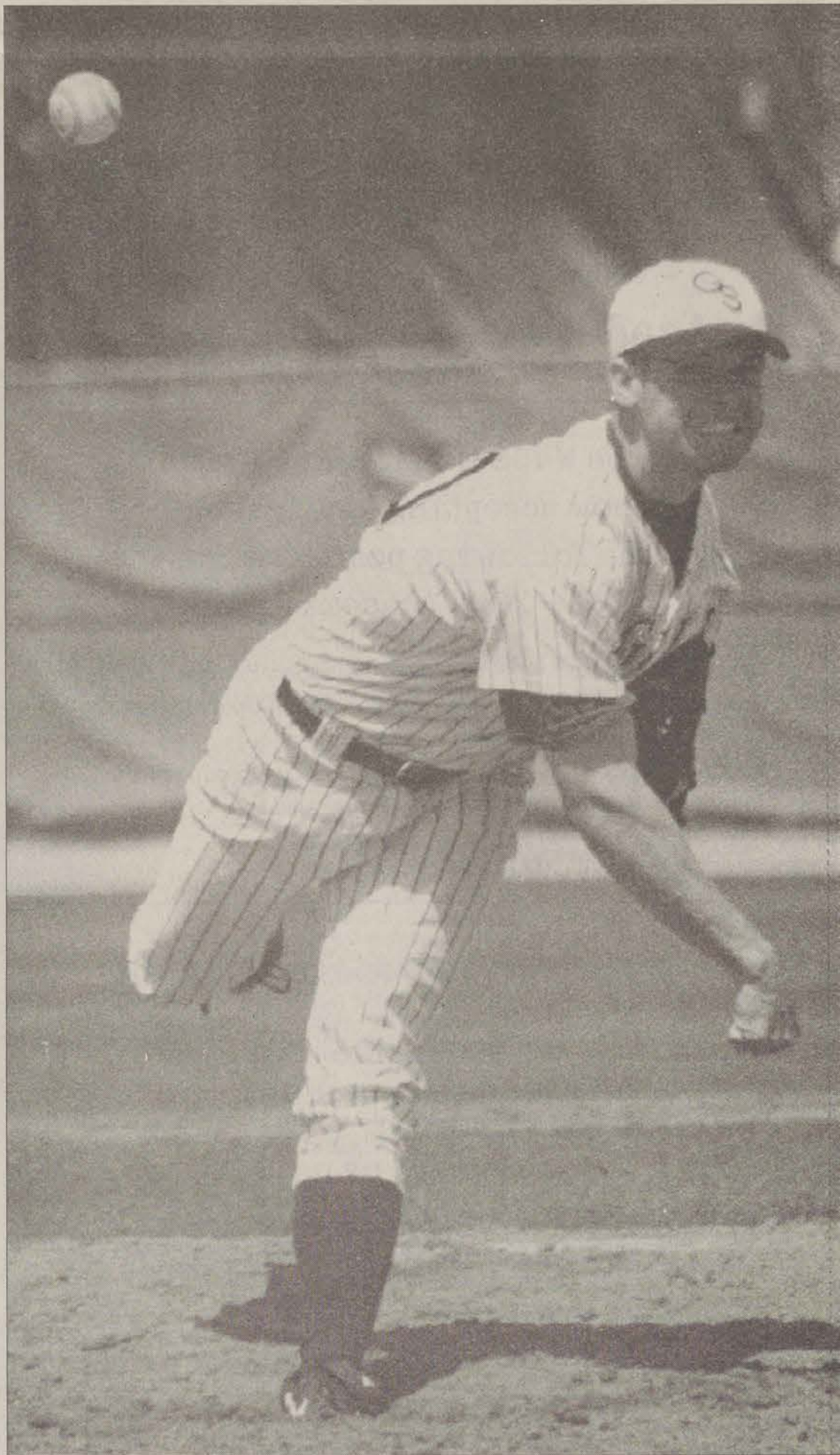
The Buccaneers came back in a hurry, plating four runs in the second. Following an RBI-single from Ryan McKinney, Andy Baxter drove a two-run homer over the outfield fence to put the Bucs up 5-3. Baxter feasted on Eagle pitching over the weekend, hitting one home run and five doubles.

The Eagles rebounded with one run in the third before exploding in the fourth by scoring seven runs to put GSU up 11-5. Jemel Spearman started off the scoring by driving in Jason Hinely and Chris Walker with a single. After Henley then drove Spearman in, four more runs scored off a combination of Eagle singles and a trio of ETSU errors.

David Ray started the game on the mound for the Eagles, but was chased from the game two outs into the second inning. Ray gave up five runs off six hits. Freshman Scott Tolbert came on in relief and was credited with the win, improving his record to 2-2. He pitched quite admirably, throwing five and two-thirds innings while allowing four runs and striking out a career-high nine batters.

Matt Hensley took the loss for the Bucs, dropping his record to 2-5. Jeremy Terry, who started two games at shortstop for ETSU earlier in the series, surprised many by throw three shutout innings in relief.

Georgia Southern next battle a pair of non-conference foes as they travel to Macon to battle the Mercer Bears on Tuesday before welcoming the Panthers of Georgia State to town for a game Wednesday night at 6:00. After that, GSU will travel to Greensboro for an important three-game series against UNC Greensboro Spartans.



Luke Renfro

THREE GAME SWEEP: The Eagles competed in a Southern Conference three game weekend series against the East Tennessee State Buccaneers. The Eagles defeated the Bucs all three games with cores of 4-3, 10-6, and 12-10. The Eagles will next take on The Mercer Bears in Macon, and then the Georgia State Panthers on Wednesday at Clements Field.

Lady Eagles go two of three against Paladins

By Natalie Duke
Sports Writer

In a battle of the Southern Conference's second and third ranked teams, Georgia Southern and Furman fought to a double-header

split Saturday afternoon at Eagle Field, GSU won the opener 2-1 after scoring runs in the sixth and seventh innings to cap a come-from-behind effort. And Furman claimed the second game when Kay Brittain's three-run home run in the fifth inning broke a 2-2 tie and sent the Paladins on to the 5-3 win.

The second-game loss snapped a seven-game win streak for the Eagles, as they move to 21-26 overall and 11-5 in the SoCon. Furman remains at .500 on the season with a 23-23 record and moves to 9-5 in league play.

The split keeps both teams in the hunt for a late-season rally towards a Southern Conference title; more so Georgia Southern as it remains in second place with first-place Chattanooga the only league team left on the Eagles' schedule. The Lady Mocs, who split with UNC Greensboro today in Greensboro, N.C., remains three games ahead of GSU.

Game-one winner Aimee Littlejohn (7-10) allowed only four hits, one run (unearned) and struck out two, but her offensive support didn't come until the sixth inning. Trailing 1-0, the Eagles' Meghan Correia drew a leadoff walk, was sacrificed over to second, and scored when Stacie Cooper laced a double down the left field line.

Georgia Southern then won the game in the bottom of the seventh with Kim Griffin's two-out, run-scoring single that plated Kelly Blazi. Blazi had lead off the inning with a walk and had worked her way around the bases via an error, a sacrifice bunt, and then Griffin's game-winning hit.

Chrissy Hacker (12-9) was handed the loss after giving up two runs off six hits. She led the Paladins offensively by going 3-3 from the plate and scored her team's only run. Cooper's 2-3 effort led the winners.

In game two, Brittain's two-out homer in the fifth sent Furman on its way to the win despite having to fight off several late charges by the hosts. The Eagles scored a run in the sixth off Blazi's RBI single, but Paladin starter Kelly Jack got out of the inning with a strikeout, leaving two Eagle runners on base. In the seventh, GSU loaded the bags but couldn't push



LaVene Bell

IN A RACE FOR FIRST: The Lady Eagles continue their chase for first in the SoCon by defeating Furman in two games this weekend.

any runs across in falling 5-3.

Jack (8-8) earned the win with six strikeouts. She was relieved for in the seventh by Missy Baldwin, who hammered down the last out to record her second save. Janice Savage (8-10) was handed the loss in 5.1 innings of work. Cooper led all hitters by going 3-4 in the losing cause. Five different hitters collected hits for the Paladins, none bigger than Brittain's three-run homer.

Georgia Southern beat the Furman Paladins on Sunday with a 2-0 victory. This places them in 11-4 standing in SoCon and keeps Furman in third place with a standing of 8-5. The Eagles have won the last seven games now after winning all three games at UNC Wilmington last weekend, while the Paladins won two of the three games against College of Charleston.

Aimee Littlejohn started off the first inning as pitcher. Littlejohn only allowed one player to get on base, Caroline Evans. Meghan Correia was the first one up to the plate. She also had the first hit after she slammed a line drive into right field. Julie Peel then advanced her to second after a single. Janice Savage came up to knock them home, but was robbed of a home run when the

ball fell foul.

The top of the second turned into a "three up three down" inning when the girls turned on the defense with no runs scored. In the bottom of the third things got sketchy when Furman loaded the bases with two outs and two strikes, but Aimee Littlejohn refused to let the Paladins take the lead and left the three runners on base. Kelly Blazi had an outrageous catch in the top of the fifth. The first run was scored in the latter half when pitcher Aimee Littlejohn was hit by a pitch, and Julie Peel was sent in as a runner. Suzanne Pansulla then knocked her home to score the first point. Later on in the inning, Kimberly Griffin advanced to third by the aid of Julie Peel. She stole home shortly after that to bring the prevailing final score to 2-0. Griffin and Correia shared three hits in the game.

The Eagles will play their next game at UT-Chattanooga this Saturday when they compete for the first place standing in SoCon games. Kirkland said, "We are in second place now going into UTC. I think it will decide the regular season. (Today) The girls played well and capitalized on things that put us ahead in the game."

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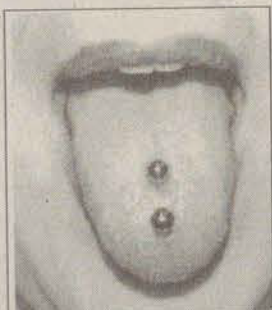
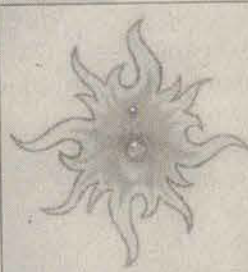


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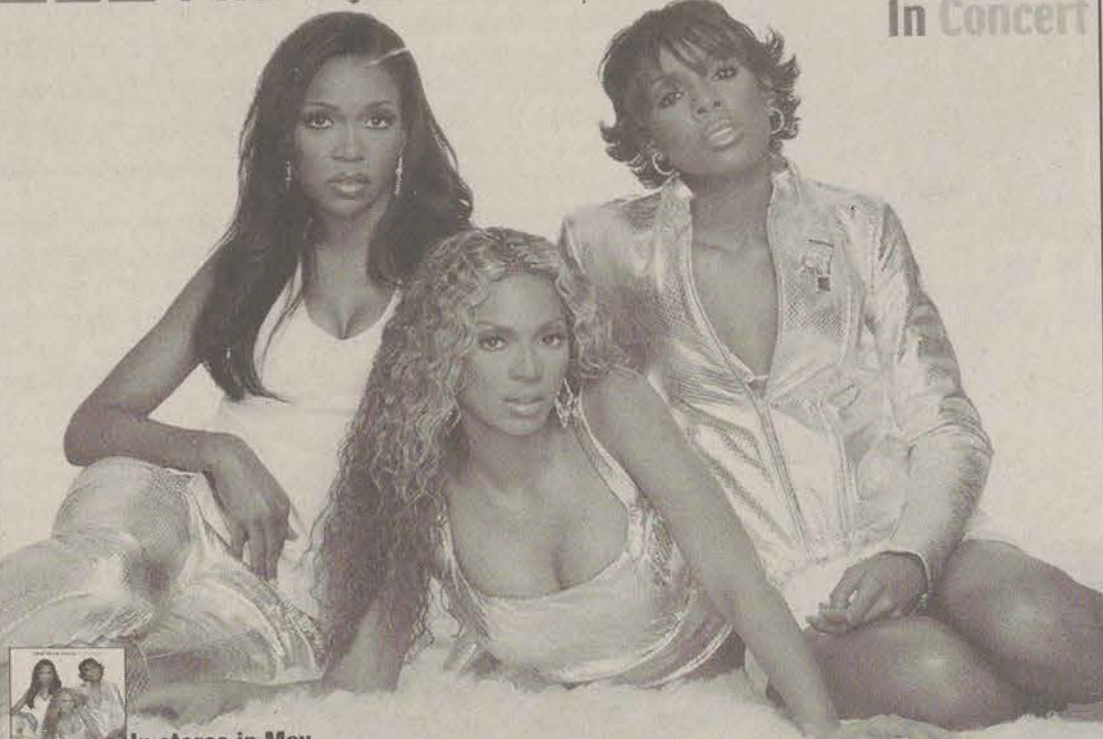
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The Game Boy Advance: Nintendo's beloved Game Boy becomes a man

TMS Campus

In the coming months, young men and women everywhere will receive their degrees and diplomas as a symbol of their transition to full-on adulthood.

Nintendo's Game Boy, on the other hand, will receive something else—namely, a larger screen, longer battery life, a huge graphics and speed upgrade, and the ability to play games like no handheld gaming system before it.

Slated for a June 11 stateside debut and priced at a cool 99 clams, the Game Boy Advance is more than another upgrade for Nintendo's wildly popular handheld, which has sold more than 100 million units in its extraordinary 11-years-and-counting lifespan.

This time, it's a whole new set of gears.

The most obvious sign of Game Boy manhood is in the games. For one thing, the Game Boy Advance's graphics make all other handheld games look like fingerpainting.

And the games themselves move at breakneck speed without any of the blur or wash-up colors that could really hurt the Game Boy's performance. Anyone who longs for the days of 16-bit gaming, when the Super NES and Sega Genesis ruled the Earth, is in for a very good summer, because the GBA is all that and more.

Still, fans of the original Game Boy and Game Boy Color should feel fairly at home with the GBA. The button layout, while adding shoulder (L and R) buttons to the

mix, remains largely the same, and while the shape of the GBA is horizontal to the Game Boy's vertical arrangement, the small system should be an easy fit for anyone who could tame the system's clunky ancestors.

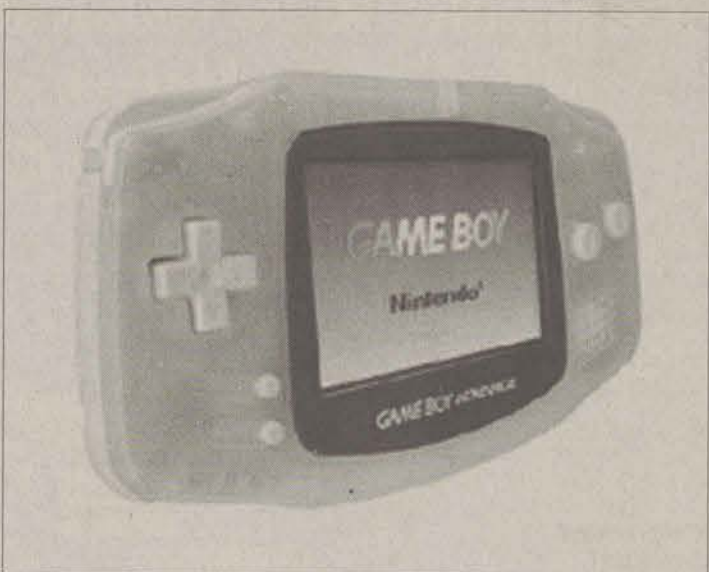
The best news of all for Game Boy fans: backward compatibility. While exceptions may spring up from time to time in the future, every one of the Game Boy's 500-plus titles, whether it came out in 1989 or 2001, is expected to play just fine on the GBA.

Memory Unit controller.

For gamers who itch for a little company, the GBA's multiplayer capabilities are a most welcome addition. Whereas the original Game Boy allowed two players to link up their systems and duke it out, the GBA allows up to four. And while both players needed separate copies of the same game to engage in Game Boy warfare, only one copy is necessary for a similar bloodbath on the Game Boy Advance, a huge plus.

Nintendo has been ridiculed in the past for repeatedly pushing back hardware release dates, but the Advance's June 11 coming-out party should cause no such headaches if the wildly successful March launch in Japan is any indication. Not only did Nintendo deliver the system on time in Japan, but it took on a huge mountain of pre-orders and satisfied them all. Are you listening, Sony?

Nintendo plans to roll out at least 15 games on launch day, including Tony Hawk's Pro Skater, Dodge Ball Advance, Mega Man EXE, Ready to Rumble Boxing and GBA-exclusive versions of Nintendo's own Super Mario Bros., Mario Kart and F-Zero franchises. The company says that it expects to have more than 60 GBA titles on the shelves by the time Christmas—and the arrival of the Gamecube—are in full swing.



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AS THE INSANITY CONTINUES: The Game Boy Advance invades America on June 11.

Perhaps the most drool-worthy news, however, is not the GBA's backward compatibility, but its forward compatibility. Nintendo has fashioned the handheld to work in tandem with its equally drool-worthy next-generation console, the Gamecube. Players will be able to exchange data between Gamecube and GBA versions of select games, and the GBA even doubles Gamecube controller, functioning much like the Sega Dreamcast's innovative Visual

Online diaries record teens' lives, thoughts

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As "Bridget Jones's Diary" hits theaters, moviegoers are having a chance to see something quite rare in the world of diaries—the writer.

And moviegoers also may get to see a dying art form—a diary being written longhand.

That's how Bridget Jones religiously documents her obsessions with her weight, love life, wardrobe and cigarette consumption in both the movie and the best-selling novel on which it's based.

But off-screen there's a quiet revolution taking place among real-life teen-agers and Generation Y. And of course, it's taking place on the Internet.

Diaries, which used to be written in books that came with locks and tiny keys, are now being posted on Web sites. Information that teen-age girls used to guard zealously from their mothers is now publicly available for the world to read on sites such as diaryland.com and opendiary.com.

"It really started off as a place for me to vent," says 15-year-old Krysten of Miramar, Fla., who began writing her online diary two years ago. "At first, it was me goofing off—oh, I have a journal now. But it really developed as time went on to being fairly eloquent."

Krysten, like many of her fellow diarists, hides her identity online. She posts her diary under a nickname and uses initials in her diary to describe teachers and friends. She carefully avoids putting the name of her school in the entries as well.

But others aren't nearly so reserved. Some writers post pictures of themselves and describe their dates—and even an occasional sexual encounter—in detail.

Stumbling onto these diary Web sites is like falling through someone's

ceiling. Suddenly, with no introductions, you can read the diarists' most intimate thoughts.

"It's amazing to me how much people will reveal," says Martha Marinara, director of freshman composition at the University of Central Florida. "They have no idea who their audience is, really, but the things that they will reveal are amazing. They put their photos in there too."

— may be reading his diary. "The other people reading it are strangers," he says. "There are so many people out there. The chances of anyone who knows me stumbling onto it are very, very small."

Besides, he says, the responses to his diary entries are intriguing. "Say you write a sad entry. Random strangers will leave messages, trying to console you. All the notes you get are really friendly."

Why are they doing it? And why aren't they embarrassed?

Perhaps teen-agers simply have more conflicting emotions to work out. Kate Hays, a psychologist in

Toronto who also specializes in journals, says online diaries fill different needs for their writers.

"A diary allows a person to think about and reflect about their own thoughts, feelings and behaviors," Hays says. "Somehow, writing online is a way that people have of communicating very directly and without much inhibition."

And, Hays says, having a diary that people can read and respond to also fills two needs—the need to show off and to experiment. "You're presenting a self you would like to try out," she says.

Teens need diaries perhaps more than adults do, Kearney says. While adults generally deal with the anxieties of work and then run home to recover, teens often bounce from one social group to another, from a different set of people in each class to the people in their after-school activities and their jobs. Every encounter, Kearney says, has high-stress potential.

"There are so many varied things going on in our lives," Kearney says. "That creates more stress, and we're susceptible to raging hormones."

Once we lived in fear that an evil sibling—bent on embarrassing us in public—would discover a secret diary and read it aloud in the school cafeteria. Now teens not only keep diaries online, but some also share their diaries with their friends and e-mail comments about diary entries.

Last year, Kevin Kearney, 17, of Deltona, Fla., read a friend's diary on the Internet and decided to keep one himself.

"I usually keep a journal anyway—and since I love getting attention and feedback, it seemed great," Kearney says. "Besides, I can go back and read it when I want to, and I don't have to try to read my handwriting."

Kearney keeps his diary semiprivate. In addition to members of the online diary service, his diary is available to his friends, to whom he has given his Web site code name.

Sharing his diary with friends has benefits, he says. "It helps me become more open with my friends," Kearney says. "It's a way to open up conversation. If you talk through writing, it lets you deal with things."

And Kearney doesn't mind that strangers—perhaps thousands of them

Generation X and Y find marriage more desirable

By Erin E. Brown

Guest Writer

The marriage rate in the United States is lower today than ever before. After years of dropping marriage rates and high divorce rates in America, commitment could be making a comeback.

Fifty-eight percent of men and 54.8 percent of women, 15 and older were married in 1998 compared to the 65.9 percent of women in 1960, according to the Census Bureau. Even so, today's young generation is placing more emphasis on finding a lasting marital union, said David Popeno, co-director of the Rutgers University National Marriage Project.

"There is a seemingly conservative trend in the air," said Popeno, a professor of Sociology who charts relationships trends in the National Marriage Project's annual "State of the Union" report. "Young people today are hoping more to have a long-term marriage than perhaps their parents did. They believe that long-term marriage really is a good thing, and there's a pullback from the kind of hell-bent-for-career attitudes of their parents."

Some disagree stating that the high divorce rates are evidence of waning commitment. "The high number of marriages doesn't equal a high level of commitment," said Ben Shyrock, a senior at GSU. "This is evidence in the high rate of divorce—for commitment to be considered on the rise, people need to be married for longer periods of time or longer than has been seen in the past. To my knowledge this isn't the case."

Still others argue the high divorce rates and their negative effects on the children encourage higher levels of commitment. Children from divorced families witnessed the arguing, the struggle for

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custody and the pain and humiliation that their parents went through. In essence, they don't want their children to live through a divorce, and suffer like they did. A survey of GSU students shows that today's younger generation values marriage partly as a reaction to the prevalence of divorce in recent decades. "My mother divorced six times and I know that has made me value marriage and commitment. There is no way that I would put my children through that," said a young woman attending GSU.

In the 1950s, marriage was at an all time high, but with the Baby Boomers, marriage and commitment went in a different direction taking on an entirely different meaning. "Now you have a group of children who see the problems their parents had and they want to do a better job of combining work and family than their parents did—not to go back to the 50s, but to build a better connection between family and work life," said Popeno.

Still the trend for marriage and commitment is on the upswing, whether it is due to the divorces of the past or a sweeping trend of conservatism throughout the nation. This generation is trying to learn from the mistakes made by their parents and create a lasting union of mutual respect.

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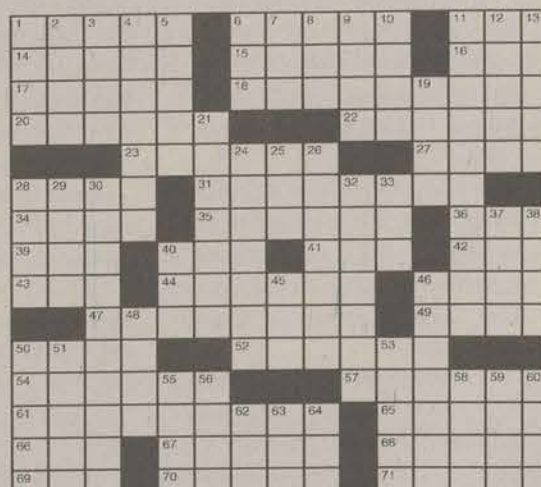
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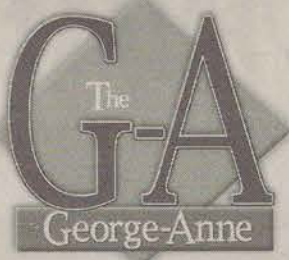
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Snakedance to scorch Blind Willie's with southern-flavored rock

By Tim Prizer
Lifestyles Editor

Riding on their recent success at WVGS' Battle of the Bands 2001, Snakedance is set to return to the Blind Willie's stage this Friday night to tear through songs from their previous album and their long-awaited upcoming release.

Statesboro's most fully realized band, Snakedance is the perfect blend of soul-digging Black Crowes guitar and crisp vocals reminiscent of the Allman Brothers and the Marshall Tucker Band. That's not to say that the band's sound can be summed up with simple comparisons, however. On the contrary, Snakedance frontman Josh Holley has a distinct southern growl that tends to erupt from deep inside as he silences his electric six-string, and proceeds with a devilish slash back into the chorus. In addition, lead guitarist Stephen Wilhelm's string bending riffs result in an oddly original rustic twang. The somewhat recent addition of organ, played by former bassist Donnie Smith, also elevates the band's music to a more professional sound than most everyday college bar bands.

Thankfully, the performance on the 27th will be much longer than their Battle of the Bands performance... that is, if law officers also enjoy the tunes exploding out of the doors of Blind Willie's. Holley explains, "The police have a tendency to show up at our gigs." The intensity with which Snakedance performs has resulted in more than one noise violation in their almost five-year stint as a band, including one at

this year's Battle of the Bands. While the band plays with the amplifier knobs turned to full blast, it doesn't take away from their sound quality. In fact, though the band contributed largely to the premature ending of Battle of the Bands, they were granted with the event's award for "Best Sound."

Recorded at Macon's Phoenix Recording Studios, Snakedance's debut release, "A Step Towards," set the band in motion and turned a lot of heads across the southeast, granting them opening slots for bands like Bad Company and the aforementioned influential Marshall Tucker Band. The disc, released in November of 1999, is comprised of 11 tracks of raw southern rock, diving from the heavily distorted opening track, "Twisting South" into more serene numbers like "Goodbye" and the title track. The record's first single, "Freedom Take Me," can be downloaded in Mp3 format at the band's website (www.snakedance.net), and is featured on the Best of Battle of the Bands 2001 CD available at Fast Trax. Also featured on the Battle of the Bands CD is a brand



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SNAKEDANCING AT BLIND WILLIE'S: Snakedance, Statesboro's "Demon Princes of Rock and Roll," will play their southern-tinged rock at Blind Willie's this Friday night. The band will feature songs from their brand new four-song sampler CD, "Sin."

new rocker, entitled "Ash." The tune is highlighted on a spanking new four-song sampler called "Sin," which is also available at Fast Trax.

The recording and mastering process for the band's second full-length album is nearly complete and is tentatively scheduled for a release in the fall of this year. The disc will be entitled "Sin Makes You Divine," and is a step beyond (no pun intended) the band's first release. According to Holley, the new material is a bit heavier, as the band is experimenting with more rugged electric guitar riffs and more frequent stomps of the distortion ped-

als.

Hailing themselves as the "Demon Princes of Rock and Roll," Snakedance has everything it takes to be a well respected southern rock band. Aside from incredible musical ability, the band members look strikingly similar to the cast of the hit television program, "That 70s Show," and are pictured on the cover and in the liner notes of "A Step Towards" sporting bellbottoms, sunglasses with colored lenses, and long flowing curly hair. When told what songs of his were selected for the Best of the Battle of the Bands disc, Holley replied simply, "Groovy."

Dorms give leaders room with a view

TMS Campus

It's a typical Thursday night at the University of Notre Dame, and Sorin Hall—the all-male residence hall that stands a stone's throw from the famous Golden Dome—is a rowdy place.

Students crowd into a first-floor lounge for a college basketball game on a big-screen TV and shuffle out of their tiny rooms full of books, empty beer cans and posters of scantily-clad women.

Just down the hall from this raucous crowd, a lanky, white-haired man with a serious air slips out of his own room (without the posters) and makes his way to the floor chapel for 10 p.m. mass.

Just one of the guys in Sorin Hall, Rev. Edward "Monk" Malloy is also the president of the South Bend, Ind., University.

For more than a decade now, Malloy—the leading figure at one of the nation's top universities—has chosen to live not in a swanky president's abode but in an enlarged room in the university's oldest residence hall, a space that had been his home for years before he took the school's top job.

In a few months, Loyola University Chicago's incoming president, Rev. Michael Garanzini, hopes to join Malloy in the decidedly small but growing club of college administrators who dwell in the same dormitories as their students. Those able to handle the headaches that go along with late-night parties and screeching stereos consider it an intriguing way to build a close-knit university community.

When he arrives in June,

Garanzini wants to live more among Loyola's students as he has done for several years at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C., and he is working with university administrators to decide if there's a feasible location.

Like Malloy, Garanzini finds residence hall living the perfect way to build relationships with the students.

"In there, you meet them in a context that's relaxed and informal, and immediately you begin to talk about things that wouldn't normally come up in your faculty office," he said.

Though it is more common at religious schools, university chiefs in residence halls are somewhat of a throwback to a different era, when there were far fewer political and administrative demands on a college leader's time.

Still, a number of top administrators have spent a night or two in a dorm in recent years to get a sense of student concerns, said Stanley Ikenberry, president of the American Council on Education. Among those who've embraced that idea is Penn State University President Graham Spanier, who has spent the weekend in a residence hall—with a student roommate every year for the past six years.

Some local universities are working to get faculty members to live in residence halls, not to act as disciplinarians but to inspire a more intense intellectual community.

At the University of Illinois at Chicago, administrators are recruiting two professors to live in a hall that is under construction, and they expect to bring in others in the future. DePaul University administrators also hope to lure faculty members to residence halls in coming years.

At the same time, hundreds of universities nationally have revamped their approach to dorm life, often creating "learning communities" in which students with similar interests live together and sometimes share meals with faculty mentors.

"For a long time there has been this concern about the deterioration of the quality of life in residence halls," Ikenberry said. "Part of this is a deliberate effort to improve that quality of life."

While many of his presidential colleagues still shake their heads in amazement, Malloy is at ease in his various roles as hallmate, teacher, and campus leader at Notre Dame.

"I think you have to teach to be a good president," he said. "And in our setting, which is heavily residential, it's just part of our heritage and tradition. So I'm just trying to do my part."

GSU Botanical Garden extends summer hours

G-A News Service

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"The Garden is a wonderful place for people in our community to reestablish their contract with nature and our rural roots," explains Garden Director Dr. Sue Sill, "and more people have time on the weekends to come and enjoy the Garden," she adds.

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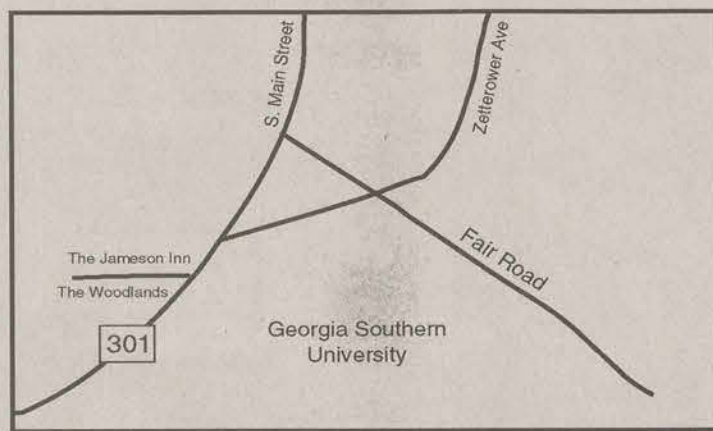


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