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## Board to assess need for tech fee increase

By Jeffrey Allen  
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The GSU Student Technology Fee Committee is inviting proposals for equipment and services that students and faculty think would be useful in assisting the learning experience.

The deadline for proposals is October 1 at 5 p.m.

According to Diana Cone, the Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs, the shortage of funds regarding the HOPE Scholarship has been the reason for the failed proposal to increase GSU's tech fee.

GSU has attempted to raise the technology fee beyond \$38 per semester for the past three years in an effort to match the technology fees at other state colleges, such as the University of Georgia, yet the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia has denied the increase each year.

The technology fee for the students at University of Georgia, Georgia State University, and Georgia Tech is \$75 per semester.

According to Cone, the technology fee is meant to "enhance technology and promote instruction for GSU students."

GSU's tech fee pays for all of the computers and printers located in the library, the College of Business Administration (COBA) and the computer labs in the Newton Building and the College of Information Technology (CIT).

These designated computers are replaced every three years to ensure that students have optimal equipment.

The technology fee also pays for materials such as paper and ink cartridges supplied in the computer labs, as well as paying for site licenses for computer programs. Thanks to the technology fee, students do not have to pay for each copy they print on-campus individually, like many other universities require.

The tech fee also supplies the labs with an experienced IT staff that are available to consult students about technical difficulties and ensure that the computers are maintained and working properly.

Many of the projection systems that are used in classrooms are also funded by GSU's tech fee.

Last year about 18 projection systems were installed in classrooms around the campus due to the need expressed by many students and faculty members.

Those with ideas that could enhance the technology and learning experience at GSU, are encouraged to log on to [http://academics.georgiasouthern.edu/provost/students/techfee\\_guidelines.html](http://academics.georgiasouthern.edu/provost/students/techfee_guidelines.html) for information on what is required to submit a tech fee proposal.

# Police officer and child die in shootings at pre-kindergarten



A police cruiser blocks the entrance to the Dougherty County School System's Pre-K facility after an Albany, Ga., police officer who had gone to the pre-kindergarten center to pick up his son got into a quarrel with the child's mother, pulled a gun and shot her, then killed the child and himself, police said on Tuesday.

Associated Press

ALBANY, Ga. - An Albany police officer who had gone to a pre-kindergarten center to pick up his 4-year-old son got into a quarrel with the child's mother, pulled a gun and shot her, then killed the child and himself, police said.

The officer, identified as Cpl. Andrew Hayslip, 37 had signed out his son from the center Tuesday afternoon when the officer's former girlfriend showed up, said Lt. Ken Singleton of the Albany Police Department.

A quarrel ensued, and the officer shot the woman, identified as LaDonna Wilkerson, 32, in the hand, then shot his son, Austin Hayslip, in the back before turning the gun on himself, Singleton said.

Police said Wilkerson was taken to Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital, where she remained Tuesday night. They described Hayslip as a 15-year veteran of the department's traffic division.

The Georgia Bureau of Investigation has taken over the case, Singleton said.

Todd Stone/AP Photo

## Kissinger urges caution in creating one national intelligence director

By Jesse J. Holland  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Henry Kissinger warned Congress on Tuesday to slow down the creation of a new intelligence superboss and said he and other cold warriors think only deliberation would ensure the change won't hurt America's intelligence and security capabilities.

The former secretary of state said he and his colleagues worry "that reform of the magnitude that is being talked about ... should not be rushed through in the last week of the congressional session in the middle of a presidential election campaign."

Testifying before the Senate Appropriations Committee, Kissinger said, "The consequences of this reform will inevitably produce months and maybe years of turmoil as the adjustments are made."

Kissinger was national security adviser and then secretary of state for former President Nixon. He now is a foreign policy consultant.

Lawmakers plan to create a national intelligence director in response to the Sept. 11 commission's complaint that a failure to cooperate by the nation's 15 military and civilian intelligence agencies precluded an effective defense that could have prevented the terror attacks on New York City and Washington.

Under legislation proposed in the House and Senate, the national intelligence director would control and



Special Photo

Henry Kissinger, former secretary of state, warned Congress on Tuesday of the potential danger of creating a national intelligence director.

coordinate the nation's nonmilitary intelligence network and become the president's chief adviser on intelligence matters.

The Senate bill would give the intelligence director full hiring, firing

and spending control over the CIA, the National Security Agency, the FBI's Office of Intelligence, the Homeland Security Department's intelligence directorate and other intelligence

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## Carter: setting date to withdraw troops could reduce Iraq violence

By Doug Gross  
Associated Press

ATLANTA - Former President Jimmy Carter said Tuesday that violence in Iraq could be greatly reduced if the U.S. government set a date to withdraw its troops.

"The main thing that sustains violence there is the apparent long term presence of U.S. troops," Carter said.

Carter was responding to a question posed during the "Conversations at the Carter Center" event, featuring the former president and his wife, Rosalynn.

Carter said he would like to see troops withdraw as early as next year if Iraqis show they can establish a self-sustained government.

He also said he would be willing to visit Iraq to help establish a democratic government.

"If and when there is a peaceful enough environment in Iraq ... then I don't think there's any doubt the Carter Center would respond if requested by the United Nations or the U.S. government," Carter said.

The center has worked in recent years to broker peace and monitor elections in nations including Venezuela, Indonesia and Sudan.

Carter called former Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein a "horrible man." But he said government officials used "deliberate misstatements" to link Saddam to the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks and exaggerate the international danger he posed.



Jimmy Carter

"The attack on Iraq and the horrible war there was completely unnecessary," Carter said.

The town hall-style meeting came just days before Carter will celebrate his 80th birthday on Oct. 1 and served as an unofficial kickoff to the celebration.

Events will include a marathon concert at The Carter Center by pianist Roger Williams, who also turns 80 next Friday.

Both Carter and Williams were born on Oct. 1, 1924 - Carter in Plains, Ga. and Williams in Omaha, Neb.

In the years since he left the White House, Carter has remained publicly active, largely through The Carter Center, which the Carters founded in 1982 to promote peace and health initiatives throughout the world. In 2002, he was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize.

### Weekday Weather

Wednesday

HIGH 88°  
LOW 64°  
Mostly Sunny

Thursday

HIGH 92°  
LOW 63°  
Sunny

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Campus News

Lecture to feature Civil War historian

Special to the G-A

Nationally acclaimed Civil War historian and award-winning author Anne J. Bailey will be the featured speaker at the 14th annual Jack N. and Addie D. Averitt Lecture Series at GSU on Oct. 4-5.



Bailey

"Invisible Southerners: Ethnicity in the Civil War" will be the theme of Bailey's three lectures, all of which will be held in the Russell Union Ballroom.

Free and open to the public, the lecture series will begin with "The War Within: Divided Loyalties of Native Americans" on Monday, Oct. 4, at 7:30 p.m.

The series will continue with "Broken Promises: German Immigrants and America's Civil War" on Tuesday, Oct. 5, at 9:30 a.m. The series will conclude with "In the Cause of Freedom: Southern Blacks in a Northern Army" on Tuesday, Oct. 5, at 2 p.m.

Bailey is a professor of history at Georgia College & State University

in Milledgeville. She is the editor of Georgia Historic Quarterly and the author of seven books on the Civil War as well as more than 150 book chapters, articles and book reviews.

Her book "The Chessboard of War: Sherman and Hood in the Autumn Campaigns of 1864" was the 2000 winner of the Richard Barksdale Harwell Award, which is presented annually by the Civil War Round Table of Atlanta to the year's best book on the Civil War.

Her most recent book, "War and Ruin: William T. Sherman and the Savannah Campaign," was published in 2002.

In addition, she wrote that book with GSU professor emeritus Walter J. Fraser Jr., the former chair of the university's Department of History.

Her next book, "In the Saddle with the Texans: Day-by-Day with Parsons' Texas Calvary Brigade," will be published by the McWhiney Foundation Press this fall.

Bailey is general editor of the "Great Campaigns of the Civil War" series published by the University of Nebraska Press.

She is also editor of the SCWH Newsletter, a quarterly publication of

the Society of Civil War Historians.

Bailey received a B.A. degree from the University of Texas at Arlington and her Ph.D. from Texas Christian University. She taught at GSU, the University of Arkansas and Texas Tech University before joining the faculty at Georgia College & State University in 1997.

Jack Averitt and wife Addie established the Averitt Lecture Series in 1990 as a gift to GSU's Department of History, Department of Literature and Philosophy, and Department of Writing and Linguistics.

Jack Averitt was the first dean of GSU's graduate school, which now bears his name. He funded the biennial Averitt Distinguished Service Award and now serves as dean emeritus.

The Averitt Lecture Series seeks to enhance on-campus academic and cultural life for students, faculty and the community by bringing world-class scholars to the university to speak on historical and literary subjects. The lectures are subsequently published by the University of Georgia Press.

For more information on the Averitt Lecture Series, contact GSU's Department of History at 912-681-5586.

Sorority hosts event to recognize special friends

Special to the G-A

Members of the Kappa Delta Sorority know who their friends are.

On Sunday, the sorority hosted their sixth-annual National Women's Friendship Day (NWFD).

This event is an opportunity for women to recognize friends that play important roles in their lives.

"We all get busy with our everyday schedules and forget to thank those who are important to us," said Melanie Schild, Executive Director of Kappa Delta Sorority.

"National Women's Friendship Day offers us a chance to stop for a minute and give thanks for our friends," she said.

Many local retailers, were invited to set up a boutique display for over 100 GSU women.

"I was extremely pleased with the turnout," said Beth Stroberg, Kappa Delta's NWFD chairman. "I was happy to share this day of friendship with so many new faces."

Kappa Delta's goal is to encourage recognition of the holiday nationwide.

Seventeen governors have signed proclamations endorsing the third Sunday in September as National Women's Friendship Day, including the Governor of Georgia

The holiday appeared in the



Special Photo

Members of the Kappa Delta Sorority hosted their annual National Women's Friendship Day on Sunday. This event is an opportunity for women to recognize friends that play important roles in their lives. Seventeen state governors have endorsed this event, marking the third Sunday in September 'National Women's Friendship Day.'

2004 Suzy's Zoo Appointment Calendar, a national stationary and greeting card company, and it also appeared in the September issue of Seventeen magazine.

NWFD was also recently ad-

opted by General Foods International, a producer of gourmet coffee and tea.

For more information, visit the Kappa Delta web site at [www.kappadelta.com](http://www.kappadelta.com).

Police Beat

09-15-2004

• Officers issued two traffic citations and three traffic warnings, assisted six motorists and one injured person, and responded to one vehicle fire and one fire alarm.

09-16-2004

• Donald Warner Newman III, 19, of 145 Columbus Williams Road, Pembroke, Ga., was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol and possession of a fake I.D.

• A case of harassment was reported at Johnson Hall.

• Several items of clothing were taken from Southern Pines.

• Officers issued one traffic warning, investigated four traffic accidents, assisted seven motorists and responded to one fire alarm.

09-17-04

• Andrew John Lord, 19, of Southern Courtyard, was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol.

• A bicycle was taken from the College of Business bike rack.

• Officers issued four traffic warnings, assisted five motorists and investigated two accidents.

09-18-04

• Thomas Ryan Williams, 21, of 1613 Campus Club, Statesboro, was charged with public indecency and public drunkenness.

• A case of simple battery was reported at Kennedy Hall.



Special Photo

The remains of the inside of a university truck that caught on fire outside of the Administration Building last Wednesday.

• Officers issued two traffic citations, two traffic warnings, assisted five motorists, responded to three fire alarms and investigated two accidents.

09-19-04

• Antoine Darcell Jackson, 19, of 629 Fair Harbor Drive, Lithonia, was charged with obstruction of an officer and giving false information to an officer.

• A bicycle was taken from the Southern Pines bike rack.

• Officers issued one traffic citation, three traffic warnings, assisted two motorists and responded to four fire alarms.

09-20-04

• Robert Alexander Cohen, 18, of 418 Brannen Drive, Statesboro, was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol.

• Adam Omega Ealum, 23, of 418 Brannen Drive, Statesboro, was charged with public drunkenness and disorderly conduct.

• Jason Andrew Galloway, 18, of Brannen Hall, was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol.

• A bicycle frame and tire were damaged at the MPP Building bike rack.

• Officers issued one traffic citation and three traffic warnings, investigated one traffic accident, assisted five motorists and one injured person, and responded to two fire alarms.

- All Police Beat information compiled by Luke Hearn, News Editor.

Campus Calendar

September 22

Sigma Tau Delta  
3:45 p.m.

The GSU chapter of Sigma Tau Delta English Honor Society is meeting today, and will feature Dr. Howard Keeley, Director of Irish Studies, as the guest speaker. All English majors and those interested in the field of English study are invited to attend. At the Forrest Drive Building, room 1106.

Technical Writers Club  
4 p.m.

An informational meeting will be held today about starting a GSU chapter of the Society of Technical Communications. All students are invited to attend. For more informa-

tion, contact Dr. Tim Giles at 912-681-5561. At the Newton Building, room 1113.

September 23

Meningitis Vaccinations  
1 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Health Services is offering a change for students to become vaccinated against meningitis. The cost is \$90, and is payable by major credit card, personal check (made out to Maxim Health Systems), or cash. At the Russell Union, room 2047.

Linguistic Circle  
7:30 p.m.

The Linguistic Circle will meet and discuss issues dealing with language,

including a new Nicaraguan sign language system. At the Writer's Lounge in the Newton Building.

September 24

Planetarium Public Evening  
7 p.m. and 8 p.m.

The GSU planetarium will host a public evening on Friday. NASA JPL Solar System Ambassador Becky Lowder will present "Constellations: Stories of the Night Sky." If clear, outdoor telescopic observation will follow the presentation. There is no admission charge for this event. For more information contact the Physics Department at 912-681-5292. At the Planetarium, Math/Physics Building.

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## Only in America

### Woman burned by flaming rum drink

ATLANTA — An Indiana woman who was burned after being doused with a flaming rum drink has filed suit against five men who were at the restaurant table where the beverage was ignited.

Aimee Zoeller, 24, said that while attending a convention in Atlanta, she went to the Atkins Park Restaurant, where one of the men tossed the flaming rum over his shoulder.

Zoeller fell to the floor as flames spread to her back, hip and hair, and suffered second- and third-degree burns.

The suit said none of the men tried to help Zoeller. Her friends took her to the hospital.

Atkins Park has filed papers asking to be left out of the lawsuit. The restaurant said the waitress who served the shots of 151-proof rum did not light the drinks. That would violate restaurant policy, the restaurant said.

### Nude volunteers clean beach

SANTA CRUZ, CA. — The weekend cleanup of a popular stretch of beach netted the usual garbage: clothing, beer bottles and rusty nails.

What made the effort at Bonny Doon Beach different from cleanups elsewhere on the California coast were the volunteers: Many were nude.

Members of the Bay Area Naturalists club were among those who collected 600 pounds of garbage at one of Northern California's most popular clothing-optional beaches, seven miles north of Santa Cruz.

The group has been helping clean trash from the beach for 17 years. The effort Saturday was part of the 20th annual California Coastal Cleanup Day, during which volunteers removed 750,000 pounds of trash from 700 locations on the state's shorelines.

The nippy weekend weather — it was 60 degrees at Bonny Doons — persuaded some of the naturalists to keep their clothes on.

"Too cold," said Bill Todd, 64, a former San Mateo resident who flew out from his home in New York state on business and decided to join old friends in the naturist club. "You don't want the wind going where the wind shouldn't go."

### Scooters a nuisance in Kentucky

PAINTSVILLE, KY. — Stricken with arthritis, Connie Haller gave up strolling the streets of this mountain town. But when the 78-year-old woman learned that the government would buy her a motorized scooter, she gladly accepted. And so did her elderly

friends. And their friends. And their friends. Now, this town of 4,000 in Kentucky's coalfields is seemingly overrun

with scooter riders.

Motorists complain that they snarl traffic, and the gray-haired riders fret about the dangers of sharing the asphalt with cars and trucks.

Paintsville officials are not sure exactly how many people in town have scooters. But Haller said she knows of at least 50 in her apartment building alone.

In Paintsville, the problem is that the town's sidewalks were not built with motorized scooters in mind, and some of the roads most heavily traveled by scooters do not have sidewalks.

Elderly and disabled residents have been circulating a petition to get a quarter-mile walkway built from the town's residential area to the shopping district so that they do not have to ride on the shoulder of Kentucky Route 321, a busy road lined with stores and restaurants.

The mayor has promised to do his best to get the walkway built.

### High heels help beat DWI charge

DURHAM, N.C. — Attorney Bill Thomas may get a lot more business from female motorists thanks to a novel defense strategy: High heels can help beat a DWI rap.

Thomas last week asked a judge how anyone could pass a field sobriety test — which requires a lot of walking — in a pair of 3 1/2-inch stiletto high heels.

Thomas contended it would be "fundamentally unfair" to use the results of field sobriety tests against one of his female clients because she was wearing stiletto heels at the time, making her unsteady on her feet.

In one of the tests, she was supposed to stand on one foot for 30 seconds.

Considering that she was wearing stiletto heels, the woman did remarkably well by making it to 16 seconds, Thomas argued.

Judge Wade Barber squelched the results of the field sobriety tests and tossed out the DWI case.

## National News Briefs

### Promising student dies at frat house



Associated Press

Two unidentified Boulder Police investigators remove one of two kegs from the rear entrance of the Chi Psi fraternity house.

BOULDER, CO. — Lynn Gordon Bailey Jr. was just starting to make his place at the University of Colorado. The freshman had joined the club lacrosse team and been accepted as a pledge into the Chi Psi fraternity.

But just hours after the 18-year-old from Dallas excitedly called his mother to update her on his new activities, he died at the fraternity's off-campus home. Police found him, with smudged ink marks on his face, on Friday morning in the first-floor library.

An investigation into how he died was to resume Monday, police spokeswoman Julie Brooks said. Police said they had not determined whether alcohol was a factor in Bailey's death, and an autopsy and toxicology report are pending.

Feldman said Bailey considered himself an athlete and did not have a drinking problem, although it was possible he was celebrating Thursday night.

She released a statement from the family, which said, "We are heartbroken over the tragic loss of our son, L. Gordon Bailey Jr. Gordie's life may have been short-lived, but he lived it fully with humor, affection, optimism, integrity and honor. Our tragedy is widely shared by all of those who had the privilege of knowing him."

Chi Psi's national charter has been suspended, but the men were allowed to remain in the home.

Social activities at the university's Greek houses have been suspended indefinitely by the Interfraternity Council. The university also plans a review of its relationship with the Greek system.

### Serial killer may escape death sentence

BATONROUGE, LA. — A defense expert has found Louisiana serial killings suspect Derrick Todd Lee to be mentally retarded, a lawyer said Tuesday in a new twist that could be used to try to spare Lee a possible death penalty.

Public defender Mike Mitchell made the announcement as jury selection continued for Lee's first-degree murder trial in the beating and stabbing death of 22-year-old Charlotte Murray Pace.

Mitchell said he received a single-line e-mail from the mental health expert a day earlier but not a formal report, and he said he was trying to obtain more information about the findings.

Prosecutor John Sinquefeld said prosecutors are entitled to a separate and independent evaluation of Lee by a psychiatrist, but he said the court has time to handle the matter without interfering with the trial because any penalty phase if Lee is convicted is still weeks away.

Authorities say DNA evidence links Lee to the slaying of Pace — who was killed May 31, 2002 — and six other women in southern Louisiana between April 1998 and March 2003.

He was sentenced last month to life in prison for a second-degree murder conviction in the beating and stabbing death of Geryl DeSoto in neighboring West Baton Rouge Parish. He is appealing that conviction and has pleaded not guilty in the Pace case.

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agencies that don't directly feed the Pentagon.

Some senators want the director to have even more power, but a committee voted down attempts by Republican Sens. Richard Shelby of Alabama and Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania to give the director cabinet status and management authority.

Governmental Affairs chairwoman Susan Collins, R-Maine, said the complaints by Kissinger and Shelby making diametrically opposite points show the drafters have found a decent middle ground. "It suggests to me we've struck the right balance," she said.

Collins and ranking Democrat Joseph Lieberman of Connecticut plan to send their legislation to the full Senate on Wednesday.

The House bill, which will closely follow the White House's plan, also would let the intelligence chief coordinate nonmilitary spy agencies, but would limit the director's hiring and budgetary control. House leaders expect to start working on their legislation this week.

Kissinger said many of his friends in the intelligence business are worried about changes Congress is considering.

Kissinger was one of many prominent names who signed a letter asking for Congress to slow down. Others names on the letter include: former

Secretary of State George Shultz; former Defense Secretaries Frank Carlucci and William Cohen; former Sens. David Boren, Bill Bradley, Gary Hart, Sam Nunn, and Warren Rudman; former CIA Director Robert Gates; and John Hamre, former deputy secretary of defense.

Kissinger said they wonder where the intelligence director would get his staff, whether the current intelligence agencies would be dissolved to make way for the new director and how much power this person would have in fact.

He said his experience from attending many National Security Council meetings made him worry about the proposed director's relationship with Cabinet members.

Kissinger warned that having domestic and foreign intelligence under one person also might be a problem. "Creating an intelligence czar with domestic surveillance authority that is not under the attorney general, and measures that separate domestic intelligence from law enforcement, go against all the lessons that democratic governments have learned the hard way," he said.

Facing such considerations, Kissinger said, Congress should wait and make sure that what they're doing is correct. "Emphasizing quality is more important than moving boxes on an organization chart," he said.

## HEALTH SERVICES

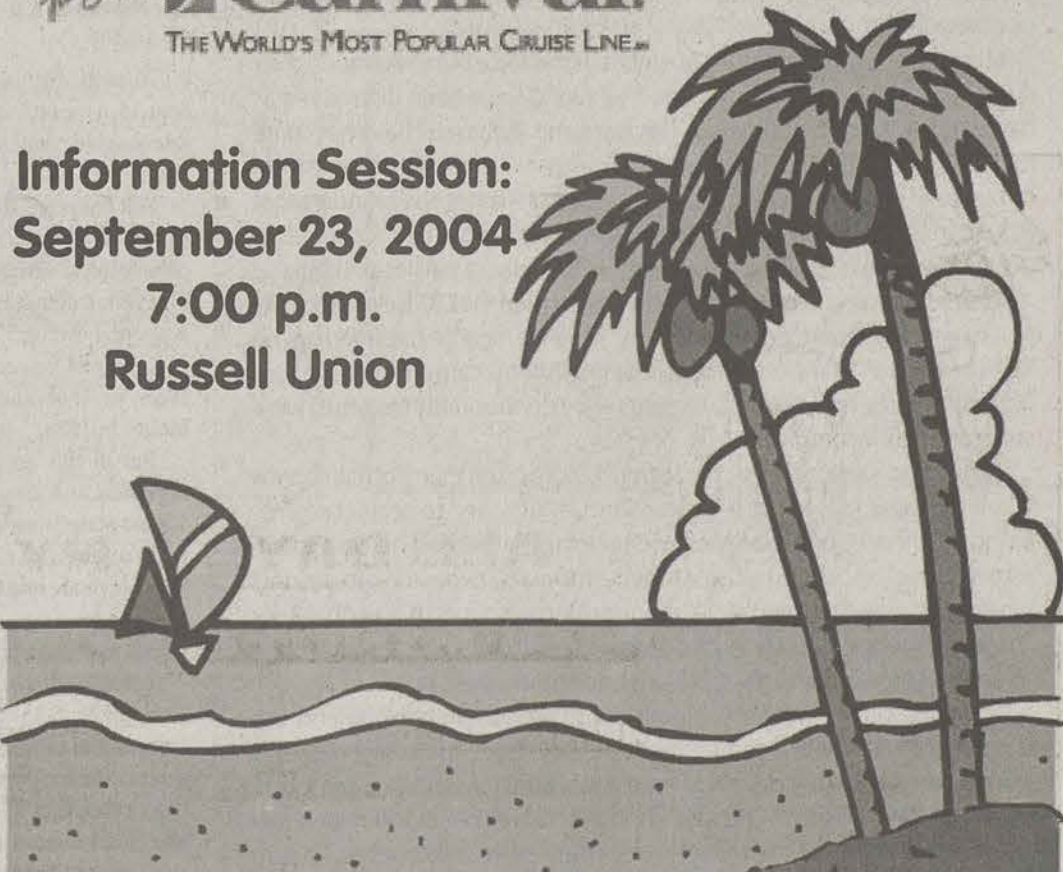
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our opinion

## Financial advice from The Hill

Who says Microsoft is the only organization in the nation making a ridiculous amount of cash? Not this opinion. A group of "civil servants" is pulling in one of the most impressive salaries in the nation, and you are paying for it.

At least Microsoft and other ridiculously hugified companies built themselves through good business and hard work. These financial wizards just give themselves a raise whenever they feel like it.

Of course I'm referring to the cost-of-living pay raise that Congress just approved for itself.

But, hey, what's four thousand dollars a year between friends?

And we're sure Congress deserves a raise, just like the one they got last year, and the year before... In fact, this raise is just like the raises they've given themselves every year for eight years (back when the average House member made a wallet-strapping \$133,000), with the exception of 1998. But they've worked hard giving us fine dedicated service, occasionally voting on bills, writing important documents to keep this country running... in circles, and trying to keep anything at all from getting done.

With the average House member currently making a mere \$158,000 a year and House Speaker barely making \$203,000 a year, who can blame them for needing a little extra dough? Those poor servants of ours, sacrificing so much, just to look out for our wellbeing.

We should all try to put ourselves in their shoes. Personally, I think we should take the extra funding from our health care... Oops... I forgot, we haven't gotten that far yet. Well, they can do that next year. With the extra money maybe now they can afford to pay attention to current issues.

But it's not all about them. As a matter of fact, it has nothing to do with them. The actual bill this little blurb is attached to is an \$89.9 billion Transportation and Treasury Dept. spending bill. What sets this year's 3.5 percent pay raise apart from past raises is that it extends to other government workers as well. Finally, general government workers - who don't get to vote on their own salaries - will receive a similar pay raise, the first of such to be included with Congress's annual pocket lining.

There was one voice speaking against the pay increase: Jim Matheson the Utah representative. They should definitely get rid of him. Who knows, he might actually prevent the next one, even though Congress voted 235-170 not to even vote on the pay raise as a separate issue.

But do consider their side carefully. They're only in the top five percent of U.S. salaries. That's a long ways they've got to go to the top. At least they can still rely on their contributors to provide them with their necessary ends. Maybe they won't quit with the health insurance, pension, transportation, and other perks we the people supply to them, our dutiful representatives.

So hats off to this wonderful group of people, which costs lots of money and does jack. We should all aspire to this level of corruption.

## Big black eye at CBS News

The following editorial appeared in the New York Daily News on Tuesday, Sept. 21:

CBS News President Andrew Heyward and anchorman Dan Rather on Monday acknowledged what everyone outside broadcast headquarters knew for much of the last two weeks: The "60 Minutes" gotcha that purported to prove George W. Bush's military malingerer never should have been aired.

Messrs. Heyward and Rather, finally, had no choice but to abandon their staunchly defended report because it had long since been discredited as based on forged memos. Even so, Heyward and Rather still have not come fully clean with the American public. Their formal statements were masterpieces of evasion. Neither took due responsibility for the blunders that damaged the credibility of CBS News. Instead, they blamed an unstable, disgruntled former National Guard officer for making patsies of them.

The network said Bill Burkett "deliberately misled the CBS News producer working on the report," and Rather said, "I find we have been misled on the key questions of how our source for the documents came into possession of these papers." While both statements were undoubtedly true, they were still startlingly incomplete.

News organizations fall victim to fraud. More often than not, it happens when someone fails to abide by standards established to protect against being had. There's now plenty of evidence that Rather and his crew made errors that will shock journalism students for years to come. Yet it was only when interviewed by New York TV reporter Marcia Kramer that an obviously shaken Rather on Monday night admitted: "I didn't dig hard enough, long enough, didn't ask enough of the right questions." Well, duh.

The mea culpas were in keeping with CBS' attempts to defend the broadcast in the face of an onslaught of challenges, including warnings from its own experts not to rely on the documents. Rather called those warnings "fair criticism." CBS says an independent panel will review the network's handling of the story. The findings will be made public. They're likely to be scathing, which may explain why Heyward and Rather have not been more forthcoming.

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# Hello Kitty Kelley



## Journalists must prioritize truth

Freedom of expression is possibly the most highly valued human right in the United States.

It is especially valuable to American journalists.

Countries all over the world are moving away from allowing freedom of expression in the media. Zimbabwe, Venezuela and Brazil are among those that are recently requiring their journalists to obtain licenses in order to work for any newspaper, television or radio station.

These laws seem outrageous to American citizens. Banning or restricting journalists' ability to inform the American public is absolutely unheard of. Yet recent news has made me question whether we are capable of handling such responsibility.

The most recent of these cases is CBS anchor Dan Rather's decision to air four unverified documents about the president on his September 8, 60 Minutes broadcast.

Before Rather's story aired containing the now-alleged false documents, he was warned by document expert Marcel Matley that the documents could not yet be considered genuine, according to CBSNews.com. Other document experts CBS consulted for the story also raised doubts but say they were ignored.

It seems that Rather cared more about getting

his personal views out to the public than reporting the truth.

A journalist's job is to present the facts. Not what he thinks might be the facts. Not what he wants to be the facts. Dan Rather's obligation as a journalist was to check all the facts. He chose not to.

This is not an issue about which candidate served more honorably in Vietnam or which should win the presidential election. It is about journalistic integrity.

It is easy enough to destroy a person's image with the truth. Having to filter the media for lies and slanted truths will only push this nation a step closer to being like those countries whose citizens believe hardly anything they hear.

According to an AOL.com poll, an incredible 78 percent of American citizens asked said they do not trust the news media in general.

What good is our freedom of expression if so many Americans still don't trust the media?

If we can't report the truth, we don't deserve this freedom.

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## Hispanic Heritage Month is more than colorful festivals

By Yolanda Chavez Leyva and Jose Miguel Leyva  
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Hispanic Heritage Month, which started Sept. 15, is meant to recognize and commemorate the achievements of Latinos throughout the nation's history.

You may see the typical articles about things like avocados in ethnic food, and colorful local festivals celebrating the month. This is not all that Hispanic Heritage Month is about, however.

Congress first created Hispanic Heritage Week in 1968 and then extended it to a month in 1988.

But in this growing atmosphere of xenophobia and anti-Latino sentiment in the United States, how can Latinos really believe their culture and contributions are valued? Many of us are told to assimilate and become like everyone else, and to throw aside those things that make us unique.

Samuel Huntington - chairman of the Harvard Academy of International and Area Studies, and author of "Who Are We?" - considers Latinos a threat to the nation. In fact, he has written that "the single most immediate and most serious challenge to America's traditional identity comes from the immense and continuing immigration from Latin America, especially from Mexico."

One newspaper reader earlier this year wrote us the following: "I would like to see every single Hispanic person who is stopped by the police for a traffic infraction, required to produce legal green card or citizenship papers or be immediately deported. Any child whose parents cannot show legal resident to be kicked out of school."

Has anti-Latino hysteria reached the point where we are no longer deserving of the basic rights every other citizen is granted?

Fortunately, this is an election year, and politicians have to take Latinos seriously, since the number of eligible Latino voters is about 16 million.

Bush and Kerry are both releasing million-dollar Spanish ad campaigns, and both are making immigration the foundation of their Latino promotion. But immigration is not our central issue. A July 22 poll by the Pew Hispanic Center revealed that immigration was way down the list of Latino concerns, far behind their top concerns of education, the economy and health care.

While we applaud attention to Latino contributions to this nation, Hispanic Heritage Month is not enough. It's mere symbolism unless we are able to win equal economic, political and educational opportunities for all.

Latino accomplishments and contributions - often in the face of prejudice and discrimination - ought to be acknowledged year round.

The struggle for equality and justice will continue even when the celebrations are over.

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# Braves edge Cincinnati, 5-4

By Paul Newberry  
Associated Press

John Thomson pitched seven strong innings, Julio Franco had three hits and the Atlanta Braves reduced their magic number for winning the NL East to three with a 5-4 victory over the Cincinnati Reds on Tuesday night.

The Braves' victory, coupled with second-place Florida's 4-2 loss to Philadelphia, means Atlanta could clinch its 13th straight division title as soon as Thursday.

The Marlins trail the Braves by 9 1/2 games.

Thomson (13-8) allowed only one run and five hits to win his third straight start, also setting a season high with nine strikeouts. The right-hander is 7-1 in his last 14 starts.

John Smoltz finished for his 40th save, the 150th of his career. He retired the first two hitters in the ninth, then gave up three straight hits, including Jacob Cruz's RBI single. After a trip to the mound by pitching coach Leo Mazzone, Smoltz struck out Felipe Lopez with two on to end it.

Franco singled in his first three at-bats, driving in a run in the fourth. The 46-year-old first baseman moved up to 91st on the career hit list with 2,447, passing Mark Grace and Dwight Evans.

Eddie Perez had two RBIs for the Braves, who could have beaten



Cincinnati Reds' Felipe Lopez slides under the tag of Atlanta Braves Marcus Giles, beating the throw from Chipper Jones at third base to earn a double in the eighth inning at Turner Field, Tuesday Sept., 21.

AP Photo/John Amis

The Reds much worse. Atlanta left 13 runners on base – at least one in each of the first seven innings.

As it was, the Braves out-hit Cincinnati 12-9.

Brandon Claussen (2-6) lasted only four innings for Cincinnati, giving up seven hits and walking four.

The Braves left the bases loaded in the first, but broke through in the second. Eli Marrero led off with a single,

moved to second on Rafael Furcal's walk and came home on Marcus Giles' two-out single to left.

That would be a familiar theme. Perez made it 2-0 in the third with another two-out hit, singling to center to drive in Franco. Then it was Franco's turn to come through with two outs, his single in the fourth bringing home Giles.

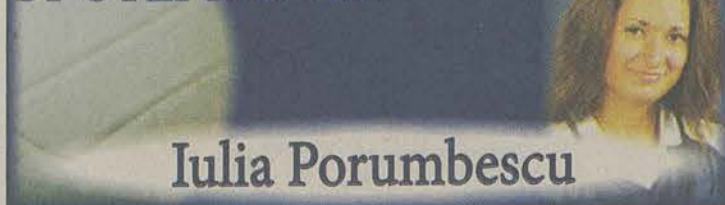
The Braves tacked on two more

runs in the seventh. Marrero had an RBI double and Perez hit a sacrifice fly.

Jason LaRue pushed across Cincinnati's first run in the fourth with a two-out double.

After Thomson left, Chris Reitsma gave up two runs in the eighth. Sean Casey had a sacrifice fly and Adam Dunn drove in another run with a groundout.

## SPOTLIGHT ON



Iulia Porumbescu

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Iulia Porumbescu is entering her first year as the outside hitter for the Georgia Southern volleyball team.

Even given this is her first year here at Georgia Southern she in no way lacks experience. Iulia enjoyed being named first team All-Conference, first-team All Region and first team All-American while playing for ninth place NJCAA finisher Lee last season.

Iulia is the third junior college All-American to join the Southern Conference Georgia Southern Eagles including Camilia Schmitz-Rower and Martina Veiglova.

The budding Georgia Southern Volleyball star says her reason for choosing Georgia Southern over larger schools like North Carolina was Coach Messersmith.

"I liked that they were a successful program, winning the Southern Conference Championship three years straight. I also liked how Coach Messersmith is more than just a coach and gives her players so much individual attention," she said.

Iulia feels that the team started a bit slowly last week, but will follow it up today with a great showing against the College of Charleston.

Regarding her role as a leader on the team she had this to say: "We have a great tradition to follow, and I feel more confident now that the girls are counting on me."

Iulia's credentials could not be any greater to lead this team, and she is a proven winner.

She looks to lead the Eagles to yet another Southern Conference Championship.

Be sure to catch the Eagles this Wednesday at 7 p.m. at Hanner.

### American League Standings

W	L	Pct	GB
New York	95	.56	.629
Boston	90	.60	.412
Baltimore	70	.79	.470
Tampa Bay	64	.85	.430
Toronto	63	.88	.417

**Central Division**  
**W L Pct GB**  
x-Minnesota 88 63 .583  
Chicago 75 75 .500 12 1/2  
Cleveland 73 78 .483 15  
Detroit 68 82 .453 19 1/2  
Kansas City 55 95 .367 32 1/2

W	L	Pct	GB
Oakland	87	.63	.580
Anaheim	85	.65	.567
Texas	83	.67	.553
Seattle	56	.94	.373

**x-clinched division**  
**Monday's Games**  
Baltimore 9, Boston 6  
Detroit 3, Cleveland 1  
Toronto 6, N.Y. Yankees 3  
Kansas City 6, Tampa Bay 3  
Minnesota 8, Chicago White Sox 2  
Anaheim 5, Seattle 2

### Tuesday's Games

Boston 3, Baltimore 2
N.Y. Yankees 5, Toronto 3
Cleveland 8, Detroit 7
Tampa Bay 7, Kansas City 4
Texas 9, Oakland 4
Chicago White Sox 8, Minnesota 6
Seattle at Anaheim, 10:05 p.m.

**Wednesday's Games**  
Kansas City (May 9-18) at Tampa Bay (Wachter 4-7), 12:15 p.m.  
Baltimore (Ponson 11-14) at Boston (Arroyo 9-9), 7:05 p.m.  
Toronto (Lilly 11-10) at N.Y. Yankees (Hernandez 8-0), 7:05 p.m.  
Cleveland (Westbrook 12-9) at Detroit (Robertson 12-9), 7:05 p.m.  
Oakland (Zito 11-10) at Texas (Rogers 16-8), 8:05 p.m.  
Minnesota (Mullholland 5-9) at Chicago White Sox (Grilli 2-1), 8:05 p.m.  
Seattle (Meche 5-6) at Anaheim (Colon 16-11), 10:05 p.m.

**Thursday's Games**  
Oakland at Texas, 2:05 p.m.  
Tampa Bay at N.Y. Yankees, 3:05 p.m.  
Baltimore at Boston, 7:05 p.m.  
Minnesota at Cleveland, 7:05 p.m.  
Kansas City at White Sox, 8:05 p.m.

### NFL Football Eagles 27, Vikings 16

By Rob Maaddi  
Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA - Donovan McNabb moonwalked, Terrell Owens slam-dunked and the Philadelphia Eagles' defense kept Daunte Culpepper and Randy Moss from strutting their best stuff.

McNabb threw a touchdown pass to Owens and raff for another score, leading the Eagles over the Minnesota Vikings 27-16 Monday night.

The Vikings hogged the ball for nearly 38 minutes, but were hurt by miscues and crucial penalties.

"Our defense did an excellent job keeping them out of the end zone," McNabb said. "When we had our opportunities, we took full advantage by putting points on the board."

Though the teams combined for 727 yards and only punted twice, this wasn't the offensive shootout many expected. McNabb outplayed Culpepper, who hurt his team badly with a fumble inside the Philadelphia 1.

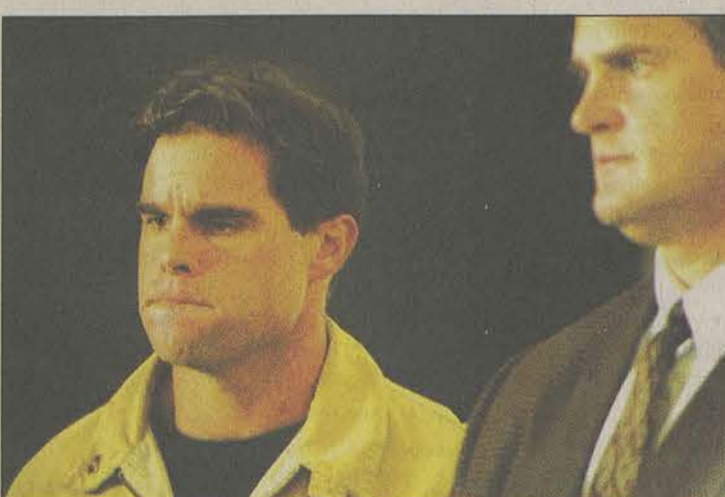
"I thought the ball might have crossed the plane," Culpepper said. "I thought my body was in there." Philadelphia scored again on David Akers' 37-yard field goal. He also had a 47-yarder with 1:11 to go.

Dawkins' fumble recovery after Nate Wayne stripped the ball from Culpepper near the goal line finished the wide-open first half at 10-6.

"Whether it be the fumble, or penalties or missed assignments, that's football," Culpepper said.

Philadelphia began the second half at Minnesota 43 after rookie J.R. Reed's 46-yard kickoff return. McNabb avoided a strong rush and got in the end zone after a block by tailback Reno Mahe near the 5 on his 20-yard scramble for a 20-6 lead.

Culpepper, who threw for five TDs in last week's win over Dallas, returned the favor by scoring on an 11-yard run on the next series, only to see it negated by center Matt Birk's holding penalty. Andersen kicked his third field goal, from 39 yards.



AP Photo/The Spokesman-Review, Christopher Anderson

Idaho football coach Nick Holt, left, reacts while talking about the death of Eric McMillan, during a news conference Tuesday, Sept. 21, 2004, in Moscow, Idaho. McMillan, a starting cornerback for Idaho, was shot once in the chest in his apartment in the university town of Moscow on Sunday afternoon, police Capt. Cam Hershaw said. He died at a local hospital Monday. Authorities said Tuesday they weren't even sure he was the intended target. At right is Idaho athletic director Rob Spear.

## Two arrested in fatal shooting of University of Idaho football player

Associated Press

MOSCOW, Idaho - A University of Idaho football player was shot to death and police arrested two brothers from Seattle following a car chase that extended across two states.

A motive for the shooting was not immediately clear. Eric McMillan, 19, was pronounced dead early Monday at an area hospital, Moscow police Capt. Cam Hershaw said. McMillan was a starting cornerback for the Vandals and had played Saturday against Washington State.

Police responding to a report of gunshots fired Sunday afternoon arrived at McMillan's house only to find someone had already taken him to the hospital, Hershaw said.

Based on a description and license plate number given by witnesses who saw a car speeding from McMillan's home, sheriff's deputies began pursuing a late-model white BMW with two men inside, officials said.

A spike strip across a highway ended the chase several hours and jurisdictions later. Matthew R. Wells II, 27, and James J. Wells, 25, of Seattle, were arrested Sunday night on Interstate 90 near Vantage, Wash., about 150 miles west of Moscow.

The brothers, who are former football standouts at a high school in Seattle, were being held in a Washington jail for investigation of felony attempted eluding. Bail was set at \$75,000 each, prosecutor Denis Tracy said.

Arrest warrants for first-degree murder were issued for the men from Latah County, Idaho, but an extradition request had not been made as of Tuesday morning.

McMillan's friends and relatives struggled with the grim news. "We'll deal with this as a football family and get through this together," Idaho coach Nick Holt said before a team meeting Monday.

"We're all baffled," Idaho sports information director Becky Paull said. McMillan, a redshirt freshman from Murrieta, Calif., had three tackles in Idaho's 49-8 loss to Washington State on Saturday. He is survived by two sisters, one of whom is his twin, Paull said.

"If you wanted a son, you'd pick Eric McMillan. He affected everybody he was around," said McMillan's former high school coach, Wally Clark. "He had a bubbly personality, a huge white smile, no enemies. Teachers used him as an example. This is what you want to become."

A former high school teammate said the Wells brother were good students and good athletes.

"Everybody is still shellshocked right now," Adrian Conley, 24, told the Seattle Post-Intelligencer. "I can't believe they would do anything like this."

### The Rapp Report



Matt Rapp • sports editor

### What's with these yellow wristbands?

If you've ever noticed someone wearing a yellow wristband around town and wondered what it was, don't worry. You're not the only one.

When I wear my Live Strong bracelet on campus, I probably get asked at least once or twice what it is every time. And yes, it gets a little annoying after a while, but the cause is worth explaining.

The Lance Armstrong Foundation was started in 1997 by the Cycling Champion and cancer survivor Lance Armstrong. Nike has teamed up with the LAF to sell five million yellow Live Strong bracelets. At \$1 a bracelet, all profits go to the LAF. That comes out to \$5 million for you math majors.

Most people noticed the Live Strong bracelets for the first time during the Summer Olympics. Many of the American athletes supported the cause. It's also not uncommon to see a celebrity sporting one on television.

Cancer has a huge impact on society with nearly 10 million people living with it today. Many people have felt the effects from a cancer victim or survivor, whether it was a family member or a close friend.

If you want to support the cause, go to [www.livestrong.org](http://www.livestrong.org) to find out more information and purchase your own bracelet.

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