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ON THE INSIDE:



Covering the campus like a
swarm of gnats

Weather

Friday

Cloudy with
a high of
56°F and a
low of 36°F.

Saturday

Partly cloudy
with a high
of 52°F and a
low of 30°F.

Sunday

Partly cloudy
with a high
of 57°F and a
low of 33°F.

Only in America

- Two brothers in New York are arrested for swindling grandmothers.
- Washington state officials find a man's body in a tree.
- A student in Michigan stands trial for performing a castration on his kitchen table.

WILD THING

By Voloria Pettiford
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The Center for Wildlife Education and the Museum is sponsoring Steven Hein's wildlife exhibit in the Nessmith Lane Continuing Education Building this month.

Hein's artwork is full of captivating animals from exotic locations such as Africa, Alaska, and the Amazon. Hein has visited Africa, the cradle of mankind, twice and explains that Africa is a voyage that puts you on the edge of life with its ancestry, vast landscapes, and rare animals.

Interestingly, Hein received a business/finance degree from GSU in 1983. So, where did the fascination for wildlife originate?

Hein's childhood was full of mystery and an intense imagination. He recalls childhood days in California during which he brought many different critters from nature home.

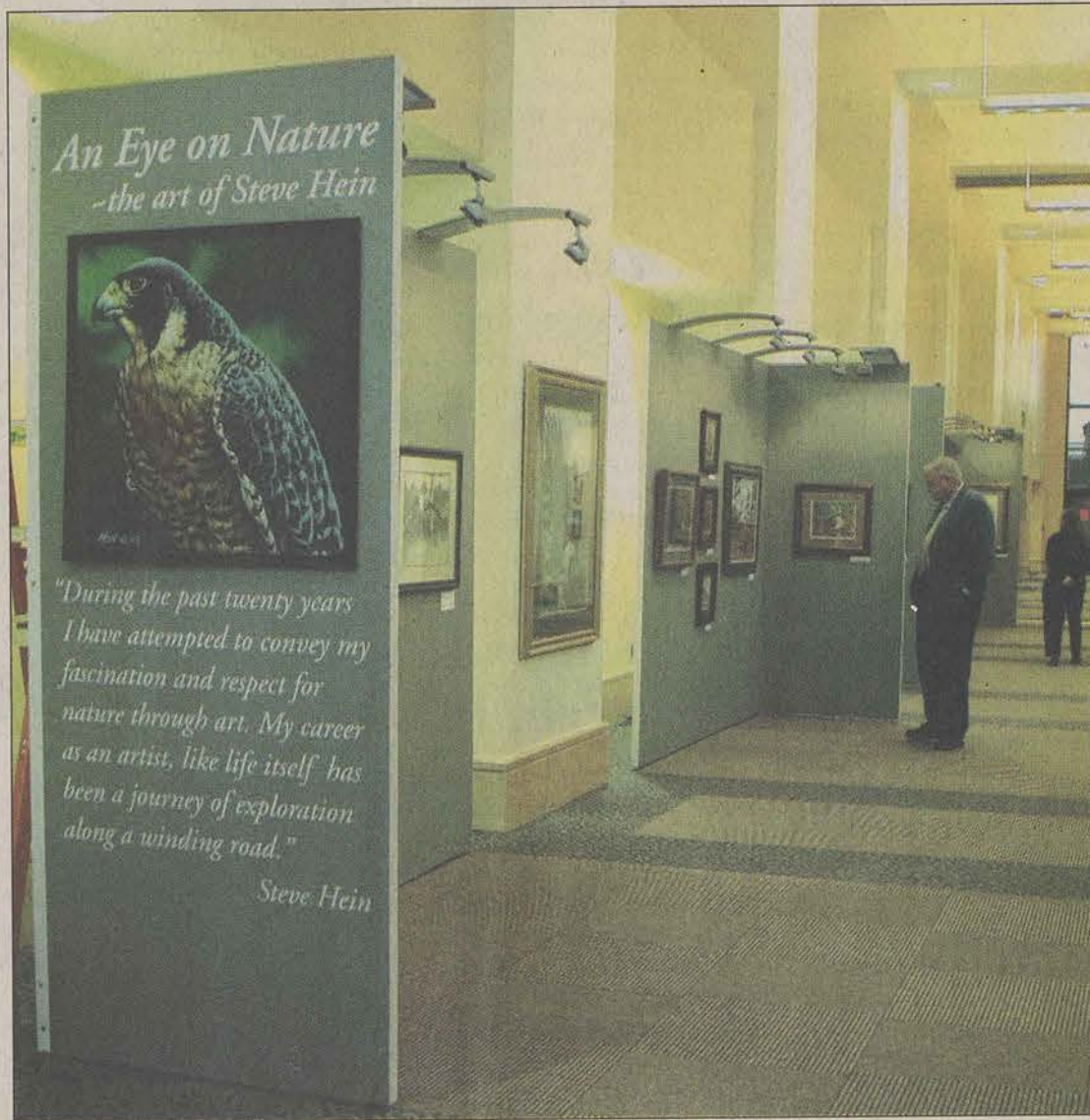
"During the past twenty years I have attempted to convey my fascination and respect for nature through art. My career as an artist, like life itself, has been a journey of exploration along a winding road," said Hein.

On display is Hein's exceptional sketch work and photography of animals in their natural world.

"In order to create art you have to capture the animals' and their true setting," Hein said. "Animals put us into perspective, and give us a place in this world."

The beauty in his artwork is revealing how precious life is and capturing the spirit of the landscape and the animals not simply duplicating the scene.

"Nature has a truly humbling effect on all that experience it in its raw form," Hein said. Hein attempts to share his experiences so others will learn to appreciate nature, animals, and life itself.



Tim Deaver/STAFF



GSU alumnus Steven Hein has dedicated the last twenty years to his passion for portraying wildlife in art. His work will remain on display in the Nessmith-Lane Continuing Education Building for the rest of the month of February.

West-coast poet reads at GSU

By Jonathan Knott
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GSU students received a visit from the west coast Friday, in the form of the poet Kim Addonizio.

Addonizio flew in from San Francisco to promote her most recent collection of poems entitled "Tell Me."



Many students were familiar with this body of work; it's being taught in several English and poetry classes this semester and was a finalist for the 2000 National Book Award.

Her hard-hitting, honest, and often gritty poetry had those who had never seen her before wondering what kind of person she would turn out to be. There turned out to be little cause for concern. Addonizio was quite friendly and accessible, even holding an informal question and answer session early in the afternoon before her seven o'clock reading at the auditorium in the Continuing Education building.

The reading itself was a pleasure; she maintained an honest and often humorous rapport with the audience, which was an effective counterweight to the intensity of her material.

In addition to selections from "Tell Me," she read some of her earlier poetry and surprised everyone by setting a couple of poems to the blues harmonica (which, I might add, she was quite adept at playing). One of them was a tribute to the late, great blues legend Robert Johnson.

She finished her reading with a piece of short fiction followed by another brief question and answer session, in which she revealed that her next body of work is likely to be fiction rather than poetry.

Ms. Addonizio is the recipient of several awards, including a pushcart prize, two fellowships from the National Endowment for the Arts and a Commonwealth Club Poetry Medal. She currently teaches writing workshops in the Bay Area of San Francisco and can be reached at <http://addonizio.homes.mindspring.com>.

GSU celebrates Black Awareness Month

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In 1926 Carter G. Woodson began Negro History Week, which was to be celebrated in the month of February; not only for African Americans, but for all Americans.

Woodson wanted for Negro History Week to be a time to focus on black contributions to the civilization.

By 1970 it was no longer Negro History Week: it had become Black History Month.

Even though it is often believed that Black History Month is celebrated in the month of February because it is the shortest month, this myth is not true. Woodson chose February to celebrate Black History, because—even though the thirteenth amendment,

which abolished slavery, was added to the constitution in January—it was not until February that slaves started to hear the news. Thanks to Woodson, February is celebrated nation-wide as Black History Month.

On GSU campus the month of February is celebrated as Black Awareness Month. Marco Pitts President of Alpha Phi Alpha said, "I believe

that the month of February is referred to as Black Awareness Month instead of Black History Month, because it is a time to be aware of the achievements of African Americans in the past, and it also a time for every American to be aware of the many struggles ahead."

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SEEING STARS:

'Legends of the Night Sky' comes to the Planetarium

By Brittany Gates
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For those who want to be able to put names and stories with their favorite constellations, the GSU Planetarium will present "Legends Of The Night Sky" this Friday night.

Located in the MPP building, the GSU Planetarium will have two showings of "Legends Of The Night Sky," one at 6:30 p.m. and another at 7:30 p.m.

Both showings, presented by Marla Johnson, a GSU Planetarium intern, will focus on the meanings behind the constellations in the sky. Becky Lowder, planetarium lab assistant, said Johnson will display an "exciting presentation on the mythology and stories of the constellations of the night sky."

Lowder also said that Johnson will not only take the audience through a "journey through the night sky" but the audience will also "hear the stories [about the constellations] through ancient civilizations and cultures."

A constellation, according to Lowder, is "a group of stars that make a picture in the sky." During February, one can see, on a clear night, many shapes and animals, such as Aquarius,

UNITE Georgia campaigns to help students stop smoking

By Molly McWilliams
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Have you ever used nail polish? Or ammonia based household cleaners, such as toilet bowl cleaner? Or ever had to dissect a frog, and smelled the formaldehyde used to preserve that frog?

All of the above are a part of secondhand smoke, so if you go to a bar and inhale secondhand smoke from the person sitting next to you, you are inhaling acetone from nail polish, ammonia from toilet bowl cleaners, and formaldehyde used to preserve dead specimens. Not including the other 200 chemicals (out of 4,000) that come from secondhand smoke that are poisonous.

Unite Georgia is a campaign sponsored by the Georgia Cancer Coalition and the Public Health Department to educate those in Georgia about the hazards of smoking and secondhand smoke.

You may have seen their commercials on TV, the ones that say secondhand smoke contributes to childhood diseases such as asthma and Sudden Infant Death Syndrome; but this week Unite Georgia was here at Georgia Southern to focus on college students as a part of celebrating Valentine's Day to encourage loved ones to quit smoking.

Students were invited to come spin

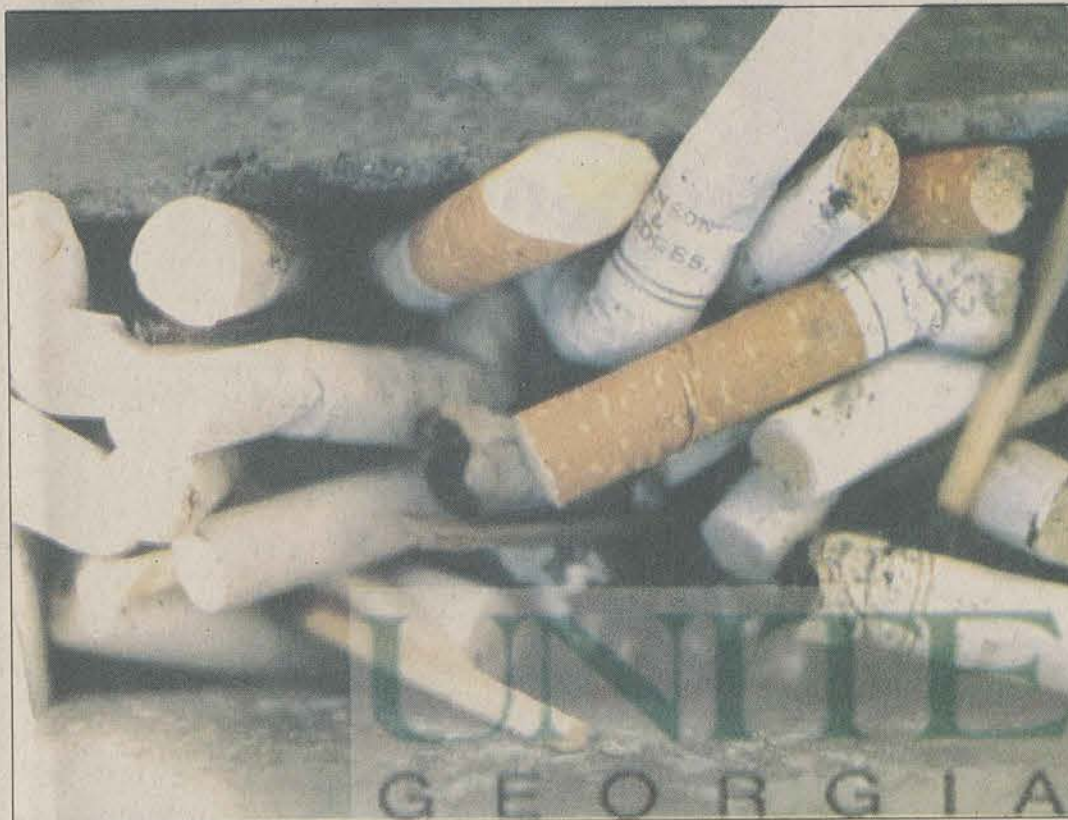


Photo Illustration

A UNITE Georgia campaign encouraging students and their loved ones to kick the smoking habit took place Thursday. One hundred and fifty GSU students signed anti-smoking pledge cards.

a wheel to win a prize, anywhere from a t-shirt to luggage tags, and as we all know, the best way to get any college students' attention is to offer them something free.

As students were receiving their free gifts, they were also offered a

message about what chemicals are in secondhand smoke. Students were also offered to enter a raffle to win a gift certificate to RJ's Seafood and Steaks or to win a dozen roses. They were then asked to sign a pledge, promising to ask people around them

not to smoke, forbid people to smoke in their car, dorm room, or apartments, and encourage their friends to quit smoking.

Unite Georgia brought 300

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Southern Events

PLANETARIUM

'Legends of the Night Sky'
February 7, 6:30 p.m. and
7:30 p.m.

PERFORMING ARTS

'Quintango'
Performing Arts Center
February 7, 8 p.m.
For tickets, call ext. 7999

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*Liked By Many,
Cussed By Some ...
Read By Them All.*

Police Beat

02-01-2003
• A fight was reported at the Recreation Activity Center.
• Several items of clothing were reported missing from the laundry room at Sanford Hall.
• Officers assisted two motorists and responded to two fire alarms.

02-02-2003
• Christopher B. McNair, 23, of 228 Lanier Drive, Statesboro, was charged with DUI and passing in a no-passing zone.
• A purse was reported missing from the Hanner Building.
• Officers issued four traffic warnings, assisted seven motorists and one sick person, and responded to two fire alarms.

02-03-2003
• Officers issued two traffic warnings, investigated two traffic accidents, assisted four motorists and one injured person, and responded to one fire alarm.

02-04-2003
• A case of harassment was reported at Kennedy Hall.
• Several power tools were reported missing from the Oxford Hall construction site.
• Officers issued two traffic citations and one traffic warning, investigated one traffic accident, and assisted three motorists and one injured person.

02-05-2003
• A Hawthorne resident reported her driver's license was missing from the Recreation Activity Center.
• Several articles of clothing were reported missing from Winburn Hall.
• Officers issued on traffic citation and three traffic warnings, investigated four traffic accidents, and assisted seven motorists and one injured person.

Campus Calendar

Feb. 7
'Legends of the Night Sky'
Planetarium, 6:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

'Quintango'
Performing Arts Center, 8 p.m.
For tickets call ext. 7999

Feb. 8
Women's Basketball
College of Charleston at GSU
4 p.m.

Men's Basketball
East Tennessee State at GSU
4 p.m.

Feb. 8 & 9
GSU Rugby Tournament
RAC Fields

Feb. 9
Baseball
Morris Brown at GSU, 1:30 p.m.

Senior Recital
Carol A. Carter Recital Hall, 3 p.m.

Feb. 10
Women's Basketball
Western Carolina at GSU, 7 p.m.

'Wonderland'
Union Theater at 7:15 p.m.
Tickets \$2.

Feb. 11
Panel Discussion: The State of Black America
Explore the political, sociological and economic condition of black

Americans in the United States, 5:30 p.m. until 7 p.m. in Russell Union Room 2084.

Faculty Recital Series
Carol A. Carter Recital Hall, 8 p.m.

Documentary
'Two Towns of Jasper'
The controversial film about the racially-motivated murder of James Byrd in Texas. It will be held at 7 p.m. in the Russell Union Theater.

Feb. 12
Information Session: The Ronald E. McNair Program
Learn about opportunities in the graduate program named for the black American astronaut who died in the Challenger space shuttle disaster. It will be held at 3 p.m. in room 2084 inside of Russell Union.

Racial Healing Workshop
Gary Lemons of the New School for Social Research in New York will serve as the facilitator, 7 p.m. in room 2044 inside of Russell Union.

Feb. 13
Presentation: 'How We Got Over'
Entertainer and story teller Lillian Grant Baptiste will pay tribute to the strength, courage and perseverance displayed by black American Women. Noon in room 2052 inside of Russell Union.

Racial Healing Workshop
Gary Lemons of the New School for Social Research in New York will serve as the facilitator. 4 p.m. in room 2041 inside of the Russell Union.

Feb. 14
Southern Dining Etiquette Workshop
Deadline for deposit for Georgia Southern Dining Etiquette Workshop Georgia Southern University's Career Services and Alumni Affairs Offices are housing the Spring Semester 'Dining Etiquette Workshop' on Wednesday, Feb. 26 at 6 p.m. The event is open to all students, but graduating seniors are encouraged to attend and will receive preference. The program will consist of a five course meal during which participants will learn the do's and don'ts of dining etiquette. An \$18 refundable deposit is required of all participants, by Feb. 14 The deposit will be returned at the meal. The event is supported through corporate sponsorships. Space is limited! Sign up today at the Career Services Office in Room 1058 Williams Center. For more information, call Connie Franklin (681-5197) or Pearl Middleton (681-5197).

Feb. 16
Gospel Jubilee
Concert featuring several area groups, 3 p.m. in the Russell Union Ballroom.

Feb. 17
Women's Basketball
Furman at GSU
7 p.m.

Faculty & Guest Artist Recital
Carol A. Carter Recital Hall
8 p.m.

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T: 2-5:30 p.m.
W: 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
R: 11 a.m. – 3 p.m., 6 – 10 p.m.

SOCIOLOGY/ PSYCHOLOGY
M, W: 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
R: 1 – 3 p.m.

COLLEGE READ/STUDY

SKILLS
M, W: 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
R: 1 – 3 p.m.

ALGEBRA – CAL 2
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F: 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

STATISTICS
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T: 12:30 – 1:30 p.m.
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R: 12:30 – 4 p.m.

JAVA
M: 3 – 6 p.m.
T: 8 – 10 p.m.
W: 12 – 2 p.m.
R: 7 – 10 p.m.

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T: 12 – 2 p.m., 3 – 9 p.m.
W: 11 a.m. – 3 p.m., 7 – 10 p.m.
R: 12 – 2 p.m., 5 – 7 p.m.

CHEMISTRY/BIOLOGY
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W: 2 – 6 p.m.

HISTORY/POLI SCI
T, R: 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.
W: 2 – 3:30 p.m.
F: 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

ANTHROPOLOGY
M: 5 – 7 p.m.
T, R: 3 – 4 p.m.
W: 3 – 5 p.m.

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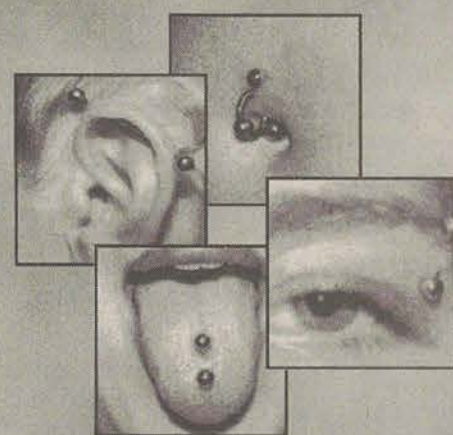
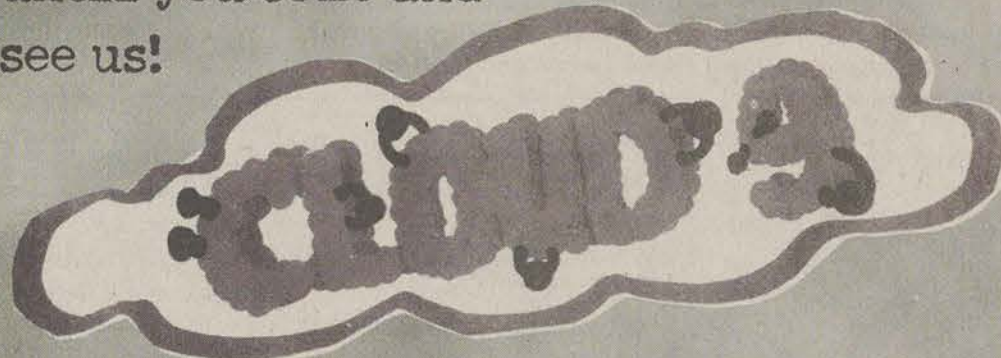
– Paul Gauguin



Barbara Kruger

We want to tap into your creativity! The **Miscellany Magazine of the Arts** wants you to submit your drawings, paintings, photographs, cartoons, graphic designs, and anything else to our t-shirt design contest! The winner will receive a free t-shirt and a gift certificate to Barnes & Noble. Entries can be e-mailed to miscmag@gasou.edu or brought to Room 2009 (the office with all the stuff on the door) on the second floor of the Williams Center. Deadline for contest entries is Monday, February 10th. Call 681-0565 or e-mail miscmag@gasou.edu for more information.

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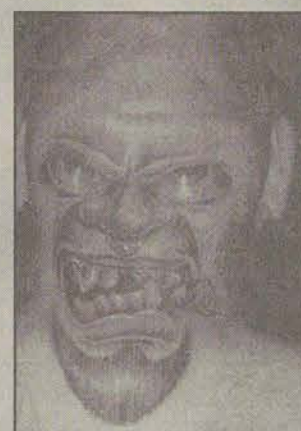
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1 New York

Two brothers arrested in scam to cheat grandmothers

CENTRAL ISLIP- Two brothers were arrested for their alleged role in a scam that swindled 71 grandmothers around the country out of more than \$309,000, authorities said.

Willi and Angelo Forgacs were arraigned on fraud charges Thursday. Authorities were searching for three other suspects.

Federal officials have accused the suspects of calling elderly women from cell phones pretending to be their grandchildren. The suspects allegedly would tell the grandmothers they needed money to cover a debt and that they would send a friend over to pick it up.

They also begged the grandmothers not to tell family members to spare them embarrassment.

Most of the victims, who ranged in age from 75 to 87, lived in New York, but authorities said the ring also operated in California, Connecticut, Florida, Illinois, Massachusetts and New Jersey.

Most of the victims were convinced to hand out between \$4,000 and \$6,000 each.

2 Washington

Man's body found in tree

OLYMPIA- Police have found a partly mummified man's body hanging from a noose in a tree a year after it was spotted by a passer-by who did not initially report it.

Investigators don't know how the body got into the cedar tree or how long it had been there before it was taken down Wednesday morning, Thurston County deputy coroner

Terry Harper said.

"Right now we just don't know a whole lot," Harper said. "We just know it was a heck of a time getting him down."

An autopsy was pending but foul play is not suspected, police said.

One detective, a tree trimmer in his spare time, used his equipment to cut away the branches and lower the body, the coroner said.

Police said a man who was wanted on outstanding warrants saw the body about a year ago in a heavily wooded, sparsely populated area south of Interstate 5 in the southeast part of town but didn't report it for fear of being arrested.

He called authorities Tuesday night after returning to the area and seeing the body was still there, partly concealed in the foliage about 40 feet off the ground, police Sgt. Paul Johnson said. He did not identify the man who found the body or give other details.

3 California

Palm Springs set to open nudist bridge

PALM SPRINGS- Venice, Italy, has the Bridge of Sighs. Now Palm Springs has the "bridge of thighs."

A pedestrian bridge that will connect two parts of a nudist resort while crossing over a busy public street has drawn national attention since construction began last month.

"I've heard it all: bridge of thighs, naked bridge, nudist bridge, you name it. I'm sure I'm going to hear more of it before it's over," said Stephen Payne, co-owner of the Desert Shadows Inn Resort and Villas, considered one of the world's most upscale nudist resorts.

"I really don't understand all the attention. It's just a bridge, isn't it?"

The 110-foot span, set to open later this month, has become an in-

stant landmark in a city known as a playground for the rich and famous with its expansive resorts, high-end boutiques and laissez-faire attitude.

Despite the jokes, city officials and residents say the bridge is a welcomed attraction.

Although it is being built to shield those using it from prying eyes below, city officials are touting it as a work of art.

The city has already begun incorporating the bridge into its travel brochures and the visitor's center has been pointing it out as one of the city's must-see spots.

"We have always welcomed that which we think is interesting and unique," said Mayor William Kleindienst. "We think it will become much more than just a bridge to people."

The bridge is officially named the Lee R. Baxandall Bridge, after the founder of the Nudist Society and 30-year champion of nude recreation. Baxandall, 80, declined to be interviewed, citing failing health.

But his wife said he was enjoying the humor caused by the bridge.

"As long as they talk about it, he doesn't care what they say," she said during a recent visit to the resort. "People say all kinds of things. But, you know, they have never been here so they really don't know what it is all about."

For most residents and visitors, the bridge will be off-limits. Payne said access would be controlled by a key card.

"It's for the people who live in those units who want to come to the resort," Payne said.

For those who live in the new Desert Shadows Inn condominiums that will be connected by the bridge to the rest of the resort, the bridge adds an element of enjoyment.

"It's important if we want to go to the resort. The gym is there. The spa is there. Now I won't have to get dressed to go there. I can just walk across," said Rosianne Kurtz, 66, of Beverly Hills.

4 Michigan

Man who performed castration to stand trial

PONTIAC- A man with no medical license who pleaded guilty to performing a castration on a kitchen table has withdrawn the plea after a judge said he would impose a tougher penalty than one previously agreed upon.

Shuo-Shan Wang, a 29-year-old engineer from Taiwan who is in the United States on a student visa, was arrested after a man began hemorrhaging outside Wang's home following a voluntary castration.

Wang was expected to be sentenced Tuesday to no more than six months in jail after pleading guilty in December to practicing medicine without a license and dispensing prescription medication.

But Oakland County Circuit Judge Fred Mester said he was uncomfortable with the plea agreement, The Oakland Press and Detroit Free Press reported.

"It does not seem to me that Mr. Wang is truly understanding of the seriousness of this violation," Mester said.

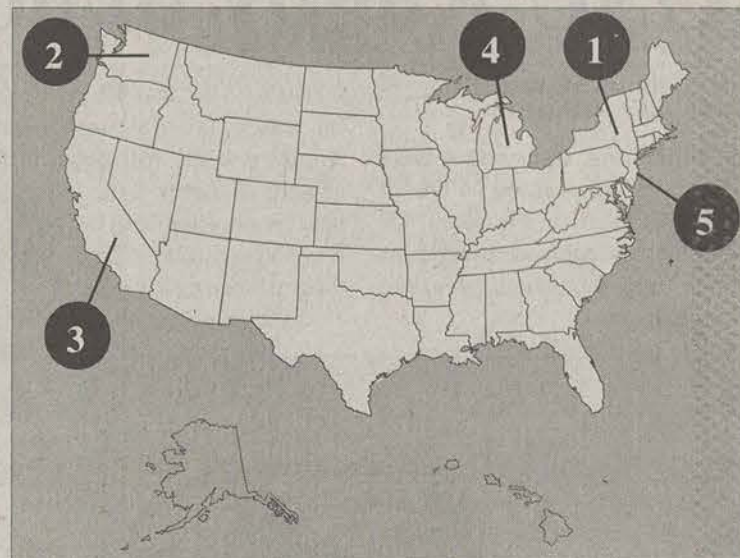
Mester noted that doctors undergo years of training for such a procedure and patients receive substantial counseling beforehand. Wang said he has castrated 50 men.

Wang's attorney, Steve Reina, asked Mester to withdraw the plea agreement and give Wang a jury trial on the charges, which carry up to four years in prison upon conviction.

A trial was set for March 31.

Reina said afterward that Wang doesn't deserve a harsh punishment because he has no prior criminal record and performed the castration on a Birmingham man who requested the procedure.

Authorities say Wang operated at his home in the Detroit suburb of Oak Park. Afterward, he and the



48-year-old man shared some pie at the same table. Wang did not charge for the surgery.

The man was seeking the castration because he had a sexually transmitted disease and no longer wanted a sex drive, prosecutors have said. He found Wang while searching the Internet for someone to castrate him.

Wang told police he learned the skill from his grandparents. He performed his first surgery on a dog and then on the dog's owner and three of the owner's friends in Australia, prosecutors said.

5 New Jersey

Judge issues ruling in doggie-do dispute

LEONIA- A dog's right to do his business is legally limited, a judge has ruled.

The decision issued Tuesday by Leonia Municipal Court Judge John DeSheplo prohibits dogs from defecating on borough sidewalks and streets, and conditionally bars them from using the narrow strips of grass in between. However, they can go on their own property or in borough parks, provided the dog

walker cleans it up.

The ruling stems from a citation issued last year after a homeowner, William Ramos, claimed another resident, Rick Heckman, had violated the town's municipal code by allowing his dog, Shiner, to go on his property. Authorities agreed, and Heckman was issued a summons Nov. 4.

The dispute centered on whether the strips of grass were public domain or private property. DeSheplo said the latter was correct, but said dogs could go there if they had the homeowner's permission. He found that Heckman had violated the ordinance, but he did not fine him.

"This means dogs will have to wear diapers or we'll have to teach them to use a toilet," Louise Sherman, a supporter of Heckman, told The Record of Bergen County for Wednesday's editions.

Ramos praised the decision, saying dog walkers must be responsible for the canine's actions.

"When I had a dog, I left a place for him on my lawn," Ramos said. "It's not an impossible situation."

Despite the publicity and debate generated by the case, Police Chief August "Chip" Greiner said he did not expect his officers would clamp down on canine violators or their owners.

AWARENESS, FROM PAGE 1

soring many events on the campus of GSU for Black Awareness Month.

"We are sponsoring health programs, a pageant, a battle of the sexes, a voter registration drive, a political debate, a campus lunch, and many other events so that all students will feel welcomed. We do not want for white students to feel that Black Awareness Month is for African-Americans only. We want the entire campus to be involved," said Pitts. Pitts hopes that all students will attend at least 1/3 of the programs.

Jesus Furquan, president of the NAACP chapter of GSU says, "NAACP has always had a history with being involved with Black Awareness Month, that is why we chose to sponsor the Keynote Speaker program, and the Black History Quiz Bowl."

To Furquan, Black Awareness Month is meant to reach out to every minority and inform them. "If you are

not aware of the facts then you can not make a difference, said Furquan.

Furquan believes that the celebration of Black Awareness Month on GSU campus helps with culture and encourages diversity.

Dr. David Canton, advisor for the Black Student Alliance, said "Black Awareness Month is a time to renounce the subtle belief that many African Americans haven't contributed to America and the world intellectually.

"I believe that Woodson not only created Black History Month for African Americans, but for all Americans," said Canton. "The Black Alliance chose to sponsor certain events, because we not only wanted to educate the student body we also wanted the student body to enjoy themselves."

The Multi-Cultural Center is the backbone for the events of Black Awareness Month, like all other oc-

casions that celebrate diversity. Georgi Lewis director of the Multi-Cultural Center states that, "Black Awareness Month creates an awareness of the trials, tribulations, and accomplishments of the African-American community.

"Black Awareness Month reminds me that the reason that I have been able to do certain things is because of the hardships that other African Americans have had to overcome. It is important also, because it is a time for the society to realize that even though everyone is different we should still be able to embrace each other," says Lewis. Lewis feels that all of the student participation in Black Awareness Month makes the different programs fun and easy to develop.

The Multi-Cultural Center and all other sponsors for Black Awareness Month programs would like to invite all students out to celebrate the history and the future of African-Americans.

PLANETARIUM, FROM PAGE 1

Ursa Minor, Ursa Major (The Great Bear) and many others.

Constellations became known through the "connect-the-dots" games the ancient people played, according to Lowder. Those people made pictures out of animals and shapes to honor them.

Also, constellations were thought to have been developed by poets, farmers, astronomers, and others to explain which stars are what, since there were millions of stars and keeping track of one was difficult. Another theory about the development of the constellations rose from how some farmers formed constellations to remind them when to plant (in the Spring) and when to harvest (in the Fall). This helped because some constellations are only visible during certain times of the year.

UNITE, FROM PAGE 1

were signed Wednesday night and the rest were signed Thursday morning in the Russell Union. Three hundred students here signed pledge cards promising to do all of the above, and many more may have signed if there were more pledge cards.

This is the first year Unite Georgia has launched their college program, and after coming to Georgia Southern they

will make their way to other Georgia schools such as Fort Valley State College and Valdosta State. They will use the pledge cards signed as a contact for students across the state to send them e-mails alerting students of future events.

Unite Georgia's goal, according to their Senior Account Executive, Dana Shafer, is to "get students talking, to

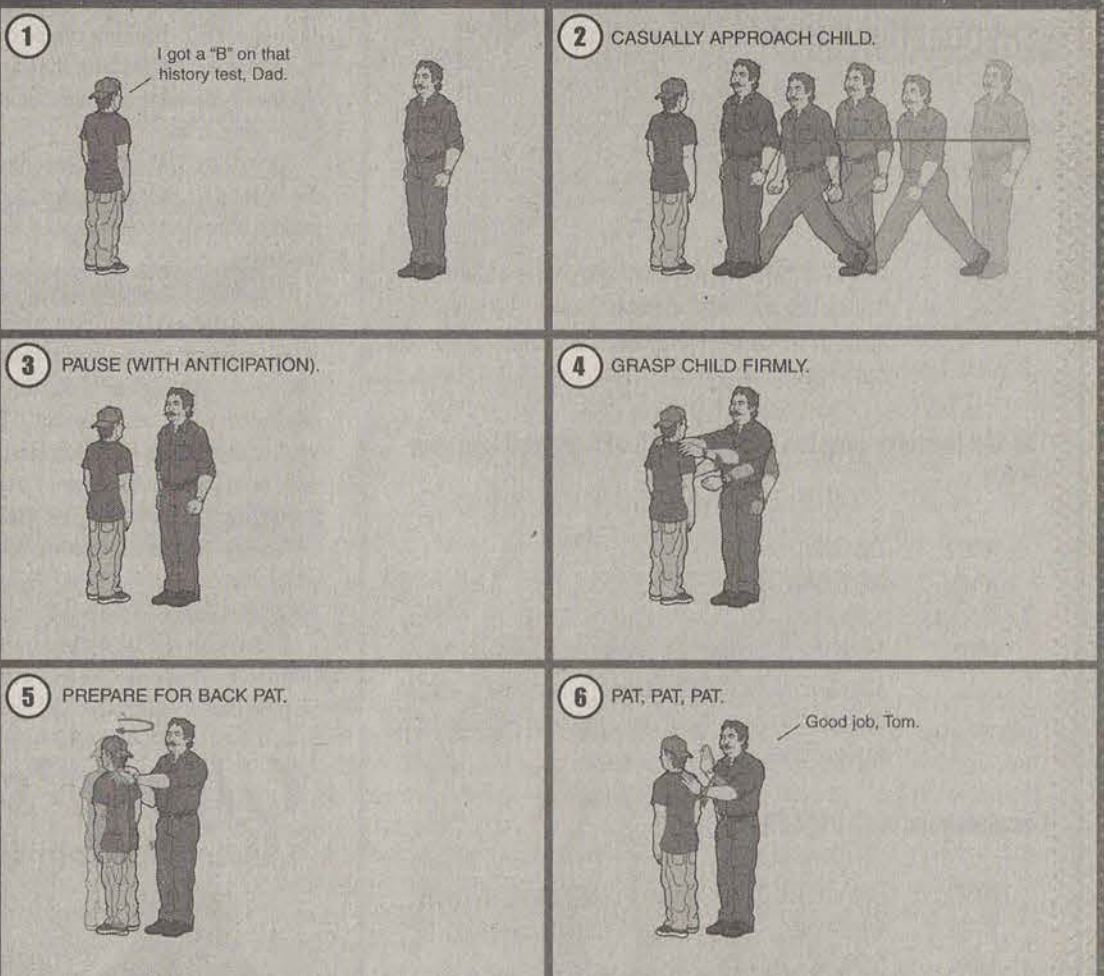
approach their fellow students in bars and such places with 'do you know what you are breathing in?'"

To aid in this, Unite Georgia has also placed messages everywhere students gather, such as in dorms, classrooms, and in recreational sites, so that students will continue to talk about this issue even after Unite Georgia has left their campus.

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GSU Rugby to host Black Rose Tournament

By Johnny Miami
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Finishing last year's USA Rugby Matrix season as one of the best teams in the south, the Southern Rugbys were one game away from the national sweet 16 tournament.

Hungry for another successful season, the GSU men's and women's teams will begin play at home as they host the 14th Annual Georgia Southern University Black Rose Rugby Tournament this weekend Feb. 7-9. Collegiate and city club teams

from all over the country come down to the Statesboro for some of the best rugby in the south to compete for the coveted Black Rose Trophy.

The tournament will begin with the captains meeting Friday night at Retriever's where the tourna-

ment brackets will be determined. Play will begin Saturday morning, with the championship and consolation games to be played on Sunday.

The GSU men's and women's teams will open their season Saturday morning, the men will face off against rival team, the Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets. The GSU women will face the University of Georgia Bulldogs. Other teams will be in attendance such as Clemson, South Carolina, Auburn, The Citadel, NC State, Virginia Military Institute, Alabama, Augusta, Savannah and many more.

The Southern Rugbys are led by team captians and All-South player and GRU captain Wessel Oosthuizen (George, South Africa) and GSU pack captain Brian Parton (Canton, GA).

The GSU team went undefeated in thier division (the Georgia Rugby Union) last year defeating teams such as Clemson, University of South Carolina, Georgia Tech, The Citadel and Auburn.

Eight of Southern Rugbys were invited to try out for the 2003 All-Georgia Team.

With many returning starters such as Travis Sprayberry, Terry Owens, Mitch "Pappy" Lynn, Augie Hale, Jonathan "Grog" Lenard, Jon "Froggy" Stevenson, Jacob Youngblood, Rich Shaw, Kelvin Cole, Tommy Farrar and Andrew Richards- the southern squad is stacked for another successful year.

"I am very proud to see how our team has grown and come together, I push them harder everyday and they respond with heart and desire to become a better team. We have put a lot of concentration on conditioning and playmaking, the players have been working hard in the classroom and on the field. We are most certainly a squad that

demands respect from any team that we will face this season," says coach Rick Stevens.

The GSU women's squad has had the difficult task of restarting a program that has been non-existent for many years. Every day they have been developing thier skills and improving as rugbys, they are quickly becoming a highly competitive squad.

Led by captains Jana Pedersen and Olivia Johnson, coach Farrar has high hopes for this season.

When asked about how exciting this years tournament is looking to be, Tournament Director Augie Hale had only positive things to say.

"It has been alot of hard work and fun putting the tournament together. The staff at the GSU RAC department have been very helpful to ensure a successful tournament. The teams are always eager to come to Southern and play because of the quality of the fields and staff that we have at the RAC, as well as the fun to be had Saturday night at the annual social that has been dubbed the Black Rose Bash (the largest social event of the year in Statesboro) which is held every year at Legends."

Hale would like to thank all those that help to sponsor the tournament, Will and the staff at Legends; Jason, Dana and the staff at Retriever's, Rick and the staff from Cloud Nine, Buffalo's, Mal-Ad Promotions, Brooks and the staff at Fast and Easy, The Ramada Inn, the 11th Hour and of course Steve, Willie, Noel and Jon at the GSU RAC.

Come on out and see all the exciting action at the GSU Rugby fields located between the RAC and Legends on Old Register Rd.

The rugby team will be hosting a Black Rose Social Saturday night at Legends beginning at 10 p.m.

ETSU stops Lady Eagles

G-A News Service

JOHNSON CITY, Tenn. - Adrienne Walker and Kiya Verdell each scored 19 points as ETSU defeated Georgia Southern 98-92 in Southern Conference action Monday night.

The Eagles scored their most points since defeating Savannah State 94-55 on November 27, 2001, but also surrendered the most since allowing 103 at ETSU on January 10, 2001.

Georgia Southern (13-7, 7-4 Southern Conference) held the lead until the 10:02 mark in the second half when B. J. Banjo hit the first of three second-half three-pointers to put ETSU up 68-67. After Kristy McCorkle answered with a trey to give GSU a 70-68 advantage, Kiya Verdell tied the score with a jumper.

East Tennessee State (7-13, 4-7 Southern Conference) went on an 11-0 run to increase its lead to 89-78 with 3:52 to go before McCorkle and Shawnica Hill hit two late threes to cut into the final margin.

Georgia Southern took its first lead briefly at 42-41 on two Lee DuBose free throws and extended the cushion on a Hill jumper before Lauren Trantham closed the GSU halftime advantage to 44-43 with a pair of free tosses.

The Eagles hit all 16 of their free throws in the first half and grabbed 16 offensive rebounds in the opening frame.

Hill led the Eagles with 25 points and a career-high 13 rebounds, while Jessica Everett matched her career-best with 20 points. Tiffany Lanier scored 14 points aided by 10-10 free throw shooting, while McCorkle added 11, all in the second half.

Georgia Southern returns to action Saturday, returning to Hanner Fieldhouse to take on College of Charleston beginning at 4:30 p.m. The game will serve as the opener of a doubleheader, as the GSU men will take on East Tennessee State at 7:30.



File Photo

The GSU Men's and Women's Rugby teams begin their 2003 seasons hosting the 14th Annual Georgia Southern University Black Rose Rugby Tournament this weekend.

February is Financial Aid Awareness Month

SCHEDULED EVENTS:

•Student Question and Answer Session

Where: The Union
When: Tuesday, February 11th
Time: 3:00 PM
WHY: Come talk to Financial Aid Representatives about your financial aid and how the process works. Ask questions about priority dates, HOPE, loans, and anything else you can think of!

•The SAP Mystery: How can you have a 4.0 GPA and still lose your HOPE??

Where: The Union
When: Wednesday, February 19th
Time: 3:00 PM
WHY: Come talk to Financial Aid Representatives about how to maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP), what to do if you don't and how it can affect your HOPE and other types of financial aid.

•Complete your 2003-2004 FAFSA On-line

Where: Financial Aid Office/Computer Center (Anderson Hall)
When: Wednesday, February 12th and Thursday, February 27th
Time: 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM
WHY: Complete your FAFSA by the March 31st priority deadline and assure that your aid will be in place by the time fees are due for Fall 2003. Financial Aid Representatives will be there to assist you with any questions you may have in submitting your FAFSA on-line.

•"MONEY FOR SUMMER" Information Tables

Where: Russell Union Commons
When: Tuesday, February 18th, 25th and Thursday, February 20th, 27th
Time: 12 Noon - 2:00 PM
WHY: Pick up Summer 2003 Financial Aid application and ask general financial aid questions

Eagles ready for start of season

Part two in a two part series

By Eli Boorstein
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Rodney Hennon has had plenty of success in his four years at the helm of the Georgia Southern baseball team.

However, Hennon readily admits that his success could not have come without the strong rosters he has had throughout his coaching career.

During the 2003 season, the Eagles can look forward to another deep, albeit young, team.

There are only four seniors on this season's roster, compared to 13 juniors, seven sophomores, and seven freshmen.

The biggest change from the 2002 campaign comes in the Eagle outfield, as all three of last season's starters are gone. Leftfielder J.R. Revere graduated while centerfielder Chris Walker and rightfielder Matt Herring were both taken in the Major League Baseball amateur draft. The Chicago Cubs took Walker in the sixth round while Herring went to the Chicago White Sox in the 11th round.

Even with the experience gone, Hennon believes that he has plenty of potential to fall back on with a

strong collection of holdovers and transfers.

"I feel like we've got some depth in the outfield," said Hennon. "We're still looking to see if any three guys can separate them from the rest of the group, but we feel good with the group that's out there."

As for the familiar faces, Georgia Southern returns three players from the outfield. Sophomore Trey Hunter, fresh off his second job as a quarterback on the Eagle football team, was 2-for-9 in 15 games in 2002. Sophomore Brandon Williams played in 25 games last season, collecting nine hits in 30 at-bats. Another returning player is sophomore James Payne, who was redshirted last season.

Redshirt freshman Stan Lyons will help out while three transfers also join the roster - Jason Hurst (Jacksonville), Brandon Long (Georgia), and Brent Stephens (Kentucky). Stephens' name might be familiar to Georgia Southern fans as his brother Darryl was an Eagle for two seasons. True freshman Mike Economos rounds out the outfield roster.

The Eagles might be able to count on Matt Hammond in the outfield later

in the season. Hammond suffered a shoulder injury before last season, confining him to the designated hitter spot in 2002, and is still suffering some lingering effects from the injury.

Moving into the infield, the Eagles lost their middle infielders in shortstop Jemel Spearman, who in June was drafted by the Cubs in the 16th round, and second baseman Chad Hall.

On the corners, the Eagles will be able to count on veteran leadership as Rocky Baker returns at third and Carlos Love comes back at first. Baker excelled not only at the plate, but also was a strong base runner, swiping 27 bases. Love, as well as Grant Burruss, will add power to first base. Second baseman Brandon Burned had an off year at the plate, but will bring some veteran leadership to the position.

Freshman Greg Dowling showed some pop at the plate during fall practice and could fight for some playing time at first base. North Carolina transfer Mickey Burgess and redshirt freshman Adam DeLoach will battle to be the starting shortstop.

Behind the plate, it will be the duo of Brendan Gilligan and A.J. Zickgraf splitting the time at catcher again. When one isn't catching, they can just as easily be inserted into the lineup as the designated hitter.

On the mound, there's another strong collection of arms to help guide the Eagles to victory. Leading the way is junior right-hander Dennis Dove, who will be counted on to help lead this year's staff. Junior Brian Rogers pitched well last year with a 7-4 record, but really prospered in the prestigious Cape Cod League during the summer.

Rogers was a perfect 4-0 with the Orleans Cardinals, putting up a miniscule 0.40 ERA, allowing just two earned runs in 45 innings of work. He also had a chance to start the Cape Cod All-Star Game. For Rogers, the experience worked wonders in helping him improve his pitching game.



"It boosted my confidence pitching against the top players in the nation," said the Marietta native.

Sophomore Brian Harrison figures to be the third starter for the Eagles after an injury-riddled freshman campaign. Rounding out the rotation will be Kevin Culpepper and Scott Tolbert, who could both see some time in relief, too.

Out of the bullpen, Georgia Southern should be strong, led by senior Jason Cadenhead. Cadenhead, the only fourth-year player on the pitching staff, will likely retain his spot as the closer after saving nine games last season. An intriguing prospect will be junior college transfer Steve Cogswell, who was the top junior college closer in the nation with 15 saves and a 3-0 record at Indian Hills Community College. Junior southpaw Mike Thompson had a rocky 2002 season after transferring in from Charlotte, but should come back to form. Georgia transfer Brandon Woods and true freshman John Carroll will add to the depth of the pitching staff.

Missing from last year is Jared Comstock who, after a strong 2002 season, will be sitting out this season following Tommy John surgery.

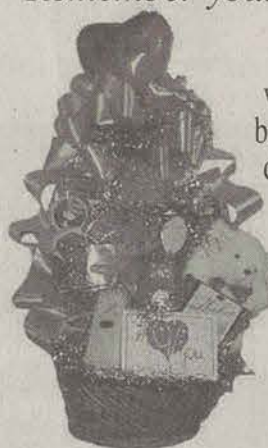
Even with the loss of Comstock, Hennon sees good things coming out of his pitching staff this year.

"This has a chance to be a quality staff," said Hennon. "Other than [Comstock], everybody's healthy and has the capability of putting together a good year for us."

The fans will get to see just how the season starts out this weekend against the Morris Brown Wolverines. The action will kick off with a Saturday doubleheader beginning at 1 p.m. with a single game on Sunday at 1 p.m.

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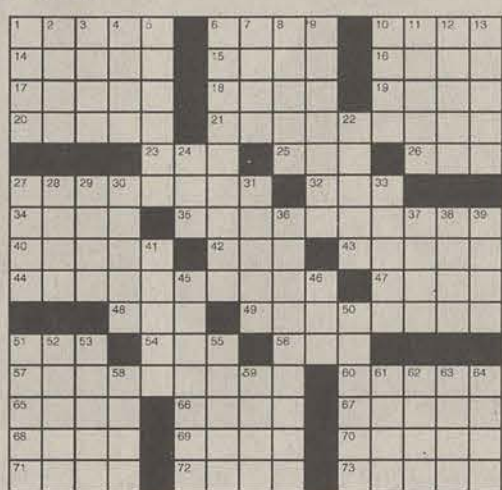


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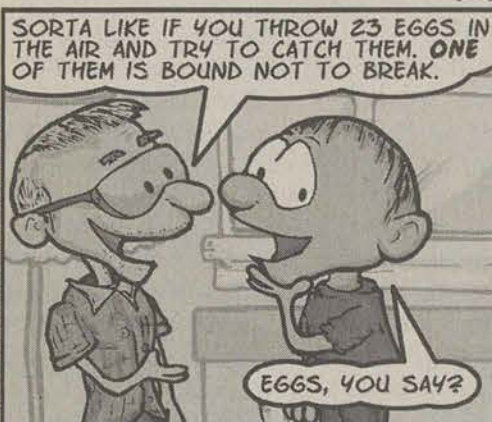


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CD Review:

ZWAN: 'Mary Star of the Sea'

By Stephen Cunningham
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When the Smashing Pumpkins broke up a couple years back many wondered if it was an end to Billy Corgan and his music genius. But after a year of hibernation, Corgan has come back with his semi-new band Zwan (formed in 2001). If you liked the Smashing Pumpkins then you will most likely like Zwan because they do carry the same style.

This CD has Corgan written all over it, although if one looks on the inside cover he only looks as a producer because his name is not on the list of "True Poets of Zwan".

The first song on the, "Lyric," has a catchy beat that creates instant head bobbing and shoulder moving actions. If one has heard the Smashing Pumpkins song "Perfect" it sounds similar to that without the "dance

beat" behind it.

"Perfect" it sounds similar to that without the "dance beat" behind it, this song focuses on its guitars. The next song "Settle Down" is kind of literal because it really does drop down the energy of the CD, although if one looks to keep the energy that is made with the "Lyric" might skip "Settle Down" and the next track "Declaration of Faith" to the first single of this album, "Honestly", which brings back that energy that we missed.

"El Sol" sustains the energy of "Honestly" and keeps a driving beat. This song would be excellent trip music, and if you make a mixed tape for a long drive, this song would be great for you.

"Of a Broken Heart" slows the album down, but since it uses an acoustic guitar it makes you focus more on the lyrics. These, like most Smashing

Pumpkins lyrics, make some wonder "What do they mean exactly?"

"Ride a Black Swan" brings back the guitar to the Zwan sound. "Heart Song" turns back to the soft sound, which can inspire the head bob. "Endless Summer" starts off like it came from old school pumpkins, but it changes the sound slightly to like an 80's inspired song similar to something from the movie, "The Breakfast club."

"Baby Let's Rock!" seems to be a hand stretching out to the TRL audience, and this is not to say that Corgan is marketing this song to the prepubescent audience, but it is awfully queer for Billy Corgan to say "Baby Let's Rock!". "Yeah!" seems to be more in the comfort level of Corgan.

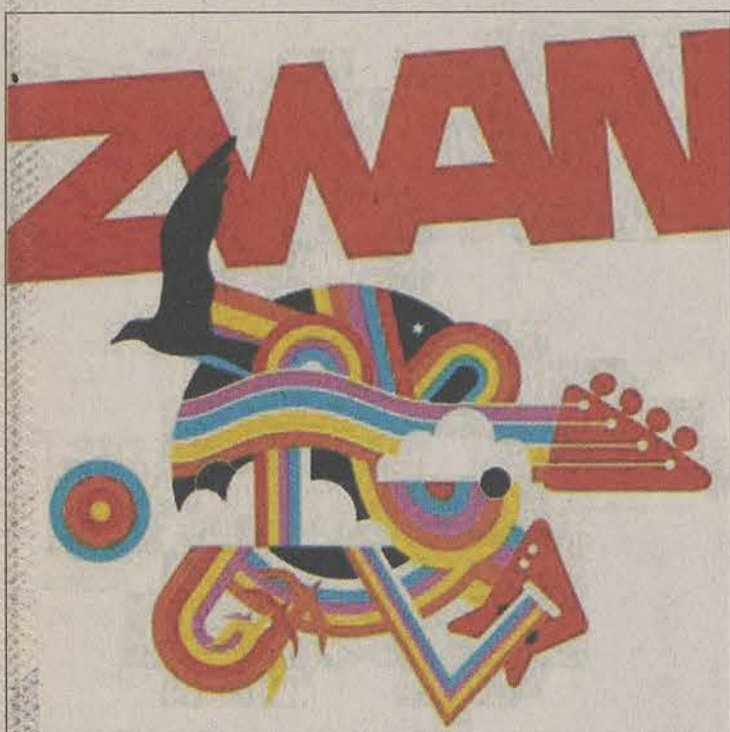
"Jesus, I/Mary Star of the Sea" keeps the guitar low and lets the attention focus on Corgan's voice. Then about a quarter of the way through the song the guitars pick back up and it goes to being a little more heavy. Only about four minutes of the fourteen minute song have lyrics so the rest of it is somewhat an instrumental. "Come With Me" sounds like Bruce Springsteen's "Dancing in the Dark", the lyrics are different, but I can't get over how similar they sound. Hopefully, Corgan will not get sued for the similarity.

Overall, this album is great, I see great radio potential for the success of "Honestly," "Lyrics," and "El Sol."

This is a great release for someone breaking off of a legendary band like the Smashing Pumpkins.

Maybe the reason why Zwan has so much success is because it is like the second birth of the Smashing Pumpkins, except these guys play their instruments better.

Zwan seems to have a great chemistry and if you are a fan of the Smashing Pumpkins then definitely buy this album.



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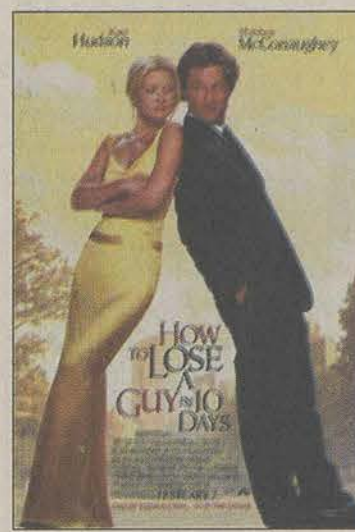
Zwan's new album, 'Mary Star of the Sea,' combines some of the old Smashing Pumpkins sound with a fresh creative style.

In Theaters this Weekend



Deliver us from Eva

LL Cool J stars in this off beat romantic comedy from the same director that brought you 'The Brothers', here c about a 'ladies man' who is paid \$5,000 by three brothers, to romance and then get rid of their always-meddling sister-in-law, played by Gabrielle Union...but the brothers are surprised by what happens next.



How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days

Being a ladies man is a recurring theme this weekend at the box office, such is the case when Matthew McConaughey makes a bet with his friends that he can get a girl for more than 10 days. Unluckily for him the only girl he has every real fell for, played by Kate Hudson, he really falls for just happens to try and get rid of him almost immediately.



Shanghai Knights

Jackie Chan and Owen Wilson are back in the saddle together again, but this time with a royal twist. Our wild west cowboys this time, make a trip across the pond to jolly old England to thwart an attempt to murder the Royal family. With the help of faithful sidekick and his sister, among others, Chon gives Britain a kick in the pants that she will never forget.

Bands in the 'Boro

Jason Marcum

Renaissance Man is an understatement to describe this performer since the age of four. Marcum, a one-man band plays instruments ranging from the guitar and piano to cello and now he is mastering his most important one, his Voice. The show is Saturday, February 8.

Retrievers- 1 University Plaza, 681-2444: Exactus

This Charleston based band, which has shared the stage with the likes of Sister Hazel, The Rosenbergs and Jupiter Coyote, will be at Retrievers tonight. Let these six musicians move you with their smooth rock and roll style on Friday, February 7.

Where's the Place to be? Here's where some of the local favorites are playing this weekend.

Legends - 3787 Old Register Rd, 871-5349: 17th Floor

The band 17th Floor has been astounding audiences since the early 90's with their impressive blend of hip-hop and rap music. 17th Floor has performed with such acts as MC Hammer, Boyz II Men, and TLC. 17th Floor performs Friday, February 7.

Buffalos- 120 Lanier Drive, 681-3030: Clouded Minds

Jamey Woods, a Statesboro favorite, with his Band, Clouded minds, will perform at Buffalos tonight. The band covers a variety of styles with a few surprises here and there. Check the guys out Friday, February 7



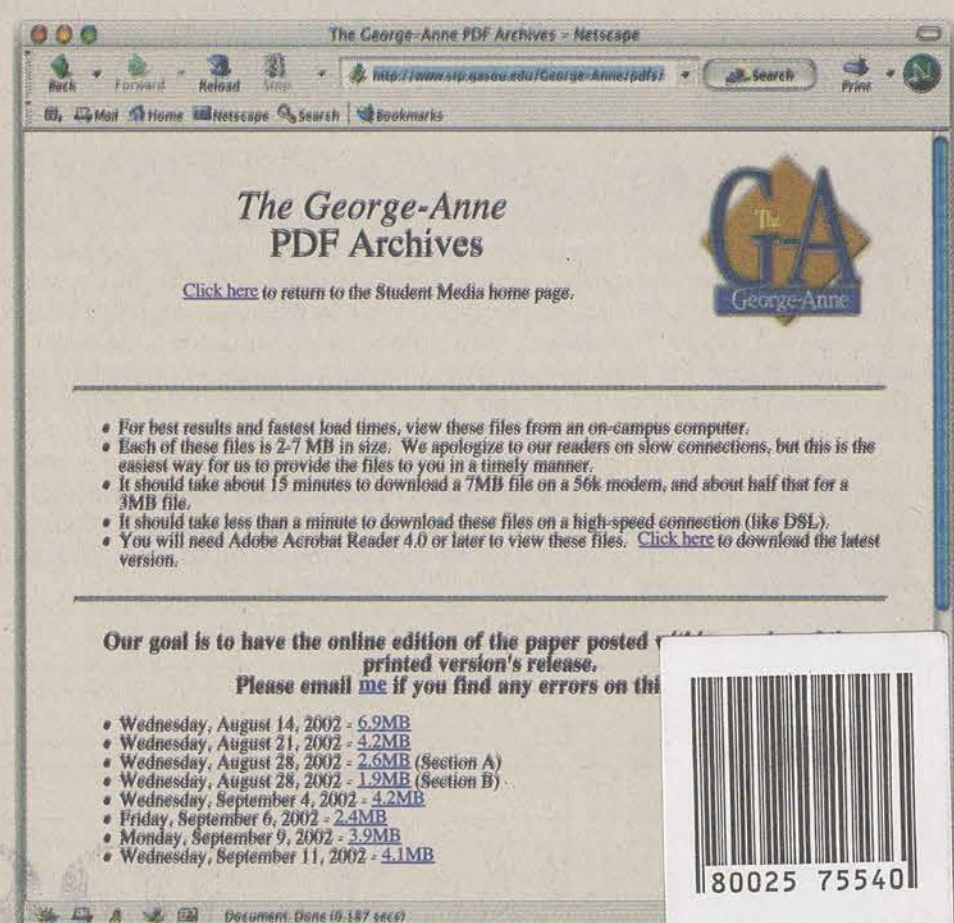
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Jason Marcum brings his act to Buffalos Saturday.

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Interview with Andrew W. K.

Part Two of a two-part series

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In the second part of his interview with GSU Music Director Nuwan Piyasena, Andrew W. K. talks about his upcoming album and the controversial cover to "I Get Wet."

Nuwan: What can we expect from the new album? Is it going to be a change up from the last?

Andrew: I was just talking to a dude about this last night. The possibility of changing, especially in terms of changing style, is impossible. It cannot be done. It would be [similar] if someone told you, "I want you to have a different style of living and not eat anymore."

So what's going to come in the next album is just more. We've committed to this. This is what we do. There is no changing, or switching around, or leaving it alone. This is what we do and to not do that would be an absolute disgrace.

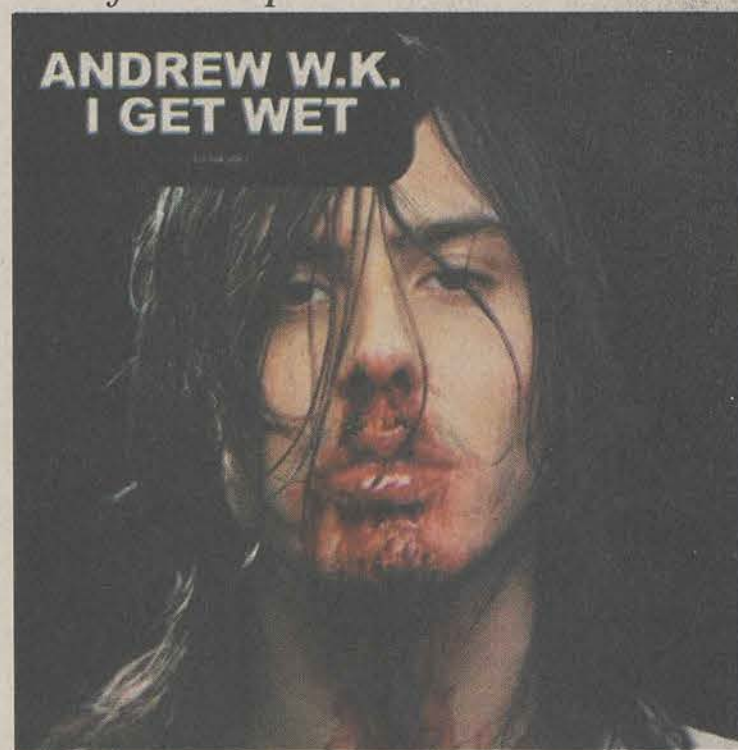
Nuwan: The album cover for "I Get Wet" obviously has been under a lot of scrutiny from the media. What is the true story behind the album cover?

Andrew: Well I was in New York, and that was when I was playing more concerts and I started meeting all these people.

One of these guys I met was a photographer, and he was the first person I met that was a professional photographer. He was a younger guy, older than me, but wasn't my dad's age or anything. He took pictures for New York Times magazine, and big fancy stuff. I liked his pictures because they looked real sharp and clear. Like out of a movie, real cinematic, and you felt like you were there.

I said, "I think I want to have this guy take a picture for me." I thought about a lot of things to do for it. Time went on and eventually I came back and said that I really wanted to do this. I said that I wanted to have a black background, good lighting, and have a picture of my face.

I had planned on having a picture of me with a bloody nose, and initially it wasn't going to be for this album. I just wanted to have the picture, and I



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Andrew W. K.'s controversial album cover proves that he rocks so hard it hurts.

wasn't entirely sure how I was going to go about it at that point.

I decided that I wanted it to all be real blood, but still wasn't sure how I was going to achieve that. I prepared for it without telling [the photographer] because I didn't want him to be surprised or have any idea about it.

There was this thing that they used to hold the door open at my apartment building in New York. It looked to me like a broken cinder block, and they would use it in the door. So I took that and I went to a butcher shop, and in New York you get pretty much whatever you want.

I went into a bigger butcher shop that actually looked like a meatpacking place, and asked if they had animal blood that I could buy. They didn't even charge me for it. I think he said it was pigs blood or something like that. So I took that and the brick and went to the photographer's house.

We took about 20 pictures, and I said, "I'm going to go to the bathroom and I'll be right back". I went in there, took three big deep breaths, and just hit myself with that piece of concrete. Pretty much as hard as I could I think.

I'm sure I could have hit harder, but I'm glad I didn't. Getting hit in the nose, or the face in general, is some of the worst pain in the world, but I was real focused.

You can see looking at the picture that it bled pretty much down to my chin and just ended. Of course I had envisioned this bloody mess running all the way down my pants, which didn't happen. There wasn't that much blood. It just bled into my mouth, and wasn't what I wanted. I ended up using that animal's blood on my neck. I decided that was how I would get the image. So it's kinda half my blood, and half the blood of some pig. All real blood, though.

After that, I didn't feel real good, and we took four pictures. One of them was really good and we ended up using it for the album. I've seen it so many times now and I still think it's awesome.

I really like it, but it doesn't mean anything. There is no message or meaning to it. It's not trying to prove anything. It's not making a statement about me or young people. It's just a picture of a person with a bloody nose.