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Hundreds of thousands of anti-war protesters rally near United Nations headquarters in New York Saturday to oppose a threatened U.S.-led strike against Iraq.

Anti-war demonstrators fill 20 blocks in NYC, gather by thousands in other U.S. cities

Associated Press

NEW YORK – Anti-war demonstrators poured into the streets north of the United Nations headquarters Saturday, filling in police-barricaded zones for more than 20 blocks as singers and actors energized the banner-waving crowd.

"Peace! Peace! Peace! Let America listen to the rest of the world – and the rest of the world is saying: 'Give the inspectors

time," South Africa's Bishop Desmond Tutu said after an ecumenical service at a church across from the United Nations.

The streets around the U.N. headquarters were mostly empty but for police as demonstrators were kept several blocks to the north after city officials denied a permit request to march along First Avenue past the U.N. complex, but that didn't keep the crowds from coming.

New York City Police wouldn't

provide an estimate of the numbers, but organizers hoped to draw at least 100,000 people.

Well over a million demonstrators in cities across the country and around the world – many in the capitols of America's traditional allies – came together Saturday in protest of U.S. military action against Iraq.

In Rome, protesters waved rainbow "peace" flags, while participants

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Mass marches in London, Rome, Berlin and Damascus, clashes in Athens on day of global protest

Associated Press

LONDON – Millions of protesters – many of them marching in the capitals of America's allies – demonstrated Saturday against U.S. plans to attack Iraq.

In a global outpouring of anti-war sentiment, Rome claimed the biggest turnout – 1 million according to police, while organizers claimed three times that figure.

In London, at least 750,000 joined in the city's biggest demonstration ever, police said. Berlin had up to half a million on the streets and Paris was estimated to have had up to 100,000.

London's marchers hoped – in the words of keynote speaker Rev. Jesse Jackson – to "turn up the heat" on Prime Minister Tony Blair, who has been Europe's biggest supporter of U.S. President George Bush's tough Iraq policy.

Rome's legions were showing their disagreement with Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi's support for Bush, while demonstrators in Paris and Berlin backed the skeptical stances of their governments.

"What I would say to Mr. Blair is stop toadying up to the Americans and listen to your own people, us, for once," said Elsie Hinks, 77, who marched in London with her husband Sidney, a retired Church of England priest.

"You don't fight terrorism with a preventive war," said Tommaso



KRT Campus

Florida State University student Kelsey Fowler fills in the last part of her sign that reads "Make Love not War" during an anti-war rally in the park along Monroe Street and Park Avenue on Saturday, February 15, in Tallahassee, Florida.

Palladini, 56, who traveled from Milan to Rome. "You fight terrorism by creating more justice in the world."

Several dozen marchers from Genoa held up pictures of Iraqi artists. "We're carrying these photos to show the other face of the Iraqi people that the TV doesn't show," said Giovanna Marenzana, 38.

Several leaders of German

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CITY	#
Rome	1,000,000
London	750,000
Berlin	500,000
Paris	100,000
Oslo	60,000
Brussels	50,000
Stockholm	35,000
Seville	60,000
Bern	40,000
Glasgow	30,000
Copenhagen	25,000
Vienna	15,000
Amsterdam	10,000
Cape Town	5,000
Johannesburg	4,000
Tokyo	5,000
Dhaka	2,000
Prague	500
Damascus	200,000
Kiev	2,000
Canberra	3,000
Toulouse	10,000
Mostar	100
Cyprus	500
Athens	3,000

New dean appointed to GSU's College of Science and Technology

Special to the G-A

Anny Morrobel-Sosa has been appointed dean of the Allen E. Paulson College of Science and Technology at Georgia Southern University.

Morrobel-Sosa is currently the interim associate vice provost for academic services and professor of materials engineering at California Polytechnic State University in San Luis Obispo, Calif. She will begin her new job at Georgia Southern on July 1.

"Dr. Morrobel-Sosa's experience and administrative skills are exactly what is needed to lead the College to its next level of excellence," said Vaughn Vandegrift, the University's provost and vice president of academic affairs. "We are very pleased to welcome this talented administrator to the University community."

Morrobel-Sosa received her bachelor of science in physics and chemistry from the University of Puerto Rico, a master of science in physical chemistry from the State University of New York at Stony Brook and a Ph.D. in physical chemistry from the University of Southern California.

Morrobel-Sosa has held faculty



Special Photo

Dr. Anny Morrobel-Sosa has a M.S. and Ph.D. in physical chemistry, and has vast experience in teaching and administration.

positions at the University of Alabama, Pacesetter Inc., Los Alamos National Laboratory and the Space Science Laboratory. She has taught a broad array of courses in chemistry, physics and materials engineering. She is the

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In Georgia, flaggers won't give up Confederate emblem

KRT Campus

SMYRNA, Ga. – To meet a real flagger, head north out of Atlanta to one of the towns where McMansions are starting to outnumber pine trees, and you might see Dan Coleman gliding around in his BMW, with a Confederate insignia on his license tag and a toothpick between his lips.

In Smyrna, Coleman nudged the accelerator and pointed to a patch of land that he owns. It'll be worth big bucks soon, because the sprawl is heading that way. For now it's bare, except for the pipes from an old gas station – and a flagpole that features the old Georgia state flag, with its big Confederate battle emblem, rippling in the winter wind.

Coleman won't yank it down just because the politicians decided in 2001 that the Confederate emblem was racist. They designed a new flag that stresses the state seal, but for Coleman and his compatriots, the "real" flag still flies in their hearts, and when the Sons of Confederate Veterans hold their meetings, for example, they chant: "I pledge allegiance to the real Georgia flag, and to the principles for which it stands."

"It's the soldier's flag," said Coleman, who helps car dealers collect

their payments. "It was the state flag since 1956, and to be pulled down in such a disrespectful manner was to dishonor the men who suffered so much in the war. We're just everyday people, you know, but suddenly Southerners like us are the big bad bogeymen, the only people that it's now politically correct to attack. There's this bigotry against us, that anything Southern is wrong."

Or maybe it's the idea that anything associated with slavery is wrong. In some Southern states, students are being sent home for wearing Confederate T-shirts (don't get Coleman started on that), and, in South Carolina, the NAACP is urging a tourism boycott because that state flies a Confederate flag on the Capitol lawn. No wonder the flag's defenders have been called to action.

Indeed, the Georgia flaggers – tens of thousands of them, lawyers and estate planners and financial advisers, not just stereotypical good old boys – are wielding clout these days. They've become a major headache for the Atlanta business and civil rights leaders who have long labored to craft a more progressive state image – and

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GEORGIA STATE FLAGS THROUGHOUT HISTORY



Before 1879



1906-1920



1879-1902



1920-1956



1902-1906



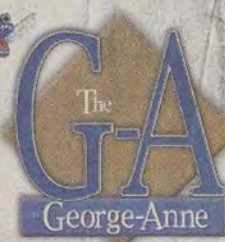
1956-2001



2001-Present

Special Photos

ON THE INSIDE:



Covering the campus like a swarm of gnats

Weather

Monday



Cloudy with a high of 60°F and a low of 41°F.

Tuesday



Cloudy with a high of 63°F and a low of 40°F.

Opinions

- Adam Brady decides to listen to the world when it speaks.
- The president of the College of Charleston writes that universities need to use creative methods for overcoming the problems caused by budget cuts.

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Sports

- GSU Baseball falls in a double-header to Georgia Tech, 8-1 and 8-3.
- GSU Men's Tennis takes a loss to Mercer, 5-2.
- Lady Eagles defeat UNC Greensboro, 64-48

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Lifestyles

- A superhero story gets a cinematic Hollywood twist in 'Daredevil.'
- 'Two Towns of Jasper,' a documentary about the racially-motivated murder of James Byrd, Jr., shows in the Russell Union theater before a Racial Healing workshop.

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Southern Events

MEN'S SOCCER

• VMI at GSU
September 28, 1 p.m.

GSU MUSEUM

• "Making Champions: Sports at Georgia Southern University" - ends Sept. 2



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It is a desire of The George-Anne to print the news of Georgia Southern University as accurately as possible. If you believe that something covered is in error, contact the editor at 681-5246 as soon as possible.

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

Campus Calendar

Feb. 17

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

Faculty & Guest Artist

Recital

Carol A. Carter Recital Hall
8 p.m.

Feb. 18

Focus on Excellence

lecture

Featuring Donald Drapalik
GSU Museum
4 p.m.

Baseball

Georgia State at Georgia Southern
4 p.m.

Men's Basketball

Davidson at Georgia Southern
7:30 p.m.

Senior Recital

Carol A. Carter Recital Hall
8 p.m.

Feb. 19

Baseball

Georgia State at Georgia Southern
4 p.m.

Feb. 19 - 22

'The Matchmaker'

Performing Arts Center
8 p.m.

For tickets, call ext. 7999.

Feb. 21

Softball

Alabama State at Georgia Southern
3 p.m.

Arbor Day observance

The Botanical Garden is hosting an Arbor Day Observance on Friday, Feb. 21, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Arbor Day is a time to encourage tree planting and care and to remind everyone of the importance of trees in our lives as well as the environment. The Garden will be giving away bare-root dogwood and crepe myrtle trees (while supplies last) and providing information on tree care. For more information, contact the Garden at ext. 1149.

Feb. 22

Softball

Troy State at Georgia Southern
Noon

Feb. 23

Guest Alumna Recital

Carol A. Carter Recital Hall
4 p.m.

Feb. 24

General Student Recital

Carol A. Carter Recital Hall
1 p.m.

Women's Basketball

Davidson at Georgia Southern
5 p.m.

Men's Basketball

Chattanooga at Georgia Southern
7:30 p.m.

Feb. 25-27

Career Awareness and Student Involvement Week

Career Awareness and Student Involvement Week will be held Tuesday, Feb. 25, through Thursday, Feb. 27. Special workshops are scheduled to create an awareness of career-related issues and student involvement. Highlighting the week is the Franklin-Covey "7 Habits of Highly Effective People" seminars. Stephen R. Covey, founder and chairman of Franklin-Covey, Co., brings the principles taught in "7 Habits of Highly Effective People" to life in this powerful workshop. It is sponsored by Inspire and the Center for Student Leadership Development. The work-

shop will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 26, at 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. in the Russell Union, Room 2048.

Feb. 26

Dining For Success

During the Dining For Success and Dress For Success Fashion Show students will learn appropriate dining etiquette by gaining practical experience with a five-course meal. It will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 26, from 6 - 8:30 p.m. in the Union Ballroom.

Feb. 27

Career Fair

Career Services will host the Eagle Expo Career Fair Thursday, Feb. 27, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the RAC. This event is an excellent way for students and faculty to meet companies recruiting for internships and employment. Employers from a wide variety of fields have registered to attend the event. For the participant list contact Career Services at ext. 5197 or visit its web page at www2.gasou.edu/sta/career.

Police Beat

02-13-2003

• A wallet was reported missing from a room in Johnson Hall.

• Officers issued two traffic warnings.

• Officers assisted two motorists and one sick person.

-All Police Beat information is compiled by Lucrecia Johnson, assistant news editor.

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M: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., 3 - 5 p.m.
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

M-R: 10 a.m. - 10 p.m.

F: 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

STATISTICS

M: 10 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

T: 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.

W: 3:30 - 7 p.m.

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.

PHYSICS

M: 12 - 3 p.m., 7 - 10 p.m.

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

M, T, R: 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

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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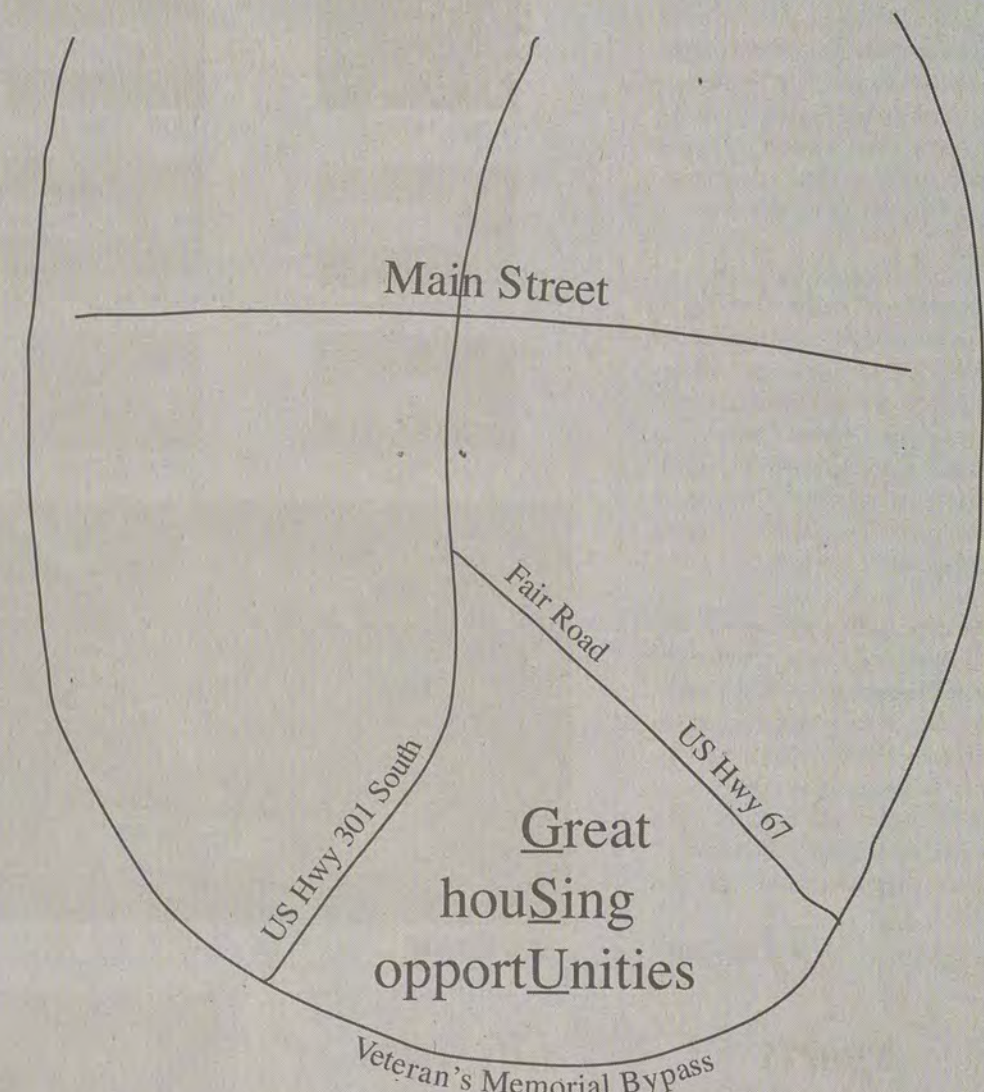
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News Briefs

Oprah Winfrey donating \$5 million to historically black Morehouse

Associated Press

ATLANTA — Oprah Winfrey will donate \$5 million to Morehouse College, the school announced.

The talk show host's pledge came as Morehouse launched its largest-ever fund-raising campaign, hoping to receive at least \$105 million by 2006.

Winfrey, who had previously donated \$1 million to the historically black college, is the school's top donor.

President Walter Massey said Morehouse will use the money to offer more scholarships, upgrade the campus and make the college more competitive.

"Our mantra has been that we want to be considered among the finest liberal arts colleges in the country while still remaining the college of choice for African-American men," Massey said Friday.

division, Markus Lyra, confirmed the report.

"We did not answer it (the request) at all, and there have been no further discussions," Lyra was quoted as saying. "It is not our field."

"One wonders, whether it was intended simply for propaganda or similar purposes," he added.

Foreign ministry officials were unavailable for comment Saturday.

Clinton to speak at Twin Cities synagogue

Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Former President Bill Clinton will visit the Twin Cities in April to speak at Beth El Synagogue in St. Louis Park.

"He's a world leader, he's an ex-president, he's a charismatic political figure, and we just thought it was a great opportunity," said Marlys Badzin, program chairwoman of Beth El's annual fundraiser.

The speech is scheduled for April 13.

In 2001, Clinton earned \$9.2 million giving 59 talks for fees ranging from \$28,100 to \$350,000, according to disclosure reports. Badzin declined to divulge how much he will be paid for his April speech.

Neither the time nor the topic of Clinton's speech have been determined. Tickets will go on sale next week for \$25 to \$100. Major contributors will be invited to a dinner with Clinton before the talk.

Pakistani leader tells Bush war is not 'good option' in Iraq

Associated Press

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — Pakistan's leader told U.S. President George W. Bush in a telephone conversation that while Iraq must comply with U.N. disarmament demands, war

is "not a good option," Pakistan's Foreign Ministry said in a statement released Saturday.

Bush called President Gen. Pervez Musharraf on Friday to discuss the U.N. Security Council debate over the Iraq situation. Pakistan currently holds one of the 15 council seats.

"The president emphasized that while it was agreed that Saddam Hussein had to fully comply with the U.N. resolutions, war was not a good option," the statement said. Pakistan, a U.S. ally in the war on terror, has repeatedly called for a peaceful resolution of the Iraq crisis.

The statement said Musharraf also spoke to Saudi Crown Prince Abdullah about the Iraq situation. The two men agreed on the need to avoid war and explore "all possible avenues" for a peaceful settlement, it said.

Aretha Franklin assisting with arson investigation

Associated Press

PONTIAC, Michigan — Singer Aretha Franklin has met with prosecutors investigating an arson fire that destroyed her \$1.8 million mansion in suburban Detroit.

Franklin appeared Friday with her attorney, Saul Green, and answered every question asked of her during the 2 1/2-hour meeting, prosecutor Deborah Carley said.

Prosecutors have stressed that Franklin is not a suspect in the Oct. 25 fire that destroyed the 10,000-square-foot (900-square-meter) home in Bloomfield Township, about 20 miles (32 kilometers) northwest of Detroit.

Franklin's son, Edward Franklin, and security guard Tyrone Jarrett Sr. appeared for depositions Monday. Edward Franklin's attorney said his client invoked his Fifth Amendment right to avoid self-incrimination.

In January, prosecutors subpoenaed Franklin, her son, Jarrett, and family friend Dr. George West. West is expected to meet with prosecutors in coming weeks.

Report: Iraq asked Finland for information about anthrax

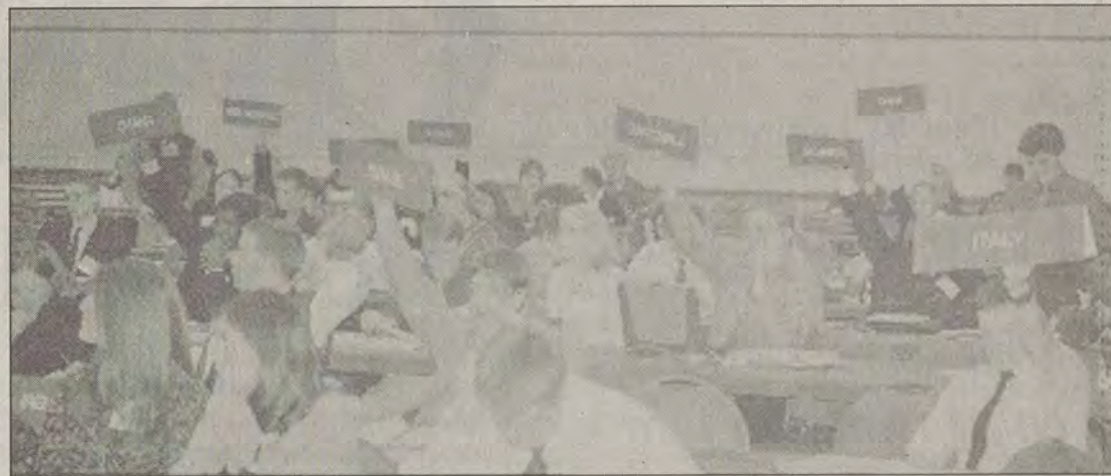
Associated Press

HELSINKI, Finland — The Iraqi Embassy in Helsinki sought information about anthrax from the foreign ministry in October, Finnish media reported Saturday.

The query — reportedly lodged about a month before the return of U.N. weapons inspectors to Baghdad — sought suitable methods "for the early detection of anthrax," the *Ilta-Sanomat* newspaper reported.

The request also concerned "ways of protecting against anthrax, as well as methods, procedures and equipment needed for decontamination," the tabloid said.

Ilta-Sanomat said that the head of the foreign ministry's political



Kevin Goreham/STAFF

High school students from all over Georgia and South Carolina met at GSU last week for the 32nd Annual GSU Model United Nations.

Model United Nations meets at GSU

Special to the G-A

Approximately 325 high school students/delegates met at GSU Feb. 13 — 15 to caucus and debate a variety of current international issues for the 32nd Annual Georgia Southern University High School Model United Nations. The

delegates came from 21 schools throughout Georgia and South Carolina.

The meetings began at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, Feb. 13, at the Russell Union on the GSU campus. Meetings and discussions ran all day and into the evening on Thurs-

day and Friday, and wrapped up at noon on Saturday.

The Model United Nations meeting is sponsored by GSU's Department of Political Science, Center for International Studies, and Division of Continuing Education and Public Service.

Dr. Jallow moderates 'The State of Black America'

By Shana Bridges
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Students and faculty packed Russell Union room 2084 Tuesday evening, eager to investigate "The State of Black America."

Dr. Saba Jallow, chair and director of the Center for Africana Studies, moderated a panel that consisted of seven people from around the university and the Statesboro community.

The panelists spoke on topics relevant to the present state of Black America. Some of the issues addressed included politics, economics, voting rights, apathy, healthcare, gender, entrepreneur-

ship, and the importance of acknowledging and understanding history.

Each panelist presented his or her platform before Dr. Jallow opened the floor for audience questions. Each panelist was given an opportunity to offer their own response to each question.

The panelists were as follows: Dr. Lori Amy, Director of the Center for Women and Gender Studies; Dr. Kent Guion, associate dean of the Department of Health and Kinesiology; Ms. LaMeisha Hunter, city planner for the City of Statesboro; Ms. Aziza el-Shair, vice president of the Black Student Alliance at

GSU; Mr. Latavious Powell, chancellor of Delta Sigma Pi at GSU; Mr. Cleve White, owner of Franklin White Nissan of Statesboro; and Dr. Alfred Young, professor in the Department of History.

"History isn't repeating itself," Dr. Young said. "But we have to look at the past to understand the present."

He also stated that although history does not repeat itself, it does reveal certain patterns necessary for examination.

"If America had lived up to its creed [equality], then we would not be having this discussion," he said.

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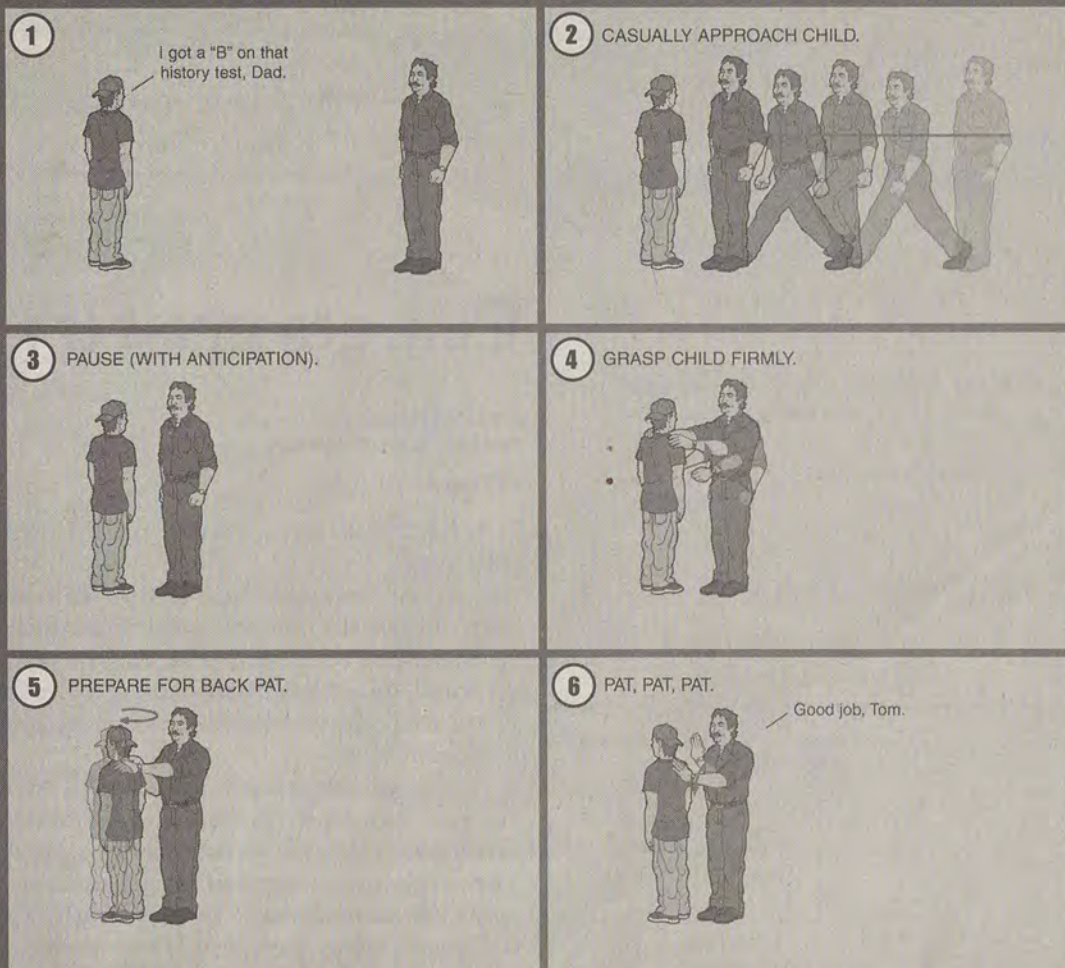
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OPINIONS

OUR OPINION

Your terrorist alert color is in absentia

In today's edition of *The George-Anne*, you will find no orange box warning you all of the terrorist alert level in our country or on our campus.

Unlike the major news corporations, we refuse to scare you out of your wits and then tell you that really, you have nothing to fear. No, if we were going to have you terrorized by the threat of terror, we would not tell you that you should still go about your daily routine as if we had achieved a level of peace unknown even to the Canadians.

We would only run this piece of propaganda if we felt that you should stay in your dorms, in your apartments, or on the basement level of the library.

Is it a coincidence that on the eve of the weekend during which millions of Americans would express their opposition to a war effort in Iraq that our government increases the terrorist scare level?

Is it mere chance that at a time when Americans of all walks of life simply cannot justify to themselves the idea of war that the U.S. government attempts to increase our fear with some meaningless orange box on a terrorist color spectrum?

We think not.

We would like to congratulate the great number of Americans who did leave their homes yesterday to participate in protests all over the country.

And European dissent must also be acknowledged. Thousands marched in Paris, Madrid, and all points between. At least one million people united on the streets of Rome in protest.

Allow Rome to set an example for the rest of the world — for Americans especially. Let's hope all roads really do lead to the ancient Italian city.

Voices of dissent should be heard

When a few million people from around the world all start saying the same thing, maybe it's time to listen.

This past weekend, thousands of people from all different countries, nationalities and cultures met in many more than just a handful of cities to simultaneously stand together and cry out to all those watching in a single figurative voice.

Their message was simple enough for anyone speaking any language to understand: "Peace."

At least a million people marched in the Italian capital of Rome, 500,000 in Berlin, and 100,000 in Paris. Ironically, our only ally in the situation with Iraq, Britain, had the second highest number of demonstrators with 750,000 protesters marching in London. Actually, make that 860,000 from British Isles — Dublin saw another 80,000 in its streets, and Glasgow 30,000 more.

And those are just the big numbers in Europe.

Between the cities of Oslo, Brussels, Stockholm, Seville, Bern, Copenhagen, Vienna, Amsterdam, Prague, Kiev, Cyprus, Toulouse and Athens, a grand total of 668,500 more demonstrators marched in protest of war with Iraq. But it wasn't just the European continent that played host to activists.

In the South African cities of Cape Town and Johannesburg, 9,000 gathered in protest. In Tokyo, 5,000 more took to the streets. The Syrian city of Damascus had a humble gathering of 200,000, and in Dhaka, Bangladesh 2,000 turned out to express anti-war sentiment.

But it doesn't end there.

In Canberra, Australia, 3,000 citizens turned out in protest. Which makes it the second most ironic incidence when taking into account Australia's recent pledge of 2,000 troops to the war effort — if the situation goes that far.

And in the little Bosnian city of Mostar, 100 men and women gathered in the streets in disapproval. At this point, you may be asking yourself why 100 people gathering in some tiny city halfway across the world complaining about our drive toward war really matter.

ADAM BRADY



Check your history books.

There's been enough dissent between the ethnic divisions in the Bosnian area since World War I to leave the air tense enough to cut with an already bloodied knife.

The weekend's protests brought together peaceably both Muslims and Croats — for the first time the communities have acted together in seven years.

Over all, 2,990,100 men, women, and children from around the world spoke out against war with Iraq this past

weekend.

And that's not including American protests in a 150 cities from New York to Miami.

To put it simply for everyone, over 3 million people on five of the seven continents all have enough of a problem with a war on Iraq to speak up about it.

Now I could be wrong, but maybe it's time to stop talking and start listening.

Our government has made demands and threats since the terrorist attacks of 9/11 on the country of Iraq, and at first, the world community stood behind us in our quest for justice. But more than a year has gone by, and we've got nothing to show for it but a pile of dead bodies, a few captured fundamentalists, a huge weapons tab and a color-coded warning system that let's me know ahead of time when to pack the gas mask and duct tape next to the clean underwear in my new easy-open airline luggage.

Yes, Saddam Hussein has been a terrible leader to his

people, and honestly, I don't think he should be in power any more than your local conservative Republican neighbor does. But I also won't be the one standing in support of a full-fledged war on Iraq either.

I'm simply tired of hearing our government complain about it.

It's like that kid in your 4th grade class that just never seemed to get along with anyone. We'll call him Tommy for now.

Someone in the class would poke fun at Tommy's shirt, or make fun of his haircut and he'd look sad and tell everyone how bad that boy Jimmy made him feel. His grandmother bought him that shirt.

At first, everyone would side with Tommy, and look down on little Jimmy and his cruel taunting. But after a while, everyone would grow tired of Tommy's complaints and realize that maybe Jimmy wasn't such a great guy, but Tommy's whining was even more of a pain in the ass.

Bush has sent Secretary of State Colin Powell to the United Nations to rally support for an American-led war on Iraq to oust "President" Saddam Hussein, and has found few allies. I suppose that's reason enough to declare a body that represents our future as humans a failure.

We've already sent thousands of troops and billions in weaponry to the Middle East without the approval of the rest of the world, and we currently stand poised for war.

Time and time again Powell has approached the UN with "new evidence" against the Iraq's despite their full cooperation with inspectors. And with every statement we make, we seem to miss the countless others made from leaders from around the world who try desperately to steer the nations Earth away from the path to war.

Perhaps those voices have become a little easier to hear with three million more reiterating the point.

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YOUR OPINION

UNITE Georgia is fighting for a vital cause

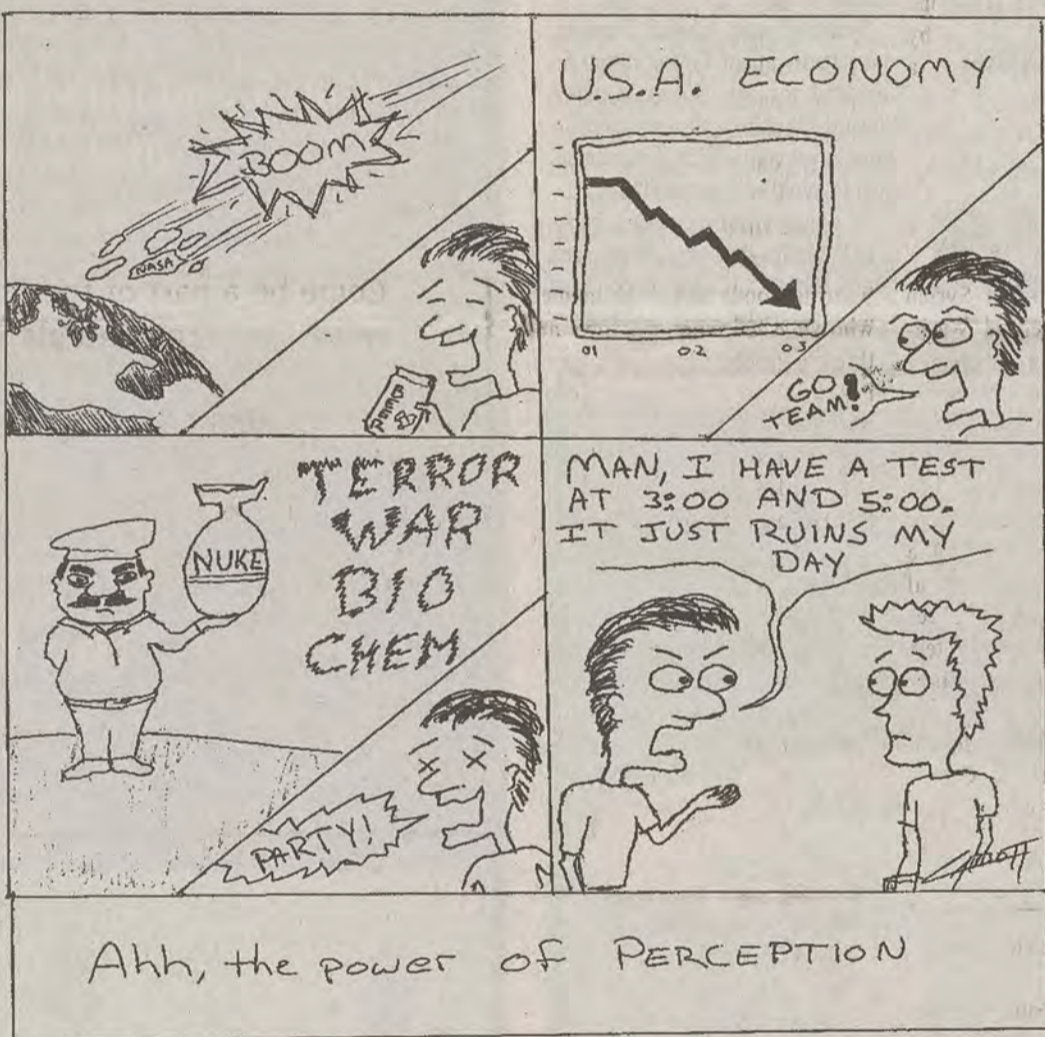
This letter is in regard to an article that ran last Friday regarding the UNITE Georgia campaign on Georgia Southern's campus.

We've all seen TV commercials for UNITE Georgia — you know the one where the lady drives off the road because her passenger lights up a cigarette, or the one where the baby uses blocks to spell out "secondhand smoke, asthma, etc." But I thought it was great that they are educating college students on the dangers of secondhand smoke. Having lost family members to cancer because of smoking, I am passionate about keeping me and my friends healthy and smoke-free.

Since UNITE Georgia's visit last week, I've learned that secondhand smoke contains poisonous chemicals such as acetone found in fingernail polish remover and ammonia found in toilet bowl cleaner. I've also learned that Prestige, GSU's student-run public relations firm, is working with UNITE Georgia to develop special events and promotions on our campus.

I am grateful that UNITE Georgia is helping to create healthier communities for us college students. I encourage students to keep apartments, dorms and cars smoke-free. I also encourage them to talk to their friends about the dangers of secondhand smoke and provide resources for quitting tobacco use such as the Georgia Tobacco Quit Line (1-877-270-STOP).

Laura Posey
GSU student



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Colleges must try creative approaches to budget shortfalls

By Leo Higdon Jr.
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As state revenues dry up even more, public colleges are facing a crisis.

Even when the economy improves, more cuts to public higher education may occur, and reductions already implemented might not be recovered. At the same time there are still thousands of additional students attending college due to a boom in the college-age population, estimated to increase 13 percent by 2010.

And although there have been measures to deal with this, such as mid-year tuition hikes and removal of enrollment cap to handle the influx of students, the bottom line is the same: there is not enough money to support public higher education.

In a 1999 report published by the Center for Public Policy in Higher Education, analyst Harold Hovey predicted this crisis: Paying for other important public services such as K-12 education, roads, prisons and police would not only strip money away from colleges, but force states to curtail even current levels of service.

Colleges have always responded to past budget shortfalls by reducing costs, replacing full-time faculty with adjuncts, increasing class size and raising tuition. Then, if that failed to do the trick, they escalated to cutting programs and people.

But these measures can be counterproductive to the purpose of higher education, especially in light of today's knowledge economy. More than ever, we need an educated workforce to deal with increasingly complex business and social problems, and right now 80 percent of that workforce is educated in public institutions.

So this time the way in which colleges are funded must undergo reform. The universities themselves and the legislatures must share the onus to ensure that both this and future genera-

tions receive the best education possible. And there is much more at stake here than the survival of our public institutions; also at stake is our economic growth and development, the development of an informed, involved citizenry and access to higher education.

The universities can lead by focusing on the institution's mission and the core academic programs necessary to support it. Any programs extraneous to that mission should be re-evaluated for possible elimination or curtailment; so, in some cases, this means moving away from the "academic supermarket" mentality of the 1990s.

This also means asking tough questions: Is a program within our mission, key to our future, and, if so, is it affordable? Is it a duplication of an existing program at another institution? Truthful answers may mean that the university's aspirations need to be tamed.

In this case, a consortium of institutions is one model by which core programs can be maintained, but the consortiums must be looked at creatively, whether they include sharing faculty, facilities, and/or administration or collaborating with the private sector, to name but a few examples.

Financially, too, universities must ask the tough questions: Where will they be in five or 10 years? How can they plan for prosperity as well as the lean times? How much in reserves do they require to weather the downturns?

The facts, during the upsurge of the 1990s, many universities did not place funds in reserve, and some spent non-recurring funds on new programs, worsening the impact of today's crisis. Fund raising must take on more importance as well, and partnerships with alumni and the private sector must be increased. Above all, universities must communicate to the legislatures how their particular mission as distinct institutions impacts the education and economic goals of the state.

The states, on the other hand, can begin by having a dialogue about the distinctive role of each of their universities, and

then tailor accountability measures based on these missions. Also, states must demand administrative efficiency from their public institutions. A conversation must take place to remove duplication among programs, eliminate bureaucracy wherever possible in reporting and compliance procedures, and provide regulatory relief.

For example, the capital improvements process in South Carolina, with few exceptions, involves innumerable steps with a myriad of state agencies. A typical project can take more than six months before approval is granted.

States can further give universities greater tuition flexibility while eliminating unfunded mandates for increased enrollments. For example, the Virginia House of Delegates recently proposed a 9 percent tuition ceiling for in-state undergraduates. Yet state funding for public colleges in Virginia is down more than 22 percent since 2001.

Flexibility in tuition needs to be viewed differently, if not based more on market, then at least in a way that would raise funds in stable times to create a financial cushion in a downturn. For example, the State University of New York was unable to raise tuition during financially sound times in the '90s. Now that they are facing a severe downturn, however, the tuition increase has had to be much higher (\$1400) to absorb the shock after tuition restrictions were lifted.

Since the budget crisis is shared by all of us, the obligation to keep K-16 education on the agenda is shared by all of us as well. And because this problem is not going away, we are in critical need of a dialogue between the states and universities that will set the stage for true reform.

Getting through will require creative solutions and non-traditional thinking, but aren't these the very skills we want to instill so that our children continue to prosper?

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who now wish the flaggers would stick the old flag in a closet somewhere and just shut up.

But that won't happen, because the flaggers have flexed their arms and discovered muscle. Three months ago, they rose up in righteous indignation and booted out Roy Barnes, the Democratic governor who had dared to change the state flag. And now the new governor, Republican Sonny Perdue, is paying his respects, proposing to hold a nonbonding referendum in 2004 to help decide what flag should fly over the Georgia sky.

No wonder the flaggers are swagging these days.

Charles Lunsford, a fraud investigator who works for the state: "We're the 500-pound gorilla they don't want to mess with. The demagogues keep stirring things

up against us, but I can put out an e-mail to maybe a dozen contacts, about what's happening with the flag referendum, and by tomorrow it'll reach 20,000 people."

Jim Dean, an estate planner who produces flagger videos, scoring the images with music from the Dave Matthews Band (Dean's idea, not the band's, for luring youngsters): "It's important to take the war to the enemy's doorstep. ... It's late in the day. It's 11:30 on the clock. Something needs to be done quick to save our heritage, because the kids today are being brainwashed against us."

Allen Trapp, a lawyer in rural Carroll County who was out in the rain last autumn "flagging" Barnes, despite a stroke that had impaired his right arm: "For a long time we saw marching in the streets as something

loudmouthed liberal people did. But politicians in Atlanta figured they had to buy off the loudmouths (by changing the flag), and appease the race-card section of the victimization industry. We got tired of that."

What a headache for Atlanta's ambassadors. They're trying to lure new business, and convince the NCAA that its Final Four tournament should be staged in the city where the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. flourished. Instead, they're still fighting the Civil War.

The flaggers say the war was not fought over slavery; their critics say that's wrong. The flaggers say the old flag was not adopted in 1956 as

a way to protest integration; their critics say that's delusional.

"Racism is the foundation for their movement," said Tyrone Brooks, a state legislator who worked 20 years in the civil rights commu-

nity, and a key player in dumping the old flag.

"After all these years, you'd think they'd be amenable to putting the Confederate era in a museum, in its proper context. But for these people to continue to promote it — knowing what that emblem means today — are they suffering from amnesia, or are they just ignorant?"

Meanwhile, Jim Dean thinks that flaggers' best hope is to educate the public. He's so busy with his flagger

videos, and with the talk show he hosts on Cobb County access cable, that he barely has time to eke out a living. At this point, he's living in someone else's basement — which is fine with him, because "I'd do this for rice and beans and a six-pack of beer a day."

He puts in a lot of time on his talk show ("a Charlie Rose type of thing"), and recently he hosted some of the Georgia big shots who put the Confederate emblem on the flag back in 1956 (until then, the flag only had the state seal and three stripes). They insisted on the show that the emblem was not a rebuke of the 1954 Supreme Court ruling outlawing segregation; they said it was intended only as a tribute to the soldiers.

The problem, however, is that Denmark Groover, another of those leaders, showed up at the Capitol

in 2001 to renounce the old flag, endorse the new one — and declare that the '56 decision had indeed been a protest against integration. He said: "I'm positive that, to some degree, that was a motivating factor in myself and others."

Dan Coleman, asked the other day about Groover, shook his head and said, "He was shamelessly brought to Atlanta off his deathbed. I don't know what his motivations were at that time, or if it was senility."

Anyway, Groover is gone now. The flaggers are looking ahead to that promised referendum, and they couldn't care less if tourists or businessmen or the NCAA threaten to punish Georgia for bringing back the old flag. Regenstein said, "It's offensive to say that we have to give up our heritage for a basketball game."

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Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder's government took part in the Berlin protest, which turned the tree-lined street between the Brandenburg Gate and the 19th-century Victory Column into a sea of banners, balloons emblazoned with "No war in Iraq" and demonstrators swaying to live music from the stage. Police estimated the crowd at between 300,000 and 500,000.

"We Germans in particular have a duty to do everything to ensure that war — above all a war of aggression — never again becomes a legitimate means of policy," shouted Friedrich Schorlemmer, a Lutheran pastor and former East German pro-democracy activist.

Prominent in the crowd in the Place Denfert-Rochereau in Paris was a large American flag on which was scribbled in black: "Leave us alone."

Gerald Lenoir, 41, of Berkeley, California, came to Paris specifically to support the French demonstrators.

"I am here to protest my government's aggression against Iraq," he said. "Iraq does not pose a security threat to the United States and there are no links with al-Qaida."

In southern France, about 10,000 people demonstrated in Toulouse against the United States, chanting: "They bomb, they exploit, they pollute, enough of this barbarity."

Police estimated that 60,000 turned out in Oslo, Norway, 50,000 in bitter cold in Brussels, while about 35,000 gathered peacefully in frigid Stockholm.

About 80,000 marched in Dublin, Irish police said. Crowds

were estimated at 60,000 in Seville, Spain; 40,000 in Bern, Switzerland; 30,000 in Glasgow, Scotland; 25,000 in Copenhagen; 15,000 in Vienna; 10,000 in Amsterdam; 5,000 in Cape Town and 4,000 in Johannesburg in South Africa; 5,000 in Tokyo and 2,000 in Dhaka, Bangladesh.

"War is not a solution, war is a problem," Czech philosopher Erazim Kohak told a crowd of about 500 in Prague.

In Baghdad, tens of thousands of Iraqis, many carrying Kalashnikov assault rifles, demonstrated to support Saddam Hussein and denounce the United States.

"Our swords are out of their sheaths, ready for battle," read one of hundreds of banners carried by marchers along Palestine Street, a broad Baghdad avenue.

In neighboring Damascus, an estimated 200,000 protesters chanted anti-U.S. and anti-Israeli slogans as they marched to the People's Assembly.

Najjah Attar, a former Syrian cabinet minister, accused Washington of attempting to change the region's map. "The U.S. wants to encroach upon our own norms, concepts and principles," she said in Damascus. "They are reminding us of the Nazi and fascist times."

In Ukraine, some 2,000 people rallied in snowy Kiev's central square. Anti-globalists led a peaceful "Rock Against War" protest joined by communists, socialists, Kurds and pacifists.

In the Bosnian city of Mostar, about 100 Muslims and Croats united for an anti-war protest

— the first such cross-community action in seven years in a place where ethnic divisions remain tense despite the 1995 Bosnian peace agreement.

"We want to say that war is evil and that we who survived one know that better than anyone," said Majda Hadzic, 54.

In divided Cyprus, about 500 Greeks and Turks braved heavy rain for a march which briefly blocked the end of a runway at a British air base.

Several thousand protesters in Athens, Greece, unfurled a giant banner across the wall of the ancient Acropolis — "NATO, U.S. and EU equals War" — before heading toward the U.S. Embassy.

U.S. Ambassador Thomas Miller said the Greek protesters' indignation was misplaced. "They should be demonstrating outside the Iraqi embassy," he said before the march.

Police fired tear gas in clashes with several hundred anarchists wearing hoods and crash helmets who smashed store windows and threw a gasoline bomb at a newspaper office. Four youths were arrested.

In Moscow, 300 people marched to the U.S. Embassy, with one placard urging Russian President Vladimir Putin to "be firmer with America."

Between 3,000 and 5,000 people marched through a suburb of Canberra, the Australian capital, to protest government support for U.S. policy. Australia has already committed 2,000 troops to the Persian Gulf for possible action.

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in Berlin marched through the streets to back the anti-war position of Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder. Protesters in London added to the pressure on Prime Minister Tony Blair, who has been Europe's biggest supporter of President Bush's strong stance that Iraq must prove it has no weapons of mass destruction or face possible war.

Anti-war rallies were also planned in about 150 U.S. cities, from Yakima, Wash., to St. Petersburg, Fla., as well as in major cities including Chicago, Philadelphia, Miami and Seattle.

Protesters in Detroit chanted "Give peace a chance."

"We need to leave Iraq alone," said Detroit rally organizer Kris Hamel of the Michigan Emergency Committee Against the War on Iraq.

In Madison, Wis., several hundred protesters swarmed the sidewalks outside the University of Wisconsin's sports area, where the Badgers were scheduled to play Indiana. Among them was 14-year-old Marianna Daniels.

"Can you justify blood for oil?" read a sign held by the teen — a sentiment echoed at virtually every rally.

Not everyone agreed with the anti-war sentiment. As about 1,000 demonstrators gathered in Columbus Circle, 41-year-old George Sarris held aloft a cardboard sign reading "Bomb Iraq."

"The liberals are the complainers," he said. "The Republicans

aren't. So I came out to tell our side of the story."

"I'm worried about the corrosion of civil liberties in this country," said Grant Smith, a policy analyst from Key Biscayne, Fla., who joined a protest in Miami. "People here are all against the war, even if not all of them think it's being brought about for the same reason."

It's not just the usual protesters, said Arthur Buonomia: "Middle America is getting off their sofas and their big screen TVs and are trying to bring about the changes that are good to end this war."

Security in New York was extraordinarily tight, with the city on high alert for terrorist threats. Authorities deployed a new security "package" including sharpshooters and

officers with radiation detectors, hazardous materials decontamination equipment, bomb-sniffing dogs and air-sampling equipment able to detect chemical or biological weapons.

The heavy police presence and freezing temperatures did little to dampen the protesters' enthusiasm. Singer Richie Havens performed Woodstock anthem "Freedom," and Tutu, Harry Belafonte, Susan Sarandon, Pete Seeger and Danny Glover were expected to speak to the crowd.

"I came here for peace," said Minga Tshilembi, a native of the Congo. "I want to be together with everyone here, and to work with them."

EVENTS FOR FEBRUARY 11TH—20TH

Tuesday, February 11, 2003
FACULTY PANEL DISCUSSION
THE STATE OF BLACK AMERICA
This discussion will explore the political, sociological, and economic state of Black America today.
Russell Union Room 2084
5:30 pm - 7:00 pm
Sponsored by the Center for African Studies

DOCUMENTARY FILM
TWO TOWNS OF JASPER
Attend a showing of the controversial film about the vicious, racially-motivated murder of African American James Byrd, Jr. by three white men. Participants are encouraged to attend the Racial Healing Workshops on Wednesday 2/12 and Thursday 2/13.
Russell Union Theater
7:00 pm
Sponsored by the Multicultural Student Center and ReVISCIN

Wednesday, February 12, 2003
MCNAIR INFORMATION SESSION
Come and learn about opportunities with the Ronald E. McNair Program.
Russell Union Room 2084
3:00 pm
Sponsored by the Ronald E. McNair Program

RACIAL HEALING WORKSHOP
FACILITATOR: DR. GARY LEMONS, New School for Social Research, New York
This workshop explores the racial divide still in existence today.
Russell Union Room 2044
7:00 pm
Sponsored by the Multicultural Student Center and ReVISCIN

Thursday, February 13, 2003
"HOW WE GOT OVER"
PRESENTER: MS. LILLIAN GRANT BAPTISTE
Entertainer and African American Storyteller, Lillian Grant Baptiste, will present this program as a tribute to the strength, courage and perseverance of African American women, past and present.
Russell Union Room 2052
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
Sponsored by the Multicultural Student Center

Thursday, February 13, 2003
RACIAL HEALING WORKSHOP II
FACILITATOR: DR. GARY LEMONS, New School for Social Research, New York
This workshop explores the racial divide still in existence today.
Russell Union Room 2041
4:00 pm
Sponsored by the Multicultural Student Center

Tuesday, February 18, 2003
BLACK HISTORY QUIZ BOWL
How much African American history do you really know? All are welcome in this team competition.
For entrance details, call the Multicultural Student Center at 681-5409.
Russell Union Room 2041
7:00 pm
Sponsored by the Multicultural Student Center

Thursday, February 20, 2003
EVENING OF CLEAN COMEDY
FEATURING HOLY SPIRIT PRODUCTIONS
Enjoy this program filled with music, skits, comedy and more.
Russell Union Ballroom
7:00 pm
Sponsored by the Multicultural Student Center, Vision Ministries and Voices in Ministry

Events For February 23rd - 28th

Sunday, February 23, 2003
MISS BLACK AND GOLD SCHOLARSHIP PAGEANT
Come and enjoy this demonstration of scholarship, elegance and talent.
Russell Union Ballroom
7:06 pm
Sponsored by Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

Monday, February 24, 2003
HEALTH AWARENESS INFORMATION TABLE
Receive information on health issues that affect you everyday!
Russell Union Commons
11:00 am - 2:00 pm
Sponsored by Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

Monday, February 24, 2003
BATTLE OF THE SEXES
What is wrong with him? What is wrong with her? Come and find out what members of the opposite sex think about you!
Russell Union Room 2080
7:06 pm
Sponsored by Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

Tuesday, February 25, 2003
VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE
A Voteless People is a Hopeless People
Russell Union Rotunda
11:00 am - 2:00 pm
Sponsored by Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

Monday, February 24, 2003
POLITICAL DEBATE: DEMOCRATS VS. REPUBLICANS
If you know the issues—come and talk about them! If you don't know them...come and learn!
Russell Union Commons
7:06 pm
Sponsored by Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

Wednesday, Feb. 26, 2003
CAMPUS APPRECIATION LUNCH
Enjoy FREE LUNCH with fraternity members as a "thank you" for your past campus-wide support.
Russell Union Rotunda
11:00 am - 2:00 pm
Sponsored by Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

Thursday, February 27, 2003
EGYPTIAN ECSTASY
This will be an evening devoted to pampering the women on campus.
Location TBA
7:06 pm
Sponsored by Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

ENCHANTED EVENING OF POETRY
Come out for this annual program that features guest poet, Yohannes Sharriff.
Russell Union Ballroom
8:00 pm
Sponsored by the Black Student Alliance



KEYNOTE SPEAKER HASANI PETTIFORD

Join us for renowned speaker, author, and television personality, Hasani Pettiford, as he delivers his exuberant message on the principles of success, wealth creation and interpersonal relationships.
Russell Union Theater
7:00 pm
Sponsored by Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., NAACP and the Multicultural Student Center

Friday, February 28, 2003

EVENING OF ELEGANCE BALL
Tickets go on sale February 24th in the Russell Union Commons. Cost is \$7.00 individual or \$12.00 per couple. Dress is formal.
Russell Union Ballroom
8:06 pm
Sponsored by Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

2003 BLACK AWARENESS MONTH

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Eagles fall to Ga Tech 8-1, 8-3

By Dennis Hightower
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Sophomore catcher Mike Nick-
eas picked up four hits, including
a pair of doubles, and drove in
four runs to key a pair of four-run
innings to help lift Georgia Tech
to an 8-1 and 8-3 non-conference
doubleheader sweep over Georgia
Southern Saturday afternoon at J.I.
Clements Stadium.

The top-ranked team in the na-
tion extended their winning streak
of GSU to 19 games dating back
to 1997.

The Yellow Jackets also benefi-
ted from strong relief pitching in
both contests as Brian Burks, Micah
Owings and Jeff Watchko combined
to allow just one hit in seven-plus
shutout innings.

In the opener, Georgia Tech
(2-0) broke open a 2-1 lead with a
four-run sixth inning to chase Eagle
starter Brian Rogers (1-1). A pair of
one-out walks by Jeremy Slayden
and Matt Murton was followed by
an errant Rogers' pickoff attempt
before Owings extended the Yellow
Jacket lead to 4-1 with a RBI-single
to center. Nickeas greeted GSU re-
liever Dennis Dove with a sacrifice
flyout before Tyler Greene made it a
6-1 advantage with a double down
the leftfield line.

Tech starter Kyle Bakker (1-0)
worked the first six innings and
surrendered four hits and one run
while striking out four to earn his
first win of the season.

Burks pitched three no-hit in-
nings to pick up the save. Rogers,
who struck out nine in five innings,
suffered the loss after giving up five
hits and six runs.

Nickeas, Greene and Clifton Re-
mole led the Yellow Jackets with
a pair of hits each while Carlos
Love went 3-for-4 to pace Georgia
Southern.

In the second game, Slayden
opened a quick 2-0 Tech lead by
blasting his first home run of the
season – a two-run shot over the
centerfield wall – off GSU starter
Brian Harrison (1-1).

Georgia Southern (3-2) used a



File Photo

The Eagles lost 8-1 and 8-3 in their second series of the season. The Eagles take on Georgia State Monday and Tuesday in their next non-conference matchup.

Rocky Baker solo homer to lead off
the fourth inning to cut the deficit
in half before Brendan Gilligan and
Matt Hammond added back-to-back
doubles and Greg Dowling drove
home the Eagles' third run with a
ground-out to help GSU take a 3-2
lead against Yellow Jacket starter
Chris Goodman.

Georgia Tech took advantage
of a pair of Eagle errors and four

hits to push across four runs in the
sixth inning. Jake Hall and Andy
Hawranick contributed run-scoring
singles to chase Harrison before an
error by third baseman Baker and a
Nickeas RBI-single pushed the
Yellow Jacket lead to 6-3.

Owings (1-0) struck out four
and didn't allow a hit in three-and-
a-third innings of work to earn the
win.

Eric Patterson topped the Tech
offensive effort with three hits,
including a solo home run in the
eighth inning. Gilligan and Ham-
mond paced the Eagles with a pair
of hits each.

Georgia Southern will return
to action Tuesday when it opens
a two-game series against Georgia
State at Clements Stadium begin-
ning at 4 p.m.

Men's Tennis falls to Mercer Bears 5-2

By Kenny Cofer
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The Bears of Mercer University
came to Hanner Courts Friday and
suffered a 5-2 defeat at the hands
of Georgia Southern.

GSU got out to an early lead,
winning 2 out of 3 doubles match-
es and earning an important point
for their team.

The team of Lasha Janashia
and Danie Van Den Heever
was able to knock off Mercer's
#1 seeded doubles team with a
score of 8-6.

Mark Finnegan and Vincent
Patry were also victorious in their
doubles competition, 8-4.

In singles competition, Georgia
Southern won 4 out of 6 matches.
GSU's #1 seed, Mark Finnegan,
received a tough loss (2-6, 2-6)
to Mercer's #1 seed, Michael
Whitting. The other loss was
from junior Stephen Dubiensi,
who played hard in a defeat of
4-6, 4-6.

One of the four singles victories
for GSU, came from sophomore
Danie Van Den Heever. Van Den

Heever defeated his opponent in
straight sets 6-1, 6-3. He has been
on a roll of late after a tough loss
against Gardner Webb. "Danie's
got his groove back", says injured
freshman Diego Flores.

The other three victories came
from Uli Ebensperger, Vincent Pa-
try, and Noah Tyler. Ebensperger,
the lone senior on GSU's team won
in straight sets 6-0, 6-2.

Freshman Vincent Patry also
won in straight sets 6-0, 7-5 against
Mercer's Richardo Echeverri.

After dropping the first set,
Noah Tyler was able to hold off
his opponent and win his match in
super bonus (3-6, 6-2, 10-5).

Georgia Southern's head
coach, Justin Miles, was very
pleased with his team's perfor-
mance. "We played really well
today. We had a few mental errors,
but overall I am very pleased with
the way we are playing right now",
Miles said.

Georgia Southern's men ten-
nis team next heads to Atlanta to
take on Georgia State University
at 2:30 pm.

Lady Eagles top UNC Greensboro 64-54

G-A News Service

GREENSBORO, N.C. – Jes-
sica Everett scored 16 points and
Nicole Newton added 12 points
and eight rebounds to lead Georgia
Southern past UNC Greensboro
64-54 in a frenetic game at Flem-
ing Gym.

UNC Greensboro (11-11, 7-7
Southern Conference) began the
second half by scoring the first six
points and using a 10-4 spurt to
take a 36-35 lead with 15:41 to go.
The Eagles responded with an 11-0
run of their own to take a 46-36
lead on a Newton three-pointer
with 11:48 showing.

The Spartans managed to
whittle the lead down to five at
56-51 on Lindsey Reed's layup
with 3:05 left, but the Eagles
closed by outscoring UNCG 8-3
from that point and used two free

throws each from Dana Benemon
and Jennifer Melvin.

Georgia Southern (16-7, 10-4
Southern Conference) opened up
a 10-point advantage in the first
half when a Tiffany Lanier free
throw made the score 23-13 with
7:49 to go in the period.

The lead ballooned to 11 with
4:19 to go in the stanza on a Mimi
Lindsey layup, and two Lindsey
Reed free tosses cut the UNCG
deficit to seven at 31-24 going
into intermission.

Mimi Lindsey tied a career-
high with 15 rebounds, while
Tiffany Lanier finished with six
assists. Nicole Murray paced the
Spartans with 19 points, 11 coming
in the first half.

Georgia Southern returns to ac-
tion on Monday, hosting Furman at
7 p.m. at Hanner Fieldhouse.

GSU escapes Wofford 69-68

By Dennis Hightower
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Once again, the Eagles survived
a potential heartbreak.

Julius Jenkins' running jumper
with 36 seconds remaining, his
only field goal of the second half,
proved to be the game winner.

The Georgia Southern
Eagles defeated Wofford 69-68
in Southern Conference men's
basketball action on the Saturday
after Valentine's Day at Hanner
Fieldhouse.

"I don't think the pressure was
on me," said GSU guard Julius
Jenkins. "The coach designed
the play for me, and I just took
the shot."

The Eagles picked up its second
win in the last three contests.

"I glad we won but we can't get
too excited over this win," GSU
head coach Jeff Price said. "We
tend to lose the next game anytime
we get excited over a win. We are
going to practice for (Tuesday's)
game against Davidson."

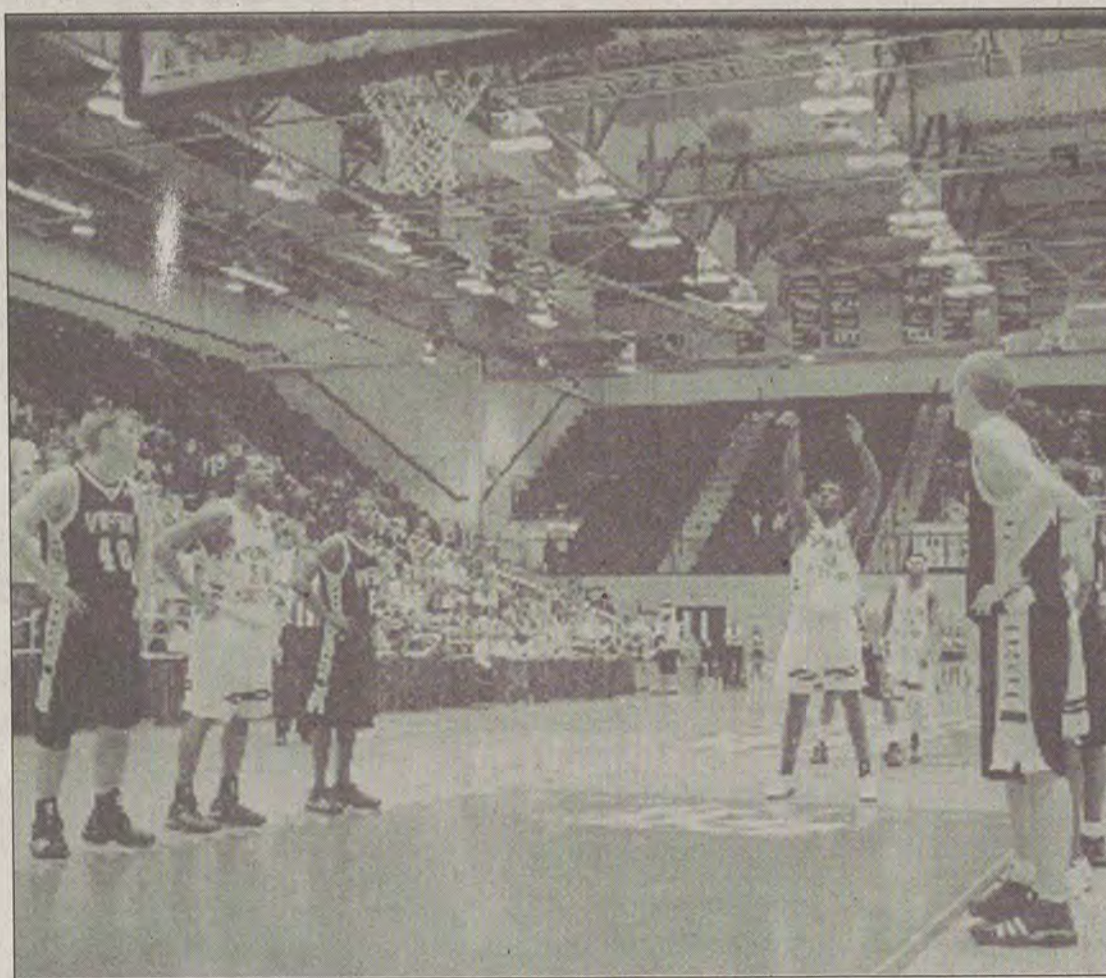
After a Mike Lenzy free throw
broke a 67-67 tie, Jenkins took the
in-bounds pass and raced down the
floor.

The senior guard, who scored
15 points in the first half, caught
Terrier Lee Nixon back-pedaling
and raced towards the basket,
sending the ball over Nixon's
outstretched hand and into the
basket. Lenzy's driving lay-up
as time expired fell just short to
preserve the win for the Eagles
(13-10, 6-6).

"We played well in both halves
for the first time in a while," Price
said.

The game proved to be close
throughout as neither team led by
more than six during the contest.

The two teams traded baskets
for the first 11 minutes of action



Tim Deaver/STAFF

The Eagles narrowly escaped with a victory Saturday afternoon as Jenkins' score in the final seconds of the game clinched the victory against Wofford.

with Wofford (11-11, 7-5) claim-
ing a 19-16 advantage with 9:
34 to go in the period. Georgia
Southern then used an 8-0 run to
claim the lead.

Both teams shot around 40 per-
cent from the field in the first half,
but the Terriers made only 2-of-12
behind the three-point line, allow-
ing Georgia Southern to head into
the break with a 36-31 lead.

Leading 46-43 with 13:45 to
go in the game, Georgia Southern
lost its shooting touch, allowing
the Terriers to build a 64-58 lead
over the next eight minutes of
play.

The Eagles connected on just
four-of-14 field goals during that
stretch as they shot 42.9 percent
in the period.

GSU fought back, scoring the
next seven points of the game to
go up 65-64 with 2:28 to go before
Lenzy's three point play at the 1:
28 mark gave Wofford a 67-65
advantage.

Jean Francois evened the game
at 67 with a layup 24 seconds later,
setting up the dramatic final minute
of play.

Frank Bennett led the Eagles
with 19 points while Jenkins added
11 rebounds to his 17 points for

his second career double-double.
Francois also poured in 17 for
Georgia Southern.

Wofford converted 46.2 percent
of its field goal attempts and 10-
of-12 at the free-throw line.

Lenzy, Adrien Borders and
Nixon all scored 13 to lead the
Terriers, who shot 42.9 percent
on the night.

The Eagles out-rebounded
Wofford 43-34 and blocked six
shots on the evening.

Georgia Southern returns to ac-
tion Tuesday, February 18 when
it hosts Davidson at 7:30 p.m. in
Hanner Fieldhouse.

Women's Tennis falls to South Florida 7-0

G-A News Service

Tampa, Fla. – The University
of South Florida Lady Bulls tennis
team swept the Georgia Southern
Lady Eagles in singles and doubles
competition, Saturday afternoon, at
the USF Varsity Tennis Courts.

With the win, USF improved to 2-4
on the season while Georgia Southern
fell to 2-3.

The Lady Bulls swept the three
doubles matches while Fabiana Tav-
erna defeated Stephanie Tyrell 6-4,
6-4 and Luisa Obando swept Charlotte

Bruneteaux 6-3, 6-0.

Lady Eagle Marion Leullier fell
6-0, 6-2 to Patricia Kilendo while Ta-
lia Romero defeated GSU's Kimberly
Wollett 6-3, 6-0.

The Lady Bulls finished up the
sweep as Gina Craig defeated Cal-
lie Ward 6-3, 6-2 and Belen Pandre
downed Karen Somm 6-4, 3-6,
10-7.

The Eagles return to action Sunday,
February 16 when they travel to Tal-
lahassee, Fla. to face Florida A&M
at 1 p.m.

Lady Eagles split in two games at Troy State

G-A News Service

Troy, Ala. –The Georgia South-
ern softball team split a doubleheader
at Troy State and the Lady Trojan
Softball Complex on Saturday. The
Eagles fell 5-0 in the first game while
winning 4-3 in the second.

The split moved the Lady Trojans
to 4-2 on the season while Georgia
Southern moved to 3-3.

Cassie Wilkinson and Kacie Flinn
combined to shut out the Eagles in
the opener. Wilkenson (2-1) picked
up the win after allowing just one hit
and striking out four Eagle batters
through five innings. Flinn pitched
the final two innings, allowing just
one hit and striking out two.

Jessie Buehler's three-run double
scored Ashley Floyd and Tamra How-
ren and Erin Flater and highlighted
a five-run fourth inning for the Lady
Trojans.

Tiffany Urena dropped to 2-1 on
the season after suffering the loss for
the Eagles. Urena went three innings,

allowing three earned runs on two
Lady Trojan hits.

TSU struck first in the second
game when Swift roped a triple
down the right field line and scored
when Flater singled to right. The
Eagles answered in the second
when Katie Roberts scored on a
Floyd wild pitch.

The Lady Trojans pulled ahead
once again in the third on a line drive
home run to left field from Howren,
scoring Sally Jones and giving TSU a
3-1 lead. Kim Griffin tied the game in
the fifth inning with a two-run blast to
left-center field. The Eagles took their
first lead of the day when Lindsay
Jones scored on Sam Steiner's one-
out double to right center field.

A.J. Street (1-1) picked up the win
for the Eagles, tossing seven innings
and giving up three runs on six hits.
Christi Curran was credited with the
loss for TSU. Curran allowed one run
on three hits through two and one-
thirds innings.

Dr. Gary Lemons hosts documentary viewing and Racial Healing Workshop

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"There's a war going on."
These are the words of Dr. Gary Lemons of the New School University in New York.

The 'war' to which he refers has nothing to do with Saddam Hussein or Iraq, but it invokes just as much tension.

Lemons alludes to America's own racial war.

"I'm talking about the ways in which we are dehumanizing each other," he says.

And, while many battles have been won, the American racial war persists - centuries after the nation's gestation.

This week, in honor of Black History Month, students were exposed to a number of enlightening and controversial events. On Tuesday, students gathered in the Russell Union Theater to view the documentary 'Two Towns of Jasper.' The film, directed and produced by Whitney Dow and Marco Williams, portrays the conflicting views of white and black communities within Jasper, TX after the racially motivated murder of James Byrd, Jr. in 1998.

Three white men - John King, Lawrence Brewer, and Shawn Berry

- were charged with dragging Byrd an unimaginable three miles behind their pickup truck. Byrd, still alive when they chained him to the back of the truck, was eventually decapitated and dismembered by the force and friction he experienced.

The documentary reveals the town's response to the murder through the eyes of these separate communities. It portrays a town in denial. The fact that the film took place in 1999 - during the trials of King, Brewer, and Berry - also underscores the progress of racial attitudes in America.

'How far have we really come?' the film asks.

Following the film, students were encouraged to stay for a 'Talk Back' session that would allow them to share their feelings and responses to the moving and controversial documentary.

On Wednesday and Thursday, Lemons held 'Racial Healing Workshops,' promoting the use of what he calls 'memoirs of race' to open up discussion on racial issues in our present society.

Those attending the workshop were instructed to write about a time in their own lives when they became aware that race was an integral part of their identi-

ties. Students and professors alike shared stories about their own experiences with race and the large role it plays within society and on the individual level.

'My object is to implicate us all... to really suggest that we are all culpable in participating in white supremacy. When we talk about white supremacy, we can talk on a different level because we all have internalized ideas of white supremacy whether we're White, Black, Asian, Latina, Latino, or indigenous,' Lemons said.

The viewing of 'Two Towns of Jasper' was sponsored by The Multicultural Student Center. The 'Racial Healing' workshops were sponsored by ReVision and The Multicultural Student Center.

'I invited Gary down here because I knew that he has a message,' said Dr. Linda Paige, a professor in the Department of Literature and Philosophy.

Lemons challenged GSU students to 'talk more about how they really feel race constricts them from being who they want to be... If you can save yourself by expelling the garbage, the racist, white supremacist ideas that we've all internalized, that's your life's work.'

For more information on 'Two Towns of Jasper,' visit www.pbs.org.



During the Racial Healing Workshop, students were asked to express their feelings towards racial violence.

AT THE MOVIES: 'Daredevil'

Associated Press

'Daredevil' is a dispassionate affair, buffed to a sheen throughout from the digitally touched-up images to Ben Affleck's exquisitely tousled mop-top to the painstaking setup of a sequel in the final reel.

Yet occasionally, a naughtier pulp sensibility creeps out of this by-the-numbers comic book-to-film.

On the surface, our hero sounds unassailably noble. Matt Murdock (Affleck) was blinded in an accident at age 12, and shortly thereafter, his washed-up boxer dad was murdered, perhaps by the mysterious Kingpin, who controls all the crime in New York City.

Though blind, Matt's other senses become hyper-acute, so he transforms himself into Daredevil, a high-flying superhero with Batman's gadgets and Spider-Man's physique, who brings thugs to justice in the Hell's Kitchen neighborhood. By day, he's an attorney who champions the oppressed.

But he's not without his complications. Matt has casual sex and pops prescription painkillers like candy, and when a case doesn't go his way, his revenge can be extreme. When a rapist escapes conviction, Daredevil tracks him down and imposes a creative sentence - death by subway-train bisection.

Affleck can do dark and tormented when he's working on a small, emotionally intimate scale, as in 'Boiler Room' and last year's superb 'Changing Lanes.' But when he goes into star mode, it's all smirky, frat-boy diffidence, Daredevil's demons don't get the introspective treatment they deserve.

The wispy plot isn't driven by Daredevil anyhow as much as by love interest Elektra Natchios (Jennifer Garner), whose name, says Matt's law partner (Jon Favreau), 'sounds



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'Daredevil' is a little darker, a little bloodier, and a little more adult than its Marvel Comics-spawned counterpart 'Spider-Man.'

like a Mexican appetizer.' Elektra's billionaire father (Erick Avari) wants to get out of business with Kingpin (Michael Clarke Duncan), so the crime boss calls in henchman Bullseye (Colin Farrell) for some none-too-subtle persuasion.

'Daredevil' is meant to be the big-screen coming-out party for Garner, star of ABC's action weenie 'Alias,' but playing a self-made wonder woman with every last ounce of body fat burned into oblivion, she's an icy, inaccessible presence. She may be the only actress for whom squeezing out a tear is an aerobic exercise.

Mark Steven Johnson, who also wrote the script, directs crisply but timidly, in a style that could be summed up as 'Batman' meets 'The Matrix' meets 'Spider-Man.'

Occasionally, though, some personal expression seeps through. Johnson has a knack for little explosions of violence, an unexpected talent from the writer of 'Grumpy Old Men' and the director of 'Simon Birch.' A spurt of blood makes all the difference in his airless action

sequences; suddenly we feel that something is at stake. The violence is not graphic, but stylized and pictorially potent, like a good comic-book frame.

Johnson's exuberant co-conspirator is Colin Farrell, who slips away with the movie as the multi-pierced, bald Bullseye.

Credit Johnson for upping Farrell's comfort level by allowing him to keep his native Irish accent. We meet Bullseye inside one of Farrell's well-documented favorite places, a pub, where he's draining pints and playing darts.

With just a smattering of dialogue, Farrell creates a gleeful assassin, all slinking body language and rowdy comic menace. Aside from a few scenes in 'Minority Report,' it's his most exciting work since 'Tigerland,' the movie that made him a star.

When Farrell's on screen, 'Daredevil' becomes more than just a finely tuned entertainment machine. In a movie that will rake people in no matter what, it's fun to see something unexpected.

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Long before the musical 'Hello Dolly,' there was a play on which it was based, 'The Matchmaker,' Thornton Wilder's winsome, all-American farce revolving around the business-like romantic schemes of Dolly Gallagher Levi.

From February 19 through the 22nd, Theater & Performance will be producing the play at the new Performing Arts Center on the GSU campus. Theater professor Mical Whitaker is the play's director.

The play pokes fun at the frailties of ordinary people and insists on the triumph of good over evil as well as the virtues of simple pleasures and emotions. Wilder gives the money-grubbing classes the back of his hand and extols idealism.

'My play,' he wrote at the time, 'is

about the aspirations of the young (and not only the young) for a fuller, freer participation of life.' The characters in the play are at a fork in the road of their lives. They could decide to take the safe route and stay in Yonkers, or re-examine the number of times that they themselves have taken the safe road, rather than the risky one.

The Matchmaker fully embodies that adventurous, risk-taking spirit. Dolly Levi, played by senior theater major Laura Rents, is somebody who comes up with ideas and puts them out there without any clue as to how she's going to make them work. She just trusts that somehow, through her wits she is going to make things work out. She casts her fate to the wind and sees what happens.

The cast is headed up with theater professor James Harbour as the

cholerick old merchant of Yonkers, Horace Vandergelder. Others in the cast include Carrie Baker, Clarissa Bell, Katie Brown, Cedrick Bryant, Ryan Haywood, Jeff Kozee, Julie Kozee, Pedro Martorell, Justin Peay, Steffan Pinson, Brand Spence, Patrick Slade, Luke Thrift, Kristyl Tift, and Stan Trotter.

Both, the multi-scene set and the 19th century costumes are being constructed and designed by theater professor Gary Dartt and Brenda Dartt. Lighting design is by senior theater major Brad Darvas. Theater professor Patrick Battles is the Technical Director. Ginny Jones is the Stage Manager.

Ticket prices are \$8 general admission; \$5 faculty, seniors and local students, and \$2 for GSU students with ID.

GSU hosts 'Gospel Jubilee'

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A 'Gospel Jubilee' was hosted on Feb. 16, by the Opportunity Programs office of GSU in conjunction with the Upward Bound Parents Association in the Russell Union Ballroom.

The event was a fundraiser for the Upward Bound program, which is in its 26th year here on campus at GSU. Upward Bound is the oldest of the TRIO programs. The TRIO programs began in 1965 as a way for students to overcome class and social barriers the way that financial aid

programs help students overcome economic ones.

Donations from the 'Gospel Jubilee' will help fund aspects of the Upward Bound program that aren't funded through the federal government, according to Dr. Hawks-Foster, director of the EOP office.

The Upward Bound program helps first generation college bound 10th and 11th grade students from 7 area schools who have the work ethic to make it in college stay on track in their studies.

Upward Bound students who attend the program here at GSU

are succeeding. According to Dr. Hawks-Foster 'the success rate for those that passed through the GSU program is 42%. That number is representative of the ones that go on to college and receive degrees.'

Among the area performers at the Gospel Jubilee were The Woodruff Family, The PilgrimAries, JCUC, and Divine Praises, a group of GSU students who mimed an interpretive dance for those in attendance.

The Gospel Jubilee was presented as part of the ongoing Black Awareness Month celebration sponsored by the Multicultural Students Center.

CD Review Robbie Williams

'Escapology'

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You probably don't know who Robbie Williams is, although he is a massive superstar/musician in England.

He released three albums in the U.S. ('The Ego Has Landed,' 'Sing When You're Winning,' and 'Swing When You're Winning'), but they didn't gain as much attention as they did in England.

However, with this track record, Williams didn't give up on America. His new album shows a mature and fresh Williams.

This fourteen track record is filled with songs where Williams pokes fun at his fame and his life, while other songs are filled with hurt and searching for a better life. Between these two mediums are the feel-good songs that are just great to listen and dance to.

Songs like 'How Peculiar,' 'Me and My Monkey,' 'Song 3,' and 'Hot Fudge' don't really have a theme. Williams just rocks out and shows why he's a famous entertainer in England. 'Me and My Monkey' is a narrative song, describing the story of a man and his monkey (who could be a man

or an actual monkey) causing trouble in Las Vegas.

'Feel,' 'Something Beautiful,' 'Love Somebody,' 'Revolution,' and 'Come Undone' expresses the maturity Williams gained from his last two albums. 'Feel' conveys Williams searching to 'feel real love,' and his needs for something deeper in his life than the rockstar world has to offer. 'Something Beautiful' is about telling people that things that aren't ok in their lives will improve, and that 'something beautiful' will happen.

Songs like 'Monsoon' and 'Handsome Man' show Williams poking fun at himself and his fame, which he sees as fleeting. In 'Monsoon,' Williams lays out his agenda for being famous: "I wanna make money and get laid." "Handsome Man" is just about how fame can warp a person's mind, but that without fame, that person wouldn't exist.

Finally, Williams rounds out 'Escapology' with 'Sexed Up,' 'Cursed,' and 'Nan's Song.' All show the pain that Williams felt in his life. 'Sexed

Up' speaks about the pain of breaking up, while 'Cursed' and 'Nan's Song' deal with death. The first deals with a friend that Williams lost, and the second focuses on the death of his grandmother.

The only downside to this album is the lack of copies readily available in the U.S. I bought my copy on eBay from a Canadian seller. There is word that a release date has been published for the American markets, but I haven't seen or heard of it. The best way to buy the album is from online record stores, but be prepared to shell out a pretty penny.

With this downside, 'Escapology' offers a breath of fresh air for Robbie Williams. None of the songs sound like any of his other material from the first two albums. Williams not only offers an escape when you listen to his new record but a great time also.



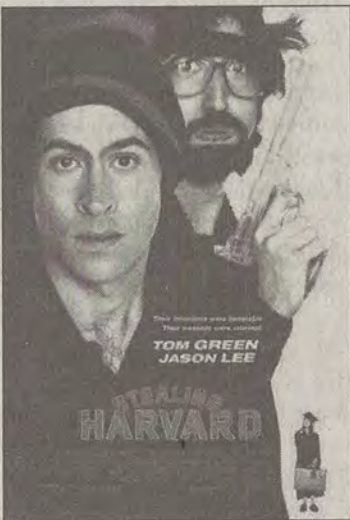
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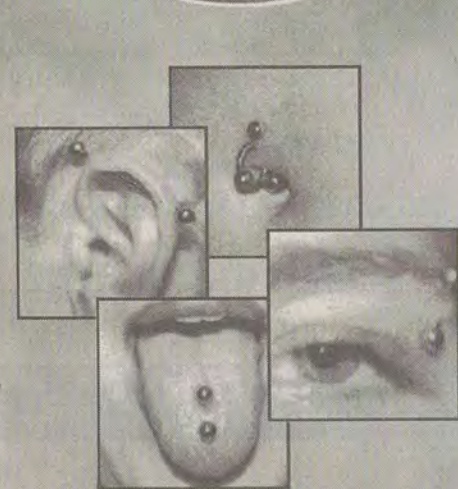
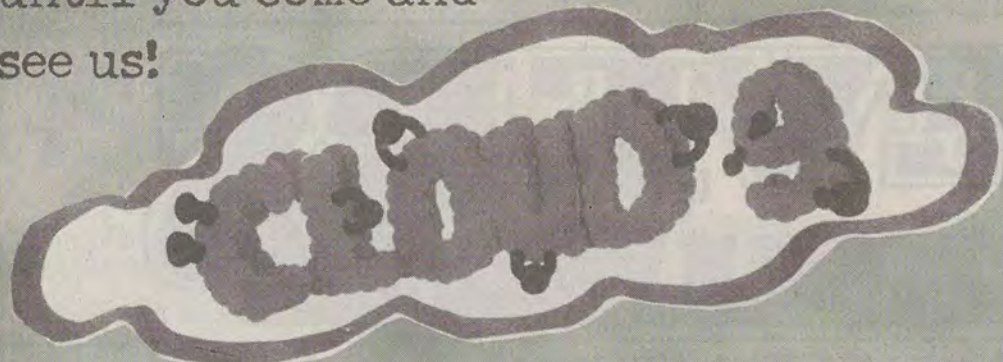


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'The Rules of Attraction'
Fred Savage, James Van Der Beek

Based on the Bret Easton Ellis novel, set at an affluent New England liberal arts college, Camden College, this film takes a satiric look at an emerging sexual triangle between drug dealer Sean Bateman (Van Der Beek), the girl, Lauren (Shannyn Sossamon) that he thinks he's in love with, and Paul Owen (Ian Somerhalder), who's in love with Sean.

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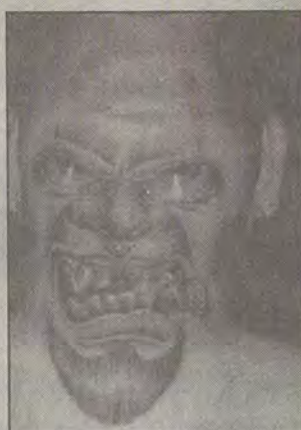
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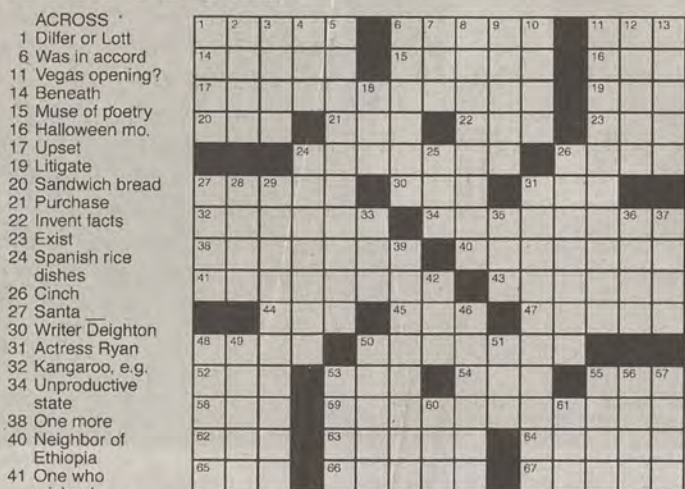
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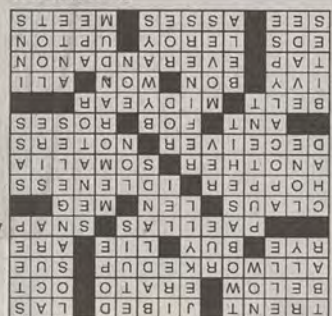
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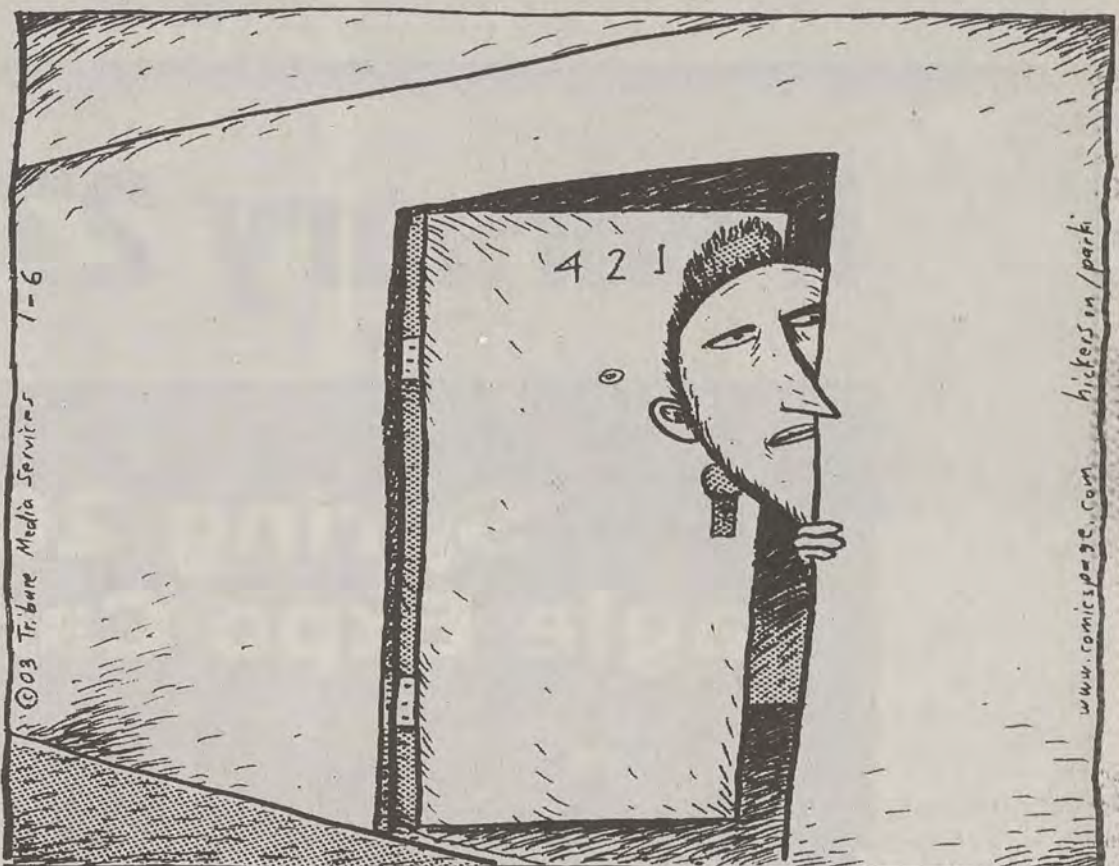
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Fraternity members arrested for killing goose

KRT Campus

DAVIDSON, N.C. — The Davidson College chapter of Kappa Sigma fraternity has apologized for the recent beating death of a goose and promised to make amends with the community.

"As members of an extended community, we stand in the bright glare of its judgment," chapter President Benjamin Skurek said in a written statement Thursday.

"Therefore, our chapter and its members — whether we are suspended or not — have committed to the town of Davidson to build trails in Beaver Dam Park and provide bird habitat information for the public at Roosevelt Wilson Park."

The chapter also will contribute to a wildlife preservation

organization.

One fraternity member and six pledges have been arrested and charged with felony cruelty to animals and conspiracy to commit a felony.

The beating death occurred Feb. 7 at Roosevelt Wilson Park, police said.

A town employee saw a group of men lure a goose away from a group of others with bread before one of the men hit it repeatedly with a golf club, police said.

When the goose stopped moving, another man tossed it into the trunk of a car and they drove away.

Police found the car a short time later, with the dead goose in the trunk.

The fraternity chapter was suspended by its international

governing board and by the college following the incident.

The governing board's action Wednesday means Davidson's 64 Kappa Sigma members cannot meet socially or do anything in the name of the fraternity, said Mitchell Wilson, executive director of the fraternity's 205 chapters in the U.S. and Canada.

The fraternity's Supreme Executive Committee will decide whether to revoke the chapter's charter next month.

"While we cannot change the isolated incident of last week, we do have the power to respond to our colleagues and this community in the tradition of our college, this fraternity, and our own sense of what is right and wrong," Skurek wrote.



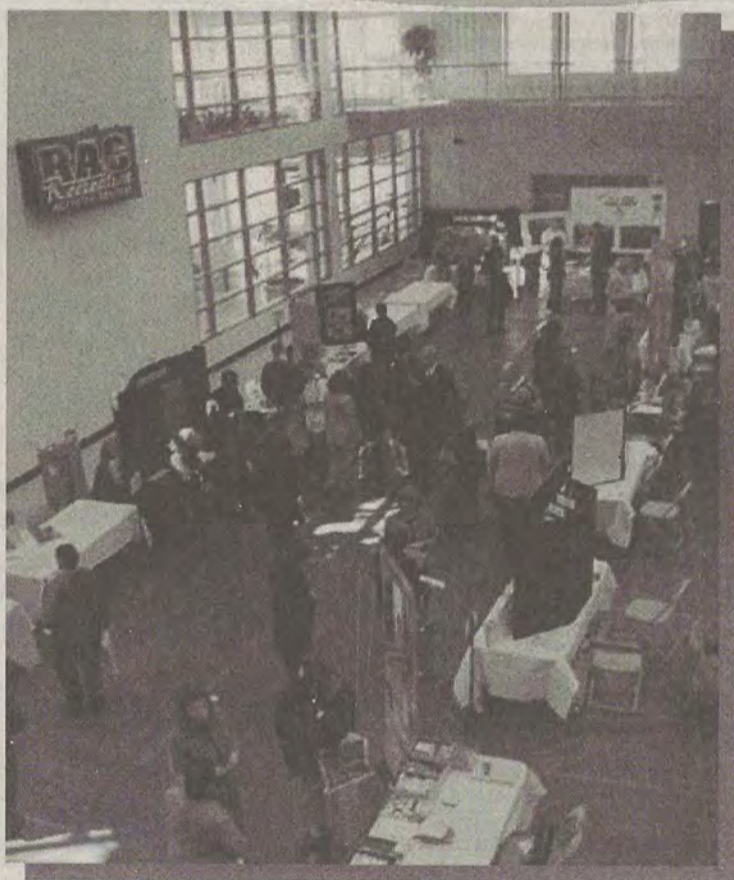
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Police consider advertisements on their cars

Associated Press

DAWSON, Ga. — You won't see police cars advertising doughnuts any time soon, but they could try to sell something like oil or food.

Several south Georgia police forces are thinking about going in on a deal with a company that would sell patrol cars for \$1 in exchange for them allowing there to be advertising on the cars.

The plan would save police and taxpayers money while helping cities that need reliable cars, according to the company, Government Acquisitions Inc.

But critics say commercializing police would open up potential conflicts of interest and make officers laughingstocks in the community.

"You have to look at how the public is going to look at you when you stop them with a corporate sponsor listed on the car," said Leesburg Police Chief Charles Moore.

Moore said he wants to see how the program works in other Georgia cities before he commits to doing it in Leesburg.

But he also knows the program could save him between \$18,000 and \$20,000 a year for new cars out of his \$300,000 budget.

Each vehicle will be used for three years, after which the company has the option of buying them back for \$1 each. The company keeps the ad revenue.

The agreement also allows Government Acquisitions to update sponsor themes and decals at its own expense, and prohibits sponsor names, logos or trademarks that promote alcohol, firearms, gaming or tobacco products.

In Dawson, City Manager Barney Parnacott has already put the city on a waiting list for up to nine corporate-sponsored police cars.

Parnacott said sponsorships and logos decorating cars won't compromise police credibility. The buyer can designate where he wants to place the sponsorship and how the car will be striped and lettered.

"You designate everything. If you don't like it, you don't have to take it," Parnacott said. "If it looks like a taxicab, I will not accept the car. I don't want stickers all over the car like NASCAR."

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author of 26 professional publications and 10 technical consultant reports.

"I was struck by the energy and enthusiasm of a very committed faculty dedicated to providing our students with the opportunity to pursue their academic aspirations and willing to engage with them in that exploration with passionate curiosity and pragmatic emphasis," Morrobel-Sosa said of her decision to accept the position at Georgia Southern.

The Allen E. Paulson College of Science and Technology currently has more than 2,300 students enrolled and houses the departments of biology; chemistry; geology and geography; mathematics and computer science; and physics; and the School of Technology.

Morrobel-Sosa will replace current Dean Jimmy Solomon, who will return to the University faculty as a professor of mathematics.

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2003 Off-Campus Housing Guide

OFF-CAMPUS HOUSING

Georgia Southern University is home to 15,000 students, of which approximately 12,000 reside off-campus. The Off-Campus Housing Office strives to meet the needs of these students by providing a variety of services and programs. The office serves as a clearinghouse for listings of vacant rental property, subleases and students seeking roommates.

A database designed to automate searches for off-campus accommodations and roommates is available on the Off-Campus Housing website at www2.gasou.edu/outreach/offcampus. The screens are easy to understand and allow for searches based on an individual's criteria (i.e. housing type, rent amount, location, etc). Although the University lists available accommodations, it does not approve, license or inspect them. Housing arrangements are your responsibility and must be made directly between you and the landlord.

Services provided in addition to the listings and database, are the Community Advisor Program, the Housing Fair and the Off-Campus Housing Guide (published each spring).

The Off-Campus Housing Office is located in the Russell Union Room 2022. Our telephone number is 912-871-1435 and email address is offcamp@gasou.edu.

HOUSING FAIR

The Housing Fair, an annual event, sponsored by the Off-Campus Housing Office, is held during the month of February. Students have an opportunity to meet area rental companies, speak with rental housing vendors, see floor plans, and collect information on housing options and available rentals. During the fair, property owners and managers showcase their available units to students looking for housing for the next academic year.

COMMUNITY ADVISOR PROGRAM

The Community Advisor Program was established at Georgia Southern

University in the Fall of 1992 to meet the immediate needs of students residing off-campus. The Program has grown from the initial two apartment complexes to approximately twenty complexes.

The Community Advisor (CA) role is unique to Georgia Southern in that a CA receives their training through the Off-Campus Housing Office, but is supervised and compensated by the manager/owner of the property. Compensation consists of a concession off the rent amount (to be determined by the complex manager) in exchange for work. Georgia Southern does not subsidize nor underwrite the rent concession. Therefore, the property manager becomes the employer.

This partnership parallels Georgia Southern University's strategic plan of becoming a student centered university through promoting and providing opportunities for interaction among members of the off-campus, University and business communities. We are dedicated to empowering our off-campus residents to enhance their personal growth and healthy lifestyle.

LIVING OFF-CAMPUS

Choosing to live off-campus is a major decision that will greatly impact your college experience. Living off-campus can provide students with more privacy and a feeling of independence, but with this comes a different set of responsibilities; cooking, cleaning, budgeting, staying connected to campus life and pos-

sibly finding transportation to and from campus.

Items you need to consider while you ponder moving off-campus are outlined in the 2003 Off-Campus Housing Guide. We hope it will serve as a convenient tool as you begin the process of locating, arranging and moving into a residence off-campus.

THINGS TO CONSIDER

The task of finding a place to live can be made easier if you know in advance what you want and what you can afford.

1. Ask yourself the following questions:
 - a. Can I afford to live alone or do I need a roommate?
 - b. Can I drive to campus or do I need to live within walking distance?
 - c. Will I need furnished or unfurnished accommodations?
 - d. What type of lease – yearly or semester?
 - e. Are pets allowed?
 - f. What amenities (dishwasher, microwave, washer/dryer, internet access) are available?
 - g. Will I need to drive or be within walking distance to stores, laundry facilities, etc?
2. Next prepare a budget of your expenses, use the table below to estimate monthly costs of living off-campus. Rent may seem affordable, but many services and utilities may not be included in the price.

Calculate Your Expenses	Monthly Cost
Rent	\$
Telephone (home & cell phone)	\$
Electricity	\$
Utilities (gas, water, garbage)	\$
Internet hookup	\$
Cable	\$
Groceries	\$
Laundry	\$
Transportation (Parking Permit)	\$
Entertainment (dining out, movies)	\$
Renters Insurance	\$
Other Expenses	\$
TOTAL COST	\$

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With the questions answered and your budget prepared you are able to determine what your needs are and what you can afford. Now you can begin your search.

WHERE DO I BEGIN?

Students planning to live off-campus need to begin their search in the spring of the year. The availability of apartments starts to decline in the summer months. The longer you wait, the more likely it is that you may have to accept a place that does not meet all of your needs. However, do not be pressured into signing a lease or pre-lease agreement unless you are certain you want the unit.

1. Begin your search by narrowing the area you would like to reside and research the available property in the area.

Obtain a listing of available rental property from the Off-Campus Housing Office located in the Russell Union Suite 2022. In addition to maintaining an updated listing of vacant off-campus housing, the office also maintains a Roommate Needed list and a Sub-Lease list.

Check out the website at www2.gasou.edu/outreach/offcampus.

Make plans to attend Georgia Southern's Housing Fair in February.

Talk to your friends and acquaintances about housing possibilities.

Obtain a copy of the George-Anne, Georgia Southern's student newspaper, and review the rental listings in the classified section.

Review the rental property listed in the classified section of the Statesboro Herald, our local newspaper.

2. Once you decide on an area, walk or drive through the neighborhood during peak hours when residents are home to insure it will meet your safety and noise standards.
3. Contact the landlord and arrange for a tour of the unit. (Make a list of the things you are looking for in an apartment and take it with you).
4. Ask to see the actual apartment you will be leasing; the model will look very nice – often better than the actual units.

Check the safety/security features:

Does the building have a security system?

Is there a security patrol?

- 24 hours
- At night
- On weekends

Is the lighting in the parking lot and on the exterior of the building adequate?

Do doors and windows open easily?

Do the windows lock? Are there screens?

Does the front & back doors have dead bolt locks? Peep holes?

What happens if you misplace your key?

- Is there a charge for unlocking the door?
- Is there a charge for making a new key?

Are there working smoke detectors? Are their fire extinguishers? If not, can they be purchased and installed and at whose expense?

Are your street address and apartment numbers clearly marked?

Inspect Fixtures and Appliances

Are the kitchen appliances clean and in good working order?

Is the air conditioning and heating system in good working condition?

- Who is responsible for purchasing and changing filters?
- How often is this required?

Are the carpet and walls clean?

Do all the bathroom fixtures work? Turn on faucets, flush toilets, check for signs of water leaking.

Is there adequate water pressure?

Is there a working doorbell?

Check the baseboards and around doors and windows for holes that may indicate air leaks or pests. Open cabinets and drawers to check for evidence of pests. Ask about exterminators.

- Is regular extermination service provided? Who pays for it? Is this written in the lease – if not, can it be written in?

Amenities

Will the apartment be large enough for all the tenants?

Is there adequate closet/storage space?

Are there ceiling fans? Do they work?

Are there mailboxes for each apartment? For each tenant?

How far are grocery and convenience stores from the complex?

Is there a yard? Who is responsible for maintaining it?

Does the complex have recreation facilities and clubhouse? Are they well maintained?

Is garbage pick-up included in rent?

5. Ask to see a copy of the lease and read it carefully BEFORE you sign. It should cover:

How much is the rent per month?

What day of the month is it due?

What are the late penalties and when do they begin? Do weekends and university holiday's count?

What is the term or length of the lease?

How much advance notice must be given in order to renew the lease?

What are the requirements for a full refund of your security deposit?

Is subleasing permitted? Under what conditions?

Who pays for water and sewer? Trash removals?

Who do you call for repairs and emergencies?

Is there a non-refundable cleaning or maintenance fee? How much is it?

Does the property offer individual leases?

Is the apartment furnished? Are furnishings included in the lease?

Are pets allowed? If so, is there a pet deposit? How much is it and is it refundable? If yes, what are the conditions?

6. Speak with current tenants in the building or complex. Ask if they plan to renew their lease. Ask about the response time to maintenance request.

COMMUTER STUDENT PARKING PERMITS

GSU Parking Permits are not available to residents of the following apartments:

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Eagles Walk
Eagle Village
Knight Apartments
Lodge Apartments
Southern Villas
University Pointe
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ELECTRICAL POWER

Georgia Power
305 S. Main St.
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Fees: \$18.00 to establish account. Deposit based on credit history.

Residences Outside City Limit call

Excelsior Electric Membership Corp.
4402 Northside Dr. W.
912 764 2123

Fees: \$25 to establish account; \$25 Membership Fee.

Deposit based on credit history.

WATER, GAS

City of Statesboro Utilities
50 East Main St.
912 764 5468

Water: \$35 Deposit; \$10 Service Fee

Natural Gas: \$35 Deposit- applied toward final bill; \$10 Service Fee

TELEPHONE

Frontier Communications
912 764 9131

Call Monday – Saturday Between 8:00 am – 6:00 pm for service connection;

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ESTIMATED HOUSING COSTS

The rent you pay will vary with the type of housing, the ownership, amenities, and distance from campus. These figures are 2003 estimates, for informational use only.

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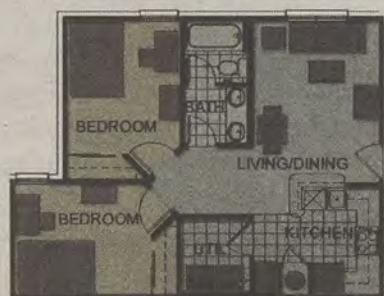
Electricity \$40/person/month
Cable Television \$15/person/month
Water & Sewer \$18/person/month
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Total Utilities \$78/person/month

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LEASE INFORMATION

A lease is a legally binding **CONTRACT** between the landlord and tenant to transfer possession of property to the tenant for a certain period of time in exchange for rent payments. Leases are binding contracts and are difficult to break once signed.

It is not recommended that you sign a lease on an apartment that is under construction unless you fully understand and accept the risk involved.

READ YOUR LEASE CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING...

Especially the small print.

It is important that you understand your rights and responsibilities as outlined in a lease agreement. Have a parent or other responsible person read it.

Important Terms To Know

1. **Joint and several liability means any one roommate can be held responsible for the actions of any or all other roommates.**

- a. Any or all roommates can be sued

to recover the damage done by one roommate.

- b. All roommates can be evicted if one roommate fails to pay the rent.

- c. If one roommate moves out, the total monthly rent remains the same, and the remaining roommates are responsible for paying it.

2. **Separate or Individual Leases have a relationship comparable to that of tenants who live in separate apartments in the same building.**

- a. If a roommate leaves, the other roommates are not required to make up the departed roommate's rent payment.

- b. The landlord may evict one roommate without evicting all of them.

- c. Generally, if one roommate moves out, the landlord can fill that space without consulting the remaining roommates.

3. **A Guarantor is someone that signs the lease with you to guarantee payment. This individual is equally responsible and liable for any settlements.**

Breaking the Lease

If you find yourself needing to move or vacate the premises before your lease

is up, it would be wise to speak with the landlord. It may be possible for you to negotiate with the property owner/manager to terminate the lease or sublet the apartment. It is incorrect to think that you will only forfeit your security deposit if you move out early. According to the terms of the lease, you are liable for the rent for the remaining months on the lease.

There are legitimate reasons for leaving before your lease expires. Some examples are: the apartment has been damaged by fire or the landlord is not in compliance with the rental agreement. It is a good idea to seek legal advice before giving notice.

Points to consider if you must break your lease:

1. It is wise at this point to go in and talk to your landlord. They may have another tenant ready to move in and allow that person to take over your lease.
2. Send a certified letter to the landlord giving notice that you intend to break your lease and the date you will be vacating the apartment.
3. In some cases, the landlord may want to be compensated for the trouble of re-renting the unit.

4. If you are able to negotiate an amicable lease breaking, you and the landlord should sign a written statement of release.
5. If you are unable to obtain a written release:
 - a. Stop by the Off-Campus Housing Office, Russell Union Suite 2022 and complete a sublease form to list your vacancy on our website.
 - b. Place an advertisement in the classified section of the George-Anne.

When people call, show them the property, but tell them that any rental agreement has to be worked out with the landlord. (You may want to consider accepting less than the amount of rent you are obligated to pay and making up the difference). You will still be responsible for damages and unpaid rent if your subletter fails to live up to the terms of the rental agreement.

BE A RESPONSIBLE TENANT

1. Pay your rent on time.
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3. Obey the law and landlord rules.
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Security deposits:

1. Are normally refundable, however, either in full or in part depending on the condition of your unit at move-out. *Your responsibilities and requirements for the return of the deposit should be clearly stated in your lease.*
 2. May not be the same as the last month's rent and usually may not be applied to rent due under the lease terms.
 3. Some complexes charge a cleaning or redecorating fee in addition to the security deposit. Generally, these fees are not refundable. If it is non-refundable, it must be stated as such in the lease.
- Read your lease carefully and if it

does not say, "refundable" or "non-refundable" for the deposits or cleaning charges, ask for clarification in writing as part of the lease agreement.

BEFORE YOU MOVE IN

Inspect your new apartment to document any pre-existing problems. Ideally you and the landlord should walk through the rental unit before moving in any of your belongings. Ask a friend to accompany you -- four eyes are better than two. Many apartment complexes have pre-printed inspection forms to record any damage or problems you may see. If not, get a pad of paper or notebook to record your findings. At the end of the inspection you and the landlord should sign and date the form. You keep the original and give a copy to the landlord for their records. Videotaping or taking pictures during your walkthrough will provide a visual accompaniment to your written notes. (Failure to perform a move in inspection may cause problems with refunding your security deposit).

What to look for:

1. Inspect all the walls and ceilings: make a note of any dents, holes or cracks in the plaster; scuff marks that don't

rub off; and tears, bubbles or peeling wallpaper.

2. Inspect all the floors: make a note of stains or discoloration in carpets; tears in linoleum; cracked or chipped tiles; and dents, scuffs or stains on hardwood floors.
3. Inspect all trim (including moldings, door and window sills and door and window frames) for stains, cracks, leaks or other problems.
4. Inspect all electrical outlets and lights to make sure they are functioning; pay close attention to any 2- or 3-way light switches and dimmers.
5. In the bathroom(s): make sure all faucets (hot and cold) work without leaking; inspect for chips or scratches in fixtures and tile; inspect walls around the tub for 'sponginess'; and check counter tops for dents, scratches, or stains.
6. In the kitchen: make sure all faucets (hot and cold) work without leaking; inspect for chips or scratches in fixtures and tile; inspect counter tops for dents, scratches, or stains; and make sure all appliances work and are clean.
7. Make sure all exterior doors and windows work, seal properly, and have functioning locks; be especially alert to evidence of water infiltration.

8. If you have a deck, balcony or patio, inspect it for chipped flagstone, warped or cracked boards, or problems with exterior siding.
9. If you have a storage area, make sure it is cleaned out and that the locks are secure.
10. Check all smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.
11. If your landlord gave you an apartment inspection sheet, complete it noting all problems, no matter how small; if the landlord didn't, write a formal letter noting the problems you found.
12. Request that your landlord repair any problems you want taken care of as soon as possible.

Your unit should be clean when you move in. If it is not, ask the landlord to have it cleaned or make an adjustment in your first months rent to offset the cost of cleaning it (make sure to get this in writing).

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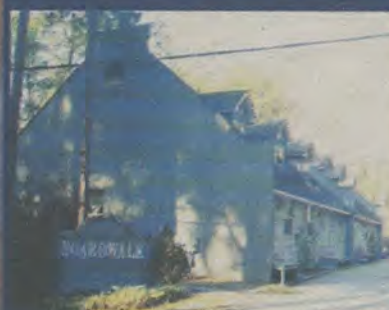
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1. Introduce yourself and get to know your neighbors.
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5. Park your car in the designated area, and inform guests where visitors are to park.
6. Inform neighbors when you are having a party and keep the volume down.

When you're outside make sure to smile and wave at your other neighbors. Start a conversation if you like. These are things that make good neighbors and neighborhoods.

ROOMMATES

Choosing a roommate can be a difficult – do you live with friends and risk harming the relationship if you have disagreements or do you take the chance to broaden your views and live with new people? Off-Campus Housing maintains a list of students that have a place to live and is in need of a roommate. If you are searching for someone to share your living space, please stop by the office

located in the Russell Union Suite 2022 and complete a roommate needed form.

While there are benefits to shared living and dividing expenses, there could also be some shortcomings to living with someone with different ideas on cleanliness, studying and social habits. Roommates can have an emotional as well as financial effect on each other's lives. It's important to choose a roommate wisely and to get to know your roommate.

Be open and honest about your expectations. To determine your compatibility ask the following questions.

1. What time do you prefer to go to bed/wake up? Are you a morning person or a night person?
2. What room temperature are you comfortable with?
3. Do you prefer peace and quiet or do you prefer to have the stereo/television on for noise? What hours are acceptable to watch TV / listen to the stereo? At what volume? What kind of music do you like to listen to?
4. How neat do you like to your room to be?
5. Do you smoke? Are you willing to live with someone who smokes? Can guests smoke in the apartment?

6. Do you drink alcohol? Are you willing to live with someone who drinks alcohol? Can guests drink in the apartment?
7. Are there times you would prefer guests not to be in the apartment? (Also, friends of the opposite gender?) Are you willing to live with someone who has overnight guests?
8. Do you like to study...alone/with others...in quiet/with music...in your room/in the library?
9. Do you feel comfortable sharing clothes, food, appliances, music, personal hygiene items, electronic equipment, computers, books, etc...
10. Would you prefer that I ask to borrow an item before I use it?
11. How will the utility bills be divided and paid? TIP: Each roommate should put one utility in his or her name.
12. How will we divide the cleaning duties?
13. What are your pet peeves?

ROOMMATE CONFLICTS

There are laws which define the tenant/landlord relationship, but there are none governing roommate relationships. Therefore, you may want to consider

1. Establishing guidelines relating to your living arrangements and put them in writing. A Roommate Agreement Form is available in the Off-Campus Housing Office.
2. Asking the landlord for individual leases with individual security deposits. REMINDER: If you sign a lease with the words, "joint and several liability" – that means you and any remaining roommates will be responsible for the entire rent if any or all of your roommates move out.

Remember, things change and sometimes you are unaware that something bothers you until it does. Tell your roommate(s) nicely. They may have no idea that their actions have bothered you. Most roommate problems derive from

Lack of open communication.

An individual's inability to respect and tolerate differences between people.

Not anticipating problems and preventing them ahead of time.

Not dealing effectively with problems that do occur.

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a conflict is to speak openly, honestly, directly and immediately to the person(s) involved. Do not put off problems or concerns. Small problems can lead to explosive problems that may become more difficult to resolve.

Some helpful hints to resolve conflicts are:

1. Be willing to compromise, but also assert your rights.
2. Be honest and tactful with your feelings.
3. Be aware of what you value most.
4. Consider not what is ideal, but what is reasonable.

Serious problems (one that may threaten your health or safety or deprive you of your right to use the apartment) may occur. Consider these steps in resolving them.

1. Ask your roommate(s) to stop doing whatever is causing the problem.
2. Offer to work out a solution.
3. If that doesn't work, document the problems in your rental log. Record dates and what was said or what happened.
4. Write a letter to your roommate. Document the problems and what you

did to resolve them. Present the letter to your roommate in person and keep a copy. Ask for an end to the unacceptable behavior. If the situation continues or worsens, you will have a record of your efforts to do something about it.

5. Go to the University Counseling Center and ask for mediation.
6. Let the landlord know about the problems. Send the landlord a letter describing the problem and request help in resolving it. If the landlord responds, you will have help. If the landlord ignores the letter, it may make it more difficult for him or her to take action against you if you are forced to move out. Again, send it by certified mail and keep a copy.
7. If your roommate has violated the terms of the lease, and you have documented it; you can ask the landlord to evict the problem roommate. There are risks involved with this approach, including the option that the landlord may evict all roommates.
8. Finally, if a roommate threatens or assaults you, or steals your belongings - Call 911. Get a police report for documentation and stay overnight with a friend.

BEFORE YOU MOVE OUT

Just as you inspected your apartment for damages before you moved in, management will inspect it for damages when you move out. The condition of your apartment after you leave it will often determine how much of your security deposit is returned. Being organized and taking your time can make all the difference. Follow these suggestions to help make your move out inspection easier.

1. Give written notice of your intent to vacate (usually 30 days before your plan to leave, but check your lease for accuracy), even if it is when your lease expires.
2. Obtain a copy of the move-out cleaning instructions.
3. Schedule an appointment for both you and the landlord to inspect the empty, cleaned apartment.
4. Clean the apartment in accordance with the manager's move-out cleaning instructions. If none are available, follow these suggestions:
 - Move all your belongings out of the apartment before starting.
 - Make a final run through checking all closets, cabinets, appliances,

and your storage area for forgotten belongings.

- Clean sinks, tubs, toilets, and counter tops in the kitchen and bathroom(s).
- Clean all kitchen appliances, including the oven.
- Make a last run to the dumpster -- don't leave trash behind for your landlord to remove.
- Check your balcony, patio, or deck for forgotten plant pots, barbecue tools, etc.
- Make sure all light fixtures have working bulbs.
- Make sure all smoke and carbon monoxide detectors work.
- If you painted any walls, you might want to seriously consider re-painting them the original color (your landlord will most certainly charge you for re-painting if you don't).
- Sweep or vacuum all tiled, linoleum, or hard wood floors (your landlord may require you to clean them, which is a good idea anyway).
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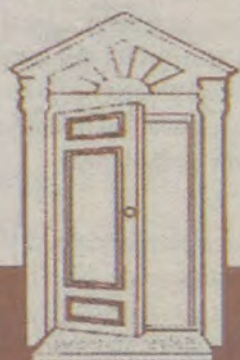


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6. Write down the damage for which you are responsible or any additional cleaning which the landlord wants you to perform. At this point you may be able to rectify a disagreement, which could cause you to lose a portion of your security deposit.
7. If you and the landlord agree on the damage and cleaning items, both of you should sign the list, and indicate which items you will be permitted to clean or repair before turning the premises back over to the landlord.
8. Provide the landlord with a forwarding address to mail your security deposit.
9. Turn in all keys to the apartment and mailbox.

ADDITIONAL THINGS TO CONSIDER

Moving Preparations

Whether your move requires you to travel hours or just across town, you should make some arrangements in advance.

1. Obtain empty boxes for moving. While you can purchase boxes from moving companies, you may be able to obtain empty boxes from supermarkets, liquor stores, and print shops. Keep box weight to a limit that is easy for you to move.
2. Purchase packing supplies – remember tape and markers to label boxes. Use zip lock bags for storing hardware (nuts, bolts, screws, etc.).
3. Pack seldom used belongings in advance to make moving day easier.
4. Reserve a rental truck/trailer in advance.
5. Turn in change of address form to the Post Office.
6. Reserve motel accommodations for family members assisting you with the move.

7. Arrange for connecting/disconnecting utilities, phone, cable, etc.
8. Arrange for storage if you are moving from one apartment to another and the move-in day does not coincide with your move-out day.

Renters Insurance

Many tenants are under the assumption that their personal belongings are insured under the landlord's policy. This is not true. Your landlord's insurance generally only covers the building where you live – not your personal belongings and your liability. Therefore, it is up to you to insure your personal belongings. Your belongings may be covered by your parents' homeowners insurance; check with the insurance company for verification.

To understand why renters insurance is a wise investment, simply add up the total cost of everything you own. If you can't afford to replace these items at a moment's notice, you should consider purchasing a renters insurance policy.

Renters insurance will cover most of your personal belongings against fire/smoke, lightning, vandalism, theft, explosions and other disasters, as well as additional living expenses if you are forced

to move. Finally, it will provide liability coverage if someone is injured in your home. It may also provide legal costs in the event you are sued for this injury. Unlike other personal property policies, renters insurance is relatively inexpensive; coverage starts as low as \$80 a year.

Pets

Pets are a part of many of our lives. Renting with one can be difficult, however. Being organized and ready can make the process easier and more likely to be successful. It is important to understand the requirements of your lease in regards to pets. There is often a deposit and specific guidelines that must be followed. Here are some basic guidelines to follow and information to have with you when you are ready to sign a lease.

Make sure your pet is up-to-date on all shots.

Get your pet's current health and immunization records from your veterinarian.

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Burglars aim for the easiest targets. Almost half of all completed residential burglaries are the result of thieves simply gaining entry through unlocked doors or unlocked windows. Most burglars will give up and move on if they can't get in within a few minutes. To keep burglars away from your house or apartment, make their work difficult, risky and low-profit - double check doors and windows before leaving your residence. Make certain they are locked even if you are out for only a few minutes.

If you are going home for the weekend or the holidays:

- Take expensive, portable items with you.
- Keep valuables out of sight. Do not place purses, portable radios, stereos, television sets, or other such articles near a window: glass can be smashed and objects stolen.
- Lock all doors and windows. Sliding glass doors can offer easy access if they are not properly secured. You can secure them by putting a broomstick or large dowel in the inside track to jam the door. The same thing can be done in windows to prevent them from being lifted up.
- Keep keys in your possession. Don't place them under mats, over doors, in mail slots, or in the other obvious hiding places. Instead, give an extra key to a trusted neighbor.

- Connect one or two lamps and a radio to an automatic timer. Timers are inexpensive, some less than \$10.00, and help to make your home appear "occupied."
- Advise a trusted neighbor of your travel plans and ask him or her to watch out for suspicious people and/or activity around your home or apartment. Make sure they have a number to contact you during your absence.
- Don't allow deliveries of any kind, including mail and newspapers, to accumulate on your doorstep. If you don't wish to cancel deliveries, arrange for a neighbor to pick them up. You can arrange for your local post office to hold your mail until you return.
- Refrain from publicizing your absence from Statesboro.

Keep track of your property, so if stolen, it can be returned:

- Make a list of the brand, model and serial numbers of all your property. Store the list in a safe place.
- Mark your items with your initials, birthday, or some other numbering system that you will remember. **DO NOT USE YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER or bank account numbers.** This ID number should be in a conspicuous place - not hidden. Valuables to engrave might include computers, radios, televisions, tape recorders, cameras, musical instruments, sporting goods, etc. Many burglars will avoid taking valuables that are engraved, because such items are difficult to sell or pawn. *The Off Campus Housing Office, located in the Russell Union Room 2022, has an engraver, which is easy to use, that you can borrow to engrave your number on your property. To take advantage of this opportunity, stop by the Off Campus Housing Office, show your GSU ID and leave a \$20 deposit, which is refunded when the engraver is returned.*
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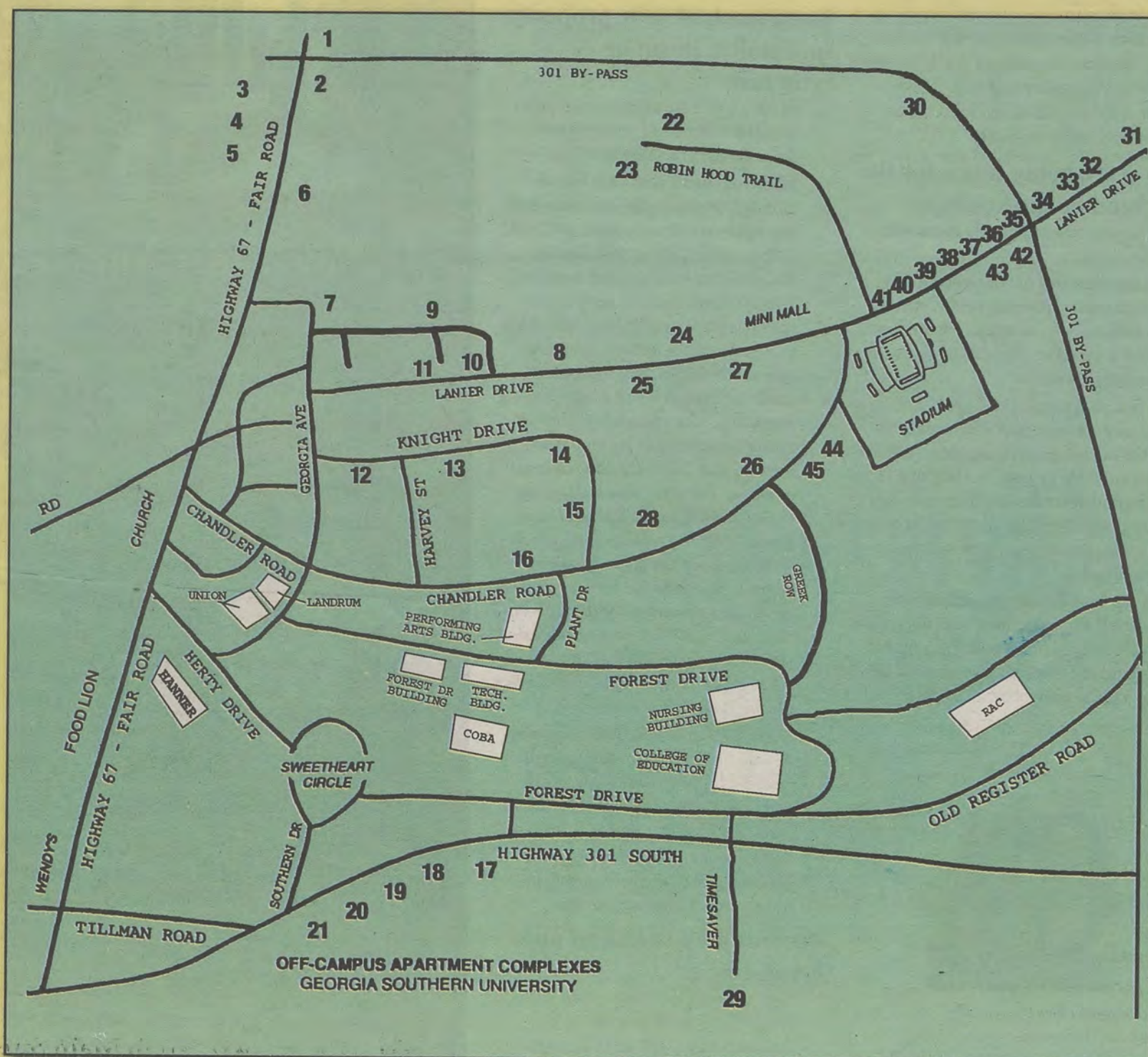
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ROOMMATE AGREEMENT

You may think all of these precautions unnecessary among friends, but you should never assume anything about a person with whom you share a rental. Co-tenants may think nothing of using your soap without permission or playing loud music at 2:00 AM. Having a frank and honest discussion of everyone's standards and expectations before moving in will help to insure a pleasant living situation.

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Smoking - Give consideration to you and your guests

Study Time - Designate specific study hours and study areas for each of you daily, what conditions must exist, TV on, radio etc. Will visitors be allowed during these times?

Visitation/Overnight Guests - Address areas such as what times, how many and how often members of the same sex and members of the opposite sex may visit.

Additional Remarks

As a party of this agreement, I realized that I, as well as each of my roommates, have equal rights to the use of space and facilities in the dwelling with the exception of the areas we have designated as each one's private space. This agreement is intended to promote harmony between roommates by clarifying the expectations and responsibilities of roommates to each other. It is not necessary to witness or notarize this agreement. Each roommate should sign below and receive an original copy.

The parties have executed this agreement on (date) _____ 20____.

Resident's Signature and Date

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Adapted from Texas A & M Adult, Graduate, and Off Campus Student Services 2002 Off Campus Survival Manual. The Georgia Southern University Off-Campus Housing Office provides this agreement for the mutual benefit of roommates. The University assumes absolutely no responsibility for the use of this form.

and packages should be locked in the trunk.

- Remove valuable property from your car whenever possible.
- Park in busy, well-lighted areas.

Be alert to suspicious behavior in your neighborhood.

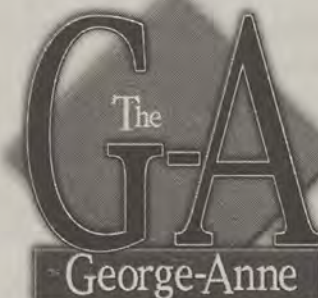
Police officers ask citizens to alert police to this behavior. Officers urge citizens: **When in doubt, call 911** and the dispatcher will send the Statesboro Police Department or the Bulloch County Sheriff's Office.

General precautions Adapted from: 2002 Off Campus Survival Manual, Texas A & M Adult, Graduate, and Off Campus Student Services

Renters 02 Resource Book, The University of Arizona Commuter Student Affairs

Ohio State University Campus Partners Burglary Prevention Website: <http://www.acs.ohio-state.edu/org/osucp/index.html>

If you don't own your home, consider buying renters' insurance. Your landlord is generally not responsible for your possessions. (Students renting a house or an apartment may not be covered by their parents' insurance policy. A renter's policy provides coverage not only for personal possessions but also for liability. So if the pizza delivery person slips in your apartment and later tries to sue you, your legal costs may be covered).



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Date: _____

To: Landlord's Name

From: Tenant's Name

Re: Rental Unit Address

Dear Landlord's Name:

I am writing to inform you that I intend to vacate the dwelling at _____
as of _____, 20____

I will be ready to deliver the premises and return the keys on _____, 20____

I would like to schedule a date and time for convenient for both of us to perform
a move-out inspection.

Move-out Inspection will take place on _____, 20____

Sincerely,

Tenant Name and Date

Keys and notice received by _____

Landlord or Agent's Signature and Date _____, 20____

FORWARDING ADDRESS NOTIFICATION

Date: _____

To: Landlord's Name

From: Tenant's Name

Re: Rental Unit Address

Dear Landlord's Name:

I have vacated the dwelling at _____ as
of _____, 20____. I am also returning the keys at this time.

This letter is to notify you of a forwarding address to which my security deposit
and/or an itemized list of deductions may be sent.

I request that you return my deposit to the following address:

Sincerely,

Tenant Name and Date

Keys and notice received by: _____

Landlord or Agent's Signature and Date _____, 20____

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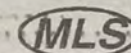
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