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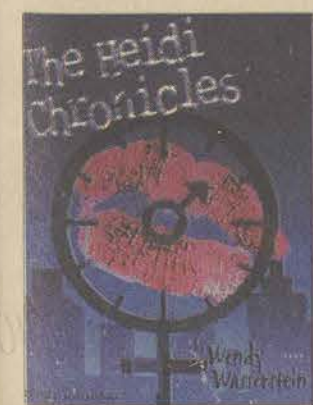
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HOMECOMING PARADE

• The annual Homecoming Parade will be held today at 4 p.m.

SK/FUN WALK

• The homecoming event 'Hoofin' for Habitat' will be held Saturday at 8 a.m. at the RAC.

GSU, Statesboro police prepare for homecoming

By Teresa D. Southern
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Local police departments will be working this weekend from the beginning of homecoming until the end. University Police and Statesboro Police are working together to make this weekend a safe one.

The University Police's busy period started with the first homecoming activity last Friday.

"Everybody has events scheduled including Alumni, Greek Life and other campus organizations. Officers are needed to cover most events held by these organizations. A lot of planning goes into deciding which officers go where," said Major Michael Russell of GSU Public Safety.

No extra officers will be hired, but there will be several private security officers working. When there are activities on private properties like Greek Row, organizations are required to have a private security agency working.

There will be excessive traffic over homecoming weekend, but University Police will work the more public areas while the security agencies will handle private property.

The homecoming parade today at 3:30 will cause the rerouting and closing of Chandler Road. This will only be during the parade.

"We will follow our normal game day traffic pattern with the help of Statesboro police. We don't plan to



Laura Cox/STAFF

ENCOURAGING FUN, ENFORCING THE LAW: Statesboro and campus police officers will be working around the clock this weekend, ensuring that students and visitors remain safe and lawful during the Homecoming 2001 festivities.

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Campus post office takes precautions against anthrax

By Crystal Lipsey
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GSU's post office is taking precautions against anthrax-laden mail, but the Statesboro office has taken no action, according to Keith Daniel, GSU postal director.

Don Corley, Statesboro's postmaster, declined answering any questions about anthrax and prevention policies, insisting he was not at liberty to talk about any policy the United States Postal Service may establish on anthrax.

The only information that was given was an Atlanta area phone number to a United States Postal Service Inspector. Other attempts to obtain information about policies on this issue were abruptly ended.

Daniel provided information as to why the postmaster declined answering questions.

"After hearing about the anthrax scare through mail I called the postmaster in Statesboro. I asked if he was doing anything in particular regarding the situation, and he told me no," Daniel said.

Daniel then talked his with employees and their family members about concerns for safety. It was this talk that prompted Daniel to obtain and compile information about anthrax. He made three different types of information packets and distributed them to employees.

"After I did that," Daniel said, "I held a second meeting with my employees to make sure each one received the three packets of information. One packet describes in medical and layman's terms what type of disease Anthrax is. The other one tells you what to do if you think you have symptoms. The last one talks about how to identify strange

Identifying suspicious mail

What the FBI says are the warning signs that you may have received suspicious mail.

- No return address
- Misspelled words, incorrect title, address to title only, badly typed or written
- Excessive tape or string
- Lopsided or uneven, rigid or bulky
- Oily stains, discolorations or crystallization on wrapper, strange odor
- Restrictive markings
- Too much postage
- Protruding wires

What you should do

- Handle mail with care; don't shake or bump
- Isolate it; look for additional suspicious signs
- Do not open, smell or taste
- Treat it as suspect; call 911
- Wash hands immediately with soap and water
- Leave area; wait for police

Source: U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation Graphic: Judy Tietze, Tim Cohen

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PROTECTING AGAINST DISEASE: The above graphic explains the characteristics of a package that may contain anthrax and explains what to do with such a package. The GSU post office is taking specific precautions to protect students from the bacteria, but the Statesboro post office is running its business as usual.

mail." Showing a long list of signatures Daniel said, "I got each person to sign to show they got the information." This was the first of the policies that Daniel implemented in his department at GSU. He stocked the mailroom with latex gloves, masks, and "Germ-X," an anti-bacterial hand sanitizer. Each item was placed in each of the many sections in the mailroom, so employees have access to the materials. "I found out latex gloves are not the best defense. It is better to keep you hands clean. So, I bought this [hand sanitizer]. It kills 99.8 percent of germs and bacteria," Daniel said. Daniel finished discussing the policies he is now implementing by

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Students use art to express feelings after WTC attack

By Brandon Sparks
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For many centuries, artists have used their talent to help facilitate healing from tragic events.

After the Spanish Civil War, Pablo Picasso painted his famous painting Guernica, which was showcased at the World's Fair in Paris in 1937. It was painted without color to depict the loss of life any still be journalistic.

With this in mind, GSU professors Patricia Carter and Patricia Walker assigned their students in their Drawing II classes to draw their responses to the events that took place on September 11th.

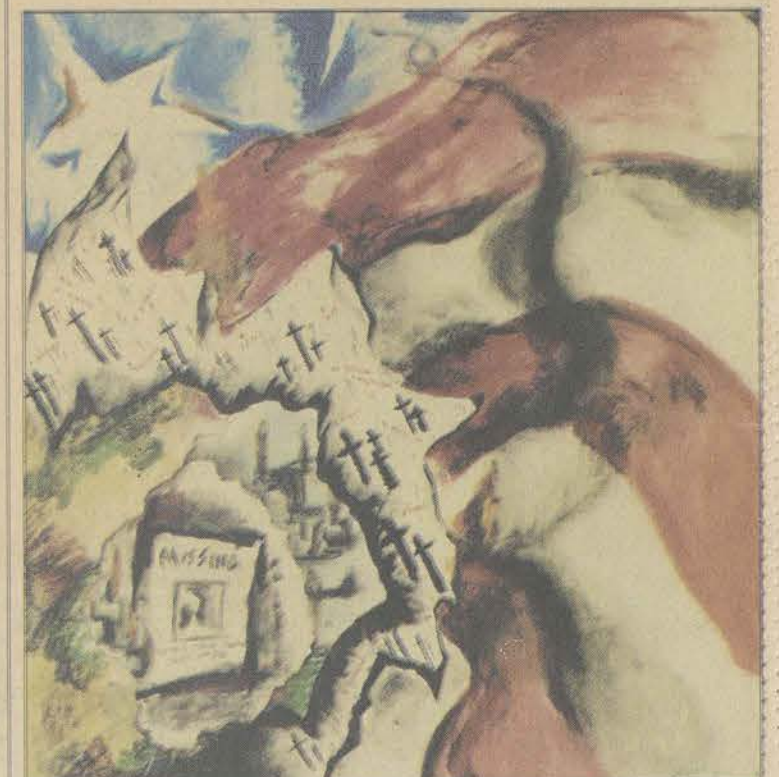
Professor Walker said that she made the assignment because "art is a vehicle to express yourself and that artists have always responded to the events that

take place." She wanted her students to attempt to show the feelings of the assignment and the impact that the tragedy had on them. She called the assignment of "quite and chaos."

Professor Carter "wanted her students to give back in a visual form and to process their feelings." She assigned them to make a drawing that was based mainly on the feelings of the artist on the upsetting events. They were asked to keep evaluating the visual aspect of the image they were creating and to work with improving it.

The artists turned in a wide range of drawings, from one of Osama Bin Laden with a bleeding wound in his head, to another consoling her grieving child in her arms. Each one takes a

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Allison Bennett/STAFF

EMOTIONS BECOME ART: GSU art students have completed works displaying the feelings experienced by the nation after last month's largest terrorist attack in history.



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Police Beat

GSU Public Safety

October 16

• Kevin Eves reported someone entered his vehicle in the Forest Drive parking lot and damaged some wires underneath the dash. Nothing was reported missing from his vehicle.

• Natalic Betts reported someone took a parking hang tag from her

vehicle in the Cone Hall parking lot.

October 17

• Bianca C. Hornsby, 21, was charged with financial transaction card theft and financial card fraud.

• Randy Varner reported his Road Master bicycle was taken from the Fitness Extension.

—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.

City to hold council elections for Districts 1, 4 and 5

By Emma Brandy
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Elections held on Nov. 6 will fill vacancies in city council for Districts 1, 4 and 5.

The candidates include Mel Clark and Johnny Lewis for District 1, Larry Ellgass and Joe Brannen for District 4, and Jim Davis and John Morris for District 5.

William Hatcher was the only candidate that applied for the position of mayor, so he will automatically be elected to that position. Districts 2 and 3 will

be vacant in two years.

Any students that are registered in Statesboro will be allowed to vote however, the last day to register was Oct. 9.

This year's election will be a little different from those in the past.

Electronic voting will be implemented for this fall's elections. Statesboro was one of the 13 cities in Georgia selected to use this method of voting.

The concept of electronic voting was promoted after last

year's controversial voting discrepancies in Florida.

Georgia has not made a final decision as to whether electronic voting will be implemented for all elections. The state has decided, however, to put this procedure in place in selected cities to test the equipment and get responses from the public.

They hope that this will make voting easier and quicker and help ensure no mistakes are made in the counting of ballots.

GSU offering flu shots to staff, students

G-A News Service

GSU's department of health services will be administering flu and pneumonia vaccinations to faculty and staff members today.

The vaccinations will be administered in Russell Union Study Lounge Room 2092 Oct. 19 from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m.

Flu and pneumonia vaccinations will be administered to students until the end of November at the Health Services building on Forest Drive.

Any student who wishes to receive a shot must make an appointment.

Health Services is prohibited from administering flu vaccinations to anyone who is allergic to eggs or who has a fever.

For faculty, staff and students, the flu shot is \$8 and the pneumonia shot is \$16. Health Services also recommends that all students be immunized against Hepatitis A (a two-shot series for \$45 per shot), Hepatitis B (a three-shot series for

\$45 per shot) and Meningitis (one shot for \$75).

The fee for all vaccinations is payable by cash or check made out to Georgia Southern Health Services. Students can also pay by EagleExpress, MasterCard or Visa.

To make an appointment for a shot, students should call (912) 681-5484. For more information, call (912) 681-5641 or visit the Health Services web site at www.gasou.edu/health.

State official will speak to Department of Foreign Languages

G-A News Service

GSU's department of foreign languages will welcome a representative from the Georgia Department of Education to campus Oct. 23.

Elizabeth Webb, a program specialist for foreign languages and international education at the state

Department of Education, will speak to GSU's department of foreign languages in Room 2042 of the Russell Student Union. "Keeping Foreign Language Programs Strong" is expected to be the topic of her discussion.

Foreign language teachers from

all educational levels are invited to attend the meeting, which will begin with an informal reception at 4 p.m. Webb's presentation will start at 4:30 p.m.

For more information, contact the department of foreign languages at (912) 681-5281.

Homecoming 2001 culminates this weekend

G-A News Service

GSU's Homecoming 2001 celebration will culminate this weekend with a variety of events for alumni, students and the entire community.

The festivities will be highlighted by the annual parade through campus on Friday, Oct. 19, at 4 p.m. and the football game between the Eagles and The Citadel at Paulson Stadium on Saturday, Oct. 20, at 1 p.m.

The parade will begin at Paulson Stadium, wind its way down Chandler Road, turn left onto Georgia Avenue, then left onto Forest Drive and left onto Akins Boulevard.

The parade will be preceded by a pair of golf events for GSU graduates. The Logistics and Intermodal Transportation Alumni golf tournament will be held at Eagle Creek Golf Club at 11 a.m., and alumni who graduated during the 1950's and 1960's will enjoy a golf outing at Forest Heights Country Club at 12:30 p.m.

Also on Friday, the Newelle D. Anderson Alumni reception and dinner will be held at Forest Heights at 6 p.m., and the Communications Arts Distinguished Alumni lecture will be held at the Russell Union Theater at 7 p.m. The featured speaker at the lecture will be Chris Harvin, a member of Secretary of State Donald Rumsfeld's public affairs staff who was at the Pentagon during the Sept. 11 terrorist attack.

Alumni from the 1950's and 1960's will have a luau at the Botanical Gardens at 7:30 p.m.

and a comedy show will be held at the Recreation Activity Center (RAC) at 8 p.m. Doug Banks and De De McGuire of the nationally syndicated Doug Banks Morning Radio Show will host the comedy show, which will feature Marvin Dixon, JJ and Wil, all of whom have appeared on BET's Comic View and HBO's Def Comedy Jam. Admission to the comedy show is \$10 per person.

Also on Friday, the Vocal/Choral Gala Concert will be held at the Carol A. Carter Recital Hall at 8 p.m. The concert will be followed by a reception for the music department's alumni and friends.

Saturday's schedule will begin with the Hoofin' for Habitat 1/4-mile Kiddie Run at 8 a.m. and the 5K Fun Run at 8:30 a.m. Sponsored by Campus Recreation and Intramurals (CRI), both races will start at the RAC. For more information, call CRI at (912) 681-5436.

The Family Fun Fest will be held at Paulson Stadium from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. Featuring a variety of giant inflatable games, the fun fest is free and open to the public.

The Logistics and Intermodal Transportation Alumni will meet at COBA Building Room 1107 at 10:30 a.m., the COBA Alumni cookout will be held at the COBA Building at 11 a.m., and the Graduate College Alumni and Students tailgate luncheon will be held at the Graduate College tent in the Paulson Stadium parking lot at 11:30 a.m.

The homecoming king and

queen will be crowned during halftime of the football game. Also on Saturday, alumni from the 1950's and 1960's will have their reunion dance at Forest Heights at 7:30 p.m., and the Black Alumni of Georgia Southern (BAGS) will have their reunion dance at the Russell Union ballroom at 9 p.m. Admission to the BAGS dance is \$15 per person.

For more information on homecoming events for students, call (912) 681-7270. For more information on homecoming events for alumni, call (912) 681-5691.

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explaining how his department changed the way they currently handle the mail. He stated that mail sorters are more observant of the postage that is received. This last policy was brought on by the employees themselves.

"Of course in the wake of something like this everyone that works here is going to be more careful," Daniel said, "that's pretty much a given."

BSU to hold 'Bikers Ball'

By Tracy-Scott Hilton
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Tonight from 8:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m., the Baptist Student Union will be throwing a "Bikers Ball" at the BSU Center located on Chandler Road across from Johnson Hall.

The attire for the evening will be "biker wear," which can include motorcycle hats, chaps, bandanas and blue jeans. Any Harley-Davidson motorcycle clothing can also be worn.

Deana Johnson, homecoming coordinator for this year's BSU council, encour-

ages everyone on campus to come tonight and have a great time of music and dancing.

"We will be allowing people to bring their own cd's to be played, but the music must be appropriate and non-suggestive," said Johnson.

Doug Pope, BSU's sound technician, will DJ the event. "Please come by early enough to bring me your CDs and the songs you would like played," commented Pope.

There will be plenty of refreshments served this evening, and the event is free of charge to all GSU students.



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1 North Carolina Neighbors on Anthrax Street seek new name

FAYETTEVILLE — Fears of bioterrorism have left some residents here uncomfortable giving their address Anthrax Street.

"I am embarrassed when I have to say my street name, and it's gotten worse," said Karen Williams, who lives in one of seven homes on the street. She picked her subdivision lot and had a house built in 1996 before the street was named.

Cami Walker favors a neighborhood effort to rename the street.

"I never did understand why they would name it that," she said.

Residents say the usual jeers and jokes multiplied following reports of the disease in Florida, New York and Washington.

According to records, Anthrax Street was approved in March 1996 after a request by surveyor Mike Tate. Tate did not immediately return phone calls seeking comment.

The county planning department accepts any name that is not obscene or too long. It must be unique so it can be found in an emergency.

"Basically, we try not to judge anybody's submission," said Mike Osbourn, who oversees the naming process.

At least half the property owners must agree before the county will consider renaming a street.

"I'm sure I can convince seven people," Williams said.

2 Oklahoma

Man arrested in Wal-Mart after donning fishnet pantyhose

SAPULPA — A man who put on a pair of fishnet pantyhose in the women's restroom at the Sapulpa Wal-Mart remained in jail Monday, charged with committing lewd acts.

Roger D. Treloar, 24, of Bristow was taken into custody after an em-

ployee saw him lying on the floor of the women's rest room attempting to put on a pair of women's stockings, according to Sapulpa police officer Jason Deloache.

Deloache said Treloar was starting to walk out of the store when the officer stopped him, pulled up Treloar's pant leg and saw the fishnet hose.

Deloache said he searched Treloar and found other items, including women's clothing and a magazine stuck inside the waistband of the suspect's pants that contained photographs of explicit sexual acts.

He said the total value of the merchandise was approximately \$50.

In addition to committing lewd acts, Treloar is charged with possession of obscene material and petit larceny.

3 Ohio

Woman steals bird, claims dog ate it

MEDINA — A Chippewa Lake woman who pleaded no contest to stealing a \$1,800 exotic white cockatoo from a pet store now says her dog ate the bird.

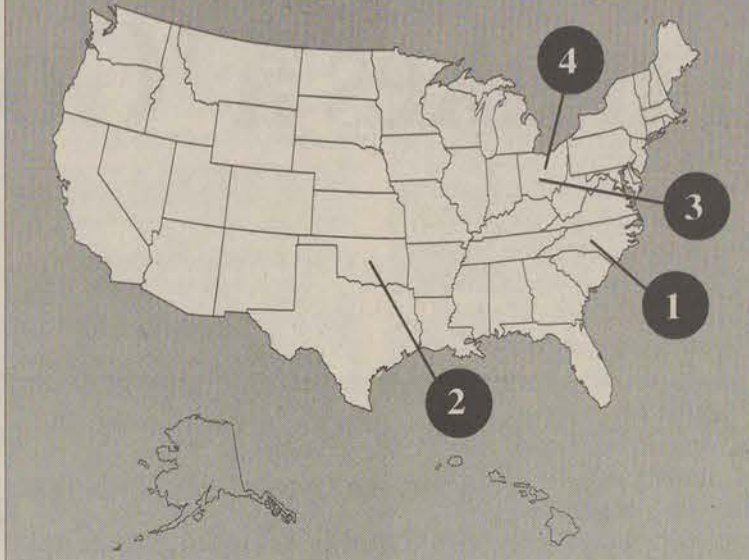
Paula Finowski, 34, insisted the cockatoo had been a gift, even after her 15-year-old stepdaughter told police her stepmother walked out of Pet Supplies Plus with the large white bird hidden under a parka.

Store employees reported the white-crested Indonesian bird missing from its caged perch on Jan. 15. They recalled a red-haired woman and her daughter admiring it.

Gregory Turner called police after he read a newspaper report about the missing bird. He suspected his red-haired ex-wife had taken it, noting she suddenly had one.

Medina County Common Pleas Judge James L. Kimbler will sentence her Dec. 7.

Defense lawyer Ron Spears said Finowski had personal problems that led to the theft and he hoped the judge would consider a sentence that includes substance-abuse coun-



seling.

Police Detective James Bigam said he has not recovered the stolen bird and that Finowski told her stepdaughters their dog ate it. Bigam said he believed she traded it for an old Buick and dog cage.

He said he spoke to the new owners and may recommend they keep the bird.

4 Ohio

Noisy, low-flying cargo plane alarms residents

PORTSMOUTH — After all the excitement when the city was buzzed by an Air Force C-130 Hercules transport plane, Mayor Gregory Bauer is asking for notification when training exercises are planned in the area.

Bauer said Tuesday he is writing to Gov. Bob Taft and the state's adjutant general asking that the county emergency-management agency director be given a heads-up next time.

Residents flooded the city's 911 center Monday night with reports that something big and loud was flying over the city.

The first flyover was at 6 p.m., followed by a second at about 9:30 p.m. By that time, the mayor, police and Scioto County emergency management agency Director Kim Carver were on the phone with state,

federal and military officials.

City officials got the North American Aerospace Defense Command at Peterson Air Force Base in Colorado to order F-16 fighters to fly in from New York to investigate.

"With the recent terrorist events, the community was extremely alarmed," Bauer said.

Bauer and Carver learned the commotion was caused by a C-130 on a training exercise from the Youngstown Air Reserve Station.

"We are used to low-level training flights," Carver said. "But anxieties are very much heightened and people have been told to report anything suspicious."

Lt. Brent Davis, public affairs officer for the station, said its 16 C-130s fly over Ohio daily.

"They were doing that night what they do all the time, flying a routine training mission," Davis told The Columbus Dispatch for a story Wednesday. "Our neighbors up here I guess are used to it."

He said C-130s fly as low as 500 feet to avoid radar detection.

"I'm a little surprised to hear they were alarmed," Davis said. "But I guess the timing would have to be a factor."

Bauer said the city, about 80 miles south of Columbus, appreciated the arrival of the fighter jets.

"It is comforting to know that Portsmouth, Ohio, got that kind of response from the federal government," he said.

Santa Fe man makes statement against bin Laden

Associated Press

SANTA FE — A Tyrannosaurus rex has put the bite on Osama bin Laden. Larry Wilson has placed an effigy of the man U.S. leaders believe is behind the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on the East Coast into the mouth of a T-rex sculpture near Santa Fe.

"I was trying to reflect my feelings," Wilson said. "I didn't want to offend a race of people. It's just one guy."

The 14-foot-tall T-rex is part of a dinosaur menagerie and a mountain lion standing outside Wilson's spray-foam insulation business on the southern outskirts of Santa Fe off Interstate 25.

"Everybody drives by honking and waving, and lots of people stop and are looking and taking pictures," he said.

Wilson fashioned the T-rex out of rebar, screen and foam. "I started with a rebar skeleton, then covered it with screen-

door wire, then sprayed polyurethane foam insulation on top of that," he said.

As for bin Laden: "I just took some rebar and made a stick man and then put a little foam on him for shaping," Wilson said.

"Then my office manager (Jeanette Roybal) here, she made the clothes and I put them on him," he said.

The bearded bin Laden is dressed in loose, white garb, a turban and sandals.

"I was just sitting here thinking one day," he said. "You see everybody else putting flags up and everything else. I thought, 'Well, what can I do?'"

The T-rex is accompanied by a mother brontosaurus and her baby, a stegosaurus and a mountain lion.

The dinosaur now has a sign that says, "God Bless America." The wrangler is now holding an American flag in one hand and a hangman's noose in the other.

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Baby death case stirs question over whether there was a baby

Associated Press

BUTLER, Ala. — A baby death case that includes a bizarre allegation the newborn never existed has stirred a racial outcry, but the Choctaw County prosecutor says there is no doubt a baby is dead.

District Attorney Bobby Keahy's certainty is disputed by a Birmingham physician who said the woman who allegedly had the baby in 1999 could not have because she underwent a medical procedure in 1995 to prevent being impregnated.

Another doctor says she twice detected fetal heartbeats in the woman, and Keahy says three people saw the baby delivered in a house trailer. But no body has been found, and some blacks in Choctaw County say the blacks accused in the case have been treated unfairly by the mostly white legal system.

The conflicting claims have been made in the case of Medell Banks, his estranged wife, Victoria Banks, and her sister, Dianne Tucker. The three pleaded guilty earlier this year to manslaughter in the death of Mrs. Bank's baby. Their pleas were entered when they were charged with capital murder, allowing them to avoid a possible death penalty.

But defense attorney Rick Hutchinson said a post-conviction exam of Victoria Banks performed by Dr. Michael Steinkampf of the University of Alabama at Birmingham revealed that she could not have been pregnant.

Steinkampf, who testified in August as an expert witness for the defense, said Tuesday that Banks had a successful tubal ligation in 1995 and could not have gotten pregnant. While in jail, she had claimed she was pregnant, then recanted, Steinkampf said.

Steinkampf told The Associated Press in a telephone interview Tuesday that there was no evidence of any delivery found in the Banks' residence.

But Keahy said that Victoria Banks complained of being sick while in jail on an unrelated charge and was taken to a doctor who detected a fetal heartbeat.

Banks allegedly later gave birth at a house trailer, but investigators never found

the newborn's body.

Keahy said Medell Banks "didn't want the child because it wasn't his ... It belonged to a man convicted of raping his daughter."



Mrs. Banks was convicted of assisting in that rape and is serving two concurrent 15-year sentences one for the rape assist, the other for the baby's death, Keahy said.

Steinkampf said it's "well known in the medical field that people can be fooled in hearing a heartbeat when it's not there."


In a Sept. 28 order, Circuit Judge J. Lee McPhearson ruled against dismissing Medell Banks' charges or giving him a new trial.

Then McPhearson reduced Medell Banks' sentence from 15 years to 28 months. He could be released in December.

Hutchinson has appealed the case to the Alabama Court of Criminal Appeals, and prosecutors have said McPhearson had no authority to reduce Banks' sentence.

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OUR OPINION

We like to The George-Anne out too

We're proud of our work here at *The George-Anne*. Most of it, anyway. Sometimes we want to disown Brennaman.

As such, we like to see people reading our publication. We've driven ourselves almost to the point of collapse this semester revamping the paper's look, its coverage and trying to make sure that some of the glaring, amateurish mistakes of the past aren't repeated.

Occasionally, we're even successful.

Almost daily we get complaints from various buildings on campus. They all chant the same mantra: "We didn't get copies of the paper today."

Strictly speaking, we just produce the paper. Once it's sent via Internet to the press, it's out of our hands, and into the willing arms of our distribution people, the folks that actually put the bundles of *The George-Anne* goodness into the stands throughout the community.

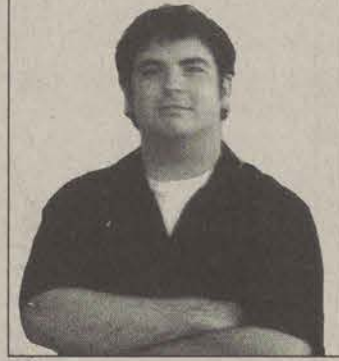
Still, we feel your pain. Some of us haven't even seen Wednesday's edition in print yet.

We're working on the problem. We have no excuses, and no solutions. If you're longing for the nicotine hit of *The G-A*, we usually have scads of copies in our office on the second floor of the Williams Center to give away to our legions of readers.

We're doing our best to bring you the news, but we're subject to the whims of our distribution people. We want to see that nifty front-page graphic as much as you do.

So what makes a 'Good Christian?'

CHRIS BRENNAMAN



I spent ten years in Catholic school. I was baptized into the church by the same priest that took my first confession, that was present at my confirmation (the bishop handles that), and in May - if all goes accordingly - he'll preside over my wedding.

In Catholic school, you go to church a lot, and after awhile, you start to wonder where you live - the church, or that place you sleep every night.

After I graduated, I went to church less and less. In the last year, I've been twice. Every once in awhile, mom rallies us to church when we're all home, and then it's back to long

spells spent absent from the house of God.

At this point, there's probably a good portion of you shaking your heads.

"Look," you're saying, "another lapsed Catholic."

In truth, I've never been more in tune with my faith.

Religion is huge here at GSU. Every night, you're guaranteed to find some group or another sitting in a circle on campus, singing praises to God at the top of their lungs, or being practically screamed at by a minister or some guy who "found God."

That's great. That these people have found each other and are comfortable enough to spend that much time in service to their God is something else.

However, sometimes, I wonder just what kind of people they all are. Though we were all devout in our faiths, mom and dad always reaffirmed to us that church, in the end, was for people that need it. There are people out there that feel

good to see other people taking part in worship. He also pointed out that by being in church, you're reminding yourself of what you believe and that you are indeed a sinner. This was all sound logic and, to me, added up.

Personally, I don't need to be reminded multiple times a week why I believe in what I do. God and I are on outstanding terms, and when we have problems, well, that's between me and Him. As far as other people finding comfort in me being there, that may help, but again, God and I have each other and we're fine.

Do I need reminding that I'm a sinner? Nope. I'm fully aware of

every action that I take, and I understand the consequences.

The people that spend the time in these religious groups often "witness" to others and to each other.

I've never understood this. A friend of mine said that in the Bible, it did quote Jesus as saying to make believers of all the nations.

So why do these people spend so much time witnessing to the converted? Maybe they see some of us as the lost sheep of the flock and they fancy themselves shepherds, out to retrieve us. I don't know.

I do know that often times the surest way to turn a person off to a cause is to throw it in their face. Add that to the fact that these groups often times outright condemn behavior. What a way to win followers and influence patrons, eh?

Religion, in the end, is not a group experience. Sure, you can have meetings, go to 8 o'clock mass every morning or go to Wednesday night revivals, but that's not religion. Religion is a personal decision that

each one of us makes. We choose to believe or we don't. We choose how to worship, where to worship, and how to exercise our God given talents.

Think about it. Who does God really want? Those that are beaten into submission into accepting Him, or those that willingly come to Him?

On a final note, judgment of others, I've always thought went against what God and Jesus told us in scripture. Yet, there are groups and individuals out there that are so quick to cast the first stone, that often times innocent bystanders are hit in the fray.

There's a fellow on campus that takes pot shots at everything that I do. Everytime I do something that he deems to not be moral or Christian, he's there to condemn me. He, by his own accounts is a pious man.

So pious, in fact, that he'll witness to women after having premarital sex with them.

Let people live their lives as they see fit. We Catholics believe that God works in mysterious ways, and you never know what God has told each individual.

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Eagle Expo has some serious fallbacks

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Everybody knows I'm graduating in less than two months, right? So being

the responsible senior who is about to enter the real world without a job, I figured I should go to the Eagle Expo yesterday. WHAT A WASTE OF TIME!!!!

I know that for many students, mostly business majors, career fairs are very beneficial. I also understand that a lot of time and energy is put into these events by Career Services and they do a really good job. Yesterday's event was very well planned and organized. Many businesses like Target and The Department of Transportation was in attendance, to name a few, but this does not help Communication majors. Not one newspaper, public relations office or broadcasting organization was represented. The only business that caught Comm. student's eye was Turner Construction, or something like that. Obviously I didn't spend too much time talking to their representative since their first name was the only thing that made me take a second look.

The only good thing I can say about Eagle Expo would be the evaluation card students were asked to fill out. Somebody could win a \$10 gift certificate just for filling it out. Somehow I don't think it will be me. The evaluation asked students to rate Career Service's Eagle Expo from 1 to 5 with one being the least effective and 5 being the most effective. Can anybody guess how I rated Eagle Expo?

My friend Jamie and I got up early, even dressed up, to make our way through aisle after aisle of brochures and cardboard displays of what felt like

up an hour and half early and putting on my Sunday best.

Why is everything on this campus centered around COBA? I know that they've got the one of the best looking buildings and most high tech equipment on campus because of their alumni contributions. Comm. Arts still works out of trailer with wheels but look at the different professions. I'll be lucky if I can find a job that I make \$20,000 starting out. What does a business major start out at? \$25,000? \$30,000? \$35,000? I'm not putting down the

business department or Career Services because both offer valuable services to students. I'm just asking for an Eagle Expo centered toward Comm. Arts, Philosophy, Literature, Anthropology, Political Science or god forbid, even Art because all these students offer an valuable asset to GSU and we all deserve the right to have the options and advantages that Business students experience.

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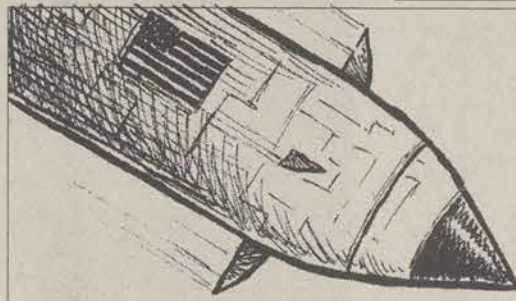
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Disease Control and Prevention. "Most people do not have something to worry about."

Said Tom Ridge, federal homeland security director: "The American people can have confidence that their government is working around the clock to protect them."

Diagnosed with an anthrax skin infection on her cheek, the assistant to Rather was treated with antibiotics, said CBS News President Andrew Heyward, who expressed confidence the anthrax had been contained. She is expected to make a full recovery.

The company declined to release her name, but said she handled mail for Rather's office. She has not missed a day of work and was on the job Thursday, according to Rather, who said he and his staff would remain "resolute."

"Our biggest problem today is not anthrax," he said. "Our biggest problem is fear."

Still, as Americans labored to keep the threat in perspective, a seemingly nonstop series of warnings and disturbing events left many people on edge:

• Acting New Jersey Gov. Donald DiFrancesco said another postal worker at the post office in Hamilton Township, near Trenton, might have been exposed to anthrax and is awaiting test results.

Letters contaminated by anthrax passed through that post office before being delivered to the offices of NBC News anchor Tom Brokaw and Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle.

"We are doing everything we can to protect the health and safety of the public," DiFrancesco said.

• At least two more cases are being analyzed and "are in large part linked to the Florida and New York situations," said Gerberding, the CDC official.

In addition to the patients identified Thursday, anthrax has struck one employee of NBC News in New York, the child of an employee of ABC News in New York, and a photo editor and a mailroom employee at a tabloid publisher in Boca Raton, Fla. The photo editor died; the others are recovering.

"We do have other individuals who are reporting skin lesions or exposure circumstances that are under active investigation," Gerberding said. "We are working around the clock to confirm or rule out" anthrax infections.

• Federal epidemiologists asked every doctor and nurse in the country to be alert for anthrax, plague, botulism,

smallpox and deadly viruses like Ebola that could be sowed by terrorists.

"Cases of anthrax in Florida and New York City have demonstrated the risks associated with intentional release of biologic agents," the CDC said in a rare, immediate warning published in a weekly bulletin.

• Sixty passengers, crew members and other people who came into contact Monday night with a Northwest Airlines flight from Detroit to Burlington, Vt., were advised to take precautionary antibiotics after a suspicious substance was found on the plane.

Initial tests of the powdery substance revealed a bacteria similar to anthrax. "This bacteria growth means that the substance could be anthrax," said Vermont Health Commissioner Jan Carney. "We believe that is possible, but unlikely."

Many initial tests have yielded positive results that later prove to be false.

• The Postal Service plans to send precautionary advisories to every address in the nation. The post cards will illustrate markings on arriving mail that might be considered suspicious.

"My message to the American public is: Remain calm. Be vigilant. Be aware of what you get in the mail," Postmaster General John Potter said.

Some good news surfaced in Washington, where federal officials reported that no additional workers on Capitol Hill tested positive for exposure to anthrax. On Wednesday, 26 Senate aides and five police officers were told that they had been exposed - though none of them have developed the disease.

Deputy Surgeon General Kenneth Moritsugu based his latest update on preliminary results from 600 of 1,400 nose swabs conducted Tuesday. Scientists were still analyzing the remainder.

The House of Representatives, the Library of Congress and most Senate offices were closed Thursday so environmental teams could inspect the entire complex - floors, mail-sorting equipment, even the air - for anthrax spores.

Some congressional leaders still smarted over confusion and criticism that engulfed Capitol Hill on Wednesday, when House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., and House Democratic leader Richard Gephardt, D-Mo., decided to close the House for a long weekend to permit inspection.

The front page of the New York Post had a picture of Gephardt and

Hastert above a single word: WIMPS.

The Senate remained open Thursday, but certainly not for business as usual. Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., said work to assemble a counterterrorism compromise with the House was taking place in "broom closets and cell phones."

Evidence so far indicates that only individuals near Daschle's offices on the fifth and sixth floors of the Hart Senate Office Building ran any risk of having been exposed, Moritsugu said.

Still, the number of positive exposures in the Senate is the highest recorded in any anthrax incident so far.

In Pennsylvania, officials said an unspecified threat Wednesday night against the Three Mile Island nuclear plant turn out to be not credible. The threat compelled authorities to shut down two nearby airports for four hours late Wednesday and early Thursday.

In reaction to such false alarms around the nation, Attorney General John Ashcroft reiterated his intention to vigorously prosecute anyone making false reports about terrorist threats.

Neil Sheehan, a spokesman for the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, said details of the threat at the plant near Harrisburg, Pa., could not be revealed. "We don't want to provide ideas to would-be terrorists," he said.

He did say a report from the intelligence community with a specific threat was received about 6:30 p.m. Wednesday. Harrisburg International Airport and Lancaster Airport were closed from about 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. as military aircraft patrolled and state and federal agencies sent officers to the plant.

America's worst commercial nuclear accident occurred in 1979 at Three Mile Island when fuel melted inside a reactor and radiation leaked into the atmosphere.

The anthrax scare also reached Africa when a preliminary test in Nairobi, Kenya suggested that anthrax contaminated a letter sent from Atlanta through Miami to a business executive.

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do anything different," Russell said.

GSU has recently revamped parking and rerouting traffic at Paulson Stadium by organizing parking areas into Blue Booster, Yellow Booster and Gold Booster categories. This sends people parking at the stadium away from Chandler Road, entering the parking area by way of Akins Boulevard.

Officer placement is decided by the homecoming events planned. University Police will work twelve-hour shifts, day and night, the regular shifts they are scheduled for. Off-duty officers will work at specific functions, such as events held at the Russell Student Union or at the RAC.

"Many times the union, Alumni Affairs and Greek Life will request officers and we have officers available for that," Russell said. "The city works with us and they assign officers to certain areas. We will have officers at the entrance gates to the stadium to check packages. We will do a more efficient job of checking packages and blankets that patrons bring in to the stadium."

SPD Captain L.C. Williams stated that

they plan to have around ten officers working with game traffic Saturday and working with the parade on Friday. Williams stressed Chandler Road will be closed from Fair Road to Lanier Drive Friday for the parade.

University Police will work at the request of the county for the various off-campus activities, such as events held at local clubs Maguire's and Legends. Private security agencies have been hired to cover these events.

One problem expected this weekend is heavy traffic.

"It is going to take longer to get where you're going this weekend," Russell said.

Another problem is arrests. Russell said the majority of arrests are alcohol-related and due to disorderly conduct. He encouraged homecoming revelers to drink responsibly if they are of drinking age.

Williams said in the past arrests haven't increased on homecoming weekends. His words of advice for this weekend are to leave early to avoid traffic back-up, to obey all Georgia traffic laws and don't drink and drive.

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different route in describing the emotions that they were feeling.

Daniel Emerson, a senior, decided to focus his drawing on the military. He said that he "decided not to show the wreckage or pain," but focused more on the military because one of his friends was supposed to be discharged in a few weeks, but instead he is now stationed near Afghanistan.

Emerson's classmates Jason Finley and Rick Sawyer also desired to honor people. Finley decided to draw a tribute to the heroes that don't get a lot of the credit that they deserve. "I wanted to show that there were people out there that cared enough to pay tribute," Finley said.

Sawyer chose to represent the people that were hurt by the tragedy. His drawing features many different hands which "represent the different types of people that this tragedy affected."

Professor Carter's class had a slightly different approach. They were allowed to only use black, white and one other color in their drawing. Stephanie Arends used red

for a single firefighter helmet in her work.

"If I would have used only black and white, the image that I wanted to show would not have stood out in one's mind. But now that it is bold in red, you can see the message that I wanted to get across. In the beginning everything was chaotic, but being able to put it all on paper helped me to shift from chaos to healing," says Arends.

The painting by Tiffanie Hampton best represents the pain most Americans experienced as a result of the attacks. The art shows the remains of the World Trade Center, an American flag for a background, and a bird where the stars should be on the flag.

"The bird evokes peace in such a chaotic, crazy time. It also represents that there will be peace again. America is a great big nation and we can get over this," Hampton says.

The exhibit that pays tribute to the events that took place on September 11 will be on display until October 28th, and can be seen on the third floor hallway of the Foy Fine Arts Center.

Attention GSU Students:

Campus Recreation and Intramurals just wants to let you know that the RAC parking lot is open on GSU game days. Spaces are on a first come, first serve basis and parking is FREE. Spaces go fast, so come early!

For more information, contact CRI @ 681-5436.

Cox to start as quarterback for homecoming game

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Melvin Cox hasn't been a part of an opening game drive in three years, but the sophomore will be at the helm of the nation's number one offense this Saturday.

Georgia Southern will be without quarterback J.R. Revere when the Eagles host The Citadel in Saturday's Homecoming game. In his place will be Cox, who has played in eight career games the past two seasons.

Revere, who rushed for 124 yards and four touchdowns last week against Appalachian State, is expected to sit out this weekend with injuries sustained against the Mountaineers.

"J.R. is very doubtful," said GSU head coach Paul Johnson. "He hasn't practiced all week."

Instead Cox will get first crack when the Eagles take the field against a Bulldog defense that has been impressive this season.

"The Citadel is as good a defense as we'll play," Cox said. "We'll have to execute."

How well GSU's offense plays will rely largely on Cox. A redshirt sophomore, Cox came to Statesboro three years ago as a walk-on out of Ohio's Tecumseh High School.

Cox hasn't started a game since a 1998 playoff contest, but expects to

be ready this weekend.

"I'm sure a lot will go through my head when I come out of the locker room," Cox said. "There will be a lot of excitement—there already is."

"But I'm pretty prepared. The coaches have done a good job of getting us ready."

Backup quarterbacks Chaz Williams and Trey Hunter are also expected to play on Saturday.

"We've had the whole week to prepare," Williams said. "So we feel pretty comfortable. It would have been different if [Revere] would have gone down in the middle of a game."

So far this season Revere has been the deciding factor in the Eagles' offense. With defenses crowding the line to stop fullback Adrian Peterson, the senior signal-caller has had plenty of running room.

Revere is the third-leading rusher in the Southern Conference with 565 yards and 10 touchdowns this season.

"We'll be fine without me in there," Revere said. "I expect the offense to do well."

Revere said it can be difficult for a backup quarterback, but the position requires players to be prepared.

"I remember the feeling I used to get, putting myself mentally in [game] situations so I would be

prepared," the two-year starter said. "I think all three of them have done the same thing. From the outset they knew they needed to be ready."

Revere said even if he was healthy enough to play against The Citadel, it would be difficult.

"It would be hard not to practice all week and play on Saturday because there are so many looks and reads you have to practice to get right," he said.

Revere didn't know when he would be back on the field but remained optimistic.

"I've been known to be a quick healer," he said. "So we'll see."

Other Injuries

GSU might have won last week's game 27-18, but more players than just Revere were hurt against Appalachian State. Defensive starters Jamar Jones, David Young and Dion Stokes and reserve Nick Kearns were all injured and missed time.

Young and Kearns should be back and able to play against The Citadel, but coach Johnson said Jones and Stokes will again be out. In fact, Jones' fractured wrist will probably keep the senior out the rest of the regular season. Stokes (thigh) is listed as week-to-week.

Best Ever?

Earlier this week, Citadel head coach Ellis Johnson told the *Charles-*

ton Post & Courier that GSU "may be the best football team in this league, ever."

Although Johnson was probably doing his best Bobby Bowdon or Lou Holtz impersonation, the former Alabama defensive coordinator knows his team is in for a tough game.

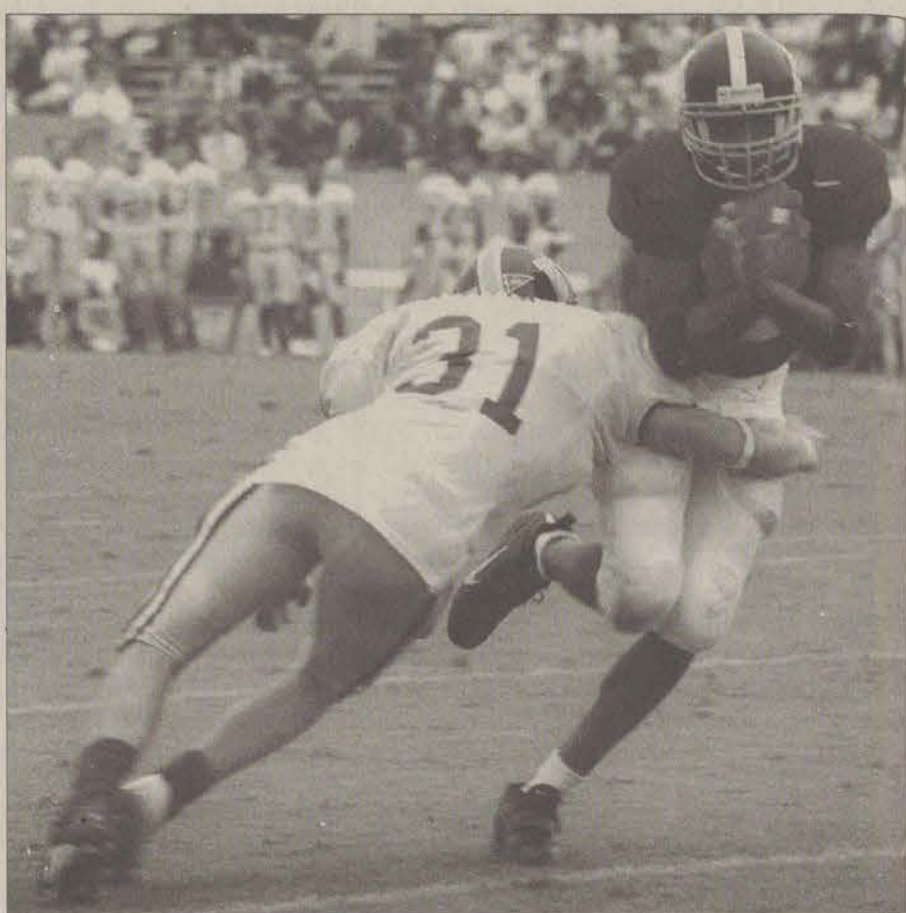
"If they bring their 'A' game, we're not going to win," he said.

All posturing aside, the Bulldogs have done as good a job defensively against the Eagles the past two seasons as anybody. The Citadel held GSU to 168 rushing yards last season, the fewest the Eagles have gained in any game Adrian Peterson has played in.

The Bulldogs have been a nemesis to Peterson the

past two years, holding the fullback to 108 and 106 yards, respectively. A lot of that has to do with Citadel

linebacker Travis Stephens. The senior again leads the conference in tackles with 63.



Lindsay Wise/STAFF

A NEW STARTER: The Eagle offense will be headed by sophomore Melvin Cox as J.R. Revere is out with an injury.

Peterson featured on PBS series 'Life 360'

G-A News Service

For the second time in the last three weeks, Georgia Southern All-America fullback Adrian Peterson will be featured on national television.

Peterson will appear Friday, Oct. 19 at 10:00 p.m. (EDT) on a new series called *Life 360*, which made its debut on PBS two weeks ago and is a co-production of ABC News Nightline and Oregon Public Broadcasting.

The series, which has been described as a dynamic hybrid of a news magazine and a variety show, explores a theme through various forms of storytelling: documentary, musical performance, first person narrative, comedy, satire and animated shorts. The idea of *Life 360* is to take a theme, turn it on its head, then look at it from every

possible angle — kind of like a jazz improvisation.

This week's show, entitled *Voices*, will include an 11-minute segment on the personal obstacles, accomplishment and triumphs on and off the field of the 5-10, 212-pound record-setting senior standout from Alachua, Fla.

PBS film crews visited Peterson in Statesboro on four different occasions during the summer and early fall to complete shooting and production of the episode. Viewers will see clips of Peterson's summer internship with the Bulloch County Recreation Department as well as footage from Georgia Southern's Football Media Day and season-opening action against Savannah State. In addition, the show will depict Peterson's courageous battle with

his speech impediment and his advancements made under the direction of Sylvania speech pathologist Sharon Milner.

The early reviews of *Life 360* have been very positive. Reviewers have appeared to agree that *Life 360* represents a fresh, innovative broadcast which breaks the mold of traditional television magazines. Host Michel Martin leads a diverse array of regular contributors, including Anna Devere Smith, Margaret Cho, Ron Suskind, Jake Johannsen, and Robert Krulwich, as well as several Academy Award winning filmmakers.

According to the show's producers, Peterson's segment is scheduled to air in the show's second segment. Local viewers can watch the show on Savannah's WVAN-TV (Channel 9).

Last homecoming for several senior athletes

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Homecoming is a time where the alumni visit their alma mater and reminisce about the memories he or she had back in the day. For the Georgia Southern athletes, this will be the last homecoming as students. There will be mix emotions this Saturday as fifteen senior football players including Adrian Peterson, J.R. Revere, and Michael Youngblood will be playing their last homecoming game in their football careers as they play The Citadel Bulldogs (1-4, 0-3 SoCon).

However, the GSU football players are not the only athletes that are going to

play on homecoming. Seniors Amanda Brooks, Jill Jobe, Sara McCarty, Susan Bindshedler, and Camila Schmitz-Rower will be playing their final Georgia Southern Volleyball Homecoming game this Saturday at 7pm in Hanner Fieldhouse. Like the football team last year, their opponent is a weak Appalachian State team (2-16, 2-9 (9th SoCon)) that has scored only nine points in the conference this season. That is the same amount of points the Lady Eagles (11-7, 8-2 (3rd SoCon)) has allowed in the conference this season.

The Georgia Southern Women's Soccer team will miss homecoming as they travel to play at North Carolina

Greensboro Friday and at Davidson Sunday. The men will be enjoying Homecoming Saturday as they host Jacksonville on Sunday.

Past athletes such as Tracy Hamm and Darrell Hopkins will make an appearance at Paulson Stadium on Saturday. This will be the time where the old school athletes watch the new school perform their talents.

For the football team, this will be their 20th homecoming game. In past history, homecoming took place during a basketball game. The Eagles have had success in the past and they are favored to have a smooth homecoming this season.

Eagles top Wofford for second league win

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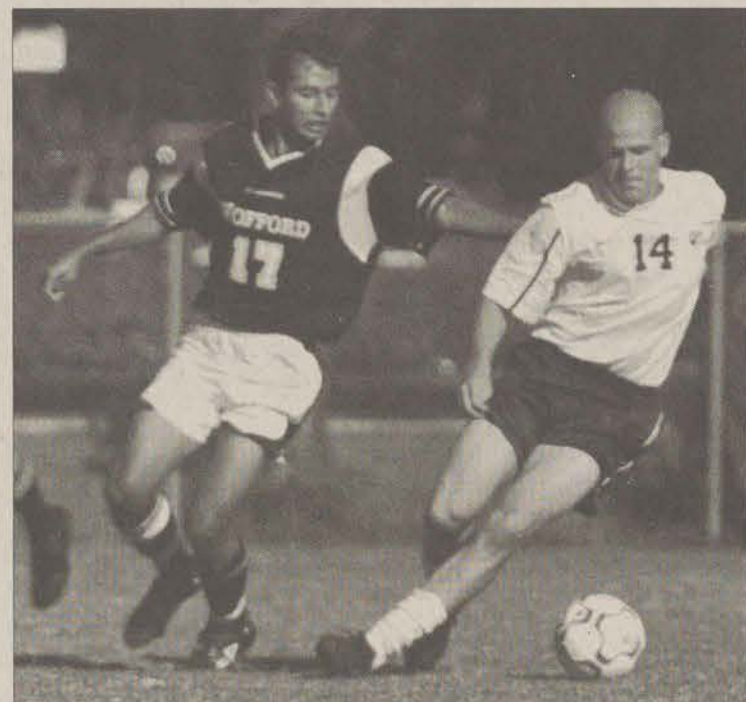
The Georgia Southern men's soccer team won their second conference game of the year Wednesday afternoon, snapping a two-game skid in the process, with a 4-1 victory at Eagle Field over a struggling Wofford team.

The Terriers got on the board first as Shay Koch found the back of the net with just over 13 minutes left in the first period. GSU's Devin Mizell answered with a goal of his own less than 3 minutes later to knot the game at 1-all. The second half turned out to be all Eagles as Georgia Southern scored thrice more, while Garrett Lazenby stopped 4 shots in net for the Birds. Tommy Irwin notched the game-winner, while Jeff Russell and Tony Moffat rang up #'s three and four. Moffat's score with just over 20 minutes to play was the final goal of the afternoon. Bates Harrison, Irwin, Moffat, Mizell, and Russell each picked up an assist on the goal. Moffat's 3 points in the game kept him atop the team's point standings; the sophomore forward has 17 points on the

year.

The win improves coach Kevin Chambers' Eagles to 5-8 on the year and 2-3 in conference play; Wofford falls to 3-8-1 overall and

remains winless within the league at 0-3-1. Next up for the Eagles is a home match versus the Dolphins of Jacksonville University at 2:00 Sunday afternoon.



Tim Deaver/STAFF

SECOND CONFERENCE WIN: The Eagles defeated Wofford 4-1 at a home conference victory Wednesday afternoon. The win improves the team to 5-8 overall and 2-3 SoCon.

Lady Eagles down Stetson 3-1

G-A News Service

Martina Veiglova recorded 25 kills and a .417 hitting percentage to lead Georgia Southern to a 3-1 victory over Stetson Tuesday evening at the Edmunds Center.

Veiglova added 10 digs to record her 12th double-double of the season. Camila Schmitz-Rower also registered a double-double with 16 kills and 13 digs while Amanda Brooks recorded 35 assists and

13 digs for the Eagles (12-7).

The Hatters (6-12) were led by Alicia Schaper with 15 kills and 11 digs while Kira Smedley finished with 12 kills and 14 digs.

Georgia Southern jumped out to a 1-0 lead after claiming a 30-21 victory in the first game. The Eagles hit .318 during the game, while holding Stetson to a .167 hitting percentage. Stetson rebounded in the second game to win

30-16. However Georgia Southern proceeded to win game three 30-28 and game four 30-25 to seal the victory and wrap up a sweep of a two-match season series with the Hatters.

Georgia Southern returns to action Friday, October 19 when it hosts Appalachian State in Hanner Fieldhouse. The match, which was originally scheduled to be played in Boone, N.C. on September 15, will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Pre-season workouts pay off

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The key to the Georgia Southern football team's success lies in its pre-season workouts. Players consistently improve their strength and agility during the pre-season workout program that they go through. The improvements are a major factor in the Eagles chances to win their third consecutive national title.

The team is coming off of a spectacular 2000 season in which the Eagles won 13 games as well as its sixth Division I-AA National Championship in 15 years. Judging by the increased team speed on both sides of the ball, another trip to Chattanooga is a definite possibility.

Leading the way for the offense is senior quarterback and Lagrange native, J.R. Revere. Through six games, he has 13 touchdowns, ten rushing and three throwing, to compliment his 1,098 yards of total offense. When asked about the importance of pre-season preparation and workouts, Revere said, "The off season prepares you mentally and physically for a long season. We consistently work to improve our strength and speed as a team."

The hard work has paid off for Revere. In addition to being the teams' starting quarterback, last spring he was selected to play professional baseball when he graduates by a major league baseball franchise, the Colorado Rockies. When asked how he thinks that football preparation helps him to excel on the baseball diamond, Revere replied, "Conditioning for football had definitely helped my baseball skills. I stay in top shape all year long."

Revere's favorite target is junior wide receiver Derrick Owens. Through six games, Owens has eight catches for 294 yards on the year and two touchdowns. Revere said, "Derrick really took advantage of the weight program over the summer. His speed increased because of all the footwork drills that we participate in."

The increased speed on offense is

evident in the number of points that the Eagles are putting on the scoreboard. According to the Georgia Southern website, "http://www.gasou.edu," the offense is averaging almost 465 yards of total offense and scoring 47.5 points per contest. Senior offensive lineman and Sandersville native, Bubba Brantley said that, "We run so much and work so hard in the weight room during the off-season that defenses wear down before we do. We are just faster than other teams from the start of the game until the last whistle blows."

Senior running back Adrian Peterson has gotten off to a great start. He already has 786 yards rushing and is now the leading all-time rusher in Division I-AA history. He also holds the record for most consecutive one hundred yard rushing games in NCAA history regardless of division. He has only missed one game so far during his four-year career. Peterson said, "Our work ethic during the off-season makes it easy to play hard for 60 minutes. We work out everyday in the summer as a team so we all know that we are in great shape. That is a definite advantage that we possess come game time." The Georgia Southern defensive unit has been just as productive in the season's first four weeks. They are in shape and really moving to find the football. With 18 defensive takeaways, eight interceptions and 10 fumbles, the defense has hounded the opposing offense in every game.

Senior linebacker and Waynesboro native Michael Youngblood is playing well. He has 37 tackles, an interception, a sack, and a forced fumble this season. He said, "I spend almost 20 hours a week getting prepared for the upcoming season. That includes running, lifting weights, and learning the defense. We have a professional atmosphere inside the weight room. We really take it seriously."

Leading the secondary in defending the passing attack is senior cornerback, Dreck Cooper. He has a love for the big game. That mentality

was evident in the contest against #4 ranked Delaware when he came up with an interception and a fumble recovery that he ran in for a touchdown. "I think that the pre-season workouts have gradually gotten harder and more intense. That has to do with the addition of new elements to our workouts such as weight machines and new speed exercises to enhance our speed, strength, and agility. We are constantly trying to get better," Cooper said. "These are just some of the things that we have to deal with to have a chance to be a winning program."

Much of the Eagles' success should be credited to Head Football Coach Paul Johnson. He is a four-time national coach of the year in I-AA and has established himself as one of the country's top head coaches. He has done an excellent job of improving the team's physical condition through the use of hard pre-season workouts.

Johnson made it clear that he believes workouts are the key to success. "Workouts and practice are critical when you prepare for anything, but the pre-season workouts this year were not any harder than those of the previous year," Johnson said. "The team spends about two hours a day in the pre-season working out. We attempt to simulate every situation that we might see and help improve team speed but more importantly team conditioning."

The intense workouts that Coach Johnson has implemented are beginning to garner attention from other coaches around the country. Harold "Tubby" Raymond, who is the head football coach at The University of Delaware, has coached several nationally ranked teams and thinks the Eagles are a good team. When asked about the Georgia Southern program, he replied, "I was very impressed with the skill level of their football team. I feel that they could compete on any division level." The Eagles hope that all the hard work will pay off not only in respect but a return trip to Chattanooga and another national championship.

A student takes time to care

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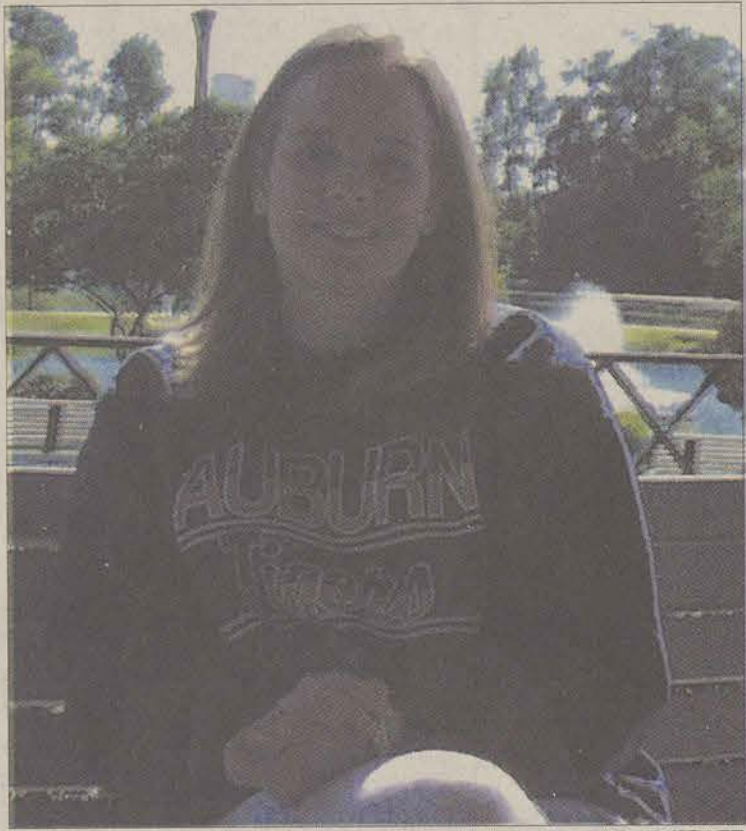
A few good Samaritans. Thanks to Neena Sanderson and her coworkers at Job Training Unlimited, there remain a few good Samaritans eager to help out those who most have forgotten about: the underprivileged youth.

Only twenty-three years old, Neena is a role model, a teacher, and most importantly a friend to over sixty under-privileged youth in the Savannah area. What began about a year ago as an internship for her Child and Family Development Major, has now become a part-time job and a full-time pledge to help her youth succeed.

Job Training Unlimited is a federally funded program that helps underprivileged youth by teaching them skills such as how to present themselves in a job interview, how to fill out a job application and resume, and how to set goals and achieve those goals. The program's goal is to "catch them before they make their mistakes," says Neena, "and help them to become successful adults."

Job Training Unlimited also places the youths in jobs for a five-week trial basis. During those five weeks, the youths are not paid by their employers, but by Job Training Unlimited, which means free labor for the employers. The youths are also monitored by case workers such as Neena to make sure they are going to work and acting responsibly while there. At the end of the five weeks some employers may decide to hire the youths on a permanent basis, however this is not required.

This program is not just for someone who can't find a job. Its candidates must meet qualifications such as being between the ages of 14 to 21, coming from low income families, and receiving some sort of public/government assistance. Participants of the program must also be referred by Partner Agencies which work closely with the caseworkers to help these youths



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A GOODSAMARITAN: Neena Sanderson balances the responsibilities of being a full-time student with those of being a part-time teacher and caseworker with Job Training Unlimited.

achieve their goals.

Neena is a part-time caseworker and a full-time student. But with her job she never really leaves work, even when she leaves the office her youths are still on her mind. Neena

"THE BENEFITS OF MY JOB OUTWEIGH THE PAY."

often works out of her car since the majority of her time is spent either commuting back and forth between Savannah and Statesboro for school, or driving from case to case to check on her kids.

Other than the small challenge of her personal safety in some of the neighborhoods, Neena says the

only big challenge for her is getting through to the parents. In most cases "the youth have more patients that the parents" because the youth know that she is there to help.

Although Neena works tirelessly to see that her kids succeed, her income hardly reflects her drudgery. When asked about the pay, Neena said, "The benefits of my job outweigh the pay. I'm working for a great company with great family values. I take more pride in who I work for and what I do than the pay."

Neena never gives up on her kids. Even if she has to move them to four or five different jobs before they find one that suits them, her goal is to "steer them in the right direction" so they will achieve their own goals. Neena believes, "There are no unsuccessful youth," a phrase we could all learn from.

GSU's Theatre Department presents documentary play 'The Heidi Chronicles' at McCroan Auditorium

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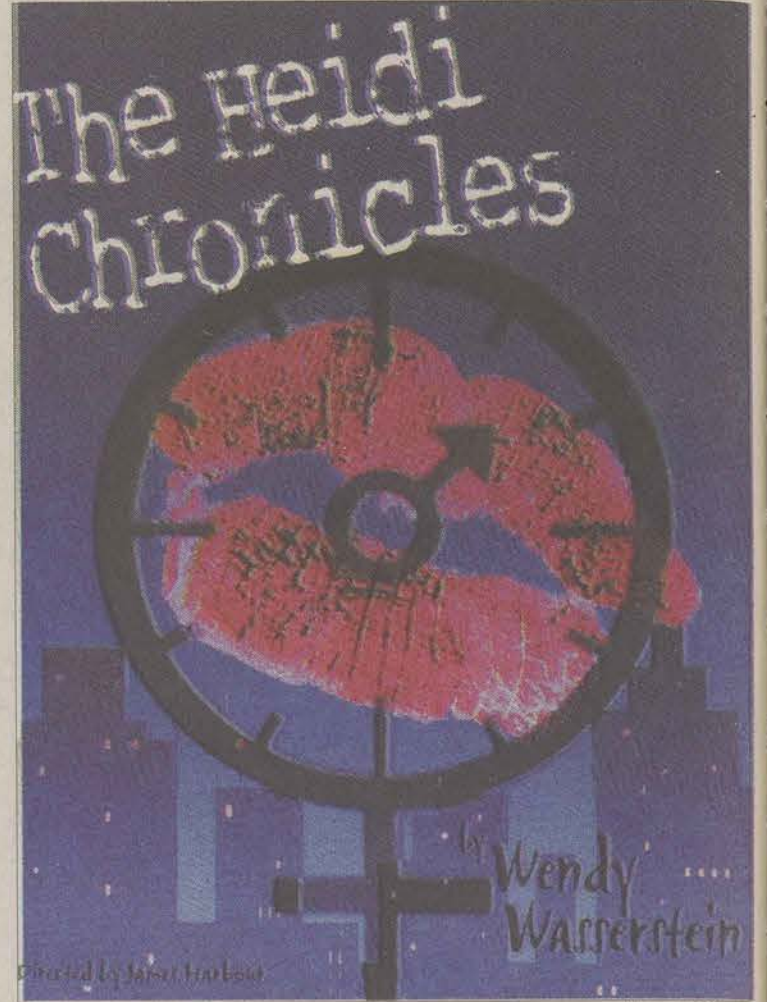
Georgia Southern University's theatre and performance program is pleased to announce that rehearsals have begun for the fall production *The Heidi Chronicles*.

Directed by Professor James Harbour, this award-winning play brings us the humorous tale of art historian Heidi Holland. In a series of flashbacks from high school through the career world, this play follows Heidi and her friends as they discover the reality of trying to have it all. From the social and political unrest of the 1960s to the success-oriented 1980s, *The Heidi Chronicles* details the progress of the baby boom generation and the profound and sometimes unsettling changes that life inevitably presents. "It's funny, touching, warm, and powerful," said Harbour.

Senior Laci Wilkes, cast as "Heidi," said that rehearsals are progressing wonderfully. "This is the most fun play I've ever done," said Wilkes. She expects Georgia Southern audiences to see "great performances" in this production.

Brian Estle, also a senior, plays "Scoop." He agreed that this was one of the most enjoyable and entertaining plays that he has been a part of. "I think Scoop is one of the best characters I've played," said Estle.

Written by Wendy Wasserstein, the play addresses sensitive and controversial women's issues, such as women's roles in the work place versus their roles in family relationships. *The Heidi Chronicles* has won several awards, including the 1989 Pulitzer Prize, The Tony Award, Susan Smith Blackburn Prize, as well as



Special Photo

DETAILING A GENERATION: "The Heidi Chronicles" is a play that follows the progress of the baby boom generation from the 1960s to the 1980s.

the New York Drama Critics Circle, Drama Desk, and Outer Critics Circle Awards.

"We're having a wonderful time working on a script that deservedly won every award available to a piece of dramatic writing," said Harbour.

This play contains some explicit language.

Opening night will be Wednesday, November 14 at 8:00 p.m., and

the production will continue through November 17 at McCroan Auditorium in the Marvin Pittman Administration Building on Sweetheart Circle of the GSU campus. Admission prices are \$2 for GSU students, \$5 for GSU faculty and staff, \$8 for adult general admission, and \$5 for youth general admission.

For reservations, please call the GSU ticket office at 681-0123.

More big acts to come at Maguire's

G-A News Service

Georgia Southern's student radio station, WVGS 91.9, will host its first annual Homecoming Party on Saturday, October 20 at Maguire's.

Despite the rumor around campus, Baby D will be performing at Maguire's. "Homecoming is going down at Statesboro's newest and liveliest club," Russell Trotter, WVGS's promotional director, said. The executive staff of WVGS, along with several independent promoters and the

owners of Maguire's teamed up to bring Atlanta-based artists like Ludacris and Baby D to Statesboro.

Baby D, an Atlanta-based rapper, follows Ludacris' performance at the same venue on Thursday. Jarvon Lee, manager of WVGS, and Trotter arranged for the event over a year ago.

"We were convinced that students were tired of promoters promising to bring acts that never proved true. We felt an obligation to our listeners to not

only promote and help facilitate acts, but do our best to fulfill their expectations," Lee said.

Lee and Trotter have tentative plans of bringing other artists, such as the Dave Matthews Band, in response to the suggestions of students.

"If you want to see Baby D and the Oomp Camp perform in Statesboro you need to be at Maguire's Saturday night. We are finally giving you what you asked for," Trotter said.

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