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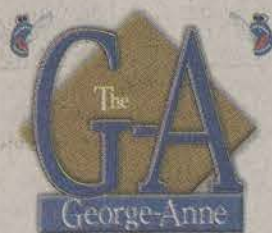
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Covering the campus like a swarm of gnats

Today's Weather

Partly cloudy
with a high of
80° F and a low
of 66° F.

Only in America

- A truck leaving the fairgrounds spills grease on the street making them dangerously slick.
- A man dies after an out-of-control lawnmower runs into a wall and blows up.
- Some fireworks scare residents into calling 911 and claiming that they were being bombed.
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GSU announces events for Homecoming 2001

• Homecoming parade, football game and 'Paint the Town' highlight upcoming weekend

G-A News Service

GSU alumni and students will have plenty to keep them busy during the Homecoming 2001 celebration.

A week's worth of activities will be highlighted by the annual parade through the GSU campus on Oct. 19 and the football game between the Eagles and the Citadel at Paulson Stadium on Oct. 20.

The festivities on campus actually begin this week with the Homecoming banner contest for student organizations. All entries are due on Oct. 10 and a panel of judges will pick the winners on Oct. 12.

The official campus Homecoming kickoff will be held on Oct. 15 at the Russell Union commons area.

Other activities will include an Oct. 19 comedy show at the Recreation Activity Center that will be hosted by Doug Banks and De De McGuire of the nationally syndicated Doug Banks Morning Radio Show. The scheduled performers are Marvin Dixon, JJ and Will, all of whom have appeared on BET's Comic View and

HBO's Def Comedy Jam.

GSU's Office of Alumni Relations will sponsor a series of events on the weekend of Oct. 19-20. Alumni who graduated during the 1950's and the 1960's will be treated to a golf outing and a dance at Forest Heights Country Club and a luau at the Botanical Garden.

The Newelle D. Anderson Alumni dinner and reception will be held at Forest Heights and the Black Alumni of Georgia Southern dance will be held at the Russell Union ballroom.

In addition, Alumni Relations will sponsor the Family Fun Fest, a collection of giant inflatable games for all ages at Paulson Stadium.

Alumni Relations is also a co-sponsor of the annual Paint the Town contest, in which various campus organizations decorate the windows of businesses throughout Statesboro.

For more information on student Homecoming activities, call Eagle Entertainment at (912) 681-7270. For more information on alumni Homecoming activities, call Alumni Relations at (912) 681-5691.



File Photo

TIME TO RETURN HOME ONCE AGAIN: Next weekend, Homecoming 2001 will feature numerous events for GSU alumni, current students, faculty and families. Alumni Relations is playing a big part in the festivities, and has organized various events to welcome past students of the University. The Eagles take on the Bulldogs of The Citadel Saturday afternoon in Paulson Stadium as they return home from playing on the road this weekend.

Homecoming 2001 Schedule of Events

Friday, Oct. 12

- 3 p.m. - Judging of Homecoming banners on pedestrian

Monday, Oct. 15

- 11 a.m.-3 p.m. - Homecoming kickoff at Russell Union commons area

- 7 p.m. - Doo Dah Step Show at Russell Union Ballroom

Tuesday, Oct. 16

- 7 p.m. - Hypnotist Tom Deluca at Russell Union Ballroom

Wednesday, Oct. 17

- 11 a.m.-3 p.m. - Sculpt It for the Hungry at Russell Union Rotunda

- 7 p.m. - Career Services Etiquette Dinner at Russell Union Ballroom

Thursday, Oct. 18

- 7 p.m. - Homecoming Ball at Russell Union Ballroom

Friday, Oct. 19

- 11 a.m. - Logistics and Intermodal Transportation Alumni Golf Tournament at Eagle Creek Golf Club

- 12:30 p.m. - Classes of 1950's and 1960's Golf Outing at Forest Heights Country Club

- 4 p.m. - Homecoming Parade starts at Paulson Stadium

- 6 p.m. - Newelle D. Anderson Alumni Reunion Dinner and Reception at Forest Heights Country Club

- 7 p.m.-9 p.m. - Communication Arts Distinguished Alumni Lecture at Russell Union Room 2080

- 7:30 p.m. - Classes of 1950's and 1960's Luau at Botanical Garden

- 8 p.m. - Homecoming Comedy Show at Recreation Activity Center

- 8 p.m. - Vocal/Choral Gala Concert at Carol A. Carter Recital Hall

- Saturday, Oct. 20

- 8 a.m. - Quarter-Mile Kiddie Run starts at Recreation Activity Center

- 8:30 a.m. - 5K Run starts at Recreation Activity Center

- 10 a.m. - Family Fun Fest at Paulson Stadium

- 10:30 a.m. - Logistics and Intermodal Transportation Alumni Meeting at COBA Building Room 1107

- 11 a.m. - COBA Alumni Cookout at COBA Building

- 11:30 a.m. - Graduate College Alumni and Students Tailgate Luncheon at Paulson Stadium

- 1 p.m. - Homecoming Game at Paulson Stadium (Eagles vs. The Citadel)

- 7:30 p.m. - Classes of 1950's and 1960's Reunion Dance at Forest Heights Country Club

- 9 p.m. - BAGS Alumni Reunion Dance at Russell Union Ballroom

GSU graduate in the Pentagon during attack

Special to the G-A

White House Fellow Chris Harvin will return to GSU, his alma mater, to deliver the fifth annual communications arts distinguished alumni lecture Friday, Oct. 19 in the Russell Union Theater. The presentation begins at 7 p.m.

According to *The State*, on Sept. 11 Harvin sat in his Pentagon office watching television coverage of the World Trade Center as the Pentagon was struck by an airplane. He com-

pared it to being hit by a car.

The newspaper quoted Harvin as describing the scene as being "like Armageddon."

Harvin's responsibilities at the Pentagon include serving as a public relations correspondent for Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld.

He will speak on issues pertaining to GSU, the department of communications arts and the Sept. 11 national crisis. The event is free and open to the public.

University establishes school of economic development

G-A News Service

GSU has established a new school of economic development within the College of Business Administration which will take a regional approach to teaching and research directed at how communities work from within and with each other to build a broad economic base.

Approved by the Board of Regents Wednesday, the school offers the only program of its kind in Georgia and one of a handful in the nation which focus on regional development, tying in business, public policy, health care, water resources, tourism, transportation, and other fields to the program of study.

The school will administer the existing business degree program in economic development and will expand continuing education for professionals in economic development, as well as conducting research on regional issues. Although the program will be applicable to regional development anywhere, a unique aspect will be its interest in rural development.

"Economic development programs have most often emerged from schools of planning or urban studies," said Ben Thompson, assistant professor in the College of Business Administration and chair of the task force which recommended

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University alumnus part of 'Survivor' cast

By Amanda Permenter
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Teresa Cooper is a dedicated distance runner who once competed in a 10K race while she was nine months pregnant. Compared to that experience, a few weeks in the wilds of Africa might seem like a walk in the park for this Georgia Southern University alumnus.

Cooper is one of 16 contestants who will compete in the third edition of "Survivor," which will make it's season debut last night after President Bush's press conference.

Cooper graduated from GSU with a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology. A flight attendant and certified real estate agent, she lives on a 161-acre farm in Jackson, Ga., with her husband and two children.

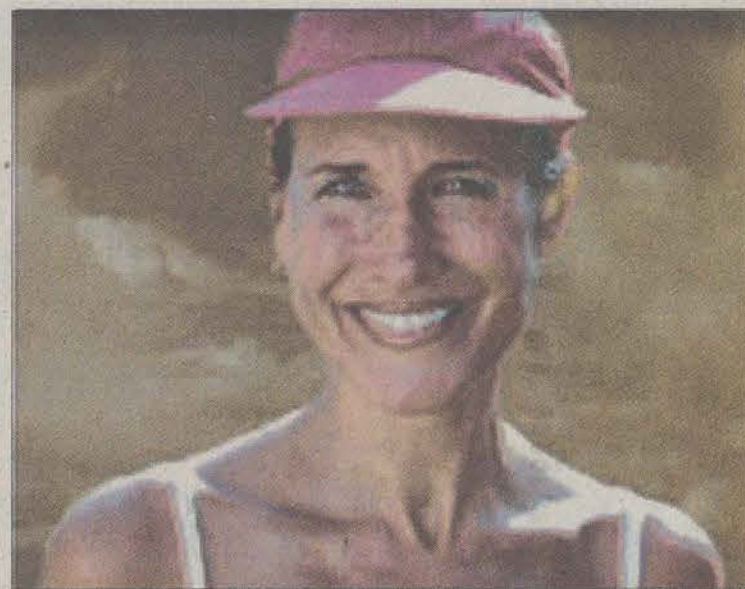
The 42-year-old Cooper was among 100,000 people who applied for a role on the latest version of "Survivor," which was taped at the Shaba National Reserve in Kenya. Ranging in age and occupation from a 22-year-old behavior research analyst to a 57-year-old retired teacher, the show's cast is divided into two tribes, the Samburu and the Boran.

Faced with a harsh climate and primitive living conditions, the tribes will compete against each other for better food and more comfortable shelter. Every week, the "tribal council" will vote to eliminate

one of the contestants.

At the end of the season, the last remaining cast member wins \$1 million. Several past "Survivor" contestants have

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Special Photo

A 'SURVIVOR' OF OUR OWN: Teresa Cooper, who graduated from GSU with a degree in psychology, is a member of the third edition of the popular television show "Survivor."

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associated with the Georgia Baptist Convention's Office of Student Work.

The plates are on sale for \$5, and tickets can be ordered from either Perry or Williams, along with other students who are selling chicken plate tickets. There will be free delivery for orders of 10 or more plates. For more information, contact the BSU at 681-2241.

Southern Events

GSU FOOTBALL

- The Eagles vs. the Mountaineers of Appalachian State in Boone, NC.
- Saturday, 3:30 p.m.

GSU MUSEUM

- The Focus on Excellence Lecture with Lance A. Durden will be held in the GSU Museum Lecture Hall.
- Oct. 16, 4 p.m.

WOMEN'S SOCCER

- GSU women's soccer will take on The Citadel at Eagle Field.
- Oct. 14, 1 p.m.



Police Beat

Statesboro Police Department

October 9

• Helena Tameka Vargas, 20, was arrested for no proof of insurance and possession of marijuana.

October 10

• Brannon Lewis Asken, 19, was arrested for public drunkenness.

• Courtney Damon Wells, 22, was arrested for battery and criminal trespassing.

• Joseph Shane Horton, 20, was arrested for public drunkenness.

GSU Public Safety

October 9

• Christopher M. Coston, 18, was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol.

• Ali Wells, 19, was charged with theft of motor vehicle, fleeing/attempting to elude, reckless driving, passing

in a no passing zone, failure to stop, too fast for conditions, driving on the wrong side of the road and giving false information to a police officer.

—All Police Beat information is compiled by Jenni Ginepri, assistant news editor.

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

U.S. won't yield to terrorists, Bush vows at Pentagon memorial

KRT Campus

WASHINGTON - American warplanes pounded Afghanistan again Thursday, the FBI sounded a high alert about possible new terrorist attacks and President Bush stood outside a wounded Pentagon and said Americans will never yield to terrorism.

His remarks came one month to the day after the nation suffered the

most devastating terror attacks in history.

"On Sept. 11, great sorrow came to our country, and from that sorrow has come great resolve," Bush said during a memorial service for the 189 people who were killed there.

"Today, we are a nation awakened to the evil of terrorism and determined to destroy it ... The American people will never forget the cruelty that was done here and in New York and in the sky above Pennsylvania."

Red, white and blue flowers surrounded the stage. Heavily armed troops in camouflage uniforms stood guard. A giant U.S. flag hung overhead and a sign said: "United in Memory - Sept. 11, 2001."

Bush scheduled a nationally televised news conference Thursday night, partly to mark the one-month anniversary of the ruthless terrorist blitz that killed more than 5,400 people aboard four jetliners and at the World Trade Center and Pentagon.

Though he has held many informal sessions with the media, it was to be his first formal prime-time news conference from the White House.

Less than four hours before the session, the FBI issued a high alert to Americans at home and around the world.

"Certain information, while not specific as to target, gives the government the reason to believe that there may be additional terrorist attacks within the United States and against U.S. interests overseas over the next several days," the FBI said.

In Afghanistan, heavy explosions again rocked the capital of Kabul, other cities and many additional targets.

Defense Secretary Donald

Rumsfeld said a "full range of weaponry," including 5,000-pound bunker-buster bombs, was assaulting underground command posts, tanks and guerrilla training camps.

U.S. warplanes thundered over Kabul in the first daylight raids on the capital. Bombs fell on the airport outside the city despite anti-aircraft fire from those loyal to the Taliban regime that has sheltered alleged terrorist leader Osama bin Laden and his followers.

The 5:30 p.m. raid caught many residents by surprise as they shopped and prepared to hunker down for the expected nighttime round of bombing. Some panicked civilians jumped on the bicycles of people riding away, according to local reports.

Another round of bombing pummeled the city Thursday night.

Witnesses reported a huge fireball south of the city in the direction of Rishkore, a training base for bin Laden's network. Though uninhabited for months, the camp's buildings and training facilities had remained in place - until Thursday night.

To the south, planes also attacked the Taliban stronghold of Kandahar, targeting a compound that once sheltered bin Laden followers.

Also hit was a munitions dump, according to local reports; huge explosions sent many of the city's residents rushing toward the Pakistani border.

The Taliban claimed that many civilian targets were struck and that at least 115 people were killed nationwide late Wednesday and early Thursday, including 15 who died when a missile screamed into a mosque in the eastern city of Jalalabad. The claims could not be independently verified.

"America is thirsty for more bloodshed in Afghanistan," said Abdul Salam Zaeef, the Taliban ambassador to Pakistan. "The number of casualties is increasing with the passage of time. This is a gift of America to the innocent people of Afghanistan."



KRT Campus

SADDENED: President George W. Bush wipes away tears as he attends a memorial service at the Pentagon for victims of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

ECONOMIC, FROM PAGE 1

the establishment of the school. "We have taken the approach that economic developers need to understand business and the language of business and have some of the technical skills of the economist and the financial analyst," Thompson said.

"Our program will provide the student with a solid understanding of business and economic research, along with the practical experience of working in the kinds of diverse communities we have in southeast Georgia."

The campus-wide task force included faculty from the university's departments of public administration, political science, nursing, technology, information systems, health care, and recreation. The school will also have the support of two

eminent scholars holding university chairs in free enterprise and in business leadership.

The academic outreach program will be delivered through courses, seminars, workshops, conferences and certification opportunities for rural economic developers.

"Our program will appeal to those already working in some aspect of economic development as well as traditional college students," said Thompson. "For example, we have worked with many economic development professionals who do everything from writing grants to building research data bases, but they have learned on the job and want an opportunity to get a degree in their field. This program is for them, too."

The school of economic development will be supported within the College of Business Administration by several centers. These include the Center for Management Development, the Bureau of Business Research and Economic Development, the Small Business Development Center, and the newly created Coastal Rivers Water Planning and Policy Center.

According to the Dean of the College of Business Administration, Ralph Byington, "this new school affords us the opportunity to combine our existing experience and knowledge with a plan to expand the role of the college and university to meet the needs of the regional in terms of economic development."

SURVIVOR, FROM PAGE 1

also been rewarded with additional television appearances and commercial endorsements.

Granted only a limited supply of clothing, contestants are allowed a luxury item from home. Cooper selected her "lucky bullet necklace."

Born and raised in Atlanta, Cooper is a former aerobics instructor and competitive runner who has run in numer-

ous marathons, half-marathons and 10K races.

A flight attendant for the last 20 years, Cooper serves as a certified German speaker for a major airline. In addition to her job in real estate, she works as a recruiting and sales representative for a cosmetics company.

"Survivor" can be seen on CBS every Thursday at 8 p.m.

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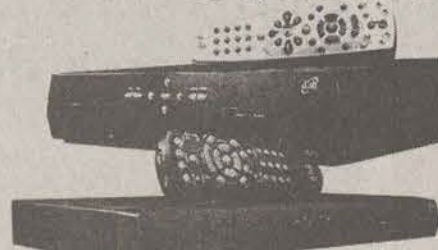
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ONLY IN AMERICA...

1 North Carolina

Fairgrounds grease slickens streets after spill

WINSTON-SALEM—A truck hauling grease from the Dixie Classic Fairgrounds concession stands lost part of its load and left cars sliding on slick roads.

The Carolina By-Products truck was hauling a tank of grease and cooking oil that was used earlier this week to fry funnel cakes, french fries and corn dogs at the fair.

The truck started losing its load about 4:30 p.m. Monday when it made a right turn onto Liberty Street, said Battalion Chief Larry Holoman of the Winston-Salem Fire Department.

About 100 gallons of grease was spilled for several blocks, creating a slippery slope for cars traveling behind it, said August Vernon, a Forsyth County Emergency Management fire investigator.

"It's slick as ice," he said. "You can't even power-wash it up."

One accident was caused by the spill when a car slid into the rear of another, but there were no serious injuries, said Officer G.A. Dorn.

Firefighters sprinkled an absorbent material on the spill to clean it up. In some places, the grease was two inches deep. A street sweeper later was used to clean the area.

2 Massachusetts

Fireworks display sparks fears of bombs

MEDFORD—A fireworks display to celebrate the opening of two new public schools alarmed residents of several communities who earlier in the day had heard reports of air strikes in Afghanistan.

The flashes, thunderous booms and the sound of a plane overhead about 7 p.m. Sunday brought many people into the streets while calls jammed the 911 system at Medford

police headquarters. The noise also disrupted people living in nearby Malden, Cambridge and Somerville.

"It actually did sound and look like bombs," said Virginia Ferriman, whose Spring Street home is a block from where the fireworks were set off. "My husband jumped off the couch. We were running around, bumping into each other. At the time it wasn't funny. We were in a panic."

The fireworks display was the finale to a daylong celebration of the opening of the McGlynn (kindergarten-8th grade) and Andrews schools (grades 6, 7 and 8).

3 Indiana

Judge orders suspect not to touch or possess any U.S. flags

NOBLESVILLE—A man accused of burning an American flag has been ordered to have no contact with any U.S. flags if he is released from jail.

David H. Stout, 49, was returned to the Hamilton County Jail on Monday after Judge Wayne Sturtevant lowered Stout's bond to \$2,000 from \$9,000.

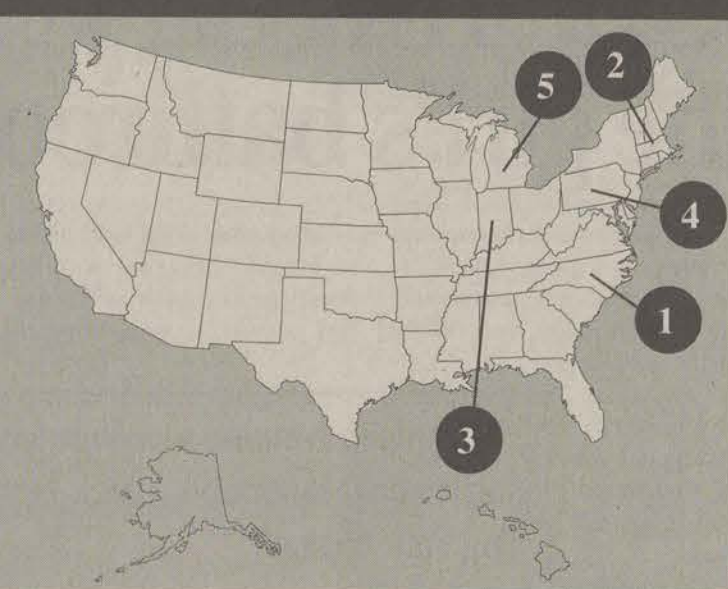
As a condition of bond, Sturtevant ordered the unemployed Noblesville man not to "touch, handle or possess or have any physical contact with a U.S. flag."

Stout has been in jail since his Sept. 30 arrest on misdemeanor charges of flag desecration and resisting law enforcement.

He is accused of resisting police officers called to investigate a complaint that he was burning a flag in an alley behind his home.

Indiana is among 48 states that still have laws against flag desecration, despite repeated rulings by the U.S. Supreme Court that flag-burning is an exercise of constitutionally protected free speech.

Hamilton County Deputy Prosecutor Kim Rasheed told The Indianapolis Star she plans to proceed with both charges "if I have



to."

Defense attorney David Thomas has asked for a jury trial, but a trial date has not been set.

4 Pennsylvania

Possible criminal charges for teen's private speed trap

ELYSBURG—Authorities are considering criminal charges against a teen-ager who used a flashing red light and a radar gun to slow traffic near his home on state Highway 487.

Locust Township Police Cpl. Allen Breach said the 17-year-old boy, whom he did not identify, was in a family member's 1996 Ford Mustang on Sunday night with a red emergency light atop the car and a radar gun pointed at oncoming traffic.

"I was headed south. It looked like he was clocking me," Breach said.

Breach questioned the boy, who said he was trying to slow traffic on the highway about 135 miles northwest of Philadelphia. "He said it had been working," Breach said.

But Breach said people need authorization to use the emergency light. Police are investigating whether the boy tried to pull anyone over and are considering a charge of impersonating an of-

ficer.

"I absolutely didn't appreciate (his actions)," Breach said, adding that slowing speeders requires law enforcement training. "That's why I went to school. That's why all Columbia County officers have to be trained."

5 Michigan

Man dies after lawnmower runs into wall and explodes

BURTON—A man died after the lawnmower he had been driving lunged out of control, hit a wall and exploded as he pursued it, police said.

Bernard Garsteck, 76, died around 11 p.m. Monday at Hurley Medical Center in Flint, said Burton Det. Don Elford.

Earlier in the day, Garsteck drove the lawnmower to a convenience store. When he came out and attempted to drive it away, witnesses said the machine lurched away.

Garsteck attempted to chase it, Elford said, and it ran into a building, where gasoline from the lawnmower hit the hot engine and caused an explosion.

Witnesses tried to pull Garsteck, who was engulfed in flames, to safety and called 911. Flint television station WJRT reported.

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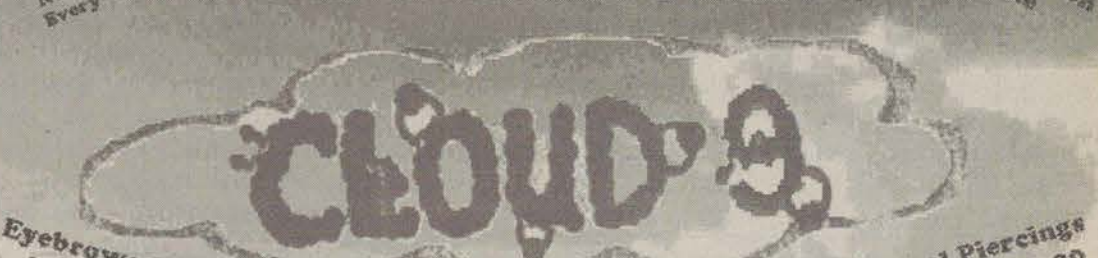


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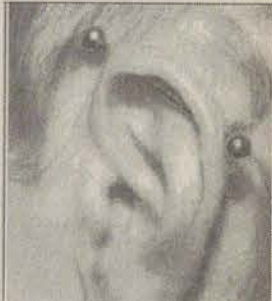
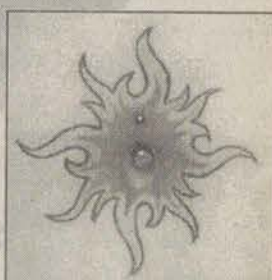
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OUR OPINION

*Don't act like the
ASU hillbillies*

They are like the Yankees to the Braves, like Duke to the Tarheels, and like the Browns to the Steelers. They are the Appalachian State Mountaineers.

Our enemies.

Our deepest rivals.

Though we beat the Mountaineers at Paulson Stadium last year, our luck in Boone, North Carolina has not been the same. The last time we played the Mountaineers on their home turf was in 1999, and we lost to them in a close matchup. The game was preceded with overflowing amounts of trash talk between both sides. Players, coaches, fans and students all got into it, and the result was ugly.

The Appalachian State fans in Boone yelled obscenities at Eagle fans as they walked to their cars after the game in 1999, and all this after we had driven all day to go see our beloved Eagles. ASU fans keyed our cars and picked fights with our fans. They were poor sports, "sore winners," if such a thing is possible.

The jealousy that Appalachian State holds towards our six-time national champion football program should not, however, play into Eagle fans' mindsets when traveling to Boone for the game this weekend. We should treat their fans with the utmost respect even as they treat us like the dirt underneath their toenails. It's all talk.

Get rowdy at the game - not in a manner that is offensive to the Mountaineers, but in a way that supports our Eagles. If you can't make it to the game, feel free to shout all the profanities you wish at the television.

By us yelling back at the App. State fans, we reveal to them exactly what they want - that we consider them a threat and worthy of off-the-field retaliation.

Let 'em talk. Let the Eagles throw the punches on the football field. Then, we'll go home with smiles on our faces, and ASU will know who's boss.

OPINIONS

Guys in the girl's bathroom and then some

**JILL
BURNHAM**



Embarrassing moments, we've all had them.

Nothing is worse than making a fool of yourself in front of total strangers. Some of my most embarrassing moments include getting stuck in my desk in 4th grade. My favorite teacher, Ms. Mathis was showing a movie and everybody sat backwards in those hideous metal green desks. I didn't want to be the only person not doing it so I

turned around and put my legs through the opening in the back. Getting in was easy but getting out was a different story. Being the tallest kid in class had its downsides; getting stuck in the desk was one of them.

Of course, this wasn't the last embarrassing moment I've found myself experiencing. Some of them are still to embarrassing to mention. So this past Saturday night I could sympathize with my fellow classmates when they did a very embarrassing thing. I know I would have been ready to curl up and hide for the rest of the year.

It was Saturday night at 11p.m. in the William's Center. I was working on scanning in football pictures for Sunday's deadline. Yes, I was working

on a Saturday night but I had to so I could hang out with my family in Savannah on Sunday. But anyway, I was diligently

"SO THIS IS THE GIRLS' BATHROOM," HE SAID IN HIS MASCULINE VOICE ECHOING OFF THE TILE WALLS.

"HEHEHEHE....YEAH," SHE SAID GIGGLING LIKE A SCHOOLGIRL.

working when I had to take a bathroom break. I walked down the hall to the ladies restroom and did what I needed to do. As I was finishing up, I heard the door open and voices. Normally this would not be a big deal but it was a guy's voice. I was taken back and stopped dead in my tracks.

"So this is the girl's bathroom," he said in his masculine voice echoing off the tile walls. "Hehehehe....yeah," she said

giggling like a schoolgirl.

I was stocked. I wasn't expecting a crowd in the bathroom. Their voiced trailed off as I searched for the answer to my dilemma. What I heard next was even more shocking. Wet kisses. Yep, I said K-I-S-S-E-S. My mouth was gaping open. I couldn't be-

lieve these two lovebirds were gettin' it on in the ladies bathroom and I was in the stall. My mind was racing. Should I hide my feet? Should I just walk out and see the surprised look on their faces? Where were they standing, by the mirror or the towel dispenser? Why in the world would they walk into a bathroom and not check the stalls. I mean HELLO!!!!

Finally the kisses subsided and conversation began again.

"So why didn't you call me baby?" she asked.

"Ohhhhhh, well, you know," he moaned.

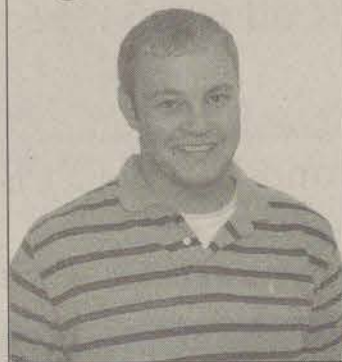
I was disgusted. I wanted out of that hell hole of ceramic tile, porcelain gods and wet kisses. I did the only thing I could think of to do. I flushed the toilet. The lovebirds hit the door as fast as the water rushing in the toilet. I busted out laughing and so did they. They stampeded down the hallway like a herd of elephants and hid behind the safety of the closed door. Finally able to exit the stall, I washed my hands and giggled to myself about how their faces must have looked at the sound of the water rushing in the last stall of the ladies bathroom.

My advice to this couple of the night, check the stalls next time. You never know who is lurking in the last stall of the ladies bathroom and prepared to write about it.

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Horoscopes: You love 'em but they're just a crock of ...

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If life was not confusing enough, horoscopes like to mess you up even more. There are internet sites and people who profit off of poor misguided souls and feed them messages that they wanted to hear and sadly, a lot of you

believe it..

As I was surfing the net in complete and utter boredom, I came across a few sites that made me laugh as well as question who in their right mind would believe such complete crap.

People love horoscopes. Sometimes their broad statements fall true for almost all people. In the four or five sentences that they spout out at you, usually you can find one or two of them that could possibly relate to your life and you believe it. Better yet, you want to believe it. For instance, here was my horoscope (I'm an Aquarius) from yesterday. I have to admit to you that I almost fell on the floor laughing because it was the stupidest thing I have ever heard; Well, almost.

<http://www.horoscopes.com>

"The language of love. Today romance is a much greater possibility! So what can you do to improve your chances? You needn't say a word. That's because today your nonverbal signals are the key to improving your chances of making a love connection. When meeting people today, let your eyes and smile express your true intentions."

Umm....okay. Riiight. Sure. Okay let's evaluate my life. I basically live at The George-Anne and the editors there are like my family. So,

there are no dating options there for me. Also, when was the last time a guy could just smile and bat his eyelashes and get some? I wish it were

new Sign, you have no time for debaters and sleepwalkers. You're here for the gold, and you'll grab what you can get however you can get it.

ALSO, WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME A GUY COULD JUST SMILE AND BAT HIS EYELASHES AND GET SOME? I WISH IT WERE THAT EASY. DAMN, IF THAT WERE TRUE MY EYELIDS WOULD ALREADY HAVE HAD SEIZURES AND MY GUMS WOULD BE SO SORE FROM SMILING THAT I COULDN'T TALK FOR A FEW DAYS.

that easy. Damn, if that were true my eyelids would already have had seizures and my gums would be so sore from smiling that I couldn't talk for a few days. Yea, I'm sure that tons of people only wished that nonverbal signals such as "hey baby" smiles and "let's do it" winks worked, but usually it takes a little more than that. Sorry folks, I don't buy it.

<http://www.excite.com/horoscopes/>

"In business, sometimes it's necessary to promise something that you have no intention of actually following up on. These days you're all edge and not much depth. As the Moon makes its way into a

There's nothing wrong with declaring that you're looking out for yourself— but don't be surprised if your attitude is unpopular."

Okay this basically says that it's okay sometimes for me to lie my ass off to people because it's work. I'm edgy. I don't have time for crap. I'm at work for the money and I'm just looking out for myself. However, don't be surprised if your attitude is unpopular.

Ya think? Okay. I don't work at The George-Anne because of the money. I think I could make more money selling pinto beans in my front yard. I don't work here because of the money or the

gold, I work here because I love it. I'm not edgy persay, but I don't have time for crap. Well, I don't try to make time for crap in my life.

<http://www.astrology.com>

"Discovery can be overwhelming. Don't run away now that the fun is only just beginning. Partners and adversaries loom large in your future. It's up to you whose company you'll choose to keep."

I think these people are on crazy crack. Companies? Business? Fun? Discoveries? Alright. The horoscope spectrum is so wide that you could take any situation and place with any circumstance and you could relate it to your life. It's ridiculous.

The deal is that you people love horoscopes. You feed off this crap. In essence, it's a time waster. It's a falsifying, self-esteem-boosting trick that you welcome. I can only hope that people see through this pre-destined bull and realize that you make your own destiny. Don't fall into a trap and believe that just because you are an Aquarius, etc. that you all have that same fortune or fate. It simply isn't so. For once, don't read in between the lines.

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It's all up in the air this weekend



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A TEST IN BOONE: The Eagles travel to App. State this weekend for a game that could make or break their undefeated record. The team is hoping for a strong performance from every player in order to maintain their undefeated record for the season.

By Doug Kidd
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J.R. Revere remembers what it was like the last time Georgia Southern played in Boone, N.C.

GSU came into the game ranked first in the nation with an offense that was averaging over 50 points per game. Appalachian State was coming off a loss to Furman and was fighting to stay in the playoff hunt.

GSU got on the bus and drove back to Statesboro that day with a 17-16 loss that left the Eagles stunned and the Mountaineer faithful ecstatic.

As the GSU players came out of the locker room and made their way to the bus, ASU students yelled obscenities as they paraded past the Eagles with both goal posts they ripped from the ground.

"I remember thinking that this is pretty big if they're doing that," Revere said this week. "I mean, if we get that from a team that is just as good as us it really says something about us."

This trip to Boone is eerily similar. GSU is again the top-ranked team and is averaging over 50 points per game. The Mountaineers are coming off a road loss to Furman and sit with a 3-2 record.

Last week ASU dropped a 28-22 decision to the Paladins, but held Louis Ivory to 40 yards on 18 carries.

"We haven't played a team of

that caliber," said GSU head coach Paul Johnson. "[Appalachian State] is by far the best team we will have played."

Up until this week GSU has not been challenged, beating opponents by an average score of 52-10 in their first five games. In fact perennial Southern Conference doormat VMI played the Eagles the closest this season, losing 31-14.

But it all goes out the window this week.

"Defensively, they probably have more speed than any team we'll face," Johnson said.

Johnson may be right. In ASU's two losses, the defense played well. They lost to Wake Forest 20-10 when their offense made critical second half turnovers. Last week they held Ivory to his lowest rushing total since becoming a starter.

But ASU is not the same offensive team that went to the semifinals last season. Quarterback Joe Burchette lost his top four receivers from 2000 and has struggled in the early going. The Mountaineers also lost a major part of their running game when Karim Razzak went down with a knee injury.

"They still have two good backs running the ball," Johnson said of the Mountaineer's Jerry Beard and Jimmy Watkins. "If we let them run it will be a long day."

So far Beard and Watkins have

combined to rush for 516 yards and three touchdowns this season, but it has not been enough to take the pressure off Burchette.

The junior was selected as a preseason all-conference selection at quarterback but has missed wide receivers Troy Albea, Rashad Slade and tight end Daniel Wilcox.

Burchette has thrown for 877 yards, five touchdowns and seven interceptions this season.

"[Burchette] is very good," Johnson said. "He's big and strong and hard to get down—he's their leader."

Justin Seaverns is unquestionably the defensive leader for the Mountaineers. The senior linebacker leads the conference with 59 tackles.

After shutting Ivory down last week, ASU will get a chance at I-AA's other premiere runner in Adrian Peterson. Peterson has not disappointed anyone this season, leading the conference in rushing with 715 yards and 13 touchdowns.

But for some reason at least one Mountaineer believes things will be different this week.

"We can definitely shut him down, but I don't know how many yards we can hold him underneath," ASU defensive end Ryan Watson said to the *Watauga Democrat*.

"I have confidence in our defense that we can hold him under 100."

Pitchers Stealing Postseason Spotlight

By Bo Fulginiti
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In a summer that was highlighted by the shattering of countless offensive records, the 2001 Major League postseason was supposed to be center stage for some of baseball's top sluggers:

This week's games have included players like Rookie of the Year runaways Ichiro Suzuki of the Seattle Mariners (with a .350 batting average and 56 stolen bases), and St. Louis Cardinal utility man Albert Pujols (with his 37 homeruns and 130 RBIs at the ripe old age of 21), as well as perennial all-stars like current AL MVP Jason Giambi of the Oakland A's, and 1999 NL MVP Atlanta Brave Chipper Jones (who recently became the first third baseman ever to hit 100 RBIs in six consecutive seasons).

However, the spotlight has quickly been shifted 60 feet six inches, where on the mound some of baseball's top hurlers have raised the playoff bar, putting on a showcase of pitching excellence and shutting down these high-powered lineups at their own free will.

Tuesday's series opening games featured two of baseball's power pitchers at the top of their games. At Safeco Field in Seattle, Cleveland Indians right-handed flame-thrower Bartolo Colon fired a ten strikeout six hit shutout over eight innings as the Tribe shut down the Mariners (who tied a record with 116 wins in the regular season) by a score of 5-0. At Arizona's Bank One Ballpark, Diamondback pitcher Curt Schilling added to his impressive postseason statistics with a complete game three hit shutout of the red hot St. Louis Cardinals in a 1-0 victory, while registering nine strikeouts and walking only one.

Wednesday's games were more of the same as the Atlanta Braves ageless

southpaw Tom Glavine pitched eight shutout innings surrendering just six hits and punching out three as the Braves took a commanding 2-0 series lead on the Houston Astros with a score of 1-0 at Enron Field.

St. Louis Cardinal righty Woody Williams kept the ball rolling from an impressive second half of the regular season with a one-run four-hit gem over seven innings pitched as the Cardinals evened up the series at one game a piece with a 4-1 victory. His recent success may prove to be one of the year's best trades as he was unloaded from the San Diego Padres for struggling outfielder Ray Lankford.

And finally, as the defending world series champion New York Yankees opened their series on Wednesday with the Oakland A's, they were held in check by A's lefthander Mark Mulder who pitched six-plus innings of one run ball, striking out five and not walking a single batter in a 5-3 win. Mulder is just one component of a staff of young guns in the A's rotation, and alongside ace Tim Hudson and crafty lefthander Barry Zito, GM Billy Beane has assembled a unit that should be in contention for the fall classic for many years to come.

These pitchers are continuing what have already been spectacular regular seasons like Curt Schilling's record of 22-6 with a 2.98 ERA and Mark Mulder's 21-8 mark with an ERA of 3.45. But in a season where all the stats were overshadowed by Barry Bonds season long homerun watch, these players are finally getting their own time to shine and have thrived in the limelight. They have kept the games close, the players on toes, and the fans at the edges of their seat. And let's face it, with ratings as bad as they have been in recent year's, baseball couldn't ask for anything more than that.

ESPN to air 10-part college football series

•Series entitled 'Rites of Autumn' will air on various Fridays throughout season.

By Jerry Schwartz
Associated Press

The day after Red Grange finished his glorious career at the University of Illinois, he quit school to become a pro.

It's a small detail, easy to miss amid the heroic images and resounding music and inspiring narration of ESPN's "Rites of Autumn." But it's there, nonetheless, a reminder that college football is both more and less than this 10-part series would have us believe.

It is more because it is a big entertainment business, in some places only tenuously connected with the educational mission of its sponsoring institutions. The actual entertainers receive little compensation, and often care little about learning.

It is less because, despite all the fancy words Burt Reynolds intones during this series that will run sporadically through the fall, college football is still just a game.

Friday's first episode, "Game Day Heroes," recounts the exploits of Grange and Jim Brown, Doug Flutie and Sammy Baugh. The word "heroes" has a different cast these days; it seems foolish to use it on people such as Southern California running back Anthony Davis.

And yet ...

A confession: I love college football. I attended an Eastern school that will go unidentified (the bespectacled coach is widely

regarded as a saint), and some of the greatest afternoons of my life were spent in the student section of a massive stadium.

There are moments of "Rites of Autumn" which capture all of that. I'm thinking of the second episode, "Passion and Pageantry," and a profile of the tuba player who dotted the "T" in the "Ohio" formation of the Ohio State band. And a look at the "fifth quarter,"

is never any suggestion that anyone might find them a bit over the top.

Almost everything is taken seriously, even the 1982 game in which Cal lateraled repeatedly on the last play before charging through the Stanford band for the game-winning touchdown. After a while, the viewer mistakes Reynolds for the late John Facenda, the godlike narrator who used to bring gravitas

Brown (on film, he looks like the most powerful man in the world).

The series does not ignore some of the less wholesome aspects of the sport. Football is a violent sport, but in its early days it was truly brutal, a kind of substitute war for the sons of Civil War veterans. In one year, 18 men died.

"Rites of Autumn" describes how rules came to this outlaw game, and how some of those rules opened up a sport that resembled nothing so much as a brawl.

It also tells the story of the integration of college football, starting with "Fritz" Pollard at Brown and Paul Robeson at Rutgers. It shows the punch, thrown well after a play, that broke the jaw of Drake tailback Johnny Bright in a game against Oklahoma A&M in 1951.

There are the stories of Prentice Gautt, the first black player at Oklahoma, and Jerry Leveas of SMU, who broke the color line in the Southwest Conference. And the story of how coach Paul "Bear" Bryant induced USC and its star running back Sam Cunningham, a black man, to play at Alabama in 1970; he wanted to convince his Deep South state that it needed to accept black football players.

"Martin Luther King was a great man, a great man, but Sam Cunningham did more to integrate the South tonight than he did," said USC coach John McKay, after his team won, 41-21.

How inspiring.
And yet ...

"RITES OF AUTUMN" DESCRIBES HOW RULES CAME TO THIS OUTLAW GAME, AND HOW SOME OF THOSE RULES OPENED UP A SPORT THAT RESEMBLED NOTHING SO MUCH AS A BRAWL.

a Wisconsin tradition in which the band takes charge of the stadium after the game and lunacy breaks out.

But there's also the Tiger Walk at Auburn, in which team members walk through a narrow passage formed by thousands of fans each game day. And the Texas A&M bonfire, a stack of thousands of logs that has an almost religious appeal on the College Station campus; in 1999, the logs tumbled, killing 12 students.

"Rites of Autumn" treats these traditions with great solemnity. There

to NFL Films.

And yet ...

I could watch the end of the Cal-Stanford game again and again; after 20 years, it remains a reminder that you can witness 1,000 games, and see something at the 1,001 game that you've never seen before.

The footage throughout the series is spectacular. This is an opportunity to see Red Grange (the Galloping Ghost scored four touchdowns against Michigan the first four times he touched the ball in 1924) and Jim

Lady Eagles defeat Jacksonville State, run streak to seven games

•Women's soccer now 7-3-1

G-A News Service

Georgia Southern ran its unbeaten streak to seven games Tuesday afternoon with a dramatic 1-0 overtime road victory over Jacksonville at Ashley Sports Complex.

Junior Jackie Kinsey scored the game's lone goal, beating Jacksonville goalkeeper Stephanie Fowler at the 98:40 mark. GSU's Amanda Bernard and Genevieve Ward were credited with assists on the tally.

The Eagles, who outshout the

Dolphins 20-4, move to 7-3-1 overall with the victory. They are 6-0-1 in their last seven contests. Jacksonville drops to 6-5-1 overall.

GSU sophomore keeper Tanya Woehr earned the victory, her fourth straight, with three saves. The shutout was her fourth in the last five games.

The Eagles return to Southern Conference play Sunday, Oct. 14 when they host The Citadel in a league matchup at 1:00 p.m. at Eagle Field.

Eagles fall to Furman, 3-0

G-A News Service

The thirteenth-ranked Furman men's soccer team downed conference foe Georgia Southern 3-0 Wednesday night at Eugene Stone Soccer Stadium.

Furman sophomore Scott Hoch put the Paladins on the board early at the 8:52 mark as he knocked in a shot from ten yards out after receiving a pass from freshman Clint Dempsey. The Paladins continued with a barrage of shots through the first half as they held Georgia Southern without a first half shot attempt.

In the second half, Furman continued to put the pressure on and finally extended its lead to 2-

0 at the 83:21 mark as Dempsey slotted a shot past Georgia Southern keeper Garret Lazenby after receiving a dish from Anthony Esquivel. Furman added a third goal as Esquivel won the ball at midfield and shot to an open goal for the 3-0 cushion at the 89:33 mark.

Furman outshot Georgia Southern 27-3 on the night and attempted 12 corner kicks to the Eagles one. Lazenby finished the match with seven saves, while Furman keeper Scott Blount recorded two.

The Eagles return to action on Saturday when they travel to Mercer for a 7:00 kickoff.